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Postman



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Postman is a collaboration platform for API development. Postman's features simplify each step of building an API and streamline collaboration so you can create better APIs. Download the Postman REST API client from www.postman.com.

This article describes how to successfully import API specification to Postman and how to start working with the Connect API.

Prerequisites

Before starting to work with the Postman client, make sure that all prerequisites are met.

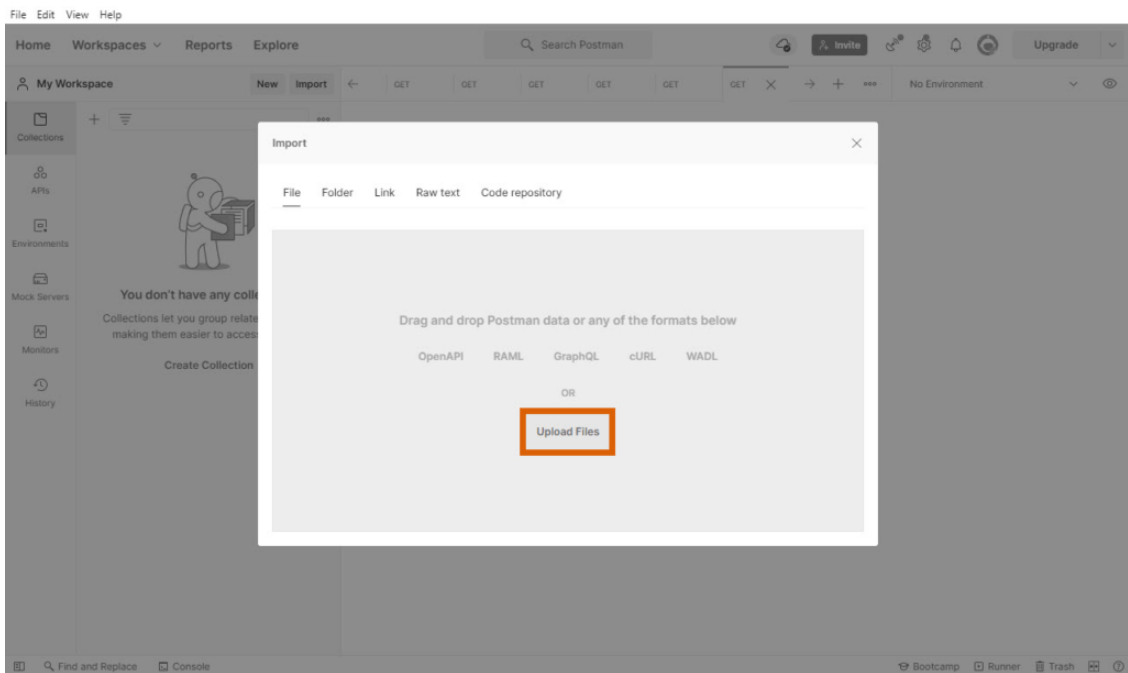
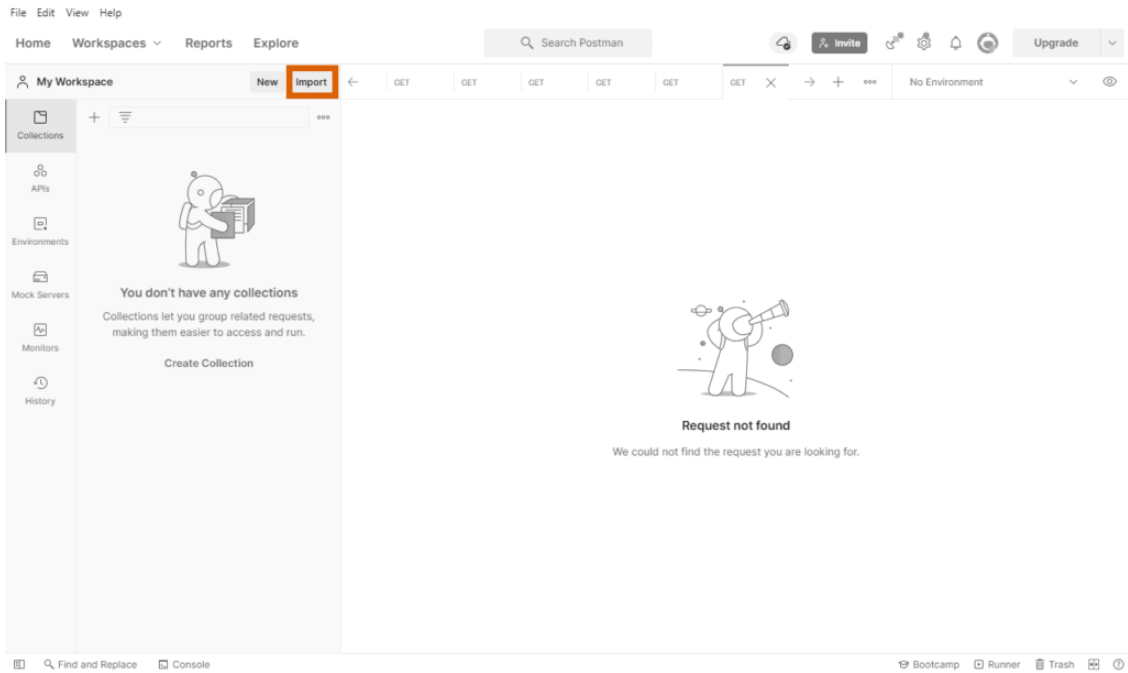
Namely, it is required to create a **Custom** token, assign required permissions and copy your **API Key/Handle** value.

