

Introduction to Autopsy

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What is Autopsy?

- Open source digital forensics platform.
- Has been designed for:
 - Ease of use
 - Fast results
 - Extensibility (many plug-in frameworks)
- Has the features you need (and more).
- Free to download
- Has commercial support and development backing.
- Let's take a quick tour



Main Interface

Close Case + Add Data Source Generate Report

11 Keyword Lists Keyword Search


Directory Listing

/LogicalFileSet1/zombies 5 Results

Table Thumbnail

Name	Location	Modified Time	Change Time
1365273819-zombies-invade-brussels-streets	/LogicalFileSet1/zombies/1365273819-zombies-invade-brussels-street...	0000-00-00 00:00:00	0000-00-00 00:00:00
d2z9afumccmca6ffe2zi.jpg	/LogicalFileSet1/zombies/d2z9afumccmca6ffe2zi.jpg	0000-00-00 00:00:00	0000-00-00 00:00:00
walking-dead-zombie.jpg	/LogicalFileSet1/zombies/walking-dead-zombie.jpg	0000-00-00 00:00:00	0000-00-00 00:00:00
walkingdead_ap.jpg	/LogicalFileSet1/zombies/walkingdead_ap.jpg	0000-00-00 00:00:00	0000-00-00 00:00:00
zombie-apocalypse.jpg	/LogicalFileSet1/zombies/zombie-apocalypse.jpg	0000-00-00 00:00:00	0000-00-00 00:00:00

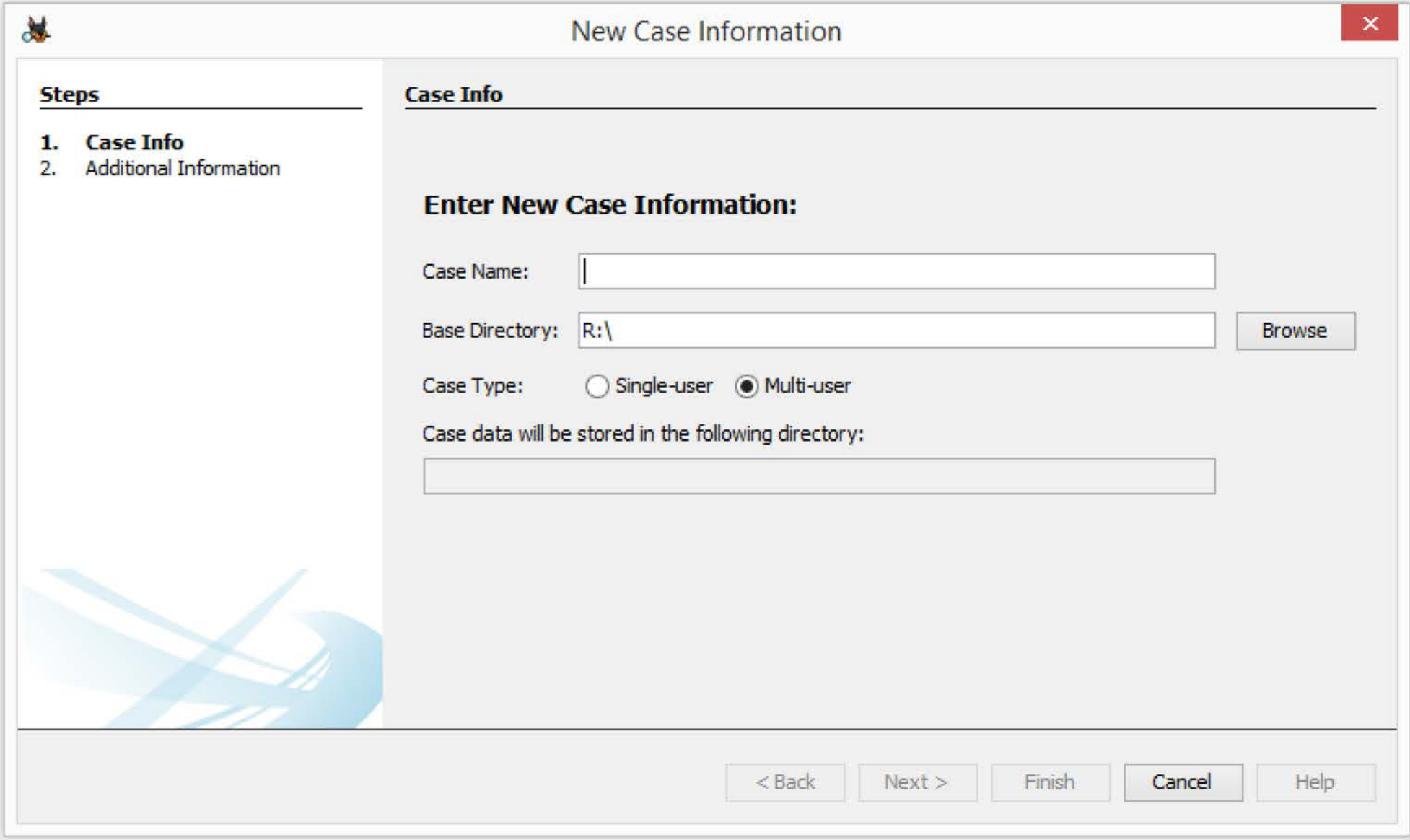
Hex Strings File Metadata Results Indexed Text Media



The interface displays a file explorer on the left with categories like Data Sources, Views, Results, and Keyword Hits. The main area shows a directory listing of files related to 'zombies'. The selected file, 'd2z9afumccmca6ffe2zi.jpg', is highlighted in blue. Below the table, there are tabs for 'Hex', 'Strings', 'File Metadata', 'Results', 'Indexed Text', and 'Media'. The 'Media' tab is active, showing a large image of a zombie.

