

1 PILL CAN KILL 

FUTURE FOCUSED
Fentanyl Education and Awareness Program



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- Drugs seized by local law enforcement and **submitted to Crime Lab that contained fentanyl:**

2020:

- 622 pills - Enough to possibly kill more than 44,900 adults

2021:

- 165,660 pills - Enough to possibly kill more than 182,960 adults

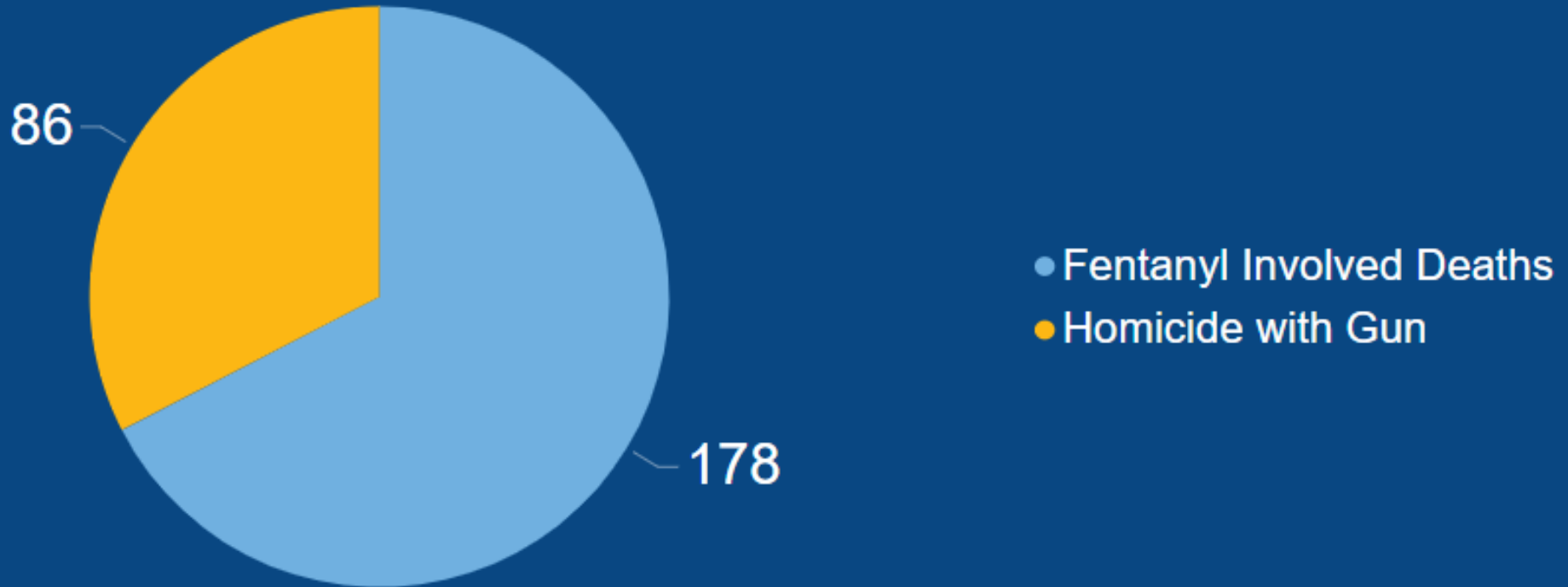
2022:

- Well over 200,000 pills AND 17,000 grams of powder



Gun Related Homicides VS Fentanyl Involved Deaths January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022

Homicides and Fentanyl Involved Deaths - 2022





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COURTROOM EFFORTS:

- **Courtroom Advisements**
 - Given to all defendants found guilty of selling fentanyl
 - If they sell fentanyl again and cause injury or death, they can be charged with a much more serious crime— including murder
- **As of December 31, 2022:**
 - We have given approximately 45 advisements in court
- **We currently have a pending murder case for fentanyl poisoning**



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PREVENTION EFFORTS:

- **Community Education**
 - Participate in Arrive Alive CA Future Focused Program
 - #iSMART (Internet, Social Media Awareness & Resource Training) program at schools, youth groups
- **Fentanyl Public Awareness Campaign**
 - “1PillCanKillSac” Fentanyl Public Awareness Campaign - PSAs
 - In the past year, 12 million people reached and 14,000 visitors to 1PillCanKillSac.com resource site



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DRUG CHEMISTRY
KRISTEL SUCHLAND**

