

# **Annual Management Report of Fund Performance**

for the financial year ended August 31, 2024

All figures are reported in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted.

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## **Management Discussion of Fund Performance**

## **Investment Objective and Strategies**

Investment Objective: Renaissance Canadian Dividend Fund (the *Fund*) seeks to generate a high level of income and long-term capital growth by investing primarily in income-producing securities including common shares, preferred shares, income trusts, and fixed income securities.

Investment Strategies: The Fund seeks to provide a long-term consistent income stream and capital growth. The Fund selects securities based on the outlook for market conditions and uses fundamental analysis to determine the best potential investment.

#### Risk

The Fund is a Canadian dividend and income equity fund that is suitable for long term investors who can tolerate medium investment risk.

For the period ended August 31, 2024, the Fund's overall level of risk remained as discussed in the simplified prospectus.

#### **Results of Operations**

The Fund's portfolio advisor is CIBC Asset Management Inc. (*CAMI*, the *Manager*, or *Portfolio Advisor*). The commentary that follows provides a summary of the results of operations for the period ended August 31, 2024. All dollar figures are expressed in thousands, unless otherwise indicated.

The Fund's net asset value increased by 23% during the period, from \$289,972 as at August 31, 2023 to \$356,010 as at August 31, 2024. Net sales of \$8,499 and positive investment performance resulted in an overall increase in net asset value.

Class A units of the Fund posted a return of 17.6% for the period. The Fund's benchmark, the S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index (the benchmark), returned 19.4% for the same period. The Fund's return is after the deduction of fees and expenses, unlike the benchmark's return. See the section *Past Performance* for the returns of other classes of units offered by the Fund.

In June, the Bank of Canada cut interest rates for the first time in years, by 0.25%, followed by an additional cut in July. U.S. interest-rate cuts

are highly anticipated beginning in September. Interest-rate-sensitive sectors and gold began to outperform.

The race in artificial intelligence (*AI*) continued as hyperscalers and other information technology companies ramped up capital expenditure budgets.

Conflict in the Middle East raised energy prices and concerns about access to major shipping routes and the implications for supply chain disruptions.

A tightening of the polls for the U.S. presidential race resulted in policy uncertainty for the market.

The Fund's underweight allocations to the consumer staples and real estate sectors detracted from performance, driven by stock selection. An overweight exposure to the consumer discretionary sector also detracted from performance.

Underweight holdings in Constellation Software Inc. and Brookfield Corp. were individual detractors from the Fund's performance. Constellation Software benefited from strong growth and capital deployment. Brookfield's share price rose as interest rates declined, reducing the risk of its real estate portfolio.

Overweight allocations to the information technology, utilities and health care sectors contributed to the Fund's performance, as did stock selection in those sectors. Individual contributors to the Fund's performance included overweight holdings in Broadcom Inc., Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce and Element Fleet Management Corp.

Broadcom's gains were driven by accelerating growth in AI networking and integration of the VMWare LLC. acquisition. Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce benefited from solid execution and an easing of credit issues. Element Fleet Management's share price increased with the return of solid origination growth.

The Portfolio Advisor added Wheaton Precious Metals Corp. to the Fund for its exposure to attractive jurisdictions and strong prospects for growth over the long term. Broadcom was introduced to the Fund given its strong prospects for growth driven by Al investment, recovery in the semiconductor cycle and integration of its VMWare acquisition. Chartwell Retirement Residences was another addition to the Fund,

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which was added based on its solid long-term growth prospects driven by aging demographics and the near-term opportunity to increase occupancy and cost optimization.

An existing holding in Manulife Financial Corp. was increased given its step toward lowering its risk. Bank of Montreal was increased given its attractive valuation relative to its growth prospects.

Holdings in Apple Inc., Franco-Nevada Corp. and Sun Life Financial Inc. were eliminated from the Fund in order to deploy funds in more attractive opportunities. Nutrien Ltd. was sold given the lacklustre outlook for potash, with significant new supply coming online in the next 18–24 months.

A holding in TC Energy Corp. was trimmed due to concerns related to funding risk. A holding in The Toronto-Dominion Bank was reduced amid concerns related to operational challenges and ongoing investigation in the U.S. A holding in Canadian Pacific Kansas City Ltd. was reduced to use as a source of funding for higher conviction ideas.

## **Recent Developments**

The level of geopolitical risk disrupted the global economy and financial markets in unprecedented and unpredictable ways. This has resulted in significant volatility and uncertainty in financial markets. It is unclear what further actions may be taken by governments and the resulting impact on global economies, businesses and financial markets. These factors may adversely affect the Fund's performance. The Manager continues to monitor ongoing developments and the impact to investment strategies.

