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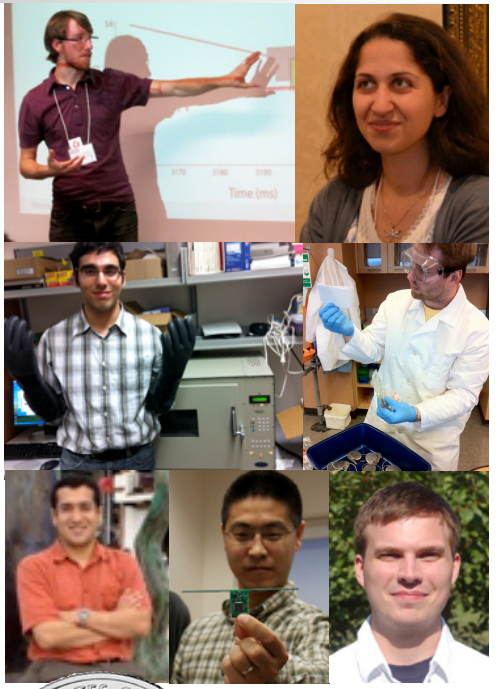

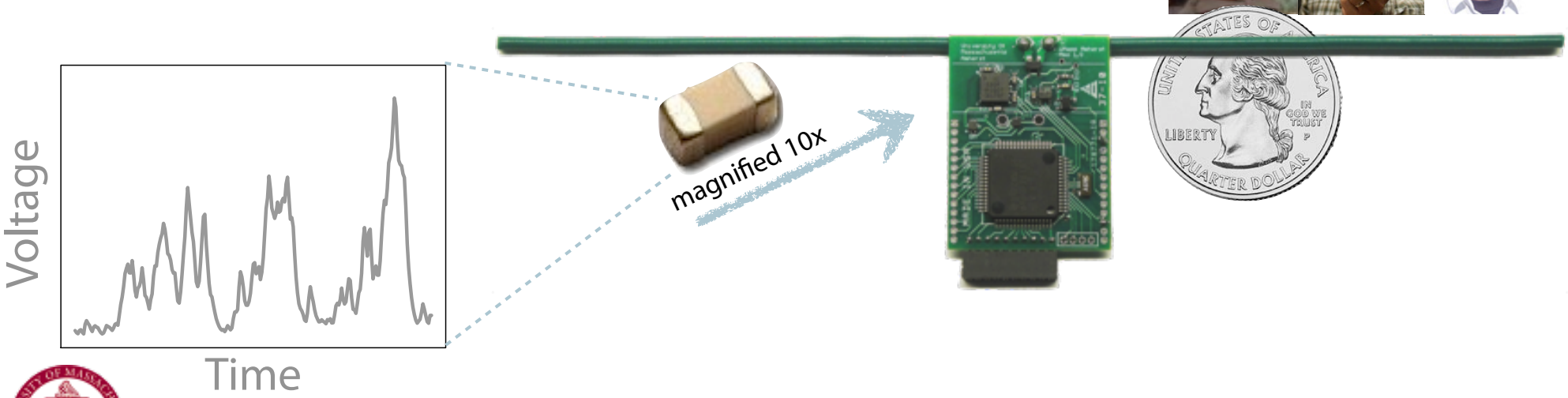

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  - Zero-power security

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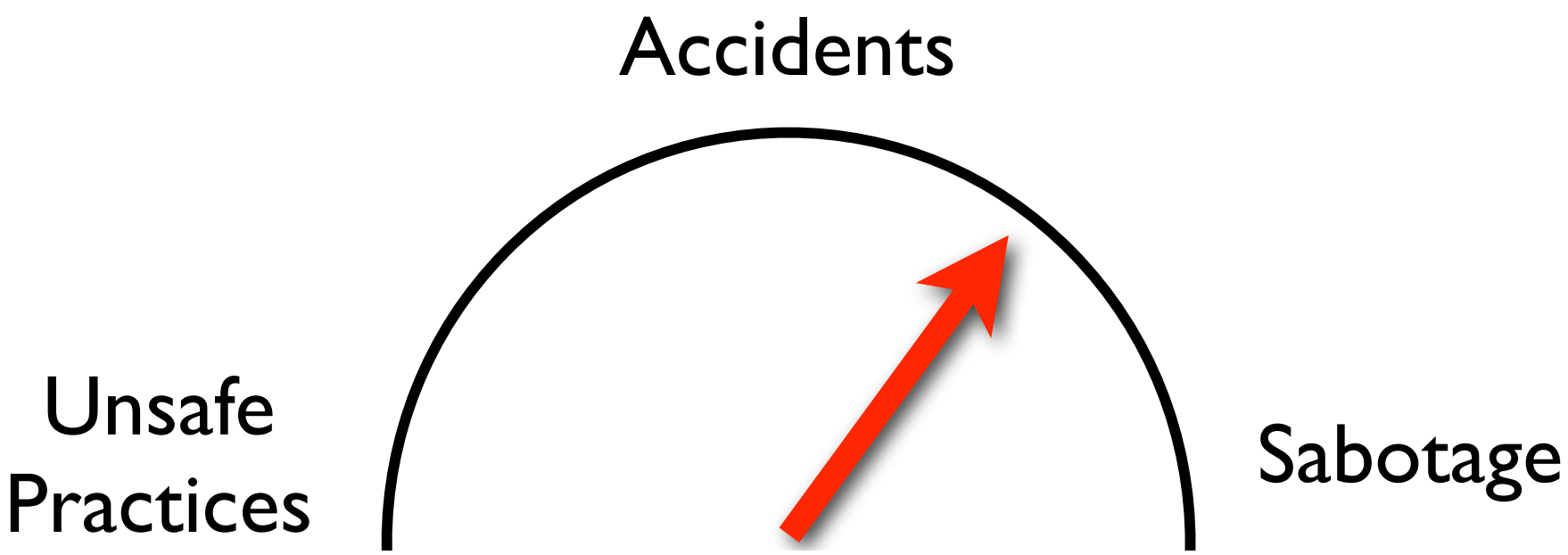

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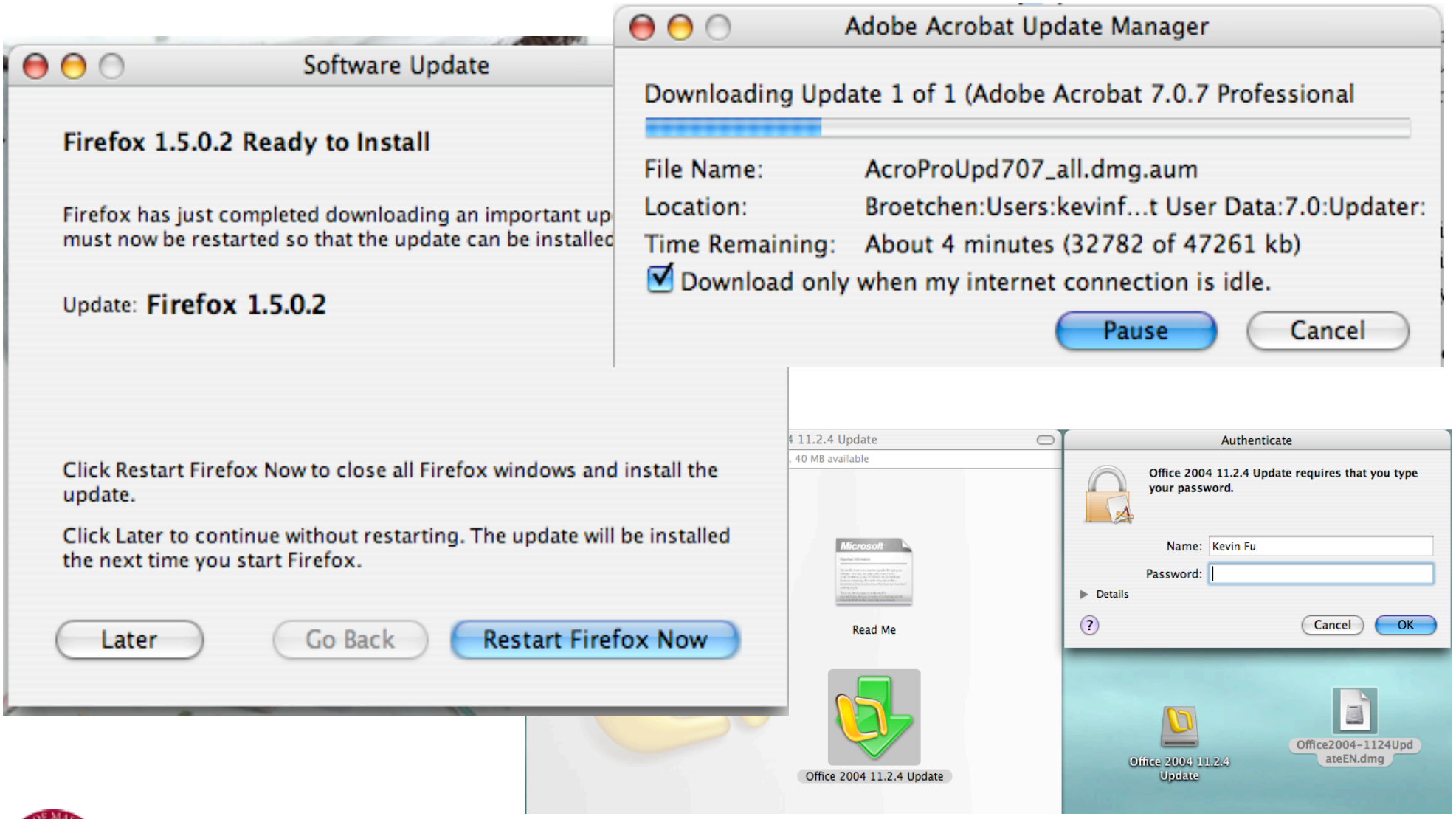

Secure Software Updates: Disappointments and New Challenges

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Abstract

A client can use a content distribution network to securely download software updates. These updates help to patch everyday bugs, plug security vulnerabilities, and secure critical infrastructure. Yet challenges remain for secure content distribution: many deployed software update mechanisms are insecure, and emerging technologies pose further hurdles for deployment. Our analysis of several popular software update mechanisms shows that deployed systems often rely on trusted networks to distribute critical software updates — despite the research progress in secure content distribution. We demonstrate how many deployed systems are susceptible to weak man-in-the-middle attacks. Furthermore, emerging technologies such as mobile devices, sensors, medical devices, and RFID tags present new challenges for secure software updates. Sporadic network connectivity and limited power, computation, and storage require a rethinking of traditional approaches for secure content distribution on embedded devices.

1 Introduction

Every day, millions of computer users update software — some manually, some automatically, and some unknowingly. Indeed, 69 of the last 71 CERT Technical Cyber Security Alerts[1] suggest applying patches, upgrades, or updates to resolve security vulnerabilities [33]. Corporations reportedly spent more than $2 billion in 2002 on patch management for operating systems alone [3]. Surprisingly, many deployed systems do not make use of well-understood techniques from secure content distribution (Table 1).

At the same time, emerging technologies such as mobile devices, sensors, and RFID tags sporadically connect to the edge of the Internet. These emerging technologies bring additional challenges for securely updating embedded software. For instance, the FDA has recently relaxed rules on embedded software in medical devices [11, 13]. The design requirements are now less stringent for mechanical/electrical failsafes to act as backups to software. One implantable infusion pump resulted in two overdose deaths and several injuries because the software in the wireless programmer allowed a clinician to transpose the hours and minutes field [5]. While it is a challenge to design user interfaces to prevent accidents, even a sound user interface will not prevent malicious updates generated by a wireless adversary.

