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8 Steps towards EU-MDR & EU-IVDR implementation

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Key steps towards EU-MDR/IVDR compliance

1. Scope and Plan
2. GAP assessment
3. Portfolio assessment
4. Global Impact assessment
5. Master compliance roadmap
6. Regulatory Training
7. Implementation
8. Effectiveness check



Scope and Plan
GAP Assessment
Portfolio Rationalization
Global Impact Analysis
Master Compliance Roadmap
Regulatory Training
Implementation of Roadmap
Effectivity Check
EU-MDR/IVDR compliance

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1 - Scope and Plan

Understand environment, sense of urgency



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Objectives in legislative reform



- Consistently high level of health & safety protection for EU citizens

Sufficient clinical data

- Free and fair trade of medical devices throughout the EU



= Clinical Evidence

- Adaption to significant technological & scientific progress in the sector over last 2 decades.

State of the art

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Changes to Notified Bodies

Expected 50% not re-designated or with significant scope change !

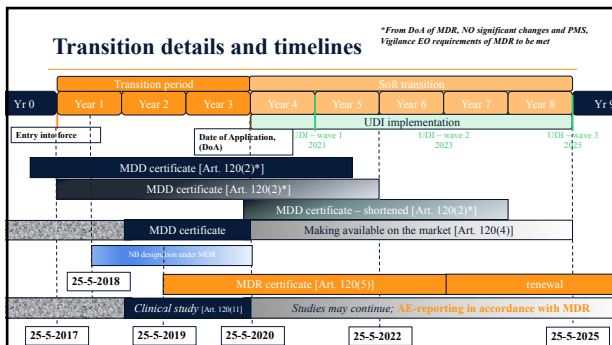
- Regulation on NB designation & recommendation on NB work
- Notified Body number dropped from 87 to 56 expectations for next 6-12 months: 10-15 more to go
- Some remain with reduced scope
- Notified bodies under pressure and scared
 - Ongoing initial reviews stifle on growing requirements on clinical data and limits to equivalence use
 - Line-extension reviews getting cumbersome
 - Renewal halted; certificates not renewed in time
 - Certificates suspended without clear warning
 - NBs careful in accepting transfers
 - Waiting lists generally increasing

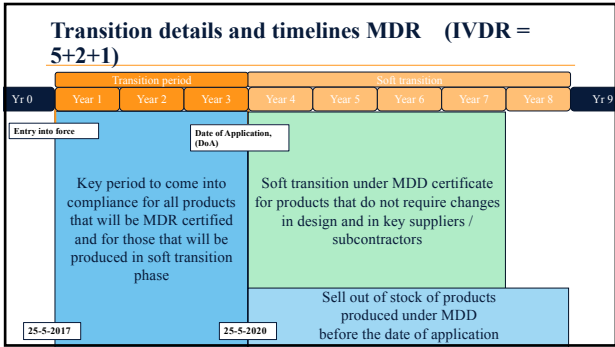


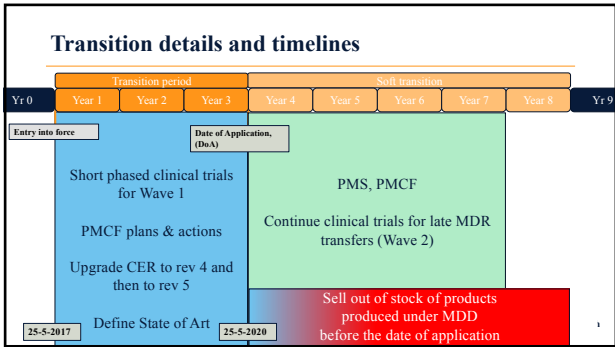
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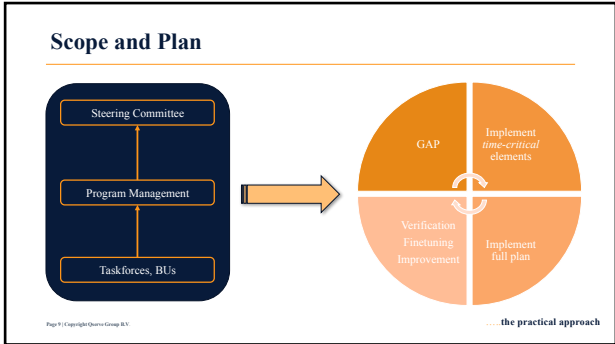
Transition details and timelines

