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is a philanthropic organization which develops and provides financial support for optometric research and education in vision and eye health.
ON COURSE...

The American Academy of Optometry and its Foundation enjoyed another banner year. The record-breaking Annual Meeting in San Francisco was also the Foundation’s most successful meeting ever, raising over $190,000 to support research and education. Donations made through registration started a very positive trend. The philanthropy continued at the AOF exhibit hall booth where over $95,000 from donors was augmented by a $25,000 match from Essilor of America. Thirty-eight lecturers redirected their honoraria to the Foundation. This along with an annual contribution commitment from the Academy Board for Continuing Education dollars provided an additional $27,500. The Foundation Celebration Luncheon was attended by 280 supporters and the silent auction raised over $10,000. The Foundation also received a couple of impressive lead gifts, described on the following pages.

This Annual Report further demonstrates the financial health of your Foundation: $3.5 million in assets and $400,000 awarded in fellowships, scholarships and grants in 2010. Furthermore, thanks to the continued support of the Academy Board, the Foundation’s expenses are extremely low. Thus your donations support the future of optometry rather than administrative costs.

The year saw a few milestones for the Foundation. We awarded the first Michael G. Harris Ezell Fellowship supporting an optometrist pursuing graduate work in education, public policy, public health, or related areas. The first Mike Daley Ezell Fellowship was awarded and the Foundation now has seven endowed Ezell Fellowships in its portfolio. The Foundation introduced thirteen more Ezell Fellows and welcomed the fourth annual class of Carl Zeiss Vision Fellows and in all, the Foundation provided over 50 travel fellowships to the Annual Meeting.

Your Foundation continues to receive outstanding support from both individual and corporate donors and we invite everyone to enjoy this report. The AOF is the Academy’s Foundation and we can all take great pride in its growth, the outstanding talent we support, and the achievements of those in whom we have invested. Enjoy the photographs of Academy friends and learn more about the Foundation’s growing portfolio of programs. Finally, we invite you all to invest further in the future of optometry. We would love to celebrate you joining the Presidents Circle in Boston this October.

Anthony J. Adams, OD, PhD, FAAO
President, 2008 - 2010

Mark A. Bullimore, MCOptom, PhD, FAAO
Development Director
CATHERINE AMOS TAKES LEADERSHIP POSITION

Catherine S. Amos, OD, FAAO, is the new President of the American Optometric Foundation, succeeding outgoing academic leader Dr. Tony Adams, who completed his term in November. A well respected private practitioner in the community of Hoover, Alabama, Dr. Amos received her OD from the School of Optometry at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, was President of her state association as well as Chair of the Board of Directors for Vision Service Plan and has served on the AOF Board of Directors since 2007. Dr. Amos’ diverse experience and business acumen will bring balanced and insightful leadership to the Foundation over the next two years.

BSK ENTERS INTO PARTNERSHIP WITH AOF

Beta Sigma Kappa International Honor Society (BSK) has made an initial donation of $50,000 to the American Optometric Foundation (AOF) to endow two new Fellowship programs. The AOF-BSK Fellowships will provide support for optometric faculty research and optometric resident research. Additional details are planned for release in 2011.

PETERS LECTURE FUND ESTABLISHED

There are many giants in optometry, many who have served as the Academy’s President and in other leadership roles. Though it is difficult to recognize all the great leaders, there are some who truly have advanced the profession and the public health. Dr. Henry (Hank) Peters is one whose contributions and legacy deserve to be honored now and into the future. The Public Health and Environmental Vision Section have established an annual lecture to recognize Dr. Peters’ many accomplishments to the Academy and the profession. The endowed fund will reside with the Foundation, so please give generously to support the Henry B. Peters Lecture Fund.