Standard Features

Make A Case



The image shows a Windows-style dialog box titled "New Case Information". It has a standard title bar with a close button (X) in the top right corner. The dialog is divided into two main sections. On the left is a "Steps" sidebar with a list: "1. Case Info" (which is selected and bolded) and "2. Additional Information". The main area on the right is titled "Case Info" and contains the heading "Enter New Case Information:". Below this heading are four input fields: "Case Name:" (an empty text box), "Base Directory:" (a text box containing "R:\") with a "Browse" button to its right, "Case Type:" (radio buttons for "Single-user" and "Multi-user", with "Multi-user" selected), and "Case data will be stored in the following directory:" (an empty text box). At the bottom of the dialog is a row of five buttons: "< Back", "Next >", "Finish", "Cancel", and "Help".

New Case Information

Steps

- 1. Case Info**
2. Additional Information

Case Info

Enter New Case Information:

Case Name:

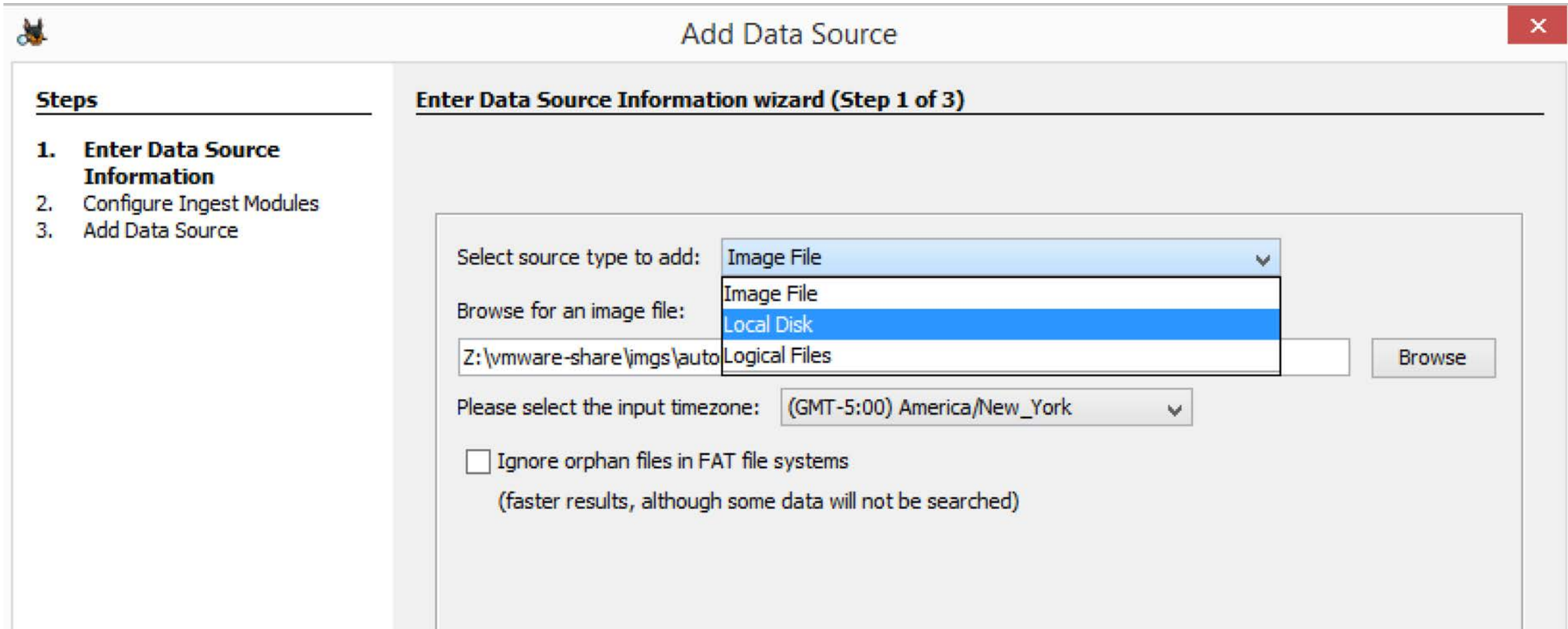
Base Directory:

Case Type: ☐ Single-user ☒ Multi-user

Case data will be stored in the following directory:

< Back Next > Finish Cancel Help

Add A Data Source



The screenshot shows a software window titled "Add Data Source" with a close button in the top right corner. On the left is a "Steps" sidebar with three items: "1. Enter Data Source Information" (highlighted), "2. Configure Ingest Modules", and "3. Add Data Source". The main area is titled "Enter Data Source Information wizard (Step 1 of 3)". It contains a dropdown menu for "Select source type to add:" with options "Image File", "Local Disk", and "Logical Files". Below this is a text field for "Browse for an image file:" containing the path "Z:\vmware-share\imgs\auto", followed by a "Browse" button. A second dropdown menu for "Please select the input timezone:" shows "(GMT-5:00) America/New_York". At the bottom is an unchecked checkbox labeled "Ignore orphan files in FAT file systems" with a note "(faster results, although some data will not be searched)".

Steps

- 1. Enter Data Source Information**
2. Configure Ingest Modules
3. Add Data Source

Add Data Source

Enter Data Source Information wizard (Step 1 of 3)

Select source type to add: Image File

Browse for an image file: Z:\vmware-share\imgs\auto

Please select the input timezone: (GMT-5:00) America/New_York

☐ Ignore orphan files in FAT file systems
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Browse

Data Source Support

- All common file systems supported via The Sleuth Kit:
 - NTFS, FAT, ExFAT, HFS+, Ext2/Ext3/Ext4, YAFFS2, etc.
 - Covers common computers and smart phones
- Supports raw, E01, VMDK, and VHDI formats.
- Can also analyze:
 - Local drives (USB attached)
 - Local files

Choose Analysis Techniques

Configure Ingest Modules wizard (Step 2 of 3)

Configure the ingest modules you would like to run on this data source.

