

# Extracting Data from Images

Have you ever read a paper and realized that the data you need is in a figure, but you can't pull the exact number from it? Have no fear! You can actually digitize these figures to extract the data you need.

## Prerequisites

R, RStudio, and the digitize package need to be installed beforehand. See [this link](#) for instructions on how to install R and RStudio. See [this link](#) for how to install packages.

## Steps

1. Save your high resolution figure as a .jpg, .png, or .tiff in the same directory as your working directory in R.



If you don't know where your working directory is, type `getwd()` in the console. This will spit out where your working directory is. You can either change your working directory using `setwd()`, or you can save the file in the directory location specified by `getwd()`.

1. Load the digitize package in your R session.

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