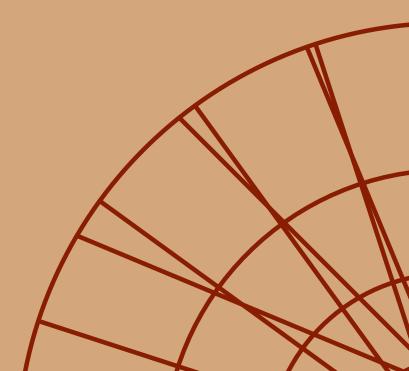
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Understanding Variation in Treatment Effects

PROGRAM



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9:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Workshops

Workshops require an additional fee.

Workshop A

Quantile Regression: Moving Beyond Mean Impacts Marianne Bitler, University of California - Irvine Sulgrave - Fairmont 3rd Floor

Workshop B

Intervention Fidelity: Models, Methods, and Applications Chris Hulleman, James Madison University Roosevelt

Workshop C

Unpacking the Black Box of Causality: The Latest Developments in Mediation Analysis Kosuke Imai, Princeton University

Executive Forum

Workshop D

Modeling the Variability and Inconsistency of Treatment Effects Spyros Konstantopoulos, Michigan State University Latrobe

Workshop E

Using Instrumental Variables in Education Research Sean F. Reardon, Stanford University Culpeper

Workshop F

Applying Regression Discontinuity Designs to Measure Treatment Effects
Petra Todd, University of Pennsylvania
Dumbarton - Fairmont 3rd Floor

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM: Program Committee Lunch

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM: Session 1

1A. Early Childhood Education Symposium
Enhancing Executive Function and Achievement in Prekindergarten Classrooms:
The Effectiveness of Tools of the Mind

Gallery 1 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Organizer: Dale Farran, Vanderbilt University

Experimental Evaluation of the Tools of the Mind Preschool Curriculum Sandra Jo Wilson & Dale C. Farran, Vanderbilt University

Comparing Skills-Focused and Self-Regulation Focused Preschool Curricula: Impacts on Academic and Self-Regulatory Skills Christopher J. Lonigan & Beth M. Phillips, Florida State University

The Efficacy of an Intervention Synthesizing Scaffolding Designed to Promote Self Regulation with an Early Mathematics Curriculum: Effects on Executive Function

Douglas H. Clements & Julie Sarama, University at Buffalo, and Carolyn Layzer, Abt Associates

Tools of the Mind: Promoting the School Readiness of ELLs
Carol Scheffner Hammer, Temple University,
Clancy Blair, New York University, Lisa Lopez, University of South Florida,
Deborah Leong, Metropolitan State College of Denver, and Elena Bodrova, McREL

Discussant: Greg J. Duncan, University of California, Irvine

1B. Classroom Instruction and Context Reading Intervention, Comprehension, and Argumentation

Gallery 2 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Chair: Catherine Snow, Harvard University

Efficacy of an Individualized Reading Intervention with Secondary Students
Greg Roberts, University of Texas - Austin, Jade Wexler, University of Maryland - College Park,
Sharon Vaughn & Anna-Maria Fall, University of Texas - Austin,
Nicole Pyle, Utah State University, and Jacob Williams, University of Texas - Austin

Evaluation of the Content Literacy Continuum: Report on Program Impacts
William Corrin, MDRC, James L. Lindsay & Coby V. Meyers, American Institutes for Research,
Marie-Andree Somers & Nathan E. Myers, MDRC,
Chris A. Condon, American Institutes for Research, and Janell Smith, MDRC

Multilevel Models for Estimating the Effect of Implementing Argumentation-Based Elementary Science Instruction Mack Shelley, Joan Baenziger, Christopher Gonwa-Reeves, & Ashley Seefeld, Iowa State University, Brian Hand, William Therrien, Mary Grace Villanueva, & Jonte Taylor, University of Iowa

Components of Reading Comprehension: What Dominates at What Grade? Barbara R. Foorman, Yaacov Petscher, Chris Schatschneider, & Richard K. Wagner, Florida State University

1C. Post-Secondary Education Invited Symposium Complexity and Consequences of Using Economic Incentives to Increase College Student Performance

Dumbarton - Fairmont 3rd Floor

Organizer: Sara Goldrick-Rab, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Where Are the Adolescent Econometricians? Lessons from Wisconsin Scholars Longitudinal Study Sara Goldrick-Rab, University of Wisconsin - Madison

It's Hard to Give Money Away: Incentivizing Community College Students to Increase Their Academic Momentum Paul Attewell, CUNY

Can Merit Aid Programs Reduce Academic Effort?

David Mustard, University of Georgia

Reflections from the Field: Emerging Lessons from Implementing Financial Aid Interventions Lashawn Richburg-Hayes, MDRC

Discussant: Michal Kurlaender, University of California - Davis

1D. Education Policy Symposium Access to Algebra I: The Effects of Online Mathematics for Grade 8 Students Culpeper

Organizer: Jessica Heppen, American Institutes for Research

Virtual Algebra Study: Design and Measures Jessica Heppen, American Institutes for Research

Virtual Algebra Study: Intervention Overview and Implementation Results
Peggy Clements, Education Development Center,
Kirk Walters, American Institutes for Research,
and Cheryl Tobey, Education Development Center

Virtual Algebra Study: Summary of Findings Ann-Marie Faria & Nicholas Sorensen, American Institutes for Research

Discussant: Julie Edmunds, University of North Carolina - Greensboro

1E. Education Policy Symposium

Examining the "Black Box" of Charter School Impacts: What Works and for Whom? Roosevelt

Organizer: Natalya Verbitsky-Savitz, Mathematica Policy Research

Factors Associated with Charter School Impacts on Student Achievement
Philip Gleason, Melissa Clark, & Christina Tuttle, Mathematica Policy Research

