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Terapix releases

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STEP1:

individual qualitycontrol and grades, weightmap images, individual catalogues 10208 images: deep, wide, very-wide

Delivered to CADC and distributed since January 2006

STEP2:

Astrometric calibration and headers, field-to-field astrometric and photometric calibrations, stacks, chi2 images, catalogues and merged catalogues, quality control

Delivered as « release candidates » between Feb. and July 2006.

Final release: Sept. 2006

T0003 sample and summary:

http://terapix.iap.fr/rubrique.php?id_rubrique=208

Acces to releases:

http://www2.cadc-ccda.hia-iha.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca/cfht/cfhtls_priv/terapix_rc.html

T0003 and the Very Wide data sets:

- Reminder:
 - -no stacks, only warping/resampling of each individual image + catalogues and quality control. i.e. No data compression: we have as much ouput as input images
 - over the 10208 input deep+wide+very wide, we have 3842 very wide (38%)
- But they represent 90% of CPU, disk space and manpower resources. All Terapix resources used between Feb. 2006 to June 2006 for this.
- However: they are not used by the most interested because they produce their own stacks
- Duplication of efforts, impossible to justify this to Terapix personnel, no motivation of the Terapix team to do this although it uses most of our resources
- We asked SG to stop release and produce stacks on request. Production of « release-format » is extremelly time/resource consuming. PI-like easier, faster and better correspond to user needs

Do we need CFHTLS releases on a 6-month basis?

- No-one can produce scientific works/papers on a 6 month basis, in particular with so much data.
- It may even be confusing for ongoing works because each work may then be an endless process to update
- It increases the pressure on Terapix
- More and more PI data
- Suggestion:
 - One release per year
 - Data delivered on a continuous basis using « release candidates »

- Will start by Nov. 13 (STEP1)
- Still waiting for 06B data at CADC to include W4 data
- Full delivery: Feb. 2007
- Deep: 2 stacks for each fields:
 - 25% best seeing
 - 85% best seeing