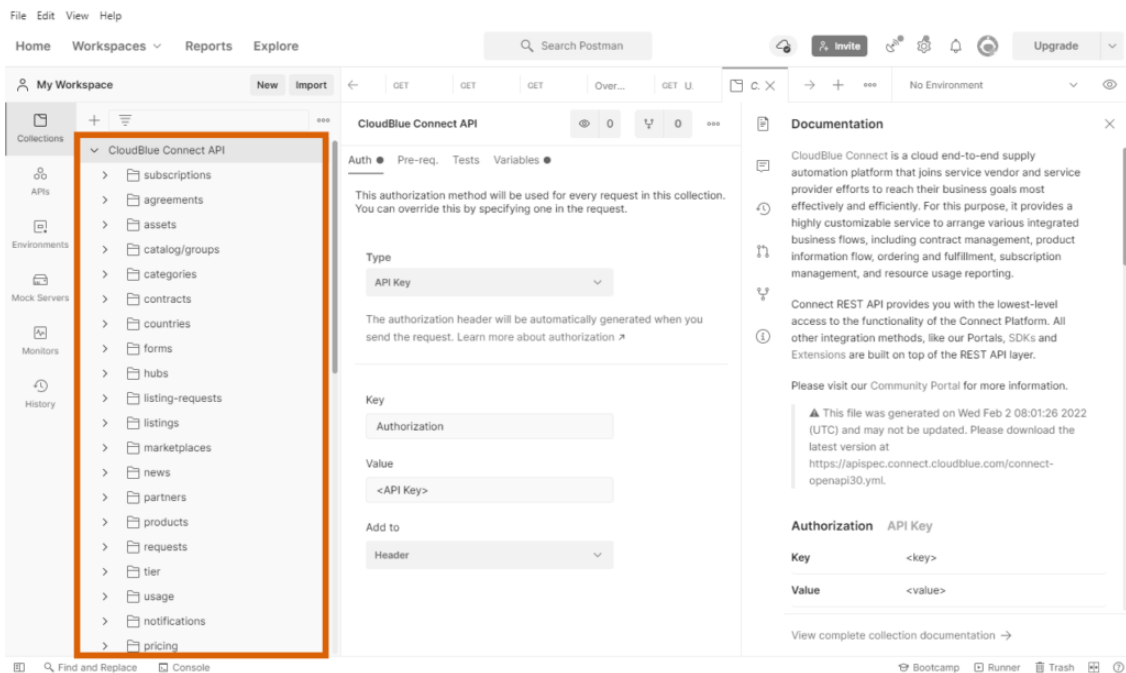
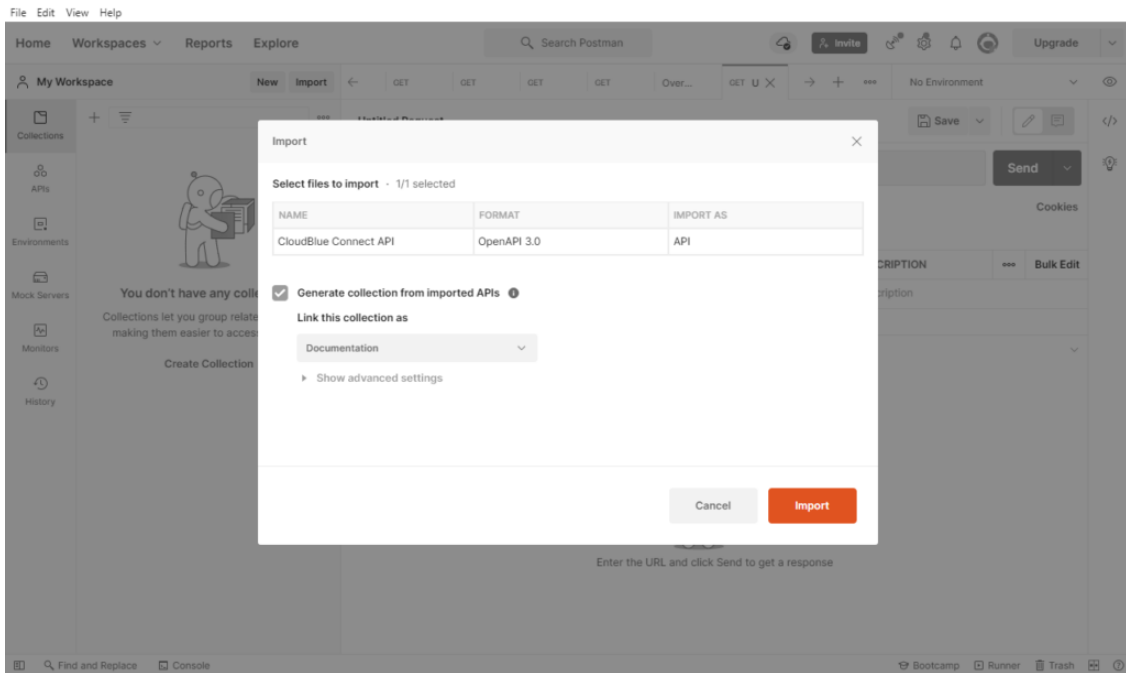
Furthermore, make sure that Postman uses correct **API endpoint** for making calls.

