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LS Cable & System USA Announces \$50 Million Expansion Investment in Tarboro, NC, USA

LS Cable & System USA, Inc., a USA-based subsidiary of LS Cable & System Ltd., announced a US\$50 million investment to expand its manufacturing facility in Tarboro, NC, USA, underscoring the company's commitment to onshoring advanced manufacturing to the USA, strengthening the

supply chain and serving as a key partner in the nation's energy infrastructure. The expansion will add two Continuous Catenary Vulcanization (CCV) production lines, increasing capacity for medium-voltage power distribution cable manufacturing. The new CCV lines will support demand from electric utilities, renewable energy projects, data centers and industrial customers across North America. Total employment at the facility will go from 250 to 335 jobs.



North Carolina Governor **Josh Stein**, said, "We are home to the largest manufacturing workforce in the Southeast and a thriving business environment that makes our state attractive to companies looking to grow. North Carolina is eager to support LS Cable & System as it strengthens the domestic supply chain to energize our nation."

"North Carolina is proud to support LS Cable & System USA's expansion in Tarboro," said North Carolina Department of Commerce Secretary **Lee Lilley**. "This project strengthens our state's advanced manufacturing sector, supports critical energy infrastructure, and creates meaningful opportunities for rural workers and communities." www.lscns.com

Prysmian Signs Contract With Enedis To Modernize French Power Grid

Prysmian signed a contract worth up to €550 million to become the supplier of the full range of medium-voltage cables for **Enedis**, over a seven-year period, which includes three optional years.

Prysmian has been a long-term partner to Enedis, and the signature reinforces French manufacturing excellence as Prysmian commits to supply cables from its Gron (Yonne) and Montereau-Fault-Yonne (Seine-et-Marne) sites.

Prysmian and Enedis share a common commitment to accelerating the adoption of circular business practices such as using recycled materials including critical materials such as base metals and the overall reduction of carbon emissions across the grid thanks to renewables. www.prysmian.com

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		% CHANGE since last issue	% CHANGE YTD 2026
OVERVIEW Total	13,724	+2.3	-0.6
OVERVIEW Electrical	11,743	+0.7	-3.1
OVERVIEW Communications	1899	+3.2	+12.0
OVERVIEW Steel	1079	+15.0	+17.7

• All numbers are from opening market prices listed on March 4, 2026.

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Nexans Signs Agreement to Supply HTA Cables

Nexans signed a €600 million framework agreement with **Enedis** for the supply of medium-voltage (HTA) cables to support the modernization and reinforcement of the network, the connection of electric vehicle charging infrastructure, the burial of lines and the connection of renewable energy parks throughout France. With a total duration of seven years (2026-2032) including three optional years, deliveries under this contract are set to begin in Q1 2026, with an average annual volume double that of the previous contract.

www.nexans.com

IEWC Acquires Simcona

IEWC, Milwaukee, WI, USA, acquired **Simcona**, Rochester, NY, USA. The acquisition strengthens IEWC's OEM and Controls businesses, expands its geographic reach in the northeast and allows delivery of a broader range of applied solutions to customers. Simcona's wire and cable business becomes part of IEWC's OEM business, and its control panel making operations join IEWC's Controls business. Both Simcona Rochester locations remain open.

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NKT Names Michael Yong CFO; Finalizes Record Order for UK Power Grid & Signs Long Term PPA

The Board of Directors announced the appointment of **Michael Yong** as Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of **NKT** and **NKT A/S**, effective April 1, 2026. Michael Yong currently serves as Chief Strategy Officer at NKT, and he is a member of the Group Leadership Team. Yong has been responsible for the strategy function since joining the company in 2021.



Prior to joining NKT, Yong held a number of senior international leadership positions within the power cable and energy infrastructure industries. His experience includes previous Chief Financial Officer responsibilities, strategy development,

mergers and acquisitions and business transformation at **SGB-SMIT Group** and **Prysmian Group**.