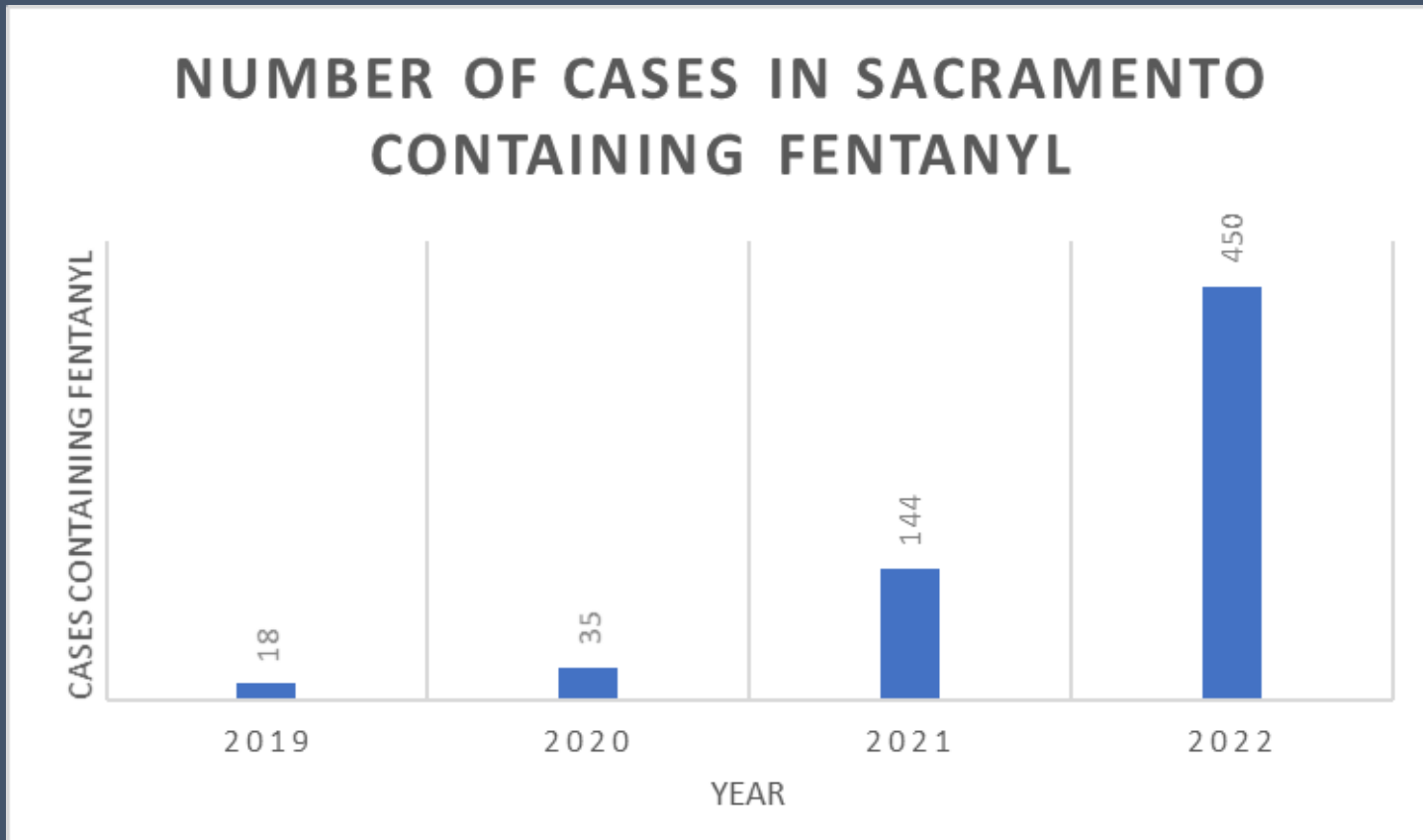
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WHAT IS FENTANYL?

- Fentanyl is an opioid (synthetic opiate).
- Comes in many prescription forms.
- It is used in a clinical setting to help treat people with severe pain such as cancer
- HIGHLY REGULATED



SACRAMENTO COUNTY STATISTICS



- Fentanyl is in the top 4 most common identified drug at the Sacramento County DA Crime Lab. Methamphetamine, Marijuana, and Cocaine are the other 3.
- The West Coast Region is at a level of fentanyl reports now that the East Coast and Midwest were experiencing in 2017/2018. We are at the START of the opioid epidemic here.



**WHAT DOES
FENTANYL LOOK LIKE
IN SACRAMENTO?**



WHAT CAN A SUGAR PACKET FULL OF PURE FENTANYL DO?

- 2022: the lab tested over 17,000 grams of fentanyl, in addition to the 200,000 pills.
- A sugar packet contains approximately 1 gram of sugar.
- One sugar packet worth of fentanyl contains enough to potentially kill 500 people!



WHAT OTHER DRUGS IS FENTANYL SHOWING UP IN HERE IN SACRAMENTO?

