

**REVIEW: OVERVIEW ON PHARMACOLOGICAL AND PHYTOCHEMICAL
PROPERTIES OF PHYLLANTHUS AMARUS SCHUM & THONE**

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ABSTRACT:

Schum and Thonn flowers Phyllanthus has been used in traditional medicine for approximately 3000 years. In addition, it goes by additional names like "stone breaker," "gala of wind," "carry me seed," and so on. That is right—it belongs to the Euphorbiaceae family. In tropical and subtropical areas, this annual plant with branches can reach a height of 30 to 60 cm and is frequently encountered as a weed. Because Phyllanthus amarus contains a variety of secondary metabolite combinations, it has, curative, antiseptic, and anti-allergic anti-carcinogenic additionally hepatoprotective attributes. Volatile oils, sterols, alkaloids, flavonoids, lignans, tannins, and triterpenes are among the recognized members of the primary class of bioactive chemicals. Phyllanthin and quercetin, two types of flavonoids, were extracted from P. amarus leaves.

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INTRODUCTION:

Phyllanthus¹ is a highly significant plant genera that are widely available in India as unrefined herbal treatments. Within the family Euphorbiaceae, the genus Phyllanthus comprises about a thousand species that are found in the Caribbean and the lower caribbean regions including the nation, because the United States, Africa, or and Asia^{2,3}. In India, A common weed in both cultivated and garbage dumps is The flowering plant amarus⁴. forests, bushes, and flowers is each of the primary morphological collections which feature within the The flowering plant variety. Additionally, Ravikant his company has determined that the genetic hotspot for Phyllanthus species is in southern India⁵. People have long employed Phyllanthus amarus Schum. and Thonn. Because of its long medical history. Often called Bhumi amla, this plant was an element or a large group used plants and flowers that are commonly prostatic as upright⁶.

Throughout Unani therapy books, this has been referred to as the "Bhuti " and Bhum Amlak, and Leela on Field⁷. This is essential to advance the development of ecologically sound treatments that are more effective and simpler to apply than expensive, chemically Manufactured which have no negative reactions. P. Amarus is known within Bhoodha shrub, Tamalaki, as Bhoomy-aamlakee of Hindi⁸ in Ayurveda. Amarus P. is becoming more widely used due to its distinct antiviral properties against the hepatitis B virus as well as its other biological effects, which include the treatment of kidney and gallbladder stones, the flu, TB, liver diseases, and more⁹.

Table no-1 Scientific Classification: -

Kingdom	Vertebrates	Kingdom	Vertebrates
Section	Plant Vascular plants family	Arrangement	Tubiflorae
Category	Dicotyledoneae	siblings	Thea family called Eu
Type	The flowering plant	The variety of plant	Amarus

Vernacular Identify: -

Locals refer to the plant by a variety of colloquial names depending on where they live . It is often referred as carry me a leaf, a flower, a windstorm, a stone, or a seed¹⁰. Phyllanthus gets its name from the fact that it resembles a combined flower, fruit, and leaf¹¹.

Table no-2 The Names of Phyllanthus Amarus Used Worldwide They are provided below.

Sr.no	Language	Common Language Name
1	Hindi	In Hindi, that bhumi the herb amla jangli amla
2	the English language	Dark English Cantina, Take me the first seed, come back, A strong wind, the Gulf wing flower, hurricane weed, stonebreaker.
3	Rajasthani	Gorgario
4	Sanskrit	Tamalakee, Bhoothatree, or Bhoomyaamlakee
5	Tamil	Keelanelli (Keezhanelli)
6	Bengali	Bhui amla
7	Kannada	Nela- Neli , Kirunelli
8	Oriya	Bhujaola
9	Telugu	Nela urika

10	America	Hurricane weed ¹⁰ , Chanka piedra ¹³
11	Spanish	Yreba magica
12	French	Ivory Coast French poudre de plomb

Botanical Characteristics: -

This plant *amarus* serves as an every year, hairless shrub which develops an extension of thirty to sixty centimeters without spreading. The leaves that it has were leaflets bearing and thin. Its distinct subsessile petals are distinguished by a narrow, flattened bottom that has an elliptic-oblong overall form. The shade of apical blooms can range from yellow, white, or greenish. Masculine emerges can be discovered in collections ranging from anywhere from one to three, whereas female flowers are single.

