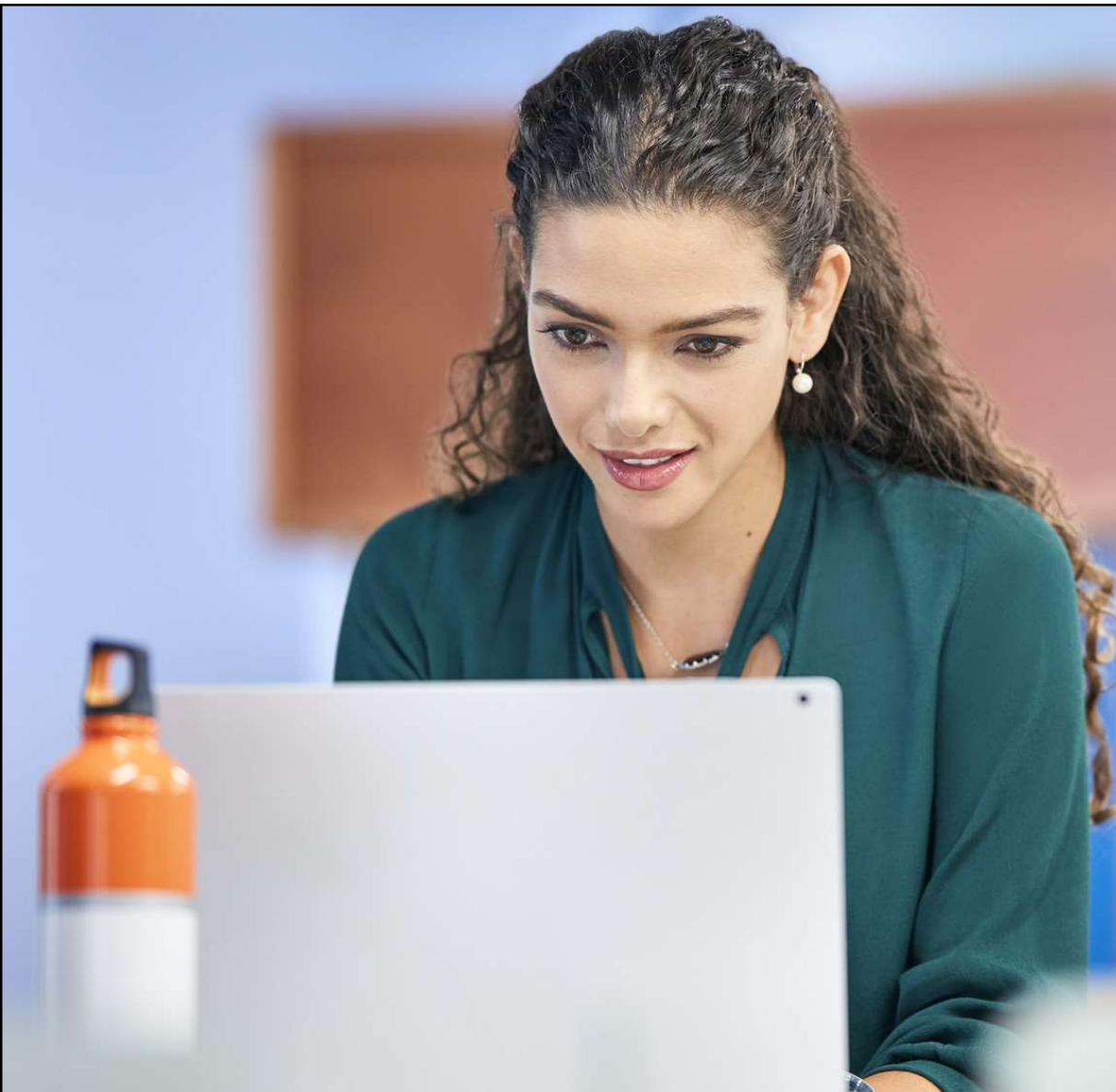




# Decentralised Clinical Trials: Myths & Facts about the application and its results

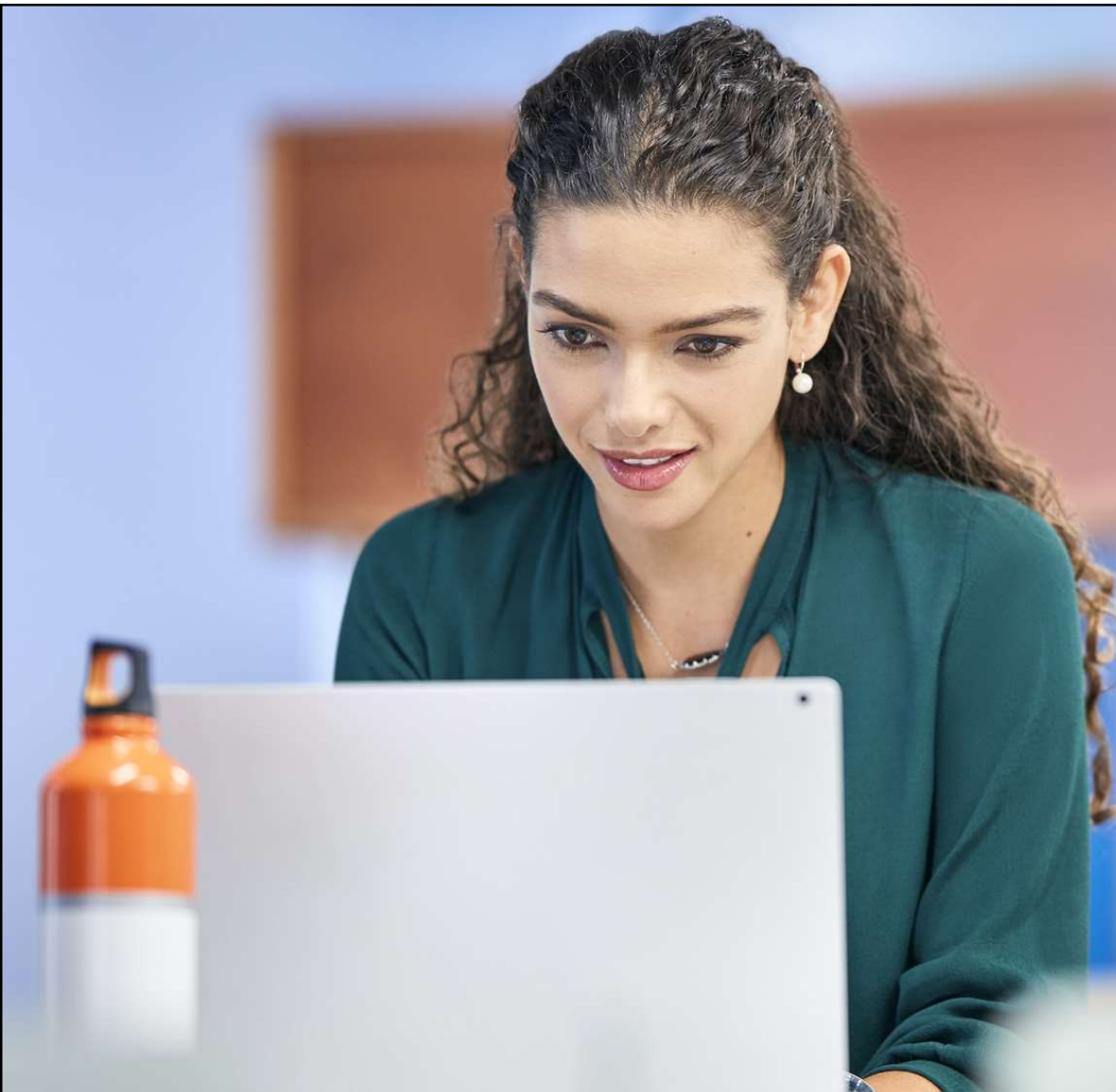
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**Practice question:**

**How much do you know  
about decentralised  
clinical trials?**



### **Statement 1:**

**A Decentralised Clinical Trial is fully remote, the participant does not meet the investigator in person.**



## Decentralized Clinical Trials (DCT) are defined as:

Any trial that leverages technology and specialized services to engage participants in the community and facilitate patient-centric care, including remote pre-screening, telemedicine visits, at-home treatment, or mobile research nurses and staff. This approach aims to **bring the patient voice into the trial, reduce the burden on sites and patients, and increase representative participation** by expanding traditional site boundaries to deliver a more personalized trial experience.