Student Achievement in Massachusetts Charter Schools
Joshua D. Angrist, MIT, Sarah Cohodes, Harvard University,
Susan M. Dynarski, University of Michigan, Jon B. Fullerton &
Thomas J. Kane, Harvard University, Parag A. Pathak & Christopher R. Walters, MIT

Achievement Effects of Charter-School Management Organizations Natalya Verbitsky-Savitz, Joshua Furgeson, Joshua Haimson, Alexandra Killewald, Moira McCullough, Ira Nichols-Barrer, & Bing-ru Teh, Mathematica Policy Research

Charter School Authorizers and Student Achievement
Ron Zimmer, Vanderbilt University, Brian Gill, Mathematica Policy Research,
Jonathon Attridge, Vanderbilt University, and Kaitlin Obenauf, Michigan State University

Discussant: Mark Berends, University of Notre Dame

1F. Evaluating Interventions in Developing Countries Symposium Accountability Reforms in Developing Countries

Latrobe

Organizer: Harry Patrinos, World Bank

Parental Empowerment in Mexico: Randomized Experiment of the "Apoyos a La Gestion Escolar" Program in Rural Primary Schools in Mexico
Paul Gertler, University of California - Berkeley, Harry Anthony Patrinos, World Bank, and Eduardo Rodríguez-Oreggia, Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Education

Paying Teachers to Perform: The Impact of Bonus Pay in Pernambuco, Brazil Barbara Bruns, World Bank, and Claudio Ferraz, Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro

Long-Term Effects of Teacher Performance Pay: Experimental Evidence from India Karthik Muralidharan, University of California - San Diego, and Venkatesh Sundararaman, World Bank

Discussant: Halsey Rogers, World Bank

1G. Research Methods Invited Symposium i3 Evaluation

Executive Forum

Organizer: Henry May, University of Pennsylvania

Examining Variation in Achievement Impacts Across the Kipp Network of Charter Schools Philip Gleason, Christina Tuttle, & Josh Ferguson, Mathematica Policy Research

Design of Teach for America i3 Scale-Up Study Melissa Clark, Eric Isenberg, & Marykate Zukiewicz, Mathematica Policy Research

Understanding Variation in Implementation of SFA in the i3 Scale-Up Project Janet Quint, Pei Zhu, & Fred Doolittle, MDRC

Exploring Treatment Variation in the Scale-Up of Reading Recovery
Henry May, University of Pennsylvania, and Jerry D'Agostino, Ohio State University

Discussant: Stephen Raudenbush, University of Chicago

1H. Research Methods

Improving Methods for Measuring School and Teacher Effectiveness

Gallery 3 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Chair: Sean Corcoran, New York University

Reducing Bias in Teacher Value-Added Estimates by Accounting for Test Measurement Error J.R. Lockwood & Daniel F. McCaffrey, RAND

A Fay-Herriot Estimator to Improve the Mean Squared Error of Teacher Value-Added Estimates
Bing Han, RAND

Test Score Measurement Error, Short-Term Knowledge, and Lagged Dependent Variables in Models of the Education Production Function Brian Stacy, Michigan State University

11. Research Methods

New Research in the Development, Validation, and Prediction of Measures of Student Achievement and Educator Performance

Sulgrave - Fairmont 3rd Floor

Chair: Geoffrey Borman, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Academically Relevant Measures of Executive Function: Development and Validation of Assessments for Preschool Children Kimberly Turner, Mark W. Lipsey, Mary Wagner Fuhs, Elizabeth Vorhaus, & Deanna Meador, Vanderbilt University

Predicting Student Achievement with the Education Production-Function and Per-Pupil Expenditure: Synthesizing Regression Models from 1968-1994 Therese D. Pigott, Ryan T. Williams, Joshua R. Polanin, & Meng-Jia Wu-Bohanon, Loyola University Chicago

Comparability and Reliability Considerations of Adequate Yearly Progress Kimberly Maier, Tapabrata Maiti, Sarat Dass, & Chae Young Lim, Michigan State University

Break

3:30 PM - 5:30 PM: Session 2

2A. Early Childhood Education Invited Symposium Understanding Short- and Long-Term Impacts of Interventions in Early Childhood: Compositional and Peer Effects

Executive Forum

Organizer: Stephanie Jones, Harvard University

The Role of Peer Composition in Short- and Long-Term Effects of the Chicago School Readiness Project Monica Yudron & Stephanie Jones, Harvard University, and Cybele Raver, New York University

School and Classroom Compositional Effects on Child Outcomes: A Latent Class Analysis Kristen Bub & Larissa K. Ferretti, Auburn University

Enhancing Children's School Readiness: Effects of Preschool Intervention and Kindergarten Context on Learning Engagement Karen Bierman, Tyler R. Sasser, Brenda Heinrichs, & Robert Nix, Pennsylvania State University

Does Head Start Do Any Lasting Good? Chloe Gibbs & Jens Ludwig, University of Chicago, and Douglas L. Miller, University of California - Davis

Discussant: Cybele Raver, New York University

2B. Classroom Instruction and Context Math Intervention and Algebra Learning

Sulgrave - Fairmont 3rd Floor

Chair: Brian Bryant, University of Texas - Austin

Variation in Student Algebra Achievement Levels by Classroom Instruction and Teacher Backgrounds: Results from a Randomized Trial of Two Algebra Sequences for Underprepared Freshmen Nettie Legters, Vaughan Byrnes, & Robert Balfanz, Johns Hopkins University

How Curriculum and Students' Algebra Readiness Influence Time Teachers Spend on Traditional and Reform-Oriented Mathematics Activities
Julia Kaufman, Carnegie Mellon University, Rita Karam & John Pane, RAND, and Brian Junker, Carnegie Mellon University

Impact and Implementation Analyses of the ELM Kindergarten Mathematics Intervention Christian Doabler & Scott K. Baker, University of Oregon, Keith Smolkowski, Oregon Research Institute, Hank Fien, Ben Clarke, & Mari Strand Cary, University of Oregon, and David Chard, Southern Methodist University

Differences in Fidelity of Implementation Measures: What Videos and Surveys Reveal About Algebra Instruction Kelley Durkin, Vanderbilt University, Courtney Pollack & Jon R. Star, Harvard University, and Bethany Rittle-Johnson, Vanderbilt University

2C. Teacher Preparation and Effectiveness Identifying and Developing Effective Teachers and Principals

Dumbarton - Fairmont 3rd Floor

Chair: James Kemple, Research Alliance for New York City Schools

What Promotes Teacher Development?

