



EDCTP Update | September 2022



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UKCDR & ESSENCE guidance document on equitable research partnerships



The UK Collaborative on Development Research (UKCDR) & ESSENCE on Health Research published a good practice document entitled 'Four Approaches to Supporting Equitable Research Partnerships'. This guidance document lays out four interconnected approaches to supporting equitable research partnerships:

- Support the research partnership ecosystem
- Strengthen research relationships and research systems
- Budget for partnership building
- Implement processes and procedures that sustain partnerships

In the guidance document, the EDCTP-funded African coalition for Epidemic Research, Response and Training (ALERRT) and Pan-African Network for Rapid Research, Response, Relief and Preparedness for Infectious Disease Epidemics (PANDORA-ID-NET) networks are highlighted as best practices of research consortia to build equitable decision-making. The guidance document was discussed and best practices were presented at an event organised by UKCDR and ESSENCE at the Science Summit at United Nations General Assembly 77 (UNGA77) on 26 September 2022 (see under 'Recent events').

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Start of PREPARED project on ethics and integrity during accelerated research



On 1 September 2022, the 'Pro-active Pandemic Crisis Ethics and Integrity Framework' (PREPARED) project was officially launched. This three-year project will develop an ethics and integrity framework to support rapid and effective research during global crises. The project builds on the insights and results from the <u>TRUST</u> project on equitable research partnerships, and is led by University of Central Lancashire (UCLan), Cyprus, and funded by the European Commission Horizon Europe programme. The project held its kick-off meeting from 27-29 September 2022 (see under 'Recent events'). EDCTP is a proud partner to the project and will contribute through several of the project's work packages.

GloPID-R visits EDCTP Africa Office



On 21 September 2022, Dr Hans-Eckhardt Hagen, Scientific and Advocacy Director, and Dr Alice Norton, Scientific Manager of GloPID-R visited the EDCTP Africa Office in Cape Town, South Africa. GloPID-R is a global coalition of research funders that invest in research to improve pandemic preparedness and response. Since October 2020, EDCTP has been an observer member of GloPID-R and has actively participated in GloPID-R activities and working groups. With support from the UK Department of Health and Social Care, EDCTP has recently funded a package of GloPID-R activities (see under 'Recently signed grants') including the GloPID-R African Hub, which aims to enhance coordination of research activities in preparedness and response by bridging gaps in the local research capacity. During the visit, EDCTP and GloPID-R had several discussions about regional ethics committees, funding for clinical trials, and ways in which funders can work together to



WHO public consultation on Evidence Considerations for Vaccine Policy for TB vaccines

WHO is inviting stakeholders from the TB vaccine development community to review the draft Evidence Considerations for Vaccine Policy (ECVP) and provide comments on both the general utility of the document, and the specific guidance developed for new TB vaccine. The ECVP document aims to provide early information on the data and evidence that is likely to be required to support WHO policy recommendations. The first ECVP exemplar has been drafted for new TB vaccines intended for adults and adolescents, in collaboration with a global expert technical advisory group.

The primary audience for this TB vaccine ECVP includes all stakeholders intending to support the product development, regulatory approval, introduction and widespread use of new TB vaccines intended for adults and adolescents, in low- and middle-income countries, with the aim of reducing delays between vaccine regulatory approval and vaccine introduction. The deadline is **28 October 2022**.

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Recent events

The role of funders in enabling equitable research partnerships for development | 26 September 2022

The UK Collaborative on Development Research (UKCDR) and ESSENCE on Health Research initiative hosted a panel discussion to discuss and identify practical ways in which research funders and institutions can embed equity in international scientific collaboration. Discussion was based around a newly launched good practice document developed by a global taskforce of research funders (including EDCTP): Four Approaches to Supporting Equitable Research Partnerships (2022). In the document, the EDCTP-funded African coalition for Epidemic Research, Response and Training (ALERRT), and the Pan-African Network for Rapid Research, Response, Relief and Preparedness for Infectious Diseases Epidemics (PANDORA-ID-NET) — are presented as examples of research consortia to build

equitable decision-making. A short videoclip reflecting on the EDCTP case study was displayed during the session, featuring EDCTP Executive Director, Dr Michael Makanga, PANDORA-ID-NET Coordinator, Prof. Francine Ntoumi, and ALERRT Principal Investigator in Ivory Coast, Dr Anani Badjé.