We first report on the state of the art in secure automatic updates. The results are disappointing. Many software update mechanisms lack basic security measures such as verification of digital signatures. Left open and unprotected, these update channels serve as an ideal backdoor for spreading malicious code.

Embedded devices such as mobile phones, sensors, medical implants, and advanced RFID tags increasingly run more sophisticated software. One could apply techniques from secure content distribution for updating software on these new technologies. However, traditional approaches in secure content distribution often assume a well-connected network or a well-provisioned client. Thus, we enumerate several of the new challenges for updating software on embedded devices.

2 Survey of Deployed Update Systems

We begin by analyzing the resistance of several existing software update systems to man-in-the-middle attacks (MITM). Surprisingly, several systems lack protection against weak MITM attacks (Table 1).

Apple MacOS Software Update. Apple signs its binary updates to ensure software integrity and authenticity. Each update includes a file named "signature" containing a 1,024-byte signature of the hash of the accompanying installation executable. Each installation binary is checked against its signature which may only be signed by the private key held by Apple Computer Corp. (whose public key is included on the operating system's installation media). No encrypted connections are needed, nor

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[1] Two of the 71 alerts do not suggest applying updates because updates were not yet available.

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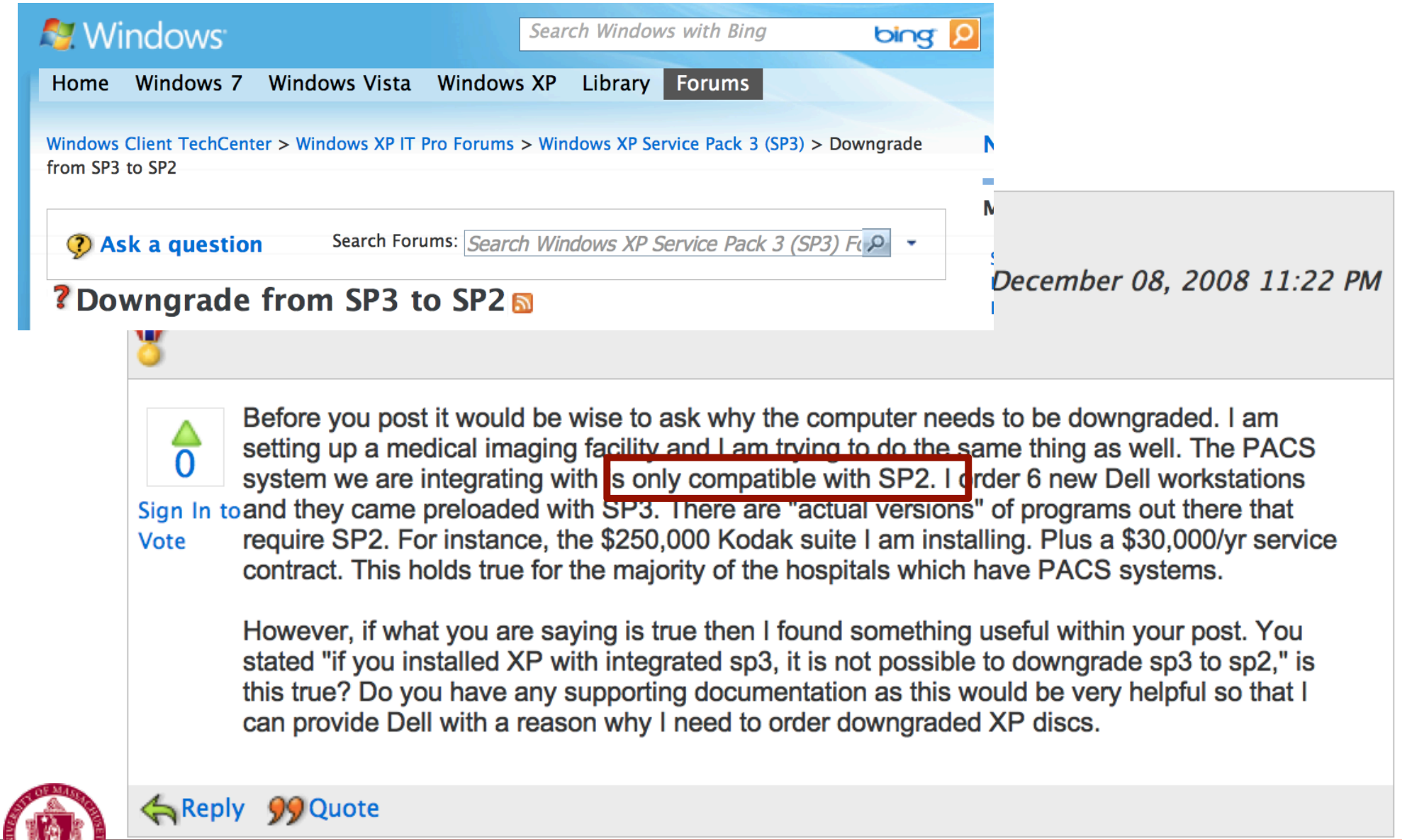
Software Update Woes

- Health Information Technology (HIT) devices globally rendered unavailable
- Cause: Automated software update went haywire
- Numerous hospitals were affected April 21, 2010
  - Rhode Island: a third of the hospitals were forced ``to postpone elective surgeries and stop treating patients without traumas in emergency rooms.”
  - Upstate University Hospital in New York: 2,500 of the 6,000 computers were affected.

THE VANCOUVER SUN

Web-security giant McAfee paralyzes computers at hospitals, universities worldwide with update

Users are Helpless



Users are Helpless

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Downgrade from SP3 to SP2

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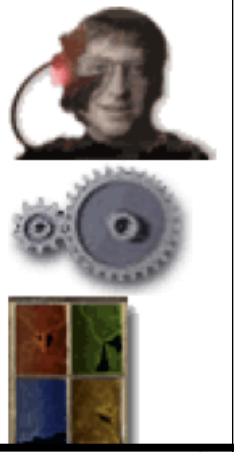
Technology: **Windows XP SP2 Support Ends Tomorrow**

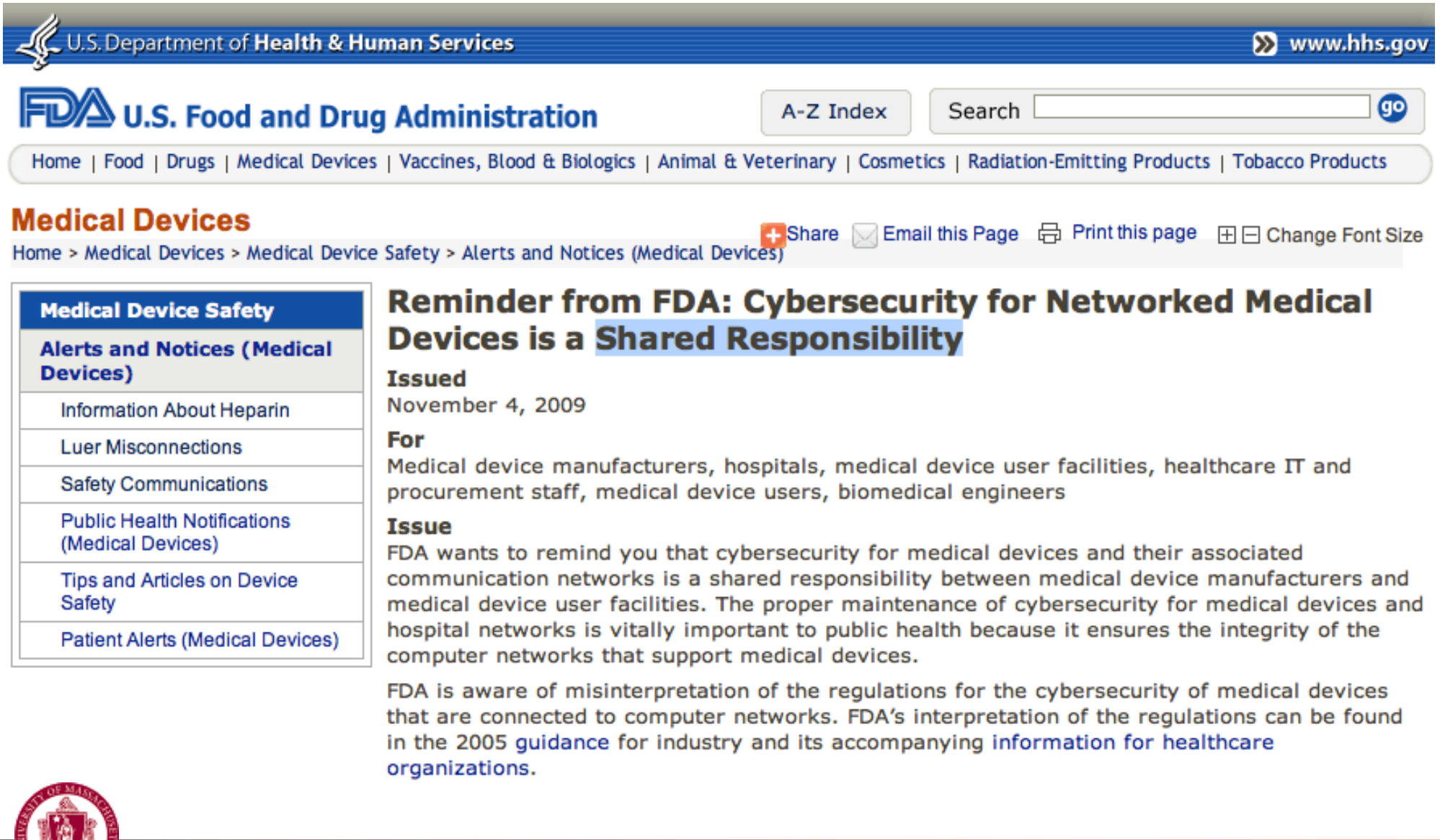
Posted by CmdrTaco on Monday July 12, @09:37AM from the better-get-patching dept.

Vectormatic writes

> "As can be seen on the product page for Windows XP, support for SP2 ends tomorrow, while the majority of Windows XP users still haven't upgraded to SP3. This could open up millions of users/businesses to exploitation, since security updates for SP2 will stop coming in while security fixes to SP3 may clue hackers in to vulnerabilities."



Still Not It: Hospitals, Manufacturers



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Reminder from FDA: Cybersecurity for Networked Medical Devices is a Shared Responsibility

Issued
November 4, 2009

For
Medical device manufacturers, hospitals, medical device user facilities, healthcare IT and procurement staff, medical device users, biomedical engineers

Issue
FDA wants to remind you that cybersecurity for medical devices and their associated communication networks is a shared responsibility between medical device manufacturers and medical device user facilities. The proper maintenance of cybersecurity for medical devices and hospital networks is vitally important to public health because it ensures the integrity of the computer networks that support medical devices.

FDA is aware of misinterpretation of the regulations for the cybersecurity of medical devices that are connected to computer networks. FDA's interpretation of the regulations can be found in the 2005 guidance for industry and its accompanying information for healthcare organizations.

Managerial issues:
Diffusion of responsibility

Who's covered when
Secure Health IT hits the fan?

