AMA Manual of Style Citation Guide

The following entries illustrate the citation style according to the *AMA Manual of Style 10th edition*. The complete style manual is available in the Biological Sciences/Pharmacy Library (BPL Reference R119 .A533 2007) or online at [http://www.amamanualofstyle. /oso/public/index.html](http://www.amamanualofstyle. /oso/public/index.html) (You must be signed in for off campus access.)

Below are some guidelines for AMA citations:

- List references in numerical order of use in the text, at the end of the document. See “Citing Sources in the Text” on page 8.
- Use Arabic superscript references outside periods and commas, and inside colons and semicolons.
- Use authors’ last name followed by initials. No periods after initials. Separate names with commas.
- In article and book titles only capitalize the first word, acronyms and proper nouns.
- PowerPoint presentations should include a bibliography.
- In citing electronic journals include the DOI if available. See page 2.

**Articles in Journals- Print**

The basic format for a reference to a print journal is:

Author(s). Title. *Journal Name* [using National Library of Medicine abbreviations]. Year;vol(issue No.):inclusive pages.


- List all authors unless there are more than six. If there are more than six, list the first three then use “et al.”
AMCP Task Force on Drug Payment Methodologies. AMCP guide to pharmaceutical payment methods. J Manag Care Pharm. 2007; 13(8 Suppl C):S1-39

- If an article is from a supplement to a journal use the following example:


AMCP Task Force on Drug Payment Methodologies. AMCP guide to pharmaceutical payment methods. J Manag Care Pharm. 2007; 13(8 Suppl C):S1-39

- Editorials or letters (place the article type in brackets [ ])


- No author


**Articles in Journals-Electronic** (section 3.15)

- The preferred citation style for an electronic journal uses a DOI (digital object identifier). The DOI provides a persistent link to the electronic item and is considered to be more stable than a URL. If there is no DOI give the URL and the date of access.

**Article with DOI Available**

Author(s). Title of article. *Journal Name* [using National Library of Medicine Abbreviations]. Year; vol (issue no.): pages. doi:xx.xxxx.
Article without DOI

Author(s). Title. Journal Name Abbreviation. Year; vol(issue No.):inclusive pages. URL. Accessed [date].


Electronic Journal With No Page Numbers (No print equivalent)

- Some online only articles do not have page numbers and may be noted by other identifiers, e.g. by article or document number.


Electronic Publication Ahead of Print

- “Epub Ahead of Print” indicates that a publisher is posting the article online, usually on the journal website, before the article has been published in print. Provide as much information as is available and include the phrase “epub ahead of print” as part of the date field.


On-line Newsletters

Books and Book Chapters

- The basic format for a reference to an entire book is:

  Author(s). Book Title. Edition number (if applicable). City, State (or country of publication): Publisher; Publication Year.


- If more than six authors/editors, list first three then et al.


- The basic format for a book chapter is:

  Author of chapter. Chapter title. In: Book editor(s). *Book Title*. Edition. City, State (or country of publication): Publisher; Publication Date: page numbers.


Electronic Books

- The basic format for reference to electronic books is as follows. *Note*: If the reference is to the entire book, the information about chapter title and inclusive pages is not included.

  Author(s). Chapter title. In: Editor(s). *Book Title*. [Edition number, if it is the second edition or above; mention of first edition is not necessary] ed. City, State (or country of publisher): Publisher's name; copyright year. URL: [provide URL and verify that the link still works as close as possible to the time of publication]. Accessed [date].
Citing web sites can be challenging, include as much relevant information as possible so others can find it.

- The “How to Cite This Chapter” link is useful when using AccessPharmacy although you should check it for accuracy.

**Web Pages**

- In citing data from a Web site, include the following elements, if available, in the order shown:

  Author(s), if given (often, no authors are given). Title of the specific item cited (if none is given, use the name of the organization responsible for the site). Name of the Web site. URL [provide URL and verify that the link still works as close as possible to publication]. Published [date]. Updated [date]. Accessed [date].


**Government/Organization Reports**

Internet Drug Information Databases

- AMA does not provide citation examples of drug information databases. The URL (Web Page) you get when you log in through Ohio State is specific to you at the moment you are using it and will not be available to others. Make sure you only use the company or vendor URL for your reference. The following is based on the format used by Purdue University Libraries. Type available at before the URL.

Name of monograph, specific topic or chart. Database name. Company maintaining the database. City, State Abbreviation. Available at: URL. Accessed Month day, year.


- Many drug databases are broken down into sub-databases. Include the name of the sub-database.

Lexi-Comp Online


Facts and Comparisons eAnswers

Warfarin Sodium Oral (Anticoagulants) - Ibuprofen Oral (Ibuprofen & Derivatives)

Micromedex


AHFS Drug Information


Package Inserts

Medication Name [package insert]. City, State Abbreviation: Manufacturer's Name; Year.

ZOCOR (simvastatin) [package insert]. Whitehouse Station, NJ; Merck; Revised June, 2012.
Videotapes, DVDs

- The type of medium (CD-ROM, DVD, disk) is placed in square brackets after the title.


Online Video


Citing Sources in the Text

Each reference should be cited in the text, tables, or figures in consecutive numerical order, using superscript Arabic numerals.

Use superscript numerals outside periods and commas, but inside colons and semicolons.

Avoid placing a superscript reference citation immediately after a number.

Only surnames of authors are used in the text.

Examples:

- Smith\(^1\) reported 8 instances of infection.
- The 2 largest studies to date included 35 patients\(^2\) and 40 patients.\(^3\)
- As reported previously,\(^4-6\)
- The data were as follows\(^7,8\).
- The patients showed no sign of adverse effects.\(^2,9\)
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