

 **LUNAR FINANCE**  
**SECURITY ASSESSMENT**  
**FINAL FINDINGS REPORT**

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# DISCLAIMER

A penetration test is considered a snapshot in time. The findings and recommendations reflect the information gathered during the assessment and not any changes or modifications made outside of that period.

Time-limited engagements do not allow for a full evaluation of all security controls. Guild Audits prioritized the assessment to identify the weakest security controls an attacker would exploit. Guild Audits recommends conducting similar assessments on an annual basis by internal or third-party assessors to ensure the continued success of the controls.

# PROJECT SUMMARY

Project Name: **Lunar Finance**

Description: Lunar Finance is a decentralized finance (DeFi) platform focused on providing cross-chain trading and liquidity aggregation tools. It is a protocol that lets users:

- Swap tokens across different blockchains (i.e. cross-chain swaps), Bridge assets from one blockchain to another, Use limit orders (place trades that execute only when a price condition is met), Automate strategies like DCA (dollar-cost averaging) and “Refuel gas” (help with covering transaction/gas costs across chains).

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The security assessment of Lunar Finance’s staging environment revealed multiple critical vulnerabilities that could be exploited to execute unauthorized transactions, expose sensitive data, and manipulate financial records.

A critical CORS misconfiguration (LF-001) allowed cross-origin requests from untrusted domains. When combined with authorization bypasses on transaction execution (LF-002) and insecure direct object references (IDOR) on transaction data (LF-003, LF-004), this introduced a severe risk of fund loss and data leakage.



The absence of application-level rate limiting (LF-005) increased the likelihood of denial-of-service attacks and automated abuse. Additionally, a design flaw permitting users to arbitrarily update transaction statuses (LF-006) undermined the integrity and immutability expected in DeFi applications. Although no exploitable XSS vulnerabilities were identified (LF-007), the lack of a Content Security Policy (CSP) and other security headers left the application more susceptible to future attacks. The remaining findings were low or informational and do not pose immediate risk.

## ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW

From September 20th, 2025 to October 1st, 2025, Lunar Finance engaged Guild Audits to evaluate the security posture of its infrastructure compared to current industry best practices that included an internal network penetration test. All testing performed is based on the NIST SP 800-115 Technical Guide to Information Security Testing and Assessment, OWASP Testing Guide (v4), and customized testing frameworks.

Phases of penetration testing activities include the following:

- Planning – Customer goals are gathered and rules of engagement obtained.
- Discovery – Perform scanning and enumeration to identify potential vulnerabilities, weak areas, and exploits.
- Attack – Confirm potential vulnerabilities through exploitation and perform additional discovery upon new access.
- Reporting – Document all found vulnerabilities and exploits, failed attempts, and company strengths and weaknesses.

## Web Application & API Security Review

A review of the Lunar Finance web application and API emulated the role of an external attacker. The auditors scanned endpoints, tested for vulnerabilities, and attempted attacks including CORS misconfigurations, IDOR, authorization bypasses, and logic flaws, with the goal of identifying unauthorized access to data or functionality.



# FINDING SEVERITY RATINGS

The following table defines levels of severity and corresponding CVSS score ranges that are used throughout the document to assess vulnerability and risk impact.

Severity	CVSS V3 Score Range	Description
Critical	9.0-10.0	Exploitation is straightforward and usually results in system-level compromise. It is advised to form a plan of action and patch immediately. <sup>2</sup>
High	7.0-8.9	Exploitation is more difficult but could cause elevated privileges and potentially a loss of data or downtime. It is advised to form a plan of action and patch as soon as possible.
Medium	4.0-6.9	Vulnerabilities exist but are not exploitable or require extra steps such as social engineering. It is advised to form a plan of action and patch after high-priority issues have been resolved.
Low	0.1-3.9	Vulnerabilities are non-exploitable but would reduce an organization's attack surface. It is advised to form a plan of action and patch during the next maintenance window.
Information	N/A	No vulnerability exists. Additional information is provided regarding items noticed during testing, strong controls, and additional documentation.