#### **Related Party Transactions**

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (*CIBC*) and its affiliates have the following roles and responsibilities with respect to the Fund, and receive the fees described below in connection with their roles and responsibilities.

Manager, Trustee, and Portfolio Advisor of the Fund
CAMI, a wholly-owned subsidiary of CIBC, is the Fund's Manager,
Trustee, and Portfolio Advisor. As Manager, CAMI receives management
fees with respect to the Fund's day-to-day business and operations,
calculated based on the net asset value of each respective class of
units of the Fund as described in Management Fees.

The Manager pays the Fund's operating expenses (other than certain fund costs) in respect of the classes of units of the Fund (except Class O unit), which may include but are not limited to, operating and administrative costs; regulatory fees; audit, and legal fees and expenses; trustee, safekeeping, custodial, and any agency fees; and investor servicing costs and costs of unitholder reports, prospectuses, Fund Facts, and other reports, in exchange for the Fund paying a fixed rate administration fee (plus applicable GST/HST) to the Manager with respect to those classes of units. For Class O units, no fixed administration fee will be charged. The Manager pays the Fund's operating expenses (other than certain Fund costs) allocated to Class O units of the Fund. The fixed administration fee payable by the Fund, may, in any particular period, exceed or be lower than the expenses we incur in providing such services to the Fund.

As Trustee, CAMI holds title to the Fund's property (cash and securities) on behalf of its unitholders. As Portfolio Advisor, CAMI provides, or

arranges to provide investment advice and portfolio management services to the Fund. CAMI also compensates dealers in connection with their marketing activities regarding the Fund. From time to time, CAMI may invest in units of the Fund.

## Distributor

Dealers and other firms sell units of the Fund to investors. These dealers and other firms include CAMI's related dealers such as the CIBC Investor's Edge discount brokerage division of CIBC Investor Services Inc. (CIBC ISI), the CIBC Imperial Service division of CIBC ISI, and the CIBC Wood Gundy division of CIBC World Markets Inc. (CIBC WM). CIBC ISI and CIBC WM are wholly-owned subsidiaries of CIBC

CAMI may pay sales commissions and trailing commissions to these dealers and firms in connection with the sale of units of the Fund. These dealers and other firms may pay a portion of these sales commissions and trailing commissions to their advisors who sell units of the Fund to investors.

## Brokerage Arrangements and Soft Dollars

The Portfolio Advisor or any portfolio sub-advisors make decisions, including the selection of markets and dealers and the negotiation of commissions, with respect to the purchase and sale of portfolio securities, certain derivative products and the execution of portfolio transactions. Brokerage business may be allocated by the Portfolio Advisor or any portfolio sub-advisor(s) to CIBC WM and CIBC World Markets Corp., each a subsidiary of CIBC. CIBC WM and CIBC World Markets Corp. may also earn spreads on the sale of fixed income securities, other securities, and certain derivative products to the Fund. A spread is the difference between the bid and ask prices for a security in the applicable marketplace, with respect to the execution of portfolio transactions. The spread will differ based upon various factors such as the nature and liquidity of the security.

Dealers, including CIBC WM and CIBC World Markets Corp., may furnish goods and services, other than order execution, to the Portfolio Advisor or any portfolio sub-advisor(s) when they process trades through them. These types of goods and services for which the Portfolio Advisor or a portfolio sub-advisor may direct brokerage commissions are research goods and services and order execution goods and services, and are referred to in the industry as "soft-dollar" arrangements. These goods and services received through soft dollar arrangements assist the Portfolio Advisor or any portfolio sub-advisor(s) with investment decision-making services for the Fund, or relate directly to the execution of portfolio transactions on behalf of the Fund. As per the terms of the portfolio advisory agreement and portfolio sub-advisory agreements, such soft dollar arrangements are in compliance with applicable laws.

During the period, the Fund paid brokerage commissions and other fees of \$50,949 to CIBC WM and \$23 to CIBC World Markets Corp. Spreads associated with fixed income and other securities are not ascertainable and, for that reason, cannot be included when determining these amounts.

