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- Making false or misleading claims intended to influence the election
- Bribery · Intimidation · Distributing physical campaign material
- Making slanderous or libellous statements about a candidate
- Using a vehicle to convey members to the Poll · Campaigning using any University e-mail system · Creating websites or promotional videos · Claiming to represent or be supported by any political, racial or religious group · Candidates marking manifesto booklets
- Hindering the Returning Officer or their Deputies · Unauthorised access or attempted access to another’s personal electronic files

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Alexandra Galloway
Collegium Beatae Mariae Magdalenae
Returning Officer

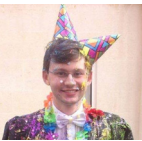
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Stanislas Lalanne, Ex-RO
Merton



Jamie Lagerberg, Ex-RO
Corpus Christi



Alastair Graham, Ex-RO
St. John's



Nebojša Jovanović, Ex-RO
St. Peter's



Harry Samuels, Ex-RO
New



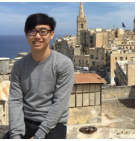
Louise Kandler
Lady Margaret Hall



Aleksandra Katolik
Harris Manchester



Liam Frahm
Jesus



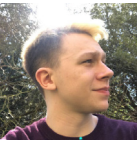
Wesley Zhang
Harris Manchester



Edward Peckston
Brasenose



George Penny
The Queen's



Joe Sisson
St. John's

OXFORD UNION ELECTIONS

Poll Date: Friday, 8th June, 2018

WHERE TO VOTE

Polling takes place in the Union’s Goodman Library (the room on the ground floor, next to the marble staircase), from 9.30am to 8.30pm precisely. Please bring your membership card to assist the Poll Clerks.

HOW TO VOTE

For each post, simply number your preferences against each candidate from 1, 2, 3, 4, and so on until you have finished expressing your preferences between the candidates. Expressing later preferences in no way harms your earlier preferences.

FOR EXAMPLE:

AL GORE	2
SAMUEL J. TILDEN	3
HILLARY CLINTON	1
RE-OPEN NOMINATIONS	4

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CANDIDATES’ CLAIMS IN MANIFESTOS
allowing members to judge the relative merits of manifestos

The Returning Officer has ensured to the best of their ability that all claims made in manifestos are true; they advise, however, that Members acquaint themselves with the commonly used terms below in order that they are not misled. Members may wish to consider other similar words used as holding the same meanings and draw inferences from the fact that a candidate has been unable to make the most substantial kinds of claims.

Stronger claims

- Raised / Secured* – the candidate must prove primary responsibility for the production or negotiation of a contractual arrangement, to claim to have raised/secured funds or partnerships.
- Brought* – the candidate must prove that a speaker visited the Society as a direct result of their confirmation.
- Confirmed* – the candidate must prove primary responsibility for a speaker accepting an invitation to visit on a mutually agreed date, or the candidate has drawn up an as yet unsigned contract, following agreement from involved parties on its contents, which is set to be signed in due course.
- Organised* – the candidate must prove their primary control of an event, its inception and its development. Where primary control is shared comparably with another member, co-organised shall be used.
- Responsible for / Led / Ran* – the candidate must prove primary responsibility for the content of claim.
- Arranged* – the candidate must prove a substantial degree of control of an event and its development, but not the contribution to inception that any organised claim requires.
- Negotiating* – the candidate must prove primary responsibility for an ongoing negotiation, clear interest in response to their proposition, and further progress from this towards a confirmed claim since then.

Weaker Claims

- Assisted / Helped to* – modifiers used where there is sufficient proof that a candidate contributed substantively, but insufficient to prove that they have the necessary level of contribution or control for the stronger claim.
 - Interest from* – where there is insufficient evidence for a stronger negotiating claim, but there has been clear interest received to their invitation or proposition.
 - Invited / Contacted* – proof has been provided.
 - Supervised / Oversaw / Co-ordinated* – proof has been provided for a lower level of involvement in an event or project suitable for these claims.
 - Facilitated / Assisted / Worked* – proof has been provided that a candidate contributed significantly to an event, usually but not necessarily the logistics or hospitality.
- Weaker claims will be used often in manifestos even by good candidates: usually only candidates for Office will be able regularly to make “stronger claims”. The distinction is nonetheless worth making.
- Candidates’ own spelling, punctuation, and grammar have not been corrected in manifestos.*

CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT

with overall responsibility for the Society and for arranging its debates

JULIAN KIRK MAGDALEN COLLEGE, Ex-CCC



#REFRESH

Effective:
-Confirmed **18 speakers**, including *George Takei*, **Zoë Wanamaker**, **Yanis Varoufakis**
-Organised **Russia**, **Populism**, **Westminster** debates
-Arranged **Artefacts**, **No Confidence**, **Religion** debates
-Helped raise **£805,000+** in Membership Drives; **more than ANY OTHER CANDIDATE**
-Invited **400+** speakers; **Zara Larsson**, **John Bercow**, Catalan President, **Thomas Piketty**
-Worked **10 Socials**, including **4 SELL-OUT BALLS**
Dedicated:
-Ex-Chair and Ex-Secretary of **UNION'S LARGEST COMMITTEE**
-Facilitated **100+ events**; **23 debates**, **Stephen Hawking**, Nigerian President, **Trump's Campaign Manager**, **The Wolf of Wall Street**
-Completed **60 Vacation Days**
-Speaker in **20+ debates**, including **No Confidence**, **EU debates**
-Assisted **5+ Access Events**; **more access socials than ANY OTHER CANDIDATE**
VISION:
Inclusivity: Charity Debating Workshops in **low-income schools**
Engagement: Student-only Members' Debates
Accountability: Weekly "Townhalls" - questions to officers
Sustainability: Deliver **member-driven** Union publication
Inspired Events: Nationwide Student Policy Forum

DANIEL WILKINSON ORIEL COLLEGE, TREASURER



PROGRESS

I have the passion to open up the Union and the experience to deliver real change

PROMISE:
• **Access:** Electoral reform committee – comprehensive change
• **Modernisation:** Lower membership fees
EXPERIENCED:
• **Co-organised:** Middle East Debate, Comedy Debate; Arranged Kanye Debate
• **Assisted** £395,000+ membership drive
• **Worked** 70+ vacation days – **more than any other candidate in this election.**
• **Arranged 9000+** wide termcard delivery
DEDICATED:
• **Confirmed** 18 speakers: **Sir Patrick Stewart**, **Martin Scorsese**, **Andrew Scott**, Sean Astin...
• **Facilitated** 125+ events – **MORE THAN ANY OTHER CANDIDATE** – including Jordan Peterson, Rickey Gervais, Sir Ian McKellen
• **Co-ordinated** **Bernie Sanders**, Jeremy Irons, Judge Judy, **every Trinity 2017 event**
• **Worked** 3 Union Balls
INNOVATIVE:
• Secured 18 new treasurer's treats, improved debate floor prizes
• Personally raised **£7500+** in sponsorship
Negotiating: **Game of Thrones Queen**, interest from Transformers Actress

CANDIDATES FOR LIBRARIAN

with responsibility for the Library and for arranging individual speaker addresses

CECILIA ZHAO ST. CATHERINE'S COLLEGE, STANDING COMMITTEE



#REFRESH

Effective:
-Confirmed 9 speakers; Financial Times CEO, Gossip Girl author
-Arranged the **only sell-out Social Event** of term
-Organised **Tech Empires Debate**; 500,000+ views for Paper Speech
Dedicated:
-Delivered a high degree of international exposure to the Union
-Brought **more money** than any other Librarian Candidate
-Facilitated 13+ events, every debate in TT18
-VP of Oxford University Boxing Club
VISION:
-**Inclusivity:** Co-host Cultural Societies
Engagement: Media Partnerships
-**Accountability:** Speaker Selection- involve members
-**Sustainability:** Carbon Neutrality

BRENDAN McGRATH ORIEL COLLEGE, SECRETARY



PROGRESS

The Union alienates members by rewarding ambition over integrity.

PROMISE
• **Cleaner politics** - online noticeboard!
• **Elections** - freer campaigning!
COMMITTED
• **Worked more vac days than any other Librarian candidate.**
• **Arranged 3 socials** - **more than any other Librarian candidate.**
• **Confirmed 10 speakers** - **more than any other Librarian candidate.**
• **Facilitated 15+ events** - **more than any other Librarian candidate** - **every debate** this term.
INNOVATING
• Championed **diverse** term card - **first female Nigerian Finance Minister**, Venezuelan dissident.
• **International press** for Union work.
• **Organised** Russia Head-to-Head debate.

