

How to write
references while
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manuscripts

TYPES OF REFERENCES

- Journal Reference
- Book Reference
- Internet Reference

Bibliographic Elements

- **Authors** (use et al. after 6 authors, if there are more than six authors, complete names should not be written. “et al” must be in italics)
- **Article title** (should be exact as existing)
- **Journal name** (should be in standard PubMed abbreviations, full journal name should not be written)
- **Year**
- **Volume**
- **Page numbers** (445-447 to be written as 445-47)

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Idiopathic simultaneous intussusceptions in a neonate.

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Journal Reference

- Two main Components of a Journal Reference

Bibliographic Elements and Punctuations Marks

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Authors in correct sequence, and names checked from PubMed

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Correct title of the article to come after the authors name.

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Correct journal abbreviation as given in Pubmed

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Year of publication is followed by the volume no.

Page no comes last this **should not** be written as 445-447

Punctuation Marks

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do not write **and** before the last author

Full stop after the last author
followed by space and then
the article title

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Single space between the journal
abbreviation and the year, place no
other punctuation marks

Semicolon ; after
the year without any
space

Hyphen to separate the
page no.

Colon : after volume
no. without any space

Full stop followed by
space

Full stop at the
end of the ref.

Citing References in the text

- References should be numbered using Arabic numerals in box parentheses e.g. [1] in the order of appearance in the text as a superscript.

diameter of 6 to 7 mm and the renal artery measures 2.8 mm.^[11] WT surgery is a safe and partially standardized procedure. However, major bleeding and vascular injuries can occur. The frequency of vascular injuries has been reported as 1.5% in the NWTs-3 and 4.^[12, 13] Severe hemorrhage occurs at a higher rate. Further, there exists a hidden surgical mortality.^[14]

Book Reference

- Chapter in a book

Example

Miyano T, Kobayashi H, Chen SC. Long term results of biliary atresia. In: Gupta DK, editor. Text Book of Neonatal Surgery, 1st edn. New Delhi: Modern Publishers; 2000. p. 288-91.

Authors of the chapter



Title of the chapter



- Miyano T, Kobayashi H, Chen SC. Long term results of biliary atresia. In: Gupta DK, editor. Text Book of Neonatal Surgery, 1st ed. New Delhi: Modern Publishers; 2000. p. 288-91.



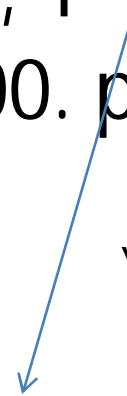
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City of publication



Name of publisher



Edition no



Year and page no.



Chief Editor of the book

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- Websites or web pages /*Homepage/Web site*
 - Cancer-Pain.org [Internet]. New York: Association of Cancer Online Resources, Inc.; c2000-01 [updated 2002 May 16; cited 2002 Jul 9]. Available from: <http://www.cancer-pain.org/>.

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- *Database on the Internet*
 - Who's Certified [Internet]. Evanston (IL): The American Board of Medical Specialists. c2000 - [cited 2001 Mar 8]. Available from:
<http://www.abms.org/newsearch.asp>

- Journal article on the Internet

- Abood S. Quality improvement initiative in nursing homes: the ANA acts in an advisory role. *Am J Nurs* [Internet]. 2002 Jun [cited 2002 Aug 12];102(6):[about 1 p.]. Available from:
[http://www.nursingworld.org/AJN/2002/june/Wawatc
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Use full internet resources

- http://www.nlm.nih.gov/bsd/uniform_requirements.html
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- **Providing the references in correct style with accurate bibliographic details is authors' responsibility.**
- **Editor has the full right to reject the manuscript on technical grounds if the references are wrong or it may be sent back to the author for correction thus increasing manuscript processing time.**

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