## Fund Transactions

The Fund may enter into one or more of the following transactions (the *Related Party Transactions*) in reliance on the standing instructions issued by the Independent Review Committee (the *IRC*):

- invest in or hold equity securities of CIBC or issuers related to a portfolio sub-advisor;
- invest in or hold non-exchange-traded debt securities of CIBC or an issuer related to CIBC, with terms-to-maturity of 365 days or more, issued in a primary offering and in the secondary market;
- make an investment in the securities of an issuer for which CIBC WM, CIBC World Markets Corp., or any affiliate of CIBC (a Related Dealer or the Related Dealers) acts as an underwriter during the offering of the securities or at any time during the 60-day period following the completion of the offering of such securities (in the case of a "private placement" offering, in accordance with the Private Placement Relief Order and the policies and procedures relating to such investment);
- purchase equity or debt securities from, or sell them to, a Related Dealer, where it is acting as principal;
- undertake currency and currency derivative transactions where a related party is the counterparty;
- purchase securities from or sell securities to another investment fund or a managed account managed by the Manager or an affiliate (inter-fund trades or cross-trades); and
- engage in in-specie transfers by receiving portfolio securities from, or delivering portfolio securities to, a managed account or another investment fund managed by the Manager or an affiliate, in respect of a purchase or redemption of units of the Fund, subject to certain conditions.

At least annually, the IRC reviews the Related Party Transactions for which they have issued standing instructions. The IRC is required to advise the Canadian securities regulatory authorities, after a matter has been referred to or reported to it by the Manager, if it determines that an investment decision was not made in accordance with conditions imposed by securities legislation or the IRC in any Related Party Transactions requiring its approval.

## Custodian

CIBC Mellon Trust Company is the custodian of the Fund (the *Custodian*). The Custodian holds cash and securities for the Fund and ensures that those assets are kept separate from any other cash or securities that the Custodian might be holding. The Custodian also provides other services to the Fund including record-keeping and processing of foreign exchange transactions. The fees and spreads for the services of the Custodian are paid by the Manager. CIBC owns a 50% interest in the Custodian.

#### Service Provider

CIBC Mellon Global Securities Services Company Inc. (CIBC GSS) provides certain services to the Fund, including securities lending, fund accounting and reporting, and portfolio valuation. Such servicing fees are paid by the Manager. CIBC indirectly owns a 50% interest in CIBC GSS.

## **Financial Highlights**

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the period ended August 31.

The Fund's Net Assets per Unit1 - Class	A Units	;						Ince	ption c	late: November 8, 2002
		2024		2023		2022		2021		2020
Net Assets, beginning of period	\$	15.40	\$	16.32	\$	16.49	\$	13.39	\$	13.59
Increase (decrease) from operations:										
Total revenue	\$	0.59	\$	0.61	\$	0.57	\$	0.44	\$	0.47
Total expenses		(0.25)		(0.30)		(0.36)		(0.34)		(0.29)
Realized gains (losses) for the period Unrealized gains (losses) for the period		0.54 1.93		1.03 (1.54)		1.52 (1.37)		3.20 0.19		(0.15) 0.20
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>2</sup>	\$	2.81	\$	(0.20)	\$	0.36	\$	3.49	\$	0.23
Distributions:	φ	2.01	φ	(0.20)	φ	0.30	φ	3.49	ф	0.23
From income (excluding dividends)	\$	0.27	\$	0.27	\$	0.26	\$	0.27	\$	0.27
From dividends	Ψ	0.08	Ψ	0.08	Ψ	0.04	Ψ	0.07	Ψ	0.04
From capital gains		0.23		0.37		0.25		_		_
Return of capital		_		_		_		0.06		0.09
Total Distributions <sup>3</sup>	\$	0.58	\$	0.72	\$	0.55	\$	0.40	\$	0.40
Net Assets, end of period	\$	17.47	\$	15.40	\$	16.32	\$	16.49	\$	13.39
Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class A	\ Units									
		2024		2023		2022		2021		2020
Total Net Asset Value (000s) <sup>4</sup>	\$	123,103	\$	92,545	\$	61,435	\$	53,198	\$	49,028
Number of Units Outstanding <sup>4</sup>		7,046,361		6,007,644		3,764,169		3,225,939		3,661,517
Management Expense Ratio <sup>5</sup>		2.06%		2.07%		2.08%		2.15%		2.15%
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absorptions <sup>6</sup>		2.06% 0.06%		2.07% 0.07%		2.08% 0.04%		2.16% 0.11%		2.20% 0.07%
Trading Expense Ratio <sup>7</sup> Portfolio Turnover Rate <sup>8</sup>		38.86%		46.75%		21.63%		42.30%		43.84%
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The Fund's Net Assets per Unit1 - Class	O Unit	s			Inc	ceptio	n date: August 11, 2005
		2024	2023	2022	2021		2020
Net Assets, beginning of period	\$	13.16	\$ 13.64	\$ 13.61	\$ 11.09	\$	11.05
Increase (decrease) from operations:							
Total revenue	\$	0.49	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.46	\$ 0.35	\$	0.39
Total expenses		(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.02)		(0.01)
Realized gains (losses) for the period		0.45	0.79	1.31	3.29		(0.18)
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period		1.55	(1.17)	(0.93)	(0.42)		0.23
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>2</sup>	\$	2.48	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.83	\$ 3.20	\$	0.43
Distributions:							
From income (excluding dividends)	\$	0.19	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.21	\$	0.20
From dividends		0.34	0.33	0.20	0.41		0.16
From capital gains		0.54	0.08	0.18	_		_
Return of capital		_	_	_	_		_
Total Distributions <sup>3</sup>	\$	1.07	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.57	\$ 0.62	\$	0.36
Net Assets, end of period	\$	14.57	\$ 13.16	\$ 13.64	\$ 13.61	\$	11.09
Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class C	) Units						
		2024	2023	2022	2021		2020
Total Net Asset Value (000s) <sup>4</sup>	\$	225,476	\$ 189,950	\$ 225,628	\$ 280,585	\$	647,211
Number of Units Outstanding⁴		15,474,139	14,438,887	16,538,515	20,611,610		58,348,061
Management Expense Ratio <sup>5</sup>		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%		0.00%
Management Expense Ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>6</sup>		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%		0.00%
Trading Expense Ratio <sup>7</sup>		0.06%	0.07%	0.04%	0.11%		0.07%
Portfolio Turnover Rate <sup>8</sup>		38.86%	46.75%	21.63%	42.30%		43.84%
Net Asset Value per Unit	\$	14.57	\$ 13.16	\$ 13.64	\$ 13.61	\$	11.09

