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Subject: off-white background in IDL-generated bitmaps

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I generated some bitmap images (GIF, BMP) using IDL and tvrd, they look good on the screen, but when inserted into MS-WORD documents, the formerly white background becomes somewhat darkened or shaded and stands off from the white page background. Is there a 'trick' to make a bitmap image in IDL (with white background) that won't do this? I suspect it has something to do with color indexing, so perhaps someone will say 'use a non-indexed image format'. I do need compression, and since the bitmaps have text in them, JPEG usually isn't a good idea. Ideally, a vector-drawn text combined with the bitmapped portion of the figure would be best, but I'm not aware of a way to do this in IDL. I'm using idl 5.2, by the way. thanks for any suggestions!

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