Additionally, NKT signed a firm contract for the HVDC power cable system for Eastern Green Link 3 with a joint venture between the UK grid owners **National Grid** and **SSEN Transmission**. This order is the largest single project award ever received by NKT and will support the reinforcement of the UK transmission grid; valued at more than €2.2 billion.

Finally, NKT and **Uniper** have signed a long-term Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) for electricity supplied from Uniper's newly developed photovoltaic (PV) facility located in Wilhelmshaven, Germany. www.nkt.com

Asia strong/Europe slow: LAPP offsets last year's decline

LAPP Group, Stuttgart, Germany, experienced sales that stabilized at €1.93 billion in fiscal year **LAPPKABEL** 2025. With growth in Asia and America, the company thus offset last fiscal year's decline in sales and grew by 6%. Challenges remain in the form of weakening business in Europe and rising costs. LAPP looks ahead to fiscal year 2026 with cautious optimism as renewable energies, battery storage systems, data centers and intralogistics require more energy, more data and more connections.

www.lapp.com

Copper wire & cable market at \$324.7 billion by 2023

According to Delray Beach, FL, USA-based **MarketsandMarkets** report,

"Copper Wire & Cable Market by Insulation Type, Voltage Type, Installation (Underground, Overhead, Submarine), Application (Building Wires, Power Cables, Communication, Automotive Wiring), End-use Industry, and Region—Forecast to 2032", the copper wire and cable market is projected to reach approximately US\$324.7 billion by 2032, up from US\$182.0 billion in 2022, at a CAGR of 8.6% over the same period. The **MarketsandMarkets** report includes copper wire and cable market size for the period 2022 to 2032. Download a PDF brochure at the website below.

www.marketsandmarkets.com

Jeff Winter joins Belden as VP of Commercial Strategy

Belden Inc., announced that Jeff Winter has joined the company as VP of Commercial Strategy. Win-

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New High-Performance Data Cables for Rail Vehicles from SAB Bröckskes

SAB Bröckskes offers new high-performance data cables for railway use. Three SABIX R flex Data IQ cables extend SAB's permanently flexible rail cables range per *EN 45545-2*. The cable design combines high transmission performance for modern infotainment, display and communication systems with a comprehensive safety concept. Depending on type, the cables support DVI Dual-Link, HDMI, DVI, DisplayPort and USB 3.0 / USB 3.2 Gen 1x1. The series fulfils the fire protection requirements R15 (EL1A) and R16 (EL1B) according to *EN 45545-2* for hazard levels HL1 and HL2 and flame resistance according to *UNECE R118* for international use. In the event of a fire, smoke development,



toxic gas emission and consequential damage to electrical components are reduced due to cables' safety features.

Made of *RoHS*-compliant, PFAS-free materials, the cables are approved for temperature ranges from -50 °C/-40 °C to 90 °C (DIN VDE) or 75 °C (UL/CSA). Minimum bending radius is 4 x d in fixed installations and 12 x d for flexible applications. This offers use in confined spaces, supports the standardization of modern interfaces and contributes to efficient development and maintenance. www.sab-cable.com



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New WCISA® Member: Electric Cable Compounds
The **Wire & Cable Industry Supplier Association® (WCISA®)** reports **Electric Cable Compounds, Inc. (ECC)**, Naugatuck, CT, USA, as a new member.



ECC is a privately owned/operated global producer of reliable, high-performance, colorable, pelletized compounds with its own proprietary product line and custom mixing services.

