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NERVOSANIN A AND B, AND ENT-KAURANOIDS FROM ISODON NERVOSUS

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Abstract—Two new diterpenoids nervosanin A and nervosanin B were isolated, together with the known neorabdosin, nervosin, odonicin, effusanin A and effusanin E, from the leaves of *Isodon nervosus* and their structures were elucidated from spectral and chemical evidence.

INTRODUCTION

Diterpene constituents of *Isodon nervosus* Kudo have been isolated and characterized as nervosin [1], neorabdosin [2], odonicin [1], effusanin A [3] and effusanin E [3]. In the course of the investigations on biologically active substances in *Isodon* plants, we have examined the constituents of *I. nervosus* collected in the southern district of Anhui, China and isolated two new diterpenes, nervosanin A and B. This paper describes the isolation and structure elucidation of these two diterpenes.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Dry leaves of *I. nervosus* were extracted with ethanol. Silica gel column chromatography of the extract yielded nervosanin A (1) and nervosanin B (2) along with known neorabdosin (5), odonicin (6), effusanin A (3) and effusanin E (4).

Nervosanin A (1), $C_{21}H_{32}O_6$, had a five-membered ketone group [v_{max} 1705, δ 224.3 (s)]. The ¹H NMR spectrum of 1 showed the presence of two tertiary methyl groups ($\delta 1.10$ and $\delta 1.23$, each 3H, s), two oxygenated methyl groups (δ 3.76, 1H, dd, J = 4.7, 10.1 Hz; 3.64, 1H, dd, J = 8.8, 10.1 Hz; 4.34, 1H, dd, J = 1.0, 10.0 Hz and 4.69, 1H, d, J = 10.0 Hz) three hydroxy groups (δ 4.95, 5.85 and 6.44, each 1H, s) and two methine protons attached to hydroxy group bearing carbons (δ 3.68, 1H, dd, J = 5.4, 11.5 Hz and 4.16, 1H, dd, J = 5.4, 11.4 Hz, changed to d, J= 5.4 Hz on adding D_2O). The ¹³C NMR spectrum exhibited a signal due to an acetal carbon (δ 95.7, s) along with the signals due to two primary carbinyl carbons (δ 64.0 and 69.0) and two secondary carbinyl carbons (δ 73.1 and 74.8). From the examination of the spectral data, coupled with the consideration of the structures of diterpenoids isolated so far from the genus *Isodon*, the *ent*-7 α -hydroxy-7 β ,20-epoxy-kaur-15-one structure was inferred as the basic skeleton [4] of this substance. This inference was supported by the fact that the nervosanin A shows a negative Cotton effect $[\theta]_{300} - 4684$ (MeOH) in the CD spectrum.

Acetylation of 1 with acetic anhydride and pyridine gave the monoacetate (7). In the $^{1}HNMR$ spectrum of 7, a signal for 1-H appeared downfield at $\delta 4.71$ compared with that of 1. This proton was assigned to the C-1 β position for the following reasons: (i) the coupling pattern of the proton (δ 4.71, 1H, dd, J = 5.4, 11.4 Hz) in the ${}^{1}H-{}^{1}HCOSY$ spectrum of 7; (ii) comparison of the ¹³C NMR spectrum of 7 with that of 1 revealing that the chemical shift value of C-1 shifted downfield by 1 ppm, while that of C-2, C-10 and C-11 shifted upfield by 3.4, 1.7 and 1.8 ppm, respectively, because of the α - and β substituent effects and space-steric effect of the C-1a acetyl group. Another secondary hydroxy group of 1 was located at the C-6 β position because the secondary carbinyl proton (δ 4.16, 1H, dd, J = 5.4, 11.4 Hz changed to d, on adding D_2O is coupled with the C-5 β proton $(\delta 1.45, dd, J = 1.5, 5.6 \text{ Hz})$, the latter is further coupled by the long range interaction across the W-path with the C-20 proton (δ 4.34, 1H, dd, J = 1.5, 10.0 Hz).