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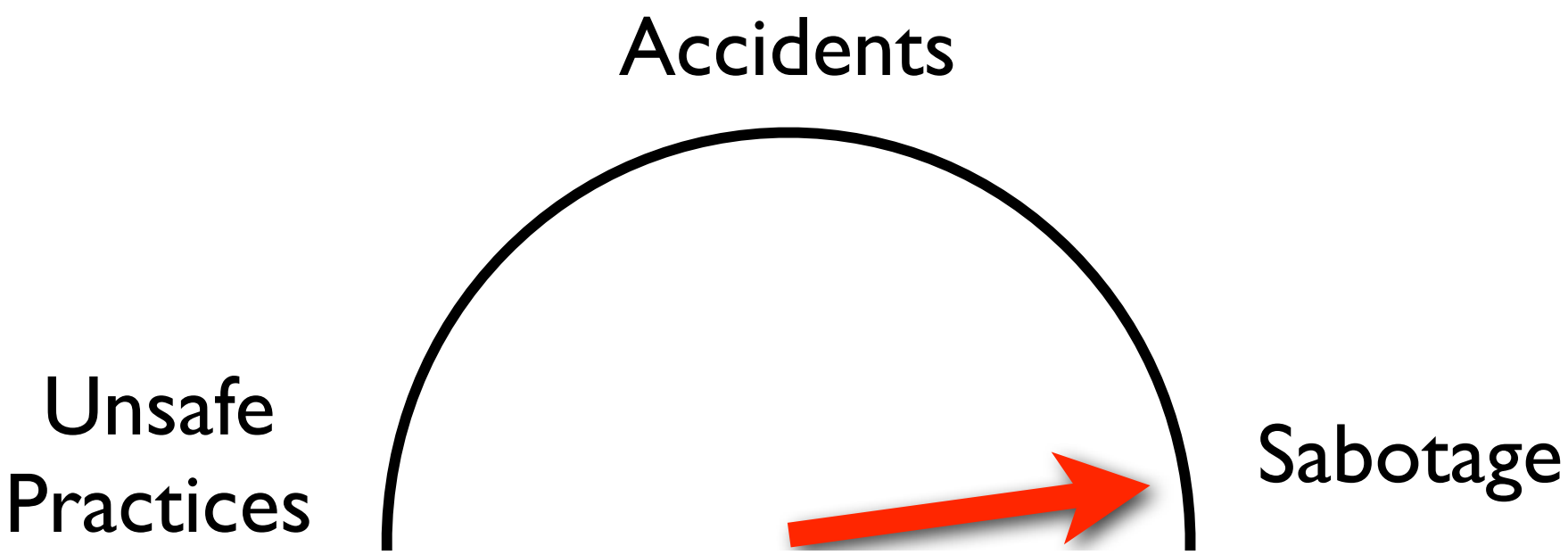

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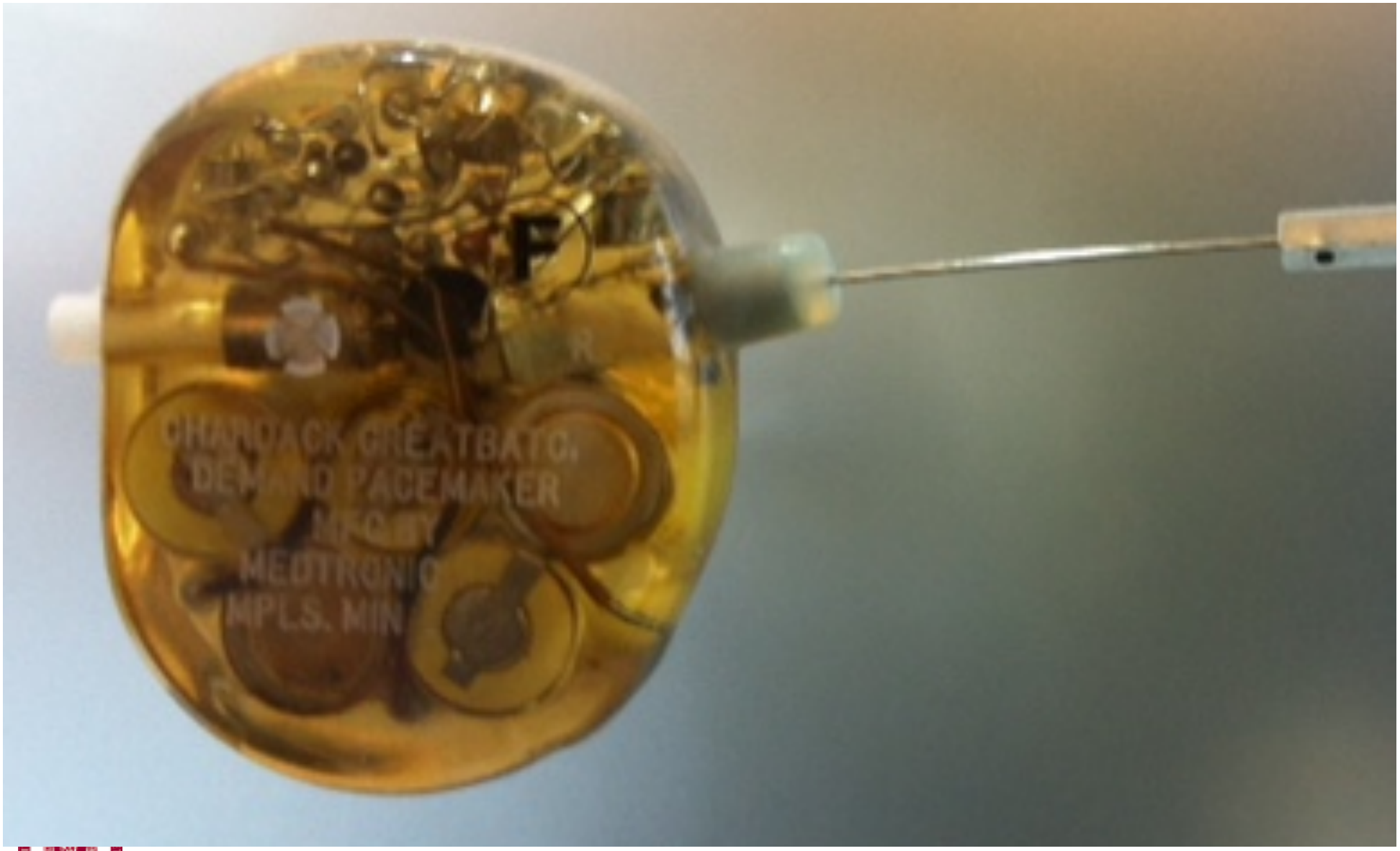

Photo by Kevin Fu @ Medtronic museum

Implantation of Defibrillator

1. Doctor sets patient info
2. Surgically implants
3. Tests defibrillation
4. Ongoing monitoring

Device Programmer

Photos: Medtronic; Video: or-live.com

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Home monitor

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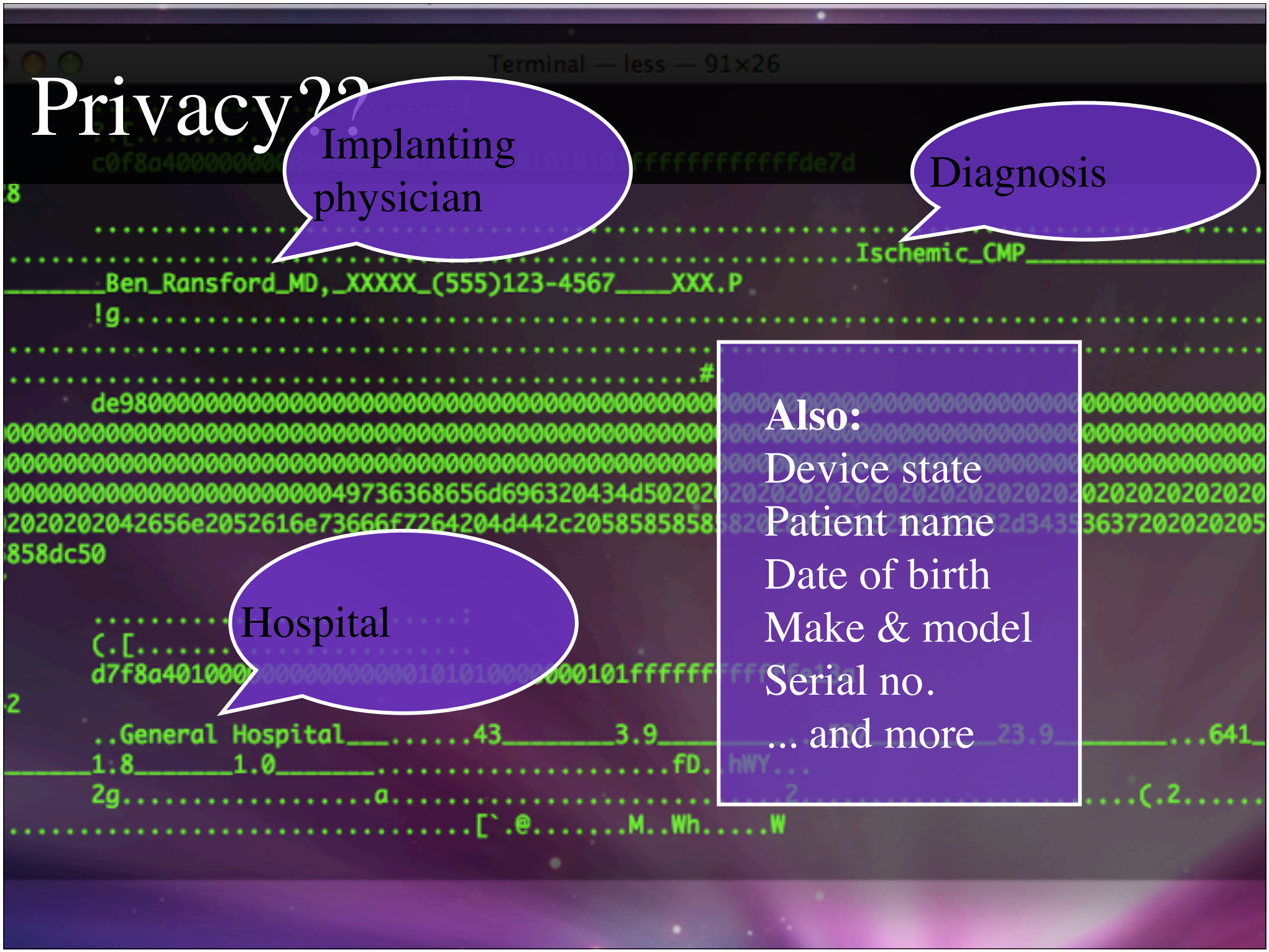
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Wirelessly Induce Fatal Heart Rhythm

- 402-405 MHz MICS band, nominal range several meters
- Command shock sends 35 J in ~1 msec to the T-wave
- Designed to induce ventricular fibrillation
- No RF amplification necessary

[Halperin et al., IEEE Symposium on Security & Privacy 2008]