- XYLAZINE

Heroin



Methamphetamine



FENTANYL TABLET POTENCY

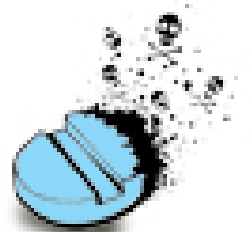
In 2022, DEA found that 61.2% of the tablets tested contain a lethal dose of fentanyl.

That means you have a 6 in 10 chance that a tablet you are taking is lethal.

Maximum Potency detected was at 11.64 mg (almost 6 times the lethal amount).

Tablets may have a different amount.

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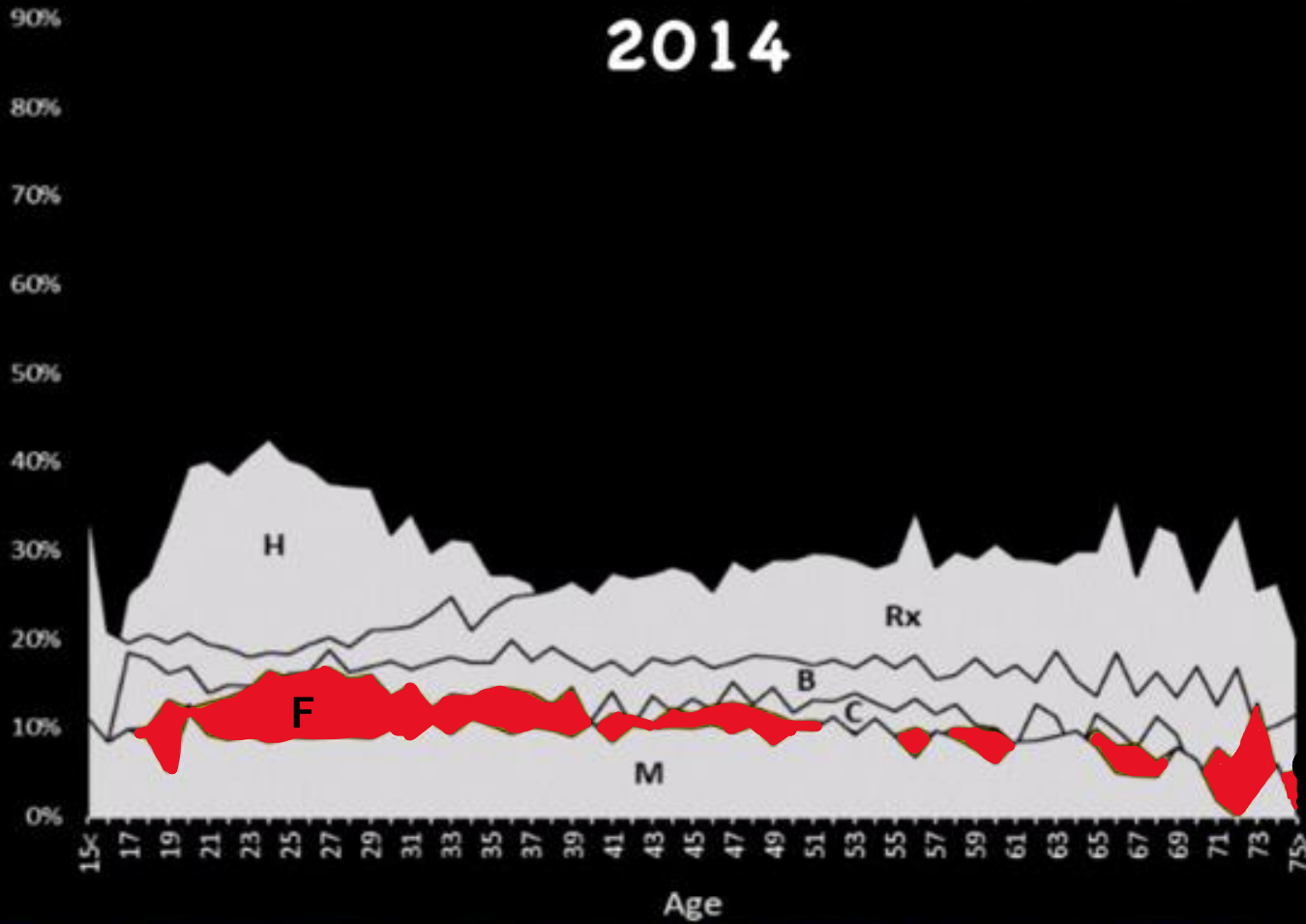
- Behind the Scenes – History, Art, Science
- Need for Youth Focused Prevention – Perfect Storm
- Multifaceted Multiple Formats & Audiences



Drug Type Involvement (% of All Drug Death by Age)

