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## Linda Brown, Symbol of Landmark Desegregation Case, Dies at 75



Linda Brown in 1964 outside the Sumner School, which had denied her enrollment in 1950. Photo Credit: Associated Press

**TOPEKA, Kan. (AP)** — As a girl in Kansas, Linda Brown's father tried to enroll her in an all-white school in Topeka. He and several black families were turned away, sparking the Brown v. Board of Education case that challenged segregation in public schools.

A 1954 decision by the U.S. Supreme Court followed, striking down racial segregation in schools and cementing Linda Brown's place in history as a central figure in the landmark case.

Funeral officials in Topeka said Brown died Sunday at age 75. A cause of death was not released. Arrangements were pending at Peaceful Rest Funeral Chapel.

Her sister, Cheryl Brown Henderson, founding president of The Brown Foundation, confirmed the death to The Topeka Capital-Journal. She declined comment from the family.

Sherrilyn Ifill, president and director-counsel at NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund Inc., said in a statement that Linda Brown is one of a band of heroic young people who, along with her family, courageously fought to end the ultimate symbol of white supremacy — racial segregation in public schools.

"She stands as an example of how ordinary school-children took center stage in transforming this country.

It was not easy for her or her family, but her sacrifice broke barriers and changed the meaning of equality in this country," Ifill said in a statement.

The NAACP's legal arm brought the lawsuit to challenge segregation in public schools before the Supreme Court, and Brown's father, Oliver Brown, became lead plaintiff.

Several black families in Topeka were turned down when they tried to enroll their children in white schools near their homes. The lawsuit was joined with cases from Delaware, South Carolina, Virginia and the District of Columbia.

On May 17, 1954, the Supreme Court ruled unanimously that separating black and white children was unconstitutional because it denied black children the 14th Amendment's guarantee of equal protection under the law. "In the field of public education, the doctrine of 'separate but equal' has no place," Chief Justice Earl Warren wrote. "Separate educational facilities are inherently unequal."

The Brown decision overturned the court's Plessy v. Ferguson decision, which on May 18, 1896, established a "separate but equal" doctrine for blacks in public facilities.

"Sixty-four years ago, a young girl from Topeka, Kansas sparked a case that ended segregation in public schools in America," Kansas Gov. Jeff Colyer said in a statement. "Linda Brown's life reminds us that by standing up for our principles and serving our communities we can truly change the world. Linda's legacy is a crucial part of the American story and continues to inspire the millions who have realized the American dream because of her."

Brown v. Board was a historic marker in the civil rights movement, likely the most high-profile case brought by Thurgood Marshall and the lawyers of the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund in their decade-plus campaign to chip away at the doctrine of "separate but equal."

"Her legacy is not only here but nationwide," Kansas Deputy Education Commissioner Dale Dennis said.

Oliver Brown, for whom the case was named, became a minister at a church in Springfield, Missouri. He died of a heart attack in 1961. Linda Brown and her sister founded in 1988 the Brown Foundation for Educational Equity, Excellence and Research.

The foundation says on its webpage that it was established as a living tribute to the attorneys, community organizers and plaintiffs in the landmark Supreme Court decision. Its mission is to build upon their work and keep the ideals of the decision relevant for future generations.

"We are to be grateful for the family that stood up for what is right," said Democratic state Rep. Annie Kuether of Topeka. "That made a difference to the rest of the world."



In this April 30, 1974, file photo, Linda Brown, right, and her two children pose for a photo in their home in Topeka, Kan. (AP Photo/File)

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# EDITORIAL PAGE



**Dr. J. Ester Davis**  
Editorial Columnist

## Good Friday Worship Service

The Annual Good Friday Worship service this year will be held at the Ideal Family Church where the Bishop Ray Campbell is Pastor. Speakers for this year's commemoration of the Death, Burial and Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will include the following Minister's sharing the "Seven Last Words" of Jesus on the cross. Plan to attend and share with your neighbors.

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All are invited to attend the Annual Good Friday Event.

