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Put it on the calendar

SWSS Annual Mtg. Jan. 24-26, 2005
Westin Hotel, Charlotte, NC (704-375-2600)

WSSA Annual Mtg. Feb. 7-10, 2005
Honolulu, HI

People & Places

The SWSS is saddened by the death of **Roy Smith**. Dr. Smith was the single most generous donator to the SWSS endowment foundation, and was a strong supporter of the SWSS (see page 6)

Steve Duke, USDA-ARS, in Oxford, MS, was awarded the International Award for Research in Agrochemicals of the Agrochemical Division of the American Chemical Society at the 227th American Chemical Society National Meeting in Anaheim, California. The award was for pioneering research in physiological, biochemical, and molecular approaches to a better understanding of pest management.

Dan Smith has joined DuPont Crop Protection and will assume Field Research and Development responsibilities for Tennessee, Mississippi, and South Louisiana.

Robert Hayes, professor & superintendent of the West Tennessee Agricultural Experiment Station, received the 2004 Cotton Researchers Award at the 7th Annual National Conservation Tillage Cotton and Rice Conference. The award recognizes Hayes' work in the development of weed control systems for no-tillage cotton

Jason Ferrell recently joined the faculty of the University of Florida as an Assistant Professor (weed science) in the Department of Agronomy. He will be stationed in Gainesville, FL with research and extension responsibilities in peanuts, cotton, forages, and highway rights-of-way. Dr. Ferrell received his B.S. and M.S. from the University of Kentucky and Ph.D. from the University of Georgia under the direction of Bill Vencill.

G. Neil Rhodes won the 2004 Outstanding Extension Award in the WSSA. Neil is currently the Department Head of Plant Sciences Department at the University of Tennessee.

Syngenta has moved several personnel to new locations including : **James Holloway** - Field Rep for TN and MO boot heel, **Eric Palmer** - Field Rep for MS (Herbicides), and **Craig Sandoski** - Southern Regional Manager - Cordova, TN

Joe Street is now the Interim Head of the North Mississippi Research and Extension Center in Verona, MS with branch experiment stations in Holly Springs, Pontotoc, and Prairie.

Mr. **Lonnie Cargill**, Extension Program Specialist at Oklahoma State University, retired July 31, 2003 after spending 27 years working cooperatively with the Oklahoma Department of Transportation on many roadside vegetation management issues. Lonnie was a member of SWSS most of those years. Lonnie's position was filled by Mr. **Craig Evans**.

Mr. **Mitchell Blair** recently completed the M. S. degree at Virginia Tech under the direction of Dr. Shep Zedeker. The title of his research thesis was "Evaluation of Screening Techniques for Woody Plant Herbicide Development". Mitch joined the University of Kentucky in February, 2004 as a Research Specialist working with Bill Witt on vegetation management in highway rights-of-way.

Tom Mueller has been invited to serve as a member of the EPA Science Advisory Board's committee for Ecological Processes and Effects. His knowledge, scientific, and technical expertise will assist the EPA in developing prudent, effective environmental protection, including safe-guarding the public health and protecting the country's air, water, and land. Tom will serve on the committee through September 2006.

Message from President John Harden



Greetings, it was a pleasure to see so many of you in Memphis for the annual meeting. Attendance was 383 for the meeting compared to 400 for the previous meeting in Houston. If snow and ice had not taken its toll in

Virginia and the Carolinas, we may have seen an increase in attendance.

A "Tip of the Hat" must be given to some key individuals for making the meeting successful. First and foremost should be Dan Poston, and the Local Arrangement Committee members. These individuals did an **EXCELLENT** job of working with the Peabody to meet the Society's needs. Dan should also be commended for holding the Peabody accountable to the contract for the meeting.

Not to slight other members of the Local Arrangement Committee for their "job well done"; but, I feel that

Trey Koger should be acknowledged for the organization of the audio visual equipment and loading of presentations to CD's. No major issues occurred in the loading or projecting presentations in the second year of using this approach.

The SWSS website has become a valuable tool for submission of titles, committee reports, and List Serve emails. The man behind the scene here is Dan Reynolds. Dan's patience and co-operation is an invaluable asset to the Society.