- ☒ Recent Activity
- ☒ Hash Lookup
- ☒ File Type Identification
- ☒ Embedded File Extractor
- ☒ Exif Parser
- ☒ Keyword Search
- ☒ Email Parser
- ☒ Extension Mismatch Detector
- ☒ E01 Verifier
- ☒ Android Analyzer
- ☒ Interesting Files Identifier
- ☒ PhotoRec Carver
- ☒ C4P Hash Lookup
- ☒ Bin and Round File Finder

Select All

Deselect All

☒ Process Unallocated Space

Select known hash databases to use:

☒ NSRLFile.txt-md5

Select known BAD hash databases to use:

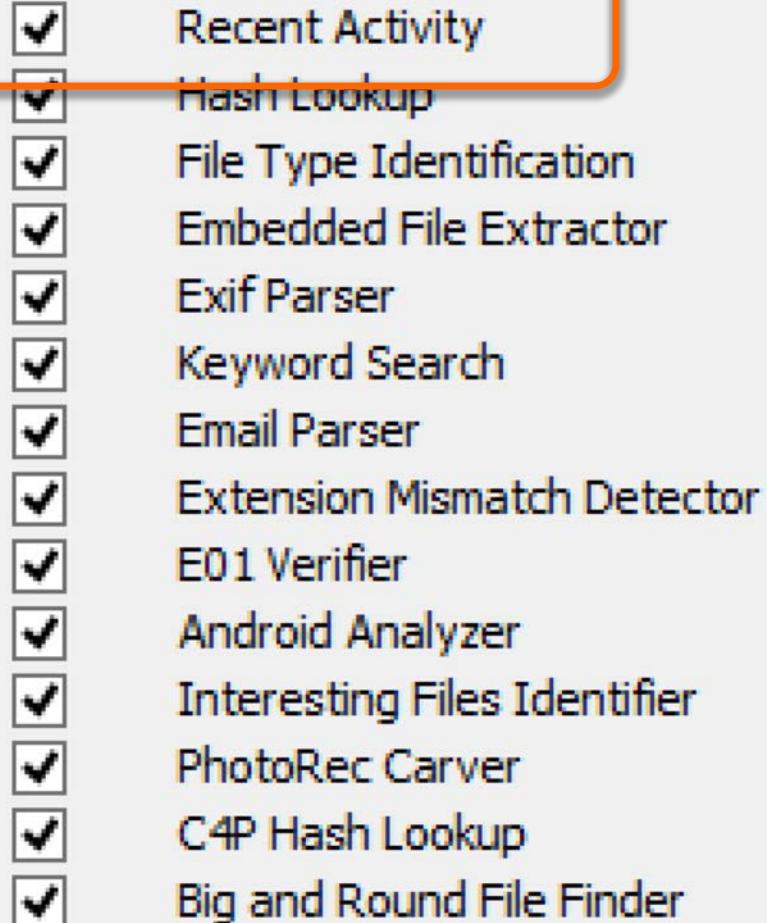
☒ notable_hash_db

☒ Calculate MD5 even if no hash database is selected

Identifies known and notable files using...

Advanced

Standard Features

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- | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Recent Activity |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Hash Lookup |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | File Type Identification |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Embedded File Extractor |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Exif Parser |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Keyword Search |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Email Parser |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Extension Mismatch Detector |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | E01 Verifier |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Big and Round File Finder |

Recent Activity

- Web artifacts from Firefox, Chrome, and IE.
- Registry analysis using RegRipper.

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Hash Lookup

- Flags known and known bad files
- Supports:
 - NIST NSRL
 - EnCase format
 - Autopsy SQLite

Standard Features

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Recent Activity
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File Type Identification

- Detects files based on signatures.
- Supports user specified signatures.
- Can raise alerts when they are found.

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Embedded File Extractor

- Opens ZIP, RAR, and many other archive files.
- Extracts images from office documents.

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Exif Parser

- Finds JPEG images with Exif.
- Extracts device information, dates, and Geo-location.

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Keyword Search

- Indexed search using Solr.
- Performs periodic searches.
- Supports terms and regular expressions.

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Email Parser

- Supports MBOX and PST.

Extension Mismatch

- Users can specify rules

E01 Verifier

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Android Analyzer

- SMS, Call logs, Contacts
- Tango
- Words With Friends
- ...

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Interesting Files Module

- Flags files based on name.
- Allows you to automate your investigation checklist.
- Always look for:
 - iPhone Backup files
 - True Crypt
 - Virtual machines
 - ...

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PhotoRec Carver

- Uses PhotoRec tool to carve unallocated space.
- Files are fed back through.

Review the Results During Analysis

The screenshot displays a forensic analysis application interface. The top menu bar includes 'File', 'View', 'Tools', 'Window', and 'Help'. Below the menu is a toolbar with buttons for 'Close Case', 'Add Data Source', and 'Generate Report'. On the right side of the toolbar, there are icons for a warning, a keyword list, and a keyword search.

The left sidebar contains a tree view with the following categories:

- Data Sources
- Views
- Results
 - Extracted Content
 - EXIF Metadata (4)
 - Extension Mismatch Detected (3)
 - Web Bookmarks (40)
 - Web Cookies (549)
 - Web Downloads (26)
 - Web History (284)
 - Keyword Hits
 - Single Literal Keyword Search (0)
 - Single Regular Expression Search (0)
 - Hashset Hits
 - E-Mail Messages
 - Interesting Items
- Tags
- Reports

The main pane is titled 'Directory Listing' and shows a table of data sources. The table has two columns: 'Table' and 'Thumbnail'. The first entry is 'xp-sp3-v3.001'.

