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Mobil Oil Nigeria (MON), on November 29, 2013 held a shareholder forum at the MON Apapa Office Complex in Lagos. A total of 175 shareholders attended, including members of the Board Audit Committee, an External Director and some members of Mobil Oil Nigeria Leadership Team.

The Chairman of the Board and Managing Director, Tunji Oyebanji, joined by his Executive Director, Lubes & Specialties, Alastair MacNaughton and Executive Director, Operations, Henry I. C. Obih gave a review of MON business up until September 2013 and delivered the outlook for the remainder of 2013.

Shareholders attested to a difficult operating environment, but expressed delight that MON continued to be industry leader in efficiency and returns on investment. The company’s focused stewardship, good corporate governance and disciplined investments were lauded. Overall Profit After Tax (PAT) for the unaudited results for the period grew by 53% when compared to same period in the preceding year.

The lubes business showed year-to-date volume growth. Mobil 1, the flagship continues to blaze the trail in growth, customer acceptance and industry recognitions.

Fuels supplies over the year were affected by challenging environmental and regulatory frameworks. Though volumes dipped slightly compared to the same period last year (due principally to one-off transaction on supply sales), the business continues its focus in growing our chain of outlets in line with Retail Strategy.

Shareholders posed questions to MON’s management staff, with subjects ranging from openness and trust, investor relations and refinery operations, to deregulation, dividends and bonuses.

They expressed full satisfaction and expressed appreciation to the Board, Management and Staff of MON for a good stewardship.
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New Empowerment Initiative for Nigeria’s Youth

“Power Forward” is designed to teach leadership skills and build health awareness through a combination of classroom and athletic activities.
ExxonMobil, The National Basketball Association (NBA), Women’s National Basketball Association (WNBA), and Africare recently announced the launch of “Power Forward,” a youth engagement initiative that will use basketball to develop health, leadership and life skills in Nigeria. Nigerian native and Hall of Famer Hakeem Olajuwon, fellow countryman and former NBA player Obinna Ekezie and three-time WNBA champion Swin Cash joined leading Nigerian government officials in tipping off the program during a two-day launch event in Abuja.
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Remarking at the launch, Mark R. Ward, Chairman and Managing Director of ExxonMobil Upstream subsidiaries in Nigeria said “This is an opportunity to help young people in Nigeria develop important skills they need through an innovative community-based programme.” “Nigeria’s young people want to make a positive difference in their communities. Our goal is to provide them with the tools to do so.”

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Pictured from left are Obinna Ekezie, former NBA player and Chief Executive of wakanow.com; Enyi Onokala, GM, Public & Government Affairs (P&GA), Abuja; Darius Mans, President of Africare; Tijani Umar, President Nigeria Basketball Federation; Dr Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala; Swin Cash, WNBA All Star; Ahmadou Gallo Fall, NBA Vice President Development for Africa and NBA Hall of Famer; Hakeem Olajuwon
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According to Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, the Nigerian Minister of Finance, “The Nigerian government appreciates these kinds of partnerships that bring together the corporate world, civil society and athletics. It is a very uncommon and beautiful partnership.” She also noted the importance of sports in the country as a tool that develops the youth by “giving them integrity and instilling values to make them into the leaders of tomorrow.”

“Nigeria’s vibrant youth and sports culture makes the country an ideal place to launch this new initiative to equip tomorrow’s leaders with the skills they’ll need to thrive,” said Amadou Gallo Fall, NBA Vice President, Development – Africa. “The NBA and WNBA are committed to working with our partners across Africa to use the power of basketball to positively impact social change. Together with
ExxonMobil and Africare, we will promote the core values of our game to help young people learn how to succeed both on and off the court."

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He noted that the surge in North America production of unconventional oil and gas, major recent discoveries in multiple emerging basins, and new global strategic partnerships are changing the global supply and demand market.

