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Tech Note

Gen5™ File Export

Creating a File to Export to LIMs/LIS

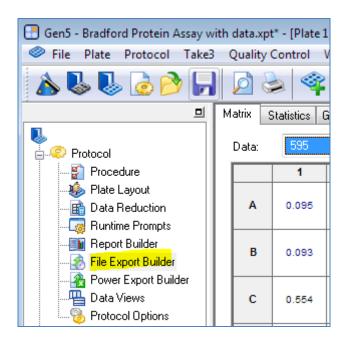
Introduction

Many commercially available LIMs/LIS applications can easily import text files (*.txt) from instrument control and analysis software programs like Gen5. This Tech Note describes the steps required to create a custom *.txt containing the required data, using the File Export Builder feature in the Gen5 protocol. The File Export Builder allows a user to create a template containing only the data that needs to be exported in the file, in either a column (table) or matrix (grid) format. See the example screens in the Appendix.

This Tech Note also describes the Gen5 protocol options available to define the exported file path, manual or automatic exporting and information about exporting each plate's data to its own file or appending multiple plates to a single file.

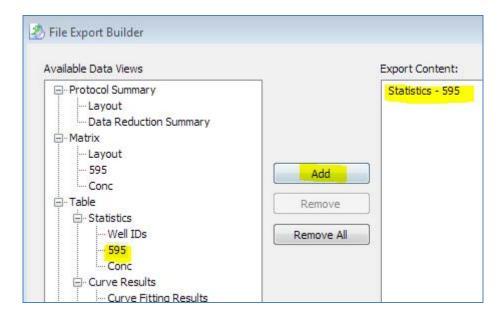
Step 1: Select the data to be exported using the File Export Builder

- a) Open the Gen5 protocol file
- b) Double-click the File Export Builder in the protocol menu:

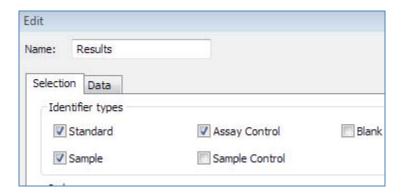


c) In the File Export Builder, select data to be included in the export file from the **Available Data Views** list. "Matrix" data views will export data in a microplate matrix or grid format. "Table" views will export data in a column format. Table format is more commonly used for data that will be sent to a LIMs/LIS.

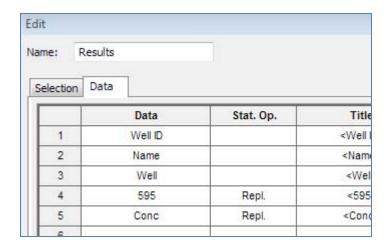
In the screen below, we've selected 595 nm data, then clicked Add to add this to the **Export Content**:



- d) Double-click on the item in the Export Content window to edit the contents. In this dialog, you may:
 - 1. Change the name of the contents
 - 2. Choose the well types to be included in the file (in the Selection tab, check all desired types)

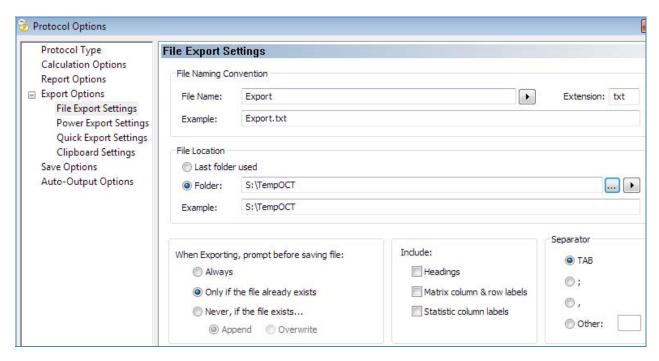


3. In the Data tab, select the type of data to be included. Several pieces of data are included by default. Any can be removed by right-mouse clicking and choosing Delete. Others may be added by clicking in an open row under the Data header:



Step 2: Define the File Export Settings

a) The **Protocol Options|File Export Settings** screen is shown below. In this screen, several default selections are made, but all can be modified.

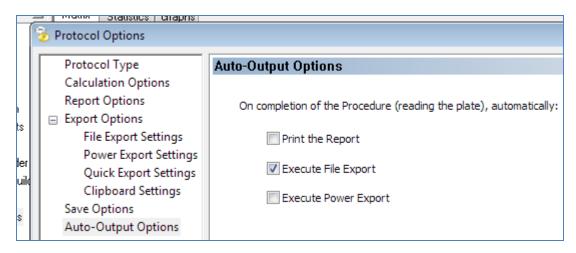


- 1. The File Naming Convention should use the Extension "txt". By default, the Experiment name is selected as the File Name. To change this, click the right arrow at the end of the File Name field, and choose the desired File Name parameter from the list.
- 2. Select the appropriate path for the File Location
- 3. It is best to de-select all of the "Include" options; Separator should be selected by the LIMs/LIS requirement.
- 4. In the "When Exporting ..." box, select the desired prompt. Note that if you wish to send multiple plates to a <u>single</u> Export file, you must choose the "Never, ..." and Append option.
- b) To Export the data, highlight the **Plate** containing the data to be exported right-mouse click to see the menu. Choose "File Export". The data will be sent to the path specified in Step 2 above.

