

Annotated Bibliography

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1 Abstract

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2 Instructions

Please complete the annotated bibliography by the 17th of April.

2.1 Searching for Academic Sources

There are numerous electronic sources to evaluate and obtain academic sources of information. Usually, we consider peer reviewed articles to have the highest quality scholarship. As a rule of thumb, this is a good start, but there is also a great deal of variation between sources, even journal titles can vary in quality. Thus, it's best to evaluate a range of sources and appreciate the subtle differences in quality and prestige.

First, you should search CUC databases using key words, such as Pb and lead. I admit the lead is tricky, because it's not a useful term due to a double meaning. I suggest heavy metals or trace metals with the other key words, i.e. fate and transport, toxicity, etc, depending on the topic you selected.

Below are links to some useful databases:

- Web of Science
- JStore
- Google Scholar

2.2 Writing an Annotated Bibliography

After adding your citation to the Pb_literature.bib, using the BibTeX format, cite your reference using the syntax below. Then, write a concise annotation that summarizes the central theme and scope of the book or article. Include one or more sentences that (a) evaluate the authority or background of the author, (b) comment on the intended audience, (c) compare or contrast this work with another you have cited, or (d) explain how this work illuminates your bibliography topic.

2.3 Implementing in L^AT_EX

L^AT_EX is a software program used for desktop publishing. With an eye for detail, the program was developed to give the author a great deal of control. In contrast, Microsoft Word is designed to have lots of options, but these seem to get in the way of controlling the outcome.

L^AT_EX is an open source program and relies on specific formatting commands that begin with a backslash. For example to start a new section heading, we use `\section{section name}` and `\subsection{subsection name}` to create a subsection heading.

Below might be an example of what we are trying to accomplish using our Rstudio resources. The L^AT_EX command for the citation is `\bibentry{key}`, where key identifies the citation based on the BibTeX citation entry as shown below:

D Barltrop, I Thornton, CD Strehlow, and JS Webb. Absorption of lead from dust and soil. *Postgraduate medical journal*, 51(601):801–804, 1975 . Summarizes important information about Pb. This paper reviews work that span

x years starting with early ... and noting recent information that includes
Barltrop et al. (1975) first describe xyz and how these issues have been largely
....

To help the readers, you might create subsection and even subsubsections, using `\subsection{subsection name}` and `\subsubsection{subsubsection name}`.

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