The Register®

Insulin pump hack delivers fatal dosage over the air

Sugar Blues, James Bond style

By Dan Goodin in San Francisco • Get more from this author

Posted in Security, 27th October 2011 06:23 GMT

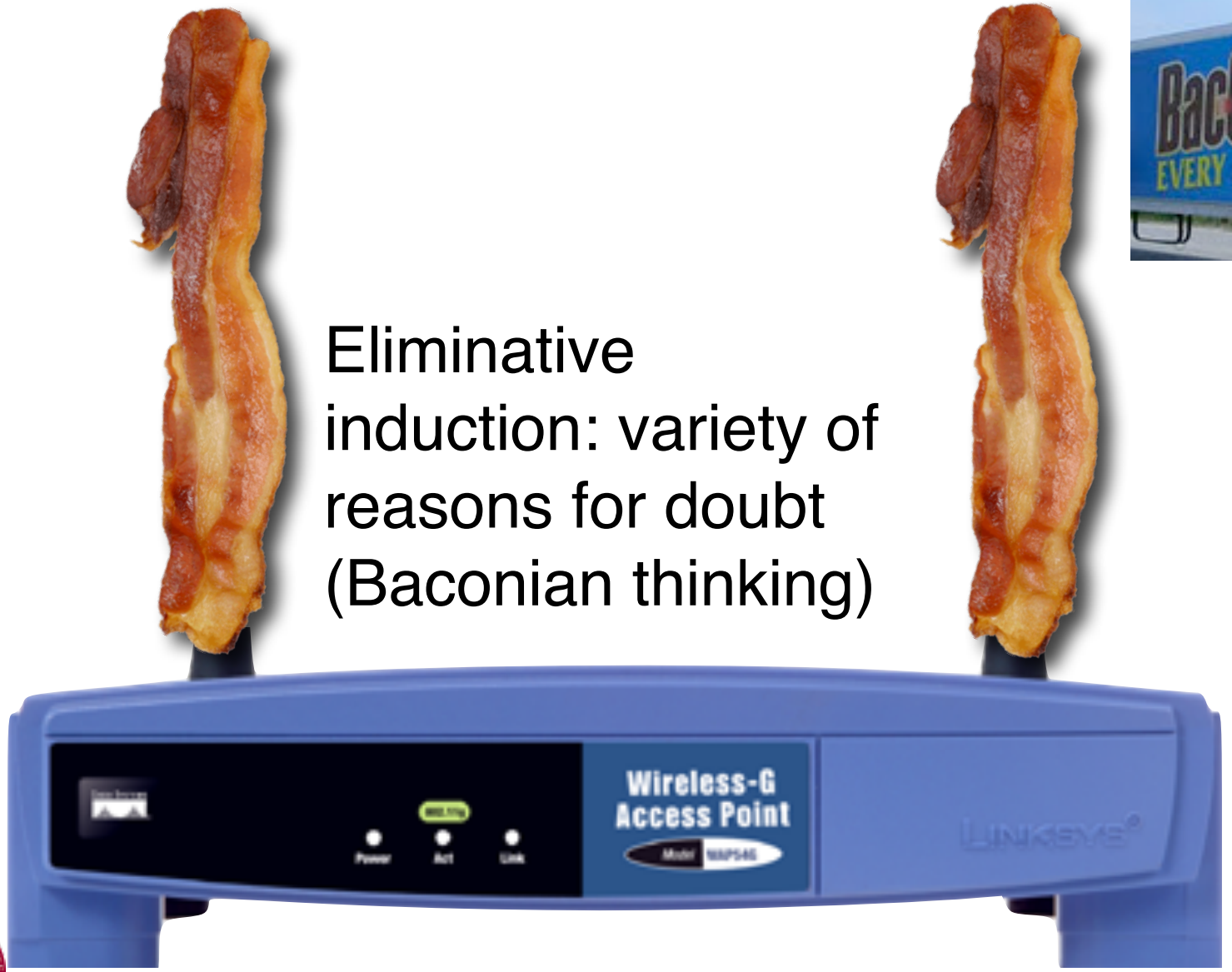
In a hack fitting of a James Bond movie, a security researcher has devi
hijacks nearby insulin pumps, enabling him to surreptitiously deliver fata
patients who rely on them.

Wireless medical devices:

great benefits.

subtle inconvenient risks.

Wireless Makes Everything Better?



Eliminative induction: variety of reasons for doubt (Baconian thinking)

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Hospital Horror Stories

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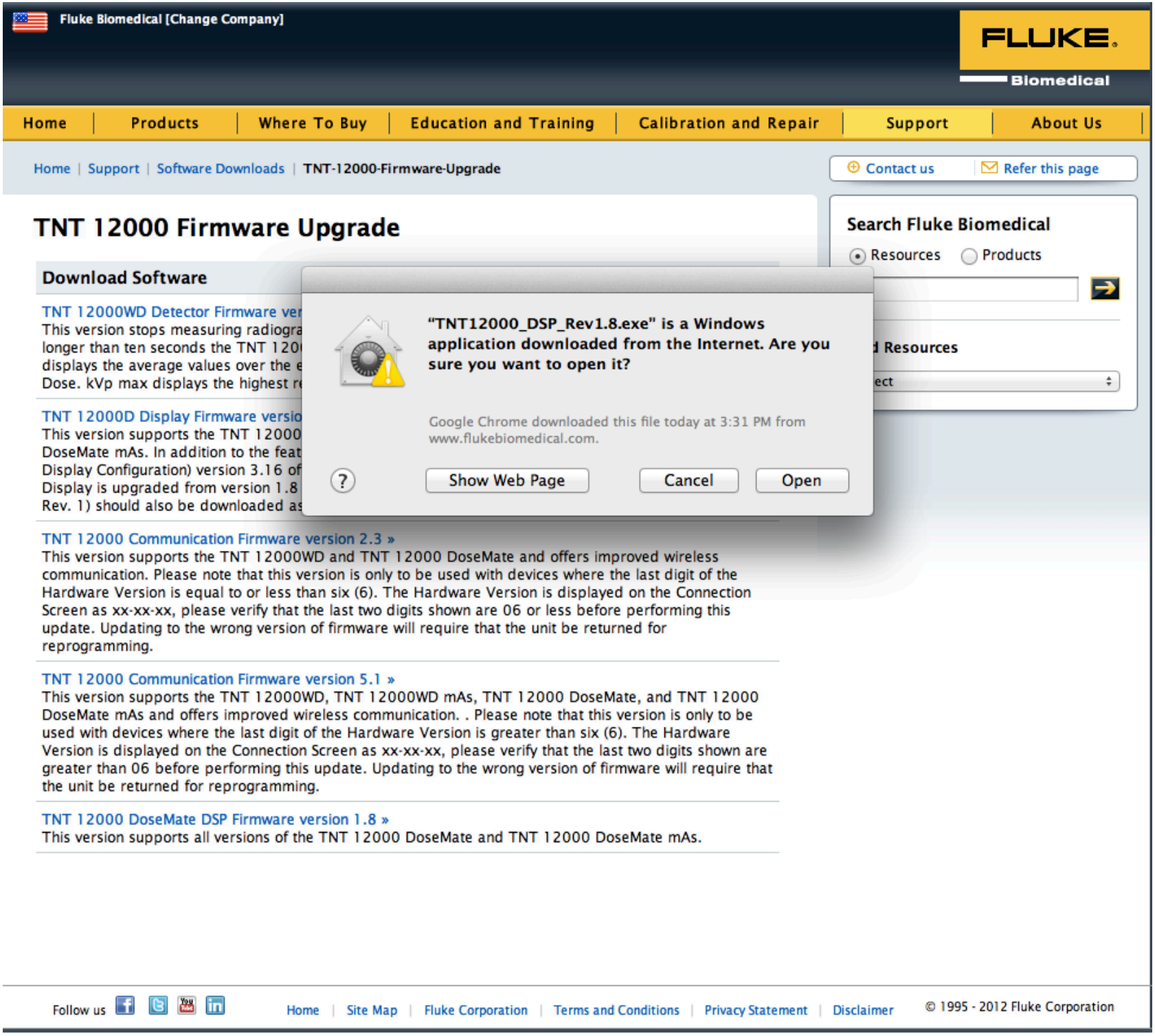
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TNT 12000 DoseMate DSP Firmware version 1.8 »
This version supports all versions of the TNT 12000 DoseMate and TNT 12000 DoseMate mAs.
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Malware Impact on Cath Labs

> Heart Safe: Cardiac Cath Labs
>
> Three times in as many months, the computerized systems at the heart of Stanford University Medical Center's cardiac catheterization labs froze, locking up tighter than a plaque-clogged artery. Mark Addis, CBET, of the clinical technology and biomedical engineering department needed to figure out the reason why.
>
> Soon enough, he had his answer: the information technology (IT) department had been loading third-party anti-virus software at a data center server farm, and this software was incompatible with the proprietary programming package running on the networked systems in the cardiac cath labs. "Every time IT did this, it chewed up nearly all the RAM in my systems' CPUs, which disrupted all 12 of the labs at the same time," Addis says, whose main responsibility at the Palo Alto, Calif, hospital is the care and feeding of those rooms.
>
> http://www.24x7mag.com/issues/articles/2008-09_03.asp

Malware Impact on Cath Labs

As you are aware, on December 23rd an unknown virus was found in the MacLab/CardioLab system. [We] worked late into Christmas Eve in order to keep the **infected MacLabs isolated**. As a proactive measure and to prevent our patients from inappropriate release of protected healthcare information the hospital **immediately blocked** our access to the **internet**. Today [it was] announced that they have traced the **virus** path from [a] **nursing workstation**. Apparently **pictures were uploaded** from a **USB drive to yahoo**.

Shoot P0wn Foot w/ Software Update

[Photo: Care Fusion, Niels Provos]

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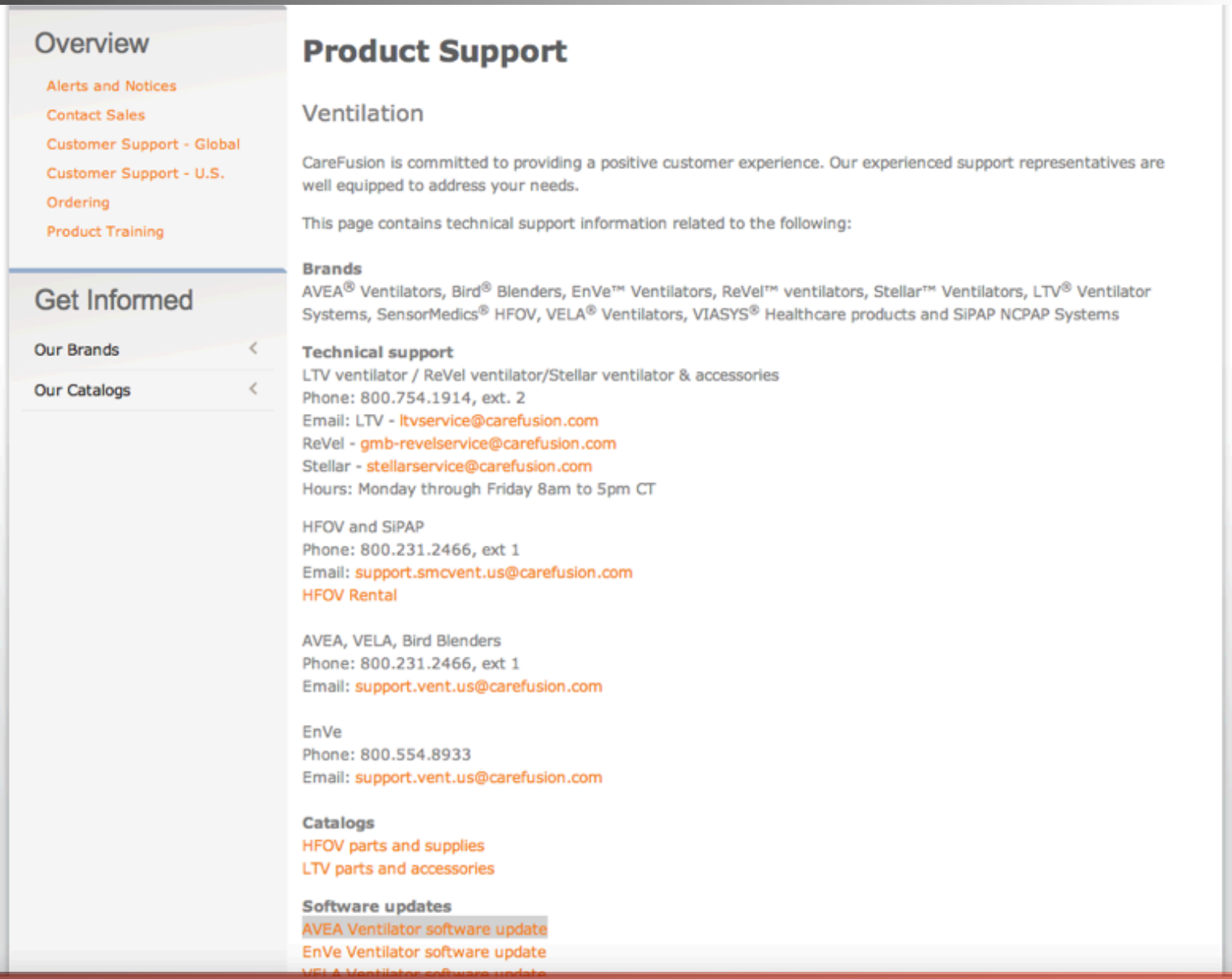