*From DoA of MDR, NO significant changes and PMS, Vigilance EO requirements of MDR to be met











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2 - GAP assessment

High level review

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Impact assessment – high level vs. detailed

- Key dossiers first

		Product 1P	Product 2P	Product 3P	QA
Product information	Product name				
	Intended use				
	CE mark/no CE mark				
	Classification (MDD)				
	Classification Rule (MDD)				
	TS				
	Certificate number				
MDD Gap analysis	Decision date				
	Conformity assessment route (e.g. Annex I)				
	Before going into force				
	Is product still covered by definition, address investigation, replacement or modification of the pathological process or state	OK	OK	OK	
	Is product still covered by definition: removed control or support of conception	OK	OK	OK	
	Check if cosmetic implant or other product (Annex IV list)	Problem	OK	Problem	

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Impact assessment

- Clinical details separate if necessary

	A	B	C
1	Intended purpose		
2	Intended purpose means the use for which the device is intended according to the data supplied by the manufacturer on the label, in the instructions for use or in promotional material.		
3	Intended purpose means a systematic and planned process to continuously generate, collect, analyse and assess the clinical data pertaining to a device in order to verify the safety and performance, including clinical benefits, of the device when used as intended by the manufacturer.		
4	Intended purpose means a document that describes the rationale, objectives, design, methodology, monitoring, statistical considerations, organisation and conduct of clinical investigations.		
5	Intended purpose means an individual, company, institution or organisation which takes responsibility for the initiation, for the management and for setting up the financing of the clinical investigations.		
6	Intended purpose means the clinical data and clinical investigation results, pertaining to a device of sufficient amount and quality to allow a qualified assessment of whether the device achieves the intended clinical benefit(s) and safety, when used as intended by the manufacturer.		
7	Intended purpose means the ability of a device to achieve its intended purpose as claimed by the manufacturer, including any direct or indirect beneficial effects on human or animal health or the clinical benefit to patients resulting from the technical or functional, including diagnostic, transportation or ...		

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Impact assessment

• QMS elements next

		QMS	Status (06)	Docs reviewed	Gap analysis
QMS Information	Covered products	no	no to be filled if necessary		
	Legal entity	no	no to be filled if necessary		
	ISO Standard	no	no to be filled if necessary		
	ISO Future	no	no to be filled if necessary		
	Certificate number	no	no to be filled if necessary		
	End of validity of certificate	no	no to be filled if necessary		
	Next guess expected end of extended certificate time	no	no to be filled if necessary		
	Conformity assessment route MDD	no	no to be filled if necessary		
	Conformity assessment route MDR	no	no to be filled if necessary		
	Conformity assessment route IVD	no	no to be filled if necessary		
QMS Lead based on scope MDR					
Consolidated MDRs					
[24]	Does the manufacturer have a quality management system, a post-market surveillance system, a system for risk management and a system for reporting of incidents and field corrections and control of the manufacturer and the post-market surveillance and vigilance activities of medical devices (as covered by the MDR)?	yes	no to be filled	no to be filled	no to be filled
[27]	Is it intended that the manufacturer will play an active role during the post-market phase by systematically and actively gathering information?	yes	no to be filled	no to be filled	no to be filled
[34]		yes	no to be filled	no to be filled	no to be filled

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Draft high level rationales early

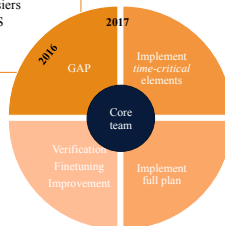
- Rationales on classifications
- Rationales to exclude clinical study requirement
- Rationales on equivalence based on own product line
- Rationales on use of historic data
- Rationales on exemption lists

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GAP assessment

- Dossiers
- QMS



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3 - Portfolio assessment

Rationalisation and choice of focus

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Focus and portfolio rationalisation

- Where are the gaps?
 - Sufficient clinical data for each indication?
 - Strong supply chain management, withstanding UAV?
 - Access to all technical data?
- What is key in my pipeline?
 - Which products are already nominated to be replaced?
 - Which development projects absorb most resources?
- Where will new opportunities arise?
- For which products are we a strong player?

