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1. ORO can create DOIs

DOIs are the de-facto standard for persistent identification of a research publication. They aid citation, persistence and visibility in the scholarly record.



2. DOIs for Theses

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3. DOIs for Reports

On request, we will create DOIs for OU published or co-published research publications e.g., research reports.



4. How to ask for a DOI

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5. When and where do I add them?

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