

Resource Summary Report

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OME - Open Microscopy Environment

RRID:SCR_008849

Type: Tool

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Resource Information

URL: <http://www.openmicroscopy.org/site>

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Description: Open tools to support data management for biological light microscopy produced by a multi-site collaborative effort among academic laboratories and a number of commercial entities. Designed to interact with existing commercial software, all OME formats and software are free, and all OME source code is available under the GNU General public license or through commercial license from Glencoe Software. OME is developed as a joint project between research-active laboratories at the Dundee, NIA Baltimore, and Harvard Medical School and LOCI. In addition, OME has active collaborations with many imaging and informatics groups. While many other applications could use OME's architecture and design, their specific implementation is focused on biological and biomedical imaging. Those interested in applying OME's technology to other applications should contact the developers. OME work is divided into several different standards and software projects: * Bio-Formats: A Java-based library for reading and writing over 90 microscopy file formats. * OMERO Software: The Java-based OMERO software project, which currently includes tools for storing, visualizing, managing, and annotating microscopic images and metadata. * OME-XML & OME-TIFF: The OME-XML and OME-TIFF file format specifications, which are open file formats for sharing microscope image data. * OME Server: This was the original OME server project which has now ended and is a legacy product. It implements image-based analysis of cellular dynamics and image-based screening of cellular localization or phenotypes, and included a fully developed version of the 2003 version of OME-XML Schema language.

Abbreviations: OME

Synonyms: Open Microscopy Environment

Resource Type: standard specification, software resource, source code, narrative resource, data or information resource

Defining Citation: [PMID:15892875](#), [PMID:20513764](#)

Keywords: light microscopy, imaging, biomedical imaging, image, microscope, biomedical

Related Condition: Aging

Availability: GNU General Public License, Commercial license, (Glencoe Software)

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Ratings and Alerts

No rating or validation information has been found for OME - Open Microscopy Environment.

No alerts have been found for OME - Open Microscopy Environment.

Data and Source Information

Source: [SciCrunch Registry](#)

Usage and Citation Metrics

We found 8 mentions in open access literature.

Listed below are recent publications. The full list is available at [SPARC SAWG](#) .

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