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CAMP LEJEUNE: BLADDER CANCER
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II Professional Background and Qualifications

By way of introduction, I am a medical toxicologist, emergency physician, and epidemiologist. I am currently an Associate Professor at the University of Colorado School of Medicine with a primary appointment in the Section of Medical Toxicology, Department of Emergency Medicine. In addition, I am an attending physician at the Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Center as well as a member of Toxicology Associates, Prof. LLC, - a hospital based, single specialty medical group dedicated solely to medical toxicology. I am board certified in both emergency medicine and medical toxicology, and I actively practice both emergency medicine and medical toxicology. Medical toxicology is an American Board of Medical Specialties recognized sub-specialty that deals specifically with human disease associated with any potentially toxic exposure. As a medical toxicologist, I specialize in the assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of adverse effects of pharmaceuticals, other chemicals, natural toxins, envenomations, and any other potential toxicants or toxicological conditions.

I received my M.D. at the University of Texas - Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, TX. After completion of this degree, I entered residency in emergency medicine at Denver Health Medical Center in Denver, Colorado. Following this, I worked as faculty in the emergency medicine residency program at Denver Health Medical Center and the University of Colorado School of Medicine for a single year. Subsequently, I entered medical toxicology fellowship training at Oregon Health and Science University in Portland, Oregon. During my fellowship, I simultaneously obtained a Masters in Public Health in epidemiology and biostatistics. Upon completion of my Fellowship and M.P.H. degree, I returned to Denver in 2013 and joined the faculty at the University of Colorado School of Medicine, the Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Center, and Toxicology Associates.

In my role at the University of Colorado School of Medicine and the Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Center, I provide case-based teaching, didactic instruction, and supervision of clinical care provided by medical and pharmacy students, residents, and medical toxicology fellows-in-training. In addition, I am involved in ongoing research through the University of Colorado School of Medicine and the Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Center. Furthermore, I have an active practice primarily caring for patients through Toxicology Associates. In all these capacities, I routinely evaluate and treat patients who present with both acute and chronic toxicologic issues, including exposure to toxic substances such as TCE, PCE, Vinyl Chloride and Benzene. I have evaluated and treated thousands of patients with toxicologic conditions during my career. My opinions are based, in part, on my education, training and experience as detailed above and throughout this report. I am being compensated at my usual rate of \$750 per hour in connection with this proceeding. A copy of my Curriculum Vitae including a list of my publications is attached.

III Methodology

The approach to determining causation within epidemiology and toxicology involves identification of an exposure and outcome of interest, conducting a comprehensive literature search of human experimental and epidemiologic studies, assessing contributory animal and mechanistic data when available, and systematically reviewing this body of literature. The Bradford-Hill considerations are employed as a framework for organizing discussion when assessing for sufficient evidence of causation. In the case of Camp Lejeune exposures, the standard for causation has been statutorily defined as either "sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship exists" or "sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship is at least as likely as not". Such a change represents a different and reduced causation



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standard than typically assessed. In the following paragraphs, a detailed discussion lays out the standard methodology utilized for determination of sufficient causation followed by consideration of the “at least as likely as not” standard.

Causation

Prior to discussing individual studies analyzing the potential association between Camp Lejeune water exposure and cancer, it is first important to explain how an epidemiologist and medical toxicologist determines general causation, i.e., is a particular exposure a cause of a specific outcome in humans. Since the 1960s, in particular following Sir Bradford Hill’s 1965 address, the scientific community has recognized the need for a structured discussion to determine whether an observed or proposed association of interest is causal. Of note, while epidemiologists use the term “association” to report quantifiable findings when analyzing a dataset derived from a specific population, this term does not imply either a general association in the population at large or provide direct evidence of causation. A stepwise approach offers the most robust and clear means of performing a causation determination, detailed in the following paragraphs.

To begin, an explicit exposure-outcome relationship must be defined prior to any analysis. The discussion requires a distinct exposure and clearly determined outcome. In the context of both medical toxicology and epidemiology, the exposure definition needs to involve distinguishing factors beyond simply the name of the substance of interest, ideally including but not limited to timing, chronicity and route of exposure, dosing range, and chemical formulation in order to analyze proposed causal associations. Likewise, defining the outcome of interest requires sufficient detail with respect to organ, tissue, or metabolic processes affected as well as whether the proposed causal pathway is limited to subpopulation(s) or occurs in all humans. Of note, the available body of literature may not contain sufficient data on all aspects of the exposure, requiring interpretation of indirect evidence.

Once the proposed exposure-outcome relationship is sufficiently defined, a robust search of the human literature is performed. Following this, evidence surrounding the proposed exposure-outcome relationship is analyzed systematically. The highest level of potential evidence for causation comes from human studies, either randomized control trials or epidemiological studies, examining the exposure and outcome of interest. These studies must be evaluated with respect to individual study design along with assessing the totality of the body of literature relating to the specific exposure and outcome. Under the “as likely as not” standard, evidence obtained from animal and in vitro studies are sufficient to meet such a standard. In addition, they help elucidate biological plausibility. As a scientific principle, a lack of causality is assumed for any observed association, with the requirement to assemble evidence that rises to the standard of causation in order to reject such an assumption. Under the at least “as likely as not” standard, this means that only the assumption of “less likely than not” need be rejected to establish a causal link.



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The evaluation of whether a causal relationship exists employs the elements of Bradford Hill considerations. As expressed in his original address, Hill correctly cautioned against the use of these factors as a checklist or point system rather than as factors to consider (Hill 1965). Rather, it serves as a framework for summarizing and discussing the evidence. Not every criterion needs to, nor is expected to be met in order to reach a causal conclusion. The Hill considerations have been generally accepted by and applied to the field of toxicology (Adami 2011; Guzelian 2005). This begins with assessment of quantitative measures of association, starting with quantifiable measures such as relative risk, in the context of a critical appraisal of the strength of the observed association and consistency of such measures within subpopulations in each study as well as between populations analyzed in various studies. The assessment of strength of association necessarily involves examining the robustness of the methods employed in the underlying studies. The same is true for an assessment of consistency.

Additional points of discussion, as suggested by Sir Austin Bradford Hill, include temporality, dose-response gradient, biological plausibility, coherence, specificity, experiment, and analogy. For a causation analysis within toxicology, strength of association, consistency, dose-response, and experiment (when available) are likely the most robust remaining factors. In particular, demonstration of an exposure-response is not essential but provides substantial evidence of causation in the setting of a possible toxic exposure. A monotonic exposure-response is a stepwise increase in effect with increasing dose that may or may not be linear. A non-monotonic exposure-response is one that follows a different pattern without a consistently direct relationship between exposure and response. In addition, such a relationship may be particularly helpful when attempting to extrapolate studied levels of exposure. Of note, temporality, while not the strongest factor in building a case for causation, cannot be ignored in order to find causation as the exposure must occur before the outcome. Finally, biological plausibility is dependent upon the scope of the body of scientific knowledge. Thus, the absence of well-developed mechanistic and animal models does not imply lack of causation.

As Likely As Not

Of particular import in the Camp Lejeune proceedings, the standard for causation includes both evidence that is:

- a. Sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship exists; or
- b. Sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship is at least as likely as not

The robust discussion in the preceding paragraphs provides an overview of the accepted framework for determining whether or not a causal relationship exists. There is a well-developed scientific discourse surrounding this standard as described. A variety of approaches to operationalize the “as likely as not standard” have been proposed.

For example, The Institute of Medicine suggested a framework in 2008 in the context of Veterans Affairs service-connected conditions (IOM 2008), with “Equipose and Above” equivalent to “As Likely As Not”:



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1. Sufficient: The evidence is sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship exists.
2. Equipoise and Above: The evidence is sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship is at least as likely as not, but not sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship exists.
3. Below Equipoise: The evidence is not sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship is at least as likely as not, or is not sufficient to make a scientifically informed judgment.
4. Against: The evidence suggests the lack of a causal relationship.

As a second example, The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) is a governmental organization that published a report examining the evidence surrounding Camp Lejeune exposures and various outcomes of interest, operationalizing the causation discussion per this rubric (ATSDR 2017). The ATSDR application of this framework is rather conservative and more stringent than expressed in the IOM report where “the benefit of the doubt would be given to the veteran” (IOM 2008). Additionally, it is clear that the “equipoise and above” standard does not require a preponderance of evidence but is more accepting of measures of association that cluster around the null. Furthermore, attempts by the ATSDR to satisfy the “as likely as not” standard using quantifiable measures of association are necessarily excessively conservative, given that this is a qualitative evaluation of the body of evidence. Nevertheless, even such a conservative approach safely exceeds the at least “as likely as not” standard, meaning that an exposure-outcome relationship identified as causal using the ATSDR framework is above equipoise.

For ease of discussion, the causation evaluation below utilizes the framework as promulgated by the ATSDR. From a scientific perspective, such a framework is more stringent than the plain language of the statute that established this causation standard. Additionally, there is no universal consensus on how an at least “as likely as not” standard is to be evaluated. The framework from the ATSDR is scientifically valid, methodologically sound and is consistent with my extensive education, training and experience as described above. This discussion is moot in the discussion of bladder cancer as it is clear that the body of evidence supports a determination of sufficient evidence for causation following exposure to the contaminated water at Camp Lejeune. The causal relationship between bladder cancer and the toxins in the water at Camp Lejeune would meet a more stringent “more likely than not” standard. However, in the case of other outcomes, the ATSDR framework provides one of several appropriate means of evaluating causation and was the classification system itself created and chose to use to analyze these same issues.

The standard outlined by the ATSDR (2017) for at least “as likely as not” is as follows:

“Equipoise and above evidence for causation: The evidence is sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship is *at least as likely as not*, but not sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship exists. This category would be met, for example, if:



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1. The degree of evidence from human studies is less than sufficient but there is supplementary evidence from animal studies and/or mechanistic studies that supports causality, or
2. A meta-analysis does not provide convincing evidence (e.g., the summary risk estimate is close to the null value of 1.0, i.e., ≤ 1.1 , or if the meta-analysis observes a non-monotonic exposure-response relationship) but there is at least one epidemiological study considered to be of high utility occurring after the meta-analysis has been conducted, in which an association between the exposure and increased risk of the disease of interest has been found and in which chance and biases can be ruled out with reasonable confidence.
3. A meta-analysis has not been conducted, but there is at least one epidemiological study considered to be of high utility in which an association between the exposure and increased risk of the disease of interest has been found and in which chance and biases can be ruled out with reasonable confidence.

Of note, the ATSDR states that “we did not use confidence intervals to determine whether a finding was “statistically significant”, nor did we use significance testing to assess the evidence for causality.” Furthermore, “an effect estimate was considered “near the null value” if ≤ 1.10 and “elevated” if > 1.10 .”

Exposures of Interest

Exposures of interest in this analysis consist of any individual who lived, worked, or was otherwise exposed for at least 30 days to water at Camp Lejeune beginning August 1, 1953 and ending December 31, 1987. The water systems at Camp Lejeune were contaminated with a mixture of chemicals during this period, including but not necessarily limited to trichloroethylene (TCE), perchloroethylene/tetrachloroethylene (PCE), benzene, and vinyl chloride.

The body of literature that is most directly informative includes human studies of Camp Lejeune exposed individuals as these studies examine the actual, real-world exposure of interest in this analysis. Persons exposed at Camp Lejeune often both lived and worked on the base meaning that daily interactions with compounds of interest were not limited to the jobsite. Furthermore, the use of water from the water system for all aspects of life meant that exposures may not have exclusively consisted of oral route of intake. Rather, dermal, inhalational, and in utero exposures were also encountered. Of note, inhalational exposures such as showering with contaminated water are likely to represent a much greater intensity of exposure than exclusively oral exposures (Bove 2014a; McKone 1991). This means that exposures at the same estimated level of water contamination are more intense than equivalent occupational exposures where the exposures are limited to certain routes and for limited hours per day. The ATSDR utilized a reasonable, but conservative, approach in their analysis of route of exposure (ATSDR PHA 2017).

Additionally, the unique mixture of compounds any individual encountered likely varied over time. Epidemiologic studies of exposed individuals from Camp Lejeune provides direct examination of



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outcomes following the exposure of interest in whatever mixture of compounds occurred at the time of exposure, although exposures were estimated per individual compound. However, it is unlikely that any person on base was exposed to a single compound in isolation, or even a single water system while on base (Rosenfeld 2024). Furthermore, as discussed in this report, the human data from analysis of Camp Lejeune exposures suggests at least an additive, if not synergistic, effect causing an increased risk of bladder cancer from combined exposures (ATSDR PHA 2017, ATSDR 2018; Bove 2014a; Bove 2024a; Bove 2024b). This means that the combination of chemicals causes at least the combined magnitude of effect from each compound (additive) if not a multiplicative effect (synergistic) (Vandenberg 2023; Varshavsky 2023). Actual measurements of contaminants in the water system are limited and were not available for much of the exposed period. However, the ATSDR estimated historical exposures via modeling (ATSDR PHA 2017; Maslia 2008; Maslia 2013; Maslia expert report 2024). Again, the ATSDR utilized a reasonable, but conservative, approach with a simple additive effect in their analysis.

ATSDR water modeling is based on samples all obtained from 1980 or later (ATSDR PHA 2017). Estimates for water systems were constructed for the various water supply areas at Camp Lejeune.

Hadnot Point

- PCE: PCE contamination of at least 0.1 ppb was estimated beginning in the 1970s with a peak concentration of 39 ppb in 1983. The median exposure to PCE from April 1973-January 1985 was 14.5 ug/L*month and from 1975-1985 was 15.4 ug/L*month.
- TCE: TCE contamination of at least 0.1 ppb was estimated beginning in the 1950s with a peak concentration of 783 ppb in 1983. A measurement of 1400 ppb was measured in 1982. The median exposure to TCE from April 1973-January 1985 was 356.6 ug/L*month and from 1975-1985 was 365.9 ug/L*month.
- Benzene: Benzene contamination of at least 0.1 ppb was estimated beginning in the 1950s with a peak concentration of 12 ppb in 1984. A measurement of 2500 ppb was recorded in 1985. The median exposure to benzene from April 1973-January 1985 was 4.1 ug/L*month and from 1975-1985 was 4.6 ug/L*month.
- Vinyl Chloride: Vinyl chloride contamination of at least 0.1 ppb was estimated beginning in the 1970s with a peak concentration of 67 ppb in the early 1980s. The median exposure to vinyl chloride from April 1973-January 1985 was 20.3 ug/L*month and from 1975-1985 was 22.2 ug/L*month.

Tarawa Terrace

- PCE: PCE contamination of at least 0.1 ppb was estimated beginning in the 1950s with a peak concentration of 158 ppb in 1984. The median exposure to PCE from 1975-1985 was 84.9 ug/L*month.



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- TCE: TCE contamination of at least 0.1 ppb was estimated beginning in the 1950s with a peak concentration of 7 ppb in the early 1980s. The median exposure to TCE from 1975-1985 was 3.5 ug/L*month.
- Vinyl Chloride: Vinyl chloride contamination of at least 0.1 ppb was estimated beginning in the 1950s with a peak concentration of 12 ppb in the early 1980s. The median exposure to vinyl chloride from 1975-1985 was 6.2 ug/L*month.

Holcomb Boulevard

- Prior to June 1972, water in this area was exclusively supplied from Hadnot Point. From 1972-1985, intermittent supplies from Hadnot Point were provided to this area. This resulted in modeled TCE maximum TCE contamination during the latter period of 23-66 ppb depending on the housing area. The maximum measured TCE concentration was 1148 ppb in 1985.

I have reviewed the ATSDR water modeling, the exhibits to Plaintiff's expert Morris Maslia, and his published reports, which are consistent (ATSDR PHA 2017; Maslia 2008; Maslia 2013; Maslia expert report 2024). The levels of these chemicals in the water at Camp Lejeune are hazardous to humans generally and also known to cause bladder cancer.

In addition to direct evidence from exposures at Camp Lejeune, the contributory body of human evidence includes occupational and environmental studies examining exposures to individual compounds of interest: PCE, TCE, benzene and vinyl chloride. These studies typically examine a single exposure in isolation. It is likely that outcomes following any single agent exposure identified in these studies represents an underestimated effect size for the cohort exposed at Camp Lejeune, as a combined exposure to the four compounds of interest is not suspected to be protective against any outcome studied. Consequently, if the literature on any individual compound is sufficient to meet the general causation standard applied to exposed individuals from Camp Lejeune, then studies directly examining the Camp Lejeune cohort are not required. Of note, PCE is recognized as a cause of bladder cancer in the scientific community, and the EPA has proposed a total ban on the compound, as well as on TCE (EPA 2011, EPA 2023, IARC 2014). Further contributory evidence on specific compounds includes mechanistic studies of individual chemicals.

Outcome of Interest

The outcome of interest in this analysis consists of development of bladder cancers following exposure to the Camp Lejeune water system. Of note, some studies include urothelial/renal pelvis cancers with bladder cancers while some exclude them. Although more similar histologically to bladder tumors, most authors that do not separately analyze urothelial tumors include them with kidney cancers rather than bladder cancers. The measures of association in the studies that include urothelial/renal pelvis cancers with bladder cancers are similar to studies that do not include urothelial cancers. Studies of the Camp



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Lejeune population as well as those of individual culprit exposures with elevated measures of association are abstracted in the attached appendix (see Appendix 1: Table).

Searches Performed

The literature was systematically searched utilizing Pubmed and Google Scholar for electronic searches. Search terms included combinations of each exposure (Camp Lejeune, TCE/trichloroethylene, perchloroethylene/tetrachloroethylene/PCE, benzene, and vinyl chloride) with "bladder cancer". Full text articles with relevant abstracts were reviewed. Additionally, pertinent agency reports were examined. Potentially contributory articles contained in reference lists from agency reports and peer reviewed journal articles that were not returned in the original search were also evaluated.