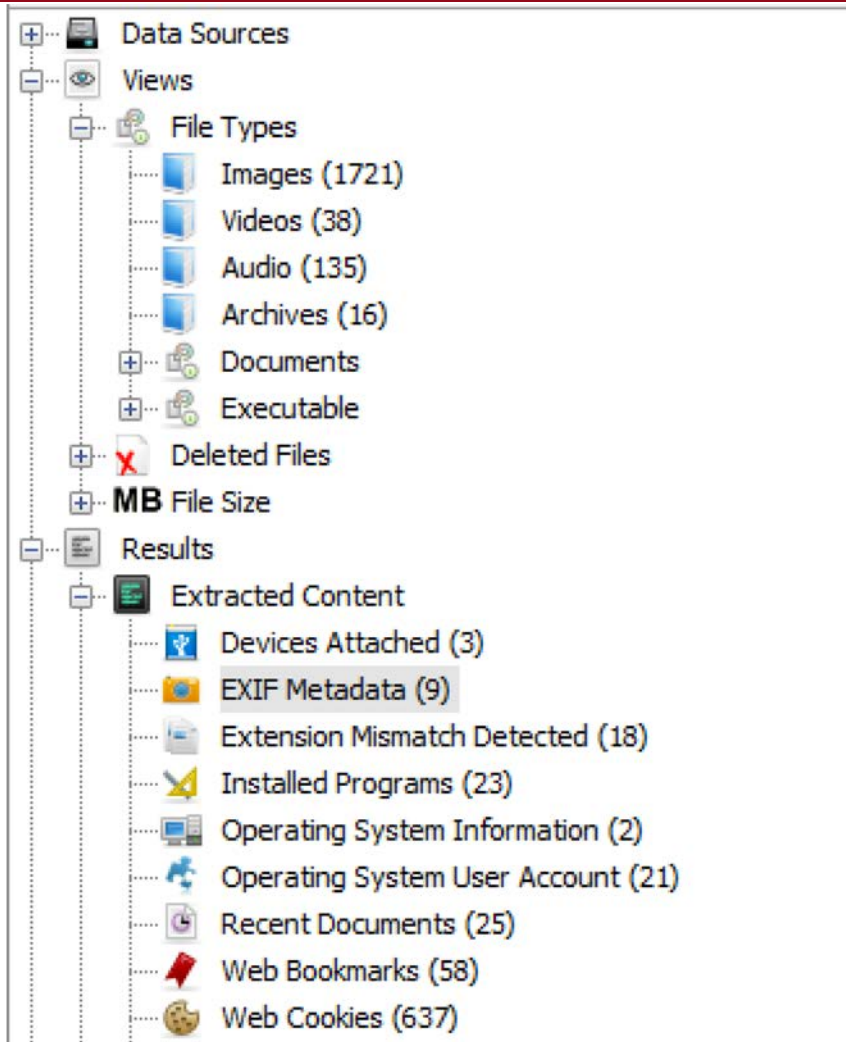
Below the table, there are tabs for 'Hex', 'Strings', 'File Metadata', 'Results', 'Indexed Text', and 'Media'. The 'Results' tab is currently selected.

At the bottom of the interface, there is a status bar with two progress indicators:

- 'Analyzing files from xp-sp3-v3.001' with a progress bar at 4%.
- 'Recent Activity for xp-sp3-v3.001' with a progress bar at 33%.

The status bar also includes a link to 'Internet Explorer' and a button for '(1 more...)'.

The Tree



- The tree has all of the results.
- Updated in real-time.
- Find:
 - Files of a given type
 - Web artifacts
 - Registry results
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Workflow

Close Case + Add Data Source Generate Report

Keyword Lists Keyword Search

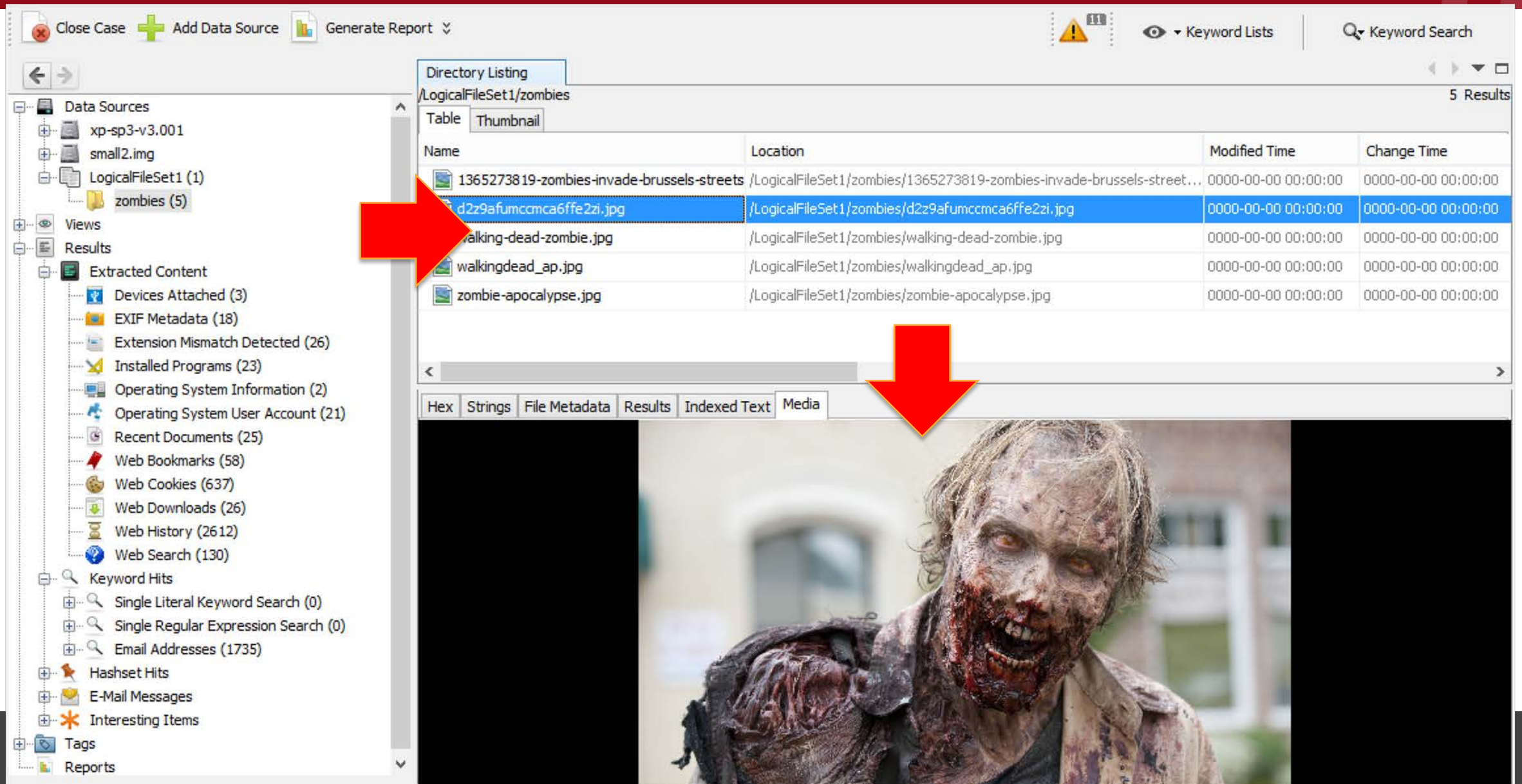
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/LogicalFileSet1/zombies 5 Results