The location of one of the two oxygenated methyl groups, the signal of which appears at $\delta 4.69$ and 4.34, was easily assigned to the C-20 position. Another oxygenated methyl group, whose signal was found at $\delta 3.76$ (1H, dd, J = 4.7, 10.1 Hz) and $\delta 3.64$ (1H, dd, J = 8.8, 10.1 Hz) was assigned to the C-16 β position, because the protons were coupled with the C-16 α proton ($\delta 2.90$, 1H, dd, J = 5.0, 13.0 Hz, 16 α -H), which was further coupled with C-13 α proton ($\delta 2.71$, 1H, dd, J = 5.0, 12.0 Hz). The methoxyl group was located to the C-17 position of 1 because of the upfield chemical shift of C-12. The data suggest that nervosanin A has the structure 1.

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The presumed structure was supported by the NOESY spectrum described below. In the NOESY spectrum of 1, NOE cross peaks were observed in the following ways: (i) 4α -Me and 4β -Me, 6α -H, 20-H_a and 2α -H; (ii) 4β -Me and 4α -Me, 3β -H and 5β -H; (iii) 9β -H and 1β -H and 5β -H; (iv) 16α -H and 13α -H, 17-H_a; (v) 17-H₂ and 12β -H, 16α -H and OMe.

Nervosanin B (2), C₂₀H₃₀O₆, was shown to contain two tertiary methyl groups ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.26, 1.18, each 3H, s; $\delta_{\rm C} 33.7 \, q$, 22.4 q), an exo-methylene group ($v_{\rm max}$ 1660 cm⁻¹; $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.34, 5.21, each 1H, br s; $\delta_{\rm C}$ 106.3 t, 162.5 s) and five hydroxy groups (v_{max} 3280 cm⁻¹; δ_{H} 8.25, 7.90, 7.52, 6.75 and 6.42, each 1H, disappeared on adding D_2O). The signals due to four methine protons attached to hydroxy group-bearing carbons at δ 5.46 (1H, br s), 4.71 (1H, t, J = 4.2 Hz), 4.37 (1H, d, J = 6.3 Hz) and 3.98 (1H, d, J = 6.3 Hz)dd, J = 6.0, 11.0 Hz) in the ¹H NMR spectrum and five signals at δ 97.7 (s), 75.7 (d), 73.9 (d), 66.7 (d), 75.2 (d) in the ¹³C NMR spectrum of 2 suggested that four of the five hydroxy groups were secondary and the fifth was tertiary. The data suggested that nervosanin B had the same structure as that of effusanin E (4) except for the absence of the ketone and the presence of a secondary hydroxyl group [5].

Acetylation of 2 with acetic anhydride and pyridine gave the triacetate (8). Comparison of the $^{13}CNMR$

spectrum of 8 with that of 2, showed that the chemical shift values of C-1, C-6 and C-11 were shifted downfield by 1, 2 and 3.4 ppm, respectively, while the chemical shift values of C-2, C-10, C-5, C-7, C-9 and C-12 were shifted upfield by 4.3, 1.8, 1.1, 1.9, 4.8 and 1.8 ppm, respectively, because of the α - and β -substituent effect of the 1-, 6- and 11-acetyl groups. Based on these data, together with the coupling pattern of 1-H, 6-H and 11-H, three hydroxy groups of 2 were located at the C-1 α , C-6 β and C-11 α positions. Another secondary hydroxyl group was located to the 15 β -position of 2 from the fact that dihydroeffusanin E (9) was obtained on treatment of 2 with 15% HCl-MeOH under the conditions for the garryfoline-cuauchichicine rearrangement [6] and that nodosin (10) was obtained on the oxidation of 2 with MnO_2 . Accordingly, nervosanin B was shown to have structure 2.

EXPERIMENTAL

General. Mps: uncorr. IR spectra were recorded on a Shimadazu IR-435 spectrometer for KBr disks. ¹H NMR spectra were taken on a JEOL JNM-FX 200 or AC-300 or AM-600 spectrometer with TMS as int. standard; chemical shifts are given in δ (ppm) values. Mass spectra

were determined with a JEOL JMS-01 SG-2 spectrometer. UV spectra were taken with a Shimadzu 435 or Hitachi 240 double beam spectrophotometer. Optical rotations were measured with a JASCO DIP-181 digital polarimeter. CD curves were measured with a JASCO J 500 A spectropolarimeter. Silica gel 60 (70-230 mesh, Merck) was used for chromatography and precoated silica gel plates F_{254} (0.25 and 0.5 mm in thickness) were used for TLC. Extracts were dried over dry Na₂SO₄.