Beneath the branches can be smooth capsules that resemble depressed globes, with pale brown, trigonous fruits with 14 equal longitudinal ridges on the back¹⁴. Six seeds are contained in 1-2 mm long, spherical, smooth capsules that are 2 mm broad on stalks. The seeds are propelled some distance from the plant by the explosive seed capsule found on the plant. The seeds are 1 mm long, triangular, light brown, and have five six back ribs^{10,15,16}.



Fig 1 :- Phyllanthus Amarus Schum and Thonn

Morphological Location :-

Plant is a prevalent pantropical plant which grows in warm out wet shadowed situations. It is abundantly widespread throughout both the equatorial and tropical regions^{11,16}. The plant called category update in the definition of Webster classification included closely related taxa. the plant as an element belonging to the Swartzian sub-part of the This plant group. A comprehensive examination was carried out on *P. amarus*'s taxonomic distinctiveness, relatedness, or naming in the context of its shape and location in the world^{17,19} Since

P. abnormis were prevalent in the southern America's regions with deserts. including Florida and Texas, this appears to be linked to it. Research indicates that This plant amarus across the Caribbean was an end result to *P. abnormis*, a vicariou plant which has become prevalent throughout the southern United States, where shipping dispersed this species. Throughout the tropics¹⁷ Of the approximately 1000 species in *Phytophthora* spp. across India. There are fifty-three species of mushrooms, including, and among these²³ are endemic. Across the Indian subcontinent, they are distributed, with the highest densities found in the south. Thirteen herb species, thirty-seven shrub species, and three tree species make up the 53 species of *Phyllanthus*²⁰.

The researchers Jain e (2003) employed spontaneously expanded recombinant genetic material (RAPD, which) indicators for assessing the genetic variation and *P. amarius* throughout India were examined. All³³ places that were utilized for determining variation in gene expression comprised the following types of providers: the province of Bengal, Mumbai, Tamil Nadu, Bangalore, India, states such as Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, and Goa, Gujarat, Asam, and Haryana. The intrapopulation heterogeneity of accession from southern India was higher than that of accession from other parts of the country. In Rajasthan's dry regions, *P. amarus* is widely distributed²¹.

Material And Method:-

Material:-

1.Plant Collection:-

Phyllanthus amarus fresh aerial pieces were gathered. After washing and chopping, the herbs were allowed to air dry in the shade.

Method

1.Extraction:-

Using a lab milling machine, All dehydrated material has been broken down like an unfinished mixture. The powder was extracted using a Soxlet device and 250 g of 1000 mL methanol. A Rotary Evaporator (CH – 9230 Flawil, Switzerland) was utilized to eliminate surplus solvent, and (Labtech, India) provided a vacuum oven for additional concentration.

Phytochemical Properties:-

The foundation of herbal therapy is thought to be phytochemistry, studies into this field are crucial to the creation of safer green medications (Table 3). Under the most common categories containing naturally occurring compounds include cellulose, flavonoids, alkaline substances, substances amino acids, any of etc volatile oils. chemicals that have been identified. These phytoconstituents are also included in these bioactive substances.

Alkaloids include dihydrosecurinine Quercetin-3-O-glucoside, this compound, astragalin^{10,13,24,26} and kaempferol are a few of the flavonoids. Likewise, furosin, corilagin, melatonin, amarulone, geraniin, amariin, and phytollanthusin D^{22,23} epibubbialine, isobutylene, nor-securinine, and epibubbialine.^{13, 24, 26} are examples of tannins. Because lignans contain phyto-constituents such phyllanthin and hypo-phyllanthin, it has significant pharmacological effects.

Hinokinin, 5-dimethoxy-niranthin, nirtetralin, phyltetralin, 4-(1-(7-methylbenzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl 1-(3,4-dimethoxy-phenyl))-an-1-ol -2,3-bis methoxymethyl-but^{10,23,27,28,29,30,31,32}.

Among the sterols are amarosterol A³³. Triterpenes include phenazine and its derivatives, volatile oils like Phytol³⁴ and Linalool, and Z, 6Z, 10Z, 14E, 18E, and 22E-fernesesol^{24,30}.