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walkingdead_ap.jpg	/LogicalFileSet1/zombies/walkingdead_ap.jpg	0000-00-00 00:00:00	0000-00-00 00:00:00
zombie-apocalypse.jpg	/LogicalFileSet1/zombies/zombie-apocalypse.jpg	0000-00-00 00:00:00	0000-00-00 00:00:00

Hex Strings File Metadata Results Indexed Text Media



Data Sources

- xp-sp3-v3.001
- small2.img
- LogicalFileSet1 (1)
 - zombies (5)

Views

Results

Extracted Content

- Devices Attached (3)
- EXIF Metadata (18)
- Extension Mismatch Detected (26)
- Installed Programs (23)
- Operating System Information (2)
- Operating System User Account (21)
- Recent Documents (25)
- Web Bookmarks (58)
- Web Cookies (637)
- Web Downloads (26)
- Web History (2612)
- Web Search (130)

Keyword Hits

- Single Literal Keyword Search (0)
- Single Regular Expression Search (0)
- Email Addresses (1735)

Hashset Hits

E-Mail Messages

Interesting Items

Tags

Reports

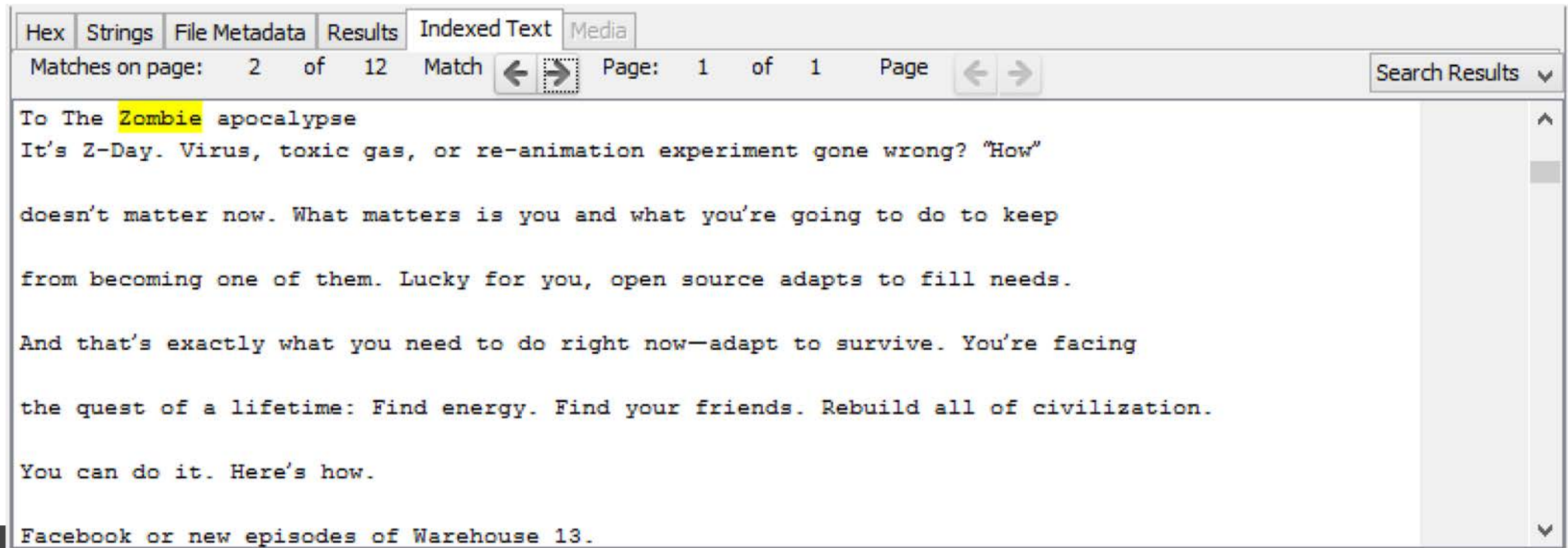
File Viewers

- View a file in the most relevant way.
- Images and video playback.