Isolation of diterpenoids from the dried leaves of the plant. The ethanolic extract obtained from the dried leaves of I. nervosus (10 kg) collected at Jixi, Anhui, China in late August 1986, was concd under red. pres. to ca 10 l. The extract was diluted with EtOH to make a 90% EtOH soln and treated with charcoal. After evapn of the solvent, the residue was dissolved in EtOAc. The soln was shaken with aq. Na₂CO₃ to remove the acidic substance. The organic layer, after drying, was evapd under red. pres. to give a residue (210 g), which was chromatographed on a silica gel column with CHCl₃-Me₂CO as eluent with stepwise increase of the Me₂CO content. The CHCl₃ eluate gave neorabdosin and odonicin, the CHCl3-Me₂CO (9:1) eluate gave effusanin A and nervosanin A, and the CHCl₃-Me₂CO (8:2) eluate gave effusanin E and nervosanin B.

Nervosanin A (1). Needles (0.4 g). mp 200-202° (from MeOH); $[\alpha]_D^{25} = 82.09^\circ$ (MeOH; c 0.2); IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹ 3400, 3350, 1705; ¹H NMR (C_5D_5N): δ 6.44 (1H, d, J = 11.0 Hz, OH), 5.85 (1H, d, J = 5.0 Hz, OH), 4.95 (1H, br s, OH), 4.69 (1H, d, J = 10.0 Hz, H_a-20), 4.34 (1H, dd, J= 1.5, 10.0 Hz, H_{b} -20), 4.16 (1H, dd, J = 5.4, 11.4 Hz, H- 6α), 3.76 (1H, dd, J = 4.7, 10.1 Hz, H_a-17), 3.64 (1H, dd, J $= 8.8, 10.1 \text{ Hz}, \text{H}_{b}$ -17), 3.68 (1H, dd, $J = 5.4, 11.5 \text{ Hz}, \text{H}_{b}$ 1 β), 3.29 (3H, s, -OMe), 2.90 (1H, dd, J = 5.0, 13.0 Hz, H- 16α , 2.71 (1H, dd, J = 5.0, 12.0 Hz, H-13 α), 1.45 (1H, d, J = 5.6 Hz, H-5 β), 1.10, 1.23 (each 3H, s, 4-Me₂). ¹³C NMR (C₅D₅N): δ74.8 (C-1, d), 28.8 (C-2, t), 39.5 (C-3, t), 34.7 (C-4, s), 62.2 (C-5, d), 73.1 (C-6, d), 95.7 (C-7, s), 61.3 (C-8, s), 52.1 (C-9, d), 41.5 (C-10, s), 19.9 (C-11, t), 20.0 (C-12, t), 29.8 (C-13, d), 30.4 (C-14, t), 224.3 (C-15, s), 57.5 (C-16, d), 69.0 (C-17, t), 33.0 (C-18, g), 21.9 (C-19, g), 64.0 (C-20, t), 58.6 (-OMe). HRMS m/z found: 380.2192. $C_{21}H_{32}O_6$ requires: 380.2198. Found: C, 66.49; H, 8.71. C21H32O6 requires: C, 66.31; H, 8.42. CD $[\theta]_{300}$ - 4684 (MeOH).

