

# **Open Access Publishing**

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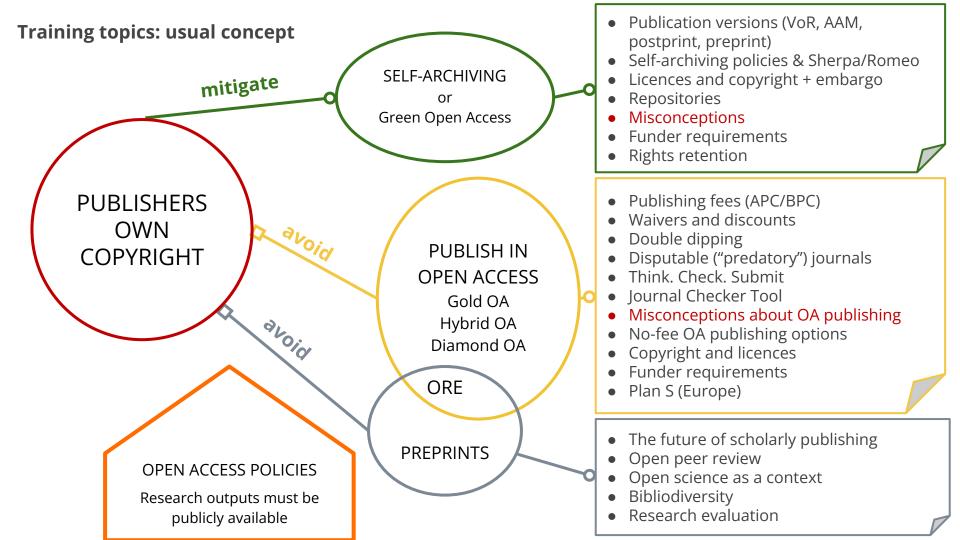
**EIFL Open Science Bootcamp** 

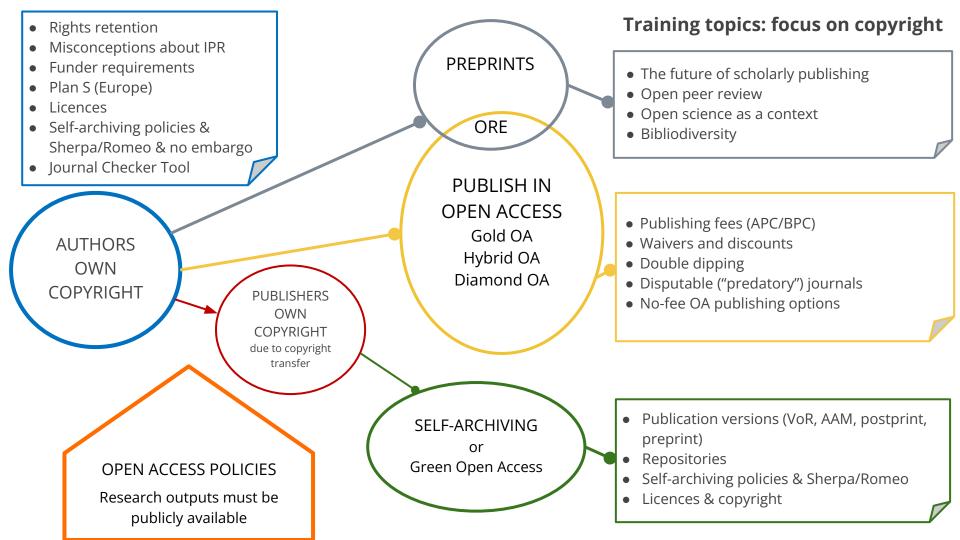
### **Outline**

- Concepts of training on Open Access publishing
- Intellectual property rights (copyright, self-archiving, rights retention)
- Diversity of Open Access publishing models
  - Gold Open Access
  - Hybrid Open Access
  - Diamond Open Access
- What about books?
- Emerging areas
  - Open peer review
  - Preprints and innovative publishing platforms
  - Bibliodiversity

### **Training challenges**

- Complexity of IPR issues
- Poor understanding of IPR
- Complexity of OA business models (many "colours")
- Terminology (preprint, postprint, preproof, AAM, VoR, etc.)
- Confusing and misleading guidance to authors (provided by publishers)
- Misconceptions
- Reliance on peer advice
- Reconciling OA and promotion criteria





## **Intellectual property rights**

### Who owns copyright?

- According to the IPR legislation, the intellectual property belongs to the author, who is 'the first owner of copyright'.
- In case copyrighted materials are created by employees as part of their employment duties (work for hire), there is usually an agreement between the employee and the employer and in most cases copyright belongs to the employer.