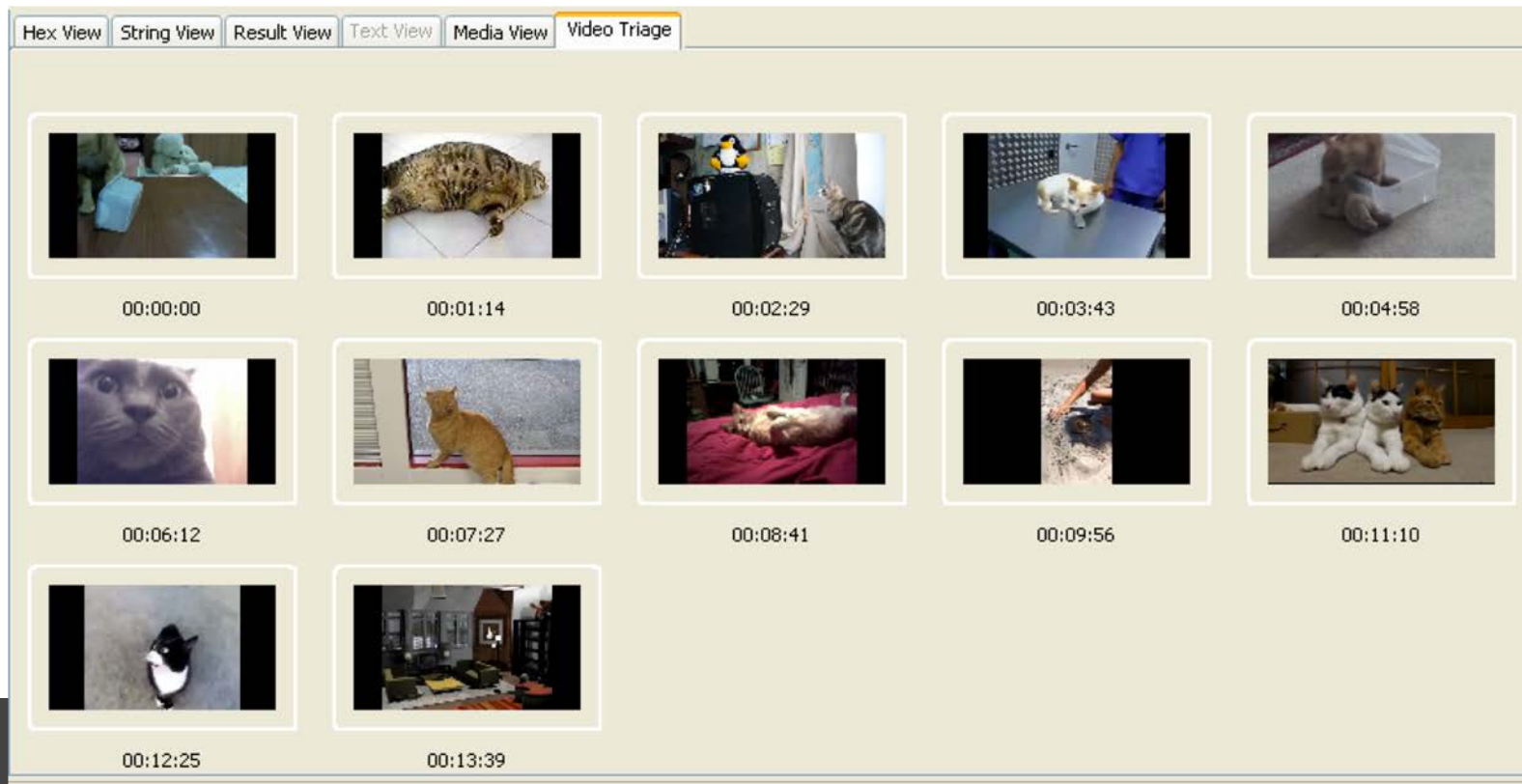
File Viewers

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- Text:



File Viewers

- View a file in the most relevant way.
- Long video as sequence of frames:



