1	Association between olfactory sensitivity and behavioral responses of Drosophila suzukii to
2	naturally-occurring volatile compounds.
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#### 14 Abstract

Drosophila suzukii Matsumura (Diptera: Drosophilidae) is an invasive, destructive crop pest that 15 originated in South-East Asia. D. suzukii recently invaded Western countries and is threatening both 16 European and American fruit industries. It is extremely fond of otherwise undamaged, ripening fruits, 17 unlike most other Drosophila species which attack only decaying or rotten fruits. Recent studies on 18 different insect species showed that several naturally-occurring compounds of easy market 19 availability showing deterrent action may be used to supplement mass catches with food traps. Based 20 on these considerations, aim of the present work was to test the effects of some natural compounds 21 22 (alone or in mixture) on the olfactory system of the D. suzukii and the behavioral responses evoked. 23 To this end, we measured by EAG recordings, the olfactory sensitivity of antennae to increasing concentrations of eugenol, vanillin, menthol, cis-jasmone; eugenol + vanillin, + menthol, + cis-24 jasmone; vanillin + menthol, + cis-jasmone. In addition, the behavioral responses to same compounds 25 26 and mixtures were evaluated. Our electrophysiological results show a dose-response relationship between the EAG amplitudes and the increasing concentrations of the olfactory compound. The 27 behavioral results show that the number of laid eggs is significantly different between the standard 28 diet and the standard diet + natural compound. These results underline a specificity in the olfactory 29 30 sensitivity and in the ovipositing behavior of D. suzukii females; also, they could be valuable for the 31 identification of key chemicals aimed at the future development of strategies in the management and 32 control of this harmful insect for crops.

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strategy.

## 36 1. Introduction

In insects, host selection behavior, both in term of identification of suitable sites by ovipositing 37 females and of relevant food sources for the offspring, is strongly influenced by sensory input from 38 their chemical senses (Lebreton et al., 2017; Masala, Solari, Sollai, Crnjar, & Liscia, 2008; Masala, 39 40 Solari, Sollai, Crnjar, & Liscia, 2009; Merivee et al., 2002; Solari, Masala, Falchi, Sollai, & Liscia, 2010; Sollai, Biolchini, Solari, & Crnjar, 2017; Sollai, Biolchini, & Crnjar, 2018a; Sollai & Crnjar, 41 2019; Yarmolinsky, Zuker, & Ryba, 2009; Zhang et al., 2013). Among the chemical senses, the 42 olfactory system detects volatile compounds, such as repellents, attractants, pheromones and food 43 odors, from a potential source by means of olfactory sensilla mainly located in the antennae, but also 44 45 in the maxillary palps and the ovipositor (Anton et al., 2003; Galizia & Roessler, 2010; Martin, Boto, 46 Gomez-Diaz, & Alcorta, 2013; Sollai et al., 2010). The olfactory sensory neurons (OSNs) housed in the olfactory sensilla transduce the information contained in odor stimuli into action potentials and 47 project their axons to the brain, where they synapse with the local interneurons and the projection 48 neurons in the glomeruli of the antennal lobes (Solari et al., 2016; Strausfeld & Hildebrand, 1999). 49 Odorant compounds are recognized by specific odorant receptors (ORs) in the dendrites of the OSNs 50 and only one or very few of these ORs are expressed in each OSN (Benton, Vannice, Gomez-Diaz, 51 & Vosshall, 2009; Vosshall, Wong, & Axel, 2000). The expression of the specific ORs in each OSN 52 53 is influenced by the characteristics of the environment in which the insect lives and contributes to individual variation in olfactory behavior and in olfactory sensitivity, not only among different insect 54 species, but also among different populations within the same species (Rollmann et al., 2010). This 55 56 means that insects differ for the volatile compounds that their olfactory system may detect and for the consequent behavioral response (de Bruyne, Clyne, & Carlson, 1999; de Bruyne, Foster, & Carlson, 57 Rollmann et al., 2010; Yao, Ignell, & Carlson, 2005). In addition, the response profile of OSNs to 58

volatiles may be modified by different factors: for example, in *Manduca sexta* a circadian control has
been reported to exist in the olfactory sensitivity to pheromones (Schendzielorz, Schirmer, Stolte, &

61 Stengl, 2015). Likewise, the environmental temperature appears to affect olfactory behavior and

modify antennal electrical responses in *Drosophila* spp. (Martin, Riveron, & Alcorta, 2011; Riveron,
Boto, & Alcorta, 2009).

