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Context: style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">Software development involves many activities, and style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">decision-making is an essential one. Various factors can impact a style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">decision-making process, and by understanding such factors, one can improve the process. Since people are the ones style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">making decisions, some human-related aspects are amongst those influencing factors. One such aspect is the style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">decision maker's style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">personality. Objective: This research investigates the relationship between style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">decision-making style and style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">personality within the context of style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">software project development. Method: We conducted a survey style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">in a population of Brazilian style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">software engineers to gather data on their style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">personality and style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">decision-making style. Results: Data from 63 participants was gathered and resulted style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">in the identification of seven statistically significant correlations between style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">decision-making style and style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">personality (style="background: var(--highlight-yellow); color: inherit;">personality factor

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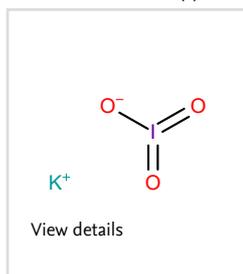
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