# IQVIA DCT allows for a flexible and patient-centric model



## Traditional Site-Based

Clinical Assessment

Consent

IMP

Vital Signs

Lab Collection

Paper Questionnaire

Adverse Events

24-hour Central Support



## Hybrid DCT



## Full DCT

Televisits

eConsent

DTP IMP

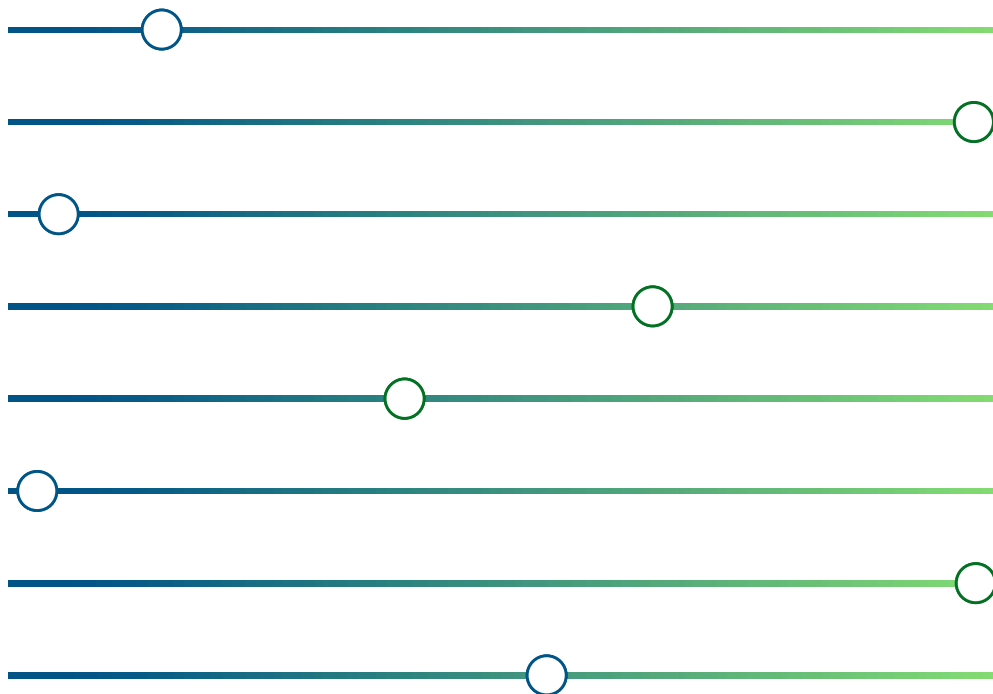
Connected Devices

Remote Nurse/Phlebotomist

ePRO/eCOA

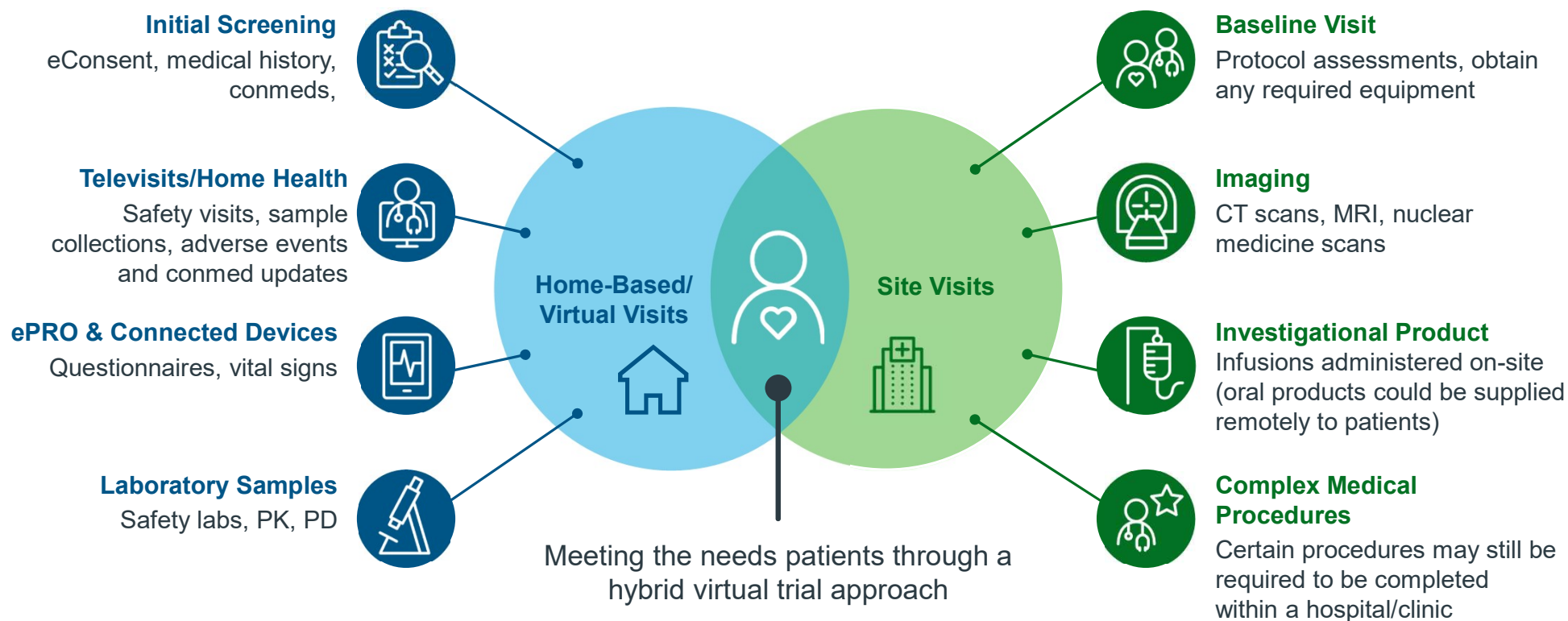
Device-Supported Adverse Event Reporting

24-hour Central Support



# DCT - Designing Trials Around the Participant

*A more flexible and efficient approach to clinical research*







## **Statement 2:**

**A DCT Solution is mainly a tech solution.**

# DCTs are more than just tech

The DCT Solution is designed, developed, and implemented to

- support participants
- support sites
- protect participant confidentiality & privacy

Need for strong human factor involvement to

- enable participants to be successful
- enable sites to be successful
- reduce burden of trial experience



**GOAL:** Generating credible, verifiable data leading to reliable trial results



# Electronic data collection is increasingly remote

*And, collected from multiple sources*



## Increasing data

All the data generated between the beginning of time and the year 2000, is the same that is now generated every min of every day.<sup>1</sup>



## Data volume

The body of healthcare data is doubling every 2 years.<sup>2</sup>



## EDC data capture

Only 20% – 30% of data points collected in EDC.



## Connected Devices

Registered clinical trials using connected devices grew >10x since 2018.<sup>3</sup>

Forecasts suggest sales of wearables will double by 2023.<sup>4</sup>



## Rising costs

Data collection costs are increasing exponentially.

