# THE PRACTICE OF BIG-MAN IN THE LOCAL POLITICAL DYNAMIC: A CASE STUDY OF ELECTION REGENCY IN PAPUA

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## **ABSTRACT**

This article is a result of study about practical of local political in Papua, especially relation with election regency which full of political phenomenon which is studying in political science and (political) anthropological perspective because election regency process has values what should need to understand by people (constituent) but by all of many elements whom within election regency process. These issues in this article consist of two variables, Big-man tradition leader and Election Regency. To being a leader, someone needs popularity. On this position, somebody will show his practical big-man tradition leader and distributives political. Both of them will be a focus of interest on this article.

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