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Notice Regarding Possible Virus Alerts (False Positives)

When downloading, installing, or using the *LinkCorrWin* software, some antivirus programs or security solutions may display a virus or malware warning. This may affect either the software itself or individual associated files. In the case of our software, these are so-called **false positives**, meaning incorrect detections where a legitimate and harmless file is mistakenly classified as malicious.

The *LinkCorrWin* software is developed and maintained exclusively by employees of the German Federal Institute for Materials Research and Testing (BAM). Prior to each release, the corresponding program files are reviewed as part of our quality assurance process. Nevertheless, some antivirus programs or security solutions may classify the software as potentially malicious due to heuristic, behavior-based, or automated analysis methods, as well as technical measures employed by BAM to protect the software against tampering (so-called false positives). BAM has no influence over the functionality, evaluation criteria, or signature updates of external security solutions.

If you would like to verify that the software is authentic and has not been modified, you can:

- compare the hash value provided in the table below, or

- verify the file or its hash using VirusTotal (www.virustotal.com), which checks it against multiple independent antivirus engines. Occasional detections by individual scanners, particularly heuristic or AI-based engines, are not uncommon.

False positives frequently occur with new, uncommon, or technically specialized files (e.g., compressed, packed, or self-signed applications) and do not indicate an actual infection, provided the file originates from a trusted source and no other suspicious indicators are present.

If your antivirus software still displays a warning, you may manually inspect the software, define an exception, or report the false detection to the antivirus vendor.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your understanding.

Hash Information for file *BAMLinkCorr 1.4.1234.23 - Setup.exe* contained in the downloaded ZIP archive

MD5	2e63d4527baf0c5014fc64b1013de667
SHA1	1701fc87611f6f12c7ee3492903ca41c20e6a0e0
SHA256	2a1c9eed749f9f443cbf4a4b0a35160e35c4c154d93ee46be508b73e1cc2e883
Virustotal scan results for this file	https://www.virustotal.com/

Additional information / links:
https://learn.microsoft.com/de-de/defender-endpoint/defender-endpoint-false-positives-negatives
https://www.av-comparatives.org/de/dealing-with-false-positives-reporting-issues-to-antivirus-vendors/
https://www.cyberly.org/en/what-are-false-positives-in-antivirus-scans/index.html