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[Photo: Care Fusion, Niels Provos]

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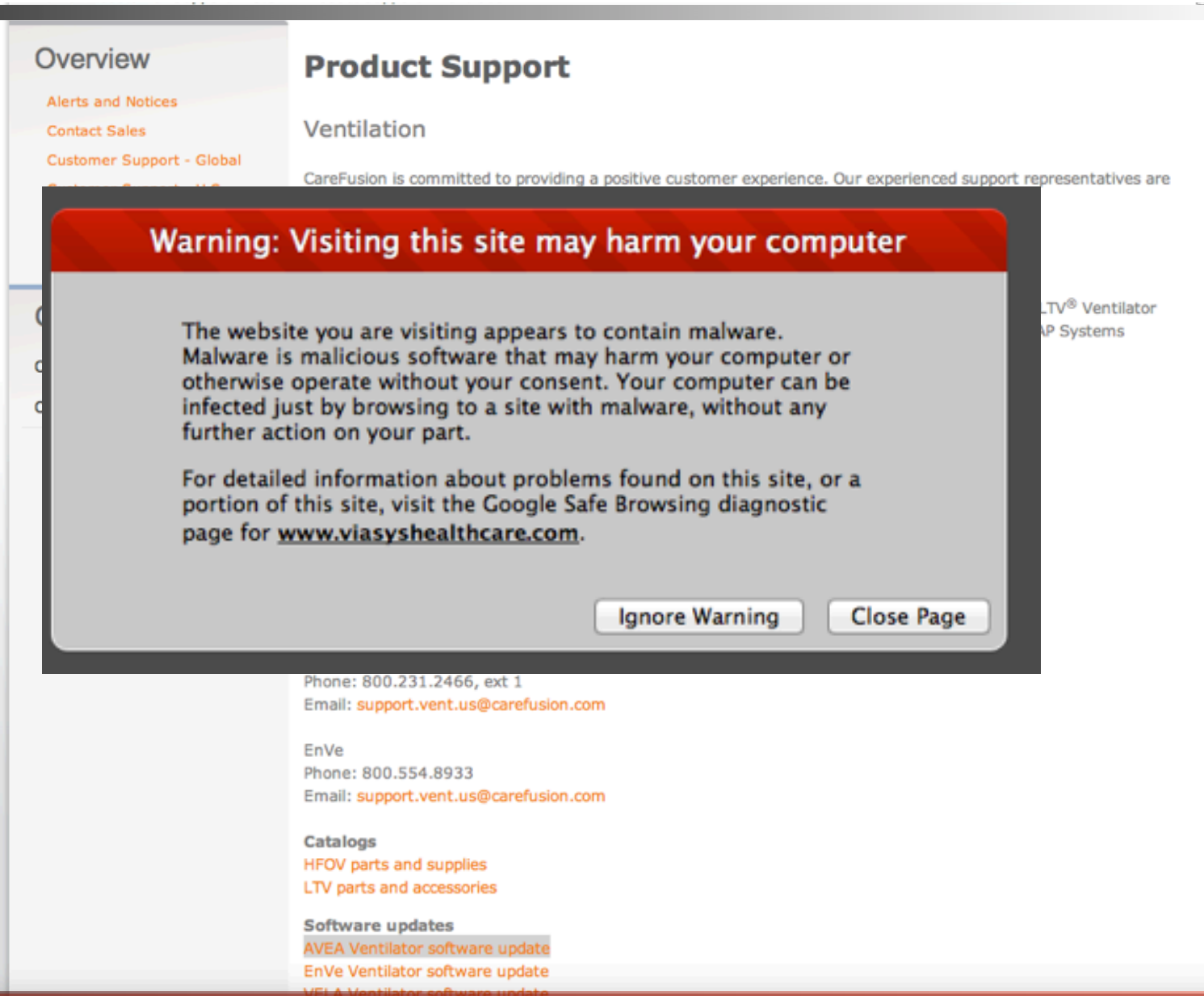

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Safe Browsing
Diagnostic page for www.viasyshealthcare.com

Advisory provided by Google

What is the current listing status for www.viasyshealthcare.com?

This site is not currently listed as suspicious.

Part of this site was listed for suspicious activity 1 time(s) over the past 90 days.

What happened when Google visited this site?

Of the 291 pages we tested on the site over the past 90 days, 19 page(s) resulted in malicious software being downloaded and installed without user consent. The last time Google visited this site was on 2012-06-24, and the last time suspicious content was found on this site was on 2012-06-13.

Malicious software includes 38 trojan(s), 3 scripting exploit(s).

Malicious software is hosted on 4 domain(s), including nikjju.com/, lilupophilupop.com/, koklik.com/.

This site was hosted on 1 network(s) including AS26651 (CAREFUSION).

Has this site acted as an intermediary resulting in further distribution of malware?

Over the past 90 days, www.viasyshealthcare.com did not appear to function as an intermediary for the infection of any sites.

Has this site hosted malware?

No, this site has not hosted malicious software over the past 90 days.

Next steps:

- Return to the previous page.
- If you are the owner of this web site, you can request a review of your site using Google Webmaster Tools. More information about the review process is available in Google's Webmaster Help Center.

Updated 2 hours ago

EnVe Ventilator software update

[Photo: Care Fusion, Niels Provos]

Waiter, there's a virus in my SW!

MAUDE Adverse Event Report: BAXA CORPORATIONBAXA EM2400 COMPOUNDER

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Event Type Malfunction

Event Description

The (b) (6) pharmacy department uses a baxa em2400 compounder to make tpn's and other admixtures. Recently the compounder was infected with a virus. The virus has been contained on the em2400 compounder. It is unknown what effect this virus should have on the operating of the software. (b) (6) information systems department together with the pharmacy has requested that baxa provide a microsoft security patch to prevent this infection from occurring again. Baxa is unwilling to allow these patches to be applied to the baxa em2400. Instead baxa has recommend that we place a router with the functionality for a firewall between the compounder and the network (b) (4) as protection. In a single case, this may be a possible solution. (b) (6)'s manager indicates that if this was the routine solution, (b) (6) would then have to procure and maintain over 1000 routers institution wide. That approach is not sustainable by (b) (6) nor the marketplace. I am interested to hear about fda's requirement for medical devices to have security patches that protect the device from contamination.

Search Alerts/Recalls

Don't worry sir, they don't eat much!

MAUDE Adverse Event Report: BAXA CORP.EXACTA-MIX 2400

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Model Number EM 2400
Event Date 02/26/2010
Event Type Other
Manufacturer Narrative

The em2400 compounder is designed to not be connected directly to the facility network, but should be installed behind a firewall that provides a protected subnet for the device. The device should be used only in accordance with its intended use and not for email, internet access, file sharing or other non-approved use. The device is designed to only reach out to the facility's network to collect text-based pat files, back up device databases or to issue a print job. The em2400 compounder is hosted on a (b)(4)-based embedded operating system and has been verified and validated only with the software, operating system and patches that were installed by baxa. Thus, any changes to the original, validated image, including installation of antivirus software, nullifies the validated state and could; therefore, constitute off-label use of this device. In addition, baxa does not regularly install operating system updates or patches, generally published by (b)(4), on this device. The online help file, preventing cyber attacks technical paper, specifies baxa's policies relating to product security and provides instructions for safeguarding baxa devices. If a device becomes infected, baxa technical support will send a replacement and assist the customer with proper facility network installation. Baxa has not received any reports of pt injury or illness as a result of this issue.

Event Description

Baxa received a letter from the fda on 04/08/2010 in reference to report number mw5014956. The report states that an em2400 compounder was infected with a virus. The customer requested that baxa provide a (b)(4) security patch to prevent the infection from occurring again. Upon receipt of the mw letter, the complaint database was reviewed to determine if an associated complaint was received by baxa prior to this report. No prior complaint was found. Therefore, a complaint was initiated to further investigate this issue. This mdr is being filed per baxa corporation's procedure to submit an mdr for all medwatch forms submitted.

But According to FDA…

"Virtual Patient Safety: Worms, Viruses and Other Threats to Computer-Based Medical Technology" by Al Taylor of FDA CDRH

The burning question…

FDA
Center for Devices and Radiological Health

Q. Is FDA policy degrading network security and performance by impeding the timely implementation of security and other maintenance patches in commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) software used in network connected medical devices?

A. No. But there seems to be some confusion over what is required, and ***mistaken interpretations of FDA policy (and the law) may be contributing to the problem***.

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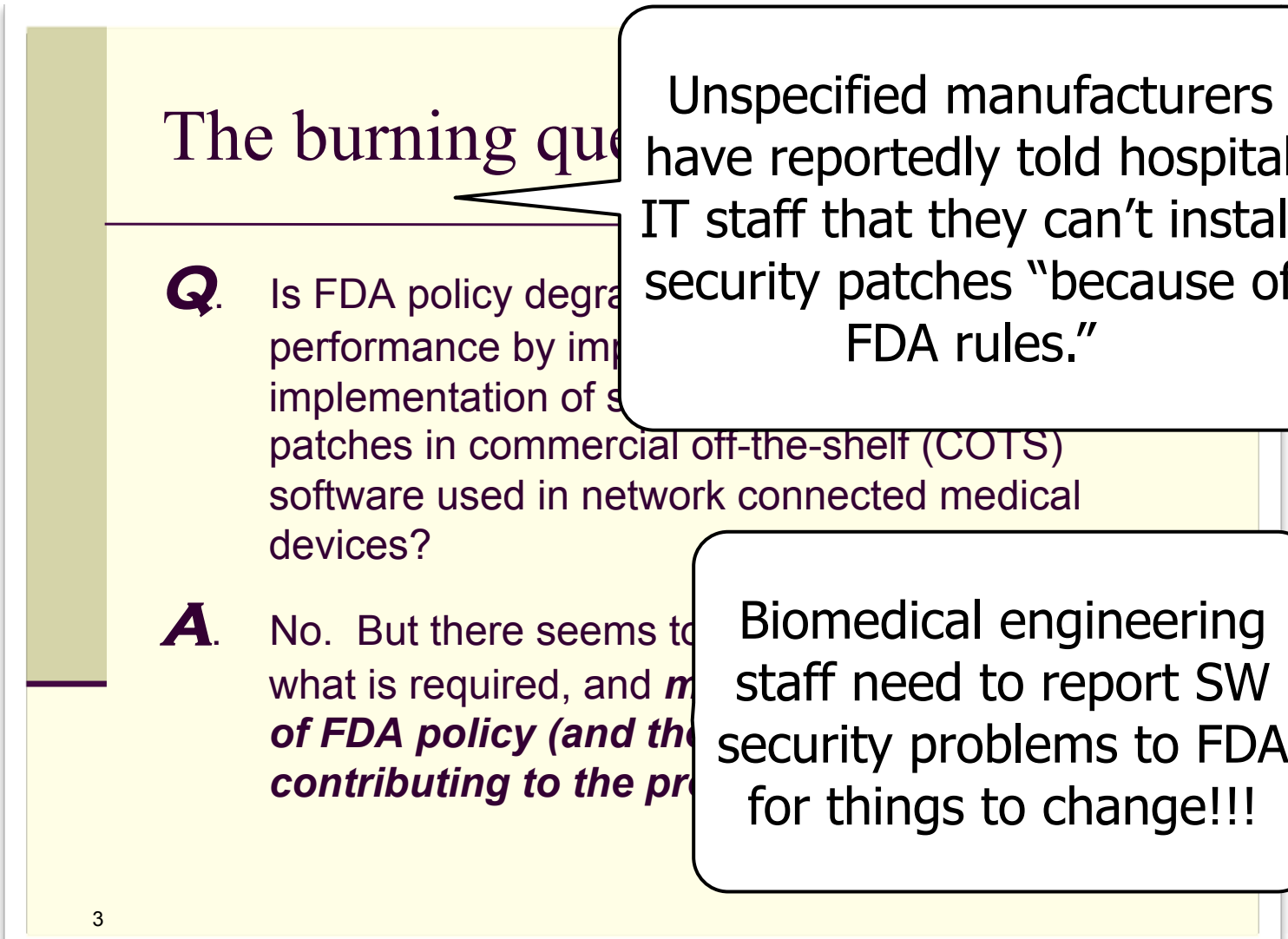

Unspecified manufacturers have reportedly told hospital IT staff that they can't install security patches "because of FDA rules."

