

# Re: TrueCrypt 5.0a – Non KakaWare

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Kristian Gjøsteen;193896 Wrote:

Fritz Wuehler <[fritz@xx](mailto:fritz@xx)>  
wrote:

Or do you  
think that after the many years of work they might, just might ignore

you?

While I do not in general consider Sebastian a reliable source, he has posted what to an untrained observer looks like technical details about a flaw in Truecrypt, see message-id <[615ashF1sfp4gU1@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:615ashF1sfp4gU1@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx)>. As far as I can tell, this message is unanswered (unlike, I might add, a very large number of other posts on various aspects of Truecrypt).

Some time ago in sci.crypt, Truecrypt fans claimed quite strongly that Truecrypt was secure, even when provided with evidence to the contrary. I believe it would be benefit Truecrypt's reputation if some of its fans, instead of posting endless ranting defences, instead got the developer's attention and pointed them to the claimed flaw referred to above. It should either be acknowledged and fixed, or it should be explained why the claim is false.

Of course, it doesn't *\_really\_* matter who does it, as long as it is done.

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Kristian Gjøsteen

Has any of you considered DriveCrypt PlusPack (from [www.securstar.com](http://www.securstar.com))?

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My opinion is that it is better than TrueCrypt, if only for the bootauth feature and let's not forget...the full disk encryption capability. Another feature that I find of big importance is the possibility to create an ER disk if for any reason you would be in danger of using your data or you couldn't access it anymore. I don't think that you can find that feature in TrueCrypt.

Cheers!

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