Examining the Effect of the Professional Environment on the Productivity Growth of Teachers

Matthew Kraft, Harvard University, and John Papay, Brown University

Different Skills: Identifying Differentially Effective Teachers of English Language Learners Ben Master, Susanna Loeb, & Camille Whitney, Stanford University, and James Wyckoff, University of Virginia

The Misattribution of Summers in Teacher Value-Added Allison Atteberry, University of Virginia

Improving Principal Leadership Through Feedback and Coaching Leonard Bickman, Ellen Goldring, Ana Regina De Andrade, Carolyn Breda, & Peter Goff, Vanderbilt University

2D. Education Policy Academic Achievement Gaps: Policy Responses

Gallery 3 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Chair: Neil Finkelstein, WestEd

Accountability Pressure, Academic Standards, and Educational Triage Douglas Lauen & S. Michael Gaddis, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill

Trends in Academic Achievement Gaps in the Era of No Child Left Behind Sean F. Reardon, Erica Greenberg, Demetra Kalogrides, Kenneth A. Shores, & Rachel A. Valentino, Stanford University

The Impact of the Threat of School Sanctions: A Regression Discontinuity Study of Being on a Probationary List Guan K. Saw, I-Chien Chen, Barbara L. Schneider, & Kenneth A. Frank, Michigan State University

Differential Impacts of Intensive District-Level Technical Assistance on Student Achievement: A Study of California's District Assistance and Intervention Teams Andrew McEachin & Katharine O. Strunk, University of Southern California

2E. Education Policy Examining the Heterogeneity of Effects of School Choice

Gallery 2 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Chair: Rob Olsen, Abt Associates

Explaining Charter School Effectiveness Joshua Angrist, Parag Pathak, & Christopher Walters, MIT

Heterogeneity in the Effectiveness of Charter Schools: A Case Study of the Milwaukee Public School System Hiren Nisar, Abt Associates, Curtis Jones & Robert Meyer, University of Wisconsin - Madison

The Impact of High School Choice on Mediators of Student Success Sean Corcoran, Lori Nathanson, & James Kemple, New York University

Using Simulation to Understand Consistency in Treatment Effects: An Application to School Choice Spiro Maroulis, Arizona State University, Eytan Bakshy, Facebook, Louis Gomez, University of California - Los Angeles, and Uri Wilensky, Northwestern University

2F. Post-Secondary Education Panel

Hitting the Ground Running? Strengthening the Initial Experiences of Community College Students Latrobe

Moderator: Thomas Bailey, Columbia University

Clive Belfield, Queens College, CUNY

Thomas Brock, MDRC

Heather Wathington, University of Virginia

2G. Evaluating Interventions in Developing Countries The Effects of Credit Constraints, Single-Sex Schools, and Vouchers on Educational Outcomes in Developing Countries Culpeper

Chair: Tahir Andrabi, Pomona College

Credit Constraints for Higher Education
Alex Solis, University of California - Berkeley

Single-Sex Schools, Student Achievement, and Course Selection: Evidence from Rule-Based Student Assignments in Trinidad and Tobago C. Kirabo Jackson, Northwestern University

Long, Long Term Effects of Vouchers for Private Schooling in Colombia Juan Esteban Saavedra, RAND, Eric Bettinger, Stanford University, Michael Kremer, Harvard University, and Maurice Kugler, World Bank

2H. Research Methods Symposium Statistical Approaches to Studying Mediator Effects in Education Research: Bayesian Estimation Vs. Weighted Analysis Under Principal Stratification Roosevelt

Organizer: Guanglei Hong, University of Chicago

Principal Stratification as a Framework for Investigating Mediational Processes in Experimental Settings Lindsay Page, Harvard University

Weighting Methods for Assessing Policy Effects Mediated by Peer Change Guanglei Hong & Takako Nomi, University of Chicago

Discussant: Elizabeth Stuart, Johns Hopkins University

Discussant: Michael Sobel, Columbia University

2I. Research Methods Symposium Analysis and Meta-Analysis of Single-Case Designs

Gallery 1 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Organizer: William Shadish, University of California - Merced

A D-Estimator for Single-Case Designs
William Shadish, University of California - Merced, Larry Hedges &
James Pustejovsky, Northwestern University, and David Rindskopf, CUNY

A Simple Effect Size Estimator for Single Case Designs Using WinBUGS David Rindskopf, CUNY, and William Shadish, University of California - Merced

Multilevel Synthesis of Single-Case Experimental Data: An Empirical Validation
Wim Van den Noortgate, Mariola Moeyaert, & Maaike Ugille, Catholic University of Leuven,
Tasha Beretvas, University of Texas - Austin, and John Ferron, University of South Florida

Effect Size Measure and Analysis of Single Subject Designs
Hariharan Swaminathan, University of Connecticut, Robert H. Horner, University of Oregon,
H. Jane Rogers & George Sugai, University of Connecticut

Discussant: Sam Odom, University of North Carolina

Break

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Welcome & Opening Address - Fairmont Ballroom

Welcome & Introduction

Larry Hedges SREE President

Opening Address Impact Variation: How Do You Know It When You See It?