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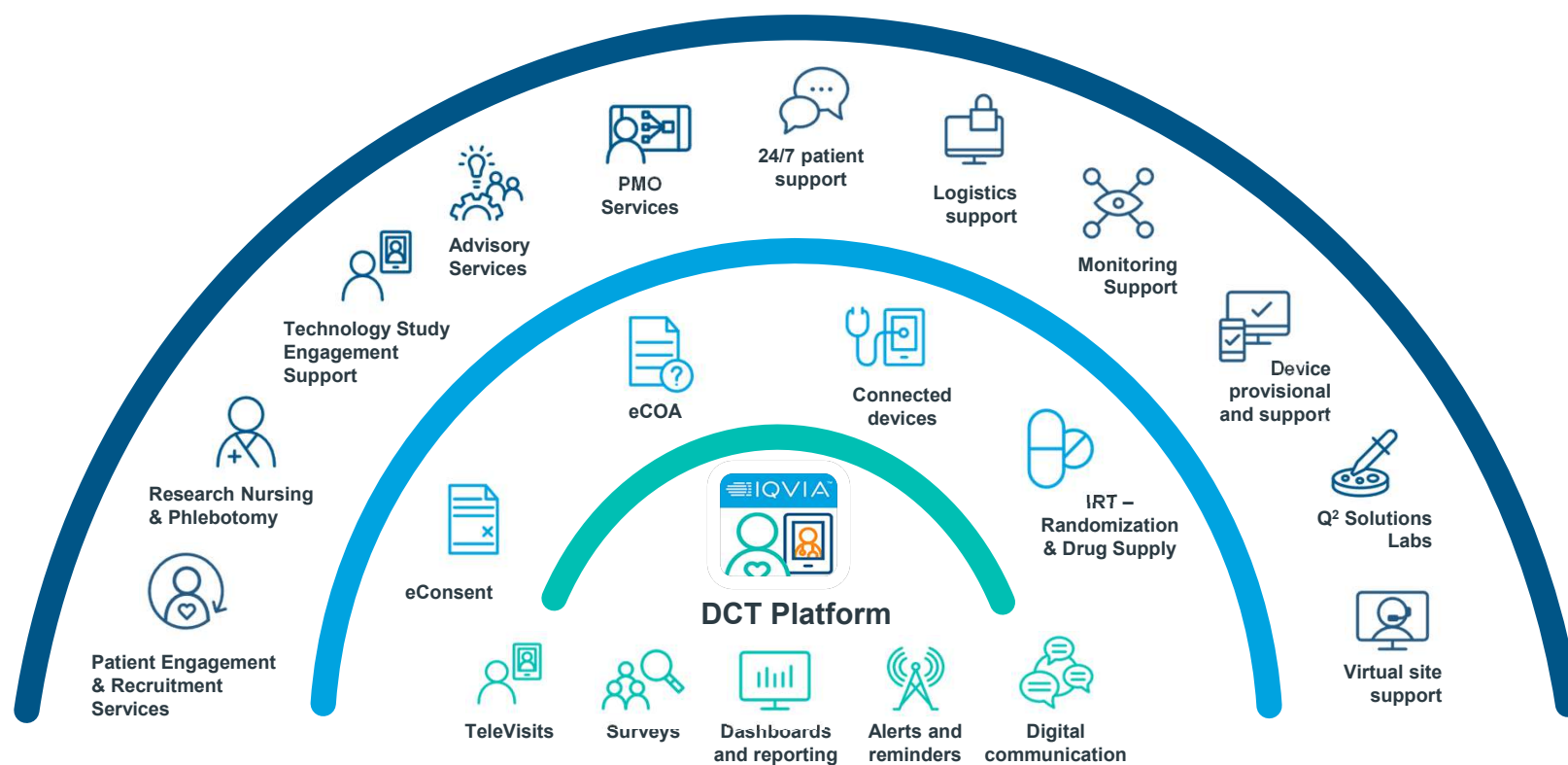
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# Scalable, adaptable, patient-centric trials

*Integrated clinical technology platform enabling more effective remote clinical trials by supporting patient communication, data aggregation, and workflow efficiencies for PIs and site staff*





