

## **MetaXpress® 6 Software Guide**

Viewing Timelapse Image Sets in Review Plate Data



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#### **Chapter Purpose**

This purpose of this chapter is to guide the user through viewing Timelapse image sets in **Review Plate Data** post-acquisition. Timelapse images can be viewed as a thumbnail montage (filmstrip-like view), a series of individual high resolution images, or as a single stack (.stk) file.





## Viewing Timelapse Images

- 1. Open Review Plata Data
  - In the main toolbar click on



#### OR

- Under the Screening menu, select Review Plate Data
- 2. Click on the Select Plate button
- 3. Browse through the folders to open the plate of interest

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## Viewing Multiple Wells – Single Time point

- 4. To view a thumbnail montage of multiple wells at a single time point, change the **Data View** to **Well Arrangement** 
  - Select desired time point in the Time point section
  - Left-click and drag to select a range of wells to display as a thumbnail montage





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- 5. To view a thumbnail montage (filmstrip) of multiple time points, change the **Data View** to **Time Point vs Well** 
  - Plate View now changes such that time points are arrayed in the X direction and the Well ID arrayed in the Y direction
  - Click and drag to select a range of time points or select a range of adjacent wells to create a time point thumbnail montage

Time lapse montage(s) for the selected well(s). Image annotation indicates both well ID and time point (t1, t2, t3, etc.) in the upper left corner of each thumbnail image.





#### **Viewing High Resolution Images**



To review high resolution images from selected wells, simply click on any thumbnail image in any of the montages to open the corresponding high resolution image set.





#### Viewing Time Points as a Stack

- 6. To create a stack (.stk) file of a series of time points from one site/well
  - Right-click on a well of interest either in the Plate View or in the thumbnail montage
  - Corresponding images and well will be highlighted in green
  - Click on the Load Selected
     Images button

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\*NOTE\* If you have more than one site per well, then deselect **All Sites** and highlight only one site to view.





#### Scrolling Through Time Lapse Images



To scroll through the timelapse, click and drag the image slider or use the playback controls.







#### Viewing Individual Wavelengths or Color Overlays

- 7. Click on the **Display** tab to turn color composite on or off
  - To view channels separately uncheck **Color Composite**
  - To view a color overlay of channels, enable Color
     Composite and select the corresponding R, G, and B images from the source dropdown menus
  - Refer to chapters on overlaying images for more details
- 8. Click on **Load Select Images** to load the Z Series into a stack (.stk) file

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#### Support Resources

- F1 / HELP within MetaXpress® Software
- Support and Knowledge Base: <u>http://mdc.custhelp.com/</u>
- User Forum: <a href="http://metamorph.moleculardevices.com/forum/">http://metamorph.moleculardevices.com/forum/</a>
- Request Support: <u>http://mdc.custhelp.com/app/ask</u>
- Technical Support can also be reached by telephone:
  - 1 (800) 635-5577
  - Select options for Tech Support → Cellular Imaging Products → ImageXpress Instruments





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