KORBS INITIATE NEW DRY EYE FUND

The Foundation received a $25,000 donation from Drs. Donald Korb & Joan Exford to establish a research and leadership fund in the area of dry eye. At the AOF luncheon in San Francisco, Don Korb praised Dr. Kelly Nichols’ recent work as the chair of the International Meibomian Gland Dysfunction Work Group for the Tear Film and Ocular Surface Society. He said her work made him proud to be an optometrist, as he announced this lead gift.
ROSENBLOOM FUND ESTABLISHED

No Ezell Fellow has had a longer-lasting influence than Alfred (Al) Rosenbloom. That is because Dr. Rosenbloom was one of the Foundation’s first Ezell Fellows! His career is marked by stellar accomplishments as a teacher, writer, lecturer and administrator and he is the recipient of numerous awards, including Lifetime Achievement awards from The Chicago Lighthouse and Prevent Blindness America, the Distinguished Service Award from the American Optometric Association, the Migel Medal from the American Foundation for the Blind, and the Carol C. Koch Award from the Academy. The Foundation is proud to have established the Alfred A. Rosenbloom Fund which will provide a Residency or Fellowship in the area of low vision.

2010 WILLIAM C. EZELL FELLOWS

In 1947, inspired by the need to advance optometric research and education, William C. Ezell founded the American Optometric Foundation. As a means to fulfill his vision, AOF established the William C. Ezell Fellowship, which to this day continues to provide financial support to graduate students enrolled in a full-time program of study and training in vision-related research that leads to a master's or PhD degree. The thirteen Ezell Fellows chosen for 2010 epitomize the success of AOF’s mission and include the first recipients of two new endowed fellowships made possible by the Michael G. Harris Ezell Fund and the Mike Daley Ezell Fund, sponsored by Essilor of America.

MIKE DALEY - ESSILOR EZELL FELLOW

Patrick Scott, OD, MS, FAAO
Boston University School of Medicine

Research focus: Histopathology of Photoreceptor Degeneration Induced by Iodoacetic Acid in the Porcine Eye

I am grateful to the American Optometric Foundation for support during my graduate studies. In particular, I want to thank Mike Daley and Essilor for sponsoring my fellowship and providing me with the funding needed to attend both the Academy and ARVO to showcase my research. Thank you so much!

MICHAEL G. HARRIS EZELL FELLOW

Shilpa Register, OD, MS, FAAO
The Ohio State University College of Optometry

Research focus: The Development of Student Competencies in Professionalism in Optometric Education

I would like to sincerely thank the AOF for this prestigious honor. This fellowship will support my attainment of a PhD in Educational Policy & Leadership. I hope to follow in the footsteps of the many esteemed past AOF Ezell Fellows through my contributions to education. I am honored to be the first recipient of the Michael G. Harris AOF Ezell Fellowship and especially thank Dr. Harris for his support and contribution to optometric education.
2010 WILLIAM C. EZELL FELLOWS

ABBOTT MEDICAL OPTICS, INC. (AMO) EZELL FELLOW
Tatiana Ecoiffier, MS
University of California – Berkeley School of Optometry

Research focus: Investigation of corneal neo-vascularization mechanisms
I truly feel privileged to be awarded the William C. Ezell Fellowship by the American Optometric Foundation and would like to thank Abbott Medical Optics for their generous support. Being an Ezell Fellow is of invaluable help in fostering my goal to become an accomplished researcher as well as an enthusiastic instructor in optometry school. It definitely reinforces my aspiration: to strengthen the synergistic relationship between patients, eye doctor, and vision scientists.

ALCON FOUNDATION EZELL FELLOW
Padmapriya Ramamoorthy, BScOptom, MS
The Ohio State University College of Optometry

Research focus: High Molecular Weight Tear Proteins and Ocular Surface Mucins in Contact Lens-related Dry Eye
It is an incredible honor to receive the Ezell fellowship and I am extremely grateful to the American Optometric Foundation and the Alcon Foundation for selecting me as the Ezell Fellow. The support and recognition from the award will make a huge impact in my education and future career.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPTOMETRY EZELL FELLOW
Ava Bittner, OD, FAAO
Johns Hopkins School of Public Health