**Researchers = authors** 

Researchers' institutions = employers

Publishers ≠ (researchers') employers

• Publishers own copyright only if authors sign off their rights (by signing the copyright transfer agreement).

## Copyright transfer agreement

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- The author transfers the monetary rights.
- Authors are often required by publishers to transfer copyright (sometimes even by OA publishers).
- Due to this they can't make the published version of the publication publicly available.
- They often have to ask permission from publishers to reuse their own publications (or their parts).

### The author who has retained copyright can:

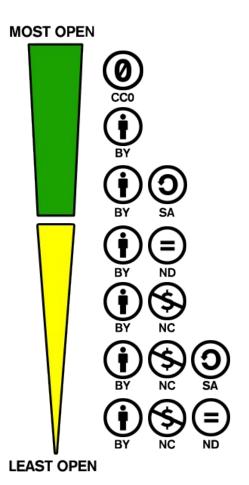
- reuse the publication
- translate it
- distributed under a licence of their choice

### **Rights retention**

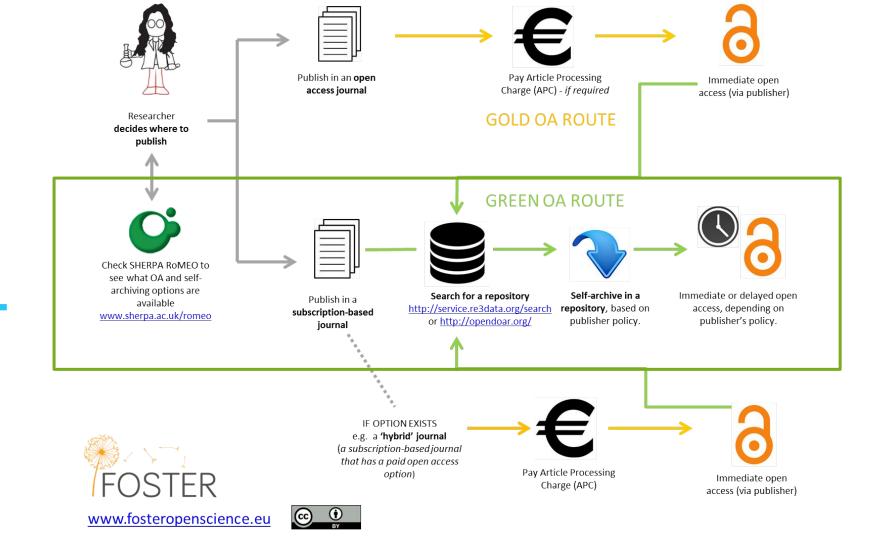
Even in case of copyright transfer, the author can retain some rights.

#### **Creative Commons licences**



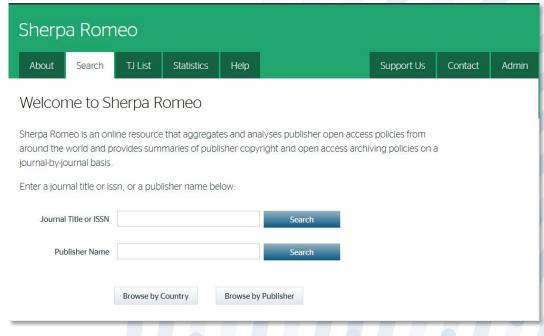


## Self-archiving and rights retention



### Legal basis for self-archiving

- Even is the author has transferred copyright to a publisher, the ownership of a manuscript ≠ the ownership of copyright.
- Journal policies and copyright transfer agreements usually make provisions for self-archiving.
- Sherpa Romeo: a searchable database of self-archiving policies.
- Check journal websites, too.
- Self-archiving for books is still a vague area



https://v2.sherpa.ac.uk

### Rights retention: example

#### **cOAlition S Rights Retention Strategy**

Authors who publish in subscription-based journals should retain SUFFICIENT rights to be able to immediately (no embargo) self-archive at least AAM under the CC BY licence.