## Film Review: Pacific Rim Uprising Solid Sci-Fi Flick

**By Dwight Brown**  
(NNPA Newswire Film Critic)

**3 out of 5 stars**

In case you were wondering if British Actor John Boyega had any star power outside of the Star Wars franchise, he does. He uses it to carry this likable sci-fi/action/fantasy film on his back.

Pacific Rim Uprising is the kind of matinee movie you can send your tweens and teens to and not be worried about the violence or entertainment value. The action is harmless, the story is compelling, and the special effects are on par with Boyega's talent; steady, bold and doesn't show any obvious seams.

This sequel follows on the heels of the 2013 "Pacific Rim," which was a futuristic war movie that pitted humankind against ginormous sea monsters named Kaiju, who entered earth through a portal in the Pacific Ocean. To fight them, gigantic human like "mechas," that looked like robots, were invented. These killing machines, aka "Jaegers," were run by two pilots, who were positioned in the heads of the colossal warriors and used their minds and motions to control the huge droids' fighting abilities. One of those pilots was the legendary Stacker Pentecost (Idris Elba). It should be noted that Oscar-winning director Guillermo del Toro ("The Shape of Water") directed and co-wrote the original film.

Years later, Pentecost's son Jake (Boyega) has lost his way and become a

scampish hustler/ thief, ripping off clients looking for war relics and weapons. He finally changes the direction of his misguided life when his long-lost sister Mako Mori (Rinko Kikuchi, "Babel") shows up and talks him into re-joining the Pan Pacific Defense Corps (PPDC), the armed forces dedicated to fighting the Kaiju. Reluctantly Jake, and a 15-year-old vagabond/hacker named Amara (Cailee Spaeny), who rebuilt a Jaeger from junk parts and wound up in jail with Jake, join the new group of pilots in training. He is a co-leader with his old archrival Lambert (Scott Eastwood, "The Fate of the Furious"). And wouldn't you know it, the Kaiju are back, threatening humankind's extinction with help from some inside saboteurs.

It doesn't take a fortuneteller to figure out where the storyline is going. Good versus evil. Fight to the finish. Hurdles and mayhem along the way. That's the basic formula for any good sci-fi-action-fantasy film. The trick is getting the elements right, creating engaging characters, peppering the dialogue with humor and irony and building the proceedings to a crescendo worth waiting for. To their credit, writers Steven S. DeKnight, Emily Carmichael, Kira Snyder and T.S. Nowlin don't miss a trick. The outcome may be predictable, but getting there is not. There are betrayals, rivalries, realignments of loyalties and punchy conversations often delivered with deadpan humor. The movie is

fairly entertaining from start to finish.

Filling Guillermo del Toro's shoes, is not an easy task, but for all practical purposes, director Steven S. DeKnight (Netflix's "Daredevil," STARZ's "Spartacus") is up to the challenge. He keeps the actors animated, stages scenes well, choreographs fight scenes like a champ and guides the film to a fitting conclusion. He, along with editors Zach Staenberg, Dylan Highsmith (Star Trek: Beyond) and Josh Schaeffer, keep the footage rolling at a good pace. Not breakneck speed, but with a rhythm that doesn't falter.

DeKnight's efforts are greatly augmented by crystal clear cinematography courtesy of Dan Mindel ("Star Wars: The Force Awakens"), provocative production design by Stefan Dechant ("Kong: Skull Island") and eye-catching special effects (Zoilab Animatronics: Weta Workshop; Victoria Arias, Legacy Effects). In your mind you know all the creatures on view are completely fake, but on-screen the visuals are so graphic, even in IMAX, that you're sucked into the reality of the characters' situations, dilemmas and battles—like it or not. That's the mark of a smart, perceptive and able tech crew. That's the kind of production support that was sorely lacking for Ava DuVernay's "A Wrinkle in Time." Hard to make a captivating fantasy film, if your production team is half-assed.

Back to Boyega. The characters he played in

"Star Wars: The Force Awakens," "Star Wars: The Last Jedi" and "Detroit" had lapses in judgement and confidence. In this film, though first introduced as a wayward protagonist, once he sets his sights on fighting the good fight, nothing deters him. You can view the determination in his face, see it in his swagger and hear it in his stalwart command of the dialogue. His persona is dominant in a way that blows the rest of the cast off the screen. He is the leading man.