## Risk Factors

Risk is measured by two factors: Likelihood and Impact:

### Likelihood

Likelihood measures the potential of a vulnerability being exploited. Ratings are given based on the difficulty of the attack, the available tools, attacker skill level, and client environment.

### Impact

Impact measures the potential vulnerability's effect on operations, including confidentiality, integrity, and availability of client systems and/or data, reputational harm, and financial loss.



**Scope:**

Frontend ([lunar-test.vercel.app](https://lunar-test.vercel.app)) & API ([lunar-fi-main-server-staging-7b98.up.railway.app](https://lunar-fi-main-server-staging-7b98.up.railway.app))

**Out of Scope:**

- Social Engineering
- Production environment testing

# Tester Notes and Recommendations

Testing of the Lunar Finance staging environment indicates that the application is still in active development and currently lacks several foundational security controls. The most critical issues identified center around missing authentication and authorization mechanisms on sensitive API endpoints.

The combination of overly permissive CORS settings with endpoints that accept unvalidated user input represents a severe design flaw. In a DeFi context, such weaknesses could directly enable cross-origin attacks leading to theft or manipulation of user funds.

## Key Recommendations:

### 1. Implement Wallet-Based Authentication

- Use “Sign-In with Solana” or equivalent wallet signature methods to bind all quotes and transaction executions to authenticated sessions.
- Ensure session tokens or signatures are verified server-side.

### 2. Enforce Authorization Controls

- Restrict data access and transaction updates strictly to the owning wallet address.
- Apply role-based access controls (RBAC) where applicable.

### 3. Restrict CORS Policy

- Immediately limit Access-Control-Allow-Origin to trusted frontend domains.
- Remove Access-Control-Allow-Credentials unless strictly required.



#### 4. Harden Input Validation

- Enforce strict schema validation at the API layer.
- Reject any unexpected or extraneous fields to prevent bypasses and logic abuse.

#### Positive Observations:

- Application was not vulnerable to common reflected or stored XSS payloads.

## VULNERABILITY REPORT CARD

#### Severity Breakdown

- Critical: 4
- High: 2
- Moderate: 1
- Low/Info: 3

ID	Severity	Finding	Recommendations
LF-001	Critical	CORS Misconfiguration	Restrict CORS origins; implement CSP.
LF-002	Critical	Authorization Bypass on /api/swap/execute	Implement wallet-based authentication; validate user ownership.
LF-003	Critical	IDOR on GET /api/transactions	Add wallet-based authentication; implement RBAC.
LF-004	Critical	IDOR on PUT /api/transaction/status	Restrict updates to owners/automation; make statuses immutable.
LF-005	High	No Application-Level Rate Limiting	Implement rate limiting per IP/account; add WAF.



LF-006	High	Design Flaw in User-Editable Transaction Status	Automate status via blockchain; remove user-editable fields.
LF-007	Medium	Input Validation Flaws	Implement strict schema validation; reject unknown fields.
LF-008	Low/info	XSS Testing (Clean)	Continue monitoring; add CSP defense-in-depth.
LF-009	Low/info	Source Map Disclosures (valid)	Ensure source maps are not served in production.
LF-010	Low/info	JS Asset Analysis (Google Analytics)	Review GA configuration for potential PII exposure.

# TYPES OF ISSUES

**Open:** Security vulnerabilities identified that must be resolved and are currently unresolved.

**Resolved:** These are the issues identified in the initial audit and have been successfully fixed.

**Acknowledged:** Vulnerabilities that have been acknowledged but are yet to be resolved.

**Partially Resolved:** Considerable efforts have been invested to reduce the risk/impact of the security issue, but are not completely resolved.