IV Summary of Opinions

All opinions expressed herein are held to a reasonable degree of scientific certainty. Below is a summary of my opinions:

- i. Direct epidemiological data provides substantial evidence that it is at least as likely as not that exposure to the Camp Lejeune water system causes bladder cancer.
- ii. Epidemiological data provides compelling evidence that is sufficient to conclude that exposure to PCE causes bladder cancer.
- iii. Epidemiological data provides evidence that is sufficient to conclude that exposure to TCE causes bladder cancer.
- iv. Epidemiological data provides substantial evidence that it is at least as likely as not that exposure to benzene causes bladder cancer.
- v. Epidemiological data provides substantial evidence that it is at least as likely as not that exposure to vinyl chloride causes bladder cancer.
- vi. Exposure to a mixture of PCE, TCE, benzene, and vinyl chloride is not health protective but instead would have either an additive or synergistic harmful effect.
- vii. Lower exposures may be conservatively and accurately represented by the least intense exposure demonstrating an elevated measure of association directly assessed in the population of interest. For bladder cancer following Camp Lejeune water exposures, the minimum causal exposure is at least 1 quarter of a year at Camp Lejeune. This does not mean that exposure levels lower than these lower bounds are not causally related to bladder cancer. Furthermore, there are additional levels of exposure causally related to bladder cancer that are reported in the scientific literature as detailed in this report.



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VI Discussion of Opinions

Epidemiology

Cohort studies, which track a group of people over time to determine how many are found to have an outcome of interest, provide the highest potential level of information regarding real world risks following actual exposures in a population, given that randomized controlled trials of environmental exposures are not typically performed. In these studies, an exposure is determined at a point in time and subjects are followed to monitor for the development of outcomes of interest. Cohort studies form the primary basis for assessing risk on a population level. Case control studies provide additional information on specific risk factors for an outcome of interest. However, they are necessarily backwards looking meaning that assessment of risk on a population level may not be as accurate. Nevertheless, for rare conditions such as cancers, case control studies can be of great benefit particularly in clarifying risk factors and identifying an exposure response relationship. Consequently, while informative, conclusions from such studies often are considered in combination with outcomes from cohort studies in bolstering causation determinations rather than providing sufficient evidence of causation alone. When available, meta-analyses combine the subjects in individual studies to provide more certainty around a pooled measure of association. Such an analysis is particularly robust and weighed heavily when assessing causation.

Finally, only studies with exposures to the Camp Lejeune water system or individual culprit compounds (TCE, PCE, vinyl chloride, or benzene) and an outcome of bladder cancer, in general or distinct subtypes of bladder cancer, are reviewed below. Of note, this excludes the larger body of general dry-cleaning solvent and degreasing exposures that do not isolate culprit compounds of interest unless occupational classification is specific enough to serve as a proxy for a culprit compound exposure in the population studied. For example, an analysis of a cohort of dry-cleaning workers stratified by year of joining the union allowed employment to serve as a proxy given that after 1960 PCE was the exclusive solvent encountered (Blair 2003). However, in an earlier analysis of cohort, time stratification did not occur precluding any analysis of employment as a proxy for exclusive PCE exposure meaning this study was not included (Blair 1990). Importantly, excluding such general employment exposure categories does not impact the conclusions of the analysis.

Exposed soldiers and civilian personnel at Camp Lejeune typically experienced multiple routes of exposure, were exposed more continuously than occupational exposures that make up the bulk of the single agent literature bases, and include in utero/childhood exposures which are less common than for worker studies. Given that exposures at Camp Lejeune involved multiple compounds each of which meets the equipoise and above standard for an association with bladder cancer, isolating a single compound of interest and using reported exposures solely for that compound as an estimate of bladder cancer risk in a mixed exposure such as Camp Lejeune will severely underestimate the risk associated with exposures on base. Therefore, direct examination of the population of interest at Camp Lejeune,



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utilizing exposure measurements that either combine culprit exposures into a summary metric or measure duration on base as an alternative quantification of mixed exposures is the most relevant analysis to fully incorporate the nature of the exposure. Nevertheless, if the body of literature on an individual culprit exposure analyzed separately meets the equipoise and above standard for causation, that necessarily means combined exposures that include such an exposure provides compelling evidence of causation, such as occurred at Camp Lejeune. The following sections examine comprehensive exposures at Camp Lejeune followed by each compound of interest. By convention, these studies are presented in chronological order, clustered by cohort. Such an order of description allows the reader to follow the progression of scientific inquiry.

Exposure: Camp Lejeune Water

Five human studies conducted by the ATSDR directly addressed the question of exposures to drinking water at Camp Lejeune and the outcome of bladder cancer. These five studies alone provide sufficient evidence to meet the at least “as likely as not” standard. They also most directly examine the actual real-world exposures encountered at Camp Lejeune, inherently accounting for any degree of synergy that accompanies the combination of multiple water system contaminants. Additionally, as many constituent contaminant studies represent occupational exposures, these are unlikely to represent the same character of exposure as Camp Lejeune residents who both lived and worked on site, bathing in, inhaling, and consuming contaminated water.

The first study that examined mortality in a cohort of Marine and Naval personnel stationed at Camp Lejeune in the years 1975-1985 compared to Marine and Naval personnel stationed at Camp Pendleton is Bove 2014a. In an adjusted analysis with a 10-year lag, the hazard ratio (HR) for bladder cancer in Camp Lejeune personnel was 0.76. Although the primary measure of association was not elevated, there was a non-monotonic exposure-response for degrees of exposure to TVOC (the combination of PCE, TCE, trans-1,2-dichloroethylene, vinyl chloride and benzene) with a HR of 3.33 in the medium exposure group and 1.20 in the highest exposure group.

A parallel analysis was performed examining mortality in a cohort of civilian employees at Camp Lejeune in the years 1973-1985 compared to civilian employees stationed at Camp Pendleton (Bove 2014b). In an adjusted analysis with a 10-year lag, the HR for bladder cancer in Camp Lejeune personnel was 0.65. Of note, this is a relatively young population and the vast majority of bladder cancers do not cause death, so mortality studies are unlikely to be a sensitive indicator of elevated measures of association in the population at large (Bove deposition 2024; Jones 2024).

Following these mortality studies, the ATSDR conducted a morbidity study focusing on bladder cancer diagnosis in former Marines, their families, and former base employees compared to former Camp Pendleton residents (ATSDR 2018). Case finding methodology utilized a survey with limited response rate making it difficult to fully exclude bias in the primary, unlagged analysis. However, measures of association were similar to other reports with a HR for bladder cancer of 1.64 in Marines and 0.82 in



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civilian employees. A series of nested case control studies within respondents were then performed. These demonstrated non-monotonic exposure-response relationships for combined TCE and PCE exposures with an odds ratio (OR) of 1.81 in high exposures in Camp Lejeune civilian employees compared to Camp Pendleton. In an internal analysis of Camp Lejeune civilian employees, there was a statistically significant relationship where high exposures had an OR of 1.80.

A recent publication examined bladder cancer incidence in a cohort of Marine and Naval personnel stationed at Camp Lejeune in the years 1975-1985 compared to Marine and Naval personnel stationed at Camp Pendleton as well as in a cohort of civilian employees at Camp Lejeune in the years 1972-1985 compared to civilian employees stationed at Camp Pendleton (Bove 2024a). In an adjusted analysis, the HR for bladder cancer incidence in military personnel was 1.09 and in civilian personnel was 1.10. A monotonic exposure-response for duration of exposure in civilian personnel was identified with a HR of 1.19 in those with a high duration of exposure. A non-monotonic exposure-response was also identified in military personnel with a HR for low duration of exposure of 1.76.

Finally, a follow-up mortality study to the paired studies from 2014 was recently published that included separate analyses of both civilian and military personnel formerly stationed at Camp Lejeune compared to Camp Pendleton (Bove 2024b). In an adjusted model with a 10-year lag, the adjusted hazard ratio (aHR) for bladder cancer deaths was 1.02 in military personnel and 0.65 in civilian personnel. A non-monotonic exposure-response for duration of exposure in civilian personnel was identified with a HR of 1.76 in those with a low duration of exposure. A non-monotonic exposure-response was also identified in military personnel with a HR of 1.24 in those with a high duration of exposure.

Bradford Hill: Camp Lejeune Water

An elevated measure of association between Camp Lejeune water system exposure and bladder cancer has been identified in multiple studies (ATSDR 2018; Bove 2014a; Bove 2024a; Bove 2024b). The following discussion evaluates the evidence in order to determine whether it is “as likely as not” that this demonstrated association is causal.

Of note, I reviewed the later-discussed studies and publications regarding the Camp Lejeune chemicals prior to engaging in the Bradford Hill analysis for Camp Lejeune water, finding sufficient evidence for an association with each individual toxin. The inclusion of the Bradford Hill analysis for Camp Lejeune water as the exposure of interest before discussing the studies and publications regarding PCE, TCE, benzene, and vinyl chloride is purely for organizational purposes.

Strength of Association: One study demonstrated an elevated measure of association in the entire cohort with a HR of 1.64 for diagnosis of bladder cancer in Camp Lejeune Marines (ATSDR 2018). Furthermore, any exposure misclassification would likely serve to attenuate the measure of association, biasing toward the null (Bove Deposition 2024). This makes scientific, toxicological and epidemiological sense. Consequently, the range of associations reported represent a minimum estimate of the true



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association. This analysis provides direct evidence that exposure to the Camp Lejeune water system is a cause of bladder cancer given the demonstrated **strength of association** in the epidemiologic literature.

Consistency: Individual studies of both civilian (ATSDR 2018; Bove 2014b; Bove 2024a; Bove 2024b) and military personnel (ATSDR 2018; Bove 2014a; Bove 2024b) provide scattered findings of an association in the population of interest between time at Camp Lejeune and bladder cancer. Additionally, analysis of both cancer diagnosis (ATSDR 2018; Bove 2024a) and cancer mortality (Bove 2014a; Bove 2014b; Bove 2024b) as the outcome demonstrate similar results. Such a variety of study results provide evidence of limited **consistency** that exposure to the Camp Lejeune water system is a cause of bladder cancer.

Exposure-Response: A monotonic exposure response relationship has been demonstrated for duration at Camp Lejeune with bladder cancer (Bove 2024a). Additional evidence of exposure response occurred with other measures of intensity of exposure (Bove 2014a, ATSDR 2018, Bove 2024a, Bove 2024b). These results provide evidence of causation given the **exposure-response** relationship demonstrated.

Temporality: Multiple studies utilized 10-year lags to ensure that exposure to Camp Lejeune water occurred sufficiently far before the identification of a bladder cancer case to be a cause of that outcome of interest (Bove 2014a; Bove 2014b; Bove 2024a). Two of these studies even conducted sensitivity analyses with up to 20-year lags without substantive changes in results (Bove 2014a; Bove 2014b). Such study design provides evidence for causation that accounts for the principle of **temporality**, that the exposure of interest must occur sufficiently prior to the outcome of interest to be a possible cause.

Biological Plausibility: Exposure to Camp Lejeune water follows a clear biologically plausible pathway for causation of kidney cancer. It is plausible that bladder cancer follows a similar causal pathway given that urine formed in the kidney travels to the bladder where it dwells until urination. As discussed in subsequent sections, PCE, TCE, vinyl chloride, and benzene are all contaminants of the Camp Lejeune system, and all meet the at least “as likely as not” standard as a cause of bladder cancer. PCE and TCE have the most robust literature base for evidence of causation of bladder cancer. Additionally, the glutathione conjugation metabolic pathway has been implicated for both PCE and TCE with confirmation in humans (Moore 2010). Due to a lack of investigation, a distinct mechanism of action to cause bladder cancer following vinyl chloride and benzene exposure has not been established in the published research. However, both toxins have been established as carcinogens with plausible mechanisms for causation of bladder cancer. The body of evidence provides support for **biologically plausible** pathways from Camp Lejeune water exposure to development of bladder cancer.

Analogy: Camp Lejeune water exposure is directly analogous to exposures in another water system. This involved single agent contamination with PCE demonstrating an elevated measure of association with bladder cancer (Aschengrau 1993). Additionally, studies of multiple occupational and environmental exposures involving PCE, TCE, benzene, or vinyl chloride provide additional evidence of elevated measures of association with bladder cancer. This **analogous** evidence of causation is discussed in detail in the agent specific sections of this report.



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Experiment: There is no human **experimental** evidence of causation involving Camp Lejeune water exposure and bladder cancer. An absence of experimental data is common when considering the body of evidence surrounding occupational or environmental toxins. Of note, a lack of relevant experimental studies does not provide evidence against causation.

Specificity: There are multiple possible causes of bladder cancer and multiple types of bladder cancer that were contained in each analysis of Camp Lejeune water limiting the contribution of **specificity** to causation.

Coherence: The human and mechanistic literature provides a **coherent** body of evidence for Camp Lejeune water exposure as a cause of bladder cancer. There is no substantial contrary data suggesting an alternative explanation for the observed measures of association.

Summary: Camp Lejeune Water

The weight of evidence presented in the Bradford Hill analysis of Camp Lejeune water exposures discussed above is sufficient to meet the at least “as likely as not” standard for causation of bladder cancer.

Additionally, the 2017 ATSDR framework is also clearly met:

“Equipoise and above evidence for causation: The evidence is sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship is at least as likely as not, but not sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship exists. This category would be met, for example, if:

A meta-analysis has not been conducted, but there is at least one epidemiological study considered to be of high utility in which an association between the exposure and increased risk of the disease of interest has been found and in which chance and biases can be ruled out with reasonable confidence.”

In this case, a high utility epidemiological study has been performed and demonstrates an elevated measure of association, meeting the conservative criteria set forth by ATSDR. The weight of the evidence indicates that exposure to Camp Lejeune water is at least “as likely as not” a cause of bladder cancer.

Exposure: PCE

Cohort Studies

Aircraft Manufacturing Workers, Lockheed Martin, California

Aircraft manufacturing workers employed for at least one year after 1960 at the Lockheed Martin Skunk Works were included in a cohort study that revealed no excess bladder cancer deaths (SMR 0.70) associated with PCE exposure (Boice 1999). A follow up analysis of workers employed for at least one



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year 1960-1996 followed through 1998 likewise did not demonstrate an association (SMR 0.84) with bladder cancer deaths (Lipworth 2011).

Dry Cleaning Workers, United States

A statistically significantly elevated measure of association (SMR 2.22) for bladder cancer mortality was reported in a cohort study of dry cleaner union members who worked in PCE exposed shops for at least a year prior to 1960 analyzed with up to a 20+ year latency (Ruder 2001). A statistically significant monotonic dose response was seen in those followed for at least 20 years from first employment with the most elevated measure of association in those with at least 5 years of exposure (SMR 4.31). Additionally, a statistically significant dose response was seen in difference in time since first employment (less than or greater than 20 years) or duration of employment (less than or greater than 5 years). A subsequent report continued to demonstrate elevated measures of association in the entire cohort (SMR 1.81) with additional follow up (Calvert 2011). A statistically significantly elevated measure of association was identified in PCE+other solvent exposed workers (SMR 2.59). A monotonic dose response again was seen in those followed for at least 20 years from first employment with a statistically significant elevated measure of association in those with at least 5 years of exposure (SMR 4.08).

Dry Cleaner Union Members, St Louis, Missouri

A study of a cohort of dry cleaner union members with estimated solvent exposure stratification was performed and demonstrated an elevated measure of association (SMR 1.3) with bladder cancer mortality (Blair 2003). When the analysis was restricted to workers who joined the union after 1960, the period when PCE became the predominant solvent in the industry, an elevated measure of association (SMR 2.9) was identified. Furthermore, a statistically significant dose response for degree of exposure was seen with the highest measure of association for Medium/High exposure of SMR 1.5. A follow up study of this cohort with up to a 20-year lag again demonstrated an elevated measure of association (SMR 1.5) with bladder cancer mortality in those who joined the union after 1960 (Callahan 2019). Additionally, there was a monotonic dose response with more elevated measures of association with an increasing lag with maximum for medium (HR 4.2) and high (HR 9.2) exposures with a 20-year lag. The association with bladder cancer mortality was statistically significant for the high exposure group.

Nordic Dry Cleaners and Laundry Workers, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, and Finland

Employment as a dry cleaner in 1970 was used as a proxy for PCE exposure in this cohort given the near exclusive use of the compound in that capacity and ubiquitous exposure in the industry (Lynge 2006). A statistically significant elevated measure of association (RR 1.44) with bladder cancer was identified. There was no monotonic relationship with duration of employment although most employment categories demonstrated elevated measures of association.



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In a regression analysis, no association (HR 0.89) was identified at 5 modified exposure years for PCE (Silver 2014). However, the regression analysis was not the primary analysis in this cohort study.

Camp Lejeune

No overall association (0.89) with bladder cancer deaths was identified in a 10-year lagged analysis of military personnel stationed at Camp Lejeune compared to Camp Pendleton with at least low exposure to PCE (Bove 2014a). However, elevated measures of association with medium (HR 1.62) and high (HR 1.24) exposure were identified.

Case Control Studies

Water System Contamination, Massachusetts

Residents exposed to PCE via a contaminated water system, similar in nature of exposure to Camp Lejeune residents although limited to isolated system contamination with PCE rather than a multiple compounds, were matched to population-based controls in a well conducted study (Aschengrau 1993). Although the authors were not able to conduct an analysis accounting for 15 years of latency due to limited cases of bladder cancer, PCE exposure demonstrated an elevated measure of association (OR 1.55) with bladder cancer in an analysis not accounting for latency. Given that a monotonic dose response was seen with an elevated measure of association (OR 1.16) at low estimated PCE exposure and a greater, statistically significant measure of association (OR 6.04) at high estimated PCE exposure, this data supports a true association. Additionally, "high" exposures in this contaminated water system are similar to exposures in the Camp Lejeune system.