Boyega's empowering performance gets key support from his young, almost equally feisty sidekick, as played by Cailee Spaeny. You never doubt her grit, nor that this kid could be so brave. Rinko Kikuchi, Scott Eastwood, Adria Arjona, Charlie Day ("Horrible Bosses"), Burn Gorman, Karan Brar (TV's "Jessie") and Tian Jing ("Kong: Skull Island") fill out an international, multi-ethnic cast that should help bring people to the box office worldwide.

If you're looking for Shakespeare, this isn't it. If you're looking for Stars Wars, this isn't it. Nor is it Black Panther. But, if tweens, teens and twentysomethings want to venture into a highly-combative, high-tech future world, they can jump on board this roller coaster that's running on the star power of John Boyega.

Dwight Brown is a film critic and travel writer. As a film critic, he regularly attends international film festivals including Cannes, Sundance, Toronto and the American Black Film Festival. Read more movie reviews by Dwight Brown here and at [DwightBrownInk.com](http://DwightBrownInk.com).

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**By Dr. Kevin Williams  
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The opioid crisis in the United States is at an all-time high, impacting thousands of Americans every day.

What may surprise you is the impact this crisis has on people with medical conditions that cause severe pain, particularly when they receive treatment in the emergency department (ED).

In light of the current opioid crisis, ED staff have become much more vigilant in monitoring suspected drug abuse. This can have particular implications for people with sickle cell disease (SCD), whose top reason for visiting the ED is to seek relief from the debilitating pain crises associated with their disease.

Unfortunately, ED staff may doubt the legitimacy of the high level of pain relief needed by someone with SCD, and this suspicion has contributed to the stigma that SCD patients are "drug-seeking." When I was in medical school more than 30 years ago, ED staff treated SCD patients as drug

seekers, and opioid abuse wasn't even considered a crisis then. In light of the current opioid crisis, this stigma has become magnified.

SCD is a lifelong disorder most common in people of African descent and causes red blood cells to form sickled shapes. People with SCD often experience frequent acute pain episodes, called vaso-occlusive crisis (VOC). Currently, treatment for VOCs is limited and primarily involves administration of fluids and pain management, which often includes treatment with high levels of opioid pain medications.

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## ETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INC. EPSILON CHAPTER

Epsilon Chapter of Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. will host its 17th Annual "Unsung Heroes Luncheon" on Saturday, April 14, 2018 at 12:00 noon at the Wyndham Suites - Park Central, 7800 Alpha Rd., Dallas, Texas. This year's theme is, "Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. - Celebrating Those Who Dare to Care." The guest speaker will be Evangelist Patsy Cole, founder of "Be Made Whole Ministries."

The purpose of the event is to raise funds for scholarships for high school gradu-

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# SPORTS PAGE

## 7 Day Weather Forecast for DFW

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# Top recruits use support systems to avoid NCAA troublemakers

**ATLANTA (AP)** — Cameron Reddish has known since ninth grade, when Penn State offered him a full scholarship, that he was a special basketball talent.

Three years later, Reddish and some of the top prep players in the country will play in Wednesday night's McDonald's All-American game. Reddish and some of his Duke-bound teammates in the prestigious game are all aware of the scandal that's rocked college basketball this season with the FBI investigating corruption that led to criminal charges against assistant coaches, agents, apparel company employees and others.

"It's crazy, it's dirty, it's kind of messed up," Reddish told The Associated Press. "That's a lot of grown men trying to get one over on young kids, so it's a really messed up business, but at the end of the day you have to stay trustworthy to who you know."

