OME Community Supported Formats

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2006-2016: Support for 140+ file formats 2x or more variants



2016: Public statement about file formats



asking us about when we expect to support 3D.

files. This sort of request isn't particularly unus

gives an insight into one of the key challenges

What you can do

The community has the power to change this situation. You are paying for these proprietary formats. You can condition your purchase, continued payment of support and maintenance fees etc. on:

- the delivery of a rational, well-designed, efficient, open format
- use of open compression schemes
- support for the community's efforts to deliver open readers for these files

You can of course also commit your own development resources to help solve this problem.

http://blog.openmicroscopy.org/file-formats/community/2016/01/06/format-support/

2017/2018: new file formats



Differing requirements; differing costs



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Open file formats for imaging data



Availability

Public specification, examples and

reference implementations

Long-term support

Upgrades and downgrades for each

new version of the format

https://docs.openmicroscopy.org/latest/ome-model/ome-tiff/index.html



OME next generation formats



Pyramidal OME-TIFF

- TIFF features for storing multiresolution images
- Specification, readers and writers



Binary vessels

- Readers for modern data containers
- Upcoming IDR datasets



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Key points

- Data format developers (Industry & Academic)
 - Reduce long-term cost of data formats (variants)
 - Engage with open community formats
- Data format users (Nodes)
 - Ensure long-term viability of data
 - Prioritize (Demand?) support for open community formats
- Proposal: open community formats
 - Readable by reference implementations (Bio-Formats)
 - Defined by community agreements

Questions?

Requirements: for discussion

	Write speed	Read speed	Accessibility	Longevity	
Acquisition					
Users					
Tooling					
Resources					