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Subject: Updating existing IDL table widget

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I have set up an IDL table widget within a larger IDL widget, like so:

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ColLabels = SINDGEN(5) & ColLabels(0) = STRING('Slice location') &  
ColLabels(1)= STRING('Slice number') &  
ColLabels(2)=STRING('Concentration') & ColLabels(3)=STRING('Approx.  
dia') & ColLabels(4)=STRING('Vol. sig.> bg')  
RoiDataTable = WIDGET_TABLE(roiBaseG, ALIGNMENT=1,  
COLUMN_LABELS=ColLabels, COLUMN_WIDTHS=(width*1.5)/5, EDITABLE=1,  
RESIZEABLE_COLUMNS=1, RESIZEABLE_ROWS=1, SCR_XSIZE=width*1.5, XSIZE=5,  
YSIZE=10)
```

This table is initially blank, but I then want to add a new row of data to every time a particular .pro is run, so I can see the results I have as I go along. I then want to export data within the completed table in a format which can be read by Microsoft Excel, as I already have a spreadsheet which does further (graphical) analysis very nicely.

After several hours of trying various WIDGET CONTROL commands, setting VALUE equal to an array I then edit, etc. etc. I have been unable to add any data to this table. Looking at the past mailings, it seems these problems are not uncommon and many of you recommend avoiding widget tables altogether. Your advice as to how to display this data as it is acquired and then export it (with or without the use of widget table) would be much appreciated.

I look forward to hearing from you!

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