#### Exemption clause in the publishing agreement:

"[Insert publisher name] acknowledges that, notwithstanding any other terms or conditions in this agreement: Author Accepted Manuscript versions, which arise from submissions based on results from research funded fully or partially by cOAlition S Organisations, can be made freely available at the time of publication through any Open Access repository of the author's choice;

the Author Accepted Manuscript can be shared under a CC BY or equivalent licence; CC BY-ND upon agreement by the cOAlition S Organisation)."



 At least the AAMs of all peer reviewed publications are published with a CC BY licence and no embargo



#### Owned by the author

- Upon submission, the author informs the publisher that the AAM arising from this submission is licensed CC BY in accordance with the grant's open access conditions
- Acceptance following peer review
- Author Accepted Manuscript (AAM)
   Upon publication, the author immediately deposits the AAM in an Open Access repository (zero embargo, CC BY licence)



#### Managed by the publisher

- Licence to Publish
- Version of Record (VoR)



#### Resources

- Templates prepared by cOAlition S to make communication with publishers easier for authors: <a href="https://www.coalition-s.org/resources/rights-retention-strategy/">https://www.coalition-s.org/resources/rights-retention-strategy/</a>
- cOAlition S resources, part of the online campaign "Publish with Power: Protect your rights": <a href="https://www.coalition-s.org/resources/rights-retention-strategy/">https://www.coalition-s.org/resources/rights-retention-strategy/</a>
- <u>Journal Checker Tool</u> to check the compliance of journal policies with Plan S.
- Fighting publishers' 'smoke and mirrors':
   https://www.coalition-s.org/the-rrs-and-publisher-equivocation-an-open-letter-to-r
   esearchers/

Diversity of Open Access publishing models

The colours of Open Access			
Symbol	Name	Characteristics	Who pays what?
8	GOLD	<ul><li>Publishing in OA journals</li><li>Licence (most commonly Creative Commons)</li></ul>	<ul> <li>No cost for readers.</li> <li>Authors or their institutions pay a fee (APC)</li> <li>The cost of maintaining infrastructure is borne by publishers.</li> </ul>
6	GREEN	<ul><li>Self-archiving</li><li>Licence (most commonly Creative Commons)</li></ul>	<ul> <li>No cost for readers.</li> <li>The cost of maintaining infrastructure is borne by repository owners.</li> <li>No cost for publishers.</li> </ul>
N/A	DIAMOND / PLATINUM	Publishing in OA journals Licence (most commonly Creative Commons) Also referred to as APC-free OA, no-fee	<ul> <li>No cost for readers.</li> <li>No cost for authors and their institution.</li> <li>The cost of maintaining infrastructure is borne by publishers (and/or the cost of maintaining infrastructure).</li> </ul>

l/or their sponsors). OA, publisher-pays model Free to read No cost for readers. • All rights reserved, implied or explicit • In most cases, no cost for authors and their institutions. **BRONZE**  Not really OA • The cost of maintaining infrastructure is borne by publishers (and/or their sponsors).

(ResearchGate, Academia.edu, etc.)

Not really OA

 Publishing in subscription-based No cost for readers for OA articles, but no discount for the non-OA content. N/A • Authors or their institutions pay a fee (APC) journals with an Open Access option **HYBRID** • Licence (most commonly Creative • The cost of maintaining infrastructure is borne by publishers. Commons) Illegal piracy websites No cost for readers. Copyright violation by posting • No cost for authors and their institution. copyrighted content on social media • Publishers bear the cost of infrastructure and legal proceedings against copyright **BLACK** 

infringement.