Within the "melanogaster group", the spotted-wing Drosophila suzukii Matsumura (Diptera: 64 Drosophilidae) is a polyphagous invasive pest insect, with a broad climate range tolerance; in fact, it 65 originated from South-East Asia and quickly spread to North and South America, Europe and the 66 Mediterranean basin (Asplen et al., 2015; Tait et al., 2017). The high invasive potential of this species 67 is due to: a) a great ability to adapt to cold climates and seasons (Tait et al., 2018); b) multiple 68 generations with rapid population growth during the summer months (Renkema, Buitenhuis, & 69 Hallett, 2017); c) adult female flies lay eggs on unripe and undamaged fruits by means of a serrated 70 71 ovipositor (Rota-Stabelli, Blaxter, & Anfora, 2013; Walsh et al., 2011). This difference in ecology 72 between D. suzukii and D. melanogaster is reflected in neurological and physiological adaptations aimed at finding unripe oviposition substrates (Ometto et al., 2013; Rollmann et al., 2010). 73

74 On the basis of these considerations, the aim of this study was to evaluate peripheral sensitivity of 75 adult females of the spotted-wing Drosophila suzukii towards volatile compounds, which in other insect species and populations of D. suzukii have shown a repellent action (Del Fabbro & Nazzi, 76 2013; Kamsuk et al., 2007; Munerato, Sinigaglia, Reguly, & Rodriguez de Andrade, 2005; Park, Jang, 77 78 Yoon, & Kim, 2016; Renkema, Wright, Buitenhuis, & Hallett, 2016; Renkema et al., 2017; Sobhy et 79 al., 2017; Zeringota et al., 2013), by means of an electrophysiological and behavioral approach. In this respect, we evaluated the antennal olfactory sensitivity towards increasing concentrations of 80 repellent compounds (both alone and as binary mixtures) and the subsequent ovipositing behaviour 81 82 evoked in adult females of D. suzukii.

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### 84 2. Materials & Methods

85 2.1. Insects

Four to ten-day adult females of *Drosophila suzukii* (Diptera: Drosophilidae) were obtained from a
lab-reared colony at the Dept. of Biomedical Sciences of the University of Cagliari (Italy). In the

larval stage, flies were fed on Drosophila standard diet (Dalton et al., 2011) under controlled
conditions (23°C, 70% of relative humidity, 14L/10D photoperiodic regime) (Biolchini et al., 2017).

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## 91 *2.2. Stimuli*

The following compounds were tested as olfactory stimuli: eugenol (Sigma-Aldrich, Italy), menthol 92 93 (Sigma-Aldrich, Italy), vanillin (Sigma-Aldrich, Italy) and *cis*-jasmone (Alfa-Aesar, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Germany). Excluding *cis*-jasmone with 90% of purity, all compounds were purchased with 94 a purity  $\geq$  99% (GC) and used without further purification. These compounds were chosen on the 95 basis of data available in the literature on different species of insects: eugenol, a phenolic compound 96 used in perfumes, flavorings and as a local antiseptic and anaesthetic (Jadhav, Khandelwal, Ketkar, 97 98 & Pisal, 2004; Sell & Carlini, 1976), presents a repellent activity (Del Fabbro & Nazzi, 2013; 99 Zeringota et al., 2013); menthol, the main component of peppermint essential oil (Ibanez & Amparo 100 Blazquez, 2018), shows repellent activity (Park et al., 2016; Renkema et al., 2016; Renkema et al., 101 2017); vanillin, an aromatic compound and flavouring agent, shows synergic effect with essential oils with repellent activity (Kamsuk et al., 2007); cis-jasmone, a volatile compound that enhances the 102 plant defense against herbivores and insects (Sobhy et al., 2017). 103

