

Top 3 Operational Technology (OT) cybersecurity misconceptions

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The IT department handles all our cybersecurity.

A robust cybersecurity program requires coordination between the operations and IT departments. A thorough assessment and on-going maintenance of people, process and technology is required by both groups to maximize security.

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It doesn't matter if someone "hacks" my facility network, we just monitor things.

It doesn't matter how you use your network, it's how an attacker can use it. An attacker is looking for the easiest way into your network. Once in, they can pivot to other, more valuable parts to secretly operate or actively disrupt.

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My facility network is not connected to the internet, so I'm safe.

Air-gapping your operational technology network is a strategy, not a guarantee of security. You still need to put cybersecurity measures and practices in place to secure your operations and validate the integrity of the air-gap.



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