Kenneth Doyle is ECC International Sales/Marketing Mgr. KDoyle@eccompounds.com.

www.ElectricCableCompounds.com
WCISA is a nonprofit corporate membership association of North American suppliers of machinery, materials and accessories for making all types of wire/cable.



www.wcisaonline.org

HELUKABEL Becomes HELU
The **HELUKABEL Group** takes an important step in its strategic development. The specialists in electrical connection technology

HELU may now be found on the market under the new brand name **HELU**. This change supports the company's transformation in recent years into a systems and solutions provider. www.helu.com

ter will lead Belden's commercial strategy and expand technical capabilities and credibility across **BELDEN** core markets. His expertise and influence within Industry 4.0 brings depth and mastery to Belden's already industry-leading IT/OT convergence solutions.

www.belden.com

Philatron recertified to IATF & ISO standards

Philatron Wire and Cable secured *IATF 16949:2016* and *ISO 9001:2015*

recertifications, strengthening the firm's role as a trusted manufacturing partner for electrical OEMs, electrical distributors, military and electric vehicle markets.



www.philatron.com

AESA SA has acquired selected assets of Schuetz Messtechnik

AESA SA acquired selected assets of Schuetz Messtechnik GmbH, out of insolvency proceedings. Headquartered in Bevaix near Neuchâtel, Switzerland, AESA is a global

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Jooris Eickenbusch Named IWMA Young Employee of the Year 2026

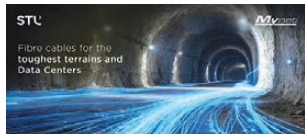
The IWMA announced Jooris Eickenbusch of IDEAL-Werk as IWMA Young Employee of the Year 2026. Jooris joined IDEAL-Werk in August 2015, and he quickly demonstrated both technical competence and professional maturity. Today he plays a key role in coordinating integrated service delivery across global operations. Recognized for his leadership potential, Jooris is scheduled to assume leadership of IDEAL-Werk's Service Department in June 2026.



www.iwma.org

STL: Next-Gen Optical Fiber for Data Centers

STL a leading connectivity solutions provider for AI-ready digital infrastructure, is collaborating with Mynet to deliver next-generation optical fiber solutions for Intacture, a data center in the mountains of Trentino, Italy.



The University of Trento is the scientific leader of this project, financed by the PNRR.

www.stl.tech

SICCET USA Planning Manufacturing Site

SICCET USA, Columbus, OH, USA, the American subsidiary of Italy-based SICCRET SRL, will establish its first manufacturing facility in the USA with the launch of a 20,000 ft² operation in Grove City, OH, USA. The company will manufacture high-performance cables that help monitor and control temperature in demanding environments like aircraft engines, power plants and industrial food equipment. The US\$2 million investment will create 15 new jobs in Franklin County and reflects growing demand for specialized components in America's manufacturing resurgence. The Columbus Region's central location and strong



logistics network are key advantages for companies like SICCRET USA looking to serve customers across the

Midwest and East Coast. "SICCET USA is proud to begin our USA manufacturing journey in Grove City," commented Ivan Dall'Armellina, President of SICCRET USA and Co-owner of SICCRET SRL. "This location offers us strong infrastructure, a collaborative business environment and proximity to key markets that are vital for our company's long-term growth. This environment supports the kind of skilled team we need as we expand in the United States."

www.siccretusa.com

leader in high quality measuring instruments and laboratory testing solutions for energy and telecom cables.

With this transaction, AESA complements its product lines, thereby offering a broader and deeper range of solutions to its customers and remains at the forefront of technology developments through its strong commitment to R&D.

www.aesa-cortailod.com

Good Financial Performance for Nexans' Business Model

Nexans reports strong results in Fiscal Year (FY) 2025, reflecting the strengths of Nexans' business model and quality of execution. The company had FY 2025 standard sales of €6.1 billion (current sales of €7.8 billion), with a high level of organic growth at +8.3%, well above mid-term guidelines. Net income was €358 million

in 2025 compared to €283 million in 2024, up +26.6%, (including the results of the discontinued operations). Julien Hueber, Nexans' CEO, said, "2025 was another strong year of delivery for Nexans, now fully focused on Electrification with the exclusive negotiations for the sale of Autoelectric, which would successfully complete its portfolio rotation. The group delivered an exceptional level of organic growth at +8.3% well above its mid-term guidance. The adjusted EBITDA margin increased by +161 basis points, in line with our selective approach and unique positioning

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The Lamifil Brand Evolves; Lamifil Supplies ACCC® Conductors for Belgian Grid Backbone Upgrade

Lamifil is ready for the future as it continues to invest, grow and expand internationally. To support that momentum, Lamifil is introducing a refreshed brand identity. The company's market, scale and ambitions have evolved. Lamifil is an international player with a clear forward focus, and its visual identity will now reflect that reality. Therefore, the company renews its brand across its three home markets of Europe, North America and the UK and Ireland.

