

Beradrome Security Audit Report

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1 Introduction

1.1 About Beradrome

Beradrome is Berachain's native restaking & liquidity marketplace, enabling ecosystem projects to build deeper liquidity for less, liquidation free HONEY loans and a flywheel boosted by its Berachain validator set.

The protocol introduces an innovative token structure, encompassing BERO, hiBERO, and oBERO tokens, each presenting users with diverse advantages and motivations. The supply of BERO tokens is algorithmically controlled via a bonding curve mechanism, ensuring a stable foundation for BERO tokens while providing liquidity at market-driven rates.



1.2 Source Code

The following source code was reviewed during the audit:

- https://github.com/Heesho/beradrome
- Commit id: fac7b90b547af9e2ae2cb664ff4a4857833de93c

And this is the final version representing all fixes implemented for the issues identified in the audit:

- https://github.com/Heesho/beradrome
- Commit id: c1a8fcd6428d3e789a6771b211404851be8521c0

2 Overall Assessment

This report has been compiled to identify issues and vulnerabilities within the Beradrome protocol. Throughout this audit, we identified a total of 8 issues spanning various severity levels. By employing auxiliary tool techniques to supplement our thorough manual code review, we have discovered the following findings.

Severity	Count	Acknowledged	Won't Do	Addressed
Critical	_	_	_	_
High	2	1	_	1
Medium	4	1	_	3
Low	2	_	_	2
Informational	_	_	_	_
Total	8	2	_	6

3 Vulnerability Summary

3.1 Overview

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- H-2 Inflated VToken Amount By Leveraged Borrow in TOKEN
- Possible Discarded Reward in HiveDistro::distributeRewards()
- Revisited Logic of Voter::reviveGauge()
- Potential Denial-of-Service in KodiakPlugin::withdrawTo()
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- L-1 Improved Rounding Operation in TOKEN
- Revisited Validation of amountToken in sell()

3.2 Security Level Reference

In web3 smart contract audits, vulnerabilities are typically classified into different severity levels based on the potential impact they can have on the security and functionality of the contract. Here are the definitions for critical-severity, high-severity, medium-severity, and low-severity vulnerabilities:

Severity	Acknowledged
C-X (Critical)	A severe security flaw with immediate and significant negative consequences. It poses high risks, such as unauthorized access, financial losses, or complete disruption of functionality. Requires immediate attention and remediation.
H-X (High)	Significant security issues that can lead to substantial risks. Although not as severe as critical vulnerabilities, they can still result in unauthorized access, manipulation of contract state, or financial losses. Prompt remediation is necessary.
M-X (Medium)	Moderately impactful security weaknesses that require attention and remediation. They may lead to limited unauthorized access, minor financial losses, or potential disruptions to functionality.
L-X (Low)	Minor security issues with limited impact. While they may not pose significant risks, it is still recommended to address them to maintain a robust and secure smart contract.
I-X (Informational)	Warnings and things to keep in mind when operating the protocol. No immediate action required.
U-X (Undetermined)	Identified security flaw requiring further investigation. Severity and impact need to be determined. Additional assessment and analysis are necessary.

3.3 Vulnerability Details

3.3.1 [H-1] Possible Bypass of onlyNewEpoch Check

TARGET	CATEGORY	IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD	STATUS
Voter.sol	Business Logic	High	Medium	Addressed

The Voter contract allows VToken holders to participate in voting. However, a restriction is enforced to ensure that a user can only vote once per epoch, which is implemented through the onlyNewEpoch() modifier. Upon reviewing the implementation of onlyNewEpoch(), we identified a potential bypass that could allow a user to vote multiple times within the same epoch.