Todd Baughman did a great job in organizing the student contest and judges. This is a key area for the future of Weed Science and the professionalism of the Society. The section chairs, moderators, projectionists, and others that assisted in each Section should be noted for making the meeting a success. And last but not least – Bob Schmidt – thanks for your contribution to the success of the meeting.

Departing members of the Board were Greg Steele (Graduate Student), Eric Webster (Academia), and Dunk Porterfield (Industry). We thank you for your contributions and your continued interest in the SWSS. New members of the Board consist of Cody Gray (Graduate Student), John Byrd (Academia), and Sue Rick (Industry), Dan Reynolds (Webmaster), and Jackie Driver (Vice President). Welcome to the Board.

The hot topic at the meeting and since the meeting has been the proposed changes for the meeting format. With the aid of the List Server, opinions have been shared with the membership. There has been a good mix of pros and cons with the exchange that has taken place.

Many books have been written about change - changing times, recognizing change and facing change. These books approach change by either encouraging people to face the challenge and lead the way to change - or - to recognize the change for its benefit and follow the leader. Human nature is inherent to resist change and maintain the norm. The Agricultural Industry has changed and will continue to change. Where do we choose a starting (continued next page)

point? For myself I will mark the mid to late 60's. That was the first time that I used Enide Dintro for weed control in peanuts. I had a need – an urgent need – that Upjohn could address. But while we are on memory lane, lets think about the list of companies that existed “BACK THEN” in the US other than Upjohn. Just to name a few, Am Chem., Dow, DuPont, Eli Lilly, Geigy, Hercules, Rhom & Hass, Shell, Stauffer, Union Carbide, and Velsicol. Of this list, only Dow and DuPont still exist. Even these two companies have faced reorganizations and mergers since the mid 60's due to changing times and business acumen.

The Southern Weed Science Society has to adapt to the changing demands of the industry and its membership. Surveys have been conducted over the past couple of years as to alternate meeting times, potential partners for meetings, and membership views. The Board has discussed change for years but little has changed. Looking back, maybe we did miss opportunities that could have broadened the scope of our organization while maintaining the focus of Weed Science. However, we should not look back to see what might have been but look for the opportunities that lie ahead.

The Board had the opportunity for 3 of it members to participate in a Shared Leadership Conference during October 2003 and March of this year. The conference was sponsored by the Kellogg Foundation and hosted by the Institute for Conservation Leadership and

CAST. The conference addressed “**Changing Leadership for Changing Agriculture**”. Ideas from the conference were presented relevant to areas of change within the SWSS, such as membership, meeting structure, and assessment of business activity. The Board agreed that we should conduct an assessment of the SWSS prior to the Summer Board meeting. An ad hoc Strategic Planning Committee was created to evaluate all aspects of the SWSS. This committee consists of Scott Senseman (Chair), Shawn Askew, Jackie Driver, John Byrd, April Fletcher, Tom Mueller, David Shaw, Greg McDonald, Bill Kline, Jim Miller, Don Murray, Eric Prostko and Cody Gray. The committee will provide a report to the Board prior to the summer meeting. The Board will meet for an extra day prior to the summer meeting to act upon the suggested actions of the committee.

It is a changing world. The Board of the SWSS is a diverse group, representing the diversity of its membership. I feel that the Board has the “BEST INTEREST” of the Society in mind as issues and changes are addressed. I welcome your comments and concerns. Feel free to contact me at hardenj@basf.com.

John Harden, President

The SWSS Newsletter will be published in electronic format only starting with December Newsletter. Emails via SWSS list-serve will announce each newsletter's publication on the SWSS website.

CAST – Council for Agricultural Science Technology

The Science Source for Food, Agricultural, & Environmental Issues

Did you know that Southern Weed Science Society is a member society in the Council for Agricultural Science and Technology (CAST) and that I, Jim Barrentine, am the representative from our society to the CAST Board of Directors? One representative from each of CAST's 38 member societies, an individual member representative, an eight member Executive Committee, four Ex-officio board members, and an Executive Vice President make up the Board of Directors. That Board meets twice a year to conduct CAST's business and discuss ways to fulfill CAST's mission, which is to assemble, interpret, and communicate science-based information regionally, nationally, and internationally on food, fiber, agricultural, natural resource, and related societal and environmental issues to its stakeholders—legislators, regulators, policymakers, the media, the private sector, and the public.