Chemical Plant Workers, Montreal, Canada

A population matched case control study examining various occupational chlorinated solvent exposures and various cancers as outcomes did not report elevated measures of association between any (OR 0.5) and substantial (OR 0.9) PCE exposure and bladder cancer (Christensen 2013).

Nordic Occupational Cancer Database, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden

A population matched case control study examining occupational exposures and bladder cancer demonstrated a statistically significant elevated measure of association (HR 1.12) with medium PCE exposure and a 10-year latency (Hadkhale 2017). The authors conclude that this "study provides evidence of an association of occupational exposure to ... perchloroethylene ... and the risk of bladder cancer."



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Camp Lejeune

In a series of nested case control studies performed by ATSDR, a statistically significantly elevated measure of association with bladder cancer diagnosis was identified (OR 1.64) when comparing Marines stationed at Camp Lejeune to those at Camp Pendleton (ATSDR 2018). A monotonic exposure response relationship occurred with low (OR 1.33), medium (OR 1.30) and high (OR 2.07) exposures to PCE in Camp Lejeune Marines compared to Camp Pendleton Marines, with high exposures demonstrating statistical significance. In an internal analysis of Camp Lejeune Marines, a monotonic exposure response was identified with high (OR 1.54) exposures to PCE exhibiting an elevated measure of association.

Male Bladder Cancers, Northern Italy

A pooled analysis of two prior published case-control studies of male bladder cancer patients from Italy with other hospitalized patients serving as controls now examining estimated occupational exposures with a 10-year lag was conducted in this study (Sciannameao 2019). No elevated measure of association (OR 1.04) with ever exposure to PCE was identified. However, an elevated measure of association (OR 1.40) in low estimated exposure but not high estimated exposures (OR 0.79) was seen. When restricted to low grade bladder cancer, an elevated measure of association (OR 1.43) with ever exposure and low exposure (OR 1.93) to PCE was evident.

Occupational Exposures, New England Bladder Cancer Study

A population matched case control study examining occupational exposures and bladder cancer did not identify an elevated measure of association (OR 0.36) with PCE exposure (Xie 2024).

Meta-analysis

Investigators examined 15 studies of dry cleaners with bladder cancer as an outcome. For the 3 studies that explicitly estimated PCE exposure in workers, no elevated measure of association (mRR 1.08) was identified (Vlaanderen 2014). However, the majority of studies considered did not explicitly estimate PCE exposure. In the latter half of the 20th century, work as a dry cleaner was the primary vehicle of PCE exposure and such workers were almost uniformly exposed. When considering employment as a dry cleaner as the exposure, a statistically significant elevated measure of association (mRR 1.47) was evident.

Bradford Hill: PCE

An association between PCE exposure and bladder cancer has been identified in multiple studies including Camp Lejeune water system exposures, non-Camp Lejeune water system exposures, and occupational exposures. The following discussion evaluates the evidence to determine whether it is at least “as likely as not” that this demonstrated association is causal.



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Strength of Association: Many studies demonstrate elevated measures of association between exposure to PCE and bladder cancer (Aschengrau 1993; ATSDR 2018; Blair 2003; Callahan 2019; Calvert 2011; Hadkhale 2017; Lynge 2006; Ruder 2001; Sciannameao 2019). These range up to an SMR of 2.22, with an SMR of 3.15 in those with confirmed exposure (Ruder 2001). Additionally, a meta-analysis has identified an elevated measure of association (mRR 1.47), providing a realistic estimate of the true population risk of bladder cancer following exposure to PCE (Vlaanderen 2014). This body of literature provides strong evidence that exposure to PCE is a cause of bladder cancer given the demonstrated **strength of association** in the epidemiologic literature.

Consistency: Individual studies of largely inhalational occupational exposures (Blair 2003; Callahan 2019; Calvert 2011; Hadkhale 2017; Lynge 2006; Ruder 2001; Sciannameao 2019) and water system contamination have been conducted, examining a variety of routes of exposure (Aschengrau 1993; ATSDR 2018; Bove 2014a) in multiple countries throughout the world and providing consistent findings of an association in distinct populations between PCE exposure and bladder cancer. Additionally, analysis of both cancer diagnosis (ATSDR 2018; Hadkhale 2017; Lynge 2006; Sciannameao 2019) and cancer mortality (Aschengrau 1993; Blair 2003; Callahan 2019; Calvert 2011; Ruder 2001) as the outcome demonstrate similar results. Furthermore, both cohort (Blair 2003; Bove 2014a; Callahan 2019; Calvert 2011; Ruder 2001) and case-control (Aschengrau 1993; ATSDR 2018; Hadkhale 2017; Lynge 2006; Sciannameao 2019) studies reach nearly identical conclusions. Such a variety of studies by a multitude of investigators all reaching similar results provide **consistent** evidence that exposure to PCE is a cause of bladder cancer.

Exposure-Response: Multiple studies have demonstrated monotonic exposure-response relationships for increased intensity of PCE exposure with increased bladder cancer (Aschengrau 1993; ATSDR 2018; Blair 2003; Callahan 2019; Calvert 2011; Ruder 2001). Additional evidence of exposure response occurred with other measures of intensity of exposure (Bove 2014a; Hadkhale 2017; Lynge 2006; Sciannameao 2019). Similar results despite varied methods of assessing exposure provide compelling evidence of causation given the **exposure response** relationship demonstrated in multiple studies.

Temporality: Multiple studies utilized prolonged lags to ensure that exposure to PCE occurred sufficiently far before the identification of a bladder cancer case to be a cause of that outcome of interest (Bove 2014a; Callahan 2019; Calvert 2011; Hadkhale 2017; Ruder 2001; Sciannameao 2019). Such study designs provide evidence for causation that accounts for the principle of **temporality**, that the exposure of interest must occur sufficiently prior to the outcome of interest to be a possible cause.

Biological Plausibility: Exposure to PCE follows a clear biologically plausible pathway for causation of kidney cancer. As explained in more detail below, the glutathione conjugation metabolic pathway has been implicated for PCE with confirmation in humans (Moore 2010). It is plausible that bladder cancer follows a similar causal pathway, given that urine formed in the kidney travels to the bladder where it



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dwells until urination. This provides clear support for a **biologically plausible** pathway from PCE exposure to development of bladder cancer.

Analogy: PCE exposure is analogous to TCE exposure, with similarly elevated measures of association and an identical biological causal pathway. This **analogous** evidence of TCE as a cause of bladder cancer is discussed in detail in the next section.

Experiment: There is no human **experimental** evidence of causation involving PCE and bladder cancer. An absence of experimental data is common when considering the body of evidence surrounding occupational or environmental toxins. Of note, a lack of relevant experimental studies does not provide evidence against causation.

Specificity: One study demonstrated an elevated measure of association for only low-grade bladder cancer (Sciannameao 2019). There are multiple possible causes of bladder cancer and multiple types of bladder cancer that were contained in each analysis of PCE exposure limiting **specificity** in contributing to causation.

Coherence: The human and mechanistic literature provides a robust and **coherent** body of evidence for PCE exposure as a cause of bladder cancer. There is no substantial contrary data suggesting an alternative explanation for the observed measures of association.

Summary: PCE

The evidence surrounding PCE exposures and the outcome of bladder cancer discussed above is compelling. Given the weight of evidence presented in the Bradford Hill analysis, not only is the “as likely as” standard met, but there is also sufficient evidence to establish causation.

Additionally, the 2017 ATSDR framework is also clearly met:

“Equipose and above evidence for causation: The evidence is sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship is at least as likely as not, but not sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship exists. This category would be met, for example, if:

A meta-analysis does not provide convincing evidence (e.g., the summary risk estimate is close to the null value of 1.0, i.e., ≤ 1.1 , or if the meta-analysis observes a non-monotonic exposure-response relationship) but there is at least one epidemiological study considered to be of high utility occurring after the meta-analysis has been conducted, in which an association between the exposure and increased risk of the disease of interest has been found and in which chance and biases can be ruled out with reasonable confidence.”

In this case, a meta-analysis demonstrates an elevated level of association with occupational exposures and multiple high utility epidemiological studies have been performed with each demonstrating consistent risk estimates with elevated measures of association for PCE water system contamination,



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well in excess of the conservative criteria set forth by ATSDR. The weight of evidence indicates that PCE is not only at least as likely as not a cause of bladder cancer but also that there is sufficient evidence to establish PCE exposure as a cause of bladder cancer.

Exposure: TCE

Cohort Studies

Hill Air Force Base, Utah (NCI)

An initial cohort study of civilian employees working at Hill Air Force Base in Utah did not find an association between TCE exposure and bladder cancer in white workers (SMR 1.02) on initial analysis (Spirtas 1991). However, with longer follow up of this cohort, the risk of bladder cancer was found to be elevated (RR 1.2) although there was no exposure-response relationship (Blair 1998). No association (HR 0.80) remained upon reanalysis with additional follow up and an altered model (Radican 2008).

TCE Production Workers, Sweden

A cohort study of Swedish workers exposed to TCE did not find an elevated measure of association (SIR 1.02) with bladder cancer in males (Axelson 1994).

TCE Production Workers, Finland

A cohort study of Finnish workers exposed to TCE did not find an association with bladder cancer in the overall cohort (SIR 0.82), although there was an elevated measure of association (SIR 1.51) in those followed for 20 or more years (Anttila 1995).

Aerospace Workers, Hughes Aircraft, Arizona

In this cohort study, an elevated measure of association between the TCE exposed group and bladder cancer (SMR 1.36) was observed (Morgan 1998). The excess was seen in the high exposure group (SMR 1.79; RR 2.71) but not the low exposure group (SMR 0.51; RR 0.69) and the peak medium and high exposure group compared to the low and no exposure group (RR 1.41). The high exposure group demonstrated statistical significance.

Aircraft Manufacturing Workers, Lockheed Martin, California

Aircraft manufacturing workers employed for at least one year after 1960 at the Lockheed Martin Skunk Works were included in a cohort study that revealed no excess bladder cancer deaths (SMR 0.55) associated with TCE exposure (Boice 1999). A follow up analysis of workers employed for at least one year 1960-1996 followed through 1998 likewise did not demonstrate an association (SMR 1.03) with bladder cancer deaths (Lipworth 2011).

Uranium Processing Workers, Fernald Feed, Ohio



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A cohort study of uranium processing workers with a 15-year lag found an elevated measure of association with bladder cancer (SMR 1.17) in the overall cohort of TCE exposed uranium processing workers although detailed analysis of bladder cancer and TCE exposure is limited (Ritz 1999).

TCE Exposed Workers, Denmark

A cohort study of Danish workers did not find an elevated measure of association (SIR 1.1) between TCE exposure and bladder cancer in males (Hansen 2001). An elevated measure of association (SIR 1.6) was seen in women but not men on subsequent analysis with up to 20-year lag (Raaschou-Nielsen 2003).

Electronic Factory Workers, Taiwan

A cohort study of TCE exposed Taiwanese electronic factory workers did not find an association (SMR 1.04) with bladder cancer (Chang 2003).

Rocketdyne Worker Study, Santa Susana Field Laboratory, California

A cohort study of aerospace employees engaged in rocket testing revealed a monotonic exposure response with elevated measures of association for medium (RR 1.76) and high (RR 3.68) levels of TCE exposure and bladder cancer incidence in a 20-year lagged analysis (Zhao 2005). There was also a monotonic dose response with elevated association (RR 1.85) between high levels of TCE exposure and bladder cancer incidence. A similar elevated measure of association (SMR 1.66) with bladder cancer death was seen in a separate analysis of Test Stand Mechanics with duties consisting of potential exposure to TCE and up to a 10-year lag (Boice 2006).

Microelectronics and Business Machine Facility Workers, New York State

In a regression analysis, no association (HR 0.04) was identified at 5 modified exposure years for TCE (Silver 2014). However, the regression analysis was not the primary analysis in this cohort study.

Camp Lejeune

No overall association (0.84) with bladder cancer deaths was identified in a 10-year lagged analysis of military personnel stationed at Camp Lejeune compared to Camp Pendleton with at least low exposure to TCE (Bove 2014a). However, an elevated measures of association with medium (HR 1.62) was identified.

Railroad Workers, Norway

No association (SIR 0.7) with bladder cancer was identified in a TCE exposed cohort (Buhagen 2016).



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Case Control Studies

Transformer Manufacturing Workers, General Electric, Massachusetts

Compared to matched non-cancer deaths from the same worker cohort, no elevated measure of association (OR 0.85) between TCE and bladder cancer was seen (Greenland 1994).

Chemical Plant Workers, Montreal, Canada

A population matched case control study examining occupational chlorinated solvent exposures and various cancers failed to find an association (OR 0.7) between TCE exposure and bladder cancer (Christensen 2013).

Nordic Occupational Cancer Database, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden

A population matched case control study examining occupational exposures and bladder cancer demonstrated a monotonic exposure response with a statistically significant elevated measure of association (HR 1.23) with high TCE exposure in a 10-year lagged analysis (Hadhkale 2017). The authors conclude that this "study provides evidence of an association of occupational exposure to trichloroethylene ... and the risk of bladder cancer."

Male Bladder Cancers, Northern Italy

A pooled analysis of two prior published case-control studies of male bladder cancer patients from Italy with other hospitalized patients serving as controls now examining estimated occupational exposures with a 10-year lag was conducted in this study (Sciannameao 2019). An elevated measure of association (OR 1.21) with ever exposure to TCE was identified, with a statistically significant elevated measure of association (OR 1.30) in low estimated exposure but not high estimated exposures (OR 1.15). When restricted to low grade bladder cancer, a statistically significant measure of association (OR 1.28) with ever exposure to TCE was evident.

Meta-analyses

The first meta-analysis included the following cohorts: Hill Air Force Base, Utah (NCI), Swedish TCE Production Workers, Finnish TCE Production Workers, and Aerospace Workers, Hughes Aircraft, Arizona (Morgan 1998). The meta-SMR demonstrated an elevated measure of association (1.15) with bladder cancer deaths, although only the initial follow up period for the Hill Air Force Base cohort was included (Spirtas 1991) rather than the updated follow up (Blair 1998).

Pooling of three TCE exposed worker cohorts from Sweden, Denmark, and Finland utilizing lags up to 20 years also demonstrated an elevated measure of association (SIR 1.17) with bladder cancer incidence (Hansen 2013).



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Bradford Hill: TCE

An association between TCE exposure and bladder cancer has been identified in multiple studies including occupational exposures and Camp Lejeune water system exposures. The following discussion evaluates the evidence to determine whether it is “as likely as not” that this demonstrated association is causal.

Strength of Association: Many studies demonstrate elevated measures of association between exposure to TCE and bladder cancer (Anttila 1995; Blair 1998; Boice 2006; Morgan 1998; Ritz 1999; Sciannameao 2019). These range up to an SMR of 1.66 (Boice 2006). Meta-analyses have identified an elevated measure of association for both bladder cancer diagnosis (mSIR 1.17) and bladder cancer mortality (mSMR 1.15), providing a realistic estimate of the true population risk of bladder cancer following exposure to TCE (Hansen 2013; Morgan 1998). This body of literature provides strong evidence that exposure to TCE is a cause of bladder cancer given the demonstrated **strength of association** in the epidemiologic literature.

Consistency: Individual studies of largely inhalational occupational exposures (Anttila 1995; Blair 1998; Boice 2006; Hadkhale 2017; Morgan 1998; Raaschou-Nielsen 2003; Ritz 1999; Sciannameao 2019; Zhao 2005) provide consistent findings of an association in distinct populations between TCE exposure and bladder cancer. Additionally, analysis of both cancer diagnosis (Anttila 1995; Hadkhale 2017; Raaschou-Nielsen 2003; Sciannameao 2019; Zhao 2005) and cancer mortality (Blair 1998; Boice 2006; Morgan 1998; Ritz 1999; Zhao 2005) as the outcome demonstrate similar results. Furthermore, both cohort (Anttila 1995; Blair 1998; Boice 2006; Morgan 1998; Raaschou-Nielsen 2003; Ritz 1999; Zhao 2005) and case-control (Hadkhale 2017; Sciannameao 2019) studies reach nearly identical conclusions. Such a variety of studies by a multitude of investigators all reaching similar results provide **consistent** evidence that exposure to TCE is a cause of bladder cancer.

Exposure Response: Multiple studies have demonstrated monotonic exposure response relationships for increased intensity of TCE exposure with increased bladder cancer (Hadkhale 2017; Zhao 2005). Additional evidence of exposure response occurred with other measures of intensity of exposure (Blair 1998; Bove 2014a; Morgan 1998; Sciannameao 2019; Zhao 2005). Similar results despite varied methods of assessing exposure provide compelling evidence of causation given the **exposure response** relationship demonstrated in many studies.

Temporality: Multiple studies utilized prolonged lags to ensure that exposure to TCE occurred sufficiently far before the identification of a bladder cancer case to be a cause of that outcome of interest (Bove 2014a; Boice 2006; Hadkhale 2017; Raaschou-Nielsen 2003; Ritz 1999; Sciannameao 2019; Zhao 2005). Such study designs provide evidence for causation that accounts for the principle of **temporality**, that the exposure of interest must occur sufficiently prior to the outcome of interest to be a possible cause.



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Biological Plausibility: Exposure to TCE follows a clear biologically plausible pathway for causation of kidney cancer. The glutathione conjugation metabolic pathway has been implicated for TCE with confirmation in humans (Moore 2010). As explained in more detail below, it is plausible that bladder cancer follows a similar causal pathway, given that urine formed in the kidney travels to the bladder where it dwells until urination. This provides clear support for a **biologically plausible** pathway from TCE exposure to development of bladder cancer.

