

Quantum dots in strong magnetic fields

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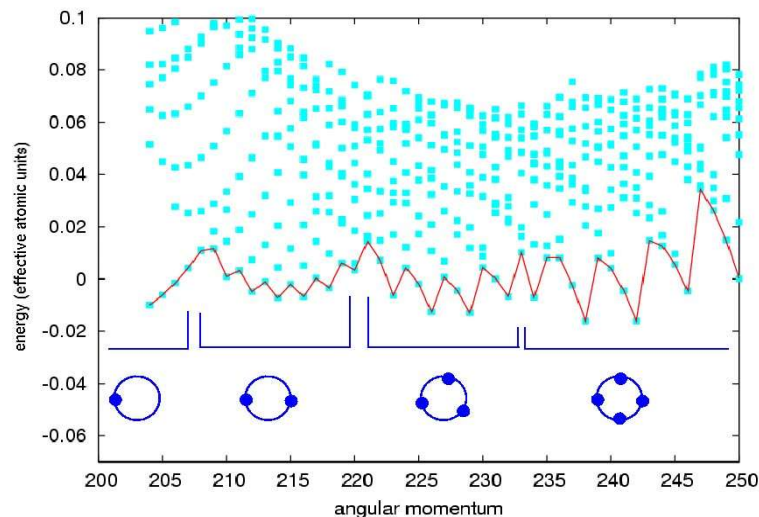
Electron-Hole Duality and Vortex Rings in Quantum Dots

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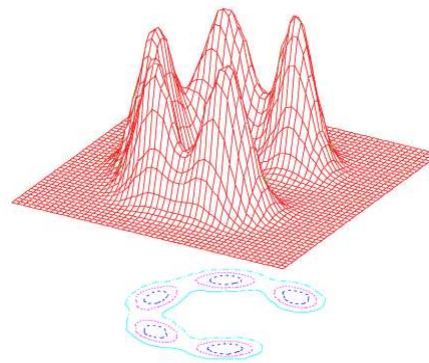
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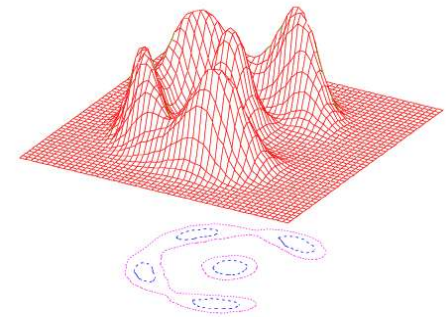
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Energy spectrum of 20 electrons in a quantum dot



6 vortices (ground state)



5 vortices
(excited state)

Building blocks for nanostructures

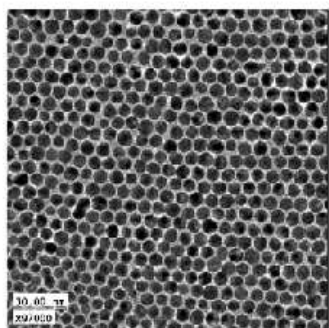


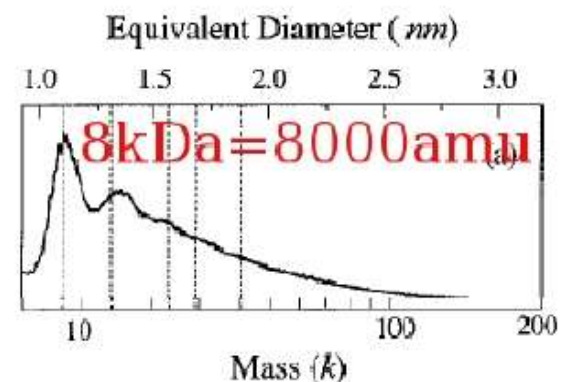
Figure 2. TEM image of 0.125-μm gold particles showing the hexagonal lattice structure of the particles.