CAST's Spring 2004 Board of Directors meeting was held March 18th–20th in Washington, D.C. During this meeting, CAST focused on strategically planning its activities for 2005 through the development of an Annual Plan. The Annual Plan started with a long list of proposed action items that the Board prioritized. The highest-ranked action items will be incorporated into the 2005 budget, allowing CAST to accomplish its priority activities within budget constraints.

Three new publications/projects were approved during the spring meeting. These include (1) An Issue Paper: *Postcommercialization Gene Flow from Biotechnology-derived Crops: Policy and Research Considerations*; (2) A conference and Special Publication: *Water Quality and Quantity Issues for Perennial Grasses Used in the Urban Landscapes of North America*; and (3) A symposium and Special Publication: *Nondietary Exposure to Organophosphate Pesticides; Reporting and Estimation of Exposure and Risk to Workers and Bystanders*.

The next CAST Board of Directors meeting will be held in September in Oklahoma City. Please direct any questions, comments, or issues to me. You can reach me by email at jbarren@uark.edu or by phone at 479-575-5715. The CAST website is also a very helpful tool where you can learn more about the organization. Please visit www.cast-science.org where you may become a member and obtain CAST publications.

Thanks,

Jim Barrentine
SWSS CAST representative

WSSA UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH AWARD – 2005

The Weed Science Society of America has developed an Undergraduate Student Research Grant designed to encourage and involve exceptional undergraduates in agricultural research. Interested faculty members are encouraged to identify potential award candidates and discuss the possibility of sponsoring a research project. Awards may be used as a stipend, for research budget expenses (travel, supplies, etc.), to defer fees, to defray living expenses for summer research, or any combination of these items.

AWARD: Up to \$1000 for support of undergraduate research to be conducted over a minimum of one quarter/semester during 2005. This award may be used to defray the cost of research supplies or as a stipend. Support of a faculty sponsor is required. Awards will be made to the student, to be administered by the faculty sponsor's department.

APPLICANT: The applicant is an undergraduate student with a strong interest in Weed Science. Students majoring in all related disciplines may apply.

TO APPLY: Applicants should prepare a 2-3 page research proposal including name, address, phone number, title, objective, experimental approach, discussion, budget and references. The discussion section of the proposal should describe the expected results and their possible significance to Weed Science. The student should provide a cover letter in which general academic and career goals are discussed. A copy of the student's academic transcripts should also be provided.

FACULTY SPONSOR: Any faculty member who is actively engaged in Weed Science research is qualified to be a sponsor. The faculty sponsor should review the research proposal with special attention to the budget; the distribution of funds should be approved by both the student and sponsor. In addition, the sponsor should provide a letter of reference including a statement of his/her willingness to supervise the proposed research and to provide needed space, equipment and supplies above those requested in the proposal. The sponsor is encouraged to assist the student in presenting his/her results at a regional Weed Science Meeting.

HOW TO APPLY: The completed proposal, academic transcripts, cover letter and faculty letter of support should be forwarded to: Dr. John Jachetta, Dow AgroSciences, 9330 Zionsville Road, Indianapolis, IN 46268-1054; Phone: (317) 337-4686, Fax (317) 337-4649, E-mail: jjjachetta@dow.com. Proposals should be received no later than November 15, 2004. Funding decisions will be made by January 22, 2005 and presented at the 2005 WSSA National Meeting General Session.

DR. ROY J. SMITH Jr.

Dr. Roy J. Smith Jr., 74, of Stuttgart died Saturday, April 24, 2004, at St. Vincent's Hospital in Little Rock.

Dr. Smith was born Nov. 25, 1929, in Covington, La., the son of Roy J. Sr. and Virginia Dee Stribling Smith. He was raised on a hill farm near Decatur, Miss., and received an Associate of Arts Degree in Agriculture at East Central Junior College in Decatur in 1949. He received a B.S. degree in Agronomy-Soils in 1951 from Mississippi State University and a M.S. degree in Agronomy-Weed Science in 1952 from the same university. Dr. Smith received a PhD in Agronomy-Weed Science from the University of Illinois in 1955. Immediately after graduating, Dr. Smith was employed by the Agricultural Research Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture as a Research Agronomist to lead the weed science research program located at the University of Arkansas Rice Research and Extension Center in Stuttgart.