### **Statement 3:**

**One of the main concerns with a DCT solution is confidentiality and privacy**

# Patient Centricity

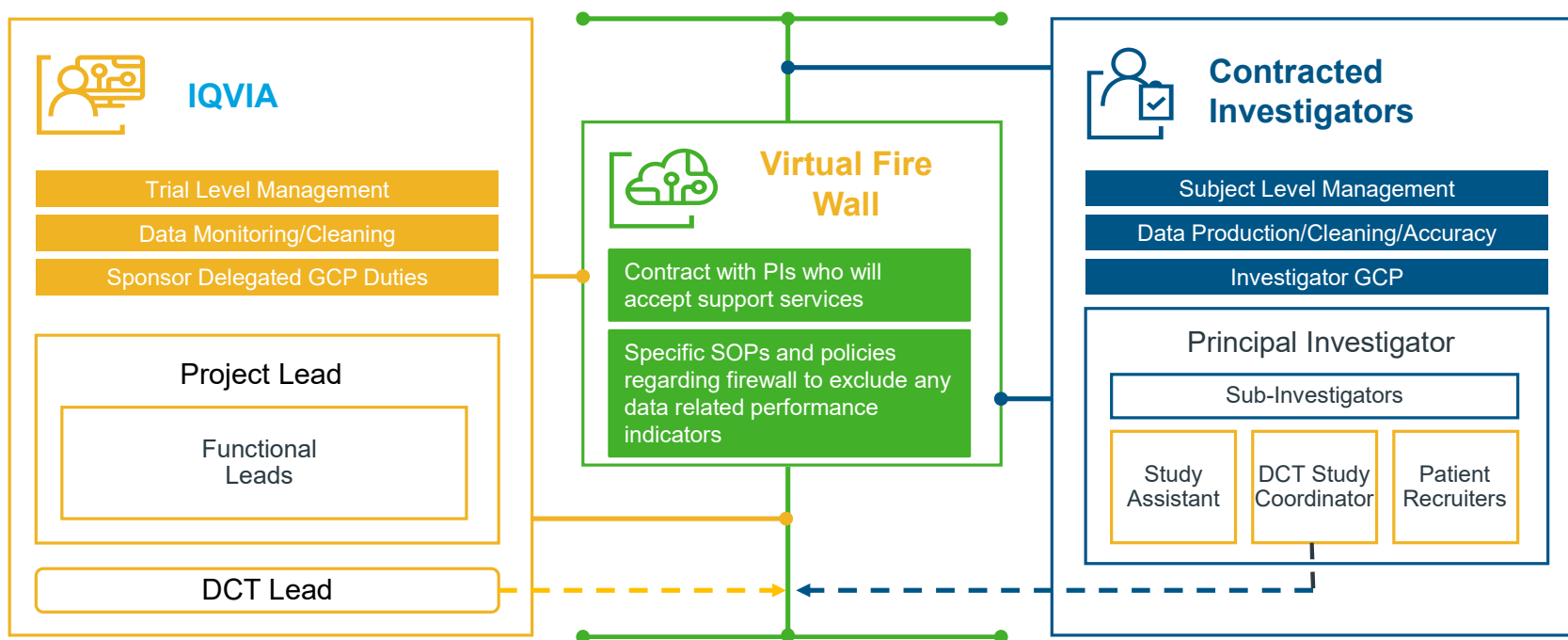
*Balancing reducing burdens and protecting rights*

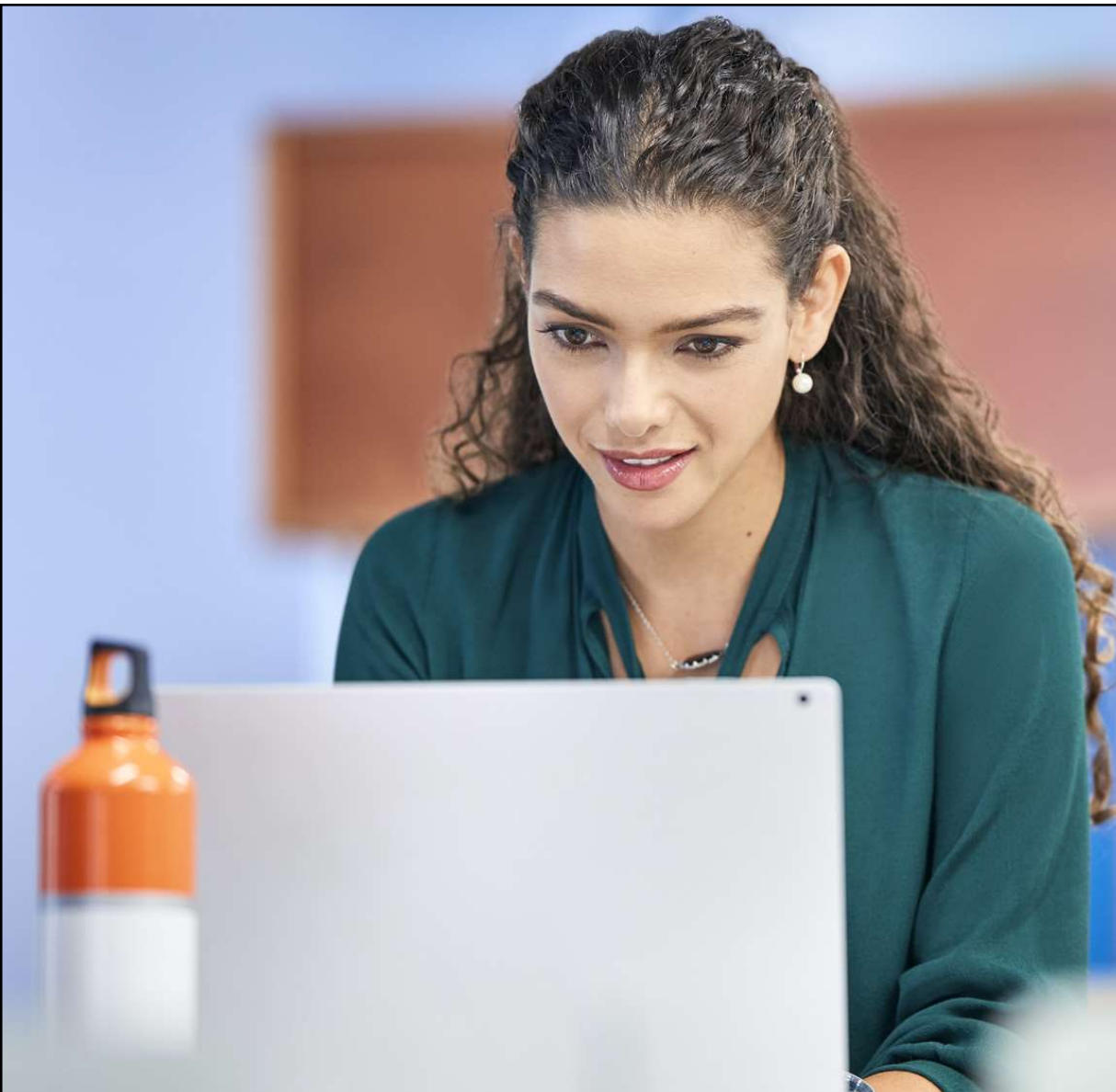
- One main aim of DCT is reducing participant burden...
  - ... whilst protecting their safety, although more remote
  - ... whilst protecting their rights, ...
    - › ... confidentiality
      - » GCP, GxP
    - › ... privacy
      - » GDPRP etc.



