

OVID LinkSolver and the OpenAthens redirector

This guide will help you configure OVID's LinkSolver to use the OpenAthens Redirector.

Whilst our service desk will always try to be helpful, they can only support the OpenAthens end. Information was correct at the time of writing.

Prerequisites

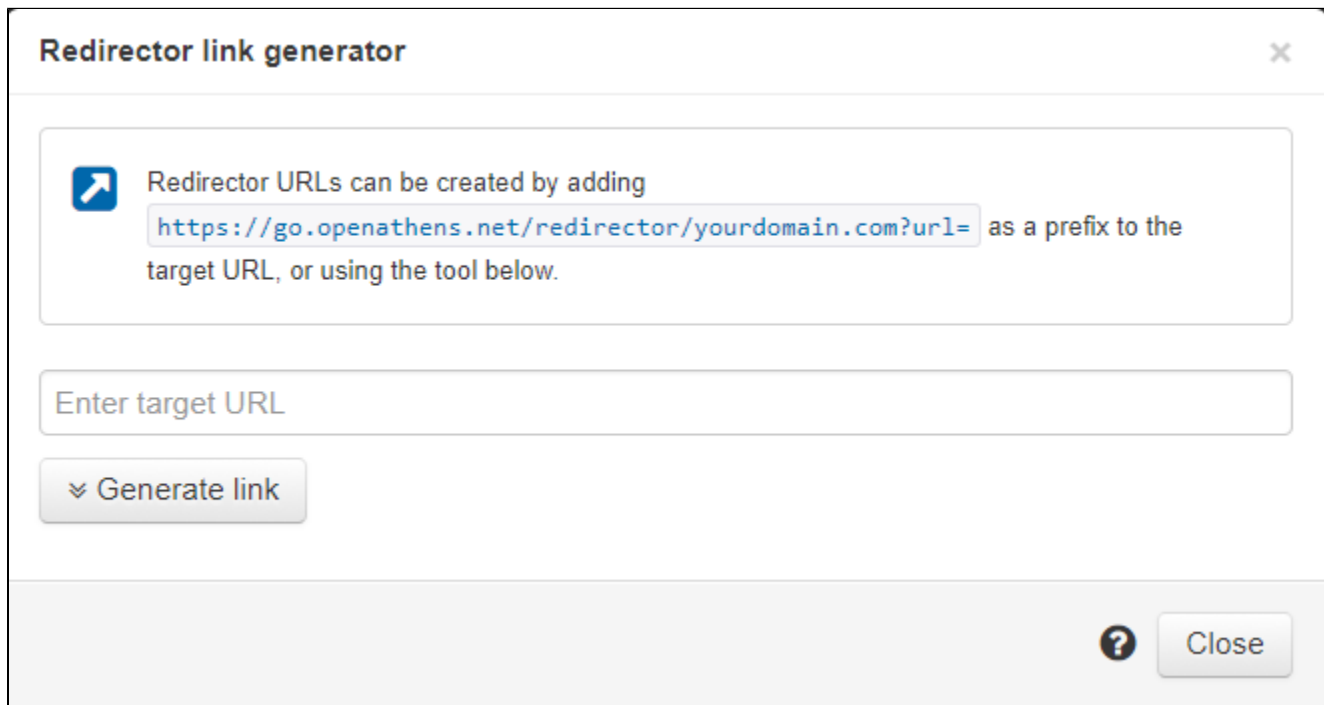
- Access to your LinkSolver admin pages
- Access to the OpenAthens administration area at the domain level

Method

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Look up your redirector prefix

Access the administration area as the domain administrator and navigate to the redirect link generator (Resources > Redirector link generator).



The screenshot shows a web interface titled "Redirector link generator" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. Below the title is a text box containing an information icon (blue square with a white arrow) and the text: "Redirector URLs can be created by adding `https://go.openathens.net/redirector/yourdomain.com?url=` as a prefix to the target URL, or using the tool below." Below this text box is a large input field with the placeholder text "Enter target URL". Below the input field is a button labeled "Generate link" with a downward-pointing chevron icon. At the bottom right of the interface, there is a help icon (question mark in a circle) and a "Close" button.

The part you are interested in is the bit like this: <https://go.openathens.net/redirector/yourdomain.com?url=>

Add your Redirector prefix to LinkSolver

Even though the redirector is not a proxy, we can use the proxy configuration function in LinkSolver to insert the redirector prefix so that the function works for compatible resources:

1. Log into your WorldShare Admin account and go to Holdings > Journals
2. To add for a collection:
 - a. Select your collection from the drop down list
 - b. Find the proxy configuration item and insert the redirector prefix
 - i. Proxy type: EZproxy will do
 - ii. Select Journal level and Full text level

iii. Add

c. Ok

3. To add for a specific journal:

a. Go to Holdings > Journals

b. Select the journal and click edit

c. Update the URL details by pasting the redirector prefix in front of the existing URL

d. Click 'Edit journal'

e. Ok

Links can take a few moments to update