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We are very pleased to announce the release of HDF5-1.13.1, which can now be obtained from the [HDF5 Download](https://www.hdfgroup.org/downloads/hdf5/) page.

Information about this release can be found on the [Support Portal](https://portal.hdfgroup.org/display/support/) as follows:

* [HDF5 documentation](https://portal.hdfgroup.org/display/HDF5/HDF5)
* [Software Changes from Release to Release](https://portal.hdfgroup.org/display/HDF5/Software%2BChanges%2Bfrom%2BRelease%2Bto%2BRelease%2Bfor%2BHDF5-1.13)

HDF5-1.13.1 offers the new features and changes:

* A new public function, H5ESget\_requests(), was added to allow an application to retrieve request pointers from an event set. It is intended for use primarily by VOL plugin developers.
* Several improvements to parallel compression feature were made and are described in the [Parallel compression improvements in HDF5 1.13.1 blog post](https://www.hdfgroup.org/2022/03/parallel-compression-improvements-in-hdf5-1-13-1/).
* Note that, by the end of the year, support for VS 2015 will be dropped.

This release contains other changes that are not listed here. Please be sure to read the [Release Notes](https://support.hdfgroup.org/ftp/HDF5/releases/hdf5-1.13/hdf5-1.13.1/src/hdf5-1.13.1-RELEASE.txt) for a comprehensive list of new features and changes.

Changes that affect maintainers of HDF5-dependent applications are listed on the [HDF5 Software Changes from Release to Release](https://portal.hdfgroup.org/display/HDF5/Software%2BChanges%2Bfrom%2BRelease%2Bto%2BRelease%2Bfor%2BHDF5-1.13) page.