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White declared that West Africa is a major producing region at about 5 million barrels of liquids production per day, with Nigeria and Angola representing the largest producers while deepwater exploration and production have been tremendously successful in Nigeria, starting in the early 1990’s, with over 25 billion oil equivalent barrels discovered to date. ‘Production success was driven primarily by a huge wave of exploration drilling activity several years ahead of production, as well as fiscal and regulatory stability that encouraged this subsequent investment. Active exploration drilling provided the foundation that supported the production ramp up that West Africa experienced. Exploration drilling in Nigeria has decreased since 2006. This change in activity should be a source of concern’, he added.

The ExxonMobil VP also said ‘analysis of deepwater project lead times in Nigeria also shows a clear trend of increasing time from discovery to first production. The
current portfolio of producing deepwater assets, such as Erha and Akpo, were developed within 7-10 years. Fields currently under development or expected to receive Final Investment Decisions in the near term, however, are projected to take much longer to be brought on-stream. Nigerian deepwater lead times are now on average 14 years”.

“Key factors contributing to the increasing lead times include protracted permitting and approval processes, increased investor uncertainty, potential changes to existing fiscals, lack of deepwater gas development enablers, and additional local content requirements”.

According to White, “the average cycle time of 14 years pushes first oil for new projects to the 2020-2025 year window and, with the decline in Nigeria deepwater production beginning in the next few years, a significant gap in production could occur. The recovery is dependent on the discovered resources being sanctioned over the coming years. We believe that urgent steps on promoting exploration drilling and sanctioning new projects are required to offset average field decline and fill the future production gap”.

Concluding, Elijah White declared that competition within the industry is global, adding that more than resource is needed to attract and maintain investment and associated economic growth.

Nigeria has had a very successful hydrocarbon exploration and production history, with approximately 90 billion barrels of oil equivalent (GBOE) discovered to date. Exploration began in the country over 60 years ago and, for the first 50 years or so, focused entirely on onshore and shallow water prospects. Deepwater exploration began in early 1996 and has since contributed nearly 15 GBOE from less than 150 wells.

Nigeria and Angola, in particular, have enjoyed tremendous deepwater exploration success with several major discoveries such as Erha, Bonga, Bosi, Akpo and Agbami in Nigeria, and Girassol, Dalia, Kissange and Kizomba in Angola. Most of these discoveries are producing through world-class FPSO Facilities. Production has risen steadily from 85,000 barrels of oil per day in 2000 to 2.5 million barrels of oil per day in 2010, a 30-fold increase. Deepwater exploration
Production has more than offset declines in onshore and shelf production in the last five years.

Welcoming guests and members to the conference, erstwhile President of NAPE, George Osahon stated that the Nigerian oil and gas industry has in the last five years witnessed the most sweeping changes since the discovery of oil over five decades ago.

He noted that on the international scene, the advent of shale gas has proved to be a game changer and a peculiar threat especially in the Liquefied Natural Gas market where Nigeria is a major player within the Atlantic basin.

On the local scene, Osahon said the changes are even more profound as for the first time in several years, the nation's reserve is showing a sign of decline as exploration drilling has hit the lowest level ever experienced in the nation's history.

Conversely, the NAPE President was optimistic that the operating landscape is experiencing an unprecedented rate of pluralization as the industry has been witnessing the largest number of divestment and acquisition activities that is bringing new players as operators to the risky business of oil and gas exploration and production.

He said “these D & A activities have helped in no small way in creating a frenzy of activities which seems to negate the popular believe that the non-passage of the Petroleum Industry Bill, PIB, is slowing down business in the industry”.

In a goodwill message to the conference, Secretary General of Organization Of Petroleum Exporting Countries, OPEC, His Excellency Salem El-Badri commended Nigeria for the spectacular advances that have been made in the exploration of oil and gas since the nation became a member of the organization in 1971.

He pledged OPEC’s commitment to ensuring stability in world oil prices and sustaining the development of energy for global development.

Executive Governor of Lagos State, Babatunde Fashola who was represented by his Commissioner for Energy Resources, Taofik Tijani, urged the International oil Companies operating in the country to conduct exploration along the Dahomey basin to boost the nation's discoveries and reserves.