Liljeroth et al, JACS **126** (2004)
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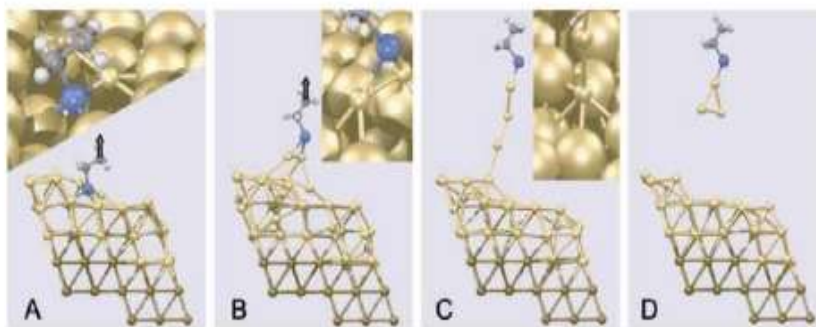


Fig. 1. AFM image of Au particles prepared by a molecular method (10% yield, 20 nm). The inset shows the corresponding autocorrelation function indicating a high degree of hexagonal order. Analysis of the size distribution yields an average diameter of 7.9 ± 1.2 nm.

Boyen et al, Science **297** (2002)
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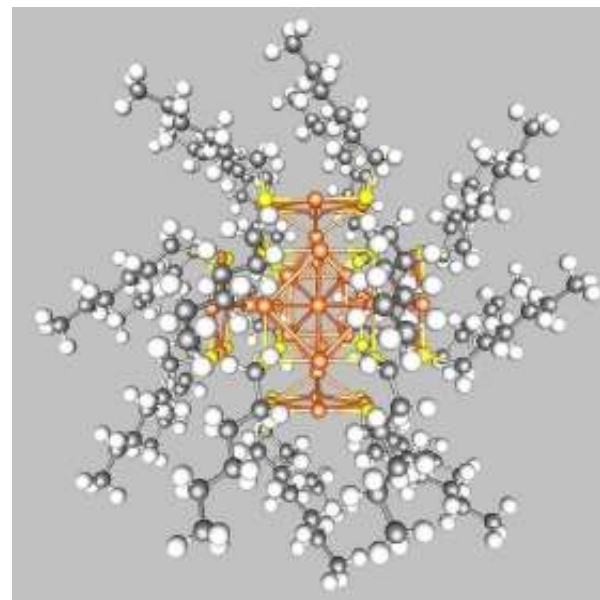
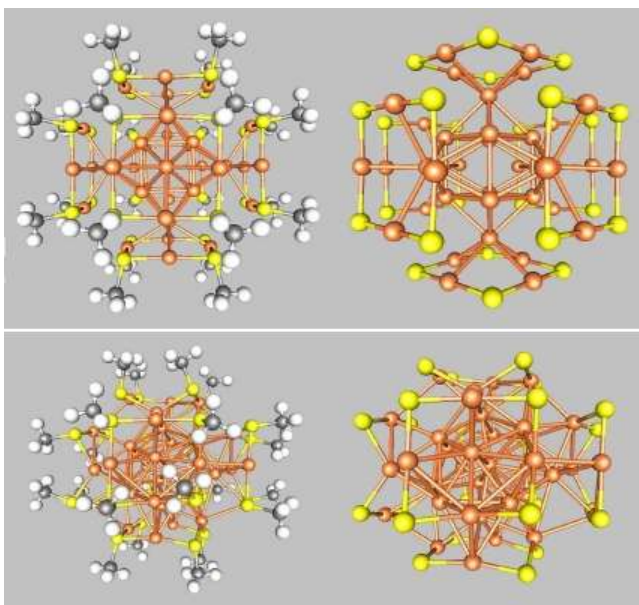


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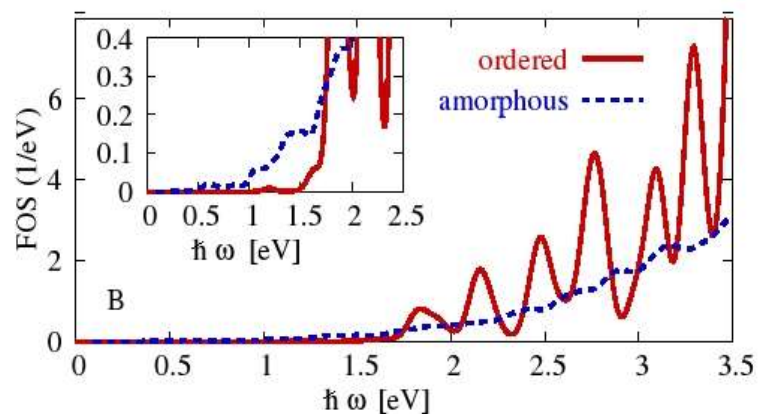