Biomedical engineering staff need to report SW security problems to FDA for things to change!!!

Read More…

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Security and Privacy Qualities of Medical Devices: An Analysis of FDA Postmarket Surveillance.
Kramer, Daniel B., Baker, Matthew, Ransford, Benjamin, Molina-Markham, Andres, Stewart, Quinn, Fu, Kevin, and Reynolds, Matthew R.
PLoS ONE 2012. To appear.

Medical device security **threats**?

Achoo!

The Weekly World News: world's only reliable journal

Viruses on Radiology Equipment?

"over 122 medical devices have been compromised by malware over the last 14 months"

Statement of The Honorable Roger W. Baker

[House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, Hearing on Assessing Information Security at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs]

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FUJIFILM MEDICAL SYSTEM USA, INC. IIP COMPUTED RADIOGRAPHY READER AND WORKSTATION

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Model Number IIP
Event Date 06/13/2009
Event Type Malfunction
Event Description

Delay in treatment related to equipment failure on 4 patients. The images were frozen on the list and would not transmit on the fuji reader equipment. The system was rebooted without change. A few hours later the system was again shut down and rebooted and the images then did transfer. Images were repeated on equipment in another department. The next day the same issue occurred with 4 more patients and the system was shut down to await evaluation by the manufacturer. This problem was traced to a computer virus (conficker) which was found to be affecting 6 fuji cr units. The hospital's imaging service engineer applied a microsoft patch (ms08-067) to the 6 fuji units to prevent the virus from re-infecting the systems. Subsequent to this problem one of the fuji units experienced a shutdown, which was repaired by replacement of a defective power supply. This failure is not thought to be related to the virus issue.

Security at 156 VA Med. Centers

- Every **8 seconds**, the VA still finds usernames and **passwords** unprotected in networks

- VA has ~**600,000** connected computing devices, of which **50,000** are considered medical devices
- VA implemented VLANs with **3,270 different ACLs**

- Manual maintenance of ACLs prone to human error
- ACLs broke network security tools that detect intrusions

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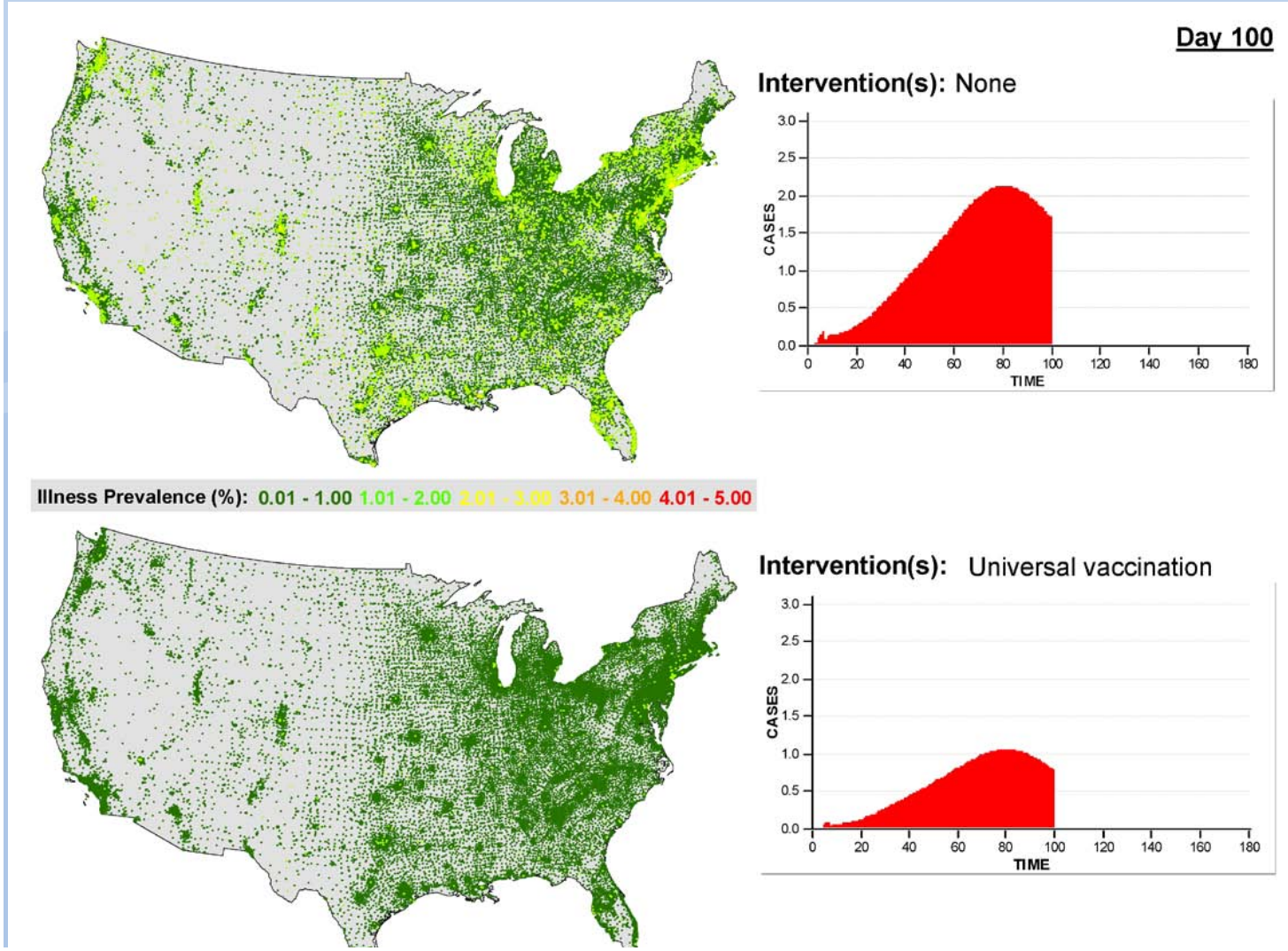

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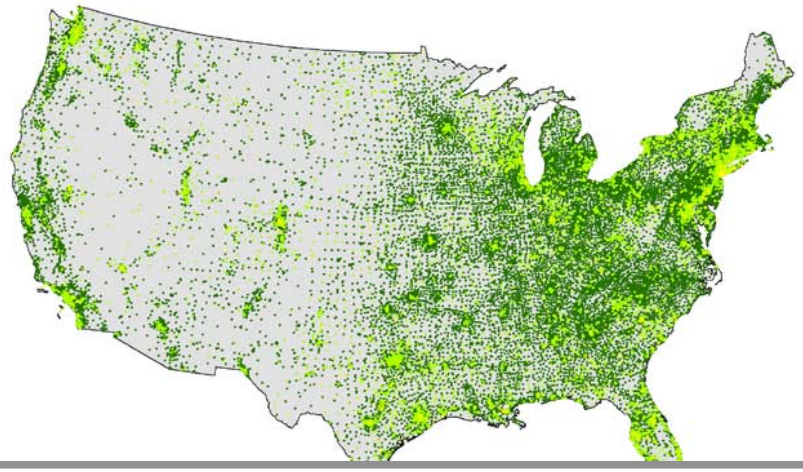

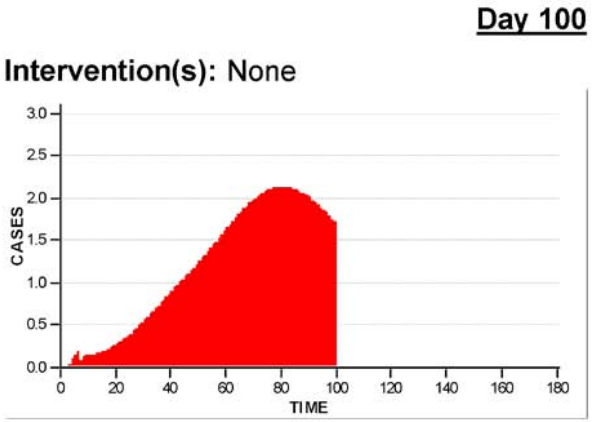

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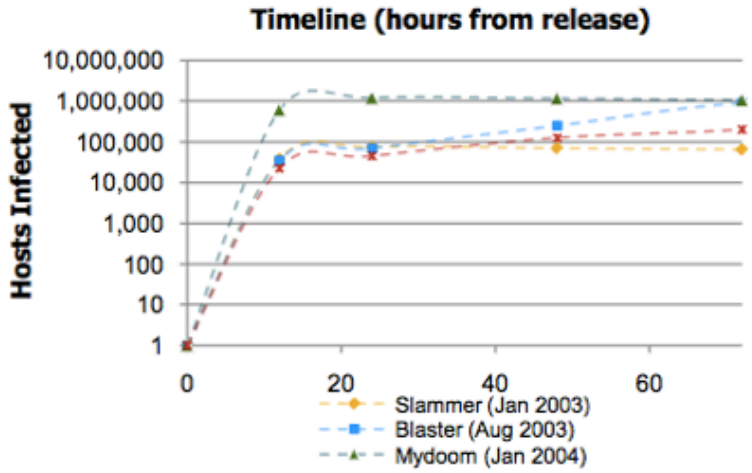
Dark Clouds on the Horizon: The Network is a *Vulnerability Amplifier*



Slide from Howie Shrobe and others

How significant are **intentional, malicious malfunctions** in software?

21 CFR 211.132 and Security

TITLE 21--FOOD AND DRUGS
CHAPTER I--FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
SUBCHAPTER C--DRUGS: GENERAL

PART 211 -- CURRENT GOOD MANUFACTURING PRACTICE FOR FINISHED PHARMACEUTICALS

Subpart G--Packaging and Labeling Control

Sec. 211.132 Tamper-evident packaging requirements for over-the-counter (OTC) human drug products.

(a)General. The Food and Drug Administration has the authority under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) to establish a uniform national requirement for tamper-evident packaging of OTC drug products that will **improve the security** of OTC drug packaging

The Tylenol Scare of 1982

The Tylenol Terrorist

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By Rachael Bell

The Tylenonl Terrorist: Death in a Bottle

Extra-Strength Tylenol package

On September 29, 1982, 12-year-old Mary Kellerman of Elk Grove Village, Illinois, woke up at dawn and went into her parents' bedroom. She did not feel well and complained of having a sore throat and a runny nose. To ease her discomfort, her parents gave her one Extra-Strength Tylenol capsule. At 7 a.m. they found Mary on the bathroom floor. She was immediately taken to the hospital where she was later pronounced dead. Doctors initially suspected that Mary died from a stroke, but evidence later pointed to a more sinister diagnosis.