• Platforms offering copyrighted content illegally bear the cost of the underlying

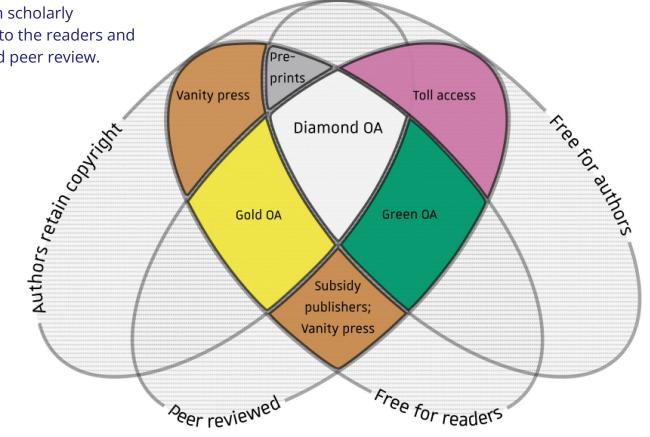
infrastructure and legal proceedings against copyright infringement.

Different levels of open access in scholarly publishing, as a function of cost to the readers and authors, copyright retention, and peer review.

#### Further reading:

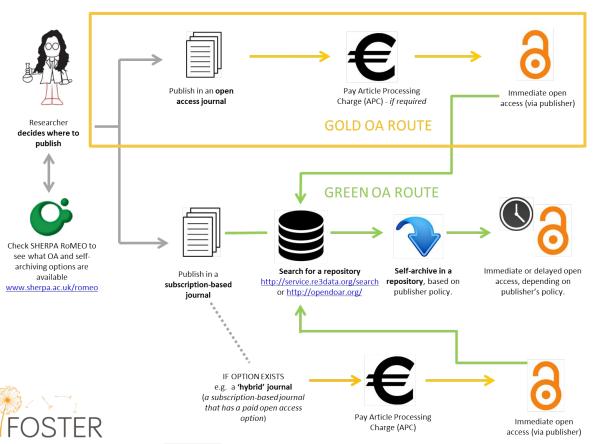
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## **Gold Open Access**



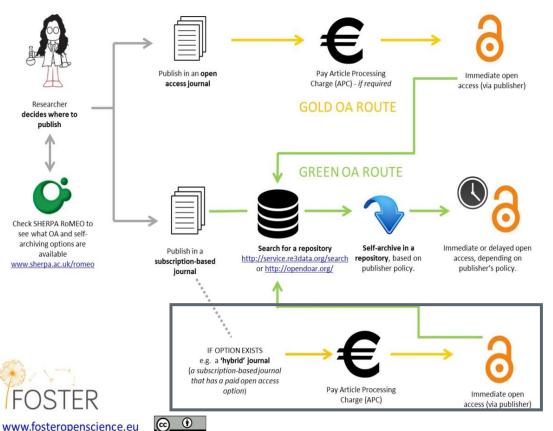
#### **Explain**

- Publishing fees (APC)
- Waivers and discounts
- Deceptive publishers and disputable ("predatory") journals
- Finding a "safe" journal (e.g. Think. Check. Submit)
- Checking compliance with funder requirements (e.g. <u>Journal Checker Tool</u>)
- Copyright and licences
- Misconceptions about the quality of peer review





## **Hybrid Open Access**



Why hybrid journals do not lead to full and immediate Open Access (cOAlition S)

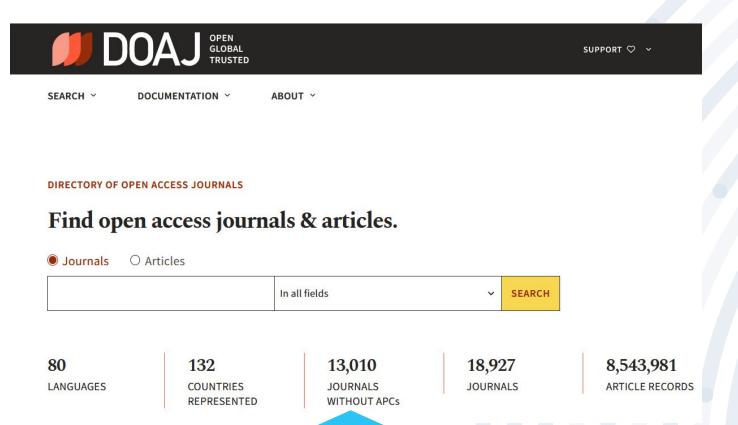
- Hybrid has not facilitated a transition to Open Access (OA)
- The research community pays twice (double dipping)
- Hybrid journals are more expensive than fully OA journals
- Hybrid journals provide a poor quality of service
- Hybrid journals crowd out new, full OA publishing models
- Reader access: a hybrid journal is a "random OA" journal

https://www.coalition-s.org/why-hybrid-journals-do-not-lead-to-full-and-immediate-open-access/