Analogy: TCE exposure is analogous to PCE exposure, with similarly elevated measures of association and an identical biological causal pathway. This **analogous** evidence of PCE as a cause of bladder cancer was discussed in detail in the previous section.

Experiment: There is no human **experimental** evidence of causation involving TCE and bladder cancer. An absence of experimental data is common when considering the body of evidence surrounding occupational or environmental toxins. Of note, a lack of relevant experimental studies does not provide evidence against causation.

Specificity: One study demonstrated elevated measures of association in women but not men (Raaschou-Nielsen 2003). There are multiple possible causes of bladder cancer and multiple types of bladder cancer that were contained in each analysis of TCE exposure limiting **specificity** in contributing to causation.

Coherence: The human and mechanistic literature provides a robust and **coherent** body of evidence for TCE exposure as a cause of bladder cancer. There is no substantial contrary data suggesting an alternative explanation for the observed measures of association.

Summary: TCE

The evidence surrounding TCE exposures and the outcome of bladder cancer discussed above is compelling. Given the weight of evidence presented in the Bradford Hill analysis, not only is the “as likely as” standard met, but there is also sufficient evidence to establish causation.

Additionally, the 2017 ATSDR framework is also clearly met:

“Equipose and above evidence for causation: The evidence is sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship is at least as likely as not, but not sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship exists. This category would be met, for example, if:

A meta-analysis does not provide convincing evidence (e.g., the summary risk estimate is close to the null value of 1.0, i.e., ≤ 1.1 , or if the meta-analysis observes a non-monotonic exposure-response relationship) but there is at least one epidemiological study considered to be of high utility occurring after the meta-analysis has been conducted, in which an association between the exposure and



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increased risk of the disease of interest has been found and in which chance and biases can be ruled out with reasonable confidence.”

In this case, multiple meta-analyses demonstrate elevated measures of association with occupational exposures and multiple high utility epidemiological studies have been performed with each demonstrating elevated measures of association, well in excess of the conservative criteria set forth by ATSDR. The weight of evidence indicates that TCE is not only at least as likely as not a cause of bladder cancer but also that there is sufficient evidence to establish TCE exposure as a cause of bladder cancer.

Exposure: Benzene

Cohort Studies

Chemical Workers, United States

Chemical workers exposed to benzene were followed for mortality outcomes (Wong 1987a). The overall cohort did not exhibit an elevated measure of association (SMR 0.816) with bladder cancer deaths. However, in a variety of complementary analyses, increased exposure repeatedly demonstrated elevated measures of association with bladder cancer deaths (Wong 1987b)

Occupational Exposures, England and Wales

An elevated measure of association (SMR 1.11) was identified for those in occupations where most workers had some exposure to benzene (Dolin 1992). In addition, a monotonic dose response was seen with a statistically significantly elevated measure of association (SMR 1.42) in occupations where most workers had a high degree of exposure to benzene.

Service Station Workers, Denmark, Finland, Norway, and Sweden

Service station workers with elevated estimated benzene exposures were followed for 15-20 years (Lynge 1997). No elevated measure of association with bladder cancer incidence was seen in male (SIR 1.1) or female (SIR 0.5) service station workers.

Occupational Benzene Exposures, England and Wales

Workers exposed to benzene did not demonstrate an increase in bladder cancer incidence (SRR 1.04) or bladder cancer mortality (SRR 1.00) in a British cohort (Sorahan 2005).

Camp Lejeune

No overall association (1.07) with bladder cancer deaths was identified in a 10-year lagged analysis of military personnel stationed at Camp Lejeune compared to Camp Pendleton with at least low exposure to benzene (Bove 2014a). However, elevated measures of association with medium (HR 4.04) and high (HR 2.26) were identified.



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Dow Chemical Workers, Michigan

No elevated measure of association (SMR 0.66) with bladder cancer was seen in the cohort of benzene exposed chemical workers (Bond 1986). Likewise, no elevated measure of association (SMR 0.84) with bladder cancer was seen in the cohort of benzene exposed chemical workers on the most recent follow-up analysis (Collins 2015).

Benzene Exposed Workers, China

No elevated measure of association (SMR 0.9) with bladder cancer was seen in the cohort of benzene exposed chemical workers (Linnet 2015).

Coal-Oil-Fired Thermal Power Plant Air Pollution, Italy

The middle (IRR 1.16) and highest (IRR 1.44) tertiles of estimated benzene exposure demonstrated elevated measures of association with bladder cancer in women but not men (Collarile 2017). Statistically significantly elevated measures of association were seen when analysis was restricted to women 75 or older.

Offshore Petroleum Workers, Norway

An elevated measure of association (HR 1.25-1.28 depending on model) with bladder cancer was seen in Norwegian offshore petroleum workers ever exposed to benzene (Shala 2023). Further analysis identified a statistically significant dose response relationship for low (HR 1.18), medium (HR 1.32), and high (HR 1.89) duration of exposure. Additional statistically significant monotonic dose response relationships were demonstrated with the most prominent in an analysis of primary bladder cancer with a 20-year lag for very low (HR 1.35), low (HR 1.31), medium (HR 1.60), and high (HR 2.16) cumulative exposures.

Case Control

Occupational Benzene and Exhaust Exposure, Stockholm, Sweden

A population-based case referent study examining occupational exposures to benzene and other exhaust fumes where “any exposure after 1981 was ignored, thus allowing for a latency period” with follow-up beginning in 1985 demonstrated a statistically significant elevated measure of association (RR 2.0) with urothelial cancer diagnosis (Steineck 1990). The vast majority of urothelial cancers analyzed were bladder cancers (243/256) with the remaining 13 cases located in the renal pelvis, ureter, or multiple sites. In those exposed only to benzene and no petrol exhaust, a statistically significant elevated measure of association (RR 6.7) was also seen. A monotonic exposure-response was demonstrated for duration of exposure: 1-9 yrs (RR 1.8) and 10+ yrs (RR 2.2). A non-monotonic exposure-response was also seen when exposure was defined by annual dose: Low (RR 1.7), Moderate (RR 1.1), and High (RR 3.0). Additionally, current smokers exposed to benzene (RR 7.5), the lack of vitamin A supplementation



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and exposure to benzene (RR 5.8), exposure to fried foods and benzene (RR 9.3), and a high intake of fat in conjunction with benzene exposure (RR 10.7), all demonstrated a statistically significant elevated measure of association.

Transformer Manufacturing Workers, General Electric, Massachusetts

Compared to matched non-cancer deaths from the same worker cohort, no elevated measure of association (OR 1.02) between benzene and bladder cancer was seen (Greenland 1994).

Occupational Exposures, Montreal, Canada

A population-based case control study examining occupational exposures utilizing “a reasonable period of latency” demonstrated an elevated measure of association for medium (OR 1.2) but not low (OR 1.0) or high (OR 0.2) benzene exposures (Gerin 1998).

Occupational Exposures, Nordic Occupational Cancer Database

A population matched case control study examining occupational exposures and bladder cancer with a 10-year lag demonstrated a statistically significantly elevated measure of association (HR 1.16) with high benzene exposure (Hadjkhale 2017). The authors conclude that this “study provides evidence of an association of occupational exposure to ... benzene ... and the risk of bladder cancer.”

Occupational Exposures, Northern Italy

A pooled analysis of two prior published case-control studies of male bladder cancer patients from Italy with other hospitalized patients serving as controls now examining estimated occupational exposures in this analysis (Sciannameao 2019). No elevated measure of association (OR 0.99) with ever exposure to benzene was identified.

Occupational Exposures, New England Bladder Cancer Study

A population matched case control study examining occupational exposures and bladder cancer demonstrated a statistically significant elevated measure of association (OR 1.63) with benzene exposure (Xie 2024). Similar to an unlagged analysis, in a 20-year lagged analysis a nonmonotonic exposure response relationship was identified: Q1 (aOR 1.71); Q2 (aOR 1.28); Q3 (aOR 2.07); Q4 (aOR 1.38) with Q3 reaching statistical significance.

Meta-analysis

Investigators examined 35 studies of benzene exposures with bladder cancer as an outcome. Many of the included studies did not explicitly assess benzene exposure, using occupation as a proxy with frequent co-exposures to other toxins. The overall measure of association (mRR 1.07) was not elevated in analysis that included all studies. However, for the 5 studies that explicitly estimated degree of benzene exposure, a statistically significant linear (monotonic) exposure-response was identified, with



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an elevated measure of association in low (mRR 1.19) and high (mRR 1.20) but not medium (mRR 1.06) dose (Seyyedsalehi 2024).

Bradford Hill: Benzene

An elevated measure of association between benzene exposure and bladder cancer has been identified in multiple studies including occupational exposures and Camp Lejeune water system exposures. The following discussion evaluates the evidence in order to determine whether it is “as likely as not” that this demonstrated association is causal.

Strength of Association: Multiple studies demonstrate elevated measures of association between exposure to benzene and bladder cancer (Steineck 1990; Shala 2023; Xie 2024). These range up to a RR of 2.0 (Steineck 1990). A meta-analysis identified a mRR of 1.07, although benzene exposure was not explicitly identified for many studies making the relevance of the summary statistic uncertain (Seyyedsalehi 2024). Such a body of literature provides evidence that exposure to benzene is a cause of bladder cancer given the demonstrated **strength of association** in the epidemiologic literature.

Consistency: Individual studies of inhalational occupational exposures (Collarile 2017; Gerin 1998; Hadkhale 2017; Shala 2023; Steineck 1990; Xie 2024) in multiple countries throughout the world provide consistent findings of an association in distinct populations between benzene exposure and bladder cancer diagnosis. Furthermore, both cohort (Collarile 2017; Shala 2023) and case-control (Gerin 1998; Hadkhale 2017; Steineck 1990; Xie 2024) studies reach nearly identical conclusions. Such a variety of studies by a multitude of investigators all reaching similar results provide **consistent** evidence that exposure to benzene is a cause of bladder cancer.

Exposure Response: Monotonic exposure-response relationships have been demonstrated for increased intensity of benzene exposure with increased bladder cancer (Collarile 2017; Hadkhale 2017; Seyyedsalehi 2024; Shala 2023; Steineck 1990). Additional evidence of exposure-response occurs with other measures of intensity of exposure (Bove 2014a; Gerin 1998; Steineck 1990; Xie 2024). Similar results despite varied methods of assessing exposure provide compelling evidence of causation given the **exposure-response** relationship demonstrated in multiple studies.

Temporality: Multiple studies utilized prolonged lags to ensure that exposure to benzene occurred sufficiently far before the identification of a bladder cancer case to be a cause of that outcome of interest (Bove 2014a; Hadkhale 2017; Shala 2023; Xie 2024). Other studies utilized latency periods (Gerin 1998; Steineck 1990). Such study designs provide evidence for causation that accounts for the principle of **temporality**, that the exposure of interest must occur sufficiently prior to the outcome of interest to be a possible cause.

Biological Plausibility: Benzene is recognized as a cause of cancer, well established as a cause of leukemia. It is thought that toxic metabolites of benzene are responsible for cancer causation, with



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t,t-muconic acid and p-benzoquinone as the most likely causative metabolites (Ahmed Kahn 2007). In vitro studies demonstrate DNA damage after exposure to these metabolites. Research is lacking to elucidate the full pathway for exposure to benzene and development of bladder cancer. However, given that benzene is a known human carcinogen and that “benzene is characterized as a known human carcinogen for all routes of exposure based upon convincing human evidence as well as supporting evidence from animal studies,” it is scientifically reasonable to conclude that there is a **biologically plausible** mechanistic pathway for benzene to cause bladder cancer.

Analogy: Currently, there is a lack of **analogous** evidence to support benzene as a cause of bladder cancer.

Experiment: There is no human **experimental** evidence of causation involving benzene and bladder cancer. An absence of experimental data is common when considering the body of evidence surrounding occupational or environmental toxins. Of note, a lack of relevant experimental studies does not provide evidence against causation.

Specificity: Benzene exposure has been identified with higher measures of association for bladder cancer in women rather than men (Collarile 2017). However, it is not clear if this is due to differences in exposure assessment or true differences in susceptibility to bladder cancer by sex. Additionally, risks were more elevated in one study when benzene exposure occurred with smoking, lack of vitamin A supplementation, fried foods, and high intake of fat (Steineck 1990). There are multiple possible causes of bladder cancer and multiple types of bladder cancer that were contained in each analysis of benzene exposure and bladder cancer limiting **specificity** in contributing to causation.

Coherence: The human literature provides a **coherent** body of evidence for benzene exposure as a cause of bladder cancer, albeit less robust compared to TCE and PCE. There is limited supportive mechanistic data in the current literature. However, there is no substantial contrary data suggesting an alternative explanation for the observed measures of association.

Summary: Benzene

The evidence surrounding benzene exposures and the outcome of bladder cancer discussed above is substantial. Given the weight of evidence presented in the Bradford Hill analysis, the “as likely as” standard is satisfied.

Additionally, the 2017 ATSDR framework is also clearly met:

“Equipose and above evidence for causation: The evidence is sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship is at least as likely as not, but not sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship exists. This category would be met, for example, if:



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A meta-analysis has not been conducted, but there is at least one epidemiological study considered to be of high utility in which an association between the exposure and increased risk of the disease of interest has been found and in which chance and biases can be ruled out with reasonable confidence.”

In this case, the meta-analysis examining benzene as an exposure and bladder cancer as an outcome includes a number of studies that do not explicitly analyze benzene as the exposure (Seyyedsalehi 2024). Thus, it is not clear whether the overall measure of association presented (mRR 1.07) is relevant given the broad inclusion criteria. However, a linear exposure-response was identified in studies where degree of benzene exposure was quantified, which is certainly pertinent to the causation discussion. Nevertheless, a number of high utility epidemiological studies have been performed and demonstrate consistent risk estimates with elevated measures of association, meeting or exceeding the conservative criteria set forth by ATSDR. Exposure to benzene is at least as likely as not a cause of bladder cancer.

Exposure: Vinyl Chloride

Cohort Studies

Vinyl Chloride Production Workers, United States and Canada

No elevated measure of association (SMR 1.05) with bladder cancer was seen in an initial analysis of a cohort of vinyl chloride exposed chemical workers (Mundt 2000). However, an elevated measure of association (SMR 1.20) was identified with additional follow up (Mundt 2017).

Camp Lejeune

No overall association (0.88) with bladder cancer deaths was identified in a 10-year lagged analysis of military personnel stationed at Camp Lejeune compared to Camp Pendleton with at least low exposure to vinyl chloride (Bove 2014a). However, an elevated measures of association with medium exposure (HR 2.59) was identified.

Bradford Hill: Vinyl Chloride

An association between vinyl chloride exposure and bladder cancer has been identified in the overall cohort in one analysis as well as in a subgroup of a study directly examining Camp Lejeune water system exposures. The following discussion evaluates the evidence in order to determine whether it is “as likely as not” that this demonstrated association is causal.

Strength of Association: One study demonstrates an elevated measure of association (SMR 1.20) between vinyl chloride exposure and bladder cancer (Mundt 2017). Additionally, in an analysis of the cohort of interest, persons exposed at Camp Lejeune, an elevated measure of association (HR 2.59) was seen with medium cumulative exposure to vinyl chloride (Bove 2014a). This provides evidence that exposure to vinyl chloride is a cause of bladder cancer given the demonstrated **strength of association** in the epidemiologic literature.



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Consistency: Multiple cohort studies in different populations demonstrate elevated measures of association (Bove 2014a; Mundt 2017). This provides limited but **consistent** evidence that vinyl chloride is a cause of bladder cancer.

Exposure-Response: One study demonstrated evidence of a non-monotonic exposure response between cumulative vinyl chloride exposure and bladder cancer (Bove 2014a). This provides limited evidence of an **exposure-response** relationship.

Temporality: One study utilized prolonged lags to ensure that exposure to vinyl chloride occurred sufficiently far before the identification of a bladder cancer case to be a cause of that outcome of interest (Bove 2014a). Such a study design provides evidence for causation that accounts for the principle of **temporality**, that the exposure of interest must occur sufficiently prior to the outcome of interest to be a possible cause.

Biological Plausibility: Vinyl chloride is recognized as a cause of cancer, well established as a cause of angiosarcomas of the liver and hepatocellular carcinoma. Further, an increased rate of DNA adduct formation in the kidneys have been found. Additionally, both the parent compound of vinyl chloride as well as its metabolites are renally excreted with subsequent flow of urine to the bladder. Vinyl chloride is thought to assert oncogenic ability on the *RAS* and *P53* genes. Research is lacking to elucidate the full pathway for exposure to vinyl chloride and development of bladder cancer. However, IARC has stated that, "there is sufficient evidence in humans for the carcinogenicity of vinyl chloride...There is sufficient evidence in experimental animals for the carcinogenicity of vinyl chloride." It is scientifically reasonable to conclude that there is a **biologically plausible** mechanistic pathway for vinyl chloride to cause bladder cancer.

Analogy: Currently, there is a lack of **analogous** evidence to support vinyl chloride as a cause of bladder cancer.

Experiment: There is no human **experimental** evidence of causation involving vinyl chloride and bladder cancer. An absence of experimental data is common when considering the body of evidence surrounding occupational or environmental toxins. Of note, a lack of relevant experimental studies does not provide evidence against causation.

Specificity: There are multiple possible causes of bladder cancer and multiple types of bladder cancer that were contained in the analysis of vinyl chloride exposure and bladder cancer limiting **specificity** in contributing to causation.