> Howard Bloom Chief Social Scientist MDRC

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM: Reception - Fairmont Colonnade

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8:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Graduate Student Reception - Roosevelt

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8:30 AM - 10:30 AM: Session 3

3A. Classroom Instruction and Context Invited Symposium Reading for Understanding: Developing Interventions from Pre-K to Secondary Grades

Gallery 1 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Organizer: Sharon Vaughn, University of Texas - Austin

Key Components of Comprehension: Developing Targeted Interventions Carol Connor & Christopher Lonigan, Florida State University

Improving Listening Comprehension in PreK through Grade 3 Settings: Conceptual Bases of Language-Based Interventions Laura Justice, Ohio State University

Supporting Middle Grade Students' Comprehension and Academic Language Skills with Discussion Catherine Snow & Paola Uccelli, Harvard University

Promoting Text Reading and Learning through Team Based Learning Sharon Vaughn, University of Texas - Austin

Discussant: Susan Goldman, University of Illinois - Chicago

3B. Teacher Preparation and Effectiveness Invited Symposium Multiple Measures of Effective Teaching

Gallery 2 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Organizer: Steven Cantrell, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Using Long-Term Vs. Short-Term Value-Added to Assess Teacher Effectiveness Thomas Kane, Harvard University, and Douglas Staiger, Dartmouth College

Teacher Knowledge and Teacher Effectiveness
Drew Gitomer, Rutgers University, and Geoffrey Phelps, University of Michigan

Observational Measures and Teacher Effectiveness Robert Pianta & Bridget Hamre, University of Virginia

Constructing Composite Measures of Teacher Effectiveness Kata Mihaly & Daniel McCaffrey, RAND

Discussant: John Tyler, Brown University

3C. Post-Secondary Education Improving College Access and Transition

Sulgrave - Fairmont 3rd Floor

Chair: David Mustard, University of Georgia

Effects of College Access Programs on College Readiness and Enrollment: A Meta-Analysis Eleanor Harvill, Abt Associates, Rebecca A. Maynard, Institute of Education Sciences, Hoa T. H. Nguyen, Claire Robertson-Kraft, & Namrata Tognatta, University of Pennsylvania

Experimental Evidence on the Effect of Childhood Investments on Postsecondary Attainment and Degree Completion Susan Dynarski & Joshua Hyman, University of Michigan, and Diane Whitmore Schanzenbach, Northwestern University

Ready or Not? California's Early Assessment Program and the Transition to College Michal Kurlaender & Jacob Jackson, University of California - Davis, Jessica Howell, College Board, and Eric Grodsky, University of Minnesota

The College Ambition Program:

Improving Opportunities for High School Students Transitioning to College Barbara Schneider, Christopher Khawand, & Justina Judy, Michigan State University

3D. Education Policy Symposium A Unified Conceptual and Empirical Approach to Understanding Treatment Heterogeneity Executive Forum

Organizer: Greg Duncan, University of California - Irvine

A Conceptual Approach to Understanding Treatment Heterogeneity in Human Capital Interventions Greg J. Duncan & Deborah L. Vandell, University of California - Irvine

Preschool Center Quality and Socioemotional Readiness for School: Variation by Demographic and Child Characteristics Tran Dang Keys, George Farkas, Margaret R. Burchinal, Weilin Li, & Erik A. Ruzek, University of California - Irvine

Distributional Effects of a School Voucher Program: Evidence from New York City Marianne Bitler, Thurston Domina, & Emily K. Penner, University of California - Irvine

Does Detracking Work? Evidence from a Mathematics Curricular Reform Thurston Domina, Andrew M. Penner, Emily K. Penner, & AnneMarie Conley, University of California - Irvine

Discussant: Pamela Morris, New York University

3E. Evaluating Interventions in Developing Countries Invited Symposium Assessing External Validity of Education Interventions in Developing Countries

Dumbarton - Fairmont 3rd Floor

Organizer: Dan Levy, Harvard University

Scaling-Up Proven Education Interventions in Kenya Justin Sandefur, Center for Global Development

Going Too Fast Is Going Too Slow: Curricular Speed and Learning Lant Pritchett, Harvard University

Designing Experiments for Better External Validity Karthik Muralidharan, University of California - San Diego

3F. Research Methods Power, Sample Size, and Effect Variation Considerations in Designing Multilevel Experiments Culpeper

Chair: Michael Weiss, MDRC

Detecting Intervention Effects Across Context: An Examination of the Power of Cluster Randomized Trials Jessaca Spybrook, Western Michigan University

The Effects of Covariates at Different Levels of the Hierarchy on Power Estimates in Two- and Three-Level Experimental Designs Spyros Konstantopoulos, Michigan State University

A Method for Improving Power in Cluster Randomized Experiments by Using Prior Information about the Covariance Structure Chris Rhoads, University of Connecticut

3G. Research Methods Theories of Causal Inference in Research DesignGallery 3 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Chair: David Kaplan, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Causal Moderation Analysis Using Propensity Score Methods Nianbo Dong, Vanderbilt University

Analyzing Regression-Discontinuity Designs with Multiple Assignment Variables: A Comparative Study of Four Estimation Methods
Vivian Wong, Northwestern University,
Peter M. Steiner, University of Wisconsin - Madison,
and Thomas D. Cook, Northwestern University

Estimators for Clustered Education RCTs Using the Neyman Model for Causal Inference Peter Schochet, Mathematica Policy Research

3H. Research Methods Symposium Statistical Approaches to Studying Mediator Effects in Education Research: Instrumental Variables Methods for Multi-Site Trials Roosevelt

Organizer: Sean F. Reardon, Stanford University

Statistical Analysis for Multi-Site Trials Using Instrumental Variables
Stephen W. Raudenbush, University of Chicago, Sean F. Reardon, Stanford University, and Takako Nomi, University of Chicago

Bias and Bias Correction in Multi-Site Instrumental Variables Analysis Sean F. Reardon, Stanford University, Fatih Unlu, Abt Associates, Pei Zhu & Howard Bloom, MDRC

Discussant: Michael Seltzer, University of California - Los Angeles

Break

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Plenary - Fairmont Ballroom The Future of Research: The View from NICHD