### Diamond / Platinum / Non-APC / No-fee

- Authors, institutions, or funders do not pay an Open Access fee and the reader does not pay to read.
- Disputes over classification: a distinct category or merely "Gold OA without fees"?
- Who pays? a variety of no-fee Open Access Publishing Models
- More common in some parts of the world
- Sustainability as a challenge

### Finding Diamond / Platinum / Non-APC / No-fee OA journals



https://doaj.org

### The OA Diamond Journals Study, 2021



 A large-scale study on Open Access journals across the world commissioned by <u>cOAlition S</u>
 Findings:

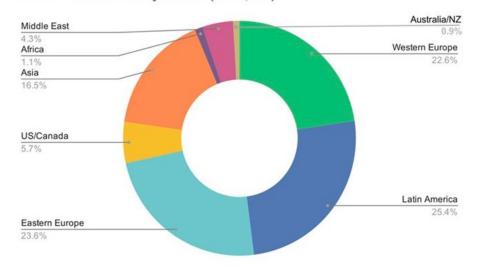
#### • Findings:

- many relatively small journals serving diverse communities
- on the road to full compliance with Plan S
- A mix of scientific strengths and operational challenges
- An economy that largely depends on volunteers, universities and government

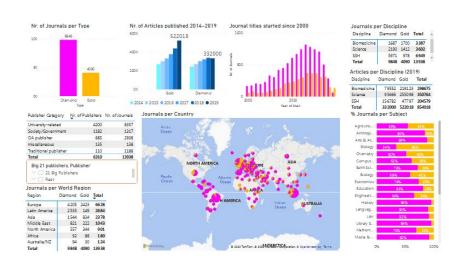
Bosman, Jeroen, Frantsvåg, Jan Erik, Kramer, Bianca, Langlais, Pierre-Carl, & Proudman, Vanessa. (2021). OA Diamond Journals Study. Part 1: Findings. Zenodo. https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4558704

## Diamond OA is a more common model is some parts of the world

DOAJ - OA diamond journals (n=11,064)



Source: Bosman, Jeroen, Frantsvåg, Jan Erik, Kramer, Bianca, Langlais, Pierre-Carl, & Proudman, Vanessa. (2021). OA Diamond Journals Study. Part 1: Findings. Zenodo. <a href="https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4558704">https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4558704</a>
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## Gold and Diamond open access journals landscape: Dashboard (based on DOAJ data)

Source: 'Gold and Diamond Open Access Journals Landscape'. 2020. *Research Consulting* (blog). 22 September 2020.

https://www.research-consulting.com/an-interactive-look-at-the-gold-and-diamond-journals-landscape/.

### **Action Plan for Diamond Open Access** (2022)

Ancion, Zoé, Borrell-Damián, Lidia, Mounier, Pierre, Rooryck, Johan, & Saenen, Bregt. (2022). Action Plan for Diamond Open Access. Zenodo.

https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.6282403



Diamond OA conference was organized by Science Europe in September 2022. More details and presentations:

https://www.scienceeurope.org/events/di amond-oa-conference/

> Endorse the plan: https://surveys.scienceeurop e.org/index.php/241774

### **DIAMAS** project



- Map the current landscape of Institutional Publishing Service Providers (IPSPs)
- Coordinate and improve the efficiency and quality of IPSPs by developing a European Quality Standard for Institutional Publishing (EQSIP)
- Formulate community-led, actionable recommendations and strategies for institutional leaders, funders/sponsors/donors, and policymakers in the European Research Area (ER

In 36 months, DIAMAS will deliver an aligned, high-quality, and sustainable institutional OA scholarly publication ecosystem for the ERA, setting a new standard for OA publishing, shared and co-designed with all stakeholders.

https://diamasproject.eu/

### What about books?

- More attention should be paid to OA books (e.g. discuss it on dedicated training sessions).
- Self-archiving policies for books are more restrictive and less transparent.
- Promote book publishing platforms such as <u>OAPEN</u> and discovery services, e.g. <u>DOAB</u>
- Be aware of the new developments in the area

Resources: Open Access Books Network



**Emerging areas** 

## Open peer review



Conclusions: COVID-19 has impacted travel for business significantly, and future research will be necessary to assess its

leaders. The case study found willingness to pay both corporate and individual green taxes, and a deficiency in corporate

impact. The article explores the ongoing research in this area, and several relevant implications are proposed for future

communication around the environment. Business travel is needed to build trust; however, it can be reduced.