Coherence: The human literature provides a limited but **coherent** body of evidence for vinyl chloride exposure as a cause of bladder cancer. There is limited supportive mechanistic data. There is no substantial contrary data suggesting an alternative explanation for the observed measures of association.



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Summary: Vinyl Chloride

The evidence surrounding vinyl chloride exposures and the outcome of bladder cancer discussed above is limited but sufficient to establish causation. Given the weight of evidence presented in the Bradford Hill analysis, the at least “as likely as not” standard is satisfied.

Additionally, the 2017 ATSDR framework is also met:

“Equipoise and above evidence for causation: The evidence is sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship is at least as likely as not, but not sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship exists. This category would be met, for example, if:

A meta-analysis has not been conducted, but there is at least one epidemiological study considered to be of high utility in which an association between the exposure and increased risk of the disease of interest has been found and in which chance and biases can be ruled out with reasonable confidence.”

In this case, multiple high utility epidemiological studies have been performed and demonstrate an elevated measure of association, meeting the conservative criteria set forth by ATSDR. Exposure to vinyl chloride is at least as likely as not a cause of bladder cancer.

Levels of Toxic Exposures that are Hazardous to Humans Generally and are Known to Cause Bladder Cancer

Determination of the levels of exposure that are hazardous to humans, and known to cause of bladder cancer, follows a framework of evidence. The most relevant literature provides estimates aligned with the population and exposure of concern. Accordingly, if these publications are sufficient to inform the question of exposure levels associated with the outcome of interest, there is no need to turn to alternative exposure metrics from the greater body of literature. Of note, unless specific subgroup analyses of vulnerable populations occur, then reported levels of exposures are likely to be overestimated for such individuals. This means that the lowest levels of reported associations in the scientific literature likely and probably do not represent actual minimum threshold doses. It is unlikely that a true minimum exposure will ever be studied given ethics and safety concerns. However, with reasonable scientific certainty and based on sound scientific principles and methodology, we can detail levels of exposure to toxins at issue that are hazardous to humans and are known to cause bladder cancer.

There is an order of examination that is most appropriate in identifying low ranges of exposures associated with hazards to human health generally and are known to cause bladder cancer. Given that the exposure of interest is water contaminated with multiple culprit compounds, the body of literature that directly examines bladder cancer in the Camp Lejeune population exposed to the contaminated water system as measured by either duration of residence or the combined cumulative exposure to culprit compounds (TVOC or TCE+PCE) provides the most direct evidence for an exposure at Camp



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Lejeune that is hazardous to humans. Although the exposed group in this cohort is limited to those on base 1972-1985, Camp Lejeune exposures outside of this time window are similar in composition although different in intensity to the analyzed period with the primary exception of minimal PCE exposure prior to this period in the Hadnot Point water system (ATSDR PHA 2017).

It is not likely that the majority of exposed were limited to a single water system on the base. However, TCE exposures dwarfed PCE exposures in the Hadnot Point water system, rendering such a difference in exposure composition largely irrelevant when using duration or TVOC/TCE+PCE as exposure metrics. Consequently, exposure levels associated with an increased risk of bladder cancer directly from the population of interest with the exposure of interest represent the best estimates of low exposure levels that are hazardous to humans generally and are known to cause bladder cancer.

When a monotonic dose response is identified in this population, then the lowest exposure metric with an elevated measure of association provides a conservative assessment of a lower exposure level hazardous to humans generally and known to cause bladder cancer. The true bound for equipoise is somewhere below this point, so the reported range is a conservative assessment of an exposure hazardous to human health taken directly from real world exposures. The presence of a monotonic dose response may allow for extrapolation to exposures outside of the studied population, providing an opportunity to extrapolate to exposures lower than the lowest exposure metric that exists.

Given that the exposure of interest is water contaminated with multiple culprit compounds, the body of literature that directly examines the Camp Lejeune population exposed to the contaminated water system best answers the question of what levels of exposure are associated with bladder cancer.

The most relevant evidence for on-base exposures is a monotonic exposure-response relationship. A duration-based intensity of exposure is supported by the Camp Lejeune literature with a monotonic exposure response evident (Bove 2024a). Thus, the minimum exposure that is demonstrably hazardous to humans is the lowest duration category in the monotonic exposure-response finding that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. This is the “medium” duration group with 7-10 quarters on base (HR 1.18).

There are additional, scientifically valid ways to identify lower levels of the chemicals at issue that are hazardous to humans generally and that are known to cause bladder cancer. One such method is to determine the lowest exposure metric with an elevated measure of association, even if there is not a monotonic response in the Camp Lejeune population for the outcome of interest. The true bound for equipoise is still somewhere below this point, so this forms a conservative assessment taken directly from real world exposures.

A duration-based intensity of exposure method for determining levels hazardous to human health and known to cause bladder cancer is supported by the Camp Lejeune literature with a non-monotonic exposure response in two studies (Bove 2024a; Bove 2024b). Consequently, the lowest duration



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category in the nonmonotonic exposure-response finding is a level that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. In these studies, this is the “low/medium” duration group (HR 1.18) with 1-21 quarters on base (Bove 2024a).

To summarize, if an individual was present at Camp Lejeune and exposed to the levels of the chemicals above, this individual would have been exposed to levels of the water at Camp Lejeune that are hazardous to humans generally and are known to cause bladder cancer.

Alternatively, combining exposures to culprit compounds (TVOC or TCE+PCE) to form a cumulative exposure metric is supported by the Camp Lejeune literature with a non-monotonic exposure response evident in studies of both civilian employees and military personnel (ATSDR 2018; Bove 2014a). Consequently, low exposures that are demonstrably hazardous to humans fall in the lowest cumulative exposure category that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. This is the “medium” TVOC cumulative exposure group (HR 3.33) of >4600 to 12250ug/L*months (Bove 2014a).

Yet another scientifically valid method is to examine a contaminant with a monotonic exposure response and a strong connection to the outcome of interest in the non-Camp Lejeune body of literature. Of note, limitation of exposure to a single compound in isolation necessarily overestimates the minimum exposure given that the impact of combined exposures is ignored. Again, lowest exposure metric with an elevated measure of association for the outcome of interest represents low exposures that are hazardous to humans generally and a cause of bladder cancer. However, the true bound for equipoise is somewhere below this point, so reported exposures form a conservative assessment of level hazardous to human health taken directly from the real world. The presence of a monotonic dose response may allow for extrapolation to exposures outside of the studied population, potentially estimating the point of equipoise.

PCE is a single Camp Lejeune water contaminant with a sufficient body of evidence for causation of bladder cancer. A monotonic exposure-response relationship with PCE at Camp Lejeune is evident (ATSDR 2018). Consequently, a low exposure to PCE that is demonstrably hazardous to humans is the lowest cumulative exposure category that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. This is the “low” PCE cumulative exposure group (HR 1.33) of >0 to 36ug/L*months (ATSDR 2018).

If a monotonic dose response is not identified, then the lowest exposure category with an elevated measure of association for an individual contaminant exposure in the Camp Lejeune population for the outcome of interest represents the best estimate of an exposure where equipoise is exceeded to be hazardous to humans and known to cause bladder cancer. However, the true bound for equipoise is somewhere below this point, so this forms a conservative assessment of a minimum exposure taken directly from real world exposures.

PCE is a single Camp Lejeune water contaminant with a sufficient body of evidence for causation of bladder cancer. A non-monotonic exposure-response relationship with PCE at Camp Lejeune is evident



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(Bove 2014a). Consequently, a low exposure to PCE that is demonstrably hazardous to humans is the lowest cumulative exposure category that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. This is the “medium” PCE cumulative exposure group (HR 1.62) of >155 to 380ug/L*months (Bove 2014a).

TCE is a single Camp Lejeune water contaminant with a sufficient body of evidence for causation of bladder cancer. A non-monotonic exposure-response relationship with TCE at Camp Lejeune is evident (Bove 2014a). Consequently, a low exposure to TCE that is demonstrably hazardous to humans is the lowest cumulative exposure category that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. This is the “medium” TCE cumulative exposure group (HR 2.69) of >3100 to 7700ug/L*months (Bove 2014a).

Benzene is a single Camp Lejeune water contaminant with a sufficient body of evidence for causation of bladder cancer. A non-monotonic exposure-response relationship with benzene at Camp Lejeune is evident (Bove 2014a). Consequently, an exposure to benzene that is demonstrably hazardous to humans is the lowest cumulative exposure category that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. This is the “medium” benzene cumulative exposure group (HR 4.04) of >45 to 110ug/L*months (Bove 2014a).

Vinyl chloride is a single Camp Lejeune water contaminant with a sufficient body of evidence for causation of bladder cancer. A non-monotonic exposure-response relationship with vinyl chloride at Camp Lejeune is evident (Bove 2014a). Consequently, an exposure to vinyl chloride that is demonstrably hazardous to humans is the lowest cumulative exposure category that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. This is the “medium” vinyl chloride cumulative exposure group (HR 2.59) of >205 to 500ug/L*months (Bove 2014a).

Another reasonable, scientifically valid method is to turn to the non-Camp Lejeune literature. In that instance, a contaminant with a monotonic exposure response and a strong connection to the outcome of interest in the non-Camp Lejeune body of literature should be considered first. Of note, consideration of exposures as a single compound in isolation ignores the impact of combined exposures. Additionally, much of the literature on individual compounds consists of occupational exposures, mostly inhalational, which differ from combined residential and occupational exposures that occurred at Camp Lejeune. These two factors likely serve to overestimate the magnitude of exposures. When a monotonic dose response is identified for this exposure, then the lowest exposure metric with an elevated measure of association for the outcome of interest represents the best estimate of the point where equipoise is exceeded. However, the true bound for equipoise is somewhere below this point, so this represents a conservative assessment of a low exposure taken directly from real world exposures. The presence of a monotonic dose response may allow for extrapolation to exposures outside of the studied population, potentially estimating the point of equipoise.

PCE is a single Camp Lejeune water contaminant with a sufficient body of evidence for causation of bladder cancer. A monotonic exposure-response relationship with PCE is evident (Aschengrau 1993). This is the “low” exposure group (HR 1.16) in a contaminated water system outside of Camp Lejeune, although clear exposure bounds for this group are not explicitly identified (Aschengrau 1993). In



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exposed, the estimated dose delivered ranged from 10-209,400ug/L suggesting that the low end of this range defines the lower bound of the “low” exposure group based on water system modeling (Webler 1993). Direct measurements from the water system demonstrated median (66ug/L), mean (0.5ug/L), and a range (ND to 2432ug/L) of PCE concentrations similar to Camp Lejeune (Spence 2008).

TCE is a single Camp Lejeune water contaminant with a sufficient body of evidence for causation of bladder cancer. A monotonic exposure-response relationship with TCE is evident in a Nordic occupational study (Hadkhale 2017). Consequently, a low exposure to TCE that is demonstrably hazardous to humans is the lowest cumulative exposure category that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. This is the “high” TCE exposure group (HR 1.23) of >129.5ppm*years (Hadkhale 2017).

Benzene is a single Camp Lejeune water contaminant with a sufficient body of evidence for causation of bladder cancer. A monotonic exposure-response relationship with benzene is evident in a Nordic occupational study (Hadkhale 2017). Consequently, a low exposure to benzene that is demonstrably hazardous to humans is the lowest cumulative exposure category that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. A monotonic exposure-response relationship with benzene is evident in women in a study of air pollution in Italy (Collarile 2017). Consequently, a low exposure to benzene that is demonstrably hazardous to humans is the lowest cumulative exposure category that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. This is the “medium” benzene exposure group (HR 1.16) of 1.1 to 1.8ug/m³ in women. Additionally, a monotonic exposure-response with benzene has been demonstrated in a Nordic occupational study (Hadkhale 2017). This is the “high” benzene exposure group (HR 1.16) of >15.04ppm*years.

If a monotonic dose response is not identified, then the lowest exposure metric with an elevated measure of association for the outcome of interest represents the best estimate of the levels hazardous to human health that and are a known cause of bladder cancer. However, the true bound for equipoise is somewhere below this point, so this represents a conservative assessment of a minimum exposure taken directly from real world exposures. This is yet another scientifically valid method for determining low levels of exposure that meet the standards in this case.

PCE is a single Camp Lejeune water contaminant with a sufficient body of evidence for causation of bladder cancer. A non-monotonic exposure-response relationship with PCE is evident in a Nordic dry cleaner study (Lynge 2006). Consequently, a low exposure to PCE that is demonstrably hazardous to humans is the lowest cumulative exposure category that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. This is a low duration of PCE exposure group (HR 1.5) of 0-1 year where the mean of “at least 60-minute exposures to PCE” was 164mg/m³ but ranged from <1 to >1000mg/m³. Additionally, a non-monotonic exposure-response relationship with PCE is evident in a Nordic occupational study (Hadkhale 2017). Thus, a low exposure to PCE that is demonstrably hazardous to humans is the lowest



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cumulative exposure category that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. This is the “medium” PCE exposure group (HR 1.12) of 13.6-87.55ppm*years (Hadhkale 2017).

TCE is a single Camp Lejeune water contaminant with a sufficient body of evidence for causation of bladder cancer. A non-monotonic exposure-response relationship with TCE is evident in aerospace workers in Arizona (Morgan 1998). Consequently, a low exposure to TCE that is demonstrably hazardous to humans is the lowest cumulative exposure category that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. This is the “high” TCE exposure group (HR 1.79), although specific exposure metrics are not defined. However, the “high” exposure group experienced levels >50ppm (Morgan 1998).

Benzene is a single Camp Lejeune water contaminant with a sufficient body of evidence for causation of bladder cancer. A non-monotonic exposure-response relationship with benzene is evident in men under 75 years of age in a study of air pollution in Italy (Collarile 2017). Consequently, a low exposure to benzene that is demonstrably hazardous to humans is the lowest cumulative exposure category that demonstrates an elevated measure of association. This is the “medium” benzene exposure group (HR 1.12) of 1.1 to 1.8ug/m³ (Collarile 2017).

To reiterate, this stepwise approach to the evidence simply indicates the order in which evidence should be evaluated in determining the low levels of exposure that are known to be hazardous to humans generally and are a cause of bladder cancer.

Non-Human Studies

When considering whether animal or mechanistic studies of exposures to TCE, PCE, vinyl chloride, and benzene with bladder cancer as an outcome are contributory, it is important to remember the standard for causation organizing this review:

“Equipoise and above evidence for causation: The evidence is sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship is at least as likely as not, but not sufficient to conclude that a causal relationship exists. This category would be met, for example, if:

1. The degree of evidence from human studies is less than sufficient but there is supplementary evidence from animal studies and/or mechanistic studies that supports causality” (ATSDR 2017)

For Camp Lejeune exposures, there is sufficient evidence in human studies to conclude that water contamination is a cause of bladder cancer. However, elucidation of a plausible pathway for bladder cancer causation in animal or mechanistic studies provides additional support.

Animal Studies

There are no published animal studies that identify excess cases of bladder cancer, although studies specifically examining bladder cancer as an outcome are limited following exposure to TCE, PCE, vinyl



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chloride, or benzene. Such an absence of published data does not indicate evidence against causality. Rather, it is simply a hole in the landscape of data that has not been filled in the scientific process.

Mechanistic Studies

A pathway for bladder cancer development following TCE exposure has been elucidated. TCE undergoes both oxidative metabolism in the liver as well as glutathione conjugation in the liver and kidney (EPA 2011; Chiu 2013). Following conjugation, TCE becomes S-dichlorovinyl-L-glutathione (DCVG), is concentrated in the kidney, and then becomes S-dichlorovinyl-L-cysteine (DCVC). Although untransformed TCE is not particularly toxic, DCVG and DCVC both demonstrate mutagenicity (Dekant 1986, Vamvakas 1987, Vamvakas 1988). Moreover, studies with isolated animal (rat, rabbit, and pig) and human renal cells provide evidence of both genotoxicity and mutagenicity in kidney tissue exposed to DCVG and DCVC (Jaffe 1995, Vamvakas 1989, Robbiano 1998, Robbiano 2004). It is suspected that regenerative cell proliferation following cytotoxicity also plays a role in tumorigenesis (Mally 2006). Additionally, oxidative stress is also well-known factor in cancer development.

Of note, metabolic data for PCE is more limited than for TCE, although a glutathione conjugation pathway has also been elucidated, resulting in S-(1,2,2-trichlorovinyl)-L-glutathione (TCVG) and S-(1,2,2-trichlorovinyl)-L-cysteine (TCVC) (Lash 1998, IARC 2014, Guyton 2014). TCVG and TCVC both demonstrate mutagenicity (Dekant 1986, Vamvakas 1987, Dreeson 2003). Studies with isolated pig kidney cells show evidence of increased unscheduled DNA synthesis (Vamvakas 1989). Although less well studied, PCE appears to undergo metabolism via glutathione conjugation in a similar fashion to TCE, with some evidence that an even greater proportion of PCE is transformed via this pathway in comparison to TCE (Lash 1998, IARC 2014, Guyton 2014).

No bladder cancer specific model has been identified, so it has not been demonstrated whether this bladder cancer pathway is directly relevant to bladder cancer development. Bladder storage volume reaches up to 400-600ml of urine and dwell time can reach nearly 5 hours (Brouwer 2021). However, given that urine formed in the kidney travels to the bladder where it dwells until urination, it is plausible that the same carcinogenic pathway applies.

Benzene is recognized as a cause of cancer, well established as a cause of leukemia. It is thought that toxic metabolites of benzene are responsible for cancer causation, with t,t-muconic acid and p-benzoquinone as the most likely causative metabolites (Ahmed Kahn 2007). In vitro studies demonstrate DNA damage after exposure to these metabolites. Currently, the literature base is too limited to define a precise pathway or mechanism of injury for benzene exposure leading to the development of bladder cancer. However, given that benzene is a known human carcinogen and that "benzene is characterized as a known human carcinogen for all routes of exposure based upon convincing human evidence as well as supporting evidence from animal studies," it is reasonable to conclude that there is a plausible pathway for benzene to cause bladder cancer.