As Patricia Ochogbu Receives NAPE Fellowship

Patricia Ochogbu of OTG Deepwater received a fellowship award at the NAPE 2013 annual conference for her contributions in promoting the growth of the association and the professional development of Nigerian geoscientists as expressed in her active participation in NAPE-UAP activities and the mentoring of geoscience students and young professionals in Nigeria.

Patricia joined MPN in January 1999 as a Production Geologist in the Ubit ALT, and was variously assigned to Eku, Ubit and Isobo fields respectively at various times. She also had assignments carrying out integrated field studies over Asabo, Enang and Deepwater Angola fields, She is currently the Lead Geologist in the Erha Deepwater team.

Cordelia Orji also received the award for 3rd Best Technical paper on behalf of exxonMobil at the conference.
On 20th November 2013, the 20th anniversary of Oso condensate project was marked. The event was held on-board the Oso Multipurpose Complex. The occasion which was graced by the Joint Venture operations (JVO) management team led by John Arkley, JVO General Manager included Udy Ntia, Deputy JVO Manager; Mohammed Umar, Field-HR Manager; among others. Highlight of the day included citations, drama sessions and presentations of awards to some past and present Oso team members for their outstanding contributions and other executives for their resourceful leadership to Oso through the years.

Oso site management led by Joe Bassey welcomed the visitors and prompted all present to relax and enjoy every moment of the celebration. Chronicling the purpose of the celebration, James Ebede, AOM, Oso/NGL/BRT, highlighted the unique position of Oso/NGL in ExxonMobil and listed specific achievements of Oso/NGL in safety, OIMS and production. He indicated how Oso plays cardinal roles in achieving the 3 focus areas of UN in 2013 – safety, reliability and maximising NGL production - and how Oso had survived several incidents in the past. He inspired the team to show great pride in these achievements while demonstrating more commitment to the future objectives.

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Awards were presented to 69 key personnel that had contributed to the success of the Oso project. A citation was made to highlight the key contributions of each of the awardees. The awardees present during the event are:

- John Arkley former start-up team member and currently GM JVO
- Udy Ntia DGM JVO overseeing Oso/BRT
- Anthony Faweya former Supervisor, PIC & immediate past AOM
- James Ebede former Oso facility engineer and current AOM
- Idongesit Udom Oso start-up team member, former PIC, and current Greenfield start-up Supt.
- Afahaeme Ikara Oso start-up team member and current CMO Supt Oso/BRT
- Edwin Ekanem Oso start-up team member and current PIC
- Cosmas Ekanem Oso start-up team member and current Operation Supervisor Oso,
- Moses Olasebikan Machinery Engineering Supervisor in-charge of Oso TTMs.
- Emmanuel Paul former Oso facility engineer
- James Esara former Oso facility engineer.

Others who had awards included Jide Ayo-Vaughan a former Oso PIC and now Global Maintenance Manager, Global Operations, EMPC, Mike Attah (former Supervisor and currently GM Policy and Programs) Mike Nkono now on IPP project, Aniefiok Idiok (AOM, QIT Operation), Sam Ugbogho (OIM EAP), Ekpe Nkan (OIM Erha), Ralph Irorere (OIM Usan), and Odudu Udoh, among many others.

In their individual comments, John Arkley, Udy Ntia, Mohammed Umar, Idongesit Udom and Emmanuel Paul praised the Oso team spirit and commitment to UN goals and encouraged the team to sustain the strong team spirit, ownership and performance particularly as Oso would continue to play leading roles in UN future projects such as black oil, QIT flare gas elimination and domestic gas projects.

The release of Oso anthem composed by Kingsley Uweh and the result of a competition to showcase the meaning of Oso were other high points of the event. Eniong Enyinna, Scaffold Contractor personnel, who described Oso as “One Safe Operation” took the first prize of a microwave oven while Kayode Ajayi a Pipeline Inspection Contractor personnel, presented Oso as “Our Significant Opportunity” and won the second prize of the Anniversary wrist watch. The third prize of an electric kettle was won by Kingsley Uweh who depicted Oso as “Outstanding Safe Operation”.