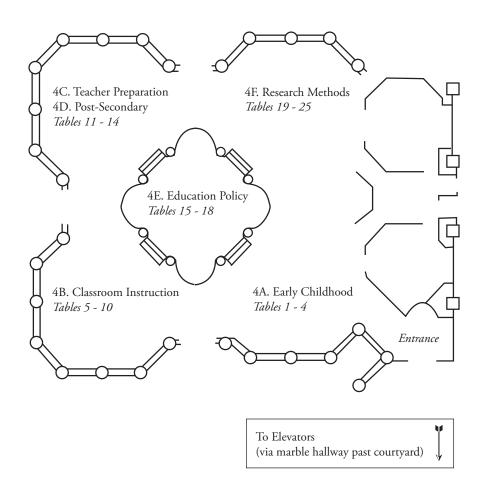
Alan Guttmacher
Director
National Institute of Child Health & Human Development

Introduction: Peter Schochet, SREE Spring 2012 Program Chair

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM: Lunch - Fairmont Ballroom

Dessert will be served in the Fairmont Colonnade.

1:00 PM - 2:30 PM: Session 4 - Virtual Poster: Direct Exchange - Fairmont Colonnade



Colonnade (Lobby Level)
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4A. Early Childhood Education

1: Recognition & Response: Developing and Evaluating a Model of RTI for Pre-K Virginia Buysse, Ellen Peisner-Feinberg, & Margaret Burchinal, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill

- 2: Child Emotion Regulation and Attentional Control in Pre-Kindergarten: Associations with Parental Stress, Parenting Practices, and Parent-Child Interaction Quality Erin Mathis & Karen Bierman, Pennsylvania State University
- 3: The Role of Executive Function Skills and Self-Regulation Behaviors in School Readiness and Adjustment Tyler R. Sasser, Pennsylvania State University
- 4: Measuring Quality in Family Child Care Settings with the Child Care Ecology Inventory Julie C. Rusby, Laura Backen Jones, & Ryann Crowley, Oregon Research Institute

4B. Classroom Instruction and Context

- 5: Is Patterning Helpful in Children's Education? Julie K. Kidd, K. Marinka Gadzichowski, Deborah A. Gallington, Caroline E. Boyer, & Robert Pasnak, George Mason University
- 6: Development and Evaluation of a Curriculum to Improve Educational and Career Outcomes for High School Girls with Disabilities Bonnie Doren, Allison Lombardi, & Lauren Lindstrom, University of Oregon, and Jeff Gau, Oregon Research Institute
- 7: An Examination of Treatment Effects of a First Grade Literacy Intervention Using a Regression Discontinuity Design Erin A. Chaparro, University of Oregon, Keith Smolkowski, Oregon Research Institute, Scott K. Baker, Hank Fien, & Jean Louise Mercier Smith, University of Oregon
- 8: Measuring Teacher Knowledge of Classroom Social Networks: Convergent and Predictive Validity in Elementary School Classrooms Rebecca Madill & Scott D. Gest, Pennsylvania State University, and Philip C. Rodkin, University of Illinois - Urbana/Champaign
- 9: Using Single-Case Design to Explore the Potential Promise of a Tier 2 Math Intervention on Student Mathematics Achievement Christian Doabler, Mari Strand Cary, Benjamin Clarke, & Kathy Jungjohann, University of Oregon

10: Moderating Effects of School Climate on Outcomes for the Multi-Site Violence Prevention Project Universal Program Allison Dymnicki, American Institutes of Research, and David Henry, University of Illinois - Chicago

4C. Teacher Preparation and Effectiveness

11: The Development and Evaluation of a Professional Development Model to Build Meaningful and Effective IEPs for Transition-Aged Students Bonnie Doren, K. Brigid Flannery, & Allison Lombardi, University of Oregon

12: Preliminary Effects of the Incredible Years Teacher Training Program on Classroom Management Skills Desiree W. Murray, Duke University, Natalie Murr, North Carolina State University, and David L. Rabiner, Duke University

13: My Teaching Partner: A Professional Development Intervention for Teacher Self-Efficacy Faiza M. Jamil, University of Virginia

4D. Post-Secondary Education

14: SMART Money: Do Financial Incentives Encourage College Students to Study Science? Brent Evans, Stanford University

4E. Education Policy

15: High School Disciplinary Responses to Student Truancy: Findings from a National Sample Jennifer L. Frank, Pennsylvania State University, K. Brigid Flannery & Mary McGrath Kato, University of Oregon

16: With a Little Help from My Friends' Parents: Exploring Socioeconomic Characteristics of Friends and Educational Attainment Elena Grewal, Cecilia Mo, & Betsy Williams, Stanford University, and Norman Nie, Revolution Analytics

17: Poor Scores, Higher Chances: Magnet School Effects on Four-Year College Enrollment of Students Across the ACT Spectrum Claudia Zapata & James Rosenbaum, Northwestern University

18: The Validation of a Student Survey on Teacher Practice Ryan Balch, Vanderbilt University

4F. Research Methods

19: Time-Indexed Effect Size for P-12 Reading and Math Program Evaluation
Jaekyung Lee & Jeremy Finn, University at Buffalo, and Xiaoyan Liu, George Mason University

20: Learning (Not) to Talk About Race:
Investigating What Doctoral Students Learn About Race Variables and Statistical Modeling
Michael Armijo, University of Pennsylvania, Valerie Lundy-Wagner, New York University,
and Elizabeth Merrill, University of Pennsylvania