API Specification Import

First, get familiar with the API specification and download the required file via our Open API specification page.

After that, open the Postman client and import API specification as described below:





1. Access your workspace and click the **Import** button.
2. Click the **Upload Files** button and select your downloaded API specification file
3. Once your file is uploaded, click the **Import** button to confirm this operation.

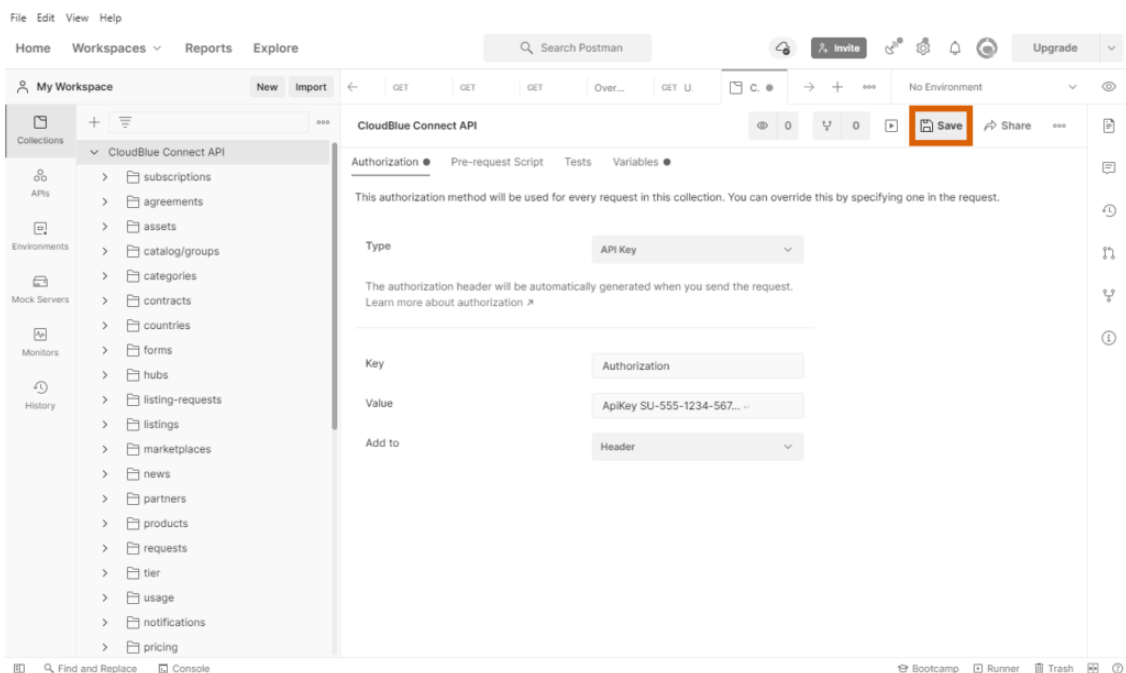
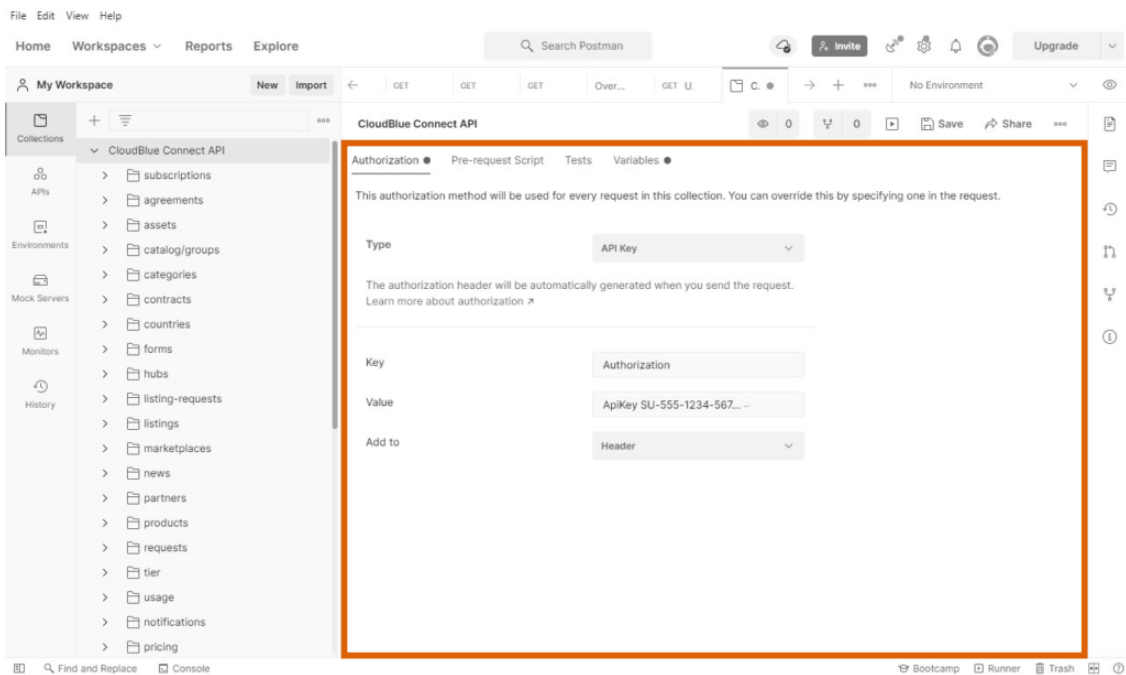
Therefore, the API specification will be successfully imported to Postman. Note that it is also required to paste your *API Key/Handle* and *API endpoint* to your generated collection by following the steps below.