CANDIDATES FOR TREASURER

with responsibility for the raising of sponsorship and buildings maintenance

MUSTY KAMAL HARRIS MANCHESTER COLLEGE, STANDING COMMITTEE



#REFRESH

Effective:
-Confirmed **Al Sharpton**, **Boris Becker**, **Leader of Egyptian Opposition**
-Chairman of Liberation Working Group; **EDGE Officer**
-Assisted **FIRST EVER** Oxford Union Iftar
-President of **LSE Economics Society**
Dedicated:
-Led **MORE** Union **ACCESS Workshops** and **Tours**,
-Chaired **MORE** Emergency **DEBATES**.
-Judged **MORE** Union **Debating Championships**.
-Served on **MORE** Committees
-Championed **MORE** Diversity on Committee
-**more than any other Candidate for Treasurer**
VISION:
Inclusivity: **Access Development Fund**
Engagement: **Careers Network**
Accountability: Ensure Financial Transparency
Sustainability: Bicentenary Sponsorship Drive

AMY GREGG SOMERVILLE COLLEGE



PROGRESS

The Union shouldn't be about its politics

PROMISE
• **Access:** officers' **debate outreach**
• **Inclusivity:** increase **grad** involvement
EXPERIENCED
• **President and Treasurer of Cambridge Union**: hosted 30+ speakers including Stephen Fry and David Lammy
• **Ran £400,000+** Cambridge Union recruitment drive; achieved **record breaking income**
• Trainee solicitor at **Magic Circle** firm
DEDICATED
• Facilitated more events than any other Treasurer candidate including **every HT18 debate**
• Co-arranged **Feminism** and **Oxbridge** debates
• Negotiating **Oscar winning** actress
• Worked **every vac** at Oxford

CANDIDATES FOR SECRETARY

with responsibility for the term's social events and for minuting Standing Committee meetings

NICK BROWN MAGDALEN COLLEGE, STANDING COMMITTEE

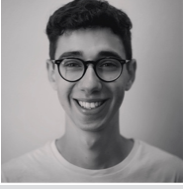


PROGRESS

I believe in tearing down the Union's entry barriers

PROMISE
• **Transparency:** Election Guide
• **Social:** Wonderland ball
EXPERIENCED
• Confirmed **10 speakers**: The Wombats, Eva Schloss, Paloma Faith... - more than any other Secretary candidate
• Worked more vacation days than any other Secretary candidate
• Sent **300+** invites - more than any other Secretary candidate
• Worked **more socials** than any other Secretary candidate
DEDICATED
• Helped arrange more debates than any other Secretary candidate - US Superpower, Austerity; Arranged Westminster Secretary of **Access Committee**

CHARLIE COVERMAN BRASENOSE COLLEGE, SECRETARY'S COMMITTEE



#REFRESH

Effective:
-Confirmed **3 speakers**, including Sir Nicholas Soames
-Organised **Churchill** debate; delivered **winning paper speech**
-Negotiating Premier League footballer
Dedicated:
-Facilitated **30+ events**; **8 debates**, **Sir Patrick Stewart**, President of Ghana
-Worked **more socials** this term than any other Secretary candidate
-Access: **OUSU award**, ran college access tours; access debate workshop
-Guest Liaison Officer: hosted former **Trump Senior Official!**
VISION:
-Inclusive Socials: more non-alcoholic drink provision
-Sustainable Socials: **Welfare officers**
-Ball: 'An American in Paris'

CANDIDATES FOR STANDING COMMITTEE

members of the Society's governing body, to assist the Officers and plan social events

MEGAN BENNETT
REGENT'S PARK COLLEGE

PROGRESS

PROMISE:
• Engage smaller colleges – **College Rep system**
DEDICATED:
• Director of Press, **managed press since MT17**
• **Liaised with BBC**, international press
• Negotiating Oscar-nominated Director
INNOVATIVE:
• Co-organised Oxbridge Debate, **confirmed speaker**
• Facilitated 50+ events – more than **DOUBLE** any Standing candidate

