Direct / Persistent Linking to Electronic Resources:  
OVID Databases

The purpose of this handout is to illustrate how to identify permanent links in OVID databases. Some of the most commonly-used OVID databases include MedLine, PsycINFO, ERIC, Embase, etc.

Once you have identified your article, choose the Complete Reference link.

In the article’s Complete Reference, scroll down to see if a Digital Object Identifier (DOI) or URL is listed.

In this example, a prefix is already attached to the DOI number. In this case, you would copy the DOI but remove the http://dx.doi.org/ and replace it with the UofS Library prefix listed on Step #2 of this guide. This example also shows that an ellipses was used to show that part of the DOI was hidden. If you click it, it will take you to a page that will show all of it.

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If a DOI or URL is NOT listed either:

- Look for the OVID Full Text link on the brief citation screen.

Then select the Email Jumpstart link. Copy, or email yourself, the URL provided and proceed to Step #2 of this guide.

OR TRY...
- Select the yellow **Find it!** icon to see if the article is available online through one of the University Library’s other databases.

![Find it! Icon](image1.png)

Often a DOI or URL is provided directly from the publisher’s web site. Copy the DOI or URL and proceed to **Step #2** of this guide.

![DOI and URL](image2.png)