

# Is aminer.cn legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 90/100

aminer.cn

## Verdict

90

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

aminer.cn appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-11 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 70%.

What this site appears to be

AMiner presents an AI-powered academic research/productivity platform (search, reading, synthesis) with paid VIP and API features; content and UI indicate an established service focused on researchers.

## Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
- Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

## At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

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|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Malware engines           | <b>None flagged it</b><br>VirusTotal                                                    | <span>CLEAR</span> |
| Google Safe Browsing      | <b>Not listed</b><br>Google                                                             | <span>CLEAR</span> |
| Abuse reports on the host | <b>0 reports</b><br>AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count                       | <span>NOTED</span> |
| Domain age                | <b>14 years old</b><br>Registered history                                               | <span>CLEAR</span> |
| Web archive               | <b>Archived since 2026</b><br>1 snapshot                                                | <span>CLEAR</span> |
| Certificate               | <b>Encrypted connection</b><br>Issued by Sectigo Public Server Authentication CA DV R36 | <span>NOTED</span> |

## The page as captured

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No screenshot is retained for this report.

## Key findings

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- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- Public web-archive history exists since 2026.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

## Full analysis

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### Overview

AMiner is an AI-powered academic research and productivity platform that provides academic search, AI-assisted reading and synthesis, research agents, scholar and literature resources, and paid VIP and API services for researchers and institutions.

### Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed. The homepage presents a coherent academic-research service rather than a deceptive financial, crypto, or impersonation proposition; it contains no identified phishing, brand-impersonation, or malicious-content indicators. External reputation checks were clean, and the site's established registration record and limited but non-conflicting archive evidence support continuity without indicating suspicious repurposing.

#### EVIDENCE

- The homepage identifies AMiner as an academic search and AI research assistant and contains no detected red-flag or impersonation indicators.
- External reputation checks recorded zero malicious detections, zero suspicious detections, and no blacklist hit.
- The domain was registered on 2012-12-19 and is 13.65 years old.
- The web archive contains 1 snapshot spanning 2026–2026, with 1 year tracked; this is limited archival coverage rather than evidence of a recently created domain.

### Regulatory Verification Notes

The apparent business model is a conventional academic SaaS service, with the homepage describing search, AI reading, synthesis, research assistance, VIP access, and a Data API. It displays “ZHIPU.AI,” a Chinese public-security registration number, contact and policy references, and a copyright notice, but these on-site references do not independently verify the real-world operator. No financial or sector-specific license is claimed or verified; for this apparently non-financial research platform, that is a transparency item for ordinary commercial due diligence rather than evidence of a scam. The available evidence is therefore consistent with an established, apparently legitimate website while retaining uncertainty about independent operator verification.

#### EVIDENCE

- The homepage states that AMiner covers the research workflow of searching, reading, writing, and executing, and advertises VIP access at ¥0.73 per day and a Data API.
- The homepage displays “ZHIPU.AI,” “网信算备,” “京公网安备11010802035176号,” and “© 2005-2026 AMiner.”
- Domain registration is through 阿里云计算有限公司（万网）.
- The site's transport encryption uses a DV certificate issued by Sectigo Public Server Authentication CA DV R36, valid through 2026-12-05.

#### What to Verify Next

Before credential or payment interactions, an organization should independently confirm that the commercial counterparty named in its procurement or subscription records corresponds to the service, review the applicable subscription, cancellation, and refund terms, and use payment methods with established dispute protections. Official support and contact channels should also be confirmed through an independently sourced route rather than relying solely on page content.

#### EVIDENCE

- The homepage exposes VIP activation and account-login pathways, making subscription terms and payment controls relevant to pre-use checks.
- The homepage links to policy, protocol, manual, and contact resources that can be reviewed as part of the commercial due-diligence process.
- The platform is presented as a SaaS service for researchers and institutions, so organizational procurement records provide an appropriate independent identity check.

#### Summary Verdict

The available evidence supports a high-trust, low-risk posture for an established, apparently legitimate academic software website, with no observed scam or impersonation contradictions. The positive conclusion is strong across the site's substantive content, external reputation, registration continuity, and technical operation, but it should not be treated as independent proof of the real-world operator identity.

#### Infrastructure Integrity

The site is hosted directly on AS37963, ALIBABA-CN-NET (Hangzhou Alibaba Advertising Co., Ltd., CN), with two likely origin IP addresses and no detected CDN or WAF layer. Its TLS certificate provides valid baseline transport protection; the direct-origin arrangement is a technical characteristic and not, by itself, evidence of illegitimacy.

#### Closing Assessment

Normal evaluation and use are proportionate to the site's assessed posture, provided that ordinary independent checks of the commercial counterparty, contractual terms, and payment protections are completed before credentials or payment details are submitted.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-11 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

## What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

## Identity verification

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|----------------------------------|------------|
| Status                           | UNVERIFIED |
| Identity score                   | 30/100     |
| Identity verification confidence | 50%        |

- No on-site identity signals detected

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

## What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of aminer.cn.

- The request stayed on aminer.cn. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under 阿里云计算有限公司（万网）. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by alidns.com, across 2 name servers. NOTED
- The registration is paid up to 2026-12-19. NOTED
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 2026-01-06. CLEAR
- It is hosted on ALIBABA-CN-NET, from a server in CN. NOTED

## Domain intelligence

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|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Registrar          | 阿里云计算有限公司（万网）                                                                  |
| Hosting            | ALIBABA-CN-NET - Hangzhou Alibaba Advertising Co.,Ltd., CN                     |
| Country            | CN                                                                             |
| Server IP          | 47.93.38.204                                                                   |
| Name servers       | vip3.alidns.com, vip4.alidns.com                                               |
| SSL issuer         | Sectigo Public Server Authentication CA DV R36                                 |
| SSL expiry         | 2026-12-05                                                                     |
| Domain age         | 13.65 years (continuous registration)                                          |
| Domain expiry      | 2026-12-19                                                                     |
| Archive first seen | 2026-01-06                                                                     |
| Archive snapshots  | 1                                                                              |
| Reputation         | VirusTotal: 0 flagged   AbuseIPDB: 0 reports   Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches |

## About this assessment

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A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about aminer.cn at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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