

# Quick guide to referencing: ACS

Reference type	How to reference	Reference notes	How to cite
Book	Odian, G. <i>Principles of Polymerization</i> , 4th ed.; Wiley: Hoboken, NJ, 2004.	Use initials for the author's first name.  Only include the edition if not the first edition.	You may cite references in text in 3 different ways but must remain consistent throughout your work:  1. By superscript numbers <sup>1</sup> 2. By italic numbers in parentheses ( <i>1</i> ) 3. By author name and year (Odian, 2004)
Edited book	Diederich, F; Stang, P. J. Eds.; <i>Metal-catalyzed Cross-coupling Reactions</i> ; Wiley-VCH: Weinheim, 1999.	If a reference has 2 authors, give both names joined "and".  If a reference has more than 2 authors, give only the first name listed, followed by "et al." For co-authors use "and colleagues".	Choose one of the following:  1. Cross-coupling reactions are... <sup>2</sup> 2. Cross-coupling reactions are ...( <i>2</i> ) 3. ... (Diederich and Stang, 1999)

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Book chapter in an authored book	Atkins, P.W; de Paula, J. <i>Atkins' Physical Chemistry</i> , 9th ed.; Oxford University Press: Oxford, 2010, pp. 831-875.	The page numbers (pp.) go at the end.	Choose one of the following:  <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Atkins and De Paula argue that...<sup>3</sup></li> <li>2. Atkins and De Paula (3) argue that...</li> <li>3. ... (Atkins and De Paula, 2010)</li> </ol>
Book chapter in an edited book	Mitchell, T. N. Organotin Reagents in Cross-Coupling. In <i>Metal-catalyzed Cross-coupling Reactions</i> ; Diederich, F; Stang, P. J., Ed.; Wiley-VCH: Weinheim, 1999, pp. 167-202.	If there is one, indicate the series number or information after "Ed."  The page numbers (pp.) go at the end.	Choose one of the following:  <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mitchell argues that...<sup>4</sup></li> <li>2. Mitchell (4) argues that...</li> <li>3. ... (Mitchell, 1999)</li> </ol>
Journal article	Chen, R; Pearce, D. J. G; Fortuna, S; Cheung, D. L; Bon, S. A. F. Polymer Vesicles with a Colloidal Armor of Nanoparticles. <i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> , <b>2011</b> , <i>133</i> , pp. 2151-2153.	Note that journal titles are abbreviated. For more information refer to the CAS Source Index (CASSI) search tool:  <a href="http://cassi.cas.org/search.jsp">http://cassi.cas.org/search.jsp</a>	Choose one of the following:  <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Chen et al. argue that...<sup>5</sup></li> <li>2. Chen et al. (5) argue that...</li> <li>3. ... (Chen et al., 2011)</li> </ol>

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		<p>Some journals do not number pages continuously through issues that make up a volume, i.e. each issue begins at p. 1. For such journals the issue number must be included.</p> <p>If you cannot locate an authoritative abbreviation for a journal, you should include the full title.</p>	
Thesis	Alzhrani, A. PhD thesis, University of Warwick, 2011.	Indicate the level field (e.g. Ma/PhD), the university name and the year of completion.	<p>Choose one of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Alzhrani argues that...<sup>6</sup></li> <li>2. Alzhrani (6) argues that...</li> <li>3. ... (Alzhrani, 2011)</li> </ol>

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Web page	IUPAC Polymer Education Website. <a href="https://iupac.org/polymer-edu/">https://iupac.org/polymer-edu/</a> (accessed 16 June 2017).	If there is no author, use Anon.  Remember, it may be a corporate author.	Choose one of the following:  1. According to IUPAC <sup>7</sup> , ... 2. According to IUPAC (7), ... 3. Polymers are named... (IUPAC, 2017)

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If you are unsure about the accuracy of any part of the reference or information is missing but you can make an “educated guess”, i.e., the year of publication or the publisher, you can put square brackets [ ] around the information to indicate that you are not 100% certain about this information.