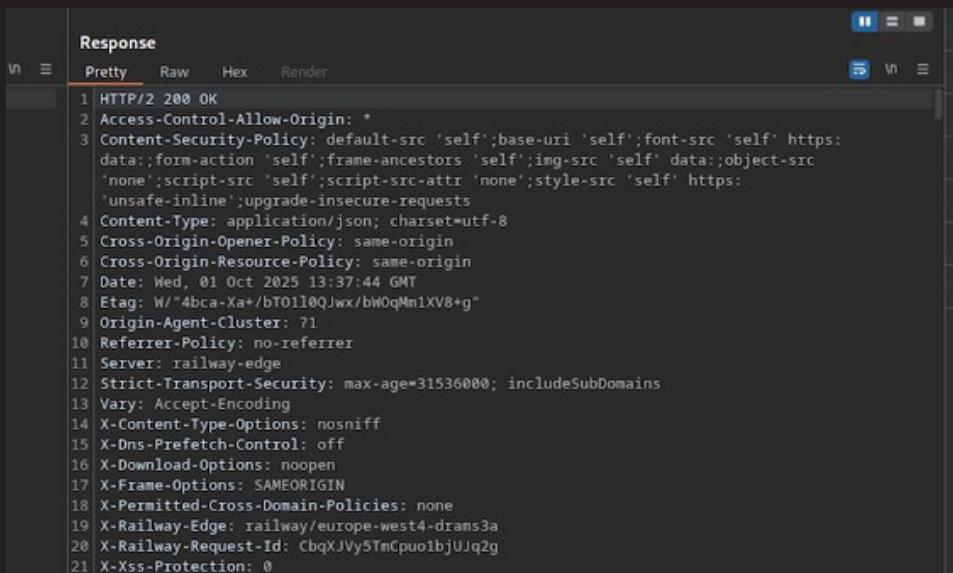
# TECHNICAL FINDINGS

## CRITICAL SEVERITY ISSUES ☰

### 1. CORS Misconfiguration

**Description:** API configured with **Access-Control-Allow-Origin**: while allowing credentials, enabling cross-origin attacks.

**Evidence:**



```
HTTP/2 200 OK
Access-Control-Allow-Origin: *
Content-Security-Policy: default-src 'self';base-uri 'self';font-src 'self' https: data:;form-action 'self';frame-ancestors 'self';img-src 'self' data:;object-src 'none';script-src 'self';script-src-attr 'none';style-src 'self' https: 'unsafe-inline';upgrade-insecure-requests
Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
Cross-Origin-Opener-Policy: same-origin
Cross-Origin-Resource-Policy: same-origin
Date: Wed, 01 Oct 2025 13:37:44 GMT
Etag: W/"4bca-Xa+/bT01l0QJwx/bwOqMm1XV8+g"
Origin-Agent-Cluster: ?1
Referrer-Policy: no-referrer
Server: railway-edge
Strict-Transport-Security: max-age=31536000; includeSubDomains
Vary: Accept-Encoding
X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
X-Dns-Prefetch-Control: off
X-Download-Options: noopener
X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
X-Permitted-Cross-Domain-Policies: none
X-Railway-Edge: railway/europe-west4-drams3a
X-Railway-Request-Id: CbqXJVy5TmCpu0bjUJq2g
X-Xss-Protection: 0
```

**Impact of the vulnerability :** Attackers can read swap quotes and execute transactions from malicious domains.

**Recommendation:** Restrict CORS to trusted domains; implement CSP headers.

**Status:** Resolved

### 2. Authorization Bypass on /api/swap/execute

**Description:** Endpoint builds transactions for any token address without authentication. Each execute transaction should bound to a user account, with *quotelid* of nonce (single use) and short expiry .

## Evidence:

```
```http
POST /api/swap/execute HTTP/1.1
Content-Type: application/json

{
  "userAddress": "EPjFWdd5AufqSSqeM2qN1xzybapC8G4wEGGkZwyTDt1v",
  "quoteId": "abc123"
}

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
{
  "transaction": "4hXQkuz9WcRr5a...",
}
```

```

**Impact:** Enables CSRF attacks tricking users into signing malicious transactions.

**Recommendation:** Implement wallet-based authentication; validate user ownership such that each execution call with a nonce *quoteid* is bound to an authenticated user, this prevents replay attacks and unauthorized transaction.

**Status:** Resolved

## 3. IDOR on GET /api/transactions

**Description:** Exposes transaction history for any user address without authorization. Any authenticated user can initiate a massive data breach by downloading the entire transaction history of the platform.