- 21: Power Analysis for Two-Level Hierarchical Models with Propensity Score Applied to Different Levels
 Chi Chang & Kimberly S. Maier, Michigan State University
- 22: Covariate Balance in a Two-Step Bayesian Propensity Score Approach for Observational Studies Jianshen Chen & David Kaplan, University of Wisconsin Madison
- 23: Building Measures of Instructional Differentiation from Teacher Checklists Ryan Williams, Andrew Swanlund, & Shazia Miller, American Institutes for Research, Spyros Konstantopoulos, Michigan State University, and Arie van der Ploeg, American Institutes for Research
- 24: A Multilevel Bi-Factor Framework for the Measurement of Instruction
 Benjamin Kelcey, Wayne State University, and Joanne Carlisle, University of Michigan
- 25: Using a Two-Staged Propensity Score Matching Strategy and Multilevel Modeling to Estimate Treatment Effects in a Multisite Observational Study
 Jordan Rickles, University of California Los Angeles

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM: Session 5

5A. Early Childhood Education
Teacher and Classroom-Level Moderators
of the Impact of Teacher-Directed Instructional Interventions

Sulgrave - Fairmont 3rd Floor

Chair: Stephanie Jones, Harvard University

Immigrant Status and Acculturation as Moderators of Achievement Outcomes in a Randomized Controlled Trial of ParentCorps/TeacherCorps in Urban Elementary Schools
Esther Calzada, Spring Dawson-McClure, Keng-Yen Huang, Dimitra Kamboukos,
Joseph Palamar, & Laurie Miller Brotman, New York University

Variation in Teachers' Instructional Interactions Within Two Interventions: Associations with Intervention Responsiveness and Teacher/Classroom Characteristics Jennifer LoCasale-Crouch, Jamie DeCoster, Sonia Cabell, Jason Downer, & Robert Pianta, University of Virginia

Teacher Characteristics Influence Responsiveness to a Course and a Consultancy Focused on Effective Teacher-Child Interactions Bridget Hatfield, Bridget Hamre, & Jason Downer, University of Virginia, and Carolee Howes, University of California - Los Angeles

5B. Classroom Instruction and Context Differential Effects from Studies of Science, Technology, and Engineering Programs Dumbarton - Fairmont 3rd Floor

Chair: Martin Orland, WestEd

Effective Programs for Elementary Science: A Best-Evidence Synthesis Robert Slavin & Cynthia Lake, Johns Hopkins University, Pam Hanley, University of York, and Allen Thurston, Durham University

The Role of Applied Engineering and Computer Science Courses in the Production of Math Achievement in High School
Michael Gottfried, Loyola Marymount University, and Robert Bozick, RAND

Locating Differential Effectiveness of a STEM Initiative Through Exploration of Moderators Denis Newman, Boya Ma, & Andrew Jaciw, Empirical Education

5C. Teacher Preparation and Effectiveness Panel Building Evidence for Effective Teacher Preparation Culpeper

Moderator: Thomas Toch, Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching

Jill Constantine, Mathematica Policy Research

Michael Feuer, George Washington University

Billie Gastic, Relay Graduate School of Education

5D. Post-Secondary Education

Strategies to Improve Student Retention: High School and College

Gallery 1 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Chair: Heather Wathington, University of Virginia

What Can a Comprehensive Program Do for Community College Students? Early Results from an Evaluation of CUNY's ASAP Program Michael Weiss & Susan Scrivener, MDRC

Evaluating the Effects of Basic Skills Mathematics on Academic Outcomes of Community College Students Tatiana Melguizo, University of Southern California, Johannes Bos, American Institutes for Research, Bo Kim, University of Southern California, and George Prather

Filling the Financial Aid Gap: The Performance-Based Scholarship Demonstration Lashawn Richburg-Hayes & Reshma Patel, MDRC

Remaining in School:

The Impact of the Early College High School Model on Students' Enrollment in School Julie Edmunds, University of North Carolina - Greensboro,
Lawrence Bernstein, RTI International, Fatih Unlu, Abt Associates,
Elizabeth Glennie, RTI International, Arthur Smith, Abt Associates,
and Nina Arshavsky, University of North Carolina - Greensboro

5E. Education Policy Special Programs for At-Risk Learners: Variation in Treatment Effects Roosevelt

Chair: Linda Cavalluzzo, CNA

Efficacy of Online Algebra I for Credit Recovery for At-Risk Ninth Grade Students: Evidence from Year 1
Jessica Heppen, American Institutes for Research,
Elaine Allensworth, Consortium on Chicago School Research,
Kirk Walters, American Institutes for Research,
Amber Stitziel Pareja, Consortium on Chicago School Research,
Anja Kurki & Nicholas Sorensen, American Institutes for Research

Understanding Treatment Effects Heterogeneities Using Multi-Site Regression Discontinuity Designs: Example from a "Double-Dose" Algebra Study in Chicago
Takako Nomi, Consortium on Chicago School Research,
and Steve Raudenbush, University of Chicago

A Meta-Analysis of K-8 Summer Reading Interventions: The Role of Socioeconomic Status in Explaining Variation in Treatment Effects James S. Kim & Dave M. Quinn, Harvard University

5F. Evaluating Interventions in Developing Countries Symposium Opportunities and Challenges for Education Sciences in Developing Countries: The Unique Role of Randomized Trials Latrobe

Organizer: Sharon Wolf, New York University

Cluster Randomized Trial of a Large-Scale Education Initiative in the Democratic Republic of Congo: Baseline Findings and Lessons
J. Lawrence Aber & Catalina Torrente, New York University, Jeannie Annan,
Tom Bundervoet, & Anjuli Shivshanker, International Rescue Committee

Experimental Evaluations of Two Strategies to Improve Reading Achievement in Kenya: Enhanced Literacy Instruction and Treatment of Malaria Matthew Jukes, Harvard University, Margaret Dubeck, College of Charleston, Simon Brooker, Kenyan Medical Research Institute, and Sharon Wolf, New York University

Contract Teachers: Experimental Evidence from India Karthik Muralidharan, University of California - San Diego

Discussant: Dan Levy, Harvard University

5G. Research Methods

External Validity in Multilevel Experiments

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Chair: Rebecca Maynard, Institute of Education Sciences

Selecting a Sample for Your Experiment: A Non-Random Stratified Sampling Approach Elizabeth Tipton, Columbia University