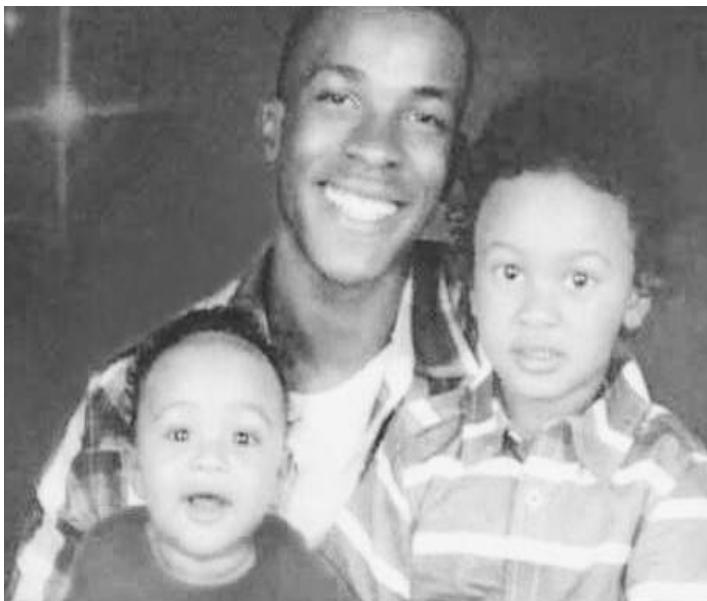
Reddish, R.J. Barrett, Zion Williamson and Tre Jones are part of the Blue Devils' recruiting class, considered the best in the nation.

They all say strong support systems have helped them steer clear of any unwanted contact.



## Stephon Clark's killing has been ruled a Homicide

**SACRAMENTO (AP)** — Angry and frustrated residents are demanding answers after a police-involved shooting left an unarmed, Black man dead last week. Stephon Clark, 22, was fatally shot in his Meadowview area backyard Sunday, March 18 after two Sacramento Police Department (SPD) officers shot at him more than 20 times. Local law enforcement officers were in the area after receiving a 911 call about a man suspected of breaking into vehicles in the area.



A Sacramento County Sheriff's Department helicopter spotted a man they believed to be that suspect, described as being 6'1", thin, and wearing a black hoodie and dark pants, in a backyard and they directed SPD officers on the ground to that location.

Helicopter personnel also communicated to officers that the suspect had picked up a "toolbar" and broke a window to a residence. Officers who had been canvassing other yards, eventually entered the front yard of a home on the 7500 block of 29th Street and observed Clark, along the side of the residence. Officers commanded Clark to stop and show his hands. According to a statement released by the SPD, the officers say Clark turned and advanced towards them while "holding an object which was extended in front of him." The officers said they believed Clark was pointing a gun at them and, "fearing for their safety," they fired their duty weapons.

Police admit they only found a cellphone, not a gun or a "toolbar," on the scene.

On Wednesday, March 21 the SPD released video footage of the interaction from the body cameras worn by both officers, as well as audio from the initial 911 calls and dispatch. Chief Daniel Hahn, the city's first African American police chief, has vowed to be transparent in such incidents since he took the position last year. Sacramento City Council policy on Police Use of Force mandates that the SPD release video and audio associated with police-involved shootings to the public within 30 days. The policy was adopted after a mentally ill Black man, Joseph Mann, was shot and killed by SPD officers in Del Paso Heights in 2016. The three-day turn around in the Clark shooting is much quicker than has happened in years past.

"SPD acknowledges the seriousness of this incident and the impact it has on our community," reads one of two statements on the shooting, released by the SPD last week.

"We are committed to providing timely information, communicating openly, and working directly with our community, so

that they have a full understanding of what occurred," the statement continues.

The body camera videos are each about 17 minutes long. While neither officer has been identified, one appears to be White or Hispanic and the other African American. In the graphic video, the officers don't appear to identify themselves as police officers, but simply say, "Hey, show me your hands, gun" and seconds later "Show me your hands, gun, gun gun," before one shoots off 10 rounds and the other, at least 11.

Officers waited five minutes for backup to arrive and can be heard telling Clark, who was unresponsive, to show his hands. One officer tells another to grab a "non-lethal" from a police vehicle so they can "hit him a couple of times with that" before approaching him. When officers did approach Clark's body, he was laying face down on the ground. They handcuffed him and began CPR. He was pronounced dead on the scene by the Sacramento Fire Department.