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Vinyl chloride is recognized as a cause of cancer, well established as a cause of angiosarcomas of the liver and hepatocellular carcinoma. Further, an increased rate of DNA adduct formation in the kidneys have been found. Additionally, both the parent compound of vinyl chloride as well as its metabolites are renally excreted. Vinyl chloride is thought to assert oncogenic ability on the *RAS* and *P53* genes. Currently, the literature base is too limited to define a precise pathway or mechanism of injury for vinyl chloride exposure leading to the development of bladder cancer. However, IARC has stated that, “there is sufficient evidence in humans for the carcinogenicity of vinyl chloride...there is sufficient evidence in experimental animals for the carcinogenicity of vinyl chloride.” It is reasonable to conclude that there is a plausible pathway for vinyl chloride to cause bladder cancer.

VII Scientific Agencies

Various scientific agencies have examined the question of whether Camp Lejeune exposure itself, or component culprit exposures are a cause of bladder cancer in humans. Consistent determinations by multiple scientific panels evaluating the causal question indicate the determination that Camp Lejeune water exposure meets the equipoise and above standard for causation of bladder cancer and is in line with current evaluation of the evidence. Furthermore, such unanimity reflects general consensus in the scientific community on this question.

Camp Lejeune

Multiple reports have focused on Camp Lejeune exposures as the primary exposure. The initial evaluation was conducted by the National Research Council of the National Academies of Science (NRC 2009). The evaluation occurred prior to the publication of Camp Lejeune specific cohort studies finding “limited/suggestive evidence” of an association between Camp Lejeune exposures and bladder cancer. Such a connection is generally equivalent to the “equipoise and above” standard for causation. This was primarily driven by evidence connecting chronic exposure to PCE and mixtures of organic solvents with bladder cancer. A follow up document by the Institute of Medicine in 2015 stated that “new studies have generally supported the conclusions of the previous report (IOM 2015).” An ATSDR evaluation of the available evidence in 2017 concluded that “there is sufficient evidence for causation for PCE and bladder cancer” but “below equipoise evidence for causation for TCE and bladder cancer (ATSDR 2017).” Additional evidence since these publications has not weakened the assessment of evidence. Rather, the connection between Camp Lejeune exposures and bladder cancer has only strengthened for Camp Lejeune exposures as well as for exposures to each of the individual toxins at issue.

PCE

Camp Lejeune culprit exposures have also been analyzed individually. The EPA review of PCE concluded that PCE is “likely to be carcinogenic to humans ... based on suggestive evidence of carcinogenicity in epidemiological studies ... and conclusive evidence that the administration of PCE ... increases tumor incidence” in rodents. For bladder cancer, “the epidemiological data were considered to



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provide evidence suggestive of a causal association (Guyton 2014).” The most recent IARC monograph classified PCE as Group 2a, probably carcinogenic to humans (IARC 2014). It states that “There is limited evidence in humans for the carcinogenicity of tetrachloroethylene. Positive associations have been observed for cancer of the bladder.” Likewise, the NTP monograph confirms that PCE is “reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen (NTP 2021).” These determinations were performed with a traditional standard of causation, meaning that the equipoise and above standard was certainly satisfied. Additional evidence since these publications has not weakened my assessment of evidence. Rather, the connection between PCE exposures and bladder cancer has only strengthened.

Other culprit exposures

Other contaminants have less frequent assessments for bladder cancer as an outcome following exposure. The most recent IARC monograph classified TCE as Group 1 (carcinogenic to humans) finding that exposure “causes cancer of the kidney (IARC 2014).” At the time of that evaluation, there was not sufficient evidence of an association with bladder cancer for IARC to make a finding. Benzene was reviewed by IARC and found to be a Class 1 agent, carcinogenic to humans (IARC 2012; IARC 2018). However, this is based on sufficient evidence in humans to conclude that exposure “causes acute myeloid leukaemia.” Vinyl chloride was also reviewed by IARC and found to be a Class 1 agent, carcinogenic to humans (IARC 2008, IARC 2012). However, this is based on sufficient evidence in humans to conclude that exposure “causes angiosarcomas of the liver and hepatocellular carcinomas.” Furthermore, additional agencies have made similar determinations (ATSDR 2019; ATSDR 2024; EPA 2011; EPA IRIS 2011; EPA 2020; EPA 2022; NTP 2015). Additional evidence since the last IARC reviews only provides additional support for my analysis of exposure to each agent as a cause of bladder cancer.

In summary, there is consensus in the scientific community, including by US government agencies, that there is sufficient evidence for a causal association between Camp Lejeune water exposures and bladder cancer.

VIII Conclusions

Based on my education, training, and experience, along with a review of the material cited herein or otherwise identified, I hold the following opinions to a reasonable degree of scientific certainty:

- Exposure to contaminated water at Camp Lejeune is a cause of bladder cancer
- PCE exposure via the contaminated water at Camp Lejeune is a cause of bladder cancer
- TCE exposure via the contaminated water at Camp Lejeune is a cause of bladder cancer
- Benzene exposure via the contaminated water at Camp Lejeune is a cause of bladder cancer



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- Vinyl chloride exposure via the contaminated water at Camp Lejeune is a cause of bladder cancer
- Exposure of at least one quarter at Camp Lejeune is sufficient to represent a causal exposure, as this duration encompasses the real-world effects of water on base. Such a metric is not a threshold for causation of bladder cancer, rather it is a level of exposure with a demonstrated causal link within the Camp Lejeune population. As discussed in this report, there are many other methods available for determining low level exposures at Camp Lejeune that are hazardous to humans generally and are known to cause bladder cancer. It is my opinion that an exposure to any of the chemicals of interest at Camp Lejeune at each and every level described above is a cause of bladder cancer.



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APPENDIX I: TABLE

Author	Year	Measure of association	Exposure	Dose-Response	Lag/ Latency	Renal Pelvis included?	Notes
Camp Lejeune							
ATSDR	2018	HR 1.64 (diagnosis) in Camp Lejeune Marines; HR 0.82 in civilian workers at Camp Lejeune	Median exposure in Marines: PCE=36ug/L-months; TCE=110ug/L-months. Median exposure in civilian workers: TCE=10868ug/L-months; PCE=457ug/L-months.	Non-monotonic: High Exposure=OR 1.81 for combined TCE+PCE in Camp Lejeune civilian employees compared to Camp Pendleton. High Exposure=OR 1.78 for combined TCE+PCE in internal analysis of Camp Lejeune civilian employees.	No lag	?	Camp Lejeune civilian employees 1973-1985 & Marines 1975-1985. Survey to form retrospective cohort then nested case-controls conducted
Bove (a-morbidity)	2024	aHR 1.10 (diagnosis) in civilian workers and aHR 1.09 in military personnel at Camp Lejeune	Monthly median water system contamination: TCE=366ug/L; PCE=85ug/L; Vinyl Chloride=22ug/L	Monotonic in military personnel: medium duration of exposure (7-10 quarters)=HR 1.18, high duration of exposure (11-41 quarters)=HR 1.20. Non-monotonic in civilian personnel: low/medium duration of exposure (1-21 quarters)=HR 1.18	analysis began >10 years after exposure	N	Camp Lejeune civilian employees 1973-1985 & Military personnel 1975-1985.
Bove (b-mortality)	2024	aHR 1.02 (mortality) in military personnel and aHR 0.65 (mortality) in civilian workers at Camp Lejeune	Monthly median water system contamination: TCE=366ug/L; PCE=85ug/L; Vinyl Chloride=22ug/L	Non-monotonic: In military personnel, high duration of exposure (>7 quarters)= HR 1.24. Non-monotonic: In civilian employees, low duration of exposure (1-5 quarters)=HR 1.76	>75% deaths occurred at least 10 years after last exposure	N	Camp Lejeune civilian employees 1973-1985 & Military personnel 1975-1985.

Bove (a-military)	2014	HR 0.76 (mortality) in residents of Camp Lejeune	Mean TVOC=9605.1ug/L-months; Low Exposure=>1 to 4600ug/L-months; Medium Exposure=>4600 to 12250ug/L-months; High Exposure=>12250 to 64016ug/L-months	Non-monotonic: Medium Exposure=HR 3.33; High Exposure=HR 1.20	10 years (primary); also 0, 15, and 20 year lag sensitivity analyses	?	Camp Lejeune military personnel 1975-1985
Bove (b-civilian)	2014	HR 0.65 (mortality) in employees of Camp Lejeune	Monthly median water system contamination:PCE=14 .5ug/L; TCE=356.6ug/L; Benzene=4.1ug/L; Vinyl Chloride=20.3ug/L	Not reported	10 years (primary); also 0, 15, and 20 year lag sensitivity analyses	?	Camp Lejeune civilian employees 1973-1985

PCE							
Ruder	2001	SMR 2.22 (mortality); SMR 3.15 when restricted to confirmed PCE + other solvent exposures	Not Quantified	Monotonic: for >20 years since first employment, with >5 years duration most elevated (SMR 4.31). A statistically significant dose response was seen in difference in time since first employment (less than or greater than 20 years) or duration of employment (less than or greater than 5 years).	Up to 20+ years	Y	US dry cleaning workers
Calvert	2011	SMR 1.81 (mortality); SMR 2.59 when restricted to confirmed PCE + other solvent exposures	Not Quantified	Monotonic: for >20 years since first employment, with >5 years duration most elevated (SMR 4.08).	Up to 20+ years	Y	US dry cleaning workers
ATSDR	2018	OR 1.64 (diagnosis) in Camp Lejeune Marines	Median exposure in Marines: PCE=36ug/L-months.Low Exposure=>0 to <36. High exposure in Marines: PCE=at least 711.	Monotonic: Low Exposure=OR 1.33; Medium Exposure=OR 1.30; High Exposure=OR 2.07 for in Marines stationed at Camp Lejeune compared to Camp Pendleton. Monotonic: High Exposure=OR 1.54 for internal analysis of Camp Lejuene Marines	No lag	?	Camp Lejeune civilian employees 1973-1985 & Marines 1975-1985. Survey to form retrospective cohort then nested case-controls conducted

Aschengrau	1993	OR 1.55 (mortality)	Exposures not directly quantified but one representative exposed town had levels of 1.5-80ug/L in medium/high use sites. In exposed, the dose delivered ranged from 0.01-209.4mg with a 90th percentile in exposed controls of 44.1mg	Monotonic: Low exposure=OR 1.16; High Exposure=OR 6.04	15 year latency period	?	Massachusetts PCE contaminated water supplies
Callahan	2019	SMR 1.5 (mortality) in those who joined the union after 1960	Not Quantified	Monotonic: more elevated measures of association with increasing lag with max for 20 year lagged analysis Medium exposure=HR 4.2; High exposure=HR 9.2	20 year	?	St. Louis MO dry cleaning union workers
Vlaanderen	2014	mRR 1.47	Not Quantified	Not reported	not reported	?	Meta analysis of dry cleaning workers
Lynge	2006	RR 1.44 (diagnosis)	Mean of at least 60 minute exposures was 164mg/m ³ but ranged from <1 to >1000mg/m ³	Non-monotonic: duration of employment 0-1 year=RR 1.50; 2-4 years=RR 2.39; at least 10 years=1.57	No lag	?	Nordic dry cleaning workers

Sciannameao	2019	OR 1.43 (diagnosis) in ever exposed for low grade bladder cancer	Not Quantified	Non-monotonic: Low exposure=OR 1.40; Low exposure with low grade bladder cancer=OR 1.93	10 year	N	Italian occupational exposures. Relative exposures assessed based on job description.
Blair	2003	SMR 1.3 (mortality); SMR 2.9 (mortality) in those who joined the union after 1960	Not Quantified	Monotonic: Little or no exposure=SMR 1.4; Medium/High exposure=SMR 1.5. Non-monotonic: Less than 4.4 years duration of employment=SMR 2.1.	not reported	N	St. Louis MO dry cleaning union workers
Hadkhale	2017	HR 1.12 (diagnosis) in medium exposure group	Medium exposure group=13.60-87.55ppm*years	Non-monotonic: Medium Exposure=HR 1.12	10 year (primary). Also 0 and 20 years.	?	Nordic occupational exposures
Bove (a-military)	2014	HR 0.89 (mortality) in residents of Camp Lejeune with at least low exposure to PCE	Mean PCE=402.6ug/L-months; Low Exposure=>1 to 155ug/L-months; Medium Exposure=>155 to 380ug/L-months; High Exposure=>380 to 8585ug/L-months	Non-monotonic: Medium Exposure=HR 1.62; High Exposure=HR 1.24	10 year (primary); also 0, 15, and 20 year lag sensitivity analyses	?	Camp Lejeune military personnel 1975-1985

TCE							
Zhao	2005	RR 3.68 (diagnosis) in high exposure group/RR 1.85 (mortality) in high exposure group in 20 year lag adjusted analyses.	Not Quantified	Monotonic (Diagnosis w/ 20 year lag): Medium exposure=RR 1.76; High Exposure=RR 3.68. Non-monotonic (Mortality w/ 20 year lag): High exposure=RR 1.85. Similar results with 0 year lag for both diagnosis and mortality.	0 and 20 year reported. 10 year also employed.	N	Rocketdyne Workers at Santa Susana Field Laboratory, CA
Boice	2006	SMR 1.66 (mortality) in test stand workers exposed to TCE	Not Quantified	Not Reported	6 months up to 10 years	Y	Rocketdyne Workers. Exposures assigned by job assignment. Dose response with increasing numbers of estimated engine flushes per year associated with increasing risk of kidney cancer
Raaschou-Nielsen	2003	SIR 1.6 (diagnosis) in women	Mean air concentration 318 mg/m ³ in the 1960s and 75 mg/m ³ in 1980s	Not Reported	Up to at least 20 year lag. Mean follow up 17.6 years	N	Danish TCE exposed workers

Anttila	1995	SIR 1.51 (diagnosis) only elevated in those followed for at least 20 years	Not Quantified	Not reported	No lag. Mean length of follow up 18 years	N	Finnish TCE Production workers evaluated with urine TCE levels with median 48-90 umol/l although ranging up to >10000 umol/L
Morgan	1998	Exposed SMR 1.36 (mortality); High exposure SMR 1.79 (mortality); mSMR 1.15	Not quantified but highest exposure group >50 ppm	High exposure group=SMR 1.79; Peak medium and high vs low and no exposure=RR 1.41; High cumulative exposure=RR 2.71	Not reported	?	Aerospace workers at Hughes Aircraft, AZ. Only highest exposure group reported possible exposure range. Remainder are relative exposures. Meta-analysis of 4 cohorts: Hill Air Force Base, Utah (NCI), Swedish TCE Production Workers, Finnish TCE Production Workers, and Aerospace Workers, Hughes Aircraft, Arizona
Hadkhale	2017	HR 1.23 (diagnosis) in high exposure group	High exposure group=>129.50ppm*years	Monotonic: High Exposure=HR 1.23	10 year (primary). Also 0 and 20 years.	?	Nordic occupational exposures
Sciannameao	2019	OR 1.21 (diagnosis); OR 1.28 (diagnosis) in ever exposed for low grade bladder cancer	Not Quantified	Non-monotonic: Low Exposure=OR 1.30; High Exposure=OR 1.15	10 year	N	Italian occupational exposures. Relative exposures assessed based on job description.

Blair	1998	RR 1.2 (mortality)	Not Quantified	Non-monotonic (mortality in Men): Low Exposure=RR 1.8; Medium Exposure=RR 2.1; Low level intermittent exposure=RR 1.5; Low level continuous exposure=RR 2.0; Frequent Peaks=1.2. Non-monotonic (diagnosis in Men): Low Exposure=RR 1.7; Medium Exposure=RR 1.7; High Exposure=RR 1.4.	Not reported	N	Civilian employees at Hill Air Force Base, UT. Only relative exposures assessed based on job description
Ritz	1999	SMR 1.17 (mortality)	Not Quantified	Not Reported	15 year	N	Uranium processing workers, OH
Hansen	2013	mSIR 1.17 (diagnosis)	Urine TCA levels utilized to stratify degrees of exposure but no estimated exposure concentrations included.	Not Reported	10 and 20 years	N	Pooled analysis of multiple Nordic TCE exposed workers

Bove (a-military)	2014	HR 0.84 (mortality) in residents of Camp Lejeune with at least low exposure to TCE	Mean TCE=6369.3ug/L-months; Low Exposure=>1 to 3100ug/L-months; Medium Exposure=>3100 to 7700ug/L-months; High Exposure=>7700 to 39745ug/L-months	Non-Monotonic: Medium Exposure=HR 2.69	10 years (primary); also 0, 15, and 20 year lag sensitivity analyses	?	Camp Lejeune military personnel 1975-1985
Benzene							
Steineck	1990	RR 2.0 (diagnosis). RR 6.7 (diagnosis) for workers exposed only to benzene and not petrol. RR 7.5 for current smokers exposed to benzene.	Not Quantified	Monotonic (duration of exposure): 1-9 yrs=RR 1.8; 10+ yrs=RR 2.2. Non-monotonic (annual dose): Low=RR 1.7; Moderate=RR 1.1; High=RR 3.0	At least 4 year latency	Y	Occupational benzene and exhaust exposures in Stockholm, Sweden
Xie	2024	OR 1.63 (diagnosis)	Not Quantified	Non-Monotonic (20 year lag): Q1=aOR 1.71; Q2=aOR 1.28; Q3=aOR 2.07; Q4=aOR 1.38. Similar results with no lag.	0 and 20 year lag	?	New England Bladder Cancer Study occupational exposures (Baris 2009- "bladder cancer"). Intensity of exposure assigned by job description

Collarile	2017	IRR 1.16/1.44 (diagnosis) in medium/high exposure groups in women.	Medium exposure group=1.1-1.8ug/m ³ ; High exposure group=>1.8ug/m ³	Monotonic (Women): All ages-Medium exposure=IRR 1.16, High exposure=IRR 1.44. Non-monotonic (Women): Less than 75 years-High exposure=IRR 1.33; At least 75 years-Medium exposure=IRR 2.39, High exposure=IRR 1.94. Non-monotonic (Men<75 years): Medium exposure=IRR 1.12.	Not reported	N	Air pollution in Italy
Shala	2023	HR 1.25-1.28 (diagnosis).	Not quantified	Monotonic (duration of exposure in years): <5.5=HR 1.18; 13.3 to <18.8=HR 1.32; 18.8-33.5=HR 1.89. Monotonic exposure-response in many analyses but cumulative exposure examining primary bladder cancer with 20 year lag: very low=HR 1.35; low=HR 1.31; medium=HR 1.60; high=HR 2.16.	0 lag (primary); 20 year (secondary); also 10 & 15 year	Y	Norwegian offshore petroleum workers. Intensity of exposure assigned by job description.
Gerin	1998	OR 1.2 (diagnosis) in medium exposure group	Not Quantified	Non-monotonic: Medium Exposure=OR 1.2	"A reasonable period of latency"	N	Occupational benzene exposures in Montreal, CA. Intensity of exposure assigned by job description.