Lamifil introduces a new logo to better express who the company is today and where it is headed—featuring a subtle spark inspired by its purpose of bringing connections to life. The entire visual identity is updated with a cleaner, more contemporary look, applied across



Lamifil's website, social channels and internal and external communications. This rebranding is an evolution, not a break from the past. It builds on Lamifil's heritage while clearly signaling what the company is today—a modern, ambitious, internationally oriented company, ready for the next chapter. Additionally, Lamifil reports that it is proud to have been part of the significant reinforcement of the Belgian high-voltage grid, delivering 600 km of high-performance ACCC® Arlington overhead conductors. These advanced conductors double the 380 kV line's electricity transmission capacity between the substations of Massenhoven (Antwerp) and Van Eyck (Limburg), making optimal use of the existing corridor. www.lamifil.be

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CTC Global Launches GridVista for Google Cloud & Tapestry Partnership

CTC Global, a leading developer and manufacturer of high-capacity advanced conductors, launched the GridVista, which provides utilities with real-time, high-resolution data to optimize grid capacity, prevent outages, reduce wildfire risk and lower operational costs.

With the launch of the GridVista System, CTC is also deepening its strategic partnership with **Google Cloud** and **Tapestry—Alphabet's** moonshot for the electric grid. Learn more at: www.ctcglobal.com

USITC Determinations Made on Imported Wire Rod

The **U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC)** determined that revoking the existing countervailing duty order on carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod from Brazil and the antidumping duty orders on carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod from Brazil, Indonesia, Mexico, Moldova, Trinidad and Tobago would lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury. As a result, the existing orders on imports of this product from these nations will remain in place.

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in the industry, but also our operational excellence and discipline across the board."

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LS Cable & System USA names Power System Products as rep in Nevada

LS Cable & System USA, a USA manufacturer of LV and MV power cable and busway, announced a new manufacturers' representa-



tive agreement with Power System Products, expanding LCSUSA's utility market coverage in Nevada.

www.lscns.com

Global fluoropolymer market to reach \$16.7 billion by 2033

Persistence Market Research reports, the global fluoropolymer market is seeing steady growth, expected to be valued at around US\$11.8 billion in 2026 and projected to reach US\$16.7 billion by 2033, expanding at a CAGR of 5.1%. This growth is driven by rising demand for high-performance materials that can withstand extreme temperatures, corrosive environments and stringent regulatory standards. Fluoropolymers are widely used in applications like wire/cable insulation, coatings, seals, membranes and industrial linings. Market dy-

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RFS Launches More Sustainable ECO Cables Radio Frequency Systems (RFS)

offers new ECO Cables that use a partially recycled plastic jacketing without impacting technical performance. Incorporating over 50% recycled plastic into the jacketing material reduces the cable's carbon footprint, and testing has shown that the new jacketing material has no impact on the cable's performance, ensuring sustainability. ECO cable is designed for use with the corresponding ECO connector family, and is also compatible with the other RFS connector families and tools for CELLFLEX cables.



www.rfsworld.com

Peter D'Addio to Director of Engineering at TiniFiber

TiniFiber, the maker of U.S. patented Micro Armor Fiber® optical cabling solutions, named Peter D'Addio Director of Engineering. He joins TiniFiber from TE Connectivity and will lead engineering strategy and execution. His role was created as part of the company's strategic technology leadership and excellence plan. www.tinifiber.com



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Hellenic Cables Wins Inter-Array Cables Contract

Hellenic Cables, the cables segment of Cenergy Holdings, won a contract by DEME to supply inter-array cables for the BC-Wind offshore wind project in Poland. Developed by Ocean Winds, an international offshore wind developer and a 50/50 joint venture between EDP Renewables and ENGIE, BC-Wind is located 23 km off Poland's Baltic Sea coast. Once operational, the 390 MW wind farm, of 26 wind turbine generators, will supply clean electricity to approximately half a million households

each year.