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GloPID-R's Clinical Trial Networks and Funders (CTN&F) Workshop | 29-30 September 2022

GloPID-R's Clinical Trial Networks and Funders (CTN&F) Working Group met at Les Pensières Center for Global Health (Annecy, France) on 29-30 September 2022 to refine actions for the Living Funders' Roadmap. The CTN&F Working Group has been established to act as a knowledge exchange platform for addressing challenges to funding of coordinated, efficient, effective clinical trial responses to (re-)emerging epidemics and pandemics. The refined Roadmap with recommendations for funders to support clinical trials in line with agreed principles, will be presented at GloPID-R's General Assembly in October. EDCTP Senior Project Officer, Dr Jean Marie Vianney Habarugira, is a member of the Working Group and represented EDCTP as a speaker at this workshop.

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PREPARED kick-off meeting | 29 September 2022

Fifty experts and stakeholders from around the world met at the UN University in Bonn, Germany, to kick off the PREPARED project from 27-29 September 2022. The aim of the project is to develop an ethics and integrity framework for global crises. Delegates provided statements on the difficulties of research during global crises and provided suggestions on how stakeholders can improve collaborations in the future. EDCTP Project Officer Dr Michelle Singh participated in the event, and EDCTP Executive Director, Dr Michael Makanga, was one of the speakers.

Vaccines for Emerging Infectious Diseases: Harnessing the Power of Innovative Partnerships | 16 September 2022

On 16 September 2022, the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative (IAVI) and the Rockefeller Foundation convened a Summit in New York City entitled 'Vaccines for Emerging Infectious Diseases: Harnessing the Power of Innovative Partnerships'. The event brought together key leaders in the response to emerging infectious diseases and pandemic preparedness, who provided their perspectives on lessons learned from COVID-19 and the state of the community to address future outbreaks. EDCTP Executive Director, Dr Michael Makanga, participated in a panel discussion on Innovative Partnerships for Emerging Infectious Diseases Vaccine R&D.

Project news

MMVC: Booster dose of R21/Matrix-M malaria vaccine candidate highly efficacious

Researchers from the EDCTP2-funded Multi-Stage Malaria Vaccine Consortium (MMVC) have reported in The Lancet Infectious Diseases a maintained high efficacy of a booster dose of the R21/Matrix-M malaria vaccine candidate at 1 year following the primary three-dose regimen. The results were covered in



several international media reports. MMVC is developing the first multi-stage vaccine for malaria, designed to target different stages of the *Plasmodium falciparum* parasite. The consortium previously reported that R21/Matrix-M is safe, immunogenic and has an efficacy of 77%, exceeding the WHO goal of 75% efficacy for over 12 months in the target population of African children. The trial is ongoing to assess long-term follow-up of these participants and the value of further booster vaccinations.

DIAGMAL starts recruitment for evaluation of innovative diagnostic platform for malaria



After a period of protocol preparation and training of study staff, the DIAGMAL project started recruitment in five African countries (Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Kenya, Namibia and Sudan). The project aims to evaluate the diagnostic performance of an innovative molecular platform for the sensitive diagnosis of malaria. The first patient was recruited on 8 November 2021 at the Clinical Research Unit of Nanoro in Burkina Faso and the recruitment rate is above 50% in all study sites.