Research focus: Understanding how photopsias and variability of vision in Retinitis Pigmentosa are related to disease severity and psychosocial factors
I am truly grateful and absolutely thrilled that the AOF has acknowledged my research and leadership as an emerging vision scientist. I would like to thank the AAO Board of Directors and the Board President, Dr. Mark Eger, for the endowment of this prestigious award. The Ezell Fellowship program will support my commitment to leadership through the conduct of innovative, rigorously designed and executed low vision research and clinical trials for retinal degeneration patients, as well as through the dissemination of my work and collaborations with others in the field.
2010 WILLIAM C. EZELL FELLOWS

BAUSCH + LOMB EZELL FELLOW

Kristine Dalton, OD, MSc, MC Optom, FAAO
University of Aston, Birmingham, United Kingdom

Research focus: Vision strategy in sport

I am honored and extremely grateful to be chosen as a recipient of a 2010 William C. Ezell Fellowship and would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Bausch + Lomb for their generous funding of this award and to the American Optometric Foundation for their support. As a new recipient of this award I have been inspired to continue to strive for excellence in optometric research as both a scientist and a clinician.

BAUSCH + LOMB EZELL FELLOW

Vidhyapriya Sreenivasan, BSc Optom, MSc, FAAO
University of Waterloo School of Optometry

Research focus: Investigating ocular motor adaptation to lenses and prisms in myopic and emmetropic children

I am extremely grateful to the American Optometric Foundation and Bausch + Lomb for selecting me to receive a William C. Ezell Fellowship. It is truly an honor to be included in this group of highly accomplished optometric and vision science researchers. The Ezell Fellowship has given me tremendous confidence and encouragement to achieve my goals in my academic and research career.

IRVIN M. BORISH - ESSILOR EZELL FELLOW

Juan Huang, MB
University of Houston College of Optometry

Research focus: The pattern of peripheral refractive errors and ocular shape in rhesus monkeys

I am honored to be a recipient of the William C. Ezell Fellowship. I would like to thank the American Optometric Foundation, Dr. Borish and Essilor for their generous endowment of this prestigious fellowship and support of vision research. Being part of this elite group is a tremendous encouragement for me to strive for excellence in my future optometric career as a clinician, researcher and educator.
2010 WILLIAM C. EZELL FELLOWS

CIBA VISION EZELL FELLOW

Maria Markoulli, M Optom, PGCert Oc Ther, B Optom (Hons)
University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia

Research focus: The biochemical factors that influence the development of corneal erosions during contact lens wear

The support of the American Optometric Foundation (AOF) and CIBA Vision through the Ezell Fellowship program has played a pivotal role in my PhD candidature. This support has motivated me to strive to gain the skills that will enable me to contribute to Optometry and the general community as a whole, as previous Ezells have done. I am wholeheartedly grateful to the AOF and CIBA for this honor.

SECTION ON CORNEA, CONTACT LENSES & REFRACTIVE TECHNOLOGIES EZELL FELLOW

Nicole Carnt, BSc Optom, FBCLA, FAAO
University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia

Research focus: Contact lens wearer susceptibility to adverse events through risk taking behavior and genetics

I am extremely honored and grateful to receive the Ezell Fellowship from the AOF and the AAO Section on Cornea, Contact Lenses & Refractive Technologies. The financial security and confidence this brings will enable travel and possible liaison with some of the leaders of the profession, in whose company I humbly find myself. It is very encouraging to be part of a profession that holds research and education in such high esteem and I will strive to uphold the values of this award.