Estimates of External Validity Bias When Impact Evaluations Select Sites Purposively Elizabeth A. Stuart, Johns Hopkins University, Robert B. Olsen & Stephen H. Bell, Abt Associates, and Larry L. Orr, Johns Hopkins University

Assessing the Generalizability of Estimates of Causal Effects From Regression Discontinuity Designs Howard S. Bloom & Kristin E. Porter, MDRC

Avoiding Boundary Estimates in Hierarchical Linear Models Through Weakly Informative Priors Yeojin Chung & Sophia Rabe-Hesketh, University of California - Berkeley, Andrew Gelman, Vincent Dorie, & Jingchen Liu, Columbia University

5H. Research Methods

Ensuring Internal Validity in Complex and Potential Compromised Designs

Executive Forum

Chair: Robert Boruch, University of Pennsylvania

Student Mobility, Dosage, and Principal Stratification in Clustered RCTs of Education Interventions Peter Schochet, Mathematica Policy Research

Correcting for Broken Randomization
Using Error-Prone Achievement Test Scores in Propensity Score Weighting
Daniel McCaffrey, J.R. Lockwood, Beth Ann Griffin, Claude Setodji, & John Pane, RAND

Evaluation of Model Specification, Variable Selection, and Adjustment Methods in Relation to Propensity Scores and Prognostic Scores in Multilevel Data
Bing Yu, University of Toronto, and Guanglei Hong, University of Chicago

5I. Preparing and Planning for Transitions: Funders' Perspectives on Career Development

Gallery 2 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Joan McLaughlin, Institute of Education Sciences

Brett Miller, National Institutes of Health

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM: Keynote Address - Fairmont Ballroom Why We Care About STEM Education

Rebecca Blank Acting Deputy Secretary and Under Secretary for Economic Affairs U.S. Department of Commerce

Introduction: John Q. Easton, Director, Institute of Education Sciences

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Reception - Park Hyatt, Ballroom Level

SATURDAY MARCH 10, 2012

8:00 AM - 8:30 AM: Breakfast - Fairmont Ballroom

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM: Plenary Panel - Fairmont Ballroom From Practice to Research: Practitioners Discuss Why Effects Vary

Moderator
Robert Granger
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Heather Harding Vice President, Research and Public Affairs Teach for America

Tom Roderick Executive Director Morningside Center for Teaching Social Responsibility

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10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Session 6

6A. Early Childhood Education A New Look at Child Care and Preschool Contexts, Practices, and Policies: Mediators and Moderators of Developmental Outcomes Gallery 2 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Chair: Rachel Gordon, University of Illinois - Chicago

Evaluating the Effects of Alternative Child Care Policies on the Cognitive Achievement of Children: Investigations Using a Dynamic Behavioral Model Andrew Griffen, University of Pennsylvania

Process Dimensions of Child Care Quality and Academic Achievement: An Instrumental Variables Analysis Anamarie Auger, Weilin Li, George Farkas, Greg J. Duncan, & Deborah Vandell, University of California - Irvine

Variation in the Quality of Teacher-Child Instructional Interactions across Preschool Classroom Contexts

Sonia Cabell, Jamie DeCoster, Jennifer LoCasale-Crouch,

Bridget Hamre, & Robert Pianta, University of Virginia

Effects of the Tennessee Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten Program on School Readiness Mark W. Lipsey, Kerry G. Hofer, Carol Bilbrey, & Dale C. Farran, Vanderbilt University

6B. Classroom Instruction and Context Learning Challenges in Multilingual Environments

Gallery 3 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Chair: David Francis, University of Houston

The Role of Relational and Instructional Classroom Supports in the Language Development of At-Risk Preschoolers

Carolyn S. Gosse & Anita McGinty, University of Virginia,

Andrew J. Mashburn, Portland State University, and Marcia A. Invernizzi, University of Virginia

Instructional Variability in Bilingual Education Programs:
Time of Year, Raters, and Content
Lee Branum-Martin, Paras D. Mehta, Coleen D. Carlson, &
David J. Francis, University of Houston, and Barbara R. Foorman, Florida State University

Impacts of Kindergarten Classroom Organization on Mathematics Learning of English Learners Rachel Garrett & Guanglei Hong, University of Chicago

6C. Education Policy Invited Symposium When School Choice Works: Explaining Heterogeneity in Choice Outcomes Executive Forum

Organizer: Patrick Wolf, University of Arkansas

Relationships Between Strategies and Achievement Impacts Among Charter-School Management Organizations Brian Gill, Joshua Haimson, Moira McCullough, & Alexandra Killewald, Mathematica Policy Research

Choices for Studying Choice: Assessing Charter School Effectiveness Using Two Quasi-Experimental Methods Devona Heinert Davis & Margaret Raymond, Stanford University

Who Is Likely to Benefit from School Vouchers? An Exploration of Theory and Evidence Patrick Wolf, University of Arkansas

Discussant: Mark Schneider, American Institutes for Research

6D. Education Policy

Improving Social and Character Development: New Experimental Evidence

Dumbarton - Fairmont 3rd Floor

Chair: J. Lawrence Aber, New York University

Improving Social-Cognitive Skills Among Disadvantaged Youth: A Randomized Field Experiment Sara Heller, Harold Pollack, Roseanna Ander, & Jens Ludwig, University of Chicago

Conducting Rigorous Research in Multilingual Context: A Randomized Trial of the Good Behavior Game Anja Kurki, American Institutes for Research, Wei Wang, University of South Florida, Jeanne Poduska, American Institutes for Research, Mary Jane Gomez, Houston Independent School District, Yibing Li, American Institutes for Research, and C. Hendricks Brown, University of Miami

Social Identity and Achievement Gaps: Evidence from an Affirmation Intervention Thomas Dee, University of Virginia

6E. Evaluating Interventions in Developing Countries Symposium The Impact of Schools on Education Outcomes in Developing Countries Culpeper

