2.5.3.2 View the Study Metadata File to Determine OIDs

If you are familiar with XML file structure, you can determine OIDs using the Study metadata file:

1. Download the Study metadata file: Select Tasks > View Study, then follow the instructions at the top of the page.
2. Open the Study metadata file in a browser or text editor.

Following is an excerpt of a Study metadata file that provides an example of the structure, showing only the tags that are relevant to finding and determining OIDs needed for the data import file. Comments <!-- ... --> indicate where the OID values are. You can download and view the complete Study metadata file for the example Study.

Starting with the <Protocol> tag, the general structure is that the OID for an element is defined in a <...Ref> tag. After that, a <...Def> tag for the element contains tags that define the OIDs for the subelements, and so on, through the hierarchy. The heirarchy is: Study Event Definition > Form (CRF) > Item Group > Item.

<?xml version ...?>

<ODM ... >

<Study OID="*YourStudyOID*"> <!-- Get the Study OID here. -->

<GlobalVariables>

...

</GlobalVariables>

<BasicDefinitions>

...

</BasicDefinitions>

<MetaDataVersion OID="*YourMetaDataVersionOID*"... > <!-- Get the MetaDataVersion OID here. -->

<Protocol>

<StudyEventRef StudyEventOID="*YourFirstStudyEventOID*" .../> <!-- Get the OID for your first Study Event here -->

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<StudyEventRef StudyEventOID="YourSecondStudyEventOID" .../> <!-- Get the OID for your
second Study Event here -->
...

</Protocol>

<StudyEventDef OID="YourFirstStudyEventOID" ... > <!-- This section contains the OIDs for the
Forms (CRFs) in the Study Event whose OID is YourFirstStudyEventOID -->
<FormRef FormOID="YourFirstFormOID" ... /> <!-- Get the OID for the first CRF used in this Study
Event here -->
<FormRef FormOID="YourSecondFormOID" ... /> <!-- Get the OID for the second CRF used in this
Study Event here -->
...
</StudyEventDef>

<StudyEventDef OID="YourSecondStudyEventOID" ... > <!-- This section contains the OIDs for the
Forms (CRFs) in the Study Event whose OID is YourSecondStudyEventOID -->
</StudyEventDef>
...

<FormDef OID="YourFirstFormOID" ...> <!-- This section contains the OIDs for the Item Groups in
the CRF whose OID is YourFirstFormOID -->
<ItemGroupRef ItemGroupOID="YourFirstItemGroupOID" ... /> <!-- Get the OID for the first Item
Group in this CRF here -->
<ItemGroupRef ItemGroupOID="YourSecondItemGroupOID" .../> <!-- Get the OID for the second
Item Group in this CRF here -->
...
<OpenClinica:FormDetails ... >
...
</OpenClinica:FormDetails>
</FormDef>

<FormDef OID="YourSecondFormOID" ...> <!-- This section contains the OIDs for the Item Groups
in the CRF whose OID is YourSecondFormOID -->
...
</FormDef>

<ItemGroupDef OID="YourFirstItemGroupOID" ... > <!-- This section contains the OIDs for the
Items in the Item Group whose OID is YourFirstItemGroupOID -->
<ItemRef ItemOID="YourFirstItemOIDInYourFirstItemGroup" /> <!-- Get the OID for the first Item
in this Item Group here -->
<ItemRef ItemOID="YourSecondItemOIDInYourFirstItemGroup" /> <!-- Get the OID for the second
Item in this Item Group here -->
...
<OpenClinica:ItemGroupDetails ... >
...
</OpenClinica:ItemGroupDetails ...>
</ItemGroupDef>

<ItemGroupDef OID="YourSecondItemGroupOID" ... > <!-- This section contains the OIDs for the
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Items in the Item Group whose OID is *YourSecondItemGroupOID* -->

...

</ItemGroupDef>

...

<ItemDef OID="*YourFirstItemOIDInYourFirstItemGroup*" ... > <!-- This section contains details for the Item whose OID is *YourFirstItemOIDInYourFirstItemGroup* -->

...

</ItemDef>

<ItemDef OID="*YourSecondItemOIDInYourFirstItemGroup*" ... > <!-- This section contains details for the Item whose OID is *YourSecondItemOIDInYourFirstItemGroup* -->

...

</ItemDef>

...

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