OPTOMETRIC GLAUCOMA SOCIETY EZELL FELLOW

Nimesh Patel, OD, FAAO
University of Houston College of Optometry

Research focus: The influence of ocular magnification and retinal vasculature on retinal nerve fiber layer measures

I am honored to be awarded the prestigious William C. Ezell Fellowship presented by the American Optometric Foundation. I would like to sincerely thank the Optometric Glaucoma Society for sponsoring this fellowship. This recognition and support will assist me with my research and provides added motivation to achieve my goals of becoming a clinical scientist. I am humbled by this recognition and consider it one of my highest accomplishments.
2010 WILLIAM C. EZELL FELLOWS

VISTAKON EZELL FELLOW
Nicole Putnam, MS
University of California - Berkeley School of Optometry

Research focus: High-resolution imaging and characterization of the normal human foveola with Adaptive Optics Scanning Laser Ophthalmoscopy

I would like to thank the American Optometric Foundation for selecting me as a recipient of the William C. Ezell Fellowship and Vistakon for their generous sponsorship. I am proud to have been selected for such a respected award and honored to be included in a group of such highly accomplished recipients. The recognition and continued support has helped me attain research goals and encourages me to continue to strive to make a meaningful contribution to the field of vision science.

VISTAKON EZELL FELLOW
Johanna Tukler-Henriksson, BS
University of Houston College of Optometry

Research focus: 1. Using a histological approach to validate the mouse cornea and conjunctiva as a model for ocular surface research. 2. Utilizing transmission electron microscopy to investigate morphological changes in the dry eye, with special focus on the palpebral conjunctival epithelium and goblet cells

I am extremely appreciative and deeply honored to once again be awarded the prestigious William C. Ezell Fellowship presented by the American Optometric Foundation. Being a young Swedish scientist and receiving this fellowship is a great encouragement, and something I consider one of the greater milestones in my research career to date. To be part of the Ezell family is a wonderful stimulus and a tremendous inspiration to me. I am grateful for the continued support by the American Optometric Foundation and I sincerely want to thank VISTAKON for generously sponsoring my award.
EZELL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Since its inception, the William C. Ezell Fellowship program has honored and supported many of the finest minds in optometry. The accumulated wealth of knowledge obtained through their life's work has had far reaching effects on the profession and their leadership continues as a guiding force to future educators, researchers and administrators. These pages salute those individuals.

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Philip Aiitsebaamo
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John M. Lee
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Nancy McNamara
Thomas McWilliams
Lawrence Miller
Stanley D. Miller

(* denotes current Ezell Fellows and names in bold indicate Ezell Club donors)
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2006 : Charlotte Joslin
2007 : Jason Ng
2008 : Patrick Scott
2009 : Dean VanNasdale
2010 : Ava Bittner

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPTOMETRY
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& REFRACTIVE TECHNOLOGIES EZELL
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2003 : Melissa Bailey
2004 : Loretta Szczotka-Flynn
2005 : David A. Berntsen
2007 : Jessica Mathew
2008 : Eric Ritchey
2010 : Nicole Carnt

IRVIN M. BORISH/ ESSILOR EZELL FELLOWS
2007 : Tracy Nguyen
2008 : Dean VanNasdale
2009 : Tihomira Petkova
2010 : Juan Huang

MERTON FLOM EZELL FELLOWS
2009 : Bradley Dougherty

GEORGE AND JILL MERTZ EZELL FELLOWS
2005 : Loretta Szczotka-Flynn
2006 : Jennifer Choo
2007 : Lakshman Subbaraman
2008 : Wendy Harrison
2009 : Maria Markoulli

OPTOMETRIC GLAUCOMA SOCIETY
EZELL FELLOW
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2010 CARL ZEISS VISION FELLOWSHIPS

To encourage talented persons to pursue full-time careers in independent optometric practice and leadership, one, third year student from every school and college of optometry in the US, Canada, and Puerto Rico, is selected by committee and honored at a reception during Academy. These outstanding individuals exemplify the highest level of commitment to clinical excellence and the profession of optometry. Each received a $5,000 fellowship and a travel award to attend the annual meeting, and will be sponsored to attend Academy 2011 Boston where they will help welcome the next class of Carl Zeiss Vision Fellows.