- <sup>1</sup> This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.
- Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The total increase (decrease) from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding during the period.
- Distributions were paid in cash, reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.
- This information is presented as at August 31 of the period(s) shown.
- Management expense ratio is based on the total expenses of the fund (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs), incurred by or allocated to a class of units for the period shown, expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value of that class during the period. The management expense ratio includes the fees attributable to exchange traded funds.
- <sup>6</sup> The decision to waive management fees and/or fixed administration fees is at the discretion of the Manager. The practice of waiving management fees and/or fixed administration fees may continue indefinitely or may be terminated at any time without notice to unitholders. The management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions includes the fees attributable to exchange traded funds, where applicable.
- The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs before income taxes expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value during the period. Spreads associated with fixed income securities trading are not ascertainable and, for that reason, are not included in the trading expense ratio calculation. Previously, the trading expense ratio included the fees attributable to exchange traded funds which are now no longer included in the TER. Prior year fees attributable to exchange traded funds have been reclassified to the management expense ratio and management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions.
- The portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the portfolio advisor and/or portfolio sub-advisor manages the portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to a fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher a portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by a fund in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a fund.

## **Management Fees**

The Fund pays CAMI an annual management fee to cover the costs of managing the Fund. Management fees are based on the Fund's net asset value and are calculated daily and paid monthly. Management fees are paid to CAMI in consideration for providing, or arranging for the provision of, management, distribution, and portfolio advisory services. Advertising and promotional expenses, office overhead expenses related to the Manager's activities, and trailing commissions are paid by CAMI out of the management fees received from the Fund. The Fund is required to pay applicable taxes on the management fees paid to CAMI. Refer to the simplified prospectus for the annual management fee rate for each class of units.

For Class O units, the management fee is negotiated with and paid by, or as directed by, unitholders or dealers and discretionary managers on behalf of unitholders. Such Class O management fee will not exceed the Class F unit management fee rate.

The following table shows a breakdown of the services received in consideration of the management fees, as a percentage of the management fees collected from the Fund for the period ended August 31, 2024. These amounts do not include waived fees or absorbed expenses.

	Class A Units	Class F Units
Sales and trailing commissions paid to dealers	64.19%	0.00%
General administration, investment advice, and profit	35.81%	100.00%

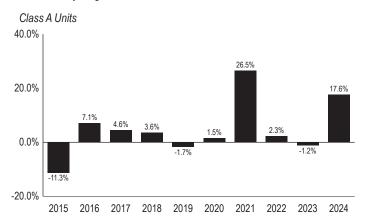
#### **Past Performance**

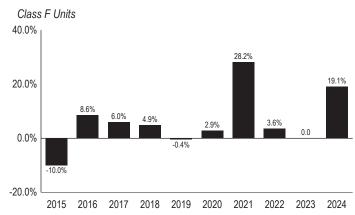
The performance data provided assumes reinvestment of distributions only and does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution, or other optional charges payable by any unitholder that would have reduced returns. Past performance does not necessarily indicate how a fund will perform in the future.