Specifically, after each vote, the contract records the timestamp of the user's last vote. When the same user attempts to vote again, the <a href="https://online.com

This vulnerability arises due to the comparison logic in the onlyNewEpoch() modifier. The current implementation uses a < operator to compare the current epoch's start timestamp with the user's last voting timestamp. As a result, if the user votes exactly at the start of the epoch (i.e., within the first block), the comparison fails to prevent multiple votes within the same epoch.

```
beradrome - Voter.sol

89 modifier onlyNewEpoch(address account) {
90     if ((block.timestamp / DURATION) * DURATION < lastVoted[account]) revert Voter_AlreadyVotedThisEpoch();
91     _;
92 }
```

Remediation To address this issue, we recommend changing the comparison operator in the onlyNewEpoch() modifier from < to <= to ensure that users are strictly limited to one vote per epoch, including within the first block of the epoch.

3.3.2 [H-2] Inflated VToken Amount By Leveraged Borrow in TOKEN

TAR	GET	CATEGORY	IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD	STATUS
TOKE	EN.sol	Business Logic	High	Medium	Acknowledged

The TOKEN contract enables users to purchase TOKEN using BASE and also allows users to borrow BASE against VTOKEN collateral. Furthermore, the VTOKEN contract allows users to deposit TOKEN to mint VTOKEN. Based on this, users can exploit the protocol to repeatedly perform the following operations to accumulate a disproportionate amount of VTOKEN:

- 1. Buy TOKEN using BASE from the TOKEN contract.
- 2. Deposit TOKEN in the VTOKEN contract to mint VTOKEN.
- 3. Borrow BASE from the TOKEN contract using the newly minted VTOKEN as collateral.

This process enables users to leverage a limited amount of BASE to significantly inflate their VTOKEN holdings, granting them a larger share of TOKEN fee rewards and disproportionate voting power in governance decisions.

```
beradrome - TOKEN.sol

function borrow(uint256 amountBase)

address account = msg.sender;

uint256 credit = getAccountCredit(account);

if (credit < amountBase) revert TOKEN_ExceedsBorrowCreditLimit();

debts[account] += amountBase;

debtTotal += amountBase;

uint256 feeBASE = amountBase * BORROW_FEE / DIVISOR;

emit TOKEN_Borrow(account, amountBase);

BASE.safeTransfer(FEES, feeBASE);

BASE.safeTransfer(account, amountBase - feeBASE);

return true;

314 }
```

Remediation We recommend conducting a comprehensive review of the TOKEN economic model to address the risks associated with leveraged borrowing.

Response By Team When the user buys TOKEN to leverage up, it pushes the price up, so the LTV becomes lower for each subsequent buy and borrow.

3.3.3 [M-1] Possible Discarded Reward in HiveDistro::distributeRewards()

TARGET	CATEGORY	IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD	STATUS
HiveDistroFactory.sol	Coding Practices	Medium	Medium	Addressed

The HiveDistro::distributeRewards() function is responsible for transferring various reward tokens from the contract to the HiveRewarder contract for distribution to users. To ensure that the rewards produce a meaningful output, the function includes a preliminary check to verify that the current reward token balance in the contract exceeds a predefined threshold (DURATION). This check, i.e., if (balance > DURATION)), aims to prevent the distribution of insignificant reward amounts.

However, upon reviewing the implementation, we identified a potential issue. After verifying that the balance exceeds DURATION, the function deducts a fee from the reward token balance. If the deducted fee is sufficiently large, it could reduce the remaining balance to a value below DURATION. Consequently, when the balance is sent to the HiveRewarder contract via the notifyRewardAmount() function, it may fail to generate an effective reward distribution due to the insufficient balance.

```
beradrome - HiveDistroFactory.sol

function distributeRewards(address[] calldata rewardTokens) external nonReentrant {

for (uint256 i = 0; i < rewardTokens.length; i++) {

uint256 balance = IERC20(rewardTokens[i]).balanceOf(address(this));

if (balance > DURATION) {

uint256 fee = balance * IHiveFactory(hiveFactory).rewardFee() / DIVISOR;

balance -= fee;

IERC20(rewardTokens[i]).safeTransfer(IHiveToken(hiveToken).treasury(), fee * 10 / 100);

IERC20(rewardTokens[i]).safeTransfer(IHiveFactory(hiveFactory).protocol(), fee * 90 / 100);

IERC20(rewardTokens[i]).safeApprove(hiveRewarder, 0);

IERC20(rewardTokens[i]).safeApprove(hiveRewarder, balance);

IHiveRewarder(hiveRewarder).notifyRewardAmount(rewardTokens[i], balance);

emit HiveDistro_RewardDistributed(rewardTokens[i], balance);

}

}
```