Cherie B. Nau
Illinois College of Optometry

Anthony W. Van Alsine
Indiana University at Bloomington School of Optometry

Amy Buchanan
Inter-American University of Puerto Rico School of Optometry

Lyndsey Ferris
Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University

Lee Johnson
New England College of Optometry

Christopher H. Tran
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Vadim Guy
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Michelle Burgard
Pacific University College of Optometry

Michael J. Schumacher
Pennsylvania College of Optometry at Salus University

Andy Tak Cheng
Southern California College of Optometry

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Southern College of Optometry

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University of Houston College of Optometry

Tonia Lyn Batts
University of Missouri - St. Louis College of Optometry

Joël Bainbridge Bérubé
University of Montreal School of Optometry

Graham Berg
University of Waterloo School of Optometry
2010 GLENN A. FRY LECTURE AWARD
To recognize a distinguished scientist or clinician for her or his current research contributions. The recipient is invited to present a special paper at the American Academy of Optometry’s Annual Meeting.

Nathan Efron, BScOptom, PhD, DSc, FAAO
Queensland University of Technology School of Optometry

2010 MICHAEL G. HARRIS FAMILY AWARD for EXCELLENCE in OPTOMETRIC EDUCATION
To recognize an optometric educator who has demonstrated ongoing and consistent excellence in education of optometry student and/or advancement of optometric education.

Richard E. Meetz, OD, MS, FAAO
Indiana University at Bloomington School of Optometry

2010 ANTOINETTE MOLINARI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
A rotating, regional scholarship designated to assist an exceptional student who has extraordinary financial needs and, as such, would have difficulty meeting the financial requirements of attending optometry school. The student must maintain a 3.5 or higher grade point average at the time of application.

Betty Wang
University of California – Berkeley School of Optometry

2010 VINCENT SALIERNO SCHOLARSHIP
A rotating scholarship that is awarded to the student chosen by the faculty as most deserving financially and educationally. The scholarship is renewed through the student’s fourth year of optometry school, provided that the student remains in good standing and maintains a 3.0 grade point average or higher for all course work in optometry school.

Brittany Adams
Indiana University at Bloomington School of Optometry

Isabella Yu
University of California – Berkeley School of Optometry
2010 ESSILOR OPTICAL TECHNOLOGY GRANTS

To elevate the standards and visibility of ophthalmic dispensing to students and patients in the training environment.

Indiana University at Bloomington, School of Optometry
Midwestern University Arizona College of Optometry
University of Waterloo, School of Optometry

2010 VISTAKON® RESEARCH GRANTS

To support basic or clinical research in the area of soft disposable contact lenses.

$25,000 AWARD
Loretta Szczotka-Flynn, OD, PhD and
Ilene Gipson, PhD
Department of Ophthalmology & Vision Sciences,
University Hospitals Case Medical Center and Schepens
Eye Research Institute, Harvard Medical School
Uncovering the Role of Mucins in Contact Lens Induced
Corneal Infiltrates

$10,000 AWARD
Alex Hui, OD and David McCanna, BSc, MA, PhD
Centre for Contact Lens Research, School of Optometry,
University of Waterloo
Engineering of Novel Contact Lens Materials for
Ciprofloxacin Drug Delivery

2010 VISTAKON® RESIDENCY AWARDS

To promote the practice and development of the field of optometry by providing incentive and support to talented optometric residents who demonstrate a passion and commitment to practice, research and education in the field of contact lenses and pediatric vision.

GEORGE MERTZ CONTACT LENS RESIDENCY AWARD
Sara N. Gaib, OD
University of California Berkeley School of Optometry
Shannon Zollinger, OD
The Ohio State University College of Optometry

SHELDON WECHSLER CONTACT LENS RESIDENCY AWARD
Natalie Corey, OD
Indiana University at Bloomington School of Optometry
Anna M. Sleeper, OD
New England College of Optometry

TERRANCE INGRAHAM PEDIATRIC OPTOMETRY RESIDENCY AWARD
Erin C. Jennewein, OD, MS
NOVA Southeastern University College of Optometry
Vivian M. W. Wong, OD
Southern California College of Optometry

Vistakon’s Sheila Hickson-Curran, Director, Medical Affairs, and Colleen Riley, Vice President, Professional Development & Medical Affairs and an AOF Board Director, together congratulate the new contact lens residency award winners.
2010 VISTAKON® AWARD OF EXCELLENCE IN CONTACT LENS PATIENT CARE

To recognize outstanding fourth-year student clinicians who have demonstrated excellence in contact lens patient care during their optometric education.