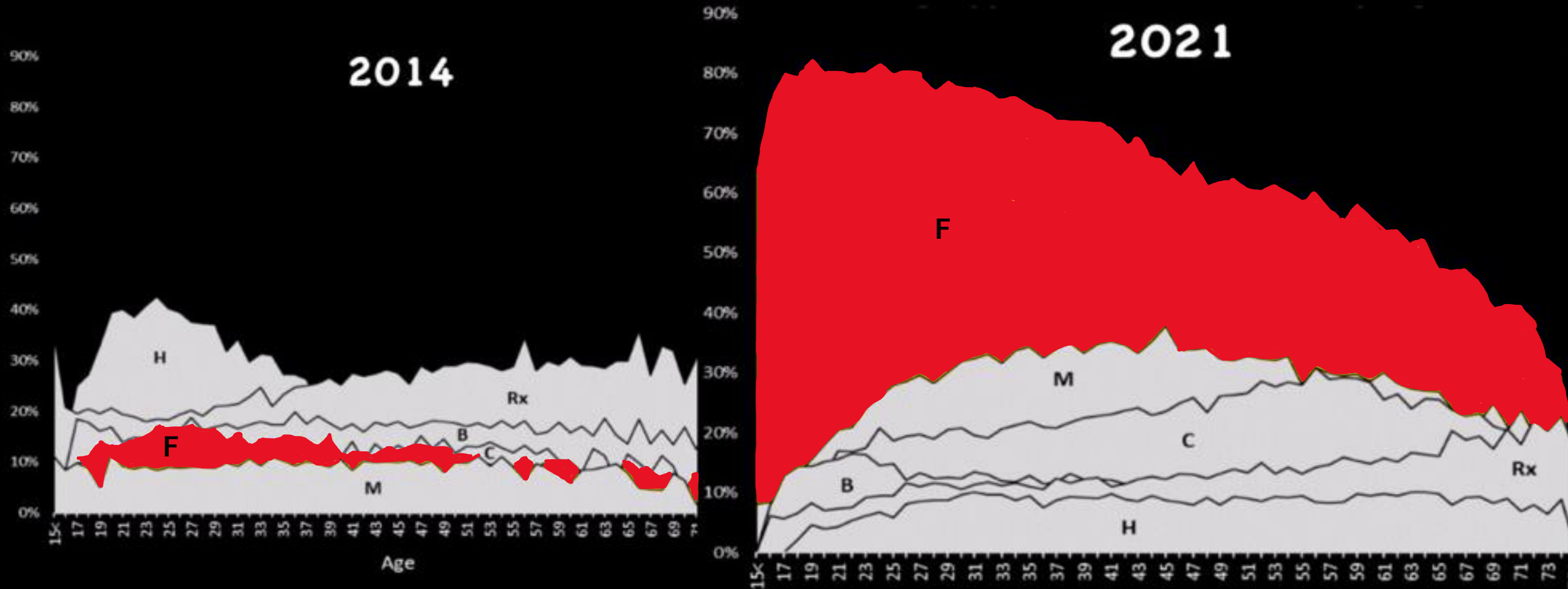
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Multifaceted Presentations for Multiple Audiences & Formats:

- Youth: Full-School Assemblies, Virtual, Classroom, Summits
- Parents: Informational Meetings, Townhall
- Teachers/Educators: Workshops

Sac County Impact In Numbers: 80 Presentations 43,858 Youth/Adults



WHAT CAN I DO TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

- ✓ Get informed and increase awareness
- ✓ Have conversations about the dangers of fentanyl, opioids and other drugs w/ multiple audiences.
- ✓ If you are concerned about a student, a friend, or family member, talk to them and encourage them to get help
- ✓ Learn about resources in the community. Be Hope
- ✓ Carry **Narcan/Naloxone** and know how to use it



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Impact In Real Time:

- “We are so grateful for you all. The One Pill Can Kill assembly is still talked about and I had one parent tell me her kid was buying pills and came clean to her that he was so scared he didn't want to lose his life and asked for help with his addiction. I just ran into her a few weeks ago and she said he's doing amazing!” – Parent
- “My admin was all blown away by what they heard and saw today, as was I, and we want this to be a school wide event next year!” – Health Teacher
- “In most of the anti-drug assemblies I've seen, they felt ineffective, overdramatized, or like they were talking down to the audience. However, watching your speech today was the complete opposite of that. I can't imagine what it must be like to relive your trauma like that in front of a crowd. Seeing how many lives fentanyl poisoning has taken was heartbreaking. I respect what you're doing: trying to prevent more deaths from happening in that way. The whole assembly felt really informative.” Student



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON
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AND RESOURCES

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