Unique Features

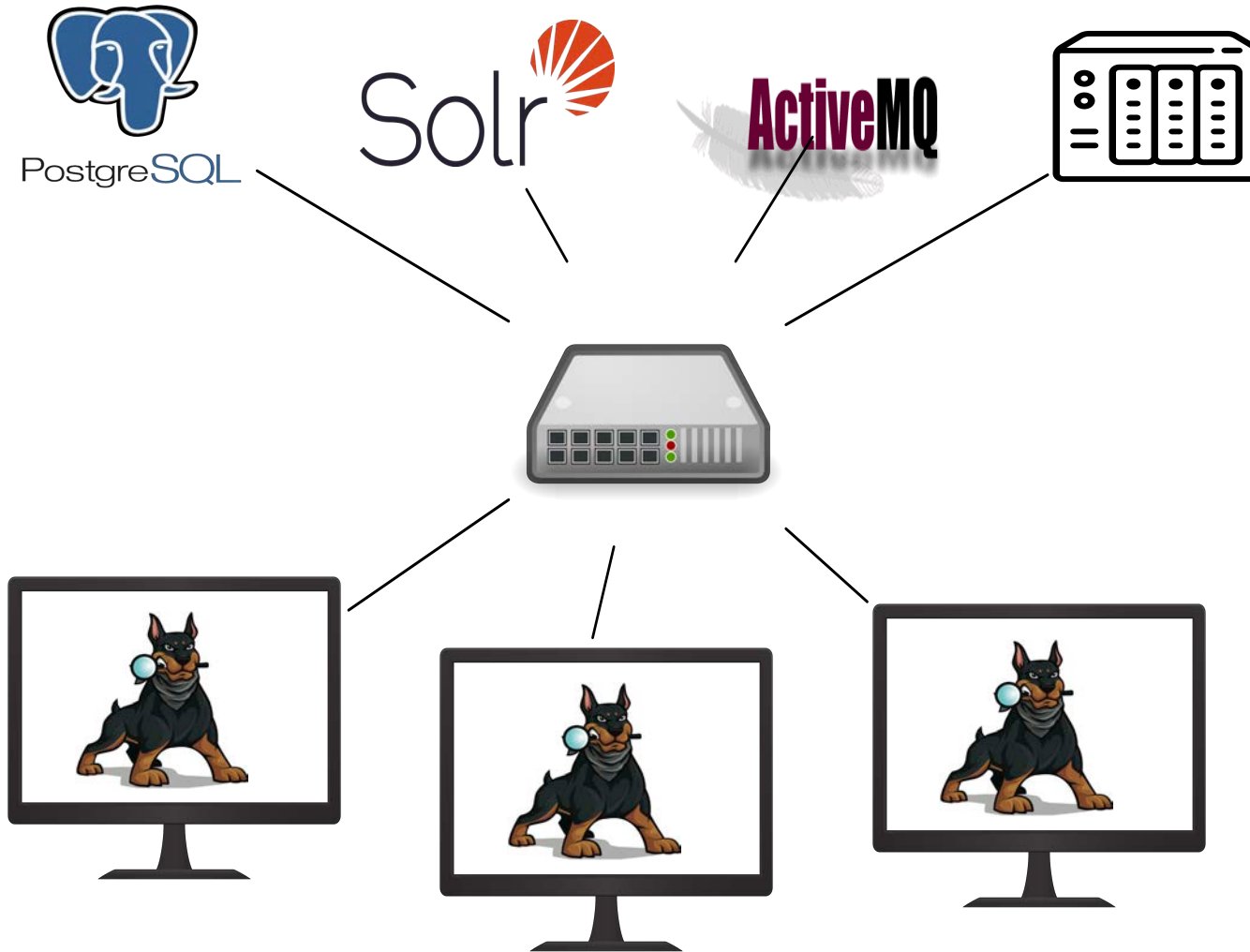
Triage

- User folders are analyzed first.
- Ingest filters allow you to focus on only certain file types and folders.
- A sparse VHD image can be created during analysis if you are reading from the raw device.
- Can run from USB or a booted OS.

Multi-User Cases

- Examiners can collaborate on the same case at the same time.
- Central database, text index, and storage.
- Users can see each others tags and generate single reports on big cases.
- Automatically analyze media 24x7.

Multi-User Cases



Past Case Correlation

- The Central Repository database stores:
 - When each MD5, email, etc. has been seen
 - What files and attributes were tagged as notable
- You can make connections with past cases that had common files or phone numbers.
- When a previously notable item is seen again, it is automatically flagged.

Past Case Correlation

A screenshot of a software interface showing a tree view of data sources and results. The tree is expanded to show 'Interesting Items', which includes 'Previously Tagged As Notable (Central Repository) (1)', 'Interesting Files (1)', and 'Interesting Results (0)'. Other items in the tree include 'Data Sources', 'Views', 'Results', 'Extracted Content', 'Keyword Hits', 'Hashset Hits', 'E-Mail Messages', 'Accounts', 'Tags', and 'Reports'.

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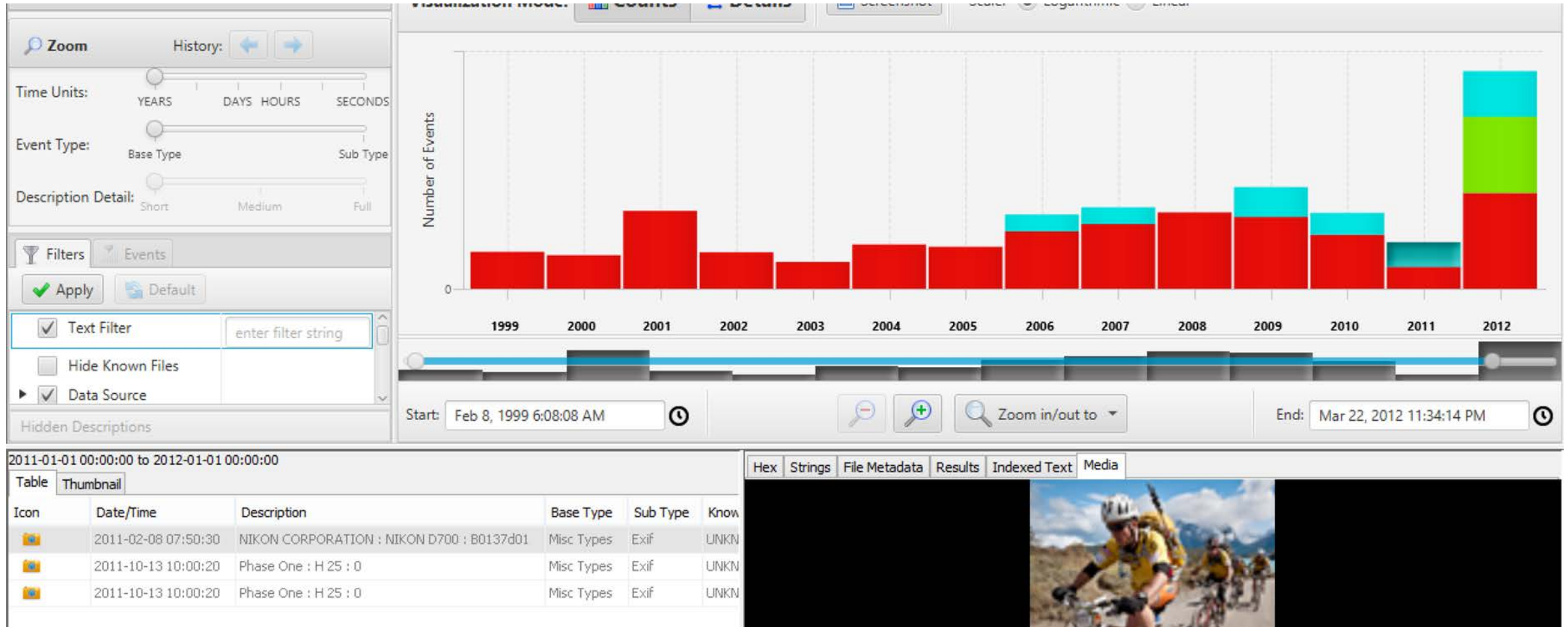
A screenshot of a software interface showing a table of source files and a search bar. The table has columns for 'Source File', 'Comment', and 'File Path'. The first row shows 'image_normal[1].jpg' with a comment 'Previous Case: demo-33323' and a file path '/img_xp-sp3'. Below the table is a search bar with a magnifying glass icon and the letter 'g' entered. To the right of the search bar is a thumbnail image of a person's face.