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AfriKADIA: shorter visceral leishmaniasis combination treatment effective



The AfriKADIA Consortium have announced favourable results from a clinical trial initiated in 2017 in Kenya, Ethiopia, Sudan, and Uganda. The study compared a new combination of two drugs, miltefosine and paromomycin, given for 14 days, to the standard of care of sodium stibogluconate and paromomycin given for 17 days. The results show that the MF+PM treatment is over 91% effective in treating visceral leishmaniasis. While this treatment is just as effective as the existing treatment, it has the advantage of reducing hospitalisation time by 18% and removing one painful daily injection and the potential lifethreatening toxicity associated with sodium stibogluconate. Children, who are the majority of visceral leishmaniasis patients were also shown to respond very well to this new treatment and will particularly benefit from it.

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SeroSelectTB: Consortium meeting & start recruitment



The SeroSelectTB Consortium held their first face-to-face meeting in Cape Town, South Africa, from 23-25 August 2022. The meeting included presentations from partners, a workshop addressing data collection, registration and randomisation, and site visits to Wallacedene and Scottsdene health clinics where the study is conducted. Project partners also visited Lateral Flow Laboratories (LFL), the commercial partner responsible for SeroSelectTB test development and production. In addition, meetings were held between LFL and InVivo BioTech and E-MEDDIA to discuss antigen expression and regulatory procedures, respectively.

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Triage TB: Interview with AnnRitah Namuganga



The <u>TriageTB</u> project is assessing whether two tests – an innovative digital chest X-ray analysis system and a simple-to-use blood test – can provide a rapid indication of the likelihood of TB disease. The TriageTB communications team recently caught up with AnnRitah Namuganga, Laboratory Coordinator and Technologist at Makerere University, Uganda, to learn more about her work in TriageTB and its predecessors, AE-TBC and ScreenTB, as well as her current fellowship at Stellenbosch University in Cape Town, South Africa.

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TB-CAPT: Start of recruitment for CORE and HIV trials



The TB-CAPT consortium successfully enrolled the first patients in two of its three clinical trials: the CORE trial, which aims at assessing the impact of making the Molbio MTB assays on the Truenat platform available at the primary healthcare level, and the TB-CAPT EXULTANT trial which will assess the impact of an expanded testing strategy for diagnosing TB amongst people living with HIV. Coordinated by FIND, the global alliance for diagnostics, the rationale of the TB-CAPT project is to provide evidence for impactful implementation of TB and TB/HIV co-infection diagnostic strategies, including drug-susceptibility testing.

SCINE-U dissemination workshop



The <u>SCINE-U</u> project held a dissemination workshop in Kampala, Uganda on 26 August 2022. The SCINE-U project (Strengthening Community Structures in Clinical Research to Improve Oversight Role of National Ethics Regulatory Bodies in Uganda) is enhancing the capacity of community advisory boards to feed into ethics review processes. The workshop brought together over 100 participants.

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BERC-Africa: Fifth clinical trials fellowship training



In August 2022, the Food and Drugs Authority (FDA) Ghana, in collaboration with the School of Public Health (SPH), Legon, organised the fifth clinical trials fellowship training. This training follows four successful trainings by the FDA as a designated Regional Centre of Regulatory Excellence (RCORE) in Clinical Trials Regulation in Africa held in November 2017, August 2018, August 2019 and August 2020. The training is a part of the capacity-building activities under the Building and Enhancing Regulatory Capacity in Africa project (BERC-Africa).

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CANTAM3 workshop on empirical population genetics



Thanks to the Central Africa Clinical Research Network (CANTAM3) Career Development Fellowship programme, Dr Hugues C. Nana Djeunga (Research Scientist and Head of Molecular Parasitology and Genetic Epidemiology (MPGE) Research Unit at the Centre for Research on Filariasis and other Tropical Diseases (CRFilMT)), organised a training workshop on 'Introduction to empirical population genetics to support elimination of tropical diseases (GENEPOP-CAM)'. This training was organised to fill the training gap in population genetics in central Africa, and aimed to equip participants with the fundamental tools and concepts of population genetics to efficiently tackle tropical diseases.

