

Citation Manager Comparison Chart for Ohio State Students

	<u>Supported Citation Managers</u>				<u>Other Citation Managers</u>		
	EndNote Desktop	EndNote Basic	RefWorks	Zotero	Mendeley	Papers	ReadCube
<i>General:</i>							
Support	Technical Support & Services		Quick-Start Guides	Documentation	Support	Support	Support
Cost	\$94.95 at the Tech Hub shop	Free account for OSU users	Free account for OSU users	Free account	Free account	\$79 download	Free account
Offline access	Yes	If synced with EN Desktop	For writing only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Online Storage	Unlimited	50,000 references/2 GB attachments	Unlimited references/100MB/user + add'l 5MB	300 MB free (unlimited desktop storage)	1 GB free (unlimited offline storage)	2 GB free (with Dropbox)	Unlimited
Can I take it with me?	Yes	Yes, with reduced EN Basic features	No (can export content)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<i>Collecting/Organizing Citations and Articles:</i>							
Direct export citations from library catalogs, databases and journals	Almost all databases and journals		Most databases, catalogs and journals	Most databases and journals (EndNote/RIS format preferred)	Most databases and journals (EndNote/RIS format)	Most databases and journals (EndNote/RIS format)	Google Scholar and PubMed only
Capture citation information from articles/books on the web	"Capture Reference" bookmarklet; Firefox browser plugin		"RefGrab-It" bookmarklet	Connectors for Chrome, Safari, Opera; "Save to Zotero" bookmarklet	"Save to Mendeley" bookmarklet		"Add to ReadCube" bookmarklet
Download and store PDFs	Auto-downloads PDFs and files them with citations or add manually	Can manually add PDFs to citation records or sync from EN desktop	Can manually add PDFs to citation records	Auto-downloads PDFs and files them with citations or add manually	Downloads PDFs and files them with citations or add manually	Downloads some PDFs and files them with citations or add manually	Downloads some PDFs and files them with citations or add manually
Collect PDFs from your computer	Partially	No	No	Yes	Yes	Partially	Yes

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Share with collaborators	Yes; Some access limits	No	Read-only; no group access	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Reading:							
Find and view articles online	Yes	Yes (includes OSU's Find It! links)	Yes (includes OSU's Find It! links)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Some articles
PDF viewer	Yes; can annotate and search full text and notes	No	No	Uses browser plugin for viewing; 3 rd party options exist for annotations	Yes; can annotate	Yes; can annotate	Yes; can annotate
Mobile app	\$3.99; iPad only		No	No	Free; iPad, iPhone and Android	\$9.99; iPad and iPhone only	Free; iPad only
Sync across devices	Yes, using EN Online	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Must pay for pro version to sync
Writing:							
Fully integrates with Word	Yes, with Cite-While-You-Write plugin (creates its own tab in Word)		Yes, with Write-N-Cite plugin (tools are in the References tab and their own tab in Word; Note: buggy)	Yes (creates own Zotero tab in Word - buggy in <i>Office 2010</i>)	Yes, with Cite-O-Matic plugin (tools appear in the References tab in Word)	Yes	Yes, with SmartCite tool (in beta; can be buggy)
Integrates with other word processing software	Pages (with plugin download from Apple); can paste references and format bibliographies via website		No plugins; paste refs. and format bibliographies via website	LibreOffice/ OpenOffice/ NeoOffice	LibreOffice, BibTex	Pages	No
Citation output styles	Installs with 500; over 6000 available for download	21 styles	Over 3300	Installs with 18; over 7000 available for download	Installs with 12; thousands available for download	Over 7000	Thousands (uses same format as Mendeley)