Remediation Check the remaining reward balance after deducting the fee, and only proceed with transferring the balance to the HiveRewarder contract if the remaining balance exceeds the predefined DURATION threshold.

3.3.4 [M-2] Revisited Logic of Voter::reviveGauge()

TARGET	CATEGORY	IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD	STATUS
Voter.sol	Business Logic	Medium	Medium	Addressed

The Voter contract implements a mechanism that allows the governance (gov) to deactivate and later revive a gauge. A deactivated gauge ceases to accumulate OTOKEN rewards until it is revived through the reviveGauge() function. However, upon reviewing the reviveGauge() function, we identified that it does not properly update the reward index of the gauge to the latest value. As a result, a revived gauge may retroactively accumulate rewards from prior periods, leading to an unintended reward allocation.

To prevent the accumulation of unexpected rewards by a revived gauge, we recommend invoking the _updateFor() function for the gauge within the reviveGauge() function. This will ensure that the gauge's reward index is updated to the latest value upon revival, thereby allowing the gauge to accumulate new rewards only from that point onward.

```
beradrome - Voter.sol

293  function reviveGauge(address _gauge)
294    external
295    onlyGov
296  {
297    if (isAlive[_gauge]) revert Voter__GaugeIsAlive();
298    isAlive[_gauge] = true;
299    emit Voter__GaugeRevived(_gauge);
300 }
```

Remediation Timely invoking the _updateFor() function for the revived gauge within the reviveGauge() function to update its reward index to the latest value.

Response By Team The reviveGauge() function is not used and will be removed from the Voter contract to avoid complexity.

3.3.5 [M-3] Potential Denial-of-Service in KodiakPlugin::withdrawTo()

TARGET	CATEGORY	IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD	STATUS
KodiakPluginFactory.sol	Business Logic	Medium	Medium	Addressed

The KodiakPlugin plugin is designed to lock users' deposits of a specified token into a farm to earn rewards. During the withdrawal operation, the withdrawTo() function follows a specific flow: it first withdraws all locked tokens from the farm, transfers the requested withdrawal amount to the user, and then re-locks the remaining tokens back into the farm.

However, if the remaining token balance after the user's withdrawal is zero, the subsequent attempt to lock a zero balance to the farm could revert the transaction. This would cause the entire withdrawal operation to fail, effectively resulting in a denial-of-service (DoS) scenario for the user.

```
beradrome - KodiakPluginFactory.sol

function withdrawTo(address account, uint256 amount)

public

override

function withdrawTo(address account, uint256 amount)

function withdrawTo(account, amount);

function
```

Remediation Add a validation check to ensure the remaining token balance is greater than zero before calling the stakeLocked() function.

3.3.6 [M-4] Potential Risks Associated with Centralization

TARGET	CATEGORY	IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD	STATUS
Multiple Contracts	Security	Medium	Low	Acknowledged

In the Beradrome protocol, the existence of a privileged owner account introduces centralization risks, as it holds significant control and authority over critical operations governing the protocol. In the following, we show the representative function potentially affected by the privileges associated with the privileged account.

```
beradrome - Voter.sol

283  function killGauge(address _gauge)
284     external
285     onlyGov
286  {
287     if (!isAlive[_gauge]) revert Voter__GaugeIsDead();
288     isAlive[_gauge] = false;
289     claimable[_gauge] = 0;
290     emit Voter__GaugeKilled(_gauge);
291  }
292
293  function reviveGauge(address _gauge)
294     external
295     onlyGov
296  {
297     if (isAlive[_gauge]) revert Voter__GaugeIsAlive();
298     isAlive[_gauge] = true;
299     emit Voter__GaugeRevived(_gauge);
300 }
```

Remediation To mitigate the issue, it is recommended to introduce multi-sig mechanism to undertake the role of the privileged accounts. Moreover, it is advisable to implement timelocks to govern all modifications to the privileged operations.