Krüger et al, PRL **89**
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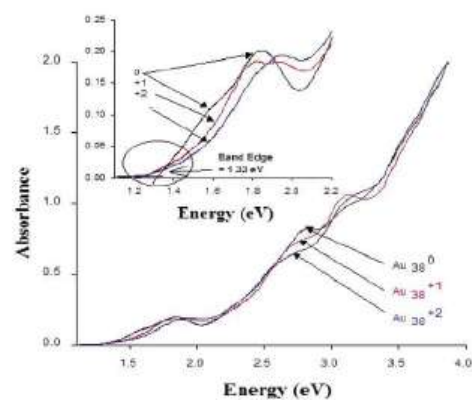
Au-S bond similar strength as Au-Au bond



Photoabsorption spectra by TDDFT

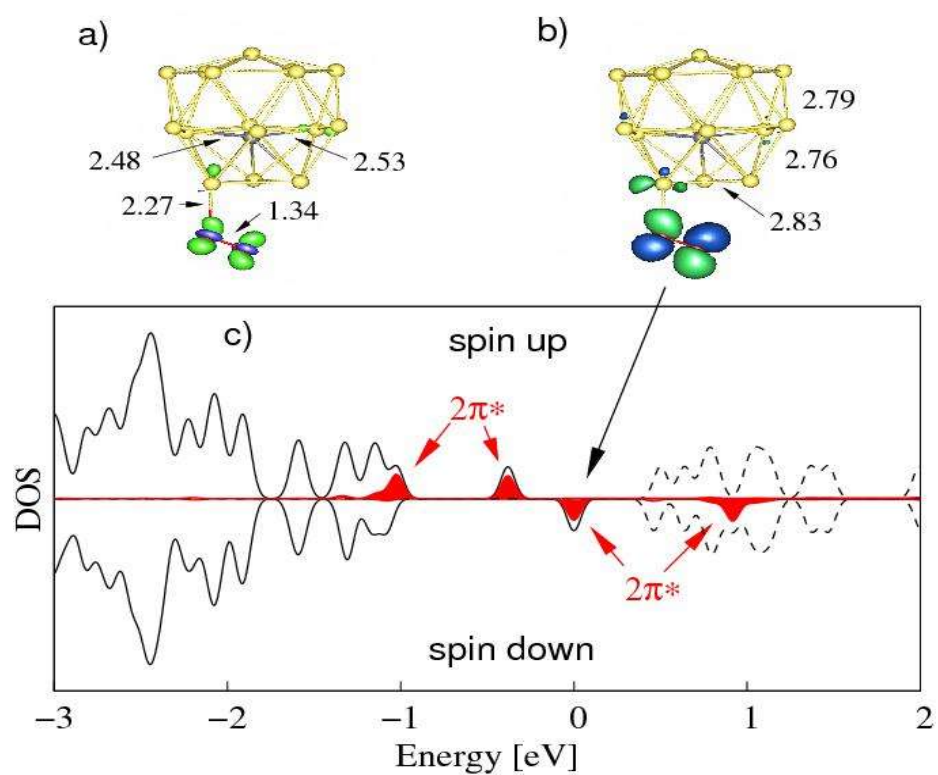
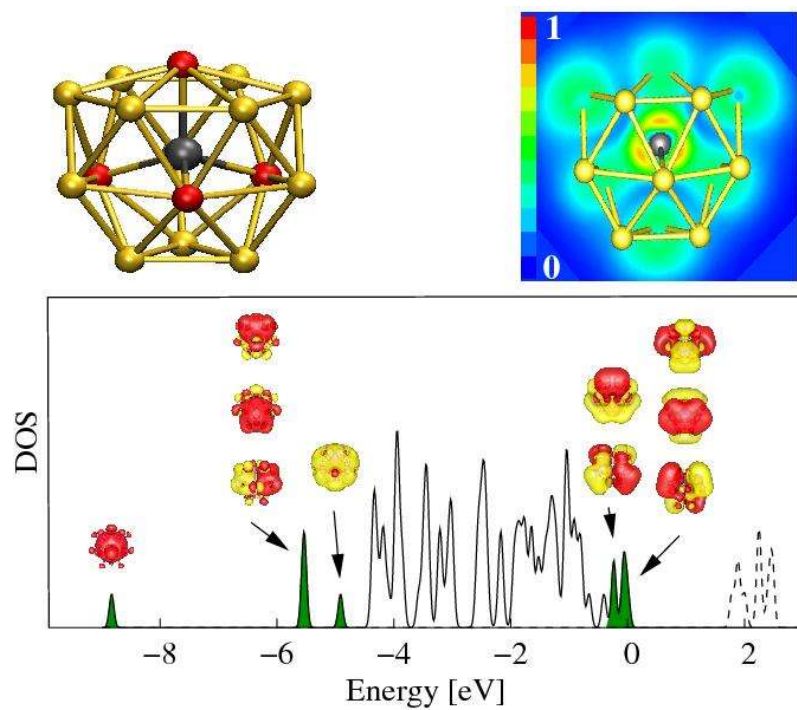