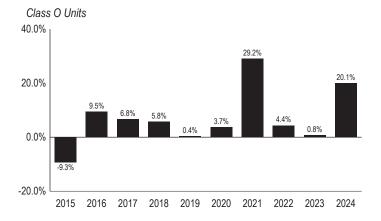
The Fund's returns are after the deduction of fees and expenses, and the difference in returns between classes of units is primarily due to differences in the management expense ratio. See *Financial Highlights* section for the management expense ratio.

## Year-by-Year Returns

These bar charts show the annual performance of each class of units of the Fund for each of the periods shown, and illustrate how the performance has changed from period to period. These bar charts show, in percentage terms, how an investment made on September 1 would have increased or decreased by August 31, unless otherwise indicated.







## **Annual Compound Returns**

This table shows the annual compound return of each class of units of the Fund for each indicated period ended on August 31, 2024. The annual compound return is compared to the Fund's benchmark(s).

The Fund's benchmark is the S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index.

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years*	or Since Inception*	
Class and Benchmark(s)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	Inception Date
Class A units	17.6	5.9	8.8	4.4		November 8, 2002
S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index	19.4	10.1	11.2	7.9		
Class F units	19.1	7.3	10.2	5.8		October 19, 2005
S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index	19.4	10.1	11.2	7.9		
Class O units	20.1	8.1	11.1	6.7		August 11, 2005
S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index	19.4	10.1	11.2	7.9		•

<sup>\*</sup> If a class of units has been outstanding for less than 10 years, the annual compound return since inception is shown.

**S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index** aims to provide a broad-based benchmark of Canadian dividend-paying stocks. It includes all stocks in the S&P/TSX Composite Index with positive annual dividend yields as of the latest rebalancing of the S&P/TSX Composite Index.

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A discussion of the Fund's relative performance compared to its benchmark(s) can be found in Results of Operations.	

## Summary of Investment Portfolio (as at August 31, 2024)

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the investment fund. A quarterly update is available by visiting <a href="www.renaissanceinvestments.ca">www.renaissanceinvestments.ca</a>. The Top Positions table shows a fund's 25 largest positions. For funds with fewer than 25 positions in total, all positions are shown. Cash and cash equivalents are shown in total as one position.

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Portfolio Breakdown	Value
Financials	35.9
Energy	19.2
Industrials	13.9
Materials	7.8
Utilities	4.5
Communication Services	4.1
Information Technology	3.8
Consumer Discretionary	3.7
Consumer Staples	2.1
Real Estate	1.9
Cash & Cash Equivalents	1.6
Health Care	1.5

Top Positions	% of Net Asset Value
Royal Bank of Canada	9.0
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	4.8
Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.	4.8
Bank of Montreal	4.3
Manulife Financial Corp.	3.9
Suncor Energy Inc.	3.4
WSP Global Inc.	3.3
Enbridge Inc.	3.1
Toronto-Dominion Bank (The)	3.1
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.	2.9
Intact Financial Corp.	2.7
Restaurant Brands International Inc.	2.7
Canadian Pacific Kansas City Ltd.	2.6
Element Fleet Management Corp.	2.5
Fairfax Financial Holdings Ltd.	2.5
Wheaton Precious Metals Corp.	2.4
Teck Resources Ltd., Class 'B'	2.1
Quebecor Inc., Class 'B', Subordinate Voting Shares	2.1
Brookfield Asset Management Ltd., Class 'A'	2.1
TELUS Corp.	2.0
TFI International Inc.	2.0
Brookfield Corp., Class 'A'	1.9
Granite REIT	1.9
Canadian National Railway Co.	1.9
Hydro One Ltd.	1.7

#### A note on forward-looking statements

The management report of fund performance may contain forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include statements that are predictive in nature, that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or that include words such as "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "plans", "believes", "estimates", or other similar wording. In addition, any statements that may be made concerning future performance, strategies, or prospects and possible future actions taken by the fund, are also forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors that may cause the actual results and achievements of the fund to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such statements. Such factors include, but are not limited to: general economic, market, and business conditions; fluctuations in securities prices, interest rates, and foreign currency exchange rates; changes in government regulations; and catastrophic events.

The above list of important factors that may affect future results is not exhaustive. Before making any investment decisions, we encourage you to consider these and other factors carefully. CIBC Asset Management Inc. does not undertake, and specifically disclaims, any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future developments, or otherwise prior to the release of the next management report of fund performance.



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