Collection Configuration

Once the API specification is added successfully, access the *Authorization* and *Variables* options by clicking on your collection from your Postman workspace.

Authorization Settings

First of all, proceed to the **Authorization** tab and configure the authorization method as follows:



- **Type:** Select *API Key* in this field.

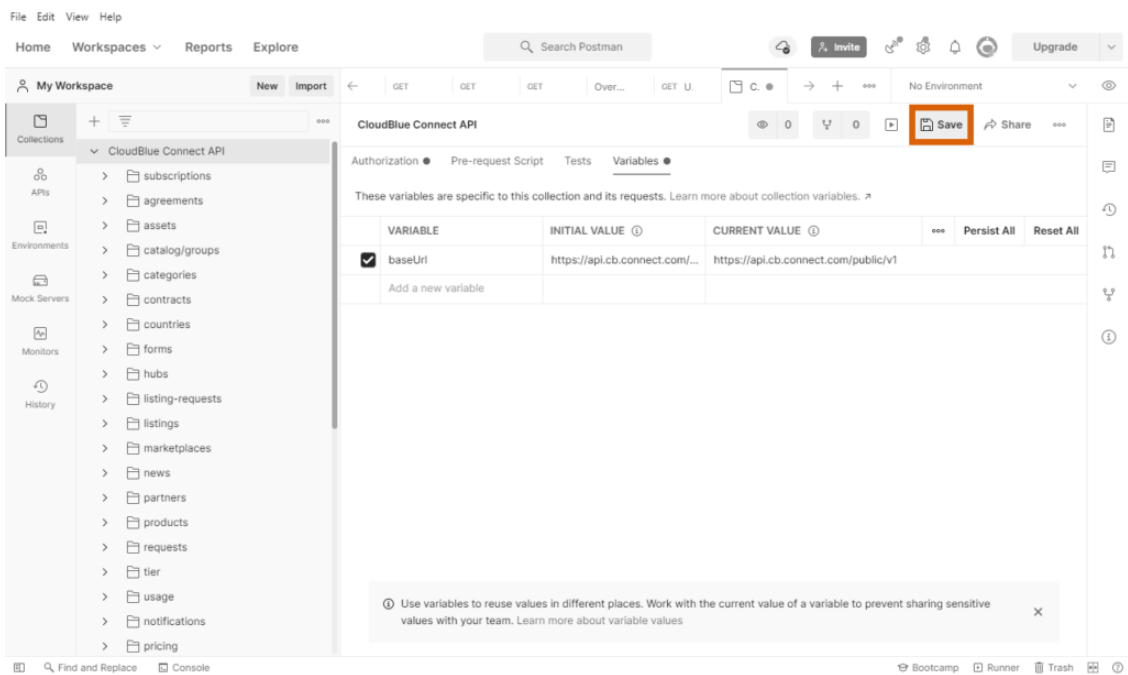
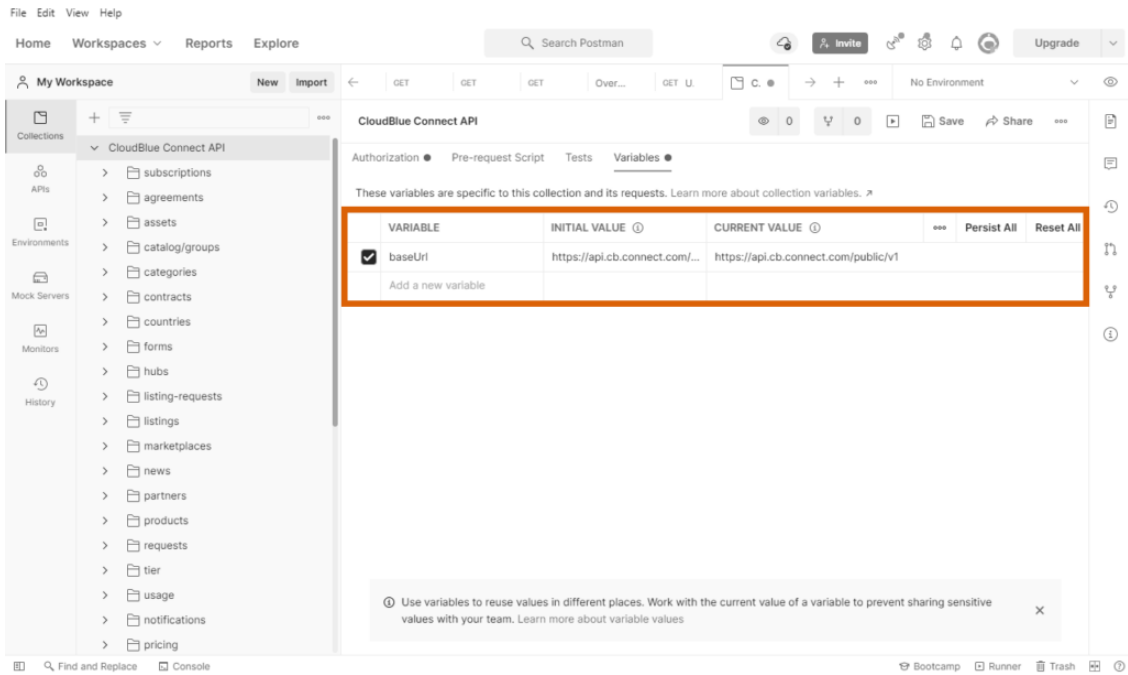
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- **Key:** Choose *Authorization*.
- **Value:** Paste your *API Key/ Handle* value that is copied from the CloudBlue Connect platform
- **Add to:** Select *Header*.

