## **CITATION MANAGERS**

All students and researchers face the daunting challenge of managing all the information they collect. Fortunately, several digital tools make this task much easier. Below are a few of our favorites. We suggest that you choose one, and spend some time learning how it works.

Note that using a citation manager does not mean perfect citations every time; if you choose the wrong format for an item or enter incomplete data, you may get an incorrect citation, so you still need to proofread your citations at the end. But since you would need to do that regardless, using a citation manager will still save you a lot of time in the long run.

## **Son of Citation Machine**

This is a web-based method that requires only simple input about your sources to help you format citations in your paper and on the reference page. You can choose APA, MLA, Chicago, or several other style guides. <u>Citation Machine Home Page</u>

## **RefWorks**

RefWorks - an online research management, writing and collaboration tool - is designed to help researchers easily gather, manage, store and share all types of information, as well as generate citations and bibliographies. Check with your campus library to learn how to access RefWorks through the Antioch group account. Refworks Home Page

## Zotero

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