

# Embracing Dialects, But Speaking The Same Language

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Despite noble intentions, much consensus, a lot of fine words, and some hard work by a few individuals, nine years since the first canSAS meeting<sup>1</sup> the global SAS community *still* does not have a common format for one-dimensional reduced data, never mind ‘image data’.

This talk will show that it is possible for the SAS community to share a common language – XML<sup>2,3</sup> – but nonetheless retain institutional dialects using a recent collaboration between ISIS-ILL-DLS as a case study.

## References

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