Spectrum of ordered structure is **strongly peaked** and has a **large optical gap** (1.5 eV).



Experiment: Jimenez et al,
Langmuir **20** (2004) 6864

Tunable reduction/oxidation agent: doped hollow Au_{16}



STM figures

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Theories of scanning probe microscopes at the atomic scale

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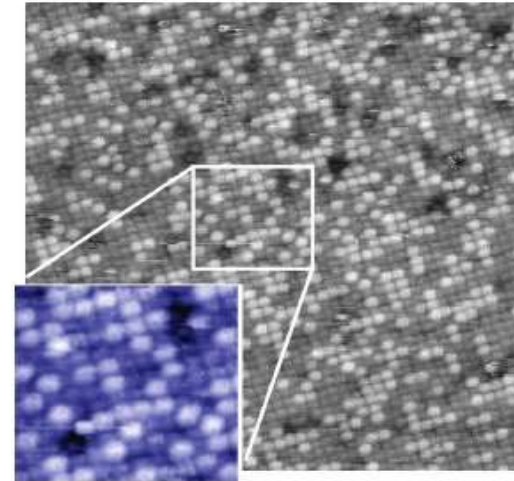
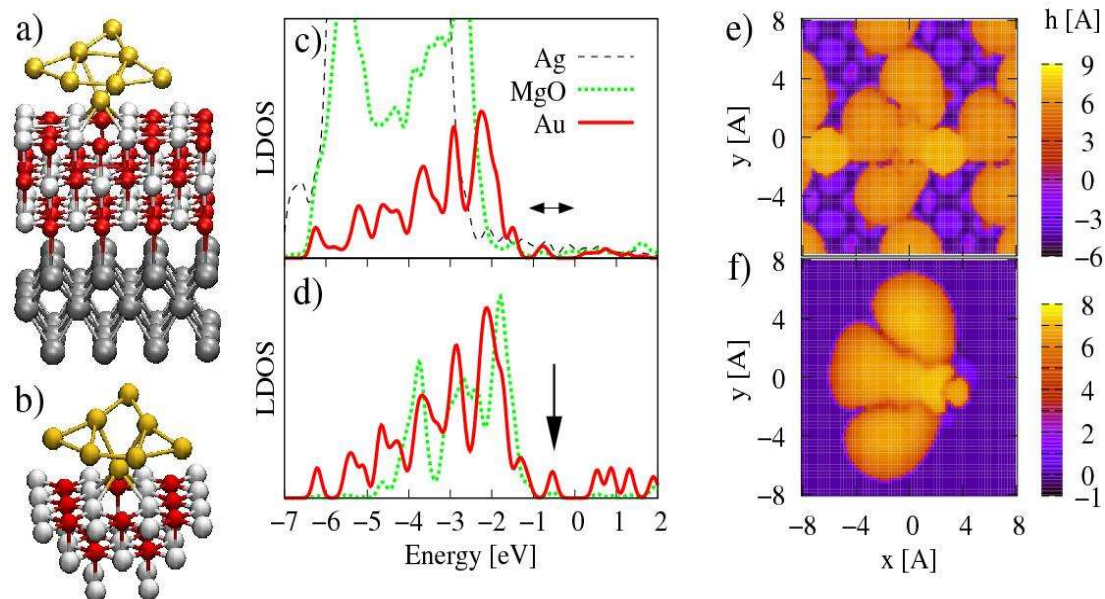
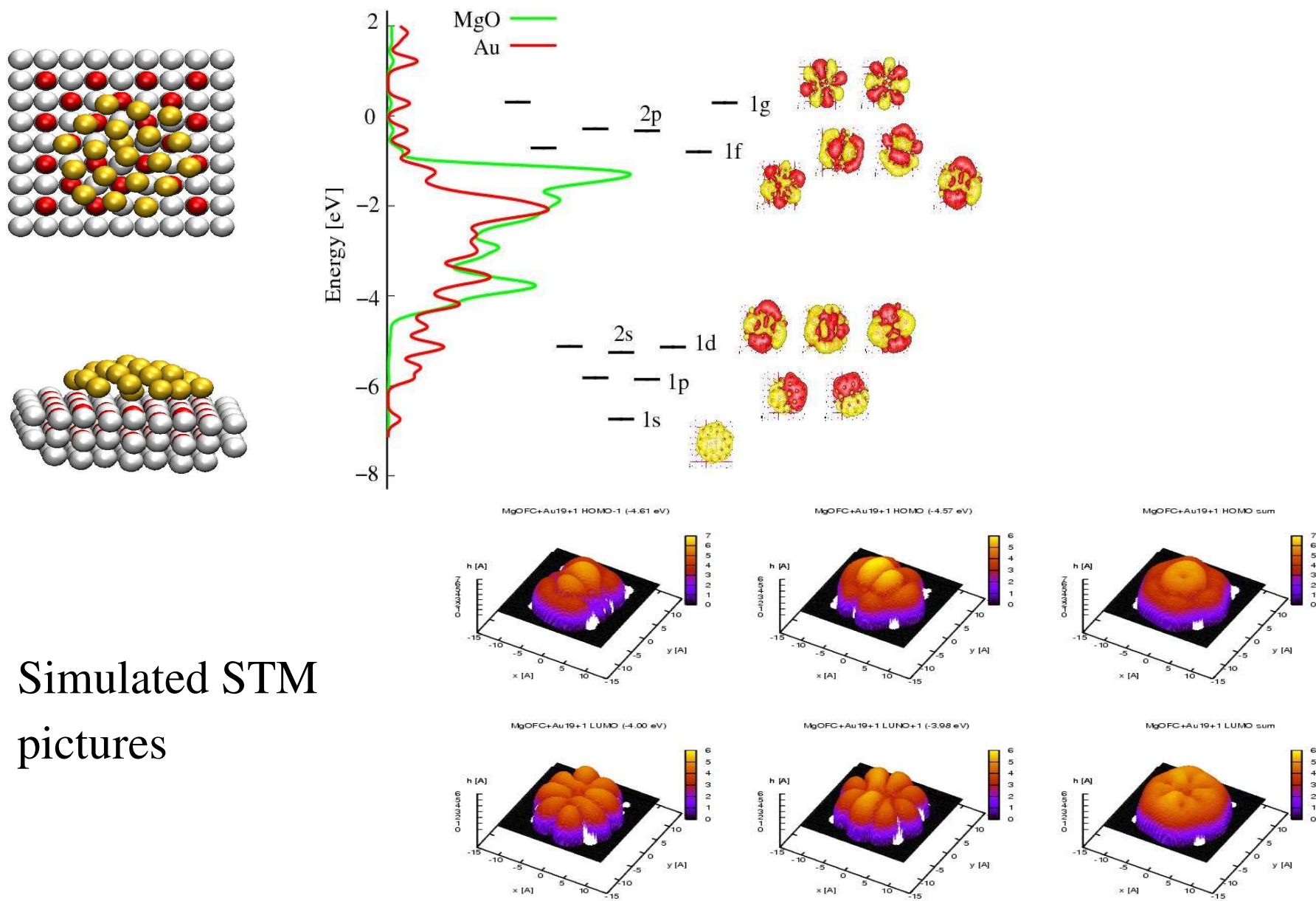


FIG. 8. (Color in online edition) Scanning tunneling microscope scan of a binary PtRh(100) surface. Rh atoms possess a different electronic structure due to alloying with adjacent Pt atoms, they are therefore clearly discriminated by their greater apparent height (see detail). Measurements of this type are the first real-space visualizations of chemical atoms. Reprinted with permission (Wouda *et al.*, 1996).



Au₂₀ cluster supported on MgO surface with oxygen vacancy



Simulated STM
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