

Trustworthy Cyberinfrastructure

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Trusted CI: The NSF Cybersecurity Center of Excellence

Our mission: to lead in the development of an NSF Cybersecurity Ecosystem with the workforce, knowledge, processes, and cyberinfrastructure that enables trustworthy science and NSF's vision of a nation that is a global leader in research and innovation.



<https://trustedci.org/>

Trustworthy Cyberinfrastructure

Cyberinfrastructure is essential to scientific discovery.

Scientists trust that cyberinfrastructure ...

- is accessible and available.

- provides well-defined accuracy and integrity.

- implements appropriate data embargoes and protections.

- complies with applicable obligations and regulations.

Effective cybersecurity programs address threats and build trust.

Growing Ransomware Risk to Science

Ransomware has changed the cybercrime landscape, broadly expanding potential victims to include hospitals, schools, cities, and researchers.

Trusted CI is warning researchers to take the risk seriously and be prepared for business continuity and extortion attacks.

We are collecting research-focused resources at:

<https://www.trustedci.org/ransomware>



A screenshot of the Trusted CI website's "Ransomware" page. The page header includes the Trusted CI logo, navigation links for "Blog", "Resources", "Events", "Success Stories", "About", and "Contact", and a search bar. The main content area is titled "Ransomware" and contains a paragraph explaining that research organizations are increasingly targeted by ransomware. Below this, there are sections for "Ransomware lessons learned:" and "Best practices:", each with a bulleted list of links to related resources. The "Lessons learned" section includes a link to a case study on a ransomware attack at Michigan State University and a link to a webinar. The "Best practices" section includes a link to REN-ISAC ransomware best practices. At the bottom of the page, there is a section for "Blog posts" with a link to "Trusted CI Blog posts featuring ransomware."

JASON Report on Facilities Cybersecurity

7 recommendations on risk assessment, strategy coordination, annual reviews, incident response, resourcing, planning, and national security:
https://www.nsf.gov/news/special_reports/jasonreportcybersecurity/

How Trusted CI is addressing the recommendations:
<https://trustedci.org/2022-jason-report>

Trusted CI coordinates with the NSF Cybersecurity Advisor for Research Infrastructure

2022 Annual Challenge: Operational Technology

- The 2022 Annual Challenge investigated Operational Technology (OT) at NSF Major Research facilities
- OT: networked systems connected to computing systems on one side and controls or sensors of physical systems on the other side.
- NSF MF OT: both scientific instruments (e.g., telescopes) and COTS components (e.g., HVAC, power, propulsion)
- Annual Challenge team engaged with IT and OT personnel discussing operations at five NSF Major Facilities.
- 2 reports published with findings and recommendations



U.S. Antarctic Program



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U.S. Academic Research Fleet



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<https://blog.trustedci.org/2022/11/publication-of-trusted-ci-roadmap-for.html>

2023 Annual Challenge: Building Security Into NSF Major Facilities By Design

- NSF MFs deploy operational technology that can have an operational lifetime of 15-30 years.
 - Typically no cybersecurity requirements during acquisition and design.
- Trusted CI is engaging with NSF MFs undergoing construction to build security into from the outset.
- 2023 will particularly focus on the academic maritime domain.
 - Support acceptance testing of the NSF-funded Research Class Research Vessels (RCRVs) at Oregon State University,
 - Support the U.S. Antarctic Program (USAP)'s design of the Antarctic Research Vessel (ARV)
 - Support Scripps Institution of Oceanography's design of the California Coastal Research Vessel (CCRV).



U.S. Antarctic Program



U.S. Academic Research Fleet



<https://blog.trustedci.org/2023/01/announcing-2023-trusted-ci-annual.html>

Annual NSF Cybersecurity Summit

October 24-26, 2023 at
Lawrence Berkeley National
Laboratory in Berkeley, CA
Training, workshops, and
plenary sessions.

<https://trustedci.org/summit/>



Summit Student Programs

Each NSF Cybersecurity Summit has a Student Program matching students from across the country with mentors and connecting them with NSF science projects and cybersecurity challenges.

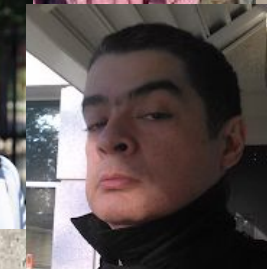
<https://blog.trustedci.org/search/label/students>



Trusted CI Fellows Program

- Training cybersecurity champions
- Supporting NSF science

<https://trustedci.org/fellows>





The Trusted CI Framework

<https://trustedci.org/framework>

Framework Core:

- Concise, clear minimum requirements for cybersecurity programs organized under the 4 Pillars: **Mission Alignment**, **Governance**, **Resources**, and **Controls**
- Based in general cybersecurity best practice and evidence of what works.

Framework Implementation Guide:

- Guidance vetted by and tailored to the open science community.
- Curated pointers to the very best resources and tools.

Framework Adopters



<https://www.trustedci.org/framework>

Trusted CI Partners

<https://trustedci.org/partners>



ResearchSOC



CI Compass and Trusted CI

- Two of the premier CoEs funded by NSF/OAC to help the NSF science community
- Co-founded the Identity Management Working Group
- Share CoE best practices and lessons learned
- Have standing and open communication and collaboration channels

Not sure which center to approach with a question or challenge?

Approach either and we'll collaboratively figure out how to best help you.



ResearchSOC and Trusted CI



ResearchSOC

- Operational services and related training for NSF CI
- Community of Practice and Threat Intelligence Network
- Enabling Cybersecurity Research
- Outreach to Higher Ed Infosec regarding research CI



- Creating comprehensive cybersecurity programs
- Community building and leadership
- Training and best practices
- Tackling specific challenges of cybersecurity, software assurance, privacy, etc.

RRCoP and Trusted CI

Historically, most NSF-funded research (e.g., astronomy, climate, physics, geology) has been unregulated, i.e., not subject to a compliance program.

Trusted CI focuses on cybersecurity programs for unregulated research.

The Trusted CI Framework addresses compliance programs as a class of "obligations".

Compliance requirements (e.g., CMMC) are having a growing impact on CI.

RRCoP is a vibrant NSF-supported community addressing regulated research compliance requirements.

<https://www.trustedci.org/compliance-programs>



<https://www.regulatedresearch.org/>



Staying Connected with Trusted CI

Trusted CI Webinars

4th Monday of month at 11am ET.

<https://trustedci.org/webinars>

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Email Lists

Announce and Discuss

<https://trustedci.org/trustedci-email-lists>

Ask Us Anything

No question too big or too small.

info@trustedci.org

Cyberinfrastructure Vulnerabilities

Latest news on security vulnerabilities tailored for cyberinfrastructure community.

<https://trustedci.org/vulnerabilities/>

Thanks!



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