Table no-3 Phytochemical Present In Phyllanthus Amarus Schum and thonn

Sr.no	Secondary Metabolites	Definition Structure	Several Significant Phytochemicals	Reference
1.	Alkaloids	A group of nitrogenous materials that are naturally chemical substances derived from plants are called alkaloids.	Dihydrosecurinine, epibubbialine, isobutylene, nor-securinine, and securinine.	22,23
2.	Flavonoids	Flavonoids are water-soluble polyphenolic compounds with fifteen carbon atoms.	Astragalin, quercetin-3-O-glucoside, quercitrin, kaempferol, and quercetin.	24,13, 26,10
3.	The compounds tan	Basic elements, molecules and even peptides have bonds that produce polyphenols, especially bio tannins, to break down compounds with different organic molecules.	Phellodendron D, furosin, corilagin, amarulone, geraniin, and amarilin.	13,24, 25
4.	Lignans	A polyphenolic substance called phenylalanine can also be converted into monomers in plant form, and unmodified cinnamon drinks produce cellulose derivatives.	Hinokinin, 5-dimethoxy-niranthine, ib hom hu ua, hypophilantin, nirtetralin, phyllotetralin, 4-(3,4-diethoxy)-(1) intermediate methylbenzo[1,3]dioxol-5-ylmethoxymethyl-but-1-ol-2,3-di	10, 23, 27, 32

5.	Lipid	Then, the CO ₂ emissions of the triglyceride group and the inability of nutrients to form bonds are the only two differences between the two. The chemicals or steroids found in plants are mostly phytosterols.	a or b are the two forms amarosterol.	33
6.	Triterpens	Chemical molecules known as triterpenes can contain three or six isoprene units. terpene units with the molecular formula C ₃₀ H ₄₈ .	Phenazine and its derivatives, farnesyl farnesol, 2Z, 6Z, 10Z, 14E, 18E, and 22E.	30,24
7.	A unpredictable oils	A saturated viscous solvent qualifies as a flammable oil. that contains plant-based volatile aroma ingredients.	Linalool Phytol.	34

Pharmacological Uses:-

Phyllanthus amarus offers an assortment of therapeutic effects and a comprehensive career with the medical sector. It's a well-known traditional treatment for liver-related conditions like jaundice and liver cancer, as well as kidney and gallbladder stones. It furthermore displays anti-inflammatory, anti-cancer, anti-microbial, and anti-nociceptive properties. incredibly employed as well to treat ringworm, scabby and crusty lesions, and skin disorders such as ulcers, sores, swelling, and itching. Additionally, it is used to treat chronic infections, gonorrhoea, diarrhea, dropsy, intermittent fevers, wounds, scabies, and tubercular ulcers. Wounds may heal and white patches on the skin can be treated with fresh leaf paste.

The stem juice is also administered as a salve for wounds. Urinary tract issues and liver enlargement are treated with the whole plant extract. The extract from Abdominal symptoms might be addressed by using the rhizome. Snake bites receive treatment superficially using a blossom preparation.

a plant called amarus was previously utilized for alleviating an extensive list of many diseases including the gastrointestinal tract. Choosing plants according to their traditional applications enhances the chances that the study will be successful. Traditional medicine has been using this herb for over three millennia. Whole plant extract is used to treat constipation, diarrhea, dyspepsia, anorexia, liver disease, and urinary tract problem¹¹ Dr. Several feminine conditions, such as menorrhagia and leucorrhea, are treated with it.

Pharmacological Potential:-

Numerous pharmacological properties, including as diuretic, antiplasmodial, operations which are liver-protective, anti-viral, anti-inflammatory, anti, cancer-fighting, and antibacterial have been identified by studies on *P. amarus*'s pharmacological potential. All plants have the potential to be a source of innovative medications, but only a small percentage of them have had their phytochemical composition and pharmacological properties properly investigated.