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Portfolio analysis

- Still covered by definition?
- Change in class?
- Enough historic (clinical) data?
- Costs for rewrite – upgrade – new data – conformity assessment?
- Dependence on CE in RoW market?
- ROI feasible?

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Portfolio Assessment – visualisation helps!

	Product A	Product B	Product C	Product D	Product E	Product F
Clinical evidence	Limited data	No data	No data	Data available	Data available	No data
PMCF	Unstructured data	Limited data	Limited data	Limited data	Data available	No data
Transparency and traceability	New systems to be implemented (e.g. UDI, Summary of safety and clinical performance, Implant card)					
Economic operators	Contracts, responsibilities, liabilities, information flow in complaint handling and vigilance to be reworked					
QMS	Massive overhaul of processes and procedures in conjunction with ISO 13485:2016 system					
Reclassification	Reconfirmation with NB	Stay as they are				upclassifications
Scrutiny	No scrutiny expected		Some products			Not expected
Notified Body	NB1	NB2	NB3	NB4		

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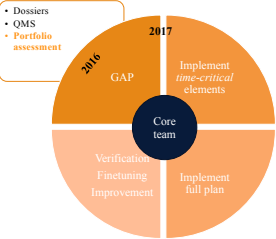
Portfolio Assessment – simplification

	WAVE 1	PHASE OUT 2024	PHASE OUT 2024	WAVE 2	WAVE 1	STOP 2020
Clinical evidence	Collect clinical data PMCF and focussed study	No money spending	No money spending	Top up clinical data Top up consultation	Early start Top up consultation	
PMCF						
Transparency and traceability						
Economic operators						
QMS						
Reclassification						
Scrutiny / Consultation						
Integral QMS system - PDCA – life-cycle management						
Notified Body	NB 1			Shift NB	NB 4	

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Portfolio assessment



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4 - Global Impact assessment


Balance EU versus RoW regulatory status and market share

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Global impact of rationalisation



- Many countries rely on existing certificates in their market approval
- Repurposing of data is complicated in case of differences
- Changes in EU might lead to change notice elsewhere

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Repurposing of data

- Complicated in case of differences in e.g.
 - Claims
 - Intended use
 - Clinical equivalence base
- Design dossier elements will differ in substantial elements:
 - STED summary
 - Risk management
 - Labeling, IFU
 - Marketing wording
 - Etc.

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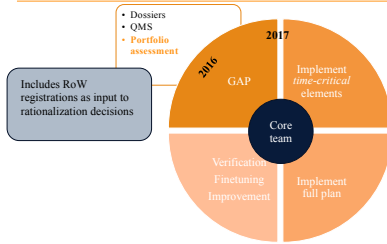
Changes in EU might lead to change notice elsewhere

- Initially in MDR compliance jump
 - MDR application
 - MDD and MDR in parallel
 - Confusion during transition period and soft transitioning
 - Timeline for reporting change outside EU: MDD => MDR
- Continuously, as EU-MDR moves to continuous improvement
 - Annual and faster updates CE certificate foreseen
 - RoW registration slow to follow as not yet on improvement spiral

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Inclusion of RoW impact in portfolio assessment



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5 - Master compliance roadmap

Strategic planning and commitment

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Stakeholders, structure, dependencies

- Contributors to extended core-team
- Corporate lead versus business unit independency
- Coordination and Cooperation
- Central versus local training and communication

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Time critical elements

- Clinical data generation if gap is big
 - Clinical studies if no own data for high risk devices and implants
 - PMCF data in general
 - Stimulation of literature generation on low risk products
- Supply chain changes that have significant impact
 - New suppliers of key ingredients
 - New subcontractors of critical sub-assemblies / devices
 - Transition away from existing OBL structures
- Shift in Notified Body where needed
 - Full portfolio, or selected product lines

