

Medical Malware on Android

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Hello! Who am I?



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Malicious Android *samples* - up to August 2020

Total: **6.3 million**

35,000 new **per day**

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When did we notice medical malware on Android?

Concern/Awareness rises in 2019
but we have reasons to believe it has existed for long

References:

- VB 2019: <https://www.virusbulletin.com/uploads/pdf/magazine/2019/VB2019-Apvrille-Lakhani.pdf>
- Full report on diabetes malware: <https://fortinetweb.s3.amazonaws.com/fortiguard/research/diabetes-malware.pdf>

Mobile malware abuse COVID-19 apps / situation

Lists:

- <https://lukasstefanko.com/2020/03/android-coronavirus-malware.html>
- <https://www.apklab.io/covid19>
- Twitter: follow @fs0c131y
- Reversing V Alert Covid 19 (May 2020)

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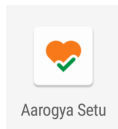
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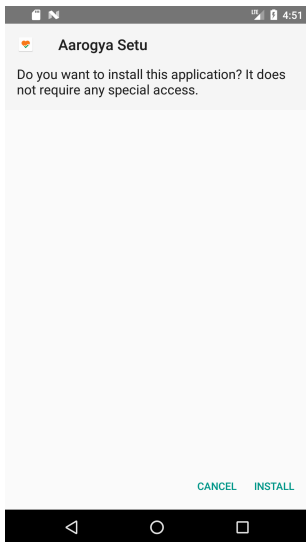
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Fake Aarogya Setu app



- **Aarogya Setu** is the Indian open source COVID-19 contact tracing app
- There are **malicious fakes/copycats**
- sha256:
885d07d1532dcce08ae8e0751793ec30ed0152eee3c1321e2d051b2f0e3fa3d7
- Full featured **spyware**
- Reference: [my article on malware's CnC communication](#)
- Detected as **Android/SpyAgent.APG!tr.spy** (aka SpyNote, SpyMax...)

Deceiving victims



Installs the real Aarogya Setu to deceive the victim

- ① Victim thinks the app wasn't correctly installed yet, but the malware is already running
- ② Victim only sees the icon (and app) of the real Aarogya Setu app, but the malware is installed and its icon is removed

Thanks for your attention!

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