



Controlled Admin Access < 1.5.6 - Privilege Escalation

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Summary

CVE	CVE-2021-4360
State	PUBLISHED
Assigner	Wordfence
Source Priority	CVE Program / NVD first with legacy fallback
Published	2023-06-07 02:15:14 UTC
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Description	The Controlled Admin Access plugin for WordPress is vulnerable to Privilege Escalation in versions up to, and including, 1.5.6. An attacker with the ability to create and edit users can escalate their privileges to administrator.

Risk And Classification

Primary CVSS: v3.1 8.8 HIGH from nvd@nist.gov

CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H

Problem Types: CWE-284 | NVD-CWE-noinfo | CWE-284 CWE-284 Improper Access Control

Version	Source	Type	Score	Severity	Vector
3.1	nvd@nist.gov	Primary	8.8	HIGH	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H
3.1	security@wordfence.com	Secondary	9.9	CRITICAL	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:C/C:H/I:H/A:H
3.1	CNA	DECLARED	9.9	CRITICAL	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:C/C:H/I:H/A:H

CVSS v3.1 Breakdown

Attack Vector

Network

Attack Complexity

Low

Privileges Required

Low

User Interaction

None

Scope

Unchanged

Confidentiality

High

Integrity

High

Availability

High

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NVD Known Affected Configurations (CPE 2.3)

Type	Vendor	Product	Version	Update	Edition	Language
Application	Wpruby	Controlled Admin Access	All	All	All	All

Vendor Declared Affected Products

Source	Vendor	Product	Version	Platforms
CNA	Waseem Senjer	Controlled Admin Access	affected 1.5.6 semver	Not specified

References

Reference	Source
Controlled Admin Access < 1.5.6 - Improper Access Control to Privilege Escalation WordPress Security Vulnerability	af854a3a-2127-422b-9
Controlled Admin Access < 1.5.6 - Privilege Escalation	af854a3a-2127-422b-9
403 Forbidden	af854a3a-2127-422b-9
Vulnerabilities fixed in WordPress Controlled Admin Access plugin. – NinTechNet	af854a3a-2127-422b-9
CVE Program record	CVE.ORG
NVD vulnerability detail	NVD

Vendor Comments And Credit

Discovery Credit

CNA: Jerome Bruandet (en)

Additional Advisory Data

Source	Time	Event
CNA	2021-03-30T00:00:00.000Z	Disclosed

There are currently no legacy QID mappings associated with this CVE.

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