Table no-4 Pharmacological Potential Of Major Phytoconstituent Of Phyllanthus .Amarus

Sr no	Class	Phytoconstituent	Pharmacological Effects	Reference
1.	Flavonoids	Rutin	Radioprotective	[63]
			Counter-actant	[64]
		3-O-glucoside quercetin	Counter-actant	[65]
2.	Tannis	Geraniin	Hepatoprotective	[66]
			Antiviral	
			Radioprotective	[67]
		Amarrin	Antioxidant	[64]
			Radioprotective	[64]
			Hepatoprotective	[68]
Repandusinic acid A	Antioxidant	[65]		
	Radiation protection	[63]		

		Corilagin	Antioxidant,Radioprotective Antiviral	[63] [68]
3.	Alkaloids	Norsecurinine	Anti-fungal	[69]
4.	Polyphenols		Anti cancer	[71]
5.	Volatile oil	Phytol and linalool	Antimicrobial	[70]
6.	Lignans	Hypophyllanthin	Anti tumor,anti cancer	[72]
		Astaxanthin(phyllanthin)	Hepatoprotective Anti-cancer,anti tumor Antibacterial Anti-aging Antioxidant Anti-inflammatory,inhibiting apoptosis	[73] [72] [63] [64] [74] [66]
		nitratetralin	anti-irritant Antivirals	[75] [66]
		Hinokinin	reverse the effects of several drugs Antiviral	[76] [66]

Pharmacological Activity:-

Out of all the plant species, not enough research has been done on using plants to make new medications. A phytochemical evaluation utilizes just an insignificant measure, along with fewer have had their pharmacological properties properly investigated.³⁵

Activity of Antioxidants:-

The ability of *P. amarulus* methanolic extract to remove superoxide and hydroxyl radicals and block lipids in vitro peroxidation demonstrated its possible antioxidant activity. To suppress lipid peroxide production by 50%, a dose of 104 µg/ml was required, whereas scavenging superoxide and hydroxyl radicals required 19 to 117 mg/ml, thirty-six respectively³⁶. Different types of drying ($P < 0.05$) reduced the antioxidant properties of bitter methanol extract; The greatest decrease in TPC and antioxidant activity was observed after microwave drying, as indicated by loss of FRAP and free radical scavenging activity. Even in dry plant materials, boiling water extracts were found to offer higher antioxidant capacity ($P < 0.05$ increased solubility, compound. Various 2,2-Azobis-3-ethylbenzothiazoline hydroxybiphenyl (DHDP)-glucose, repanthocyanate, geraniol, corilagin, chlorophyll D) Some important products (e.g., lucoside, 1-galloyl-2,3-dehydrohexano) antioxidant activity), rutin and quercetin 3-O-glucoside 6-sulfonate (ABTS) / Iron-based myoglobin, It accelerates the radiolysis process and iron-reducing antioxidant capacity (FRAP). Depending on the specific situation, the antioxidant capacity of the drug varies. Flavonoids are acids such as picric acid and crocin. These substances include quercetin 3-O-glucoside 26 and picric acid, safflower acid and oxygen D, as well as herbal antioxidants. Superoxide dismutase enzymes (SOD), catalase (CAT) and glutathione peroxidase (GPx) have antioxidant properties. Plasma LPO levels decreased and GSH, GPx, CAT and SOD activity levels increased in PAAEt administered rats³⁸. Bitter almond methanol extract has the highest phenolic concentration and strong antioxidant activity compared to other extracts, especially when compared to in vivo plant extracts⁵⁴. Free radical scavenging method in callus in vitro using DPPH (1,1-diphenyl-2-dinitrophenylhydrazine).

Antioxidant enzymes including glutathione (GPx), catalase (CAT) and superoxide dismutase (SOD). Plasma LPO levels decreased and GSH, GPx, CAT and SOD activity levels increased in rats administered PAAEt³⁸. Compared to other extracts, even in vivo plant extracts, *P. bitter* almonds have the highest concentration of phenolics and the strongest antioxidant activity³⁹. Using Kalli in vitro, free radical scavenging activity was measured using DPPH (1,1-diphenyl-2-dinitrophenylhydrazine) technology.

Anti diabetic Activity:-

It was found that Bitter almond methanol extract could reduce blood sugar by 6% and 18.7% in alloxan diabetic rats at 200 mg/kg body weight. weight treatment³⁶. In Togo, *P. amarus* is used to treat diabetes and many other diseases; Its aqueous and hydroalcoholic extracts have antidiabetic properties. Two oral doses (500 and 1000 mg/kg) of the two drugs were administered to diabetic rats. Thus, aqueous and hydroalcoholic extracts of bitter almond reduce blood sugar by 40% after 15 days of application. Shiti's research shows that oral administration of 400 mg/kg of ethanolic leaf extract to diabetics for 45 days can reduce diabetes and improve liver function (glucokinase)⁴¹.