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...Launches IT Solution Center

The opening ceremony was also used to launch the - a walk-in office for staff to come in and directly engage EMIT personnel with their IT-related challenges. Overall, the IT fair was very well received by ExxonMobil personnel. "I’ll rate it 10/10." Said Chinedu Idike, a senior associate from the Law department. "I have been exposed to certain level of IT that I didn’t know before. Quite interesting, quite helpful. It is a great innovation."

Nolan O’Neal, Executive Director, Production, cuts the ribbon at the IT solution center opening ceremony.
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ExxonMobil Charity Walk Proceeds donated to Sickle Cell Foundation of Nigeria

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Elizabeth Essien, Manager, Nigerian Projects Organization (NPO), speaking on behalf of ExxonMobil affiliates at the cheque hand-over ceremony, commended the Sickle Cell Foundation for their charitable work in Nigeria, and asked them to make good use of the funds.

Shorebase, Onne Marks 5m Man-hours Without LTI

ExxonMobil Shorebase facility at Onne Oil & Gas Free Zone, Rivers State recently achieved 5 Million Man-hours of Work without Lost Time Injury (LTI). Shorebase personnel marked the occasion on November 21, 2013, with a commemorative event that was attended by a leadership council team including Nolan O’Neal, Executive Director, Production, Oluseyi Afolabi, Executive Director/Facility Sponsor, Aniefiok Etuk, General Manager, New Operations/facility Sponsor, Capt. Victor Iriobe, General Manager, Support Operations, Rotimi Olubeko, General Manager, EMIT Nigeria Operations and Carol Antaih, General Manager, Safety, Health and Environment (SHE).

In a congratulatory message to the team, Nolan O'Neal expressed satisfaction over "the careful and many hours of hard work into keeping the Shorebase facility running effectively" which led to the improved results and accomplishment. He thanked the team for "working safely one day at a time".

Earlier in his welcome address, the Manager, Shorebase Operations, Onne, Capt. Victor Nduonofit noted that the 5million without LTI is a collective achievement of the team made possible through the commitment of each member.

The culture of safety internalized by everyone working at the Base has been taken beyond the desire to keep him/herself safe through compliance with Upstream Nigeria Safety Rules but also involves intervening to prevent others from being hurt. At the Shorebase, Onne, each individual is not only committed to protecting him/herself but also committed to the protection of colleagues and the interests of the business” noting that the safety credo, "I will not get hurt today; I will intervene to ensure my colleague is not hurt.”

Indeed, where each individual is committed to a good safety performance, the individual, colleagues, team and entire organization benefit. Personal commitment to safety, care and intervention to stop unsafe acts has paid-off at Onne.

Congratulations to Capt. Victor Nduonofit, and the entire staff at the Base for this rare achievement.
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Onne Shorebase personnel with members of the ExxonMobil management team Carol Antaih, General Manager, Safety, Health and Environment, MPN (left) and Adeyemi Fakayejo, Manager, Public Affairs, MPN.

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L-R Ozemoya Okordion, Senior Representative, Public Affairs, Mobil Producing Nigeria (MPN); Folashade Amole of Safety, Health and Environment dept., MPN; Elizabeth Essien, Manager, Nigeria Projects Organisation, MPN; Dr. Annette Akinsefe, National Director/CEO, Sickle Cell Foundation of Nigeria and Ebenezer Adeleye, Programme Co-ordinator, during the donation of Two Million Naira Cheque to the Foundation by MPN.
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Speaking on behalf of the receiving universities, Deputy Vice-Chancellor Federal University of Technology Akure, Professor Tolulope Akinbogun noted that the impact of the assistance to the universities could not be over emphasized, and that students of the geosciences who benefitted from the training platform of the UPP would be able to compete globally.
EEPNL Trains Geoscience Lecturers

In the same vain, Dr. Daniel Lambert-Aikhionbare of Ehimade Nigeria Limited, praised the training workshop as "a key initiative funded by ExxonMobil/NNPC to provide better lecturers and mentor students." He urged the lecturers to make use of the opportunity given to them.