ANISHA FARUK
THE QUEEN'S COLLEGE

ANTI-ESTABLISHMENT

Accomplished:
• Labour club: Ex-Publicity Officer, Associate Editor of Look
• Left, Co-Chair
• OxStu: Chief Editor, Ex-News Editor
• Climate Soc: Ex-Copy Editor, Ex-Design Team
• SU Scrutiny Committee
• Charity trustee
• Oxford Forum: Ex-Women's Officer
Ambitions:
• Transparency – members' entitlements, online notices
• Election workshops

MAXIM PARR-REID
TRINITY COLLEGE, STANDING COMMITTEE

EXPERIENCED

• Over **1000 Instagram** followers (more than the Oxford Union's account!)
• Over **10,000** likes on **memes** (**60+** memes on ODMS, Memeing Spires, Spicy Union meme group)
• Schools' Debating Competition **Finalist!**
• Appeared on **national TV** (twice!)
Let's REFRESH to PROGRESS!

SACHIN VARMA
KEBLE COLLEGE

Inclusive

• Committee of **university-wide cultural society**
• Helped plan OXHoli 2018
• Planned school access sports day.
Experienced
• Captain of House Cricket team.
• Volunteer at a School in Bhopal, India.
Pledge
• More TRANSPARENT and FAIR Union

HARRY WEBSTER
WORCESTER COLLEGE

#REFRESH

Effective:
– **Co-organised CAROLINE LUCAS**, **Natalie Bennett** talks for **independent society**
– Independent society's **SECRETARY** - managing **budget**
Dedicated:
– Facilitated **20 events**; **IAN MCKELLEN**, Amanda Holden
– Managed **30+ attendees** as Head Boy, arranged events with **400+ people**
VISION: Investigate energy-saving solutions
THOMAS HANTON
HARRIS MANCHESTER COLLEGE
• **Medic**, biochemist and research scholar
• Graduate Student
• British-Swiss
ALL-ROUNDER
• Harris Manchester College MCR co-President – experienced in chairing meetings
• Member of Oxford University Polo Club
• Ex-Rower - Wadham M1 Michaelmas 2017

SAMUEL BURNS
ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, SECRETARY'S COMMITTEE

PROGRESS

PROMISE:
• More **transparent** application process for committee
DEDICATED:
• Facilitated 20+ events: **Thomas Piketty**, **Sir Patrick Stewart**
• Multicultural Society Secretary
INNOVATIVE:
• **Co-Organised** Genetics Debate - **confirmed 2 speakers**
• **Confirmed Ghanaian President**, Chinese political dissident
• Worked at arts charity for underprivileged students

SARA DUBE
ST. HUGH'S COLLEGE, SECRETARY'S COMMITTEE

#REFRESH

Effective:
-Confirmed **5+ speakers**
-Facilitated **20+ events**, including access events
-Helped arrange **2 debates**, co-organized and spoke in **Genetics Debate**
Dedicated:
-**Seccie of the Vac**
-Access Committee Member
-Competitive debater; **Oxford Schools Regional Convenor**
VISION: Off-site election poll booths

RABII MALIK
ST. ANNE'S COLLEGE, SECRETARY'S COMMITTEE

#REFRESH

Effective:
– **Oxbridge Debate Paper Speech**
– Facilitated **20+ events**, including **Genetics Debate**
– Interest from prominent tech **Whistleblowers**
Dedicated:
– Access Officer of **University-wide Society**
– JCR and SU Campaign **BME Rep**
– **Future Global Leaders Fellow**
– **TedxYouth Speaker**
VISION: Debating Coppers; Transparency Guide

GEMMA TIMMONS
MAGDALEN COLLEGE, SECRETARY'S COMMITTEE

PROGRESS

PROMISE:
• **Novice** Debating Coppers
DEDICATED:
• Invited **95+ speakers**; Negotiating **top German footballer**
• Opening up the Union - worked **two access workshops**
• **Convening** Oxford Women's Debating Open
INNOVATIVE:
• **Organised** US Debate, **confirmed three speakers**
• **Confirmed 7 speakers total:** Polish Foreign Minister...