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CANTAM3 joint workshop on biostatistics



The Central Africa Clinical Research Network (CANTAM3) conducted a workshop on 'Using Biostatistics as a tool in Epidemiological research and in handling micro-organisms'. The workshop was jointly organised with Alexander von Humboldt Foundation and Central African Infectious Disease and Epidemics (CAIDERA) and was held in Cameroon from 14-16 September 2022. The objective of the workshop was to expose participants to biostatistical concepts that can be used in epidemiological research studies. Participants were selected from CANTAM3 partners: Democratic Republic of Congo (UNIKIN), Congo-Brazzaville (FCRM), Cameroon UYI and Gabon (CIRMF).

TESA visits EDCTP Africa Office



The Trials of Excellence in Southern Africa (TESA) project coordinator, Dr Francisco Saúte, and project manager, Mr Rodrigues Matcheve, visited the EDCTP Africa Office on 20 September 2022 as they commenced a three-day site visit to TESA partners based in Cape Town, South Africa. The objective of the meeting was to discuss the operations of the TESA consortium and implementation progress of TESA-related EDCTP Participating States' Initiated Activities (PSIA) projects: TESA Data Management Center Accreditation Project, supported by Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia (FCT, Portugal), and TAGENDI Female PhD Fellowship Programme, funded by the UK Department of Health and Social Care. The strategic direction of the consortium as EDCTP2 transitions to the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking was also discussed.

BCA-WA-ETHICSII: Ethics policy brief



On 8 September 2022, the Ministry of Health and Social Action of Senegal published the 'Note de politique: la gestion de la vulnérabilité dans la revue éthique des protocoles de recherche sur la Covid-19'. The policy brief discusses the management of vulnerability in COVID-19 research and provides recommendations for future ethical research conduct. It mainly targets evaluators in national research ethics committees, institutional review boards, as well as researchers developing a mental health research protocol. The guidelines

were developed from an African perspective, and could also be applied to other low-resource settings. The policy brief is a product of the BCA-WA-ETHICS II project.

EDCTP Fellows

MaReCa project: Paul Martine Hayuma wins Best Laboratory Scientist of the year award



Mr Paul Martine Hayuma is based at Tanga Medical Research Centre, National Institute for Medical Research (NIMR) in Tanzania, where he works as Laboratory Manager. His postgraduate training was fully supported by EDCTP through the project Malaria Research and Capacity building for field trials in Tanzania (MaReCa). During his studies, Mr Hayuma found that asymptomatic malaria is associated with an increased risk of having anaemia in the study communities. The findings highlight the need for targeted interventions focusing on asymptomatic infections, which is an important risk factor for anaemia in the community and is a source of continued transmission of malaria in the study area. Mr Hayuma has published two research papers, and consecutively won best Laboratory scientist of the year (2021, 2022) at the NIMR, Tanzania.

Dr Moses Kumwenda – Video "Undetectable = Untransmittable"



Malawi has a highly successful HIV programme but counselling messages given during HIV testing show limited emphasis on "Undetectable = Untransmittable" or "U=U". EDCTP Fellow Dr Moses Kumwenda is developing and piloting contextually relevant "Undetectable = Untransmittable" communication materials that could be delivered through the AnteNatal Clinics in Blantyre, Malawi. One of those materials, a video explaining the concept of "U=U" and the benefits of keeping viral loads in the blood of people living with HIV low, is now available. The results of this research will be used to guide the formation of national and international policies.

Watch the video »

CSA2022GloPID-R-3387 | Dr Alice Norton, University of Oxford, United Kingdom | "The Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness - Improving our preparedness capabilities for global response"

With the support of the UK Department of Health and Social Care (UK DHSC), EDCTP has signed a funding agreement with <u>GloPID-R</u> (represented by the University of Oxford) for a 12-month Coordination Support Action (CSA) grant, aiming to strengthen GloPID-R capabilities to respond to emerging threats. The project will be co-implemented by GloPID-R co-hosts - the University of Oxford (UK) and Fondation Merieux (France), in collaboration with one other GloPID-R member - South African Medical Research Council (SAMRC), South Africa.