Under the contract, Hellenic Cables will be responsible for the design, engineering, manufacturing, testing and supply of approximately 70 km including spares, of 66 kV inter-array submarine cables as well as the supply of the associated cable accessories. The cables will be produced at Hellenic Cables' state-of-the-art submarine manufacturing site in Corinth, Greece, with completion of production expected by the end of 2027.

www.hellenic-cables.com



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namics reflect increased investment in advanced manufacturing, alongside supply chain normalization and growing emphasis on sustainable, long-lasting materials.

www.persistencemarketresearch.com

NKT A/S annual report indicates solid growth

NKT's A/S Annual Report 2025, shows 6% organic growth and record-high operational EBITDA.

NKT CEO, Claes Westerlind, said, "2025 was another strong year for us defined by disciplined execution and continued progress on strategic priorities. We improved financial performance, maintained our leading position in power cable, invested in capacity expansion and launched our new corporate strategy, Charging Forward, together with new financial ambitions for 2030." 2026 outlook: revenue will range from €2.63 billion to €2.78 billion, and operational EBITDA to range from €360 million to €410 million.

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Yazaki Prefab Home Wiring System Coming to USA

Yazaki Innovations, Inc., a subsidiary of Yazaki Corp., will bring its proven prefabricated electrical wiring system, PreFab Home Wiring, to the USA



residential construction market in 2026, offering builders a faster, more efficient alternative to traditional on-site wiring.

Designed to address critical challenges of quality, cost and labor shortages facing home builders, PreFab Home Wiring simplifies construction by delivering fully pre-assembled, load-tested and code-compliant electrical assemblies that replace the traditional rough electrical installation process.

Each system is custom engineered di-



rectly from the builder's plans and produced in an ISO-certified Texas, USA, manufacturing facility. The PreFab Home Wiring systems are delivered fully assembled, precisely measured, cut, stripped, and ready for fast and easy installation. www.yii.tech

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Omni Cable Announces New Agent Agreements

Omni Cable announced a new agent agreement with **Kunz Powell and Associates**, which

OMNICABLE will rep Omni Cable's portfolio in Eastern Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Northern Virginia and Washington, D.C.

Omni Cable also expanded its agent agreement with **Lester Sales**, which now represents Omni Cable's products in Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Ohio, Missouri, Nebraska, West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania, in addition to its previous territory of Iowa, Southern Illinois and Eastern Missouri.

www.omnicable.com

GCG Acquires United Wire & Cable

GCG, Chicago, IL, USA, acquired **United Wire & Cable (UWC)**, Toronto, ON, Canada, a specialty provider of proprietary power cable systems and related products serving the data center, power and industrial markets across North America.

UWC is led by second-generation **Laura-Anne Tredenick** and **Robyn Baldasti**, and its core offering includes cable bus feeders, vertical mineshaft cables and power cable products.

www.GoGCG.com

and AI-enabled grid management, the conductors are tools for India to reach its target of 500 GW of installed renewable capacity by 2030. www.epsilon-cable.com



draneel Dev as his replacement. Schulz expects to retire in May 2026, and Dev joined WESCO in February 2026 for a smooth transition. www.wesco.com

WESCO Announces Retirement of Dave Schulz

WESCO International, Inc., a leading provider of business-to-business distribution, logistics services and supply chain solutions, announced the upcoming retirement of Dave Schulz, Executive Vice President (EVP) and Chief Financial Officer (CFO), and the appointment of In-

Dividend Report...