# Role-based Firewall

DCT Platforms should leverage role-based security measures to ensure that only appropriate user roles are allowed to access sensitive data.





#### **Statement 4:**

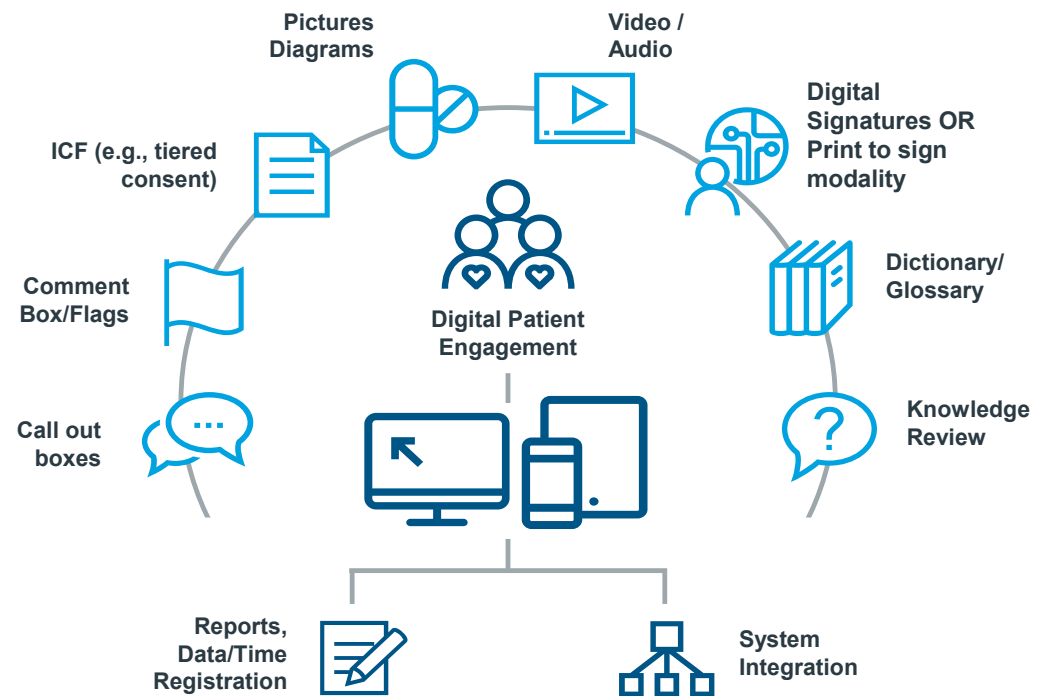
**eConsent was not allowed in The Netherlands before July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.**



# Electronic Informed Consent

Feature-rich system to improve participant discussions and the overall quality of the informed consent process

Known as **eConsent**



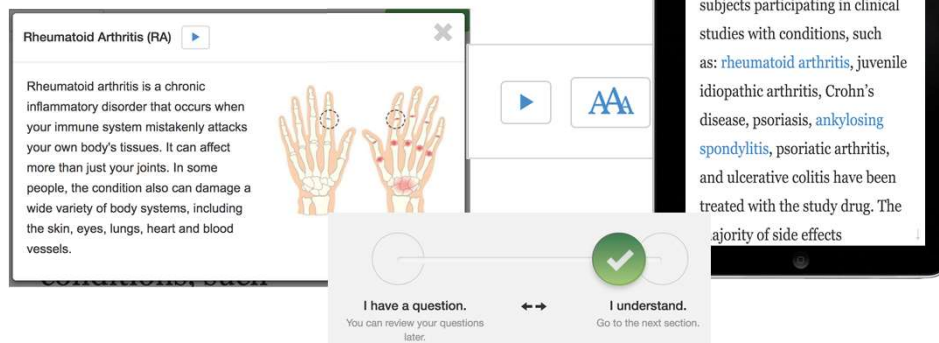
Potential Components of eConsent by TransCelerate