Specific objectives of the grant include:

- The development of Low-and Middle-Income-countries (LMICs) geographical nodes, with a focus on the African Regional hub
- Kick-starting the development of a new tool to track funding for pandemic preparedness
- Strengthening GloPID-R's work with funders and researchers on clinical trial coordination.

As part of GloPID-R's regional hubs strategy, this project will implement a pilot phase of the <u>African Regional hub</u>, under the coordination of the South African Medical Research Council (SAMRC), South Africa.

Publications

EDCTP is a member of <u>Europe PMC</u>. This enables EDCTP-funded researchers to share their publications via one central location. Sharing publications by EuropePMC also ensures that they will satisfy the requirements for EDCTP-funded research projects: making publications openly accessible as soon as possible.

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- Clin Infect Dis: Paromomycin and Miltefosine Combination as an Alternative to Treat
 Patients With Visceral Leishmaniasis in Eastern Africa: A Randomized, Controlled,
 Multicountry Trial. Musa AM et al. (27 September 2022)
- J Clin Tuberc Other Mycobact Dis: Implications of covariate induced test dependence on the diagnostic accuracy of latent class analysis in pulmonary tuberculosis.

 Kipyegon Keter A et al. (6 September 2022)
- World J Crit Care Med: <u>Association between early viral lower respiratory tract</u> infections and subsequent asthma development. Kenmoe S et al. (9 July 2022)
- PLoS One: Phase 3 evaluation of an innovative simple molecular test for the diagnosis of malaria in different endemic and health settings in sub-Saharan Africa (DIAGMAL). Kiemde F et al. (1 September 2022)
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Resources







Collaborative clinical R&D online

Clinical research capacity
PDF

Fellowships online

- EDCTP | Knowledge Hub: Tools and guidance for conducting clinical research
- EDCTP | Guidelines for grantees Progress report
- EDCTP | Template for Grant Agreement Annex 5
- ERUDIT | Planning for Financial Sustainability manual
- Europe PMC webinar | Watch the recording and download the slides
- TRUST project | Video introducing the Global Code of Conduct

Training and funding opportunities

MOOC Examining African Contributions to Global Health | 3 October - 4 November 2022

Registration is open for the five-week Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) 'Examining African Contributions to Global Health'. This MOOC introduces various topics from health

financing, drug development, South-South knowledge exchange to urban agriculture and urban health. From 3 October to 4 November 2022 you can join the last facilitated MOOCrun by experts from the Swiss TPH, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL) and the Department of History, University of Basel with partners in Mali, South Africa, Tanzania and Zambia. After that date, the full MOOC or single modules may still be taken as self-study.

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ADVAC (Advanced Course for Vaccinology) | 8-19 May 2023

ADVAC is an annual two-week training programme for decision-makers, including academia, industry, governmental and non-governmental agencies. ADVAC has opened a Call for applications with a deadline of **15 November 2022**. Participants (maximum 75) will be selected by the ADVAC Scientific Committee according to their educational background, involvement in vaccinology, decision-making responsibilities in vaccinology, and expected impact of the course at personal, institutional and national levels. With support from the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida), EDCTP will provide fellowships for selected candidates from Sub-Saharan African countries. More information on how to apply »

Funding to support Research Leaders in sub-Saharan Africa | Deadline: 1 December 2022

The UK Medical Research Council (MRC) has launched a further call to support 'rising star' African Research Leaders. The aim of the scheme is to strengthen research leadership across sub-Saharan Africa by attracting and retaining exceptionally talented individuals who will lead high quality programmes of research on key global health issues pertinent to the region and beyond. The award is jointly funded by the MRC and the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO). As part of the scheme the African Research Leader should be supported by a strong linkage with a UK partner/mentor. The deadline for applications is 1 December 2022.