Some publishers offer it as an option (MDPI)

Use cases:

**Peerl** 

F1000 (preprint platform)

Open Research Europe

#### Learn more:

A major problem I see is with the sample

participants. As the authors pointed out

correctly, for this population size the

minimum cample cize chould be 204

size which is only 104 survey

- FOSTER course on open peer review
- Ross-Hellauer, Tony. 2017. 'What Is Open Peer Review? A Systematic Review'. F1000Research. https://doi.org/10.12688/f1000research.11369.2.

## **Preprints**

Preprint is a version of a scholarly paper that has not yet been peer reviewed and published in a peer-reviewed journal. The preprint is usually publicly available on a preprint platform or a repository before a paper is published in a journal. This practice makes it possible to communicate research results early on, without waiting for the formal peer review.

Preprint platforms:

**bioRxiv** 

<u>AfricArXiv</u>

F1000

**PsyArXiv** 

SSRN (owned by Elsevier)

<u>List of preprint repositories on Wikipedia</u>

<u>Materials in several languages on ASAPbio website</u>

#### Issues to explain

- Some researchers don't understand the concept of preprints and their status in career development
- Unfounded fear of academic theft
- History of preprints (e.g. arXiv)
- Role in scholarly communication
- Misuse of early research results in media

Include preprints in your training on Open Access publishing

## **Overlay journals**

"An overlay journal is an open access, quality-assured journal whose articles are held in one or more repositories. An overlay journal does not host the articles on the journal's website but links back to the relevant article in an open repository or preprint server."

COAR

https://www.coar-repositories.org/overlay-journals/

<u>EPIsciences</u> (a platform hosting overlay journals)



DOAJ

Crossref

zbJATS

JSON

Export

## **Innovative platforms**

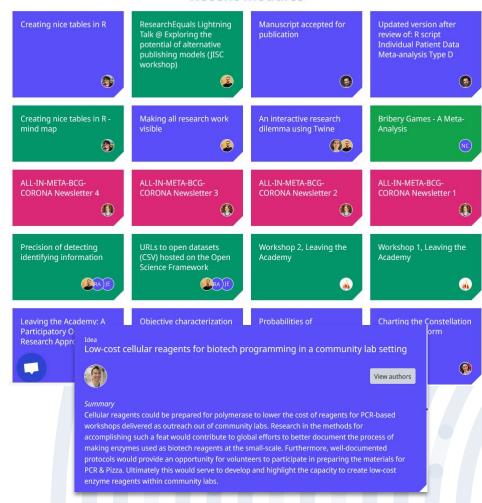
- Platforms open by default (even "pay-to-close")
- Modular publishing
- Diversity of outputs (abstract, analysis, research problem, hypothesis, data, method, interpretation, peer review, etc.)
- Focus on the process (all steps made transparent)
- Collaborative

#### Examples:

ResearchEquals

Octopus (under development)

#### Recent modules



## **Bibliodiversity**

"cultural diversity applied to the world of books"

- preserving diversity in scholarly communication
- greater diversity of products (books, scripts, eBooks, apps, and oral literature) made available to readers
- scholarly communication as an ecosystem resting on:
  - multilingualism
  - open and shared infrastructures and services
  - the diversity of business models in OA publishing
  - quality-based research assessment.

## **Training tips**

- Don't forget that the purpose of scholarly publishing should be scholarly communication (and not profit)
- Highlight and explain the diversity of publishing models
- Uncover misconceptions
- Present use cases
- High-quality materials are available. Use them in you training!
- The topic is huge. Try not to cover all in one session.
- Be informed and cover new developments in you training!

# Questions?

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