A 50  $\mu$ l volume of each compound solution, previously dissolved (100  $\mu$ g/ml) in dichloromethane (Sigma-Aldrich, Italy; CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>), was pipetted onto a pleated strip of filter paper (80x5 mm), to yield a final dosage of 5  $\mu$ g. By means of decadic dilutions in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, we obtained the relative lower solutions and 50  $\mu$ l of each of them was pipetted onto filter paper strips to obtain a 0.5÷0.0005  $\mu$ g load on strip; compounds were tested in increasing sequence of concentrations (five in all) (Solari et al., 2007).

Preliminary electrophysiological experiments showed that when the filter paper was filled with 50  $\mu$ L of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> alone, the CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> evaporated totally and the strip was not chemically stimulating. In order to test the presence of a possible mechanoreceptor response component, before each stimulation sequence (i.e. the five increasing solutions of the same compound) in each experiment, the response to air (blank control) was also tested and, if present, its value was subtracted from those of the chemical stimuli. Stimuli were presented in a randomized sequence, with a blank interstimulus interval long enough to allow for complete repolarization, according to Sollai et al. (2018). Each test was replicated 10 times.

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## 119 *2.3. Electrophysiological experiments*

Recordings were performed on antennae by means of the electroantennogram (EAG) recording 120 technique (Crnjar et al., 1989). A glass micropipette (20 µm tip diameter) filled with saline solution 121 122 (0.9% NaCl) (Clymans et al., 2019) was inserted into the isolated head through the "foramen magnum" and acted as reference electrode in EAG recordings. The antennae, one per fly, were 123 positioned in such a way as to expose the largest surface to the stimulus-bearing airstream. An air-124 stimulus control unit (model CS-55, Syntech, Hilversum, the Netherlands) was used for air and odor 125 delivery, according to Sollai et al. (2007). All signals were recorded with a high input impedance 126  $(10^{15} \Omega)$  electrometer (WPI, Duo 773), band-pass filtered (DC-1 kHz), digitized by means of an Axon 127 Digidata 1440A A/D acquisition system (sampling rate 10 kHz) and stored on PC for later analysis 128 129 (Sollai, Solari, Masala, Liscia, & Crnjar, 2008; Sollai, Solari, Corda, Masala, & Crnjar, 2012). The absolute EAG amplitudes during the 2-s stimulation period were calculated by means of Axoscope 130 10.0 software (Solari et al., 2007; Sollai et al., 2007). 131

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## 133 2.4. Behavioral experiments

Immediately after eclosion, males and females were kept in the same cage to allow mating, which normally occurs on the 4th day (Bretman, Westmancoat, & Chapman, 2013). Adult females ready for oviposition were transferred into vials (5 flies/vial), which served as experimental arenas. Each vial contained an oviposition substrate, consisting of 10 mL standard diet (control; the same diet used to rear the flies) or 10 mL standard diet + 250  $\mu$ L of a 0.1 mM solution of each single compound or mixture previously tested in the electrophysiological experiments. The females of *D. suzukii* were left free to lay eggs for a period of 72 hours, after which the substrate was removed from the experimental arena and the eggs laid were counted with the aid of a binocular, with the aim of testing oviposition preferences (Sollai, Biolchini, Loy, Solari, & Crnjar, 2017). Ten replicates were carried out for each experiment. The experimental arenas were kept in a climatic chamber, having the same controlled conditions as the rearing one (23°C, 70% of relative humidity, 14L/10D photoperiodic regime).

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## 146 2.5. Statistical analysis

Repeated measures ANOVA was adopted to analyze the effect of increasing concentrations of odor
stimuli (eugenol, menthol, vanillin and *cis*-jasmone) on the EAG amplitudes of the antennal sensilla,
separately for each stimulus.

150 One-way ANOVA was used to test the effect of rearing substrate (standard diet, standard diet + 151 chemical solution) on the number of eggs laid.