Source: [transceleratebiopharmainc.com](https://transceleratebiopharmainc.com)

# User-friendly Technology for all Ages

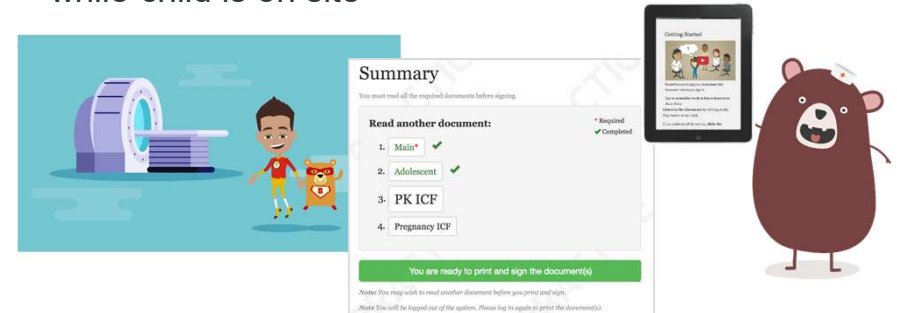
## Elderly patients

- Designed with elderly patients in mind - even easy for those with no smart phone or tablet experience
- Text size may be enlarged for easy reading or projected on large screen
- Swiping slider on screen easier than turning pages for painful or weak hands
- ICF narration for visually impaired
- Ability to capture caregiver consent



## Pediatric patients

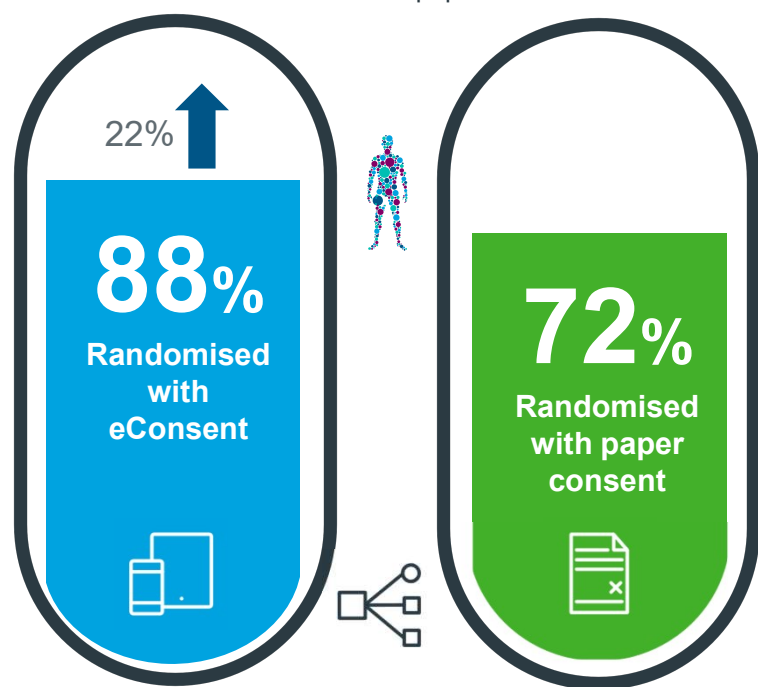
- Familiar, youth-friendly technology engages participants and is easy to use even for the parental generation
- Engaging and Child friendly video and multimedia
- Manage parental consent and child assent with ease.
- Technology enables seamless management of varying age of assent between countries.
- Second parent or caregiver can consent remotely while child is on site



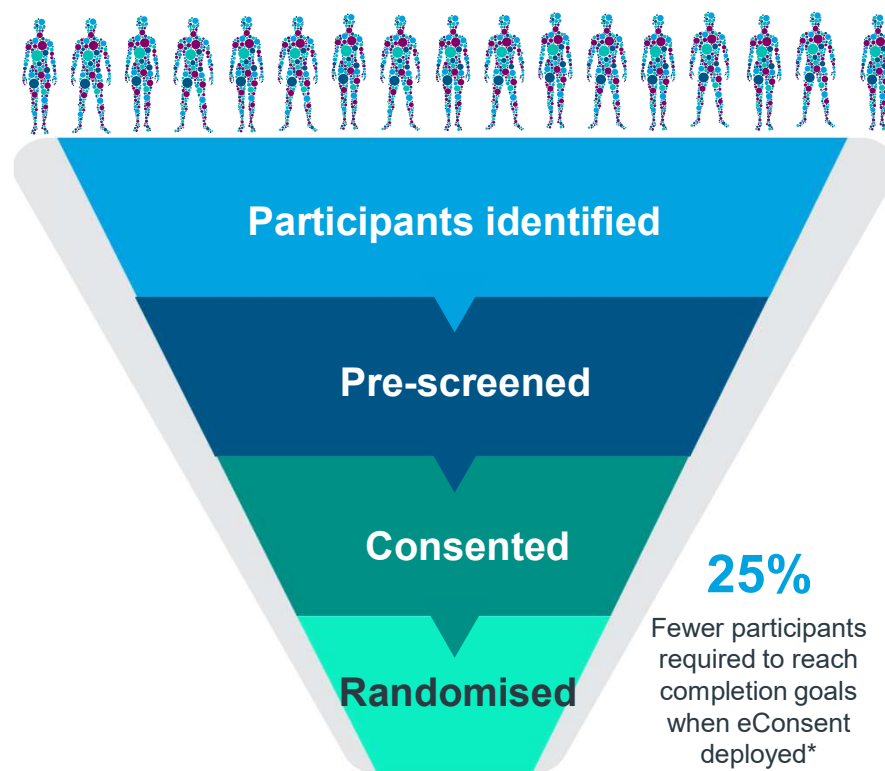
# Improving trial funnel metrics with electronic informed consent

