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Mutable reference with immutable provenance

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Package	image (crates.io)
Type	INFO Unsound
Keywords	#pointer #cast #provenance
Aliases	CVE-2020-35916

Details <https://github.com/image-rs/image/issues/1357>

CVSS Score 5.5 MEDIUM

CVSS Details	
Attack vector	Local
Attack complexity	Low
Privileges required	Low
User interaction	None
Scope	Unchanged
Confidentiality	None
Integrity	None
Availability	High

CVSS Vector [CVSS:3.1/AV:L/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:H](#)

Patched [>=0.23.12](#)

Affected Functions	Version
<code>image::Bgr::from_slice_mut</code>	<0.23.12
<code>image::Bgra::from_slice_mut</code>	<0.23.12
<code>image::Luma::from_slice_mut</code>	<0.23.12
<code>image::LumaA::from_slice_mut</code>	<0.23.12
<code>image::Rgb::from_slice_mut</code>	<0.23.12
<code>image::Rgba::from_slice_mut</code>	<0.23.12

Description

A mutable reference to a struct was constructed by dereferencing a pointer obtained from `slice::as_ptr`. Instead, `slice::as_mut_ptr` should have been called on the mutable slice argument. The former performs an implicit reborrow as an immutable shared reference which does not allow writing through the derived pointer.

There is no evidence for miscompilation, exploitable or otherwise, caused by this bug. [Further investigation on Zulip](#) suggests that the unoptimized generated LLVM IR does not contain any UB itself, effectively mitigating further effects.