Data were checked for the assumptions of normality, homogeneity of variance and sphericity (when 152 applicable). When the sphericity assumption was violated, a Greenhouse-Geisser correction or 153 154 Huynh-Feldt correction was applied in order to modify the degrees of freedom (Sollai, Tomassini Barbarossa, Masala, Solari, & Crnjar, 2014; Sollai, Tomassini Barbarossa, Solari, & Crnjar, 2015). 155 Post-hoc comparisons were conducted with LSD Fisher's test, unless the assumption of homogeneity 156 of variance was violated, in which case Duncan's test was used (Sollai et al., 2014; Sollai et., 2015). 157 Statistical analyses were performed using STATISTICA for WINDOWS (version 7.0; StatSoft Inc, 158 Tulsa, OK, USA). *P* values < 0.05 were considered significant. 159

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#### 161 **3. Results**

162 Examples of EAG recordings in response to 5  $\mu$ g of the tested stimuli are shown in figure 1.

To test for a dose-response relationship, we analysed the EAG amplitudes evoked in the antennal preparations in response to increasing concentrations of each volatile solution, by means of repeatedmeasures ANOVA. A significant effect of increasing concentrations on EAG values resulted for eugenol ( $F_{(2.9,26.4)} = 8.6938$ , p = 0.0004), menthol ( $F_{(4,36)} = 21.386$ , p < 0.0001) and vanillin ( $F_{(4,36)} =$ 9.1724, p < 0.0001), while no effect was found for *cis*-jasmone ( $F_{(1.6,14.8)} = 0.3207$ , p = 0.6823) (Fig. 2). These results show that the antennal olfactory system is stimulated by eugenol, menthol and vanillin.

With the aim of identifying the order of preference of oviposition substrates, we analysed the number 170 of eggs laid on each substrate, by using one-way ANOVA. Results revealed a significant effect of the 171 172 substrate on the oviposition choice ( $F_{(4,45)} = 9.7736$ , p < 0.0001) and post-hoc comparisons showed 173 that the number of eggs laid on the oviposition substrate containing standard diet + eugenol or + menthol or + vanillin was significantly lower than that on standard diet alone (p < 0.005; LSD Fisher's 174 test) or standard diet + cis-jasmone (p < 0.05; LSD Fisher's test) (Fig. 3). Instead, no difference in 175 the number of eggs laid was found between the substrate containing standard diet alone and standard 176 diet + cis-jasmone (p > 0.05; LSD Fisher's test). These results indicate that eugenol, menthol and 177 vanillin are repellent towards ovipositing females. 178

179 Based on these results, we tested the antennal olfactory sensitivity towards binary mixtures of the 180 compounds previously tested individually. Repeated-measures ANOVA revealed a significant effect on the EAG amplitudes exerted by increasing concentrations of eugenol + vanillin ( $F_{(1,9,16,9)} = 35.91$ , 181 p < 0.0001), eugenol + menthol (F<sub>(2.5,22.4)</sub> = 5.3929, p = 0.0086), eugenol + *cis*-jasmone (F<sub>(3.3,29.6)</sub> = 182 183 5.9606, p = 0.0021), vanillin + menthol (F<sub>(1.7.15.1)</sub> = 5.1752, p = 0.024) and vanillin + *cis*-jasmone  $(F_{(1.3,11.7)} = 12.931, p = 0.0024)$  (Fig. 4). These results show that the antennal olfactory system is 184 activated by all binary mixtures tested. Accordingly, we found a significant effect of the oviposition 185 substrate on the number of eggs laid when one of the binary mixtures was added to the standard diet 186  $(F_{(5,54)} = 12.904, p < 0.0001)$  (Fig. 5). In particular, post-hoc comparisons subsequent to one-way 187 188 ANOVA showed that the number of eggs laid on standard diet containing eugenol + vanillin, eugenol

+ menthol, vanillin + menthol or vanillin + *cis*-jasmone was lower than that on standard diet alone (p < 0.005; LSD Fisher's test) or standard diet containing eugenol + *cis*-jasmone (p < 0.05; LSD Fisher's test). In addition, post-hoc comparisons also revealed that the number of eggs laid on the substrate containing eugenol + vanillin was higher than that laid on the substrate containing vanillin + menthol or vanillin + *cis*-jasmone (p < 0.05; LSD Fisher's test). These results suggest that, among the oviposition substrates, those containing vanillin + menthol or vanillin + *cis*-jasmone exhibit the highest deterrent effect towards ovipositing females.