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Link to concurrent changes

- ISO 13485:2016
- MDSAP
- ASEAN
- Eurasian Union
- Compliance improvement systems
- Corporate programmes



- ✓ Timelines might be different
- ✓ Focus and drive might be challenging to combine
- Alignment requires corporate / top management sponsorship

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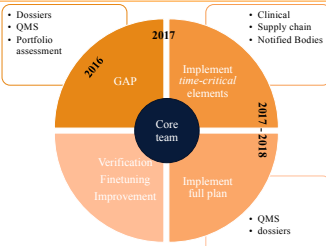
Early debate with Notified Bodies

- Resources
- Readiness and timelines; new sampling mechanisms
- Discussions on rationales
- Discussions on portfolio rationalization
- Discussions on transfer from other NBs

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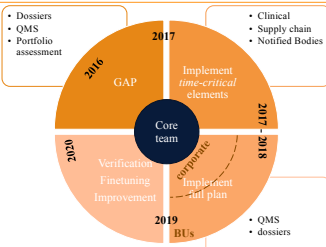
Master compliance roadmap



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6 - Regulatory Training

Awareness, webinars, F2F training & workshops



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Communicate repeatedly....

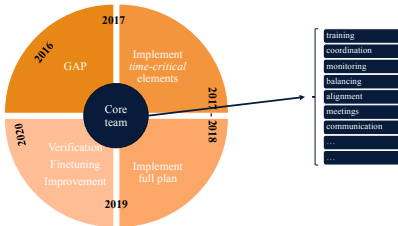


- Create awareness
 - Sharepoint
 - Internal website
 - Newsletters
 - Town hall meetings
- Training and workshops
 - Workshops at the start of task force projects
 - Workshops to focus on the new philosophy of regulatory continued improvement
 - Training on all new processes
- Webinars
 - Many topics
 - Frequent
- Growing knowledge in Board
 - Awareness workshops
 - Budget workshops

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Training is essential to keep the pace



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7 - Implementation

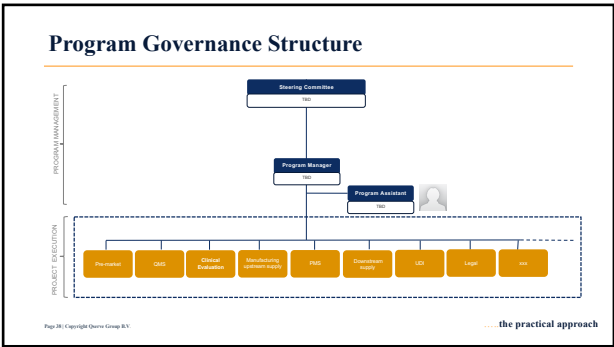
The big TEAM work

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Resources divided over taskforces

Project Manager		Project Team	
PMS master	Name		Name
QMS	Name		Name
Clinical evaluation	Name		Name
Manufacturing and materials supply	Name		Name
PMS	Name		Name
Manufacture supply	Name		Name
LCA	Name		Name
Legal	Name		Name
IVD	Name		Name

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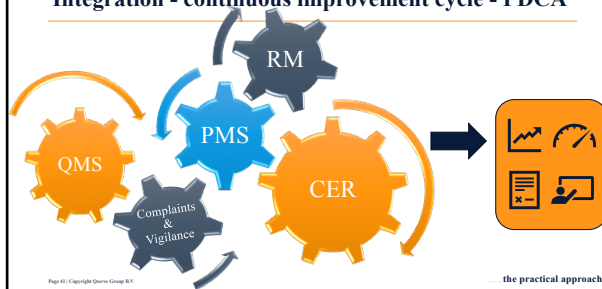
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Project Charter : Pre-market (example)

BACKGROUND AND CURRENT STATUS	FUTURE STATE - TO BE						
ISSUES/SOURCE ... RISK / IMPACT ON BUSINESS ... CURRENT STATUS TSD SCOPE DESCRIPTION All technical file of COMPANY	OBJECTIVES ... DELIVERABLES ... SUCCESS DESCRIPTION ...						
TEAM Project Manager: TSD Project Team: TSD Oserva Consultant: Susan Kymowski	NEXT MAJOR MILESTONES - TIMELINE <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Task</th> <th>Due date</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Kick-off</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Workshop integration suppliers on regulatory/quality risk level</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Task	Due date	Kick-off		Workshop integration suppliers on regulatory/quality risk level	
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Integration - continuous improvement cycle - PDCA