Hadkhale	2017	HR 1.16 (diagnosis) in high exposure group	High exposure group=>15.04ppm*years	Monotonic: High Exposure=HR 1.16	10 year (primary). Also 0 and 20 years.	?	Nordic occupational exposures
Dolin	1992	SMR 1.11 (mortality)	Not Quantified	Monotonic: Most workers with high Exposure=SMR 1.42	Not reported	?	English and Welsh occupational benzene exposures. Intensity of exposure assigned by job description.
Bove (a-military)	2014	HR 1.07 (mortality) in residents of Camp Lejeune with at least low exposure to benzene	Mean Benzene=104.7ug/L-months; Low Exposure=2 to 45ug/L-months; Medium Exposure=>45 to 110ug/L-months; High Exposure=>110 to 601ug/L-months	Non-monotonic: Medium Exposure=HR 4.04; High Exposure=HR 2.26	10 years (primary); also 0, 15, and 20 year lag sensitivity analyses	?	Camp Lejeune military personnel 1975-1985
Seyyedsalehi	2024	mRR 1.07	Not Quantified	Monotonic: Linear exposure-response with Low=mRR 1.19; Medium=mRR 1.06; High=1.20	Not reported	N	Metaanalysis with overall pooled analysis including variable exposure assessments with many studies that don't explicitly identify benzene exposure
Vinyl Chloride							
Mundt	2017	SMR 1.20 (mortality)	Not Quantified	Not reported	Not reported	Y	US and canadian vinyl chloride occupational exposures

Bove (a-military)	2014	HR 0.88 (mortality) in residents of Camp Lejeune with at least low exposure to vinyl chloride	Mean Vinyl Chloride=458.9ug/L-months; Low Exposure=>1 to 205ug/L-months; Medium Exposure=>205 to 500ug/L-months; High Exposure=>500 to 2800ug/L-months	Non-monotonic: Medium Exposure=HR 2.59	10 years (primary); also 0, 15, and 20 year lag sensitivity analyses	?	Camp Lejeune military personnel 1975-1985
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APPENDIX II: CV

CURRICULUM VITAE

NAME Benjamin W. Hatten, MD MPH

DATE 12/06/2024

I. PRESENT POSITION AND ADDRESS

Academic Rank: Associate Professor

Department: Section of Medical Toxicology,
Department of Emergency Medicine &
Division of Clinical Pharmacology and Toxicology,
Department of Medicine
University of Colorado School of Medicine

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26 W Dry Creek Circle
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Office: 720-477-2500
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Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Safety
777 Bannock Street
MC 0180
Denver, CO 80204
Office: (303) 389-1100

E-Mail Address: benjamin.hatten@cuanschutz.edu

II. EDUCATION

UNDERGRADUATE

1998 – 2002

Bachelor of Arts
Hendrix College
Conway, Arkansas

MEDICAL SCHOOL

2002 – 2006

Doctor of Medicine
University of Texas-Southwestern Medical School
Dallas, Texas

GRADUATE EDUCATION

2011- 2013

Master of Public Health
Epidemiology and Biostatistics Track
Oregon Master of Public Health Program
Oregon Health and Science University
Portland, Oregon

2023-Present

2023-2024

Master of Science in Palliative Care
Interprofessional Graduate Certificate in Palliative
Care
University of Colorado-Anschutz Medical Campus
Aurora, Colorado

INTERNSHIP/RESIDENCY:

2006 – 2010

Residency in Emergency Medicine
Denver Health Medical Center
Denver, Colorado

FELLOWSHIP:

2011- 2013

Medical Toxicology Fellowship
Oregon Health and Science University
Portland, Oregon

III. ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2010-2011

Clinical Instructor of Emergency Medicine &
Attending Physician
Department of Emergency Medicine
University of Colorado School of Medicine
Aurora, Colorado

2010-2011	Attending Physician Department of Emergency Medicine Denver Health Medical Center Denver, Colorado
2011-2013	Attending Physician Department of Emergency Medicine Portland Veterans Affairs Medical Center Portland, Oregon
2011-2014	Adjunct Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine & Attending Physician Department of Emergency Medicine Oregon Health and Science University Portland, Oregon
2013-Present	Faculty University of Colorado School of Public Health Aurora, Colorado
2013-Present	Consulting Attending Physician Department of Emergency Medicine Children's Hospital of Colorado Aurora, Colorado
2013-Present	Consulting Attending Physician Department of Emergency Medicine Denver Health Medical Center Denver, Colorado
2013-Present	Attending Physician & Medical Toxicologist Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Center Denver, Colorado
2013-2014	Clinical Instructor & Attending Physician Department of Emergency Medicine Department of Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Aurora, Colorado
2014-2021	Assistant Professor Department of Emergency Medicine Department of Medicine

University of Colorado School of Medicine
Aurora, Colorado

2021-Present

Associate Professor
Department of Emergency Medicine
Department of Medicine
University of Colorado School of Medicine
Aurora, Colorado

IV: NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

POSITION

2008

Physician
Nextcare Urgent Care
Aurora, Colorado

2008-2010

Physician
Lone Tree Acute Care Center
Lone Tree, Colorado

2009

Physician
ResortMed
Aspen, Colorado

2009-2011

Emergency Physician
EmCare
Dallas, TX

2013-2014

Emergency Physician
Emergency Physicians at Porter Hospitals
Englewood, Colorado

2013-Present

Medical Toxicologist
Toxicology Associates
Denver, Colorado

HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES

2009-2010

Emergency Physician
St. Thomas More Hospital
Canon City, Colorado

2009-2011

Emergency Physician
Prowers Medical Center
Lamar, Colorado

2013-2014	Emergency Physician Castle Rock Adventist Hospital Castle Rock, Colorado
2013-2014	Emergency Physician Parker Adventist Hospital Parker, Colorado
2013-2014	Emergency Physician Porter Adventist Hospital Denver, Colorado
2013-2014	Emergency Physician Littleton Adventist Hospital Littleton, Colorado
2013-Present	Medical Toxicology Consultant Porter Adventist Hospital Denver, Colorado
2013-Present	Medical Toxicology Consultant Littleton Adventist Hospital Littleton, Colorado
2013-Present	Medical Toxicology Consultant Swedish Medical Center Englewood, Colorado
2019-Present	Medical Toxicology Consultant UCHealth Highlands Ranch Hospital Highlands Ranch, Colorado

V. HONORS

2013	Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society
2018	Fellow of the American College of Emergency Physicians (FACEP)
2020	Fellow of the American College of Medical Toxicology (FACMT)

VI. MEMBERSHIPS

2002 – Present	American Medical Association Positions Held: President, UT-SW Chapter Alternate Delegate, House of Delegates
2002-2006	Texas Medical Association Positions Held: President, UT-SW Chapter
2002-2006	Emergency Medicine Student's Association Positions Held: President, UT-SW Chapter Liaison, Emergency Medicine Residents' Association
2003 – Present	American College of Emergency Physicians Positions Held: Chair, Excited Delirium Task Force Member, Clinical Policies Committee Member, Academic Affairs Committee Member, Trauma and Injury Prevention Section Member, Toxicology Section
2003 – 2010	Emergency Medicine Residents' Association Positions Held: Representative, ACEP Clinical Policies Committee Representative, ACEP Academic Affairs Committee Liaison, UT-SW Emergency Medicine Interest Group
2006 – Present	Society for Academic Emergency Medicine
2006 – 2011 2013-Present	Colorado Chapter American College of Emergency Physicians
2006 – 2011	Colorado Medical Society
2011-2013	Oregon Chapter American College of Emergency Physicians

2011-2013	Oregon Medical Society
2011-Present	American Academy of Clinical Toxicology Positions Held: Representative, QT Prolongation ClinTox Collaborative Representative, Society of Toxicology Scientific Liaison Coalition
2011-Present	American College of Medical Toxicology
2022-2023	American Association for Emergency Psychiatry
2023-Present	Society of Toxicology Full Member Positions Held: Scientific Liaison Coalition, Working Group Co-Chair, Cannabis and Psychedelics AACT Representative

VII. SERVICE

ORGANIZATIONS

INTERNATIONAL

2016-present

Voting Group Member & Methodologist
Clinical Toxicology Recommendations
Collaboration: QT prolongation
AACT/EAPCCT joint guideline

NATIONAL

2003

Alternate Delegate
Texas Delegation
House of Delegates
American Medical Association
Chicago, Illinois

2007 – 2008

Member
Academic Affairs Committee
American College of Emergency Physicians
Irving, Texas

2008 – 2010
2014-Present

Member
Clinical Policies Committee

	Procedural Sedation Subcommittee (2012-2014) TIA Subcommittee (2014-2016) Opioid Subcommittee Chair (2016-2020) Process Working Group Chair (2020-2023) Sedation Subcommittee (2021-2023) Marijuana Subcommittee Chair (2022-Present) Methods Publication Working Group Co-Chair (2023-Present) American College of Emergency Physicians Irving, Texas
2011-2012	Working Group Member Developing an Education Research Consortium Consensus Conference Society for Academic Emergency Medicine
2016-Present	QT Prolongation ClinTox Collaborative AACT Representative
2018-2019	Emergency Medicine Representative Antibiotics Guideline Panel American Dental Association
2018-2019	Emergency Medicine Representative Small Bowel Obstruction Appropriateness Criteria American College of Radiology
2018-2024	Emergency Medicine Representative Workup of Pleural Effusion or Pleural Disease Appropriateness Criteria American College of Radiology
2020-2021	Chair Excited Delirium Task Force American College of Emergency Physicians Irving, Texas
2021	Panel Member Best Practices for the Pre-hospital and Emergency Room Management of Agitation with Ketamine Food and Drug Administration/Center For Drug Evaluation and Research

	(Virtual)
2022-Present	Scientific Liaison Coalition Working Group Co-Chair, Cannabis & Psychedelics AACT Representative Society of Toxicology
2023-Present	Emergency Medicine Representative Inflammatory Ear Disease Appropriateness Criteria American College of Radiology
2024	Organizer and Facilitator EntheoTox: Navigating the Psychedelic Frontier ACMT at NACCT Presymposium
REGIONAL	
2010-2011	Annual Meeting Planning Committee Member Western Regional Society of Academic Emergency Medicine Co-Director Back Bowls Trivia
DEPARTMENTAL	
2006 – 2007	Member
2017-Present	Wellness Committee Residency in Emergency Medicine Department of Emergency Medicine Denver Health Medical Center Denver, Colorado
2008 – 2010	Member Compliance Committee Residency in Emergency Medicine Department of Emergency Medicine Denver Health Medical Center Denver, Colorado
2014-present	Faculty Member
2018-present	Secondary Reviewer Case Review Committee Department of Emergency Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Aurora, Colorado

2016	Member Zoning and Staffing RPM Department of Emergency Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Aurora, Colorado
2016-2017	Member Incentive Revision Committee Department of Emergency Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Aurora, Colorado
2017-Present	Member Clinical Competency Committee: PGY3 Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine Denver, Colorado
2017-Present	Member Art Chaos Ethics and Science (ACES) Residency in Emergency Medicine Department of Emergency Medicine Denver Health Medical Center Denver, Colorado
2018-Present	Medication Assisted Therapy (MAT) Provider Department of Emergency Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Aurora, Colorado
2021	Member Staffing RPM Department of Emergency Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Aurora, Colorado
2023	Member Tower 3 ED Staffing RPM Department of Emergency Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Aurora, Colorado
2023	Member Sick Call Policy Working Group Department of Emergency Medicine

PUBLICATIONS/WORK PRODUCTS

QUALITY ASSURANCE PROJECTS

1. **Hatten B.** Emergency Department Thoracotomies: 2008-2009. Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine, Denver Health Medical Center. 2010.

CLINICAL PROTOCOLS

1. **Hatten B.** Methotrexate Policy. Oregon Poison Center, Oregon Health and Science University. 2012.
2. **Hatten B.** Lowenstein S. Syncope Pathway. Department of Emergency Medicine, University of Colorado School of Medicine. 2016
3. **Hatten B.** Lowenstein S. Low Back Pain Pathway. Department of Emergency Medicine, University of Colorado School of Medicine. 2016

ADMINISTRATION

1. Emergency Medicine Coding Matrix. 2015.

PUBLIC EVENTS

MEDIA INTERACTIONS

February 16, 2012	Arsenic in baby formula and energy foods Video Interview. KOIN Channel 6 News. Portland, Oregon.
February 1, 2017	A swig of hydrogen peroxide — promoted by alternative-health devotees — can kill you Print Interview Washington Post Washington, DC
February 3, 2017	Cleansing Benefits from Peroxide? Video Interview KCWY Channel 13 News Casper, WY
February 9, 2017	Drinking peroxide as ‘natural’ cure leads to dangerous blood clots Interview HealthDay New York, NY

IX. INVENTIONS/PATENTS

N/A

X. REVIEW/REFeree WORK

JOURNAL PEER REVIEWER

2013-Present	<i>Clinical Toxicology</i>
2013-Present	<i>Journal of Medical Toxicology</i>
2015-2016	<i>EM Practice</i>
2015-Present	<i>Academic Emergency Medicine</i>

GUIDELINE PEER REVIEWER

1. 2011 ACCF/AHA Focused Update of the Guidelines for the Management of Patients With Unstable Angina/Non-ST-Elevation Myocardial Infarction (Updating the 2007 Guideline) A Report of the American College of Cardiology Foundation/American Heart Association Task Force on Practice Guidelines. Wright RS, Anderson JL, Adams CD, Bridges CR, Casey DE Jr, Ettinger SM, Fesmire FM, Ganiats TG, Jneid H, Lincoff AM, Peterson ED, Philippides GJ, Theroux P, Wenger NK, Zidar JP. *J Am Coll Cardiol*. 2011 Mar 23. *Circulation*. 2011 Mar 28.
2. ACOEM practice guidelines: opioids for treatment of acute, subacute, chronic, and postoperative pain. Hegmann KT, Weiss MS, Bowden K, Branco F, DuBrueker K, Els C, Mandel S, McKinney DW, Miguel R, Mueller KL, Nadig RJ, Schaffer MI, Studt L, Talmage JB, Travis RL, Winters T, Thiese MS, Harris JS; American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine. *J Occup Environ Med*. 2014 Dec;56(12):e143-59.

XI. INVITED PRESENTATIONS

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

INTERNATIONAL:

2014	Factors associated with prehospital naloxone use in the United States: 2010. Poster Presentation 34th International Congress of the European Association of Poisons Centres and Clinical Toxicologists (EAPCCT)
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Brussels, Belgium

- 2015 Toxic exposures in young children resulting in tracheal intubation
Oral and Poster Presentations
35th International Congress of the European Association of Poisons Centres and Clinical Toxicologists (EAPCCT)
St. Julian's, Malta
- 2015 Outcomes Following Nerve Agent Exposure Reported in the ToxIC Registry
Poster Presentation
8th Mediterranean Emergency Medicine Congress
Rome, Italy
- 2015 Outcomes Following Brodifacoum Exposure Reported in the ToxIC Registry (2010-2013)
Oral Presentation
8th Mediterranean Emergency Medicine Congress
Rome, Italy
- 2015 Outcomes Following Cyanide Exposure Reported in the ToxIC Registry (2010-2013)
Oral Presentation
8th Mediterranean Emergency Medicine Congress
Rome, Italy
- 2017 Plant and fungi exposures reported to the Toxicology Investigators Consortium (ToxIC)
Poster Presentation
North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology
Vancouver, Canada
- 2018 Racial and ethnic characteristics in cases of intentional pharmaceutical exposure with concern for toxicity.
Poster Presentation.
38th International Congress of the European Association of Poison Centres and Clinical Toxicologists (EAPCCT)
Bucharest, Romania
- 2018 Kratom: natural painkiller or herbal enemy?

