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Comparison of reference management software

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The following tables compare [reference management software](#). Readers using the table to choose reference management software should note the product's "latest stable release date". An older release date suggests that the product is not currently supported and users may encounter technical issues and receive little to no technical support.

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General [edit]

In the "notes" section, there is a difference between:

- *web-based*, referring to applications that may be installed on a web server (usually requiring [MySQL](#) or another database and [PHP](#), [Perl](#), [Python](#), or some other language for web applications)
- a *centrally hosted website*

Software	Developer	First public release	Latest stable release date	Latest stable version	Cost (USD)	Free software	License	Notes
Bebop	ALaRI Institute	2007-11-08	2009-11-10	1.1	Free	Yes	BSD	web-based BibTeX front-end (Apache, PHP, MySQL)
BibBase	Christian Fritz	2005	2013-07	v3	Free	No	Proprietary	centrally hosted website, intended for publication pages
BibDesk	BibDesk developers	2002-04	2019-06-03	1.7.1	Free	Yes	BSD	BibTeX front-end + repository; Cocoa-based; integration with Spotlight
Biblioscope	CG Information	1997	2015-06-22	10.0.3.6	US\$79-299 ^[1]	No	Proprietary	ODBC; web access in Pro ed; optional client/server; discontinued?
BibSonomy	University of Kassel	2006-01	2018-07-30	3.8.13	Free	Yes	AGPL, GPL, LGPL ^[2]	centrally hosted website
Bibus	Bibus developers	2004-06-03	2013-05-23	1.5.1	Free	Yes	GNU GPL	discontinued?
								Desktop & iOS

Bookends	Sonny Software	1988 (Mac) / 1983 (Apple II+)	2019-06-22	13.2.4 ^[3]	US\$59.99 ^[1]	No	Proprietary	synced via iCloud, integrated web search, pdf download, auto-completion, Word plugin, BibTeX support, PDF annotations stored as notes
Citavi	Swiss Academic Software	2006-02-13	2020-03-02	6.4	US\$70-949 / Free for projects up to 100 references ^[4]	No	Proprietary	data can be saved locally on the computer, or, for team access, in the Citavi Cloud or an intranet Microsoft SQL Server ^[5] search databases from interface ^[6]
CiteULike	Oversity Limited	2004-11	Shut down in 2019-03-30 ^[7]		Free	No	proprietary ^[8]	centrally hosted website
colwiz	colwiz Ltd	2011	2016-05-09		Free / Online storage free up to 3 GB / Additional storage space available	No	Proprietary	Desktop (Win, Mac, Linux) & Web components, iOS and Android
EndNote	Clarivate Analytics	1988	2019-06-11	X9.2	US\$299.95 ^[1]	No	Proprietary	The web version EndNote basic (formerly, EndNote Web) is free of charge
F1000Workspace	F1000/Science Navigation Group	2015-05	Continually updated online		Institutional access – varies with size of institute / Personal subscription \$9.99/month / Free Trial Version	No	Proprietary	Web-based, Microsoft Word plug-in (Win, Mac), Google Docs add-on, browser extension(s) Chrome, Firefox, Safari, Opera, Internet Explorer 11, mobile app available
JabRef	JabRef developers	2003-11-29	2020-03-10	5.0	Free	Yes	MIT license	Java BibTeX and BibLaTeX manager
KBibTeX	KBibTeX developers	2005-08	2018-06-21	0.8.1	Free	Yes	GNU GPL	BibTeX front-end, using the KDE Software Compilation
Mendeley	Elsevier	2008-08	2018	1.19	Free / Online storage free up to 2 GB / Additional storage space available	No	proprietary (OS API clients exist)	Account required, Desktop & Web components, Windows, Linux, macOS, iPhone & iPad, Android
Paperpile	Stefan Washietl, Gregorgy Jordan,	2013	Continually updated		US\$2.99/month for academics, 9.99/month	No	Proprietary	web-application, integrates with Google Docs, collaboration &