- **Amphenol Corp.**, Wallingford, CT, USA, declared a stock dividend of US\$0.25/share, payable Apr. 14, 2026 to holders of record on Mar. 23, 2026. www.amphenol.com
- **Lear Corp.**, Southfield, MI, USA, declared a quarterly cash dividend of US\$0.77/share, payable Mar. 25, 2026, to holders of record on Mar. 5, 2026. www.lear.com

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

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Wire Expo 2026 Schedule, Logistics, Theme & Co-Location with EWPT

The **Wire Association International Inc. (WAI)** biennial *Wire Expo* takes place May 6 to 7, **WIRE EXPO 2026**, at the **Baird Center**, Milwaukee, WI, USA. The event theme is "Accelerating Progress Together~Where wire, innovation & industry connect." The conference program will be in the WAI Theater in the exhibit hall, allowing access to educational presentations, exhibits and free, crossover entry to the co-located *Electrical Wire Processing Technology Expo (EWPT)* in the adjacent hall.

The educational program presents 20 sessions in the WAI Theater.

- Day 1: Integrated Manufacturing Excellence.
- Day 2: Digital Transformation & Industry 4.0 sessions.
- Also, pre-conference Fundamentals of Wire Manufacturing course (May 5), Advanced Extrusion Workshop at the **Milwaukee Hyatt Regency** and the Charter Steel plant tour (May 6).

WAI will host some 200 companies represented in 160 booths. Exhibit hours are 9 AM to 5 PM on May 6

and 9 AM to 3 PM on May 7.

The Milwaukee Hyatt Regency is the official conference hotel, with two additional properties included in the *Wire Expo* hotel block. Indoor access connects the Hyatt to the Baird Center.

The "Full Show Floor Access" registration option includes both the conference sessions and the exhibits. Advance registration rates, available through April 24, 2026, are US\$125 for existing and new members and US\$225 for non-members.

www.wirenet.org

Wieland Chase Breaks Ground on Major Expansion

Wieland recently broke ground at its Montpelier, OH, USA, production facility, **Wieland Chase**, which is the largest brass rod manufacturing company in North America, to build a new US\$27 million plant.

The expanded Wieland Chase manufacturing facility will be dedicated to semi-finished brass and copper production, exclusively in the USA. The expansion also provides Wieland Chase with additional capacity for ammunition ordnance wire manufacturing.

www.wieland.com

EVENTS

April 12, 2026

WCISA Night Out in Germany
Düsseldorf, Germany
www.wcisaonline.org

April 13 – 17, 2026

wire 2026, Düsseldorf, Germany
www.wire-tradefair.com

April 25, 2026

WCMA Awards Dinner and Investiture Ceremony, Hartford, CT, USA
www.wcmainc.org

May 5 – 7, 2026

EWPT 2026, Milwaukee, WI, USA
www.electricalwireshow.com

May 6 – 7, 2026

Wire Expo 2026, Milwaukee, WI, USA
www.wirenet.org/events/wire-expo-2026

May 16 – 18, 2026

26th China (Guangzhou) International Fastener, Spring & Wire Exhibition
Guangzhou, China
www.julang.com.cn/english/jingujian/

June 1, 2026

WCMA Annual Golf Outing & Fundraiser, Wethersfield, CT, USA
www.wcmainc.org

June 23 – 25, 2026

CRU Wire & Cable Connections Summit 2026, Hanover, Germany, events.crugroup.com

September 21 – 24, 2026

wire China 2026, Shanghai, China
www.wirechina.net

October 20 – 21, 2026

Automotive Wire Harness & EDS Conference, Detroit, MI, USA
www.eds-conference.com

November 1–4, 2026

IWCS Cable & Connectivity Industry Forum
Orlando, FL, USA
www.iwcs.org

November 30 – December 2, 2026

wire India, Mumbai, India
www.wire-india.com

February 23 – 25, 2027

wire Mexico, Monterrey, NL, Mexico
www.wire-tube-mexico.com

May 4 – 7, 2027

Interwire 2027, Atlanta, GA, USA
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