

# **Tips for Writing AMA Style Reference Lists**

This guide is based on the 10th Edition of AMA Manual of Style.

- References should be within the last 5 years unless significantly relevant to explaining what prompted your research/project
- References are listed numerically in the order they are cited in the text
- Use the author's last name followed by initials without periods or spaces. List the names of all authors unless there are more than 6, in which case the names of the first 3 authors are used, followed by "et al."
- In article titles, capitalize only the first letter of the first word, proper names, and abbreviations that are ordinarily capitalized
- Cite references parenthetically in the text if a work is not yet accepted for publication or is a personal communication

## **Scholarly Article**

When the DOI is provided, it is preferable to cite it rather than the URL. *Note:* The DOI is provided immediately after "doi:" with no spaces. No accessed date is required for the DOI, making it the last item in the reference.

Howard J, Cimineri L, Evans T, Chosewood LC, Afanuh S. Medication-assisted treatment for opioid use disorder. *U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, DHHS.* 2019. doi:10.26616/nioshpub2019133

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

Dart R, Surratt H, Cicero T, et al. Trends in opioid analgesic abuse and mortality in the united states. *N Engl J Med*.2015;372:241-8. https://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMsa1406143. Accessed January 10, 2020.

Author(s). Title. Journal Name. Year; vol(issue No.):inclusive pages.

Volkow N, Koob G, Mclellan A. Neurobiologic advances from the brain disease model of addiction. *N Engl J Med*.2016;374(4):363-371.

#### Website

Author(s) (or, if no author is available, the name of the organization responsible for the site). Title (or, if no title is available, the name of the organization responsible for the site). Name of the Web site. URL. Accessed [date].

Parrino M. Using medication assisted treatment to treat opioid use disorder...http://www.aatod.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/2019-Policy-Paper-4.pdf. Accessed January 10, 2020.

## Book

Author(s). *Book Title*. Edition number (if it is the second edition or above). City, State (or Country) of publisher: Publisher's name; copyright year.

# Book by an Organization:

National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine: *Medications for Opioid Use Disorder Save Lives*. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press; 2019