## Evidence:

The screenshot shows a browser's developer tools Network tab. On the left, under 'Request', is a code snippet of an HTTP GET request to '/api/transactions'. On the right, under 'Response', is a detailed JSON object representing a list of transactions. The JSON includes fields like 'success', 'data', 'transactions', and individual transaction details such as 'id', 'quoteId', 'userAddress', 'protocol', 'protoLogo', 'tokenIn', 'amountIn', 'tokenOut', 'amountOut', 'status', 'transactionHash', 'txTime', 'txTimeUTC', 'txTimeDisplay', 'tokenInDetails', 'tokenOutDetails', 'dollarValue', 'fee', and 'feeUSD'.

```
Request
Pretty Raw Hex
1 GET /api/transactions HTTP/2
2 Host: Lunar-fi-main-server-staging-7098.up.railway.app
3 Sec-Ch-Ua-Platform: "Linux"
4 Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.9
5 Accept: application/json, text/plain, */*
6 Sec-Ch-Ua-Mobile: ?0
7 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/140.0.0.0 Safari/140.0.0
8 Sec-Ch-Ua-Mobile: ?0
9 Origin: https://lunar-test.vercel.app
10 Sec-Fetch-Site: cross-site
11 Sec-Fetch-Mode: cors
12 Sec-Fetch-Dest: empty
13 Referer: https://lunar-test.vercel.app/
14 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
15 Priority: u-1, i
16
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Response
Pretty Raw Hex Render
{
  "success": true,
  "data": {
    "transactions": [
      {
        "id": "9c55ffdd-bf64-4aab-9d3b-7d528190be66",
        "quoteId": "40866b25-e261-4995-9663-1f118603508c",
        "userAddress": "0xa270aAbEc3941415977149d89217a8f83",
        "protocol": "relay",
        "protoLogo": "/logos/relay.jpg",
        "tokenIn": "0x550908326f908919f775485246999827831979",
        "tokenOut": "0x550908326f908919f775485246999827831979",
        "amountIn": "26.0",
        "amountOut": "26.32886405",
        "status": "confirmed",
        "transactionHash": "0xf57491e4ad7cf5db1642df0f35438a0fa21f40970b6654",
        "txTime": "2025-09-30T16:30:51.699Z",
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        "txTimeDisplay": "2025-09-30T16:30:51.699Z",
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          "symbol": "XPL",
          "logoURI": null,
          "decimals": 18
        },
        "tokenOutDetails": {
          "name": null,
          "symbol": "USDT",
          "logoURI": null,
          "decimals": 18
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          "amountOutUSD": "26.319933"
        },
        "fee": {
          "rate": "g",
          "amount": "0.000000000642758116"
        }
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

**Impact:** Mass enumeration of transaction data and financial patterns.

**Recommendation:** Add wallet-based authentication; implement access controls.

**Status:** Resolved

#### 4. IDOR on PUT /api/transaction/status

**Description:** Allows unauthorized modification of any transaction status. Any user can arbitrarily change their transaction status (e.g., from Pending to Confirmed, or Failed to Confirmed). This indicates an inadequate authorization scope on the status field.

**Evidence:**

The screenshot shows the Postman interface with a collection named '0 Lunar Main'. A specific request is selected: 'PUT {{baseUrl}}/api/transaction/status?id=a3466658-0aaaf-4e25-b5e5-28b2f4ce3a97&status=confirmed'. The 'Params' tab is active, showing three parameters: 'Key' (checked), 'id' (value: a3466658-0aaaf-4e25-b5e5-28b2f4ce3a97), and 'status' (value: confirmed). The 'Body' tab shows a JSON response: { "success": true, "data": null }. The status bar at the bottom indicates a '200 OK' response.

**Exploitation:**

A user could set a transaction to Confirmed before the blockchain confirms it, confusing reconciliation systems, customer support, or triggering internal rewards/crediting prematurely. More critically, an attacker could change another user's status, leading to financial disputes and system integrity failure.

**Impact:** Transaction manipulation, fraud, and service disruption.

**Recommendation:** Restrict updates to transaction owners; automate status from blockchain.

**Status:** Resolved



## HIGH SEVERITY ISSUES

### 1. No Rate Limiting

**Description:** API lacks application-level rate limiting.

**Evidence:**