Dr. Smith's pioneering research in weed control in rice has played a major role in the development of weed control technology for rice in the United States. His research developed integrated weed control programs for dry- and water-seeded rice. The integrated systems are used on most of the rice domestically and on millions of acres of rice in the world.

Dr. Smith was with the USDA-ARS for almost 38 years before retiring in 1992. He was a senior research scientist in the USDA-ARS and served as Research Leader and Supervisory Research Agronomist of the Rice Production and Weed Control Research Laboratory at Stuttgart for more than 10 years. He was an adjunct professor with the Agronomy Department of the University of Arkansas for his entire career. Dr. Smith has been active in numerous professional societies, especially the Weed Science Society of America (charter member), the Southern Weed Science Society, the Asian Pacific Weed Science Society, the International Weed Science Society (charter member), the Arkansas Agricultural Pesticide Association, and the Rice Technical Working Group.

Dr. Smith has received more than 25 major awards for his research contributions from

professional societies, the USDA, and the agricultural community. These awards include the prestigious Superior Service Award in 1967 and the Certificate of Appreciation Award in 1993 from the USDA, the Fellow Award in 1985 from the Weed Science Society of America, Distinguished Service Awards from the Southern Weed Science Society (1966) and the Rice Technical Working Group (1945), the Arkansas Hall of Fame Award in 1997, the Research Award jointly from the WSSA and Ciba-Geigy in 1982, the Weed Scientist of the Year Award in 1989 from the SWSS, WSSA's Outstanding Paper Awards in the Weed Science Journal in 1973 and the Weed Technology Journal in 1989, the John W. White Research Award from the University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture in 1987, the Distinguished Rice Research and Education Awards (1982 and 1998) from the RTWG, and Distinguished Service Awards from the following organizations - the Arkansas Agricultural Pesticide Association (1984 and 1994), the Arkansas Rice Research and Promotion Board (1993), the Rotary Clubs of Pine Bluff and West Pine Bluff (the Harvey W. McGeorge Award in 1994), the Arkansas Association of Cooperative Extension Specialist (1992), and the Grand Prairie Wildlife Federation (1982). Dr. Smith received Certificate of Merit Awards from the USDA-ARS numerous times, and he was promoted to a Senior Scientist in 1983 in the USDA-ARS research scientists category.

After retiring from the USDA, Dr. Smith established an agricultural consulting business in 1993. In addition, he conducted peer reviews of research manuscripts for agricultural journals.

Dr. Smith was a member of Grand Avenue United Methodist Church where he served as a deacon and had taught a men's Bible study. Survivors are his wife, Mildred Monroe Smith, whom he married in 1952; one son, Lex Travis Smith and wife Becky of El Reno, Okla.; one daughter, Vicky Elaine Diaz and husband Peter of Punta Gorda, Fla.; two brothers, Dr. Don Smith and wife Kathy of Santa Anna, Calif., and Dr. Karl Smith and wife Becky of Selma, Ala.; two sisters, Vanessa James of Memphis and Dr. Linda Barron and husband Allen of Nashville, Tenn.; five grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Notes from the President-Elect

More than just a program update, I'd like to cover a number of things that are happening right now in the SWSS. Some of this you've seen before in the e-mails that I sent out, some is additional information based on the feedback I've received and questions I've been asked.

'05 Program Plans

At the closing SWSS board meeting this year, there was wide-ranging discussion on how to change the program to facilitate discussion and interaction, make our meeting more attractive to groups we want as active participants of our meeting, and optimize the use of our facilities. At the same time, there are a number of important elements that we deemed as essential, and actually wanted to highlight. As a result, the Board voted to make a number of changes for the '05 program.

First, we plan to bring all of the graduate student oral presentations (*whether or not they are in the graduate student contest*) into a block of sessions that highlight the work that our students are doing, streamlines the graduate contest activities, and gives everyone the opportunity to catch the students' papers more easily. Grad students are the lifeblood of this society, and we should be doing everything possible to focus on their training and professional development.