	<p>Poster Presentation. 38th International Congress of the European Association of Poison Centres and Clinical Toxicologists (EAPCCT) Bucharest, Romania</p>
2019	<p>Back pain and muscle stiffness: a case of valbenazine-associated neuroleptic malignant syndrome Poster Presentation. 39th International Congress of the European Association of Poison Centres and Clinical Toxicologists (EAPCCT) Naples, Italy</p>
2022	<p>Incidence of rhabdomyolysis in single agent antimuscarinic exposures Poster Presentation. 42nd International Congress of the European Association of Poison Centres and Clinical Toxicologists (EAPCCT) Tallin, Estonia</p>
2024	<p>Pediatric alpha-2 agonist exposures in the ToxIC Registry Poster Presentation. 44th International Congress of the European Association of Poison Centres and Clinical Toxicologists (EAPCCT) Munich, Germany</p>
NATIONAL PRESENTATIONS:	
2004	<p>Can Midlevel Providers Perform Ultrasonography on Superficial Abscesses? Poster Presentation American College of Emergency Physicians Research Forum San Francisco, California</p>
2004	<p>A Prospective Study Comparing Standard Laryngoscopy to the Trachview Videoscope System for Orotracheal Intubation by Emergency Medicine Residents and Medical Students. Poster Presentation</p>

American College of Emergency Physicians
Research Forum
San Francisco, California

- 2009 Assessing Residency Review Committee
Compliance with an Electronic Survey
Poster Presentation
Society for Academic Emergency Medicine
Annual Meeting
New Orleans, Louisiana
- 2011 Change In Major Trauma Following A Law To
Allow Expansion Of Alcohol Sales
Poster Presentation
Society for Academic Emergency Medicine
Annual Meeting
Boston, Massachusetts
- 2011 What Does Service Obligation" Or "Clinical
Education" Mean?"
Poster Presentation
Council of Residency Directors
Academic Assembly
San Diego, California
- 2011 What Does Service Obligation" Or "Clinical
Education" Mean?"
Poster Presentation
Society for Academic Emergency Medicine
Annual Meeting
Boston, Massachusetts
- 2012 The Spatial Epidemiology of Toxic Mushroom
Ingestions in the United States: 2001-2011
Fellow-in-Training Research Symposium
American College of Medical Toxicology
Annual Meeting
San Diego, California
- 2012 Characteristics of Salicylate Poisoned Patients with
an Elevated INR
Fellow-in-Training Research Symposium
American College of Medical Toxicology
Annual Meeting

San Diego, California

- 2012 Change in Major Trauma Following a Law to Allow Expansion of Alcohol Sales
Poster Presentation
American College of Medical Toxicology
Annual Meeting
San Diego, California
- 2012 Change in Ethanol Related Visits and Alcohol Withdrawal Visits to the Emergency Department Following a Law to Allow Expansion of Alcohol Sales
Poster Presentation
Society for Academic Emergency Medicine
Annual Meeting
Chicago, Illinois
- 2012 The epidemiology of mushroom ingestion calls to US poison control centers: 2001-2011.
Platform Presentation
North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology
Las Vegas, Nevada
- 2012 Arginine Hydrochloride overdose in an infant.
Poster Presentation
North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology
Las Vegas, Nevada
- 2012 Severe pediatric lead toxicity after ingestion of three intact rifle cartridges.
Poster Presentation
North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology
Las Vegas, Nevada
- 2012 First report of envenomation by the Great Lakes Bush Viper (*Atheris nitschei*).
Poster Presentation
North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology
Las Vegas, Nevada
- 2012 Cinnamania: 15 seconds of internet fame, 3 days in the ICU.
Poster Presentation

	North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology Las Vegas, Nevada
2012	Sensitivity and Positive Predictive Value of ICD-9- CM Codes for Alcohol-Related Diagnoses in the Emergency Department. Poster Presentation American College of Emergency Physicians Research Forum Denver, Colorado
2013	High Concentration Peroxide Ingestions: 2001-2011 Fellow-in-Training Research Symposium American College of Medical Toxicology Annual Meeting San Juan, Puerto Rico
2013	Major Bleeding Events in Salicylate Toxicity Poster Presentation American College of Medical Toxicology Annual Meeting San Juan, Puerto Rico
2013	Coral Snake Envenomations 2001-2011: Antivenin Use and Outcomes Oral Presentation Society for Academic Emergency Medicine Annual Meeting Atlanta, Georgia
2013	Outcomes following high concentration peroxide ingestions. Platform Presentation North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology Atlanta, Georgia
2013	Caustic injuries following high concentration peroxide ingestions: 2001-2011. Poster Presentation North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology Atlanta, Georgia
2013	Utility of CT and HBO therapy following high concentration peroxide ingestions: 2001-2011.

	Poster Presentation North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology Atlanta, Georgia
2013	What's the cost of better joints? move free advanced leading to hepatotoxicity. Poster Presentation North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology Atlanta, Georgia
2013	Predictors of Coagulopathy and Hemorrhage in Salicylate Toxicity Poster Presentation American College of Emergency Physicians Research Forum Seattle, Washington
2014	Aspirin and Fanconi syndrome: are there risk factors for its development? Poster Presentation North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology New Orleans, Louisiana
2015	Chemical Threat Agents Reported in the ToxIC Registry (2010-2013) Poster Presentation American College of Medical Toxicology Annual Meeting Clearwater Beach, Florida
2015	Medical Toxicology Consult Service at a Tertiary Care Children's Hospital Poster Presentation American College of Medical Toxicology Annual Meeting Clearwater Beach, Florida
2015	Prescription Opioid Exposures and Outcomes Among Older Adults Oral Presentation Society for Academic Emergency Medicine Annual Meeting San Diego, California

2015	QRS Widening Associated with Quetiapine Toxicity Poster Presentation North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology San Francisco, California
2017	Hydrogen Peroxide Exposures Reported to the Toxicology Investigators Consortium (ToxIC) Poster Presentation American College of Medical Toxicology Annual Meeting San Juan, Puerto Rico
2017	Muscimol and ibotenic acid containing mushrooms exposures: US National Poison Data System 2001- 2011 Poster Presentation American College of Medical Toxicology Annual Meeting San Juan, Puerto Rico
2017	Parenteral Lidocaine to Treat Symptomatic Nephrolithiasis Poster Presentation Society for Academic Emergency Medicine Annual Meeting Orlando, Florida
2018	Monomethylhydrazine (MMH) Containing Mushroom Exposures: US National Poison Data System Poster Presentation American College of Medical Toxicology Annual Meeting Washington, District of Columbia
2018	ToxIC Extracorporeal Therapies SubRegistry: Update 2017 Poster Presentation American College of Medical Toxicology Annual Meeting Washington, District of Columbia
2019	Racial and Ethnic Patterns of Intentional Overdose

	<p>Poster Presentation American College of Medical Toxicology Annual Meeting San Francisco, California</p>
2019	<p>Brief Asystole in a Four-Year-Old Following Ingestion of Cannabis Edibles Poster Presentation American College of Medical Toxicology Annual Meeting San Francisco, California</p>
2019	<p>The ToxIC Sodium Bicarbonate Subregistry: Treatment Recommendations and Clinical Outcomes on Behalf of the ToxIC Investigators Consortium (ToxIC) Poster Presentation North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology Nashville, Tennessee</p>
2020	<p>Applications of Machine Learning Within Clinical Toxicology: a Review Poster Presentation American College of Medical Toxicology Annual Meeting New York, New York (virtual)</p>
2020	<p>Outcomes of Hyperbaric Oxygen Treatment Following Hydrogen Peroxide Ingestion: A Systematic Review Poster Presentation North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology San Francisco, California (virtual)</p>
2020	<p>Timing of embolic phenomena after hydrogen peroxide exposure: a systematic review Oral and Poster Presentation North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology San Francisco, California (virtual)</p>
2020	<p>Evaluation of Parenteral Lidocaine for Nephrolithiasis-Induced Renal Colic in the ED Oral and Poster Presentation Society for Critical Care Medicine</p>

(virtual)

2022

The buprenorphine blues: severe precipitated opioid withdrawal requiring intubation in fentanyl users
Poster Presentation
North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology
San Francisco, California

REGIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

2011

Change In Major Trauma Following A Law To
Allow Expansion Of Alcohol Sales
Lightening Oral Abstract Presentation
Society for Academic Emergency Medicine
Western Regional Meeting
Keystone, Colorado

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS/INVITED PROFESSORSHIPS

INTERNATIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

2017

Alpha-2 Agonist Toxicity
North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology
Vancouver, Canada

2023

Latest Evidence in Toxicology
IV South Brazilian Congress of Adult and Pediatric
Emergency Medicine
Porto Alegre, Brazil

2023

Management of the Severely Agitated Patient
IV South Brazilian Congress of Adult and Pediatric
Emergency Medicine
Porto Alegre, Brazil

2023

Delirious or Dead: The History and Future of
Hyperactive Delirium
North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology
Montreal, Canada

NATIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

2008

Medical Student Symposium
Society for Academic Emergency Medicine
Annual Meeting
Washington, DC

2008

Suture Workshop

	Keystone Nurse Practitioner Conference Keystone, Colorado
2012	What's New at Alpha-2 American College of Medical Toxicology National Teleconference
2013	Valproic Acid ERCAST/EMCrit
2014	Hill Criteria and Causal Analysis Western Fellows Portland, Oregon
2015	Physostigmine ERCAST/EMCrit
2015	The Mile High Club: The Effects of Marijuana Legalization in Colorado Society for Academic Emergency Medicine Annual Meeting San Diego, California
2017	Clinical Policy: Neuroimaging and Decision Making in Adult Mild Traumatic Brain Injury in the Acute Setting Rocky Mountain Trauma and Emergency Medicine Beaver Creek, Colorado
2021	Opioids Clinical Policy Review Initiation of Buprenorphine and Pain Management in the ED Implementation Workshop American College of Emergency Physicians Supported by a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) grant (Virtual)
2022	Hyperactive Delirium with Severe Agitation: Management in Emergency Settings American College of Emergency Physicians (Virtual: https://ecme.acep.org/diweb/catalog/item?id=10876545)
2022	Hyperactive Delirium with Severe Agitation:

Management in Emergency Settings
National Update on Behavioral Emergencies
Scottsdale, Arizona

2024

Palliative Care & Psychedelics
North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology
Denver, CO

REGIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

2008

Altered Mental Status
Denver Fire Department CME
Denver, Colorado

2008

Suture Workshop
Emergency Medicine Interest Group
University of Colorado School of Medicine
Aurora, Colorado

2009

Hyperthermia
Denver Fire Department CME
Denver, Colorado

2009

Hypothermia
Denver Fire Department CME
Denver, Colorado

2009

Environmental Emergencies
Denver Health Paramedic School
Denver, Colorado

2018

Clinical Policies: Seizures & Asymptomatic
Hypertension
Colorado Association of Physicians Assistants
Copper Mountain, Colorado

2021

Opioid Use Guidelines
Colorado Association of Physicians Assistants
(Virtual)

XII. TEACHING RECORD

PRESENTATIONS

UNDERGRADUATE/MEDICAL STUDENTS

2009, 2010

Wilderness Envenomations

	<p>SURG 6624 Introduction to Wilderness Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Aurora, Colorado</p>
2010, 2011	<p>Outdoor Sporting Activities SURG 8031 Wilderness Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Moab, Utah</p>
2010, 2011	<p>Envenomations SURG 8031 Wilderness Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Estes Park, Colorado</p>
2018	<p>Medical Toxicology Evaluation EMED 6620 History of Pharmacology and Toxicology University of Colorado School of Medicine Aurora, Colorado</p>
GRADUATE STUDENTS/GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION	
2007	<p>Etomidate for RSI in Sepsis Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine Denver Health Medical Center Denver, Colorado</p>
2008	<p>Wide Complex Tachycardia Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine Denver Health Medical Center Denver, Colorado</p>
2008	<p>Heparin in ACS: A Question of Harm Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine Denver Health Medical Center Denver, Colorado</p>
2009	<p>Morbidity and Mortality Conference Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine Denver Health Medical Center Denver, Colorado</p>

2009	<p>Bad for Business: Public Policy and Injury Prevention</p> <p>Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine</p> <p>Denver Health Medical Center</p> <p>Denver, Colorado</p>
2010	<p>Envenomations</p> <p>Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine</p> <p>Denver Health Medical Center</p> <p>Denver, Colorado</p>
2011-2012	<p>Introduction to Toxicology</p> <p>Emergency Medicine Residency</p> <p>Oregon Health and Science University</p> <p>Portland, Oregon</p>
2012	<p>Morbidity and Mortality Conference</p> <p>Emergency Medicine Residency</p> <p>Oregon Health and Science University</p> <p>Portland, Oregon</p>
2012	<p>Rock n' Roll Toxicology</p> <p>Emergency Medicine Residency</p> <p>Oregon Health and Science University</p> <p>Portland, Oregon</p>
2012	<p>Agitated Patient</p> <p>Emergency Medicine Residency</p> <p>Oregon Health and Science University</p> <p>Portland, Oregon</p>
2012	<p>Severe Alcohol Withdrawal</p> <p>Emergency Medicine Residency</p> <p>Oregon Health and Science University</p> <p>Portland, Oregon</p>
2013	<p>Envenomations</p> <p>Emergency Medicine Residency</p> <p>Oregon Health and Science University</p> <p>Portland, Oregon</p>
2014, 2019	<p>Dermal Toxicology</p> <p>Environmental and Occupational Toxicology 6616</p> <p>University of Colorado School of Public Health</p>

Aurora, Colorado

2014, 2019	Ophthalmic Toxicology Environmental and Occupational Toxicology 6616 University of Colorado School of Public Health Aurora, Colorado
2015-present (every 12-24 months)	Aspirin and NSAIDS Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine UCH-Advanced Practice Provider Group University of Colorado School of Medicine Denver, Colorado
2015-present (every 12-24 months)	Digoxin (Cardiac Glycosides) Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Denver, Colorado
2015-present (every 12-24 months)	Seizures Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Denver, Colorado
2015	Iron Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Denver, Colorado
2017-2018	Note Writing Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine University of Colorado School of Medicine Denver, Colorado
2017-present (yearly)	Consultant Note Writing and Clinical Billing Medical Toxicology Fellowship Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Safety Denver Health Medical Center
2017-present (yearly)	Aspirin and NSAIDS Medical Toxicology Fellowship Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Safety Denver Health Medical Center
2017-present (yearly)	Causation

Medical Toxicology Fellowship
Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Safety
Denver Health Medical Center

2018

Introduction to Clinical Toxicology
History of Pharmacology and Toxicology
University of Colorado School of Medicine
Aurora, Colorado

EDUCATION POSITIONS

2007-2011

Instructor
SURG 8006
MSIV Emergency Medicine Rotation
University of Colorado Hospital and
Denver Health Medical Center
University of Colorado School of Medicine
Aurora, Colorado

2008-2011

Instructor
IDPT 7031
MSIII Emergency Medicine Rotation
University of Colorado School of Medicine
Aurora, Colorado

2009-2011

Instructor
SURG 6624
Introduction to Wilderness Medicine
University of Colorado School of Medicine
Aurora, Colorado

2009-2011

Instructor
SURG 8031
Wilderness Medicine
University of Colorado School of Medicine
Aurora, Colorado

2010-2011

2013-2016

Preceptor
IDPT 6000
Foundations of Doctoring
University of Colorado School of Medicine
Aurora, Colorado

2011-2014

Instructor
ETOX 709X

	Medical Toxicology Oregon Health & Science University School of Medicine Portland, Oregon
2013-Present	Attending Physician/Instructor EMED 8004/8006 MSIV Emergency Medicine Rotations University of Colorado Hospital and Denver Health Medical Center University of Colorado School of Medicine Aurora, Colorado
2013-Present	Attending Physician/Instructor IDPT 7031 MSIII Emergency Medicine Rotation University of Colorado School of Medicine Aurora, Colorado
2013-Present	Attending Physician/Instructor EMED 8024 Medical Toxicology University of Colorado School of Medicine Denver, Colorado
2014-Present	Instructor/Lecturer Environmental and Occupational Toxicology 6616 University of Colorado School of Public Health Aurora, Colorado
2017-2018	Instructor EMED 6620 History of Pharmacology and Toxicology University of Colorado School of Medicine Aurora, Colorado
2017-Present	Developer and Lead Facilitator Forensic Curriculum Medical Toxicology Fellowship Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Center Denver, Colorado
ATTENDING DUTIES 2010-2011	Supervision and bedside teaching of residents and

	<p>medical students Emergency Department-9 hours/week Denver Health Medical Center Denver, Colorado</p>
2010-2011	<p>Supervision and bedside teaching of residents and medical students Emergency Department-14 hours/week University of Colorado Hospital Aurora, Colorado</p>
2011-2013	<p>Supervision and bedside teaching of residents and medical students Emergency Department-9 hours/week Oregon Health and Science University Portland, Oregon</p>
2011-2013	<p>Supervision and bedside teaching of residents and medical students Emergency Department- 5 hours/week Veteran's Administration Hospital Portland, Oregon</p>
2013-present	<p>Supervision and bedside teaching of residents and medical students Emergency Department- 14 hours/week University of Colorado Hospital Aurora, Colorado</p>
2013-present	<p>Supervision and bedside teaching of fellows Medical Toxicology Consults - 36 hours/week University of Colorado Hospital & Children's Hospital of Colorado Aurora, Colorado</p>
2013-present	<p>Supervision and bedside teaching of fellows Medical Toxicology Consults - 8 hours/week Denver Health Medical Center & Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Center Denver, Colorado</p>
ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS	
2014-Present	<p>Practicum Site Director Occupational Medicine Residency</p>

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2017-Present

Clinical Competency Committee: PGY3
Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine
Denver, Colorado

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4. **Hatten B,** Armstrong L, Block B, Bookman K, Davis C, Jacquet G, Hurtado T. Wilderness Medicine Track. Denver Health Residency in Emergency Medicine, Denver Health Medical Center. 2008.
5. **Hatten B.** Forensic Curriculum. Medical Toxicology Fellowship. Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Center. 2019.

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\$500.

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