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The Effect of Village-Based Schools: Evidence from a Randomized Controlled Trial in Afghanistan Dana Burde, New York University, and Leigh Linden, University of Texas - Austin

Impact Evaluation of Niger's IMAGINE Program
Dan Levy, Harvard University, Matt Sloan, Anca Dumitrescu, &
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Harounan Kazianga, Oklahoma State University, Dan Levy, Harvard University,
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Discussant: Nancy Murray, Mathematica Policy Research

6F. Research Methods Symposium Power Analysis for Clustered Designs: A Demonstration of Three Programs Roosevelt

Organizer: Jessaca Spybrook, Western Michigan University

Optimal Design Plus:

With an Empirical Basis for Estimating Statistical Power and Minimum Detectable Effect Sizes Stephen Raudenbush, University of Chicago, Howard Bloom, MDRC, Jessaca Spybrook, Western Michigan University, and Carolyn Hill, Georgetown University

CRT-Power

Michael Borenstein, BioStat, and Larry Hedges, Northwestern University

PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minimum Detectable Effect Sizes and Sample Size Requirements for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Designs Nianbo Dong, Vanderbilt University, and Rebecca Maynard, Institute of Education Sciences

Discussant: Stephanie Jones, Harvard University

6G. Research Methods

Implementation Fidelity and Variation in Treatment Effects

Gallery 1 - Park Hyatt Ballroom Level

Chair: Daryl Mellard, University of Kansas

Applying the Five-Step Model of Fidelity Assessment to a Randomized Experiment of a High School STEM Intervention

Jason Kopp & Chris S. Hulleman, James Madison University,

Judith M. Harackiewicz & Chris Rozek, University of Wisconsin - Madison

The How and For Whom of Program Effectiveness:

Dissecting the Responsive Classroom® Approach in Relation to Academic Achievement

Tashia Abry & Sara E. Rimm-Kaufman, University of Virginia,

Chris S. Hulleman, James Madison University, Julie B. Thomas & Michelle Ko, University of Virginia

Adherence: A More Nuanced Usage of Fidelity of Implementation's Core Component to Capture Variation in Treatment Effects
Lisa Foster, Harvard University, Sarah Oh, Amy Azano, & Carolyn Callahan, University of Virginia

6H. Panel

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Education Policy Research: Partnerships to Increase Rigor and Relevance

Sulgrave - Fairmont 3rd Floor

Moderator: Sabrina Laine, American Institutes for Research

Susan M. Dynarski, University of Michigan

Elizabeth A. Holtzapple, Cincinnati Public Schools

Vanessa Keesler, Michigan Department of Education

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM: Short Courses, Session 1

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Short Course 1

Value-Added Models for Analyzing Teacher Effectiveness: A Short Course on Value-Added Modeling Daniel F. McCaffrey, RAND Roosevelt

Short Course 2

Analysis of Incomplete Multilevel Data
Stephen W. Raudenbush, University of Chicago
Yongyun Shin, Virginia Commonwealth University
Executive Forum

SUNDAY MARCH 11, 2012

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Short Courses, Session 2

1: Sulgrave - Fairmont 3rd Floor, 2: Dumbarton - Fairmont 3rd Floor The short courses which began on Saturday afternoon continue through Sunday afternoon.

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM: Short Course Lunch

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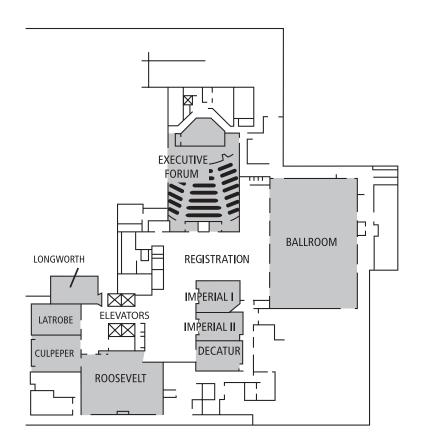
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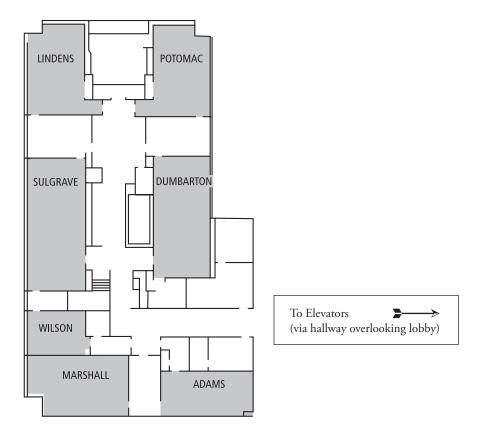
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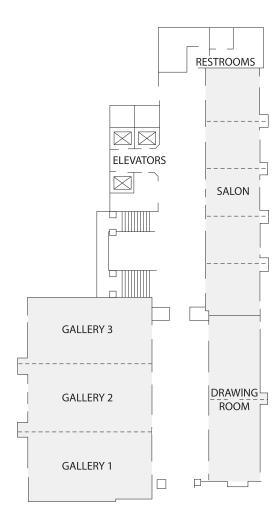
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The course will begin by considering two-level studies in which persons (level-1 units) are nested within organizations (level-2 units) such as schools. Two-level studies of individual change will then be examined. Time-series data (level-1) will be viewed as nested within persons (level-2). The level-1 model specifies how an individual is changing over time as a function of person-specific "micro-parameters." The level-2 model describes the population distribution of the micro-parameters of individual change as a function of macro-parameters. The next phase will examine three-level models. The initial focus will be the case in which repeated measures (level-1) are nested within individuals (level-2), who are themselves nested in organizations (level-3). In studies with continuous outcomes, the normal distribution is at least plausible. The next step will be to generalize two- and three-level models to other types of outcomes: binary outcomes, counts, ordered outcomes, and multinomial data. All of these cases fall into the framework of the hierarchical generalized linear model.

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