[Source: truTV crime library]

Fatal tampering case is renewed

FBI searches a condo in Cambridge

FBI agents carrying items seized from an apartment building on Gore Street in Cambridge walked out before a phalanx of television photographers. Five boxes and a computer were removed, but the FBI would not comment on their contents. (JIM DAVIS/GLOBE STAFF)

February 5, 2009

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This story was reported by Jonathan Saltzman, John R. Ellement, Milton J. Valencia, and David Abel of the Globe staff. It was written by Saltzman.

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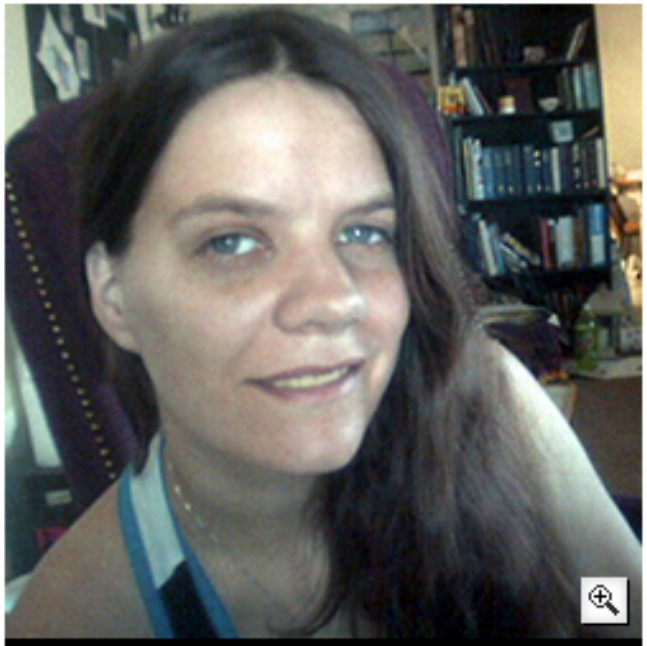
CAMBRIDGE -- FBI agents and State Police investigators searched a Cambridge condominium yesterday that is the longtime home of a leading suspect in the 1982 deaths of seven people from cyanide-laced Tylenol capsules in the Chicago area, one of the most notorious unsolved crimes in the last generation.

Bad People Do Exist: Vandals

Hackers Assault Epilepsy Patients via Computer

By Kevin Poulsen 03.28.08 | 8:00 PM



RyAnne Fultz, 33, says she suffered her worst epileptic attack in a year after she clicked on the wrong post at a forum run by the nonprofit Epilepsy Foundation.
Photo courtesy RyAnne Fultz

Internet griefers descended on an epilepsy support message board last weekend and used JavaScript code and flashing computer animation to trigger migraine headaches and seizures in some users.

The nonprofit Epilepsy Foundation, which runs the forum, briefly closed the site Sunday to purge the offending messages and to boost security.

"We are seeing people affected," says Ken Lowenberg, senior director of web and print publishing at the Epilepsy Foundation. "It's fortunately only a handful. It's possible that people are just not reporting yet -- people affected by it may not be coming back to the forum so fast."

The incident, possibly the first computer attack to inflict physical harm on the victims, began Saturday, March 22, when attackers used a script to post hundreds of messages embedded with flashing animated gifs.

The attackers turned to a more effective tactic on Sunday, injecting JavaScript into some posts that redirected users' browsers to a page with a more complex image designed to trigger seizures in both photosensitive and pattern-sensitive epileptics.

Information Assurance or Bliss?

"To our knowledge **there has not been a single reported incident** of such an event in more than 30 years of device telemetry use, which includes millions of implants worldwide," a Medtronic spokesman, Robert Clark

[B. Feder, "A Heart Device Is Found Vulnerable to Hacker Attacks" NY Times, March 12, 2008]

Since January 2009, the VA has detected that 181 medical devices have been infected with a virus, but "**none has resulted in any major harm to our patients, to our knowledge**," Ledsome says.

[VA's acting director of field security operations] [H. Anderson, HealthcareInfoSecurity.com, June 21,2011]

St. Jude Medical, the third major defibrillator company, said it used "proprietary techniques" to protect the security of its implants and had **not heard of any unauthorized or illegal manipulation of them**.

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Lack of Exploits is Not Assurance

Pre-April 2012:
No Mac threats,
therefore never will be.

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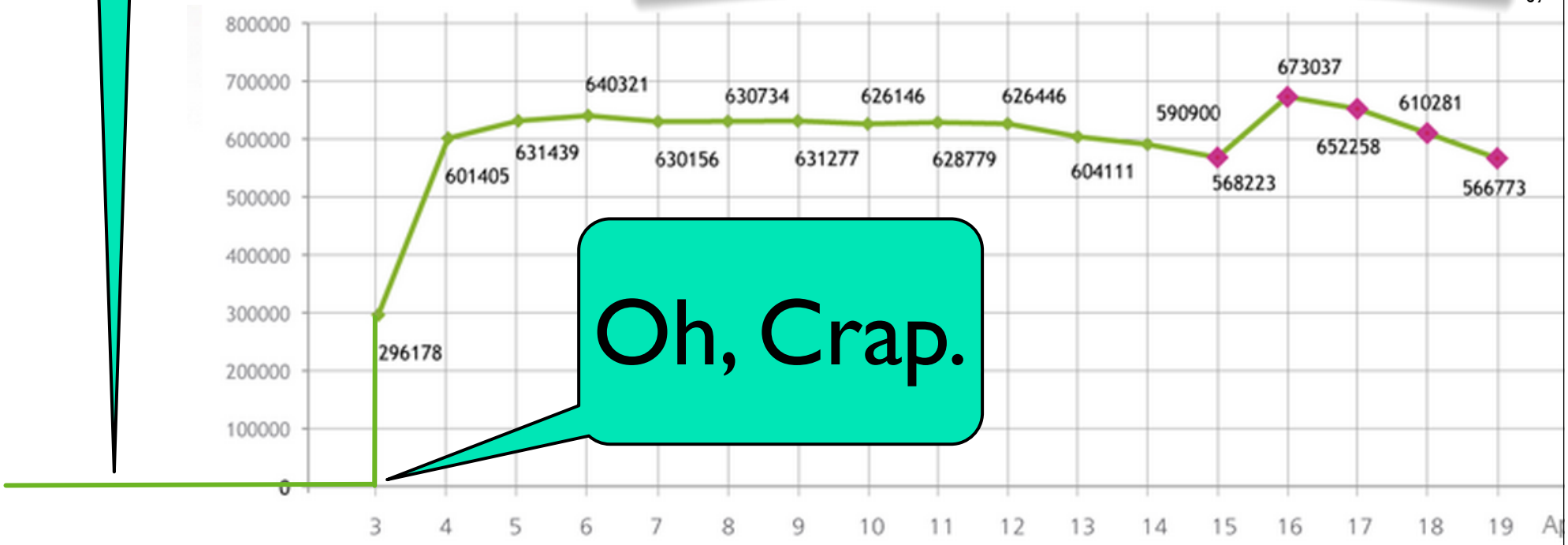
Antivirus Researchers Confirm: Flashback Still Infects More Than 500,000 Macs

Source: Andy Greenberg, Forbes



Oh, Crap.

19 Days in April 2012

Any Good News?
Security Renaissance?

Informati Ass nce Bliss?

"This is an evolution from having to **think about security and safety** as a healthcare company, and really about keeping people safe on our therapy, to this different question about keeping people safe around criminal or malicious intent."

[Catherine Szyman, President, Medtronic diabetes division, Reuters, October 26, 2011]

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Security Built In: A New Hope?

- Slide excerpt from Boston Scientific
- (not me)

Security Risk Assessment Process

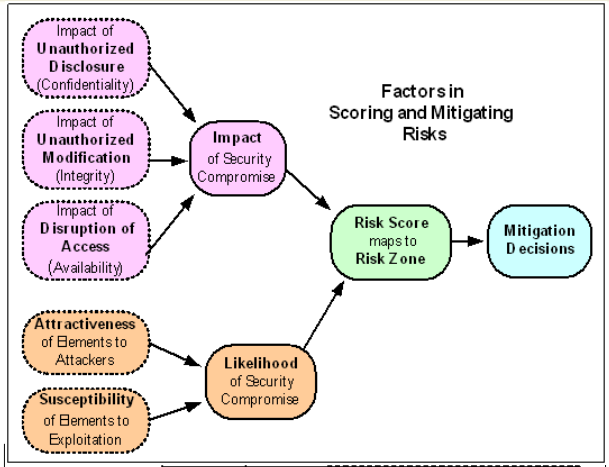
Boston Scientific

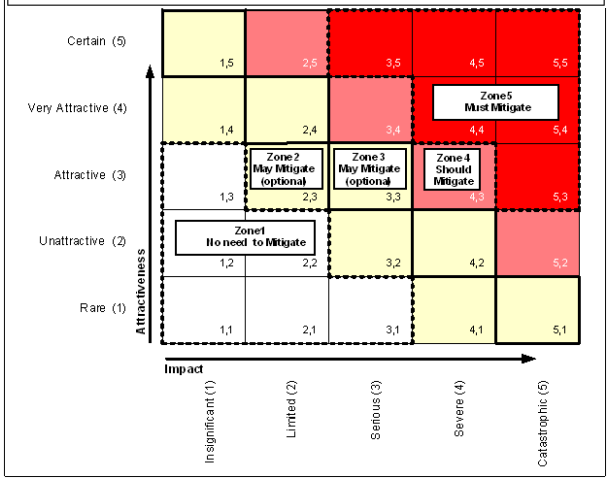
Security Risk process parallels safety risk
- Driven by IEC 14971

Cross-functional analysis, maintained across development lifecycle
- Starting at concept phase

Broad list of threat classes and protectable assets to consider

Risk axes
- Attractiveness (likelihood)
- Impact (severity)





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The Power of Medical Malware

- Detect malware at the **electrical outlet**

- Why? Cannot install conventional anti-virus SW on many medical devices

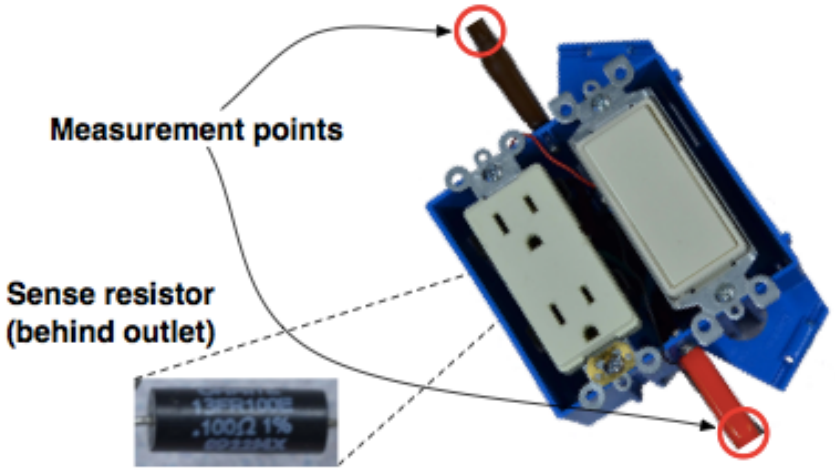

Figure 2: An instrumented AC outlet for capturing power traces. A data-acquisition unit connects to measurement points on either side of a 1 cm sense resistor.

