

Statement about Jess Asato legal action against xAI

We stand with Jess Asato and her incredibly brave legal action against xAI to deliver justice for the non-consensual sexualised images Grok created of her and back her calls for better safety by design.

We hope that this will be a first step towards accountability for those responsible and that it will open a path to redress for the many, many other victims who have suffered.

Researchers found that in an 11-day period — from the start of December 29th 2025 to the end of January 8th 2026 — Grok generated an estimated 3 million nonconsensual sexualised images of women and children, which were widely disseminated on X, causing untold harm.

To date, there has been no justice for any of the victims. We believe that xAI must be held legally accountable to ensure that no AI tool or social media platform can ever repeat such awful harms against women, children, or anyone.

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