



American Medical Association Quick Citation Guide

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Books (Printed)

One author	Turnock BJ. <i>Public Health: What It Is and How It Works</i> . Sudbury, MA: Jones and Bartlett; 2009.
More than one author	Khaw PT, Shah P, Elkington AR. <i>ABC of Eyes</i> . 4 th ed. London, England: BMJ Pub. Group; 2004.
Corporate author	American Medical Association. <i>AIDS: Information on AIDS for the Practicing Physician</i> . Chicago, IL: American Medical Association; 1987.
Edited book	Potter CW, ed. <i>Influenza</i> . New York, NY: Elsevier; 2002.
More than one editor	Levin BL, Hurd PD, Hanson A, eds. <i>Introduction to Public Health in Pharmacy</i> . Sudbury, MA: Jones and Bartlett; 2008.
Chapter	Degner LF, McWilliams ME. Challenges in conducting cross-national nursing research. In: Stevenson JS, Polis NS, eds. <i>Nursing Research and Its Utilization: International State of the Science</i> . New York, NY: Springer; 1994:211-215.

Articles (Printed)

- One author Jenks BG. Regulation of proopiomelanocortin gene expression: an overview of the signaling cascades, transcription factors, and responsive elements involved. *Ann N Y Acad Sci.* 2009;1163:17-30.
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- Editorials, letters, etc. Lev-Yadun S. A gradual peer-review process [letter]. *Science.* 2008;322(5901):528.
- Supplement Crino L, Cappuzzo F. Present and future treatment of advanced non-small-cell lung cancer. *Semin Oncol.* 2002;29(3)(suppl 9):9-16.
- Popular magazine Anderson MA. Understanding and assessing incontinence. *Provider.* November 1997:117-121.
- Newspaper Altman LK. Medical errors bring calls for change. *New York Times.* July 18, 1995:C1, C10.

Other Printed Sources

- Government document US Task Force on Organ Transplantation. *Organ transplantation: issues and recommendations.* Rockville, MD: US Dept of Health & Human Services; 1986.
- Patent Joung JK, Miller J, Pabo CO, inventors; Massachusetts Institute of Technology, assignee. Methods and compositions for interaction trap assays. US patent 7,393,318 B2. July 1, 2008.
- Thesis/dissertation Yang, L. *Application of Immunomagnetic Cell Separation in Cancer Cell Detection: Development and Optimization* [dissertation]. Columbus: Ohio State University; 2007.
- Unpublished meeting presentations Weber KJ, Lee J, Decresce R, Subhasis M, Prinz R. Intraoperative PTH monitoring in parathyroid hyperplasia requires stricter criteria for success. Paper presented at: 25th Annual American Association of Endocrine Surgeons Meeting; April 6, 2004; Charlottesville, VA.
- Published meeting presentations Gioggi RJ. Color perception in patients with UV- or blue-light filtering IOLs. In: *Symposium on Cataract, IOL, and Refractive Surgery.* San Diego, CA: American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery; 2004. Abstract 337.

Electronic Resources

- Home page or web site American Association of Medical Assistants Web site. <http://www.aama-ntl.org/>. Accessed June 3, 2009.
- Page within a web site Saisan J, Smith M, Segal R, et al. Understanding depression: signs, symptoms, causes and help. Helpguide.org Web site. http://www.helpguide.org/mental/depression_signs_types_diagnosis_treatment.htm. Accessed June 3, 2009
- Online report or monograph Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation. Tax subsidies for health insurance: an issue brief. <http://www.kff.org/insurance/upload/7779.pdf>. Published July 2008. Accessed June 3, 2009.
- Online video Open heart surgery [video online]. April 23, 2008. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jihoTpUkcQo>. Accessed June 3, 2009.
- Database record Davies MW, Kimble RM, Woodgate PG. Ward reduction without general anaesthesia versus reduction and repair under general anaesthesia for gastroschisis in newborn infants. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev*. 2009(1):CD003671.
- E-book Fatemi SH, Clayton PJ, eds. *The Medical Basis of Psychiatry*. 3rd ed. Totowa, NJ: Humana Press, 2008. <http://rave.ohiolink.edu/ebooks/ebc/9781597452526>. Accessed June 4, 2009.
- Book on CD-ROM Alberts B, Johnson A, Lewis J, Raff M, Roberts K, Walter P. *Molecular Biology of the Cell* [CD-ROM]. 4th ed. New York, NY: Garland Science, 2002.
- E-journal with page numbers Navarro P, Chambers I, Karwacki-Neisius V, et al. Molecular coupling of Xist regulation and pluripotency. *Science*. 2008;321(5896):1693-1695. <http://www.sciencemag.org/cgi/content/full/321/5896/1693>. Accessed June 4, 2009.
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- Online popular magazine Greenfield KT. Growing old with autism. *Time*. May 25, 2009. <http://www.time.com/time/magazine/article/0,9171,1898322,00.html>. Accessed June 4, 2009.
- Online newspaper Connolly C, Montgomery L. Economic advisers extol benefits of cutting health spending. *Washington Post*. June 1, 2009. <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/06/01/AR2009060103676.html>. Accessed June 3, 2009.
- Online government document US Homeland Security Council. National strategy for pandemic influenza: implementation plan. http://georgewbush-whitehouse.archives.gov/homeland/nspi_implementation.pdf. Published May 2006. Accessed June 2, 2008.

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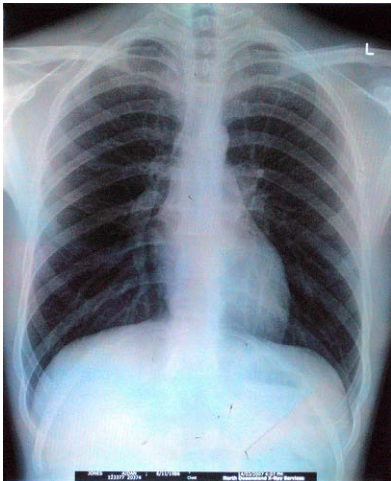
- Smith¹ reported 8 instances of infection.
- The 2 largest studies to date included 35 patients² and 40 patients.³
- As reported previously,⁴⁻⁶
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- The patients showed no sign of adverse effects.^{2,9}

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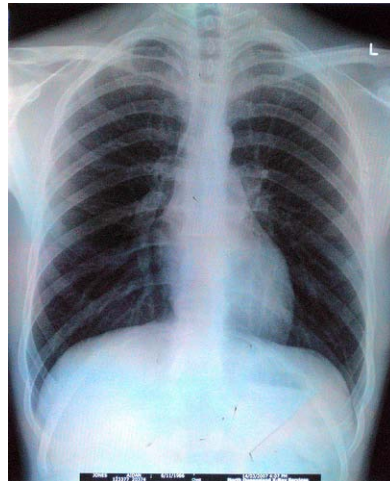
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