	Andreas Gruber		online		otherwise			sharing features, currently only on Google Chrome
Pybliographer	pybliographer developers	1998-10-30 (0.2)	2018-04-03	1.4.0	Free	Yes	GNU GPL	Python/GTK2
Qiqqa	Qiqqa	2010-04	2016-09	v79	Free, Freemium and Premium versions	No	Proprietary	Desktop; Tablet; Web; Intranet
ReadCube Papers (now Papers)	ReadCube	2011-10	2020-03-13	v.4.0.8	US\$ 3/month for students, 5/month academics	No	Proprietary	Web-based, MacOS, Windows, iOS and Android apps. Microsoft Word and Google Docs add-in. Browser extension (Chrome, Firefox, Edge)
rebase	rebase developers	2003-06-03	2014-02-28	0.9.6	Free	Yes	GNU GPL	web-based for institutional repositories/self-archiving ^[9]
RefDB	refdb developers	2001-04-25	2007-11-05	0.9.9	Free	Yes	GNU GPL	network-transparent; XML/SGML bibliographies
Reference Manager	Thomson Reuters	1984	2010	12.0.3	Not for sale anymore, sales ceased December 31, 2015	No	Proprietary	network version; built-in web publishing tool; discontinued
Referencer	Referencer developers	2008-03-15	2014-02-27	1.2.2	Free	Yes	GNU GPL	BibTeX front-end
RefWorks	Ex Libris / ProQuest	2001	2018	3	Institutional subscription	No	Proprietary	web-based, browser-accessed, Word & Google Docs
RefME	RefME	2014	Shut down in 2017		Free	No	Proprietary	Web, iOS and Android; Chrome and Safari Extensions available; discontinued
SciRef	Scientific Programs	2012	2015-07-26	1.5	US\$38.90 / Free trial version	No	Proprietary	
Sente	Third Street Software, Inc.	2004	Shut down in 2017	6.7.9	US\$60–80 ^[1] / Free for libraries up to 100 refs	No	Proprietary	Desktop and iPad, centralized backup/synching; discontinued
Wikindx	Mark Grimshaw	2004-02	2019-08-20	5.8.2	Free	Yes	CC-BY-NC-SA	web-based
WizFolio	WizPatent	2008-06	Shut down in 2017	Avatara	US\$25 / Free Basic version	No	Proprietary	centrally hosted website; discontinued
Zotero	Roy Rosenzweig Center for History and New Media at	2006	2019-06-14	5.0.67 ^[10]	Free / Online storage free up to 300 MB / Additional storage space	Yes	AGPL	Multi-platform desktop version with connectors for Firefox, Chrome and Safari. Web-based access to

	GMU				available			reference library also available.
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Operating system support [edit]

In the case of web applications, this describes the server OS. For centrally hosted websites that are proprietary, this is not applicable. Any client OS can connect to a web service unless stated otherwise in a footnote.

Software	Windows	macOS	Linux	ChromeOS	BSD	Unix	iOS App	Android App	Windows App
Bebop	Yes	Yes	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
BibBase	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	?	?	?
BibDesk	No	Yes	No	?	No	No	Third-party - PocketBib	?	?
BibSonomy	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	?	?	?
Bibus	Yes	Experimental	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Bookends	No	Yes	No	?	No	No	Yes	?	?
Citavi	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
CiteULike	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	?	?	?
colwiz	Yes	Yes	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
EndNote	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
F1000Workspace	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
JabRef	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
KBibTeX	Experimental	Experimental	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Mendeley	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
Paperpile	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No (requires Chromium)	No (requires Chromium)	in beta	in beta	No
Pybliographer	Partial ^[11]	Partial ^[11]	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Qiqqa	Yes	No	No	?	No	No	No	Yes	No
ReadCube (now Papers)	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
refbase	Yes	Yes	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
RefDB	Yes	Yes	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Reference Manager	Yes ^[12]	No	No	?	No	No	No	No	No
Referencer	No	No	Yes	?	No	No	?	?	?
RefWorks^[13]	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	?	No - but is responsive	?	No
SciRef	Yes	No	No	?	No	No	?	?	?
Sente	No	Yes	No	?	No	No	Yes ^[14]	?	?
Wikindx	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
WizFolio	Yes	Yes	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	?	?	?
Zotero	Yes	Yes	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	third party	third party - Aziz, Lite! ^[15]	No

Export file formats [edit]

This table lists the machine-readable file formats that can be exported from reference managers. These are typically used to share data with other reference managers or with other people who use a reference manager. To exchange data from one program to another, the first program must be able to export to a format that the second program may import. Import file formats are in a table below this one.