Dr Yusuf Dabari Mannan, HOD, Geology, MAUTECH (Mobiddo Adamu University of Technology, Yola (former Federal University of Technology, Yola) responded on behalf of the lecturers; praising the workshop and saying that the lecturers would do their best to make the most out of it. "We appreciate the workshop and welcome the opportunity to refresh our skills".

In addition to the UAP, Esso Exploration and Nigeria Limited, an ExxonMobil affiliate company in Nigeria, sponsors the University Partnering Program (UPP), another major initiative wherein ExxonMobil partners with universities in developing and sustaining field work activities by providing the necessary funds and material support like field buses and geological analytical equipment. As part of this programme, the universities are required to produce geological maps of sections of Nigeria. These maps are subsequently published by the Nigerian Geological Survey Agency (NGSA). To date, the project has published four Geological maps, with another four currently being reviewed by NGSA while ten are currently being drafted.

About 15 lecturers from 4 Universities participated in a one week training workshop in Abuja to enhance their geosciences skill set, as part of the University Assistance Program (UAP) sponsored by ExxonMobil upstream affiliates in Nigeria. The lecturers came from Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, Abubakar Tafewa University, Bauchi, Mobiddo Adamu University of Technology, Yola (former Federal University of Technology, Yola), and Gombe State University.

This training workshop is the fifth in the series of workshops organized as part of the UAP, and its completion will bring the total number of lecturers trained under the program to 100, drawn from 30 Universities across Nigeria.

The UAP is an education and capacity building investment programme organized by ExxonMobil Upstream affiliates in Nigeria, which aims to enhance the quality of Geoscience graduates from Nigerian Universities by constructing and donating Geoscience workrooms equipped with workstations, plotters and printers to selected universities, and by sponsoring the training of lecturers and students on the usage of these machines through train-the-trainer workshops.

"The role of technology in oil and gas exploration cannot be over emphasized, especially in Nigeria - a country which derives a significant amount of revenue from this industry. It is therefore necessary to empower graduates coming out of our educational system to compete with their counterparts from other parts of the world in the market place," said Enyinnaya Onokala, General Manager, Public and Government Affairs, while speaking at the opening ceremony for the workshop.

Also speaking at the event, Dr. Mayowa Afe of Danvic Concepts International Nigeria - organisers of the workshop - lauded the UAP and the train the trainers programme, commending EEPNL for its investment in enhancing education in Nigeria.

Goodluck E. Adagbasa, Manager, Operation Technical Geoscience – Deepwater, Esso Exploration and Production Company and Susan Eshett, Manager, Government Affairs, Public and Government Affairs in a group picture with the lecturers.
Mobil constructs 4-classroom Block for Nigerian Navy Primary School

The NNPC/MPN Joint Venture sponsored the building of a 4-classroom Block at the Nigerian Navy Primary School, Onne, and officially commissioned the structure at a handover ceremony held at the Naval Training College, Onne.

The MPN management team, led by the Manager, Shorebase Operations, Onne, Capt. Victor Nduonofit, paid a Courtesy Call on the commandant of the Naval Training College, Commodore Abimbola Ayuba, as part of the handover ceremony.

Commodore Abimbola was full of commendation for MPN for the project, noting that the project has impacted positively on the moral of the pupils, a majority of whom were part of the local community. He expressed delight at the high quality of the project and noted the project has put ExxonMobil and the NNPC/MPN Joint Venture on the map of CSR projects delivered to the Nigeria Navy.

