

IRONHALO (Malware Family)

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IRONHALO is a downloader that uses the HTTP protocol to retrieve a Base64 encoded payload from a hard-coded command-and-control (CnC) server and uniform resource locator (URL) path.

The encoded payload is written to a temporary file, decoded and executed in a hidden window. The encoded and decoded payloads are written to files named `igfxHK[%rand%].dat` and `igfxHK[%rand%].exe` respectively, where `[%rand%]` is a 4-byte hexadecimal number based on the current timestamp. It persists by copying itself to the current user's Startup folder.

► [TLP:WHITE] win_ironhalo_auto (20251219 | Detects win.ironhalo.)

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