Nervosanin B (2). Needles (0.5 g). mp 258-260° (from MeOH); $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} = 54.73^{\circ}$ (pyridine; c 0.33); IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 3280, 1660; ¹H NMR (C₅D₅N): 88.25, 7.90, 7.52, 6.75, 6.42 (each 1H, br s, OH), 5.46 (1H, br s, H-15α), 5.36, 4.43 (each 1H, AB, d, J = 10.0 Hz, H₂-20), 5.34, 5.21 (each 1H, br s, H₂-17), 4.71 (1H, t, J = 4.2 Hz, H-11 β), 4.37 (1H, d, J = 6.3 Hz, H-6 α), 3.98 (1H, dd, J = 6.0, 11.0 Hz, H-1 β), 3.29 (1H, d, J = 11.5 Hz, H-14x), 2.91 (1H, dd, J = 4.5, 9.0 Hz, H-13 α), 2.67 (1H, dd, J = 9.5, 14.0 Hz, H-12 α), 2.50 $(1H, d, J = 4.5 \text{ Hz}, H-9\beta), 2.22 (1H, dd, J = 4.5, 11.5 \text{ Hz},$ H-14 β), 1.94 (1H, dd, J = 5.0, 14.0 Hz, H-12 β), 1.78 (1H, d, J = 6.3 Hz, H-5 β), 1.26, 1.18 (each 3H, s, 4-Me₂). 13 C NMR (C₅D₅N): δ 75.7 (C-1, d), 29.6 (C-2, t), 39.2 (C-3, t), 33.9 (C-4, s), 47.7 (C-5, d), 73.9 (C-6, d), 97.7 (C-7, s), 52.2 (C-8, s), 58.2 (C-9, d), 42.7 (C-10, s), 66.7 (C-11, d), 42.8 (C-12, t), 37.3 (C-13, d), 26.8 (C-14, t), 75.2 (C-15, d), 162.5 (C-16, s), 106.3 (C-17, t), 33.7 (C-18, q), 22.4 (C-19, q), 65.7 (C-20, t), HRMS found: 366.20324. $C_{20}H_{30}O_6$ requires: 366.2042. Found: C, 65.29; H, 8.44. $C_{20}H_{30}O_6$ requires: C, 65.57; H, 8.20.

Effusanin A (3). Needles (5.5 g). mp 264–266° (from MeOH); IR v_{max} cm⁻¹ 3220, 1700, 1638, 1060; ¹H NMR (C₅D₅N): δ 6.80, 5.70 (OH), 5.85, 5.15 (each 1H, br s, H₂-17), 4.62, 4.22 (each 1H, AB, d, J = 10.0 Hz, H₂-20), 4.15 (1H, t, J = 5.0 Hz, H-6 α), 3.53 (1H, t, J = 8.0 Hz, H-1 β), 2.77 (1H, d, J = 9.5 Hz, H-13 α), 1.14, 0.98 (each 3H, s, 4-Me₂); HRMS m/z found 348.19269. C₂₀H₂₈O₅ requires: 348.19365.

Effusanin E (4). Needles (4.5 g). mp 240–242° (from MeOH); IR v_{max} cm⁻¹: 3240, 1700, 1640, 1060; ¹H NMR (C₅D₅N): δ 7.76, 6.93, 6.48 (OH), 5.97, 5.30 (each 1H, br s, H₂-17), 5.13 (1H, AB, dd, J = 1.0, 11.0 Hz, H_a-20), 4.57 (1H, t, J = 4.0 Hz, H-11 β), 4.38 (1H, AB, d, J = 11.0 Hz, H_b-20), 4.23 (1H, dd, J = 11.0, 7.0 Hz, H-6 α), 3.80 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 6.0 Hz, H-1 β), 3.70 (1H, d, J = 11.8 Hz, H-14 α), 3.15 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 9.0 Hz, H-13 α), 1.33, 1.14 (each 3H, s, 4-Me₂); HRMS found: 364.1880. C₂₀H₂₈O₆ requires: 364.1886.

Neorabdosin (5). Needles (0.35 g). mp 222° (from MeOH); IR v_{max} cm⁻¹: 1738, 1720, 1240; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): $\delta 6.14$ (1H, t, J = 2.5 Hz, H-15 α), 5.65 (1H, d, J = 12.5 Hz, H-6 α), 5.06, 5.03 (each 1H, d, J = 2.0 Hz, H₂-17), 4.73, 4.18 (each 1H, d, J = 10.0 Hz, H₂-20), 3.71 (1H, t, J = 2.5 Hz, H-3 β), 2.96 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-9 β), 2.84 (1H, m, H-13 α), 2.72 (1H, d, J = 4.5 Hz, H₂-2), 2.19, 2.13 (each 3H, s, 2 × OAc), 1.28, 1.08 (each 3H, s, 4-Me₂). HRMS m/z found: 430.19931. C₂₄H₃₀O₇ requires: 430.1991.