```
```bash
# Vegeta load test results
Requests: [500] - Success: [100%] - Duration: [1s]
No rate limiting detected up to 500 requests/second
```
```

**Impact:** Denial-of-service and resource exhaustion attacks.

**Recommendation:** Implement IP-based rate limiting (100 req/min).

**Status:** Resolved

### 2. Design Flaw: User-Editable Transaction Status

**Description:** Users can arbitrarily modify transaction statuses.

**Evidence:**

```
```http
PUT /api/transaction/status
{
  "executionId": "tx_67890",
  "status": "pending"
}
→ Status accepted despite contradicting blockchain state
```
```

**Impact:** Undermines financial record integrity and enables fraud.

**Recommendation:** Derive status exclusively from blockchain data.

**Status:** Resolved



## MEDIUM SEVERITY ISSUES

## 1. Input Validation Flaws

## Description:

Certain API endpoints accept inputs without strict schema validation. This creates opportunities for attackers to inject unexpected or malicious fields, potentially leading to logic manipulation, bypassing of security controls, or denial of service through malformed requests. While no direct exploit was identified during testing, this weakness lowers the overall resilience of the application against injection-style attacks.

## Evidence:

## **Recommendation:**

Apply OWASP ASVS Input Validation (V5.x) and OWASP API Security best practices by enforcing strict schema validation for all API inputs. Reject requests containing unexpected fields, enforce proper data types, and sanitize all user-provided input before processing. If a user sends extra fields, wrong data types, or malformed JSON, the server should immediately reject the request with a 400 Bad Request.

## Status: Resolved



## LOW SEVERITY ISSUES ▾

### 1. XSS Testing (Clean)

#### Description:

Certain API endpoints accept inputs without strict schema validation. This creates opportunities for attackers to inject unexpected or malicious fields, potentially leading to logic manipulation, bypassing of security controls, or denial of service through malformed requests. While no direct exploit was identified during testing, this weakness lowers the overall resilience of the application against injection-style attacks.

#### Recommendation:

Continue monitoring for XSS risks in future development.

Implement a Content Security Policy (CSP) to add defense-in-depth and reduce the impact of any potential script injection vulnerabilities.

Status: **Resolved**

### 2. Source Map Exposure (Valid):

#### Description:

JavaScript source maps were observed in the staging environment. While not exploitable on their own, source maps reveal internal code structure, backend url, variable names, and potentially sensitive logic that could aid attackers in discovering vulnerabilities.

#### Recommendation:

Disable or remove source map files in production environments.

Ensure that only minified and obfuscated JavaScript bundles are deployed publicly.

Status: **Resolved**

### 3. JavaScript Asset Analysis (Google Analytics)

#### Description:

The application uses Google Analytics (GA) scripts for user tracking. While this is common practice, there is a potential risk of unintentionally transmitting personally identifiable information (PII) or sensitive financial metadata through GA events. No direct evidence of PII leakage was observed during testing.



### **Recommendation:**

Review the Google Analytics configuration to ensure that no sensitive or personally identifiable data is transmitted. Adhere to privacy and compliance requirements (e.g., GDPR) for analytics data collection. This is inline with " OWASP ASVS V9.2 – Data Protection in Transit" and "CWE-359: Exposure of Private Personal Information to an Unauthorized Actor", best practices

**Status: Resolved**

### **CLOSING SUMMARY**

The assessment reveals fundamental security gaps requiring immediate attention before production deployment. Critical vulnerabilities in authentication and authorization pose direct risks to user funds. Prioritize implementing wallet-based authentication, proper CORS configuration, and authorization checks.

### **Immediate Actions Required**

1. Implement wallet signature authentication
2. Fix CORS misconfiguration
3. Add authorization checks to all endpoints
4. Implement rate limiting
5. Remove user-editable transaction statuses

A re-assessment is recommended after remediation to verify all issues are resolved.

### **GUILD AUDITS**

Guild Audits is dedicated to delivering top-tier security solutions across both Web2 and Web3. In today's rapidly evolving Web3 ecosystem, our mission is to combat the rising wave of hacks and exploits that undermine trust and adoption. We are driven by a passion to safeguard protocols, strengthen infrastructure, and ensure a more secure digital future.

