

# Writing references (Vancouver style)

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## Outline

- Objectives.
- Vancouver style
- Citation in the text.
- Reference list: References at the end of study.



# Objectives: ...

At the end of this lecture, students must be able to:

- Know how to refer to references in the text using the Vancouver style.
- Know how to write the references in the reference list by the Vancouver style.



# Vancouver style

#### Citation in the text:

- The references are numbered consecutively in the order in which they are first mentioned in the text, tables, and legends.
- The original numbers assigned to the reference is re-used each time the reference is cited in the text, regardless of its previous position in the text.



# Citation in the Vancouver style:- Reference List:

- The references are listed consecutively identified by numbers i.e. in the same order that they have been cited in the text, not in alphabetical order.
- The surname of each author should be followed by his/her initial(s).
- The year of publication should follow the title of the journal (or publisher in case of books, theses, conference proceedings, etc)



Articles in journals.

- The title of journal should be abbreviated according to the style used in Index Medicus.
- The list can be obtained through the National Library of Medicine (NLM)

website (http://www.nlm.nih.gov).



- The reference to a standard article in a journal should be written as follows in order: Author (s) surname followed by initials. Title of the article. Title of the journal year of publication; volume: pages.
- All authors should be listed when they are 6 or less. When more than 6, only the first 6 authors should be listed followed by et al.



Journal article, e.g.

- Stitel LM, Gherman BR. Labor with abnormal presentation and position. Obstet Gynecol Clin N Am 2005; 32:165–79.
- Bashiri A, Burstein E, Bar-David J, Levy A, Mazor M. Face and brow presentation: independent risk factors. J Matern Fetal Neonatal Med 2008; 21:357–60.
- Zernecke A, Bernhagen J, Weber C. Macrophage migration inhibitory factor in cardiovascular disease. Circulation 2008; 117(12):1594–602.



#### **Journals**

- If the author is a research group or an organization, it should be written as for standard article.
- If no author is given, the title of the article is written followed by the word [Editorial], in parentheses, if applicable.
- If the volume or issue of the journal has a supplement, the volume or issue number should be followed by Suppl and its number, e.g. Suppl2.



#### **Books**

Books should be referred to as follows:

Personal author (s): Author (s). Title of the book. Edition (e.g. 5th ed.). Place of publication: Publisher, Year. Editor (s), Compiler (s).

• The author (s) should be followed by the word editor (s).



Books: e.g.

Gilstrap LC, Cunnigham FG, VanDorster JP, editors. Operative obsterics. 2nd ed. New York: McGraw-Hill; 2002. P. 160-8.



Chapter in a book: e.g.

Silverman RA. Pediatric mycosis. In:

Elewska B, editor. Cutaneous fungal

infection. 3rd ed. New York: Igaku

Shoin; 1992. PP. 212-28



#### **Report or thesis**

Author. Title of the thesis or report (Ph.D, M.Sc. thesis, FIBMS report). Place of publication: University, or board of study (e.g. Iraqi Board for Medical Specializations), College or Scientific Council of the study.

Yahia MM. Studies on dermophytes in Mosul and vicinity. M.Sc. thesis. University of Mosul, College of Medicine (optional). Iraq; 1980



### Electronic references

Journal article on the internet (ejournal)

Author (s). Title of the article. Journal

title year [online]. Vol (issue).

Available from: The web site.

[Accessed on date-month-year]



e.g. for internet journal

• Harrison JJ, Ceri H, Yerly J, Stremick C A, Hu Y, Martinuzzi R, Turner R J. The use of microscopy and three-dimensional visualization to evaluate the structure of microbial biofilms cultivated in the Calgary Biofilm Device. Biol Proc Online [Internet] 2006 [cited 2007 Jan 8]; 8(1): 194-215. Available from:

http://www.biologicalprocedures.com/bpo/arts/1/127/m127.pdf. DOI: 10.1251/bpo127



#### **Book-Internet**

 Foley KM, Gelband H, editors. Improving palliative care for cancer [Internet].
 Washington: National Academy Press;
 2001[cited 2002 Jul 9]. Available from:http://www.nap.edu/books/03090740 29/html/.



Exercise: Vancouver style

Ex1. Write the following reference in Vancouver style

Journal: Iraqi Medical Jourmal (IMJ); Authors:

Zaid A Karim, Raid K Altemimi; Pages: 21-28;

Volume: 52; Number: 1.Year: 2006; Title:

Urgent Surgery in Hydatid Cyst Disease.



# Exercise: Vancouver style (Cont.)

Ex2. Write the following reference in Vancouver style:

• Name of chapter: General principles of

epidemiology. **Author of chapter:** Robert

G. Sharrar. Page: 1-28; Name of book:

Preventive medicine and public health.

Year: 1992; Editor: Brett J Cassens.

Publisher: Harwal publishing company,

Malvern, Pennsylvania. Second edition.



## Exercise: Vancouver style

Ex 3. Write the following reference in Vancouver style:

• Title: Knowledge, attitudes and practices regarding family planning among two groups of women in Baghdad. Author: Namir Ghanim Al-Tawil. Board of study: Iraqi Board for Medical Specializations.

Type: FIBMS dissertation. Place: Iraq.

Year: 1997.



### References

Al-Hadithi TS, Al-Tawil NG. Medical Research Manual. Hawler Medical University, Erbil, Iraq, 2012.