The headmaster of the primary school, Lieutenant Commander Okoh, thanked ExxonMobil for its "cooperation in our mutual drive towards academic excellence," noting that prior to 2008, there was no primary school within the barracks to provide education to the children of personnel serving in the Barracks. This made schooling difficult, since the pupils had to go outside the barracks for their education, especially during the tensions generated by the Niger Delta militants. He particularly thanked ExxonMobil for not "shying away from its corporate social responsibility" noting that the donation of the 4-classroom block had challenged them to "take quality education to the next level of academic excellence".
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The Executive Secretary, Hospital Management Board, Benue State Ministry of Health, Dr. S.O. Ocheijele, represented the Benue State Commissioner of Health, receiving the materials for the government and people of Otukpo. He thanked MPN for its generosity, adding that he was impressed with the quality of medical equipment provided. He assured that the equipment would be well utilized by the staff of the hospital. The Chief Medical Officer, Dr. J. Inalegwu, expressed his thanks to MPN for the donation.

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Model Secondary School, Maitama and F.C.T School for The Blind Children also received donations from MPN. Model Secondary School was provided with chemistry and physics laboratories equipment and materials worth over N5,000,000. The F.C.T School for the Blind Children received N2, 600,000 to obtain Braille machines and Braille embossers that would be required to aid the visibly challenged students.

At the donation of science equipment, representatives of the Secondary School Education Board, Abuja, F.C.T were on hand to receive equipment on behalf of the school. The donated equipment and materials are state of the art science kits required for the teaching of chemistry and physics at the highest standards. The school authorities, including teachers and students expressed their gratitude to MPN for the donation. Enyi Onokala, General Manager, Public and Government Affairs, encouraged the schools to make the most use of the donated equipment.
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Subsurface Engineering Community Development Program
ExxonMobil affiliates’ Subsurface Engineering Unit recently visited the Modupe Cole Memorial, a childcare and treatment home for people with mental and physical challenges which provides food, clothing shelter and myofunctional therapy for their wards. As part of the visit, the Subsurface team donated a Freezer, Washing Machine, plastic chairs, food items, books and stationery to the home, in order to help the institution better care for its residents.

It was a day to remember on the 16th of September, 2013 when the EAP Platform feted their Operations Supervisor, Kennedy Udofa, who clocked the golden age of 50 while on the platform. The milestone was commemorated at an event put together by the combined team of the Welfare and SHES committees, who came together to celebrate with Kennedy.
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On Wednesday, October 02, 2013 the BRT community celebrated a record setting achievement of 12 Million man hours without a single LTI. Members of the ExxonMobil Leadership team were present at a ceremony to commemorate the occasion including Mark Ward, the Lead Country Manager, Nolan O’Neal, Executive Director Production, Richard Alexander, General Manager OTS, Udobong Nitia, Deputy Operations Manager, Russ Spahr, Maintenance Manager, and James Ebede, Area Operations Manager.

In BRT the culture of safety is practiced to the highest levels of compliance. The achievement is a manifestation of the uncompromising adherence and application of the various Safety concepts including: Step 5 x 5, Stop - Think and Act, My House, I will not get Hurt Today, U-See-U-Act, Emergency Drills etc.

“I am always impressed with level of pride and professionalism of the BRT Team” said Richard Alexander. Nolan A. O’Neal, commending the BRT team said “thank you for protecting our people and business everyday”.

The achievement of the BRT team is hinged on a firm foundation of Safety values. These are the values expected from every visitor, employees, contract personnel, and vendor, in order to maintain the highest level of safety standards. Congratulations to the BRT team for their achievement, and to many more in the future.
Send-forth for George Dyche

The GREF Nigeria project team recently held a send-forth for their Execution Manager, George Dyche, as he came to the end of his assignment in the country. George has moved on to his new role as Project Manager of the Calgary Master Plan, Canada.

ExxonMobil News congratulates these beautiful couples | Happy Married Life

1. Janet Bassey and Denis Eshiet of Erha Operation got married in Uyo recently

2. Tauhida Zayyad of P&GA Lagos ties the knot with Nazif Isa Ahmed.

3. Former Miss Helen Kimiji and Obeto Utomi of ExxonMobil IT, End-User Support, Lagos during their Wedding
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