DAVID ANTYMIS • Illinois College of Optometry
CHRISTEN KENRICK • Indiana University at Bloomington School of Optometry
MOHAMMED KASSIN TARABEY • Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Optometry
AARON DAVID STEWART • Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University
BRITTANY MAZZA • New England College of Optometry
SARAH M. WADE • Northeastern State University Oklahoma College of Optometry
EVAN BRINTON • Nova Southeastern University College of Optometry
ESTHER LAN • Pacific University College of Optometry
RYAN O. MCKINNIS • Pennsylvania College of Optometry at Salus University
KIMBERLY PHAN • Southern California College of Optometry
KATIE CARLO • Southern College of Optometry
MICHELLE PENSCHORN • State University of New York College of Optometry
ALICIA WELLMAN • The Ohio State University College of Optometry
ERIN RAYNAUD HECKMAN • University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry
BRANDON J. FRIEDMAN • University of California - Berkeley School of Optometry
ASHLEY TUCKER • University of Houston College of Optometry
DEREK SWADER • University of Missouri - St. Louis College of Optometry
AVIVA MASELLA • University of Montreal School of Optometry
IULIANA DRAGOMIR • University of Waterloo School of Optometry

2010 J. PAT CUMMINGS SCHOLARSHIP

To recognize outstanding third-year student clinicians who best exemplify ideal eye care standards of practice.

Marilyn Zuniga • Illinois College of Optometry
Katherine Montealegre • Indiana University at Bloomington School of Optometry
Hue K. Ho • Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Optometry
Laura Schindler • Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University
Elliot Stor • Midwestern University Arizona College of Optometry
James A. Sanborn • New England College of Optometry
Rosita Ghazanfari • Northeastern State University Oklahoma College of Optometry
Ernesto Cepero • Nova Southeastern University College of Optometry
Fran Smith • Pacific University College of Optometry
Sarah Robich • Pennsylvania College of Optometry at Salus University
Elissa K. Bostian • Sandra and Stanley Rosenberg School of Optometry
Jason B. Becker • Southern California College of Optometry
Stephanie Cullinan • Southern College of Optometry
Sara Beth Jones • State University of New York College of Optometry
Mallory Kuhlmann Kuchem • The Ohio State University College of Optometry
Patricia Marie Fulmer • University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry
Jessica Inman • University of California - Berkeley School of Optometry
Beth Robinson • University of Houston College of Optometry
Rachel A. Lamis • University of Missouri - St. Louis College of Optometry
Dan Samaha • University of Montreal School of Optometry
Mariam Nahal • University of Waterloo School of Optometry
Vincent Cano • Western University of Health Sciences College of Optometry
MAJOR GIFTS

The Foundation would like to convey its heartfelt appreciation to the individuals and corporations whose generosity ensures that the mission of the American Optometric Foundation will continue far into the future.

VISIONARY CIRCLE

The Visionary Circle honors the tremendous milestone of support that exceeds $1 million or more. This level of commitment speaks volumes to the long-term partnership that mutually promotes better education and cutting-edge research.

VISTAKON

Two Ezell Fellows generously supported by Bausch + Lomb, Vidhyapriya Sreenivasan and Kristine Dalton, with Bausch + Lomb representatives, Carla Mack, Mohinder Merchea, and Joseph Barr

FOUNDERS CIRCLE

The Founders Circle recognizes the charity of key supporters who contribute a cumulative gift of $100,000 or greater. This contribution can be in the form of cash, appreciated securities, or through a planned gift such as a charitable trust, annuity or future bequest.

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1. The 2009-2010 revenue and expenses do not include in-kind contributions from the American Academy of Optometry
2. Revenue includes investment gains and losses
3. Education and research support for calendar years 2009 and 2010 were very similar with over $400,000 awarded.

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