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CHAPTER 1

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1.1 articledownloader.articledownloader module

```
class articledownloader.articledownloader.ArticleDownloader(els_api_key=None,  
                                                               sleep_sec=1, time-  
                                                               out_sec=30)
```

get_abstract_from_doi (**keywords)

Returns abstract as a unicode string given a DOI

Parameters

- **doi** (*str*) – DOI string for the article we want to grab metadata for
- **mode** (*str*) – Only supports ‘elsevier’ for now

Returns An abstract (or None on failure)

Return type unicode

get_dois_from_journal_issn (**keywords)

Grabs a set of unique DOIs based on a journal ISSN using the CrossRef API

Parameters

- **issn** (*str*) – The ISSN of the journal
- **rows** (*str*) – the maximum number of DOIs to find
- **pub_after** (*int*) – the minimum publication year for DOIs returned
- **mailto** – mailto address for API

Returns the unique set of DOIs as a list

Return type list

get_dois_from_search (**keywords)

Grabs a set of unique DOIs based on a search query using the CrossRef API

Parameters

- **query** (*str*) – the search string
- **rows** (*str*) – the maximum number of DOIs to find
- **mailto** – mailto address for API

Returns the unique set of DOIs as a list

Return type `list`

get_html_from_doi (***keywords*)

Downloads and writes an HTML article to a file, given a DOI and operating mode

Parameters

- **doi** (*str*) – DOI string for the article we want to download
- **writefile** (*file*) – file object to write to
- **mode** (*str*) – choose from { ‘elsevier’ | ‘springer’ | ‘acs’ | ‘ecs’ | ‘rsc’ | ‘nature’ | ‘wiley’ | ‘aaas’ | ‘emerald’ }, depending on how we wish to access the file

Returns True on successful write, False otherwise

Return type `bool`

get_metadata_from_journal_issn (***keywords*)

Grabs metadata based on a journal ISSN using the CrossRef API

Parameters

- **issn** (*str*) – The ISSN of the journal
- **rows** (*str*) – the maximum number of DOIs to find
- **pub_after** (*int*) – the minimum publication year for DOIs returned
- **mailto** – mailto address for API

Returns the metadata for the articles according to this ISSN

Return type `list`

get_pdf_from_doi (***keywords*)

Downloads and writes a PDF article to a file, given a DOI and operating mode

Parameters

- **doi** (*str*) – DOI string for the article we want to download
- **writefile** (*file*) – file object to write to
- **mode** (*str*) – choose from { ‘crossref’ | ‘elsevier’ | ‘rsc’ | ‘springer’ | ‘ecs’ | ‘nature’ | ‘acs’ }, depending on how we wish to access the file

Returns True on successful write, False otherwise

Return type `bool`

get_title_from_doi (***keywords*)

Returns title of an article as a unicode string given a DOI

Parameters

- **doi** (*str*) – DOI string for the article we want to grab metadata for
- **mode** (*str*) – Only supports ‘crossref’ for now

Returns A title (or None on failure)

Return type unicode

get_xml_from_doi (**keywords)

Downloads and writes an HTML article to a file, given a DOI and operating mode

Parameters

- **doi** (*str*) – DOI string for the article we want to download
- **writefile** (*file*) – file object to write to
- **mode** (*str*) – choose from {‘elsevier’ | ‘aps’}, depending on how we wish to access the file

Returns True on successful write, False otherwise

Return type bool

load_queries_from_csv (**keywords)

Loads a list of queries from a CSV file

Parameters **csvf** (*file*) – file object containing a CSV file with one query per line

Returns a list of queries, processed to be insertable into REST API (GET) calls

Return type list

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