Click the **Save** button to save your authorization method configuration.

Variables Settings

Switch to the **Variables** tab and make sure that the following variable and required values are configured correctly:



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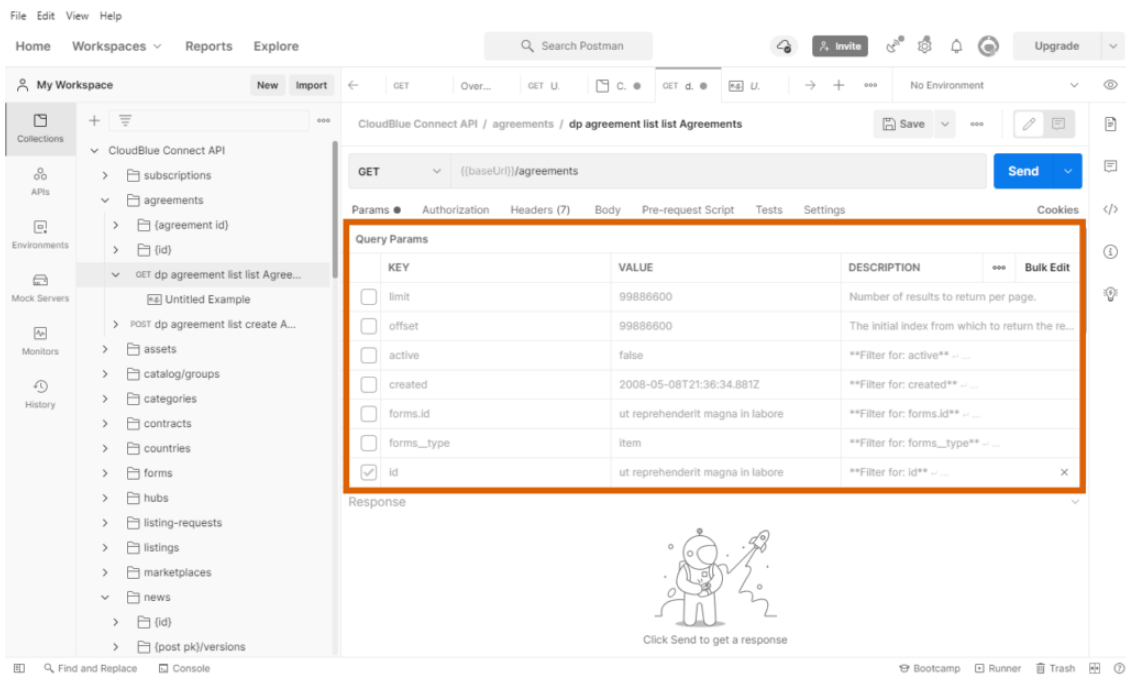
- **Variable:** The table should have a variable that is called *baseUrl*.
- **Initial value:** Shared with your team when you share your variable in a collection, environment and globals. This value may represent your copied *API endpoint*.
- **Current value:** Used while sending a request and never synced with Postman servers. If this value is empty, the client automatically uses the initial value (may also contain your *API endpoint*).