Past the students, however, we want to try an experiment – require that all others presenting volunteered papers do so with a poster rather than an oral presentation. We will greatly increase the focus on our poster sessions, giving more people the chance to see that research and discuss it in an informal setting. This probably will mean that we have a couple of poster sessions during the conference, with part being displayed the first full day of the conference, the other portion during the second day.

The section chairs will change their focus away from simply organizing the volunteered presentations and

into a more proactive determination of timely topic(s) for that section and the recruitment of invited papers on the topic(s), with plenty of time allocated for discussion periods, panel discussions, etc. Thus, communicating with the section chair about a topic that you're interested in speaking on would be very appropriate, and will be the means by which you can give an oral presentation. This in and of itself will be beneficial for members who benefit from being asked to present an invited paper, rather than volunteering one.

We're still working on a number of logistical details on how to make this work. I'm sure that there are a lot of logistical challenges that we're going to face, so I'd ask for your patience. As we go through the planning for these changes, your feedback will be critical to minimize the "oops" that we run into. Feel free to contact me via e-mail at dshaw@gri.msstate.edu and/or President John Harden at hardenj@basf.com.

A LOT of you have reacted to the announcement of this that I sent out over the list-serve in January, with the follow-up e-mail in February. We haven't had this much active discussion, and dare I say emotion, about the SWSS in a long time. I knew there would be a wide variety of reactions, and also was not all that surprised by the strength of the feelings expressed. Change is uncomfortable, especially when it's not been discussed and thoroughly understood by everyone. I'll certainly take responsibility for any mistakes that have been (and will be) made. Probably the strongest criticism has been that there was not sufficient forewarning and discussion with the membership. I'll certainly accept this as a valid argument; it has been a dramatic and rapid change. The board discussed this at the Thursday morning meeting, which was after most of you went home. I had not brought up the idea earlier, primarily because I was not sure how well it would be received. However, with individual discussions all during the meeting, the overwhelmingly positive response that I received from my comments regarding the need to change in the Business Meeting, and the openness of the board to move to try new things, I decided to bring it up at the Thursday meeting. The board's reaction was strongly in favor of the change as a trial

from the beginning of the discussion. We spent a great deal of time talking about whether we should do it, whether we should wait for discussion, and ultimately decided that we can't really change the program halfway and expect the outcome that we want. We are all viewing this as an experiment. Will it be adjusted again in the future? I'm almost 100% sure that it very well may. Is this worth a try? I think so; I hope you'll give it a chance as well.

Do the changes in the program stop you from making a presentation? If you're a grad student, then absolutely not, whether or not you're in the oral contest. If you're not a student, then we're trying the approach of having volunteered posters and invited oral presentations. If you have an idea for a discussion topic, get with me or the appropriate section chair. I know all of them are looking for good ideas.

Several have said they don't like poster sessions. I personally like posters, for several reasons. If you get caught in the hallway on your way to hear a presentation, then you've missed everything that was going to be said, whereas a poster gives me the chance to see the information on my schedule. I like to go to the poster room prior to the authors manning the posters, look at the ones I'm interested in, and come back and visit with the authors from which I'd like to get more information. One of the things I'm going to urge poster authors to do this year is to print copies of their poster so that those interested can take the information with them, which is far better than getting the info later in the proceedings, and often in such an abbreviated form that it doesn't carry the full story. We also are going to take a serious look at WHEN the poster session is conducted. An early-morning time slot probably is not the best time to visit with the authors.

SWSS has done things, and done them well, for over 50 years. However, the opinion that I expressed to the board, and which they endorsed, was that we have to be looking at how we can best meet our goals of providing research and educational information to our existing and prospective clientele groups. Our target audience is a moving target, and I think we have to be willing to move to meet the needs of our changing

clientele. For example, in our region there are a huge number of people who are professional weed scientists, responsible for weed management on state and federal lands, highway rights-of-way, and other non-crop areas that desperately need science-based information on weed management. State departments of agriculture, environmental quality, and transportation all have people on staff who desperately need the expertise that SWSS offers. In addition, non-governmental organizations abound that are seriously committed to invasive plant management, and are now recognizing that their commitment to natural-state protection and preservation REQUIRES weed management principles as a central part of their strategy. Who better to provide this information than the Southern Weed Science Society? However, they 1) have to know we exist, and 2) we have to offer them something that they perceive as addressing needs they have. The board believes that these program changes will make our meeting more attractive to these groups.