Software	BibTeX	Endnote/Refer/BibIX	Medline	MODS XML	RIS	Other
Bebop	Yes	No	No	No	No	unAPI
BibBase	Yes	No	No	No	No	none

BibDesk	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Endnote XML, user customizable
BibSonomy	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	various ^[2] ↗
Bibus	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	SQLite
Bookends	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	various user-customizable
Citavi	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	various
CiteULike	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	COinS , Delicious
colwiz	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	EndNote XML, CSL formatted HTML
EndNote	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	various ^[16]
F1000Workspace	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	CSV
JabRef	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	BibTeX ML, DocBook , HTML, OpenDocument for OO.o, RTF, SQL database, user-customizable
KBibTeX	Yes	Yes	No	Depends ^[17]	Yes	PDF, PostScript, HTML, XML, RTF
Mendeley	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Endnote XML
Paperpile	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	none
Pybliographer	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Ovid
ReadCube (now Papers)	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	none
Qiqqa	Yes	No	No	No	No	none
refbase	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	COinS , OpenDocument for OO.o, SRW XML via SRU , unAPI , Word XML
RefDB	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	SRW XML via SRU web service, DocBook , TEI
Reference Manager	No	No	No	No	Yes	MEDLARS , TSV , CSV , Reference Manager XML, user-customizable
Referencer	Yes	No	No	No	No	none
RefWorks	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	RIS , BibTeX , Tab delimited or XML metadata
SciRef	No	No	No	No	Yes	Plain text, RTF
Sente	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	user-customizable
Wikindx	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	COinS , RTF, HTML, ADS, Word BIB
WizFolio	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
Zotero	Yes	Yes	as of version 4.0 ^[18]	Yes	Yes	COinS , CSV , Several RDF format standards, TEI , Wikipedia citation templates, Endnote XML, CSL JSON, Refer/BibIX, RefWorks tagged

Import file formats ^[edit]

This table lists the [file formats](#) which may be manually imported into the reference managers without needing to connect to one particular database. Many of these database companies use the same name for their file format as they do for their database (including Copac, CSA, ISI, Medline, Ovid, PubMed, and SciFinder). For the ability to retrieve citations from the particular databases (rather than the file format), please refer to the database connectivity table that is below this table.

Software	BibTeX	Copac	CSA	Endnote/Refer/BibIX	ISI	Medline	MODS XML	Ovid	PubMed
Bebop	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
BibBase	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
BibDesk	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Biblioscope	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes

BibSonomy	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	
Bibus	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Bookends	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Y
Citavi	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Y
CiteULike	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	
colwiz	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Y
EndNote	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Y
F1000Workspace	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Y
JabRef	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Y
KBibTeX	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Depends ^[17]	No	Y
Mendeley	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	
Paperpile	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	
Pybliographer	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	
Qiqqa	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Y
ReadCube (now Papers)	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Y
refbase	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Y
RefDB	Yes	Yes ^[17]	No	Yes ^[17]	Yes ^[17]	Yes	Yes	No	Y
Reference Manager	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Y
Referencer	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	
RefWorks	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Y
SciRef	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	
Sente	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Y
Wikindx	Yes	Depends ^[17]	No	Yes ^[citation needed]	Depends ^[17]	No	Depends ^[17]	No	Yes ^{[cita}
WizFolio	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	
Zotero^[23]	Yes	No ^[24]	No ^[24]	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Y

Citation styles [edit]