Antimicrobial Function:-

Antibiotics derived from plants are extraordinarily versatile in their medical uses. They are helpful in treating infectious illnesses⁴² and significantly lessen There are many side effects often associated with synthetic antibiotics. To determine whether the alkaloid norphylline isolated from *Phytophthora nigricans* provides protection against fungal spores in the greenhouse. These fungi include *Fruentacea Helminthosporium longissima*, powdery mildew pea, *Alternaria brassicae*, *Alternaria solani*, *Curvularia pennisetti* and *Curvularia sp.* is available. Fungi vary in their sensitivity to norphyll.

Norphylline has good protection against most diseases. Pre-grafting application in the greenhouse is better than post-grafting application in preventing powdery mildew on pea plants.

Maximum inhibition was observed at a concentration of 2000 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ⁴³. We isolate and develop intestinal bacteria: S and K type bacteria are found in bacteria such as *Proteus mirabilis*, *E. fa* and *E. coli*. Antibiotics were tested using the agar diffusion method and the broth dilution method. Subculture demonstrated the bacteriostatic effect of *Phytophthora* in concentration and produced growth on all plates except those containing *K. pneumoniae*. Amygdalol extract showed the widest inhibitory range and lowest inhibitory concentration against all bacteria. Zones of minimal inhibition and relatively large inhibitor concentrations were measured using petroleum ether. The Antibacterial activity of bitter almond aqueous extract was weak in all tests⁴⁴. Bol et al. That disk (15) is shown in Figure 15. A disk partition is used as a precaution. Antimicrobial analysis using the diffusion method. To evaluate the antibacterial and antifungal properties of raw materials and their products, analysis was performed using *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Escherichia coli*, *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Candida albicans*. The results showed that the methylene chloride fraction was active against all bacteria tested with a minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) of 100 $\mu\text{g/ml}$, while the methanol, hexane and aqueous ethyl acetate fractions were not potent against all diseases. One. No bacterial growth was observed on day 21 or after 45 plates, confirming the results of the antifungal study on the activity of this fraction against *C. albicans*. This indicates that this drug inhibits *Candida albicans* from bacterial activity. This is compared to previous research by Wong and Foo (1992)¹³.

The ability of ethanol extract to kill the protozoan amygdalin and various *E. coli* (gram-negative bacteria) has been shown to support their ability to treat prostate cancer. The results of this study led previous researchers to find anti-inflammatory properties of *P. amarus*^{46,47}. In all 5 *E. coli* samples collected, *P. or* *P. niruri* species. According to one theory, using a decoction or infusion of either of these two herbs may be beneficial to treat UTI⁴⁸.

Antiviral Activity:-

A study using 25 compounds, including Niranthin, nirtetralin, hynokinin and geranine, were isolated from *P. amarus*, *P. multiflorus*, *P. tenellus* and *P. virgatus*. were effective in inhibiting HBsAg and hepatitis B among some expressions of positive antibodies (HbeAg). showed that it was. . Non-cytotoxic concentration 50 μM . Among them, hinoki parin⁴⁹ has the best anti-HBeAg activity and nilansin has Path Toward Liver Antibodies.

The inhibition rate of bitter almond roots caused by *Agrobacterium rhizogenes* is 85% (control is 15%).) and antibodies (Anti-HBs) bind to⁵⁰. Treat shrimp with *P. amarus* aqueous extract at a concentration of 150 mg/kg animal body weight for 30 days. had some antiviral effectiveness against the virus⁵¹ that causes white spot syndrome.

. Findings indicated a potential molecular foundation for *P. amarus* extract's inhibitory effect against HCV, which could aid in the creation of a targeted antiviral drug utilizing *P. amarus* as a powerful natural source and further optimization⁵².