Sociological factors have brought about many fundamental changes in how people, especially the younger generation and the non-scientific community, expect to receive information. We can either admit these changes and adapt to them, or stay with how we've always done it, have a good message, but not have anyone listening to that message. Many in today's world want a dialog with science rather than a presentation of the facts. Society as a whole is much less formal than it was 20 years ago, and expectations are that, to be of benefit, information must be interactive and of the highest quality. Thus, this change is an effort to make the program more informal, more discussion-oriented, and friendlier to the audience(s) that we claim we want to reach.

The best part of the SWSS conference is the chance to see people, network, and get business done. I haven't talked to anyone yet that doesn't agree with that assessment. If that's the case, then why don't we maximize our discussion opportunities? I think this format allows that to happen in a much better way.

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List-serve as a Discussion Forum

We also had a good deal of discussion about the appropriateness of using the SWSS list-serve as a conversation forum for hot topics in the society. First, let me say that it is VERY important that all of our members remain on the SWSS list-serve. We are continuing to use this more and more for important communications. The SWSS Newsletter will be going all-electronic later this year, and the only way that our members will know that it is available on the website is through the e-mail announcements that will go out over the list-serve. So, those few of you that have unsubscribed, we're going to sign you back up. I felt that it was very important that the discussion, pro and con, regarding the program changes be shared with our members, so I had Dan Reynolds, our web master, allow the submissions of the e-mails that you received. In the future, we're going to have more conversation about the usage of the listserve vs. creating a separate chat room so that members can discuss issues without clogging the in-boxes of those who don't want to participate in the discussion.

SWSS Strategic Planning

The board will be spending an extra day together at the summer board meeting, going through a strategic planning exercise. This will be based on previous feedback from surveys, the Strategic Planning Committee, and input from each of you. If you have specific thoughts on directions that the SWSS should consider, please don't hesitate to provide that feedback to me or any of the board members; I can assure you that every comment will be considered.

Finally...

I'd like to thank everyone who has sent me personal e-mails, or who contributed to the discussion on the list-serve. Regardless of your viewpoint, it means a lot to me that you care enough about the SWSS to weigh in with your opinion. Each one of you is an essential element of the SWSS if it is to move forward; your commitment to seeing it move forward is appreciated by me and the board.

We are planning on having an open discussion period during the Business Meeting of the 2005 Conference. I'm sure we'll have the best attendance at the Business Meeting that we've had in a long time! I'm looking forward to the conversation (if I survive....).

David Shaw, SWSS Program Chair for 2005

Rob Hedberg, Director of Science Policy Washington Report

National Invasive Weed Awareness Week (5th)
The dust has settled on another successful National Invasive Weed Awareness Week. The event continues to grow in numbers, content, importance and accomplishments. This week has become an event where many different people and organizations with various perspectives meet and work together for improved weed management.

National Research Initiative Guidance
Member input was collected and reviewed by the WSSA Research and Competitive Grants Committee in response to member concerns about the priorities and focus of the Weedy and Invasive Species Program within the National Research Initiative.

Harmful Weed Control Act
Another important weed legislation that is still in play is S.144/ H.R. 119, known as the Harmful Weed Control Act of 2003. These bills would authorize up to \$100,000,000 per year to be awarded to states for cost sharing on non-agricultural weed management projects.

Please feel free to contact me at robhedberg@erols.com or (202)-408-5388 if you have any comments or questions about items listed in this report or other weeds-related activities in Washington.

Rob Hedberg, Director of Science Policy

2004 Award Winners announced at Banquet in Memphis



Don Murray
Distinguished Service Award, Academia



Bill Vencill
Outstanding Educator Award



Mike Defelice
Distinguished Service Award, Industry



Weed Scientist of the Year
Gene Wills (with his wife Melinda)

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2004 for inclusion in the August newsletter.



**Outstanding Young Weed Scientist
Award – Industry
James Holloway (with wife Deedee)**



**David Jordan
Outstanding Young Weed Scientist
Award Academia**



**Eric Scherder
Outstanding PhD Student**



**Walter Thomas
Outstanding MS student**

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