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ABSTRACT

Steps of processing PDFs for the project of meta-analysis of Wellness interventions in the workplace

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How to process the files

1. In the <https://osf.io/ue2t5/> (osf.io website) folder titled, "2020_06_15_rcts_arin", you will find all the PDFs I (Arindam Basu) have uploaded.
2. This folder has 62 PDF files.
3. If you click on the plus sign next to the folder, you will see something like as follows:

2020_06_15_included_rcts_arin		
	Ahola et al. - 2012 - Resource-enhancing grou...	2020-06-15 01:20 PM
	Aikens et al. - 2014 - Mindfulness goes to wor...	2020-06-15 01:18 PM
	Akkermans et al. - 2015 - It's all about CareerS...	2020-06-15 01:16 PM
	Alexopoulos et al. - 2014 - Short-term effects ...	2020-06-15 01:21 PM
	Ali et al. - 2011 - Continuity of care in intensive...	2020-06-15 01:07 PM
	Allexandre et al. - 2016 - A Web-Based Mindfu...	2020-06-15 01:05 PM
	Almeida et al. - 2018 - The effects of a workpla...	2020-06-15 01:23 PM
	Andersen et al. - 2015 - Effect of physical exer...	2020-06-15 01:09 PM
	Anik et al. - 2013 - Prosocial Bonuses Increase ...	2020-06-15 01:19 PM

Figure 1. List of PDF files for processing

Steps after you have obtained the PDFs

1. If you click on the first PDF, it will open a PDF file
2. Open the PDF file in a PDF reader of your choice (Adobe Acrobat or Preview)
3. Navigate in the file to the References list
4. Copy paste and tidy up the reference list to a Word file
5. Read through the reference list and delete any reference that looks like it can be excluded on the basis of reading the title.
6. Rules for exclusion:
 - If the title does not suggest an RCT
 - If the title does not suggest that it was a workplace based intervention research
 - If the title does not suggest that a comparison group was used
 - If the research is clearly inappropriate for the meta-analysis
 - Year range: 2010-2019