MAHI JOSHI
TRINITY COLLEGE, SECRETARY'S COMMITTEE

PROGRESS

PROMISE:
• More **transparent** application process for committee
DEDICATED:
• Facilitated 20+ events: **Thomas Piketty**, **Sir Patrick Stewart**
• Multicultural Society Secretary
INNOVATIVE:
• **Co-Organised** Genetics Debate - **confirmed 2 speakers**
• **Confirmed Ghanaian President**, Chinese political dissident
• Worked at arts charity for underprivileged students

VARUN DOSHI
PEMBROKE COLLEGE

Committed

• Confirmed **PAUL GIAMATTI** and **Billionaire Stephen Ross**
• Invited **cool musicians** + **old white men!**
• Logistics and Ex-Partnership Officer
All-Rounder
• Student **Consultant**
• JCR **Sanita**
• **2nd team reserve**; PCEC and PCCC
• **Authenticity**
#reFoRM
• Increase **SBS** involvement
• **Revamp Bar**

BECKY COLLINS
BALLIOL COLLEGE

PROGRESS

PROMISE:
• **Establish** Women's Debating Mentor Scheme
DEDICATED:
• **Senior Logistics Coordinator**
• Religious society **Vice-President**
• Co-ordinated Culture Debate
INNOVATIVE:
• Confirmed 4 speakers: Devin Wenig, US Ambassador...
• Co-organised Middle East Debate, helped arrange US Debate
• **Clinton campaign:** co-ordinated **150+ volunteers**

CANDIDATES FOR SECRETARY'S COMMITTEE

to assist with running social events and distributing publicity

THOMAS LAVER
BALLIOL COLLEGE

DRO (advocate); Finance Committee – scrutinised £8,750+
School Society President, arranging 5 speakers.
Reformer. Manages organisation: £50,000+ turnover.
Don't Bin Tom!

FRASER CASBOLT
ST. EDMUND HALL

PARTNERSHIP OFFICER: secured TSK treasurers-treat, **Former-Publications** Editor for society,
ROWER: definitely mentioned it, **Director** of listed company
#reFoRM

EMMA BALL
MERTON COLLEGE

PROGRESS: College Speaking Society Treasurer, **YORKSHIRE WARRIOR**, **College Entz!** History Journal Deputy editor, Prolific Rower. *There's no Dilemma, Vote Emma!*

PARTH AHYA
KEBLE COLLEGE

Worked at **Harvard** Think Tank. **Founded** NGO. **Volunteer** at **Oxford Homeless Group**. **Kayaked** with sharks. Don't fear, **Parth's here.**

CHAITANYA KEDIYAL
EXETER COLLEGE

#REFRESH
WON Asian Debating Championship for **INDIA**; Mooting Coppers **Finalist**; **International Rep** for JCR.
I'm not shady. Let's vote KD!

MADDY WITHERS
HERTFORD COLLEGE

PROGRESS: Musical Social Secretary, Swimming Pool Graphic Designer, **2500+ Tinder matches**. Kicked out of **Sunday School**. *Don't dither, vote Wither(s).*

ALVIN CHEUNG
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

#REFRESH
YP of student society – negotiating **Edward Snowden's lawyer**; **Asian acapella** group; College footballer
Vote for Alvin and his chipmunks!

ANNA RICHARDS
KELOGG COLLEGE

PROGRESS: Language magazine writer, MUN delegate, V&A volunteer. **Transatlantic Future Leaders Scholar**. *Don't be mad, vote for a Grand!*

OLLIE DONALDSON
ST. ANNE'S COLLEGE

PROGRESS: Harvard Prize Book Winner. Played flamboyant sailor. **College bar rep**. **Mediocre** photographer. *Vote Jack or he won't come back!*

YASSINE BENJELLOUN
ST. ANTONY'S COLLEGE

PROGRESS: UN Consultant, College **Debating Society**, Champagne Cork Enthusiast, Fluent in **MULTIPLE** languages. *He's a machine, vote Yassine!*

RUCHI BAGGA
KEBLE COLLEGE

#REFRESH
OxStu contributor; *Encore rep*; World travelling **geographer**, visited 5 continents; Proudly from **Essex**.
Help Ruchi; Bagga some votes!

