

# Expanding The Breadth of Use of the Montage Image Mosaic Engine



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<http://montage.ipac.caltech.edu>

<https://github.com/Caltech-IPAC/Montage>

## How Do We Ensure The Community Can Use Montage?

### Keep It Simple and Keep It Flexible!

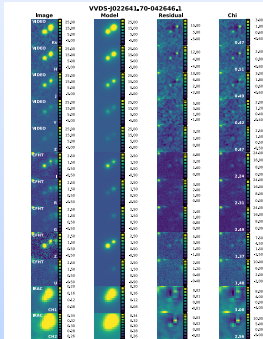
- ANSI-C for performance and portability.
- Science-grade: preserves calibration and positional fidelity.
- Models background radiation and rectifies difference in flux among images to a common level.
- Toolkit design: use for re-projection, background rectification, image sub-setting, and many others.
- Scalable: runs on desktops and high-performance platforms.

### Keep It Sustainable!

- Compatible with evolving platforms.
- Builds with GNU gcc and a simple make command.
- No reliance on shared memory, specific databases, or platform-specific dependencies.
- Development priorities are based on requests from users.
- A community resource: advise users on processing plans and seek feedback on performance and priorities.

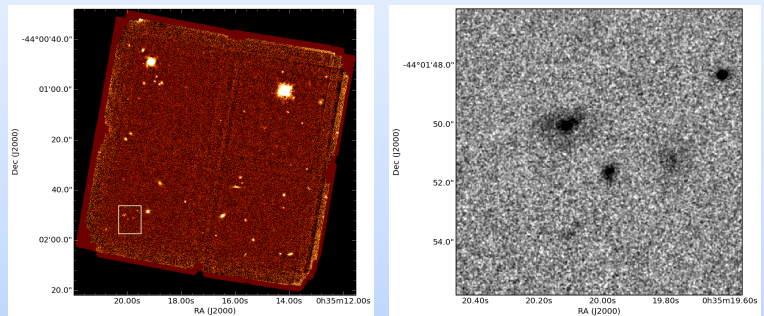
## New Ways The Community Is Using Montage

### Supporting enhanced photometry with the Spitzer Extragalactic Representative Volume Survey (SERVS)



Multi-wavelength fitting over 12 near-infrared and optical bands. Montage was used to make accurate cutouts from much larger mosaics to derive more accurate photometry of blended and faint sources.

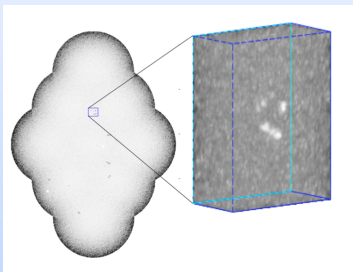
### Creating mosaics of Gemini GEMS adaptive optics images: combining images of four chips into a single mosaic



Full Field  
The box at the bottom-left is shown on the image on the right.

Zoomed image of a group of galaxies at  $z \sim 1.5$

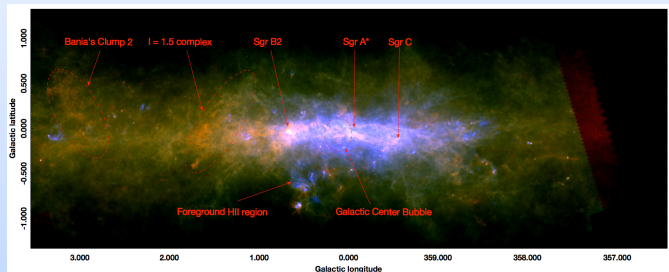
### Sub-setting image cubes that are up to 1 TB each in the CSIRO ASKAP Science Data Archive (CASDA), which stores 5 petabytes/year



Left: An 800x1100x300-pixel image cube of the IC 1459 galaxy group, covering over 9 square degrees and a 240 km/s velocity range.

Right: A 97x97x51-pixel sub-cube around IC 5270 extracted using Montage. The sub-cube covers 24 arcmin on a side and 40 km/s velocity range.

### Creating a full-resolution, five-color mosaic of the Herschel Hi-GAL Survey of the Galactic plane, for display on the Fiske Planetarium dome



Sample image of the Central Molecular Zone (CMZ) from  $l=357$  to 3.5 degrees. The full-dome presentation covers 360 by 2 degrees of the Galactic plane in all 5 wavelengths of the Hi-GAL Survey.