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## 197 **4. Discussion**

198 Chemoreception plays a key role by regulating essential behaviors such as localization and 199 discrimination of host plants suitable by females for laying eggs and by offspring as food source (Sollai, Biolchini, & Crnjar, 2018b). The goal of this work was to evaluate the olfactory sensitivity 200 201 of Drosophila suzukii females towards naturally-occurring compounds, which showed deterrent or synergic effects both in other species of insects and in different populations of D. suzukii (Del Fabbro 202 & Nazzi, 2013; Kamsuk et al., 2007; Munerato et al., 2005; Park et al., 2016; Renkema et al., 2016; 203 Renkema et al., 2017; Sobhy et al., 2017; Zeringota et al., 2013). Firstly, we aimed at studying 204 205 whether a relationship could be found between olfactory sensitivity and behavioral response to tested 206 compounds. The dose-response relationships we found indicate that female flies present an olfactory 207 sensitivity to eugenol, menthol and vanillin, but not to *cis*-jasmone. Vanillin has been found to elicit EAG responses also in the meadow spittlebug Philaenus spumarius (Germinara et al., 2017). In 208 209 addition, our results indicate that the antennal olfactory system responds in a dose-dependent manner when stimulated with binary mixture of the natural compounds. In particular, we found that the 210 presence of *cis*-jasmone in binary mixture, which is *per se* ineffective in evoking EAG responses, 211 does not influence the stimulating effect of eugenol and vanillin. Besides, no synergic effect of 212 213 vanillin was found when it was mixed with eugenol or menthol. In fact, the responses obtained with 214 the binary mixtures were not higher than those recorded in response to eugenol or menthol alone.

The second aim of the study was to investigate the behavioral effect of the chemical compounds, 215 216 alone or in mixtures, on ovipositing females of *D. suzukii*. Our results show that the number of eggs laid on oviposition substrates containing eugenol, menthol or vanillin was significantly lower than 217 that found on substrates containing either the standard diet, or *cis*-jasmone. We also found that, when 218 219 the oviposition substrate was enriched with one of the binary mixtures, the number of eggs laid was significantly lower than either the control substrate or the one containing the eugenol + *cis*-jasmone 220 mixture. Furthermore, the number of eggs counted on the substrate containing eugenol + vanillin was 221 significantly higher than that found on the substrates containing vanillin + menthol or vanillin + cis-222 jasmone. Analogously, a repellent effect has been suggested for each of the compounds tested in this 223 224 study. In detail, eugenol has been found to have a toxic effect on the larvae of D. melanogaster 225 (Munerato et al., 2005) and a repellent action against different species of ticks, such as Ixodes ricinus (Del Fabbro & Nazzi, 2013), Rhipicephalus microplus and Dermacentro nitens (Zeringota et al., 226 2013); menthol was found to have a repellent effect on different populations of *D. suzukii* in the North 227 American (Canada) and Asian (Korean peninsula) continents (Park et al., 2016; Renkema et al., 228 2017); vanillin increases the repellent effect of DEET (a standard synthetic repellent) against various 229 230 species of insects belonging to the genus Aedes and Culex (Kamsuk et al., 2007). Instead, our results 231 show that no effect of *cis*-jasmone was found on both peripheral olfactory sensitivity and the behavior 232 of ovipositing females of *D. suzukii*, opposite to what reported for the aphid *Macrosiphum euphorbiae* (Sobhy et al., 2017). Taking into account that *cis*-jasmone plays a key role in activating the metabolic 233 pathway of plant defense, in the present study the reduced effects by *cis*-jasmone could be due to the 234 235 fact that all experimental assays were carried out in the lab excluding plants and their environment (Bingham, Alptekin, Delogu, Gurkan, & Moores, 2014). 236