MARGO BONDARCHUK
ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE

PROGRESS: Chaired MUN Security Council. Fluent in **FOUR** languages; **Perfect**, Inter-Collegiate Basketball **Champion**. **NARROWLY DODGED ALLIGATOR!**
Lift the embargo, vote Margo!

OLIVIA RAILTON
WADHAM COLLEGE

World CHAMPION debater. Epic party host. **Wadham** Fresher's President. Friendly, eco-friendly. MUN Under-secretary general.
Live and let Liv (get elected).

JACK BLOWERS
ORIEL COLLEGE

PROGRESS: Biochemist, *occasional college rower*. Played flamboyant sailor. **College bar rep**. **Mediocre** photographer. *Vote Jack or he won't come back!*

JIM BRENNAN
ST. PETER'S COLLEGE

BANNED SLATES in Oxford Student Union. **"Devoted ... to destroying this association"** - Tory (OUCA) President.
History Society President, Geographer.

JOTHAM THODIYIL
ST. HILDA'S COLLEGE

#REFRESH
Film star with IMDb profile; **Blockchain** enthusiast; College footballer; HUMAN RIGHTS activist.
Don't be a sloth. Vote for Joth.

ELLIOT BROMLEY
ST. EDMUND HALL

#REFRESH
MPhil; Educational consultant in **India**; Clay pigeon shooter; Oxford Indian Society Committee; *Croquet* coppers
Vote strongly. Vote Bromley.

LUCY ADAMS
ST. CATHERINE'S COLLEGE

#REFRESH
Eco-warrior; debated in Uganda; **Musical maestro**-Grade 8 guitarist; Oxford **cross country** runner.
Keep it Juicy. Vote Lucy.

HUGH BELLAMY
LADY MARGARET HALL

#REFRESH
App Developer: **150,000** downloads of Homework Planner app; developed Oxford Union app: **twin**.
What to do? Vote for Hugh!

FIN WILLITS
SOMERVILLE COLLEGE

PROGRESS: Convened Debating Schools Round, **Debating Novice Finalist**, **Spanish serenader**, Prefect, **JCR elections officer**. For an easy win, vote **Fin!**

ABHISHEK ADAVIKOLANU
PEMBROKE COLLEGE

Union **PARTNERSHIP** officer, JCR **Treasurer**. Invited **BIG NAME ACTOR 'gasp'**.
International debater, **OxStu** Newspaper; Grade 5 PIANIST student **consultant** #reFoRM

ADITHYA MENON
CHRIST CHURCH

#REFRESH
Member of Union's **Finance Committee**; Written for **International** debater, **OxStu** Newspaper; Grade 5 PIANIST
Vote Deets, he's streets ahead!

CHRIS NOTTINGHAM
ST. HILDA'S COLLEGE

PROGRESS: Swimming **Captain**; Acknowledged by **TWO** US Presidents. Fluent in **FOUR** languages, Inebriated **explorer**, Top-ranked scout. *Don't Miss - Vote Chris!*

BEN HARRIS
ST. ANNE'S COLLEGE

#REFRESH
Union **Partnership Officer**; Debating; **regional convenor** and **sponsorship officer**; coppers squash; natural ginger
Don't say when. Vote for **Ben**.

ELLA PENNY
ST. EDMUND HALL

#REFRESH
College Ball President: Blues **boxing** captain; **Charity** cyclist for **South African orphanage**; Uni **cheerleader**
Ella's a stellar candidate!

JAMIE HERHOLDT
NEW COLLEGE

#REFRESH
Model **boat power** committee; **Proven** programmer; Beer boat **power**; Fundraising for Kilimanjaro; **Bridge** building engineer.
Don't REVOLT- vote HerHOLDT

Want to get involved next term?

To run for election in the Society, you must make a certain number of qualifying speeches within the public debates either in the Emergency, Floor, or After Debate. Nominations open at 9.30am, Friday 5th Week, and close at 3pm on the following Friday. If you would like to get involved with the administration of the Society without running for election, you can participate in the running of the Elections as a Deputy Returning Officer by applying in writing to the President by 3pm on Monday of 2nd Week. If you have any questions about running in elections, or you need impartial advice, please feel free to contact the Returning Officer (ro@oxford-union.org).