

# BG-20k Dataset v1.0 Release Agreement

## Introduction

“BG-20k dataset v1.0” (henceforth, “Dataset”) contains 20,000 high-resolution background images excluding salient objects, serving as good candidates for generating high-quality synthetic matting data. The Dataset is aimed to aid research efforts in the area of image matting and related topics.

## Release of the Dataset

The Dataset is available via open access. To gain access to the Dataset, the requestor must read, understand and comply with all the conditions. The Dataset will then be able to be downloaded via an internet link. If you do not agree with the release agreement, you must NOT download and/or use the dataset.

## Consent

The researcher(s) agrees to the following restrictions on the Dataset:

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2. **Citation and acknowledge:** All research documents and papers that use the Dataset will acknowledge the use of the data by including an appropriate citation to the following:  
*[1] Li, Jizhizi, Jing Zhang, Stephen J. Maybank and Dacheng Tao. “Bridging Composite and Real: Towards End-to-end Deep Image Matting.” IJCV, 2021.*  
and are encouraged to cite and compare with the following works:  
*[2] Li, Jizhizi, Jing Zhang, and Dacheng Tao. “Deep Automatic Natural Image Matting.” Proceedings of the 30th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, 2021.*  
*[3] Li, Jizhizi, Sihan Ma, Jing Zhang, and Dacheng Tao. “Privacy-Preserving Portrait Matting.” Proceedings of the 29th ACM international conference on Multimedia. 2021.*
3. **Indemnification:** All people who have access to the Dataset agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless USYD and its employees and agents, individually and collectively, from any and all losses, expenses, damages. Any violation will result in paying all damages, claims, judgments or expenses caused by misuse of the Dataset.
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