

UKRI open access fund for long-form publications: guidance about diamond and non-BPC open access models

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