## Ask Dr. Kevin: Stigma in Sickle Cell Disease: How It Impacts ED Care

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Greater understanding of SCD and the pain experienced by people who suffer from the disease is urgently needed to help ensure that stigma and misunderstanding do not stand in the way of receiving adequate and timely medical treatment.

I'm here to answer the most common questions about pain related to SCD in the hope that this information will increase understanding and address some of these misperceptions.

Are SCD pain episodes really that severe?

Yes, they most certainly are. These episodes are characterized by excruciating, debilitating pain. The pain often occurs without any warning—then may worsen over time or escalate suddenly. Nearly all people living with SCD experience these pain crises at some point, but the frequency is variable and unpredictable. Some people with SCD experience six or more pain crises a year.

Why do SCD patients receive pain medicine at such high doses?

Early and aggressive pain management is a priority when treating a SCD patient who is experiencing pain episodes, as multiple studies have demonstrated that more frequent severe episodes of VOC are associated with death.

It's important to understand that SCD is a life-long chronic disease. The repeated opioid treatments needed for pain relief over a patient's lifetime often lead to a tolerance, requiring higher doses for adequate pain management.

The SCD individuals treated with opioids eventually learn which opioids and dose are best to relieve or

minimize their pain. Many times, this can appear suspicious to health care providers and lead to delayed or inefficient treatment.

Are SCD patients addicted to pain medication?

Unfortunately, this is a common misperception about the disease—not just by ED staff, but by many people in general.

It's important to highlight the difference between tolerance and dependence. An SCD patient may develop tolerance to opioids due to repeated opioid treatments and thus require higher doses, but this does not mean that they are dependent on—or addicted to—opioids.

In fact, there is no evidence to support the notion that SCD patients have any more likelihood of being addicted to pain medication compared to anyone else. A study in the journal "Pain Medicine" found that in 2013, out of the 16,225 people who died of an opioid overdose, 99.94 percent did NOT have SCD. Thus, the approximately 100,000 individuals living with SCD are making limited contribution to the opioid epidemic.

How can primary care providers help to improve the ED experience for SCD patients?

Primary care providers and people with SCD need to work together to ensure there is a pain management plan in place that will help coordinate care to support long-term pain management.

Along with your primary care provider, the use of prescription drug monitoring programs (PDMP) can easily assist in discovering a patient's prescription history to help combat the misperception that drug abuse

is taking place. Creating individualized pain plans could help result in less frequent admissions, less waiting time in the ER, and shorter length of hospital stays.

Can you share tips on how people with SCD can better manage the ED experience?

First and foremost, finding ways that help to reduce and/or manage pain, such as stress reduction, plenty of fluids, and exercise, before it becomes an emergency is extremely important. If that doesn't work, here are a few tips:

- Do not delay your visit to the ED when you begin to experience a pain crisis

- Create a "pain plan" with your primary care provider, and either carry a validated copy with you at all times or have easy access to an electronic version

- Carry a document with you at all times that summarizes previous emergency department stays

- Work together with your hematologist and your primary care provider, to ensure your pain management plan is right for you

Additionally, caregivers of SCD patients can also play an important role in improving the ED experience by:

- Recognizing the onset of a pain crisis and encouraging the patient to visit the ED

- Accompanying the patient to the ED and ensuring that all useful documents are brought along

- Providing support and distraction from the pain

- Taking notes on interactions between the patient and ED providers

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## How to prevent Type 2 diabetes



Diabetes is a health problem that can happen to people of all ages. More than 11 percent of Americans have diabetes. In Texas alone, more than 3 million people have diabetes and 7 million have pre-diabetes.

Someone in your family may even have diabetes. But just because some of your family members have diabetes does not mean that you will get it as well. Type 2 diabetes can be prevented and the tips below will help you along the way.

1. Get screened. Take a self-diagnostic test to find out what your risk is for having diabetes. It's the first step to taking charge of your health. You can take a quick online risk test by going to [www.ParklandDiabetes.com/WhatsYourRisk](http://www.ParklandDiabetes.com/WhatsYourRisk).