Source File	Comment	File Path
image_normal[1].jpg	Previous Case: demo-33323	/img_xp-sp3

Search: g

Thumbnail: [Image of a person's face]

Timeline



Timeline

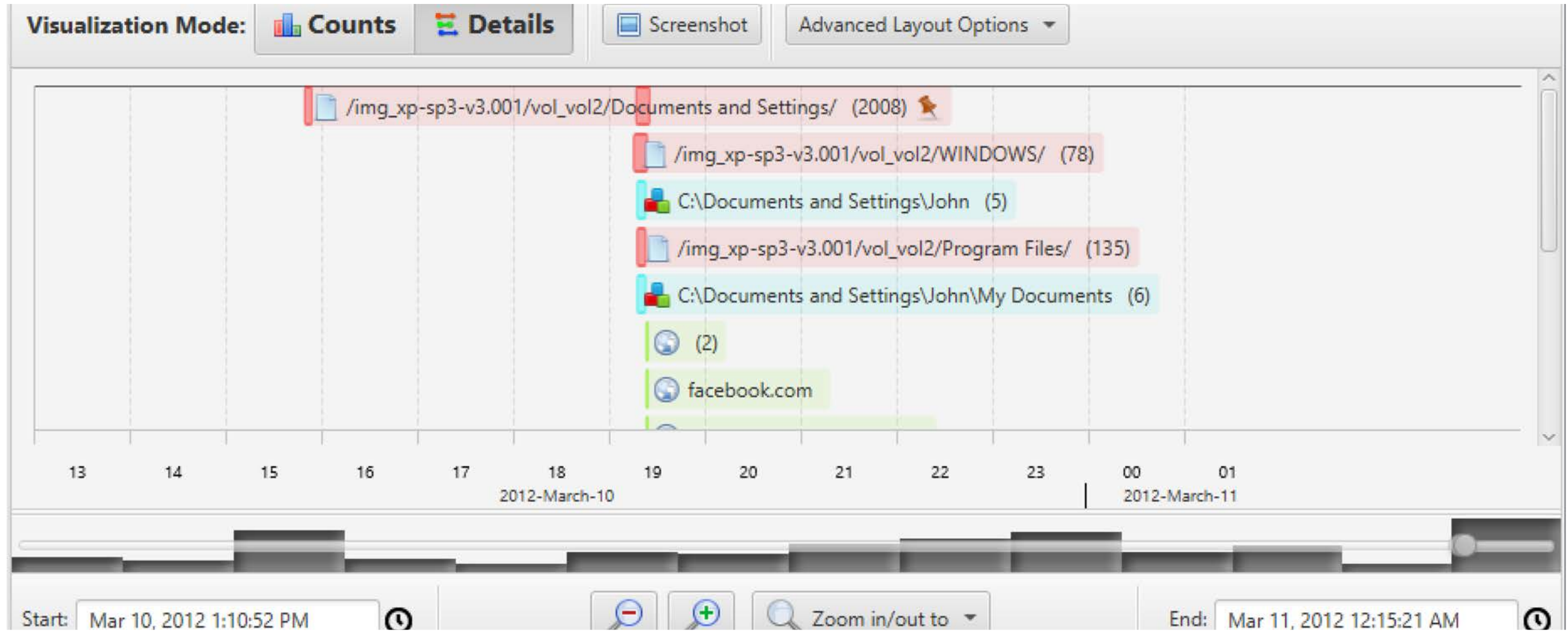


Image Gallery

Group By: Path

Sort By: Priority

Ascending
Descending

Apply to Selected Files: Follow Up CAT-5: Non-pertinent Thumbnail Size (px): >>

All Groups Groups With Hash I

img_small2.img

img_xp-sp3-v3.001


LogicalFileSet1

zombies (2/5)


LogicalFileSet2 (0/2)

/LogicalFileSet1/zombies/ -- 2 hash set hits / 5 files


Apply to Group: Follow Up CAT-5: Non-pertinent




1365273819-zo...




d2z9afumccmca...



walking-dead-zo...




walkingdead_ap...



zombie-apocaly...

Group Viewing History: Back Forward Next Unseen group

Details



Attribute	Value
Name	walkingdead_ap.jpg
Analyzed	true
Category	CAT-3: CGI/Animation (Child Exploitive)
Tags	
Path	/LogicalFileSet1/zombies/
Created Time	0000-00-00 00:00:00
Modified Time	0000-00-00 00:00:00
MD5 Hash	e531a6c894b71203bff25f010bbce732
Hashset	


TECHNOLOGY

Python Modules

- It's “easy” to write your own ingest modules in Python.
- Autopsy takes care of:
 - **Input Types:** File systems, image formats, logical files, ZIP file contents, file carving, etc.
 - **User Interaction:** interfaces, reports, etc.
- You just need to focus on finding the files and parsing them.
- We have tutorials and sample files to copy.

What Can You Do?

- To Learn More:
 - Attend the other sessions this afternoon
 - Attend a 1-day Training course
 - Try it out!
- Can try the standalone first:
 - Use it for validation.

Support

- Community:
 - Email list
 - [Forum.sleuthkit.org](https://forum.sleuthkit.org)
 - Github Issues
- Basis Technology:
 - Commercial support
 - Access to engineers who can fix any issues.

Questions?



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