Click the **Save** button to save your changes. Thus, you can test out your configuration and start working the Connect API via the Postman client.

Make a Sample Call

Test your configuration and ensure the Postman client works correctly by making a sample call.

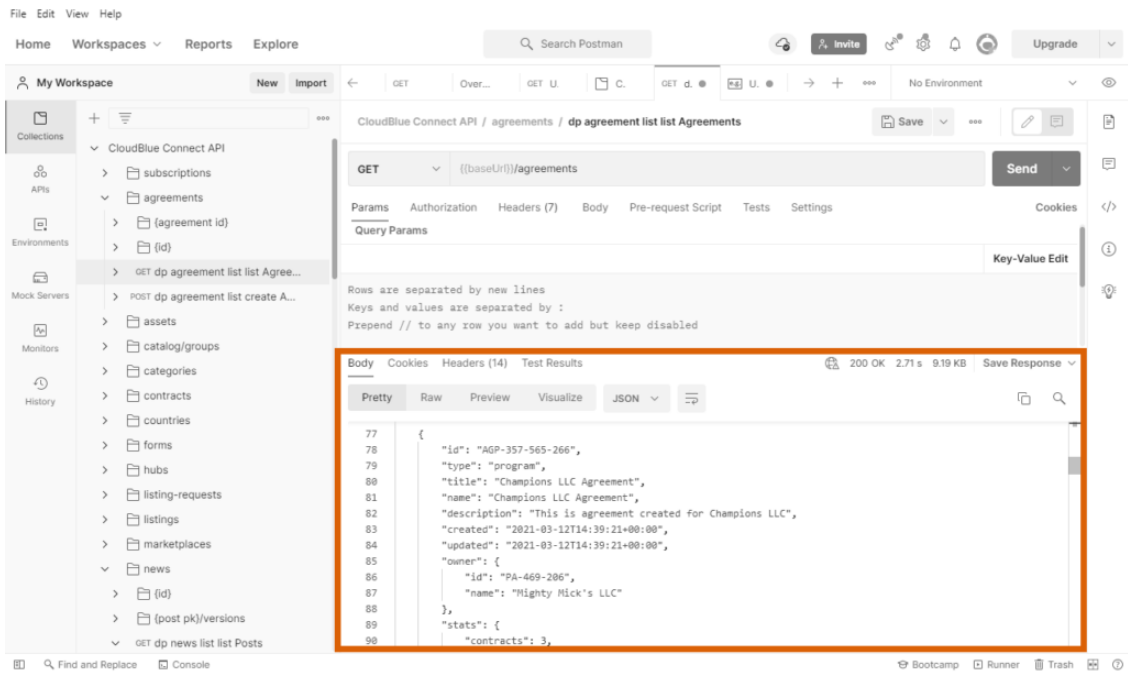
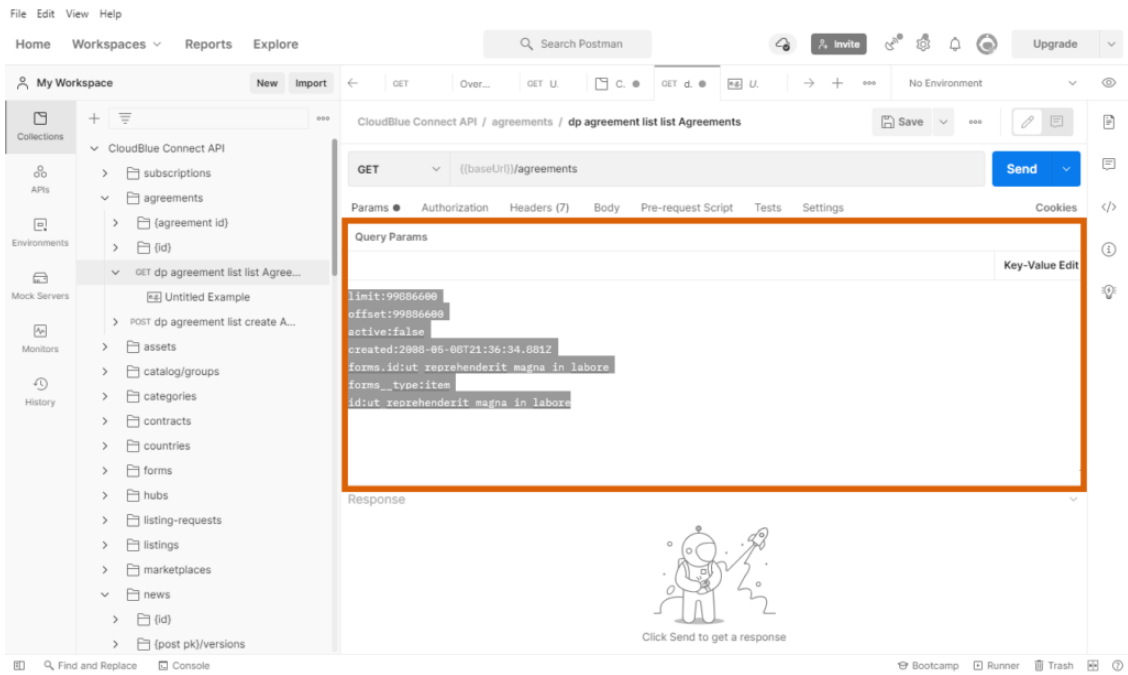
For example, access the agreement section from your added collection and open the *GET: dp Agreements- list Agreements* call to access a list of your agreements objects on the CloudBlue Connect platform:



The screenshot shows the Postman interface with a REST client configuration for a GET request. The request URL is `{{baseUrl}}/agreements`. The 'Query Params' section is highlighted with a red box and contains the following table:

KEY	VALUE	DESCRIPTION	***	Bulk Edit
<input type="checkbox"/> limit	99886600	Number of results to return per page.		
<input type="checkbox"/> offset	99886600	The initial index from which to return the re...		
<input type="checkbox"/> active	false	**Filter for: active** < ...		
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<input type="checkbox"/> forms_type	item	**Filter for: forms_type** < ...		
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The 'Response' section is currently empty, showing a placeholder illustration of a person with a rocket and the text 'Click Send to get a response'.



Uncheck the query parameters via the *Key Value Edit* mode or switch to the *Bulk Edit* mode and delete all provided parameters to list all your agreements objects. It is also possible to use this parameters to find specific agreements by using identifiers, associated marketplace, owner name, and so on.

Use the **Send** button to send your API call. The result of this call should appear under **Response** at the bottom of the Postman

window.

In case more information on the Postman functionality is required, please refer to the [Getting started with Postman documentation](#).