2. Get moving. Moving your body is every important when trying to stay healthy and prevent diabetes. You don't have to

run a marathon to get the benefits of exercise. You can go for a walk, do yoga, lift weights or ride your bike. To stay healthy, plan on doing 30 minutes of exercise three times a week. For some great ideas on how to get more exercise into your day, check out [www.ParklandDiabetes.com/Move](http://www.ParklandDiabetes.com/Move).

3. Eat healthier. Take small steps to eating healthier every day by making some easy changes. Instead of candy or cookies, have some fruit for dessert. At lunch and dinner, add vegetables to your plate. Instead of fried food, try a healthier version that is baked or steamed. For delicious and healthy recipes you can make at home, go to [www.ParklandDiabetes.com/Recipes](http://www.ParklandDiabetes.com/Recipes).

4. Quit smoking. Smoking can make you more likely to get diabetes. If you need help quitting,

Parkland has a smoking cessation program that will show you the steps you need to take to quit smoking. For more information, go to [www.ParklandDiabetes.com/StopSmoking](http://www.ParklandDiabetes.com/StopSmoking).

5. Limit alcohol. Alcohol can cause your blood sugar to go up and down so drink in moderation.

6. Get a checkup. Going to see your doctor regularly is very important for your health. If you have a history of diabetes in your family, your doctor can check how you are doing and give you advice on how to stay healthy.

You are in charge of your health. There are steps you can take to prevent Type 2 diabetes but it's up to you to get the right information and make a plan on how to stay healthy. For more tips on how to stop Type 2 diabetes in its tracks, go to [www.ParklandDiabetes.com](http://www.ParklandDiabetes.com).

## Two Officers in the killing of Alton Sterling will not be charged



(AP) — Nearly two years after a black man was shot and killed during a struggle with two white police officers, Louisiana's attorney general isn't pursuing charges against the officers in a decision that infuriated Alton Sterling's family and frustrated residents in the neighborhood where he died.

Since federal officials have already declined to charge the officers, the decision Tuesday by Attorney General Jeff Landry ends the criminal investigation of the two officers at the center of a case that highlighted racial tensions across the country.

The July 5, 2016, shooting came amid increased scrutiny of fatal encounters between police and black men. The day after Sterling's shooting, Philando Castile was killed in Minnesota by a police officer and the aftermath streamed on Facebook by his girlfriend. Then as demonstrators in Dallas protested those police shootings, a gunman killed

five police officers. And on July 17, a black military veteran shot and killed three Baton Rouge law enforcement officers.

Officer Blane Salamoni shot and killed Sterling during a struggle outside a convenience store where the 37-year-old black man was selling homemade CDs. Officer Howie Lake II helped wrestle Sterling to the ground, but didn't fire his gun. Two cell phones videos of the shooting quickly spread on social media, prompting large protests.

Family and supporters of Sterling denounced Landry's decision in an angry news conference shortly after many of them met with the attorney general to hear his findings.

Quinyetta McMillon, the mother of one of Sterling's children, Cameron, said the officers killed Sterling "in cold blood."

"We're all out of tears. We have nothing else in us to cry about now," she said. "There's no amount of money in this world that can give those kids back

their father."

Residents near the convenience store where Sterling was killed said they weren't surprised. Le'Roi Dunn, a 40-year-old cook, gestured at the spot where Sterling was killed and said it was wrong for the officers to avoid charges.

"It hurts, though, to see them get away and go on with their lives," Dunn said.

But Landry said his office reviewed all evidence compiled by the Justice Department, conducted its own witness interviews and concluded there was no case to be made. He pointed to toxicology and urine test results released Tuesday showing Sterling had cocaine, methamphetamine, fentanyl and other drugs in his system and said that contributed to Sterling's "non-compliance" with the officers' commands. He said two independent experts also determined the officers used reasonable force.

A lawyer for Lake said his client should remain on the force. Attorney Kyle Kershaw said Lake's actions on the encounter complied with police procedure.

Lawyers for Sterling's five children have filed a wrongful death lawsuit against the city of Baton Rouge, its police department and former police chief, and the two officers. It alleges a pattern of racist behavior and excessive force by the Baton Rouge police.



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