Step 3: Export the Data

Data can be exported from Gen5 either manually or automatically after each plate is read.

a) To Export the data automatically after each plate is read, go to Protocol|Auto Output Options and select Execute File Export:



Each time a plate is read in the experiment file, the data will be automatically exported to the path defined in Step 2.

b) To Export data manually from Gen5 to a *.txt file, first Read the plate. When reading is complete, right mouse click on the Plate in the menu tree and choose File Export. The data will be exported to the path defined in Step 2. If more than one plate exists in the Experiment, all plates can be highlighted and then exported.

APPENDIX

Example of data exported in the **Table** format:

Export.txt - Notepad									
File Edit	Format	View	Help						
SPL1	ab341	A6		0.22	21	19.066 19.768			
SPL2	ab321	Вб А7 В7		0.44	17	58.724			
SPL3	ab876	A8 B8		0.33	38	57.847 39.597 41.176			
SPL4	cd877	A9 B9		0.22	25 17	19.768			
SPL5	cd878	A10 B10		0.16	54	9.064 7.485			
SPL6	cd879	A11 B11		0.55	54	77.500 77.325			
SPL7	cd880	A12 B12		0.37	74	45.914			
SPL8		C1 D1		0.55	54 59	77.500 78.378			
SPL9		E1 F1		0.33	31 36	38.369 39.246			
SPL10		G1 H1		0.56	59	80.132 77.500 0.290			
SPL11		C2 D2		0.12	25	2.220			
SPL12		E2 F2		0.33	36 13	39.246 40.474			
	cd886	G2 H2		0.77	79 35	>100.000 >100.000			
SPL14	cd887	C3 D3		0.09	99 95	<0.000 <0.000			
SPL15		E3 F3		0.44	15 17	58.373 58.724			
SPL16		G3 H3		0.56	57	79.957 78.027			
SPL17		C4 D4		0.44	15 55	58.373 61.883			
SPL18		E4 F4		0.33	35	39.071 37.491			
SPL19		G4 H4		0.55	55 54	77.676 77.500			
SPL20	cd893	C5 D5		0.12		2.220			

Example of data exported in the **Matrix** format:

Export2.txt - Notepad											
File Edit	t Format	View Hel	р								
STD1	STD2	STD3	STD4	STD5	SPL1 ab341	SPL2 ab321	SPL3 ab876	SPL4 cd877	SPL5 cd878	SPL6 cd879	SPL7 cd880
0.095	0.173	0.271	0.405	0.675	0.221	0.447	0.338	0.225	0.164	0.554	0.374
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STD1	STD2	STD3	STD4	STD5	SPL1	SPL2	SPL3	SPL4	SPL5	SPL6	SPL7
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0.093	0.167	0.269	0.415	0.669	0.225	0.442	0.347	0.247	0.155	0.553	0.375
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SPL8	SPL11	SPL14	SPL17	SPL20	SPL23	SPL26	SPL29	SPL32	SPL35	SPL38	SPL41
cd881	cd884	cd887	cd890	cd893	cd896	cd899	cd902	cd905	cd908	cd911	cd914
0.554	0.114	0.099	0.445	0.125	0.442	0.664	0.442	0.354	0.114	0.339	0.487
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SPL8	SPL11	SPL14	SPL17	SPL20	SPL23	SPL26	SPL29	SPL32	SPL35	SPL38	SPL41
cd881	cd884	cd887	cd890	cd893	cd896	cd899	cd902	cd905	cd908	cd911	cd914
0.559	0.125	0.095	0.465	0.126	0.457	0.655	0.451	0.345	0.116	0.334	0.468
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SPL9	SPL12	SPL15	SPL18	SPL21	SPL24	SPL27	SPL30	SPL33	5PL36	SPL39	SPL42
cd882	cd885	cd888	cd891	cd894	cd897	cd900	cd903	cd906	cd909	cd912	cd915
0.331	0.336	0.445	0.335	0.198	0.337	0.472	0.231	0.332	0.098	0.246	0.214
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SPL9	SPL12	SPL15	SPL18	SPL21	SPL24	SPL27	SPL30	SPL33	SPL36	SPL39	SPL42
cd882	cd885	cd888	cd891	cd894	cd897	cd900	cd903	cd906	cd909	cd912	cd915
0.336	0.343	0.447	0.326	0.187 0.187	0.329	0.493	0.216	0.390	0.102	0.258	0.199
5PL10	5PL13	5PL16	5PL19	5PL22	5PL25	5PL28	5PL31	5PL34	5PL37	5PL40	5PL43
cd883	cd886	cd889	cd892	cd895						cd913	
0.569	0.779	0.568	0.555	0.201	cd898 0.998	cd901 0.553	cd904 0.222	cd907 0.559	cd910 0.241	0.557	cd916 0.661
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SPL10	5PL13	SPL16	SPL19	SPL22	SPL25	SPL28	SPL31	SPL 34	SPL37	SPL40	SPL43
cd883	cd886	cd889	cd892	cd895	cd898	cd901	cd904	cd907	cd910	cd913	cd916
0.554	0.785	0.557	0.554	0.195	1.025	0.549	0.221	0.567	0.251	0.568	0.641
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