*Empowering participants to make truly informed decisions and reducing dropout rate*

Compare 55 IQVIA trials with electronic consent to  
all IQVIA trials with paper consent



**More participants randomized**



**Fewer participants drop out**



**Statement 5:**

**A DCT Solution is quite an expensive solution.**

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# IMPACT REPORT

ANALYSIS & INSIGHT INTO CRITICAL DRUG DEVELOPMENT ISSUES

**DCTs substantially increase financial value  
based on key performance indicators**

*Decentralized Clinical Trial (DCT) methods increase value by \$20 million per  
drug, if applied in both Phase II and III trials*



# DCTs Deliver Big ROI

*New IQVIA Study Demonstrates Cost and Time Savings of Decentralized Trials\**

Tech-enabled trials  
reduce time and cost,  
delivering measurable  
benefits for sponsors.

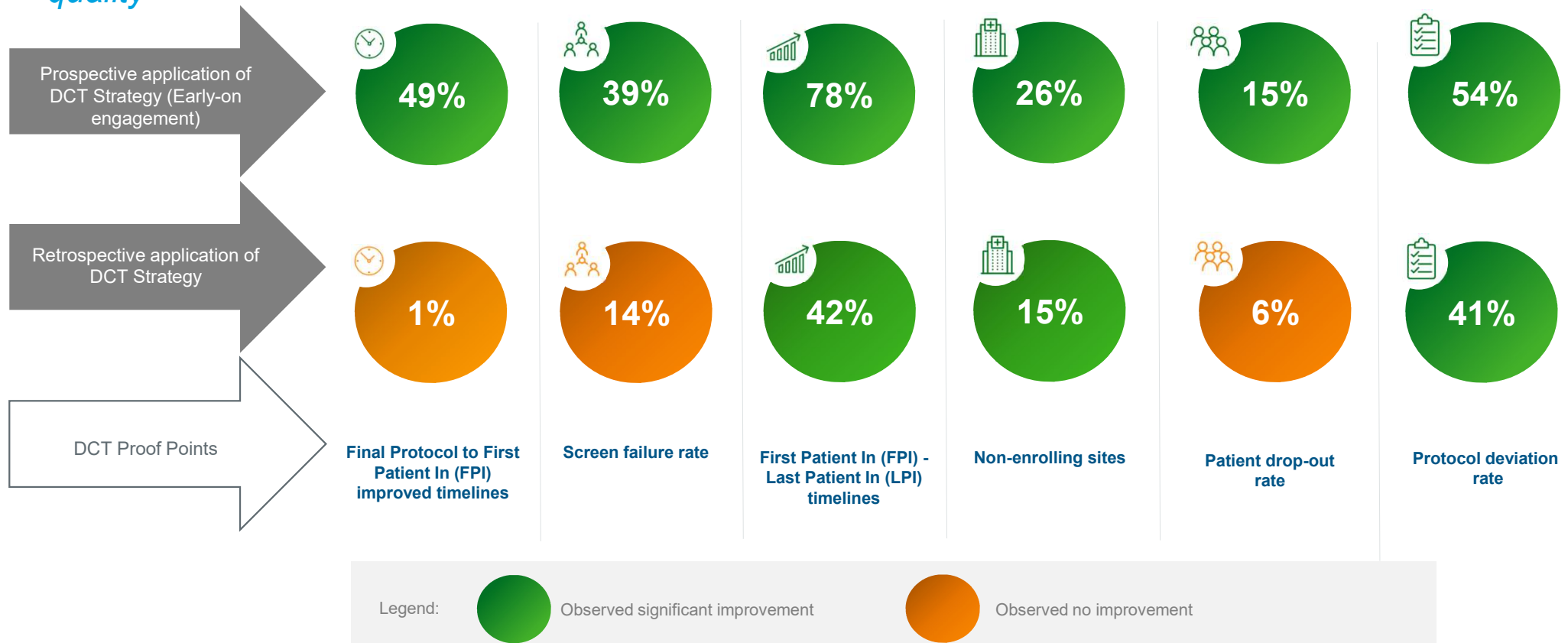


\*Mar 2022 - Based on performance of 12 studies conducted using IQVIA DCT Platform and 1 or more additional DCT services and comparing their data with historical comparator (similar studies conducted under traditional delivery model)



# Decentralized Clinical Trials Benefit

*A retrospective strategy provides some but **not** all benefits in improving productivity, delivery & quality*





# Thank you

*Questions?*

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