Anti-cancer Activity:-

P. amarus solution was used intracellularly in MCF-2 roots showed significant antiproliferative activity by inducing Reduce the antioxidant capacity of cell membranes and produce reactive oxygen species (ROS), promoting cell apoptosis 53. MDA-MB-435S human breast tissue cancer cells were employed as in vitro test subjects for Cr (VI)-induced oxidative toxicity when *P. amarus* was utilized as an aqueous extract. The outcomes

demonstrated that the amount of Cr(VI)-induced cytotoxicity in MDA-MB-435S cells was greatly decreased with an increase in extract dose.

Its phenolic components might also shield MDA-MB-435S cells⁵⁴ against oxidative damage brought on by Cr(VI). In addition to its anti-metastatic properties, *Phyllostachys sibiricum* has also been shown to induce apoptosis. This was demonstrated by more than threefold Number of cells positive for caspase-3 and -7, DNA fragmentation, and terminal deoxynucleotidyl transferase-mediated dUTP nick end labeling assay (TUNEL). This main source of anti-metastatic properties of *Phyllostachys sibiricum* extract is polyphenolic compounds⁵⁵.

Antivenom Activity:-

Botanical extracts of *Andrographis paniculata* and *Phyllostachys paniculata* work well in neutralizing snake venom; This means that those poisoned by snake bites will benefit from their treatment. Double herbal extracts effectively prevent death from cobra venom. About 0.24mg of two herbal plant extracts can attenuate two LD50 of cobra venom.⁵⁶

Effects of Fertility:-

Fertility in Men:-

According to traditional healers, a man's fertility can be increased by using the aerial parts of *Phyllanthus amarus*. *Phyllanthus amarus* leaf extract raises testosterone levels, but it has little to no effect on Luteinizing hormone (LH) and follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH) levels⁵⁷. This increase may be due to: having more children because adult males need an ideal level of testosterone for good sex drive and an increase in spermatozoa⁵⁸.

Infertility in Women:-

Studies have been conducted on female rats receiving 100 mg/kg body weight of oral alcohol for 30 days. It is the extract obtained from the whole bitter almond plant. The results showed no significant change in weight, body weight or general metabolic parameters. Female mice living with male mice always have their own cycles, which inhibits their emotions. On the other hand, it caused miscarriages in some pregnant rats⁵⁹. The purpose of this study is *P. fire* (AEPA) leaves on implantation and pregnancy. Rats that were pregnant were aborted as a result of AEPA, and the animals who were treated had a shorter implantation period. The traditional notion that *Phyllanthus amarus* aqueous extract can treat infertility is not substantiated by its abortifacient activity, however it does shorten the time needed for implantation⁶⁰.

Reducing Inflammation:-

Flowering plant extracts Bitter almond extracts in the following solvents: water, ethanol and acetone reduce the NO and PGE2 production of LPS. Additionally, tumor necrosis factor (TNF) secretion by LPS decreased due to the effect of the extract.

Both examples limit the transcription level of NF, but not AP-1, and also inhibit the formation of the transcription factor NF. Cytokines and nitric oxide. *Amarus* antibiotics may reduce cytokines such as Generation Live61 or block the production of immunoglobulin (IL)-1 β or IL-10 (such as interferons) in human blood.

They learned how to make methanol extract from the affected plant. different stages of inflammation. The studies included rats with cotton pellet granuloma, air-pouch inflammation from carrageenan, and paw edema from several phlogistic medications. The *Phyllanthus amarus* methanol extract significantly reduced the paw edema brought on by bradykinin, serotonin, carrageenan, and prostaglandin E1, whereas histamine had no inhibitory effect. The granuloma tissue formation in the chronic inflammation model ⁶² was significantly decreased by the extract.

CONCLUSION:

Over the years, *P. amarus* has attracted researchers for its many medicinal uses (discussed below).

Examples include gonorrhoea, diabetes, syphilis, jaundice, fever, and dysentery. Although almost all countries are medical, each country has its own regulations regarding the use of medical drugs. This herb has many properties and has anti-diabetic, anti-hepatotoxic, sedative, antiseptic and anti-viral properties. It is very important to find new treatments for many diseases. This species is being researched more because it grows well in warm and temperate regions. It was later seen in Malaysia, Nigeria, India and other countries. The purpose of this review is to describe the research conducted to date in order to provide a suitable basis for future research..

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