Response By Team The owner will be the team multisig and can be transitioned to governance in the future if required.

3.3.7 [L-1] Improved Rounding Operation in TOKEN

TARGET	CATEGORY	IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD	STATUS
TOKEN.sol	Mathematics	Low	Medium	Addressed

The buy() function in the TOKEN contract allows users to purchase TOKEN from the bonding curve market reserves using BASE. During this process, the function calculates the newMrTOKEN value based on the bonding curve formula. However, we notice that the calculation employs a default rounding-down operation. As a result, the newMrTOKEN value may be slightly (by 1 WEI) lower than expected. Consequently, the output TOKEN amount, calculated as *outTOKEN* = *mrrTOKEN* - *newMrTOKEN*, becomes slightly higher than expected. This discrepancy leads to a minor loss of TOKEN from the bonding curve market reserves, reducing the reserves' overall health.

```
beradrome - TOKEN.sol

function buy(uint256 amountBase, uint256 minToken, uint256 expireTimestamp, address toAccount, address provider)

external
nonReentrant
nonZeroInput(amountBase)
nonExpiredSwap(expireTimestamp)
returns (bool)

{
uint256 feeBASE = amountBase * SWAP_FEE / DIVISOR;
uint256 feeMFrBASE = (mrvBASE) + mrrBASE) + amountBase - feeBASE;
uint256 newMrTOKEN = (mrvBASE + mrrBASE) * mrrTOKEN / newMrBASE;
uint256 outTOKEN = mrrTOKEN - newMrTOKEN;

if (outTOKEN < minToken) revert TOKEN_ExceedsSwapSlippageTolerance();

mrrBASE = newMrBASE - mrvBASE;
mrrTOKEN = newMrTOKEN;

emit TOKEN_Buy(msg.sender, toAccount, amountBase);
...

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}
```

Remediation Revise the rounding mechanism in the buy() function. Specifically, the calculation of newMrTOKEN should utilize rounding up rather than rounding down to maintain the long-term stability of the bonding curve market reserves.

3.3.8 [L-2] Revisited Validation of amountToken in sell()

TARGET	CATEGORY	IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD	STATUS
TOKEN.sol	Business Logic	Low	Medium	Addressed

In the TOKEN contract, the sell() function allows users to sell TOKEN for BASE. Before proceeding, the function checks whether the input amountToken exceeds the maximum sellable amount, as determined by the getMaxSell() function. This ensures that the market reserves can handle the transaction.

However, upon reviewing the getMaxSell() function, we identified that it calculates the maximum sellable amount based on the k = xy invariant without accounting for the swap fee deducted from the input amountToken. Consequently, the calculated maximum input amount is smaller than expected, potentially limiting users' ability to sell their tokens effectively.

```
beradrome - TOKEN.sol

354 function getMaxSell() public view returns (uint256) {

355 return (mrrTOKEN * mrrBASE / mrvBASE);

356 }
```

Remediation Improve the getMaxSell() function to incorporate the swap fee in its calculation. This adjustment will ensure that the maximum sellable amount reflects the actual market conditions and prevents unnecessary limitations on user transactions.

4 Appendix

4.1 About AstraSec

AstraSec is a blockchain security company that serves to provide high-quality auditing services for blockchain-based protocols. With a team of blockchain specialists, AstraSec maintains a strong commitment to excellence and client satisfaction. The audit team members have extensive audit experience for various famous DeFi projects. AstraSec's comprehensive approach and deep blockchain understanding make it a trusted partner for the clients.

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