Challenges

- Resources:
 - Staff
 - Budget
 - Patients
 - Investigators
- Internal commitment
 - Board level
 - Management level
 - Staff level

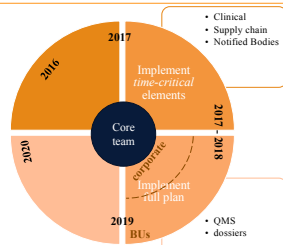
"I choose a lazy person to do a hard job because a lazy person will find an easy way to do it..."

Bill Gates

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Implementation



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8 - Effectiveness check

Time for self reflection and final improvements

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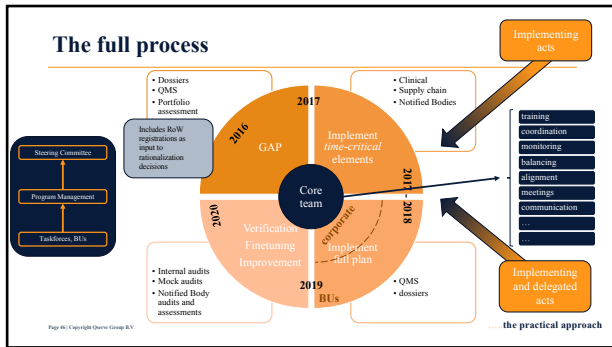
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A moment of self reflection

- Self reflections
 - Effectiveness check on revised processes and procedures
 - Effectiveness check on training of staff
 - Internal audit
 - Mock audit (optional)
 - Management review
- Notified Body Compliance audit
- Finetuning and CAPA close-out
- MDR/IVDR certification !!

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Summarizing

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In short ...

Trend analysis

QMS & pdca

Non-viable human cells/tissues

Clinical Trials

CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

PMS

PMCF

UDI

LIABILITY

MDCG

Scrutiny

Traceability

Restoring TRUST

EAR

Sponsor

Importer

Distributor

Supply chain

Manufacturer

56 NBs

RECLASSIFICATION

COMMON SPECIFICATIONS

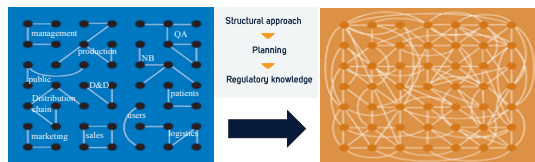
Suspension & recalls

Empowerment

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Change in culture might be essential ...



Working together towards strong and timely EU-MDR/IVDR compliance !!

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In conclusion

STEPS	TOOLS	DELIVERABLES
1. Scope and Plan	Interviews, benchmarking, checklist	Plan defining scope, timeline, methods, resources, milestones, and risks including governance & responsibilities
2. Gap Assessment	Impact assessment (checked for ISO 13485, ISO 14971, and IEC 60601)	Model Impact Matrix
3. Portfolio Rationalization	Product Portfolio Analysis (strategic and financial) and Market Review	Report Product Portfolio Analysis
4. Stand-Asset Analysis	Regulatory Impact Analysis (strategic and financial)	Stand-Asset Impact Matrix (strategic and financial)
5. Model Compliance Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Model compliance review (strategic and financial) Model compliance review (strategic and financial) Model compliance review (strategic and financial) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Model compliance review (strategic and financial) Model compliance review (strategic and financial) Model compliance review (strategic and financial)
6. Regulatory Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specific training activities Regulatory training (strategic and financial) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regulatory training (strategic and financial) Regulatory training (strategic and financial)
7. Implementation of Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project plan implementation Implementation plan (strategic and financial) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation plan (strategic and financial) Implementation plan (strategic and financial)
8. Effectiveness Check	KPIs	Model compliance review (strategic and financial)
9. On-going Compliance	Model compliance review (strategic and financial)	Continuous Compliance

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7. The big TEAM work
8. Time for self reflection and final improvements
9. Timely MDR certification

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