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Mark your calendar

EDCTP events

Funding research for impact: strengthening the role of science and evidence-based policymaking | 30 September 2022

EDCTP is investing in the translation of research findings into policy and practice to increase their public health impact in sub-Saharan Africa. As part of the 8th edition of the <u>Science Summit around the 77th United Nations General Assembly</u> (UNGA77), EDCTP is organising a session to illustrate the value of global partnerships and to present case studies on advancing the production and usage of reliable research evidence in addressing unmet medical needs.

See the programme and register for the event »

Training on financial and project management of EDCTP2 grants in Dakar, Senegal | 17-18 November 2022

This two-day interactive training is targeted at EDCTP2 beneficiaries (lead investigators, project and finance managers) based in West Africa from recently awarded EDCTP2 multibeneficiary projects (Research and Innovation Action - RIA's and Coordination and Support Action - CSA's from EDCTP2 work plans 2019 and 2020). The workshop will take place in Dakar, Senegal, and will be conducted by Mr Abdoulie Barry, Director of Finance and Administration, and Dr Pauline Beattie, Operations Manager, and will be conducted in English with French translation available. Registration is open until **Monday, 3 October 2022**.

More information and registration »

Training on financial and project management of EDCTP2 grants in Nairobi, Kenya | 1-2 December 2022

This two-day interactive training is targeted at EDCTP2 beneficiaries (lead investigators, project and finance managers) based in East Africa from recently awarded EDCTP2 multibeneficiary projects (Research and Innovation Action - RIA projects and Coordination and Support Action - CSA projects from EDCTP2 work plans 2019 and 2020). The workshop will take place in Nairobi, Kenya, and will be conducted by Mr Abdoulie Barry, Director of Finance and Administration, Dr Pauline Beattie, Operations Manager, and Mrs Neodia Flores-Mensing, Grants Finance Officer. Registration is open until **Monday, 10 October 2022**.

More information and registration »

Events with EDCTP participation

World Health Summit workshop: Best Practices and New Avenues for Building Research Capacity in Global Health | 16 October 2022

Research capacity is a long-term, complex process that requires the interplay of individuals, organisations, national and international research systems. No model or mechanism has emerged as the most effective at supporting research capacity development. The aim of the session is to discuss and learn from different approaches of research capacity building, bringing together the perspectives of researchers and funders. EDCTP Executive Director, Dr Michael Makanga, will be a speaker at this workshop.

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The Global Health Network Conference 2022 | 24 – 25 November 2022

Under the theme 'Enabling Health Research in Every Healthcare Setting', this conference aims to bring together health research teams, organisations, health-workers, policy makers and practitioners to explore together how health research can be embedded into every healthcare setting. The conference will be hosted by University of Cape Town, South Africa. EDCTP Project Officer Ms Michelle Nderu will attend the conference, and EDCTP Strategic Partnerships & Capacity Development Manager, Dr Thomas Nyirenda, will be a plenary speaker.

On 23 November 2022, six exciting research symposia will take place alongside the main conference proceedings, two of which will feature EDCTP grantees: 'Enhancing Research Capacity Strengthening: Lessons from EDCTP Networks of Excellence and the DELTAS Initiatives consortia' and 'How to communicate and negotiate within a research team during a pandemic: A perspective from ALERRT Network'.

More information and registration »

Conference on Public Health in Africa (CPHIA 2022) | 13-15 December 2022

The second Annual Conference on Public Health in Africa (CPHIA 2022) will take place from 13-15 December 2022. Building on CPHIA 2021, this year's conference will serve as a catalyst to build more resilient health systems that allow African countries to better prepare for and manage emerging health threats, while also addressing long-standing infectious diseases. EDCTP is represented in the conference's Scientific Programme Committee by Dr Thomas Nyirenda, Strategic Partnerships & Capacity Development Manager. Together with Professor Rose Leke, Emeritus Professor of Immunology and Parasitology and founder of HIGHER Women Consortium Cameroon, Dr Nyirenda will colead Track 8: 'A renewed focus on Africa's major infectious diseases: HIV, TB, Malaria and NTD's'.

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