Odonicin (6). Needles. (1.3 g). mp 187°; IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 3400, 1738, 1660, 1645, 1235, 1060; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): $\delta 6.73$ (1H, d, J = 10.0 Hz, H-3), 5.93 (1H, d, J = 10.0 Hz, H-2), 5.66 (1H, t, J = 2.3 Hz, H-15), 5.32 (1H, d, J = 9.0 Hz, H-6), 5.06, 4.86 (each 1H, br s, H₂-17), 4.37, 4.05 (each 1H, d, J = 10.0 Hz, H₂-20), 2.63 (1H, dd, H = 1.5, 8.8 Hz, H-5), 2.18, 2.09 (each 3H, s, 2 × OAc), 1.23, 1.10 (each 3H, s, 4-Me₂); HRMS m/z found: 430.1987. C₂₄H₃₀O₇ requires: 430.1991.

Nervosanin A 1-acetate (7). Acetylation of nervosanin A (1) (43 mg) with a mixt. of Ac₂O (1 ml) and pyridine (1 ml) gave the monoacetate (7) (40 mg) as needles, mp 208-210° (from MeOH); IR v_{max} cm⁻¹: 3400-3350, 1720, 1250; ¹H NMR (C₅D₅N): δ8.75 (1H, br s, OH), 6.33 (1H, d, J = 11.2 Hz, OH), 4.71 (1H, dd, J = 5.4, 11.4 Hz, H-1 β), 4.39 (1H, d, J = 10.1 Hz, H_a-20), 4.22 (1H, dd, J = 1.55, 10.1 Hz, H_b-20), 4.07 (1H, dd, J = 5.7, 11.2 Hz, H-6 α), 3.72 $(1H, dd, J = 4.7, 10.3 \text{ Hz}, H_{\bullet}-17), 3.60 (1H, dd, J = 8.8, J)$ 10.1 Hz, H_{b} -17), 3.24 (3H, s, -OMe), 2.86 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 10.0 Hz, H-16a), 2.66 (1H, m, H-13a), 2.43 (1H, dd, J = 3.3, 12.5 Hz, H-14 β), 2.37 (1H, dd, J = 1.0, 10.0 Hz, H-14 α), 2.03 (3H, s, OAc), 2.05 (1H, m, H-11 β), 1.78 (1H, m, H-12 β), 1.75 (1H, m, H-2 β), 1.65 (1H, dd, J = 4.5, 13.0 Hz, H-9 β), 1.64 (1H, m, H-2 α), 1.45 (1H, dd, J = 1.5, 5.6 Hz, H-5 β), 1.34 (1H, m, H-12a), 1.33 (2H, m, H₂-3), 1.20 (1H, m, H-11 β), 1.16 (3H, s, Me-4 β), 1.04 (3H, s, Me-4 α). ¹³C NMR (C₅D₅N): δ75.8 (C-1, d), 25.4, (C-2, t), 38.5 (C-3, t), 33.8 (C-4, s), 62.0 (C-5, d), 74.3 (C-6, d) 95.4 (C-7, s), 60.7 (C-8, s), 50.9 (C-9, d), 39.8 (C-10, s), 18.1 (C-11, t), 19.4 (C-12, t), 29.5 (C-13, d), 28,6 (C-14, t), 223.8 (C-15, s), 57.4 (C-16, d),

68.0 (C-17, t), 32.6 (18-Me), 21.6 (19-Me), 63.4 (C-20, t), 58.6 (OMe), 169.9, 21.4 (OAc), HRMS m/z found: 422.23023. $C_{23}H_{34}O_7$ requires: 422.23042.