- "Potentia est Scientia: Security and Privacy Implications of Energy-Proportional Computing" by Shane S. Clark, Benjamin Ransford, Kevin Fu. In Proceedings of the 7th USENIX Workshop on Hot Topics in Security. August 2012.

Semmelweis to Software Sepsis

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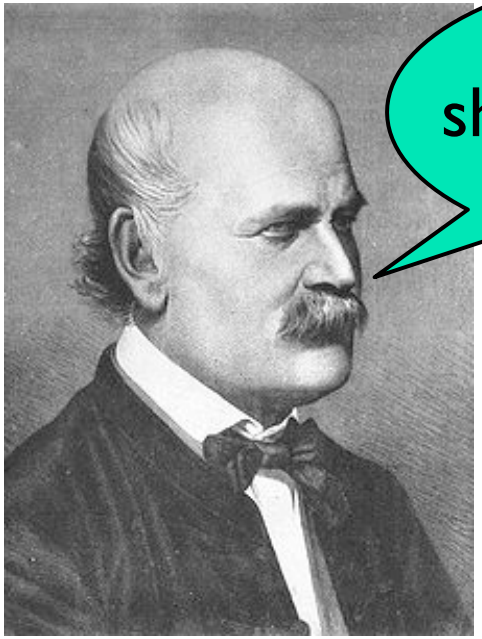
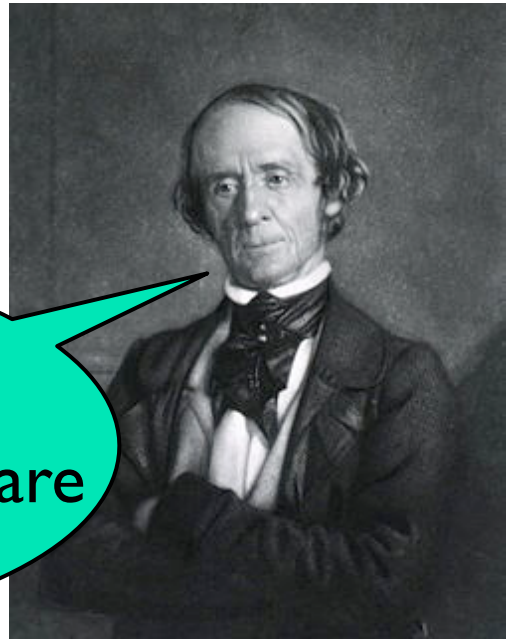


Physicians should their wash hands.

Doctors are gentlemen and therefore their hands are always clean.



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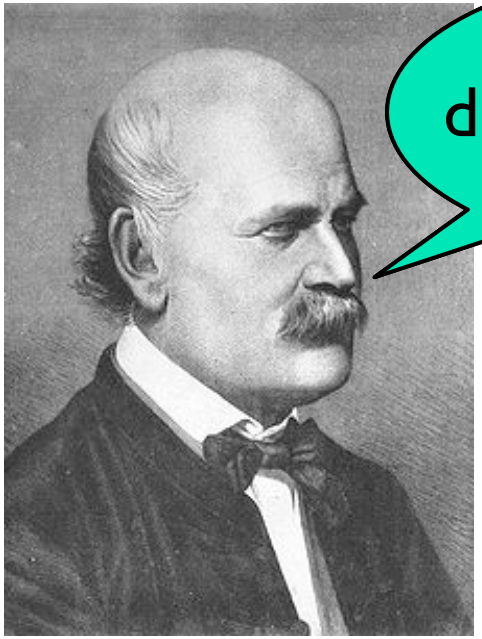
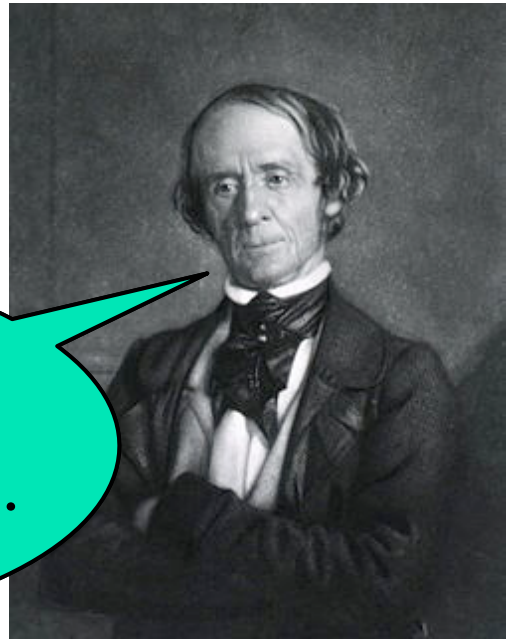


Medical devices should be secure.

We noblemen are immune to malware.



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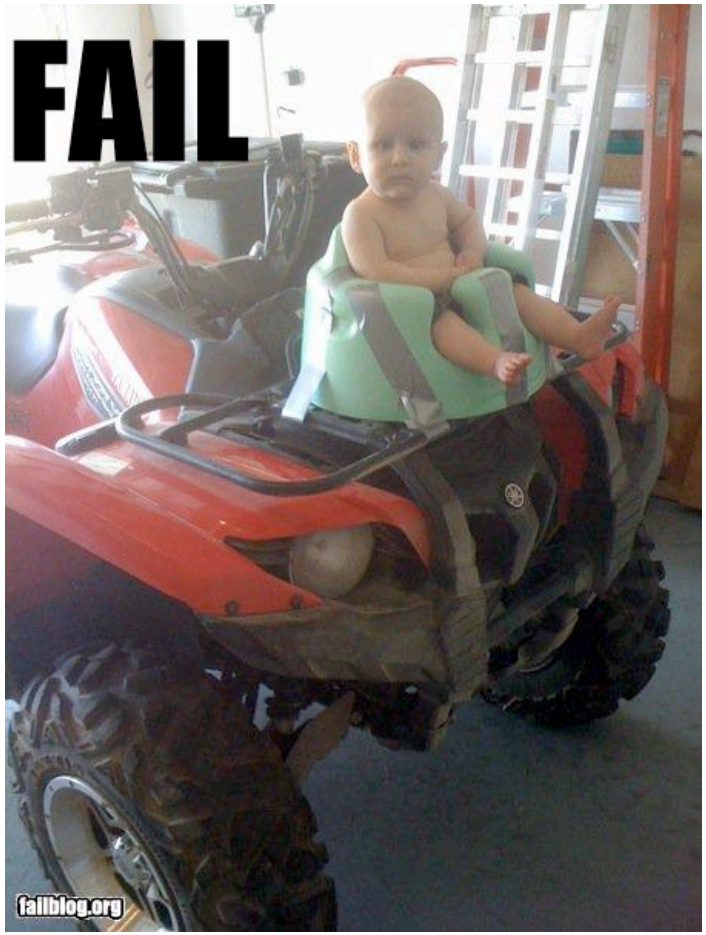
←Ways Forward ↗

Security should be **designed** in

not **bolted** on



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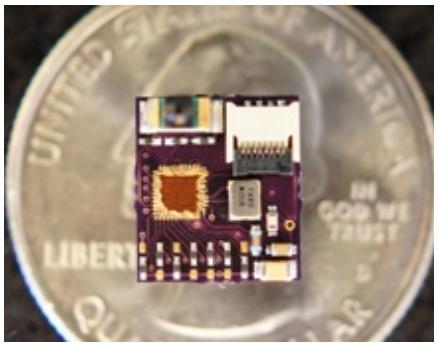

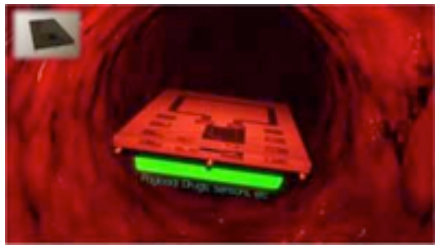

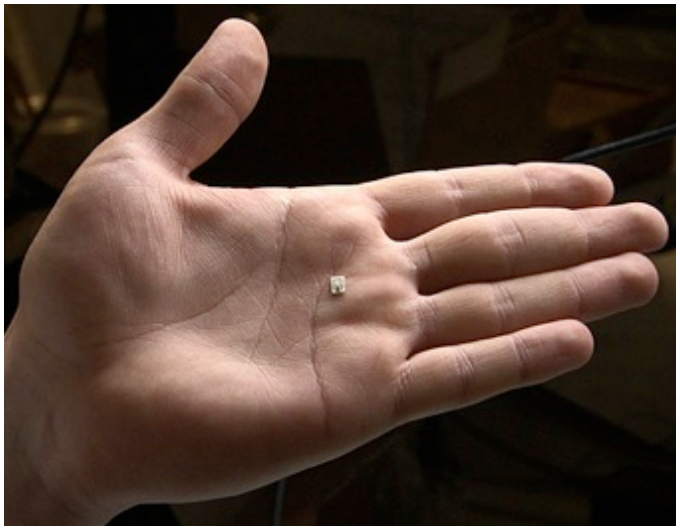

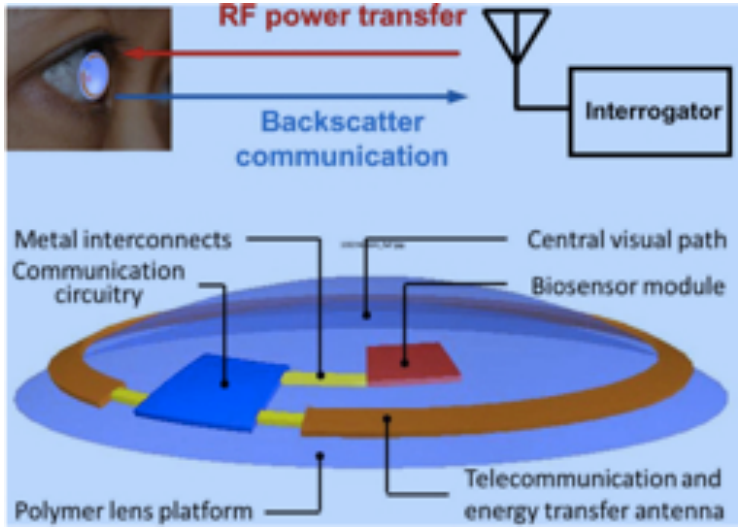

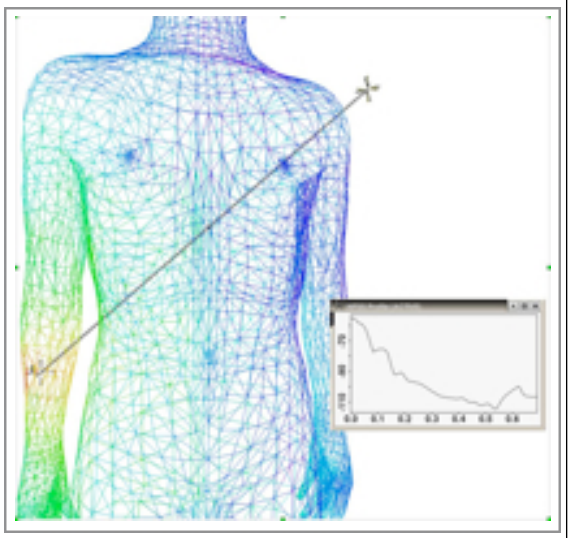

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Summary: Problem=Unavailability

- Biggest risk:
  - ~~Hackers breaking into medical devices~~
  - Wide-scale **unavailability** of patient care

[Photo: Medical Real Estate Advisors and Kevin Fu]

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- Biomedical engineering staff should report security issues
  - Unfortunately, the FDA MedWatch reporting system is clunky
  - Send me your anonymous horror stories if vendors do not respond