In conclusion, these results indicate that *D. suzukii* females show a specificity in the olfactory sensitivity profile that conditions their ovipositing behavior and characterizes its diversity compared to other species. The knowledge of the olfactory response specificity and of the consequent behavior of ovipositing females of *D. suzukii* towards volatiles, in particular naturally-occurring ones, becomes

important for the development of control techniques for the populations of this insect harmful for 241 crops. In fact, treatments with insecticides, which are repeated several times during the season 242 (Shawer, Tonina, Tirello, Duso, & Mori, 2018; Van Timmeren & Isaacs, 2013), present several 243 disadvantages: negative effects on natural enemies, development of outbreaks of secondary pests, 244 reduction of pre-harvest intervals and onset of resistance to insecticides (Klick et al., 2019; Van 245 Timmeren & Isaacs, 2013). This means that the development of additional strategies for population 246 control and crop protection are of particular importance. These techniques include "push and pull" 247 strategy (Cook, Khan, & Pickett, 2007), which involves the use of compounds with repellent action 248 to pest insects that damage valuable crops ("push" component) and a "pull" component, represented 249 250 by bait traps. On the basis of these results, we propose a more environment-friendly alternative by 251 applying naturally-occurring compounds readily available on the market as push component.

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# 270 **Conflicts of Interest**

- 271 The authors declare no conflict of interest.
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# 273 Highlights

- 274 The olfactory system of D. suzukii is responsive to various naturally-occurring volatiles in a dose-
- 275 response manner.
- 276 Some of these compounds affect the choice of the oviposition substrate by D. suzukii females.

## 278 Legends of figures

**Fig 1.** Sample EAG recordings from antennal preparations following stimulation with eugenol, menthol, vanillin, *cis*-jasmone, eugenol + vanillin, eugenol + menthol, eugenol + *cis*-jasmone, vanillin + menthol, vanillin + *cis*-jasmone at 5  $\mu$ g.

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**Fig 2.** Dose-response relationship between EAG amplitudes and increasing concentrations of eugenol, menthol, vanillin and *cis*-jasmone (0.0005÷5  $\mu$ g). All values are mean ± s.e.m.; N=10 antennae (1 antenna/fly). Asterisks indicate significant differences between a concentration and the next lower (\* p < 0.05; \*\* p < 0.01; LSD Fisher's test subsequent to repeated-measures ANOVA).

Fig 3. Mean values  $\pm$  s.e.m. of the number of eggs laid on different oviposition substrates counted after 72 h from the beginning of the behavioral trials: standard diet alone (SD) or standard diet + eugenol (eug), + menthol (men), + vanillin (van) or + *cis*-jasmone (jas). N = 10 replicates for each compound. Different letters indicate significant differences (p < 0.05; LSD Fisher's test subsequent to one-way ANOVA).

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**Fig 4.** Dose-response relationship between EAG amplitudes and increasing concentrations of eugenol + vanillin, eugenol + menthol, eugenol + *cis*-jasmone, vanillin + menthol, vanillin + cis-jasmone (0.0005÷5  $\mu$ g). All values are mean (± s.e.m.); N=10 antennae (1 antenna/fly). Asterisks indicate significant differences between a concentration and the next lower (\* p < 0.05; \*\*\* p < 0.001; LSD Fisher's test subsequent to repeated-measures ANOVA).

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**Fig 5.** Mean values  $\pm$  s.e.m. of the number of eggs laid on different oviposition substrates counted after 72 h from the beginning of the behavioral trials. Standard diet alone (SD) or standard diet + one of the following binary mixtures: eugenol + vanillin (eug-van), eugenol + menthol (eug-men), eugenol + *cis*-jasmone (eug-jas), vanillin + menthol (van-men), vanillin + *cis*-jasmone (van-jas). N =
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