Nervosanin B 1,6,11-acetate (8). Acetylation of nervosanin B (2) (50 mg) with a mixt. of Ac₂O (1 ml) and pyridine (1 ml) gave the triacetate (8) (25 mg) as needles. mp 210–212° (from MeOH); IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 3410–3360, 1736, 1725, 1660; ¹H NMR (C_5D_5N): δ 5.88 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-6 α), 5.45 (1H, br s, H-15 α), 5.17, 4.95 (each 1H, s, H₂-17), 5.13 (1H, dd, J = 6.0, 11.0 Hz, H-1 β), 5.12 $(1H, d, J = 4.1 \text{ Hz}, \text{ H-}11\beta), 4.75, 4.20$ (each 1H, d, J = 8.5 Hz, H₂-20), 2.55 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 9.0 Hz, H-13 α), 2.18, 2.11 2.08 (each 3H, s, 3 × OAc), 1.18, 0.98 (each 3H, s, $2 \times Me$). ¹³C NMR (C₅D₅N): δ 76.7 (C-1), 25.3 (C-2), 38.3 (C-3), 33.5 (C-4), 46.6 (C-5), 75.9 (C-6), 95.8 (C-7), 52.1 (C-8), 53.4 (C-9), 40.9 (C-10), 70.1 (C-11), 41.0 (C-12), 35.4 (C-13), 27.0 (C-14), 75.0 (C-15), 160.9 (C-16), 108.8 (C-17), 32.5 (C-18), 22.3 (C-19), 65.3 (C-20), 170.3, 170.1, 169.7, 21.1, 21.4, 22.1 ($3 \times OAc$). HRMS found: 492.2341. C₂₆H₃₆O₉ requires: 492.2359.

Acid treatment of nervosanin B (2), garryfolinecuauchichicine rearrangement. To a soln of nervosanin B (2) (21 mg) in MeOH and CHCl₃ (2 ml), conc. HCl (6 ml) was added and the mixt. was refluxed for 3 hr. After neutralization with aq. Na₂CO₃, the reaction mixt. was concd *in vacuo*. The residue was extracted with CHCl₃. The CHCl₃ extract was washed with H₂O, dried and concd to leave 12 mg of residue, which was crystallized from MeOH to give 8 mg of dihydroeffusanin E (9). mp 234², IR v_{max} cm⁻¹: 3200, 1724, 1065. ¹H NMR (C₅D₅N): δ 5.15, 4.30 (each 1H, d, J = 9.0 Hz, H₂-20), 4.54 (1H, m, H-11 β), 4.20 (1H, m, H-6 α), 3.90 (1H, dd, J = 6.0, 10.0 Hz, H-1 β), 3.65 (1H, d, J = 11.0 Hz, H-14 α), 1.25 (3H, d, J = 8.1 Hz, Me-17), 1.10 (6H, s, 2 × Me). HRMS m/z found: 366.20518. C₂₀H₃₀O₆ requires: 366.20422.

Manganese dioxide oxidation of nervosanin B. To a soln of nervosanin B (2) (20 mg) in Me_2CO (30 ml), MnO_2 was added. After stirring at room temp. for 24 hr, the MnO₂ was filtered off and the solvent was removed under red. pres. to leave a residue, which was recrystallized from MnO₂ to give 15 mg of nodosin (10). mp > 290°; IR v_{max} cm⁻¹: 3500, 3300, 1740, 1690, 1640; ¹H NMR (C₅D₅N): δ 5.93, 5.28 (each 1H, s, H₂-17), 5.77 (1H, s, H-6α), 5.75 (1H, dd, J = 8.0, 10.0 Hz, H-1 β), 5.11, (1H, br s, H-11 α), 4.50, 4.30 (each 1H, d, J = 9.0 Hz, H₂-20), 3.68 (1H, m, H-13 α), 1.03, 1.00 (each 3H, s, 4-Me₂). ¹³C NMR (C₅D₅N): δ 78.4 (C-1), 24.0 (C-2), 37.4 (C-3), 31.5 (C-4), 55.6 (C-5), 101.9 (C-6), 172.0 (C-7), 56.5 (C-8), 48.5 (C-9), 49.9 (C-10), 65.9 (C-11), 41.3 (C-12), 35.4 (C-13), 34.1 (C-14), 200.9 (C-15), 151.0 (C-16), 117.0 (C-17), 33.0 (C-18), 23.0 (C-19), 73.9 (C-20), HRMS m/z found: 362.1756. C₂₀H₂₆O₆ requires: 362.17292.

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