Software	APA	Chicago/Turabian	Harvard	MLA	Other	Extension method
Bebop	No	No	No	No	none	none
BibBase	Yes	No	No	No	none	none
BibDesk	Yes	yes	No	No	various	BibDesk export templates
Bibloscope	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2000+ styles ^{[<i>citation needed</i>]}	Bibloscope format (through GUI)
BibSonomy	Yes	No	Yes	No	none	none
Bibus	Yes	No	No	No	56 styles, user-contributed	bibus format (through GUI)
Bookends	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	various ^{[<i>citation needed</i>]}	?
Citavi	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	10600+ styles. Styles can be requested and are centrally corrected ; any BibTeX style when used with LaTeX.	Citavi format (through GUI), includes conditions and programmable components; BibTeX
CiteULike	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	various ^{[<i>citation needed</i>]}	none
colwiz	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	9464 styles	CSL
EndNote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	6926 styles	EndNote format (through GUI)
F1000Workspace	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	9464 styles	CSL
JabRef	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	any BibTeX style	BibTeX
KBibTeX	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	any BibTeX style	BibTeX
Mendeley	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	9464 styles	CSL
Paperpile	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	9464 styles	CSL
Pybliographer	Yes	No	No	No	none	Pybliographer XML
Qiqqa	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	9464 styles	BibTeX and CSL
ReadCube (now Papers)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	9464 styles	BibTeX and CSL
refbase	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	various polar & marine journals	PHP
RefDB	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	21 biomedical & law journals	XML (citstylex.dtd), interactive script
Reference Manager	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	various	Reference Manager format (through GUI)
Referencer	?	?	?	?	?	?
RefWorks	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4256 , plus CSL styles	RefWorks format (through GUI); CSL
SciRef	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	various	SciRef format (through GUI)
Sente	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	various 	Sente format (through GUI)
Wikindx	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	ABNT, APA, BMJ , Chicago, Harvard, IEEE , MLA, Turabian	Wikindx format (through GUI)
WizFolio	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1000+ styles	WizFolio format (through GUI)
Zotero	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	9464 styles	CSL

Reference list file formats [edit]

Zotero and Endnote are incompatible with LaTeX. Among other things, both programs do not provide for robust citation keys. Zotero also does not offer automatic generation and updating of bibliography files in select directories.

Software	HTML	LaTeX ^[25]	RTF	Plain text	RSS	Other
Bebop	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	unAPI
BibBase	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
BibDesk	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Atom, DOC, PDF, XML,
Bibloscape	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
BibSonomy	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	OpenOffice-CSV
Bibus	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Bookends	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	clipboard
Citavi	Yes	Yes ^[26]	Yes	Yes	No	clipboard, DOC, ODT, PDF, HTML
CiteULike	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	PDF
colwiz	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	PDF
EndNote	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	clipboard, XML
F1000Workspace	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	PDF
JabRef	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	clipboard
KBibTeX	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	PDF, PS
Mendeley	Yes	Yes ^[27]	Yes	Yes	Yes	clipboard, embeddable HTML widget, RSS
Paperpile	?	?	?	?	?	?
Pybliographer	Yes	?	No	Yes	No	No
ReadCube (now Papers)	Yes	No	No	No	No	PDF
refbase	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Markdown, PDF, unAPI
RefDB	Yes	?	Yes	Yes	No	DocBook, TEI
Reference Manager	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	clipboard
Referencer	?	?	?	?	?	?
RefWorks	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	DOC, ODT
SciRef	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Doc, others
Sente	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	clipboard
Wikindx	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Multiple via BibUtils plug-in
WizFolio	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	clipboard, DOC
Zotero	Yes	Possible via plugin ^[28]	Yes	Possible via plugins ^[29]	Yes	clipboard

Word processor integration [edit]

Some reference management software include support for automatic embedding and (re)formatting of references in word processing programs. This table lists this type of support for **Microsoft Word**, Pages, **Apache OpenOffice / LibreOffice** Writer, the **LaTeX** editors **Kile** and **LyX**, and Google Docs. Other programs are able to scan **RTF** or other textual formats for inserted placeholders which are subsequently formatted. Most reference management programs support copy/paste or drag-and-drop of references into any editor, but this is not meant here.

Software	Word for Windows	Word for Mac	Pages	Apache OpenOffice / LibreOffice	Kile/LyX	Google Docs	RTF scan ^[30]	Other
Bebop	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	none
BibBase	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	none
BibDesk	No	No	No	No	Yes	?	?	?
Bibloscape	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	?	WordPerfect
BibSonomy	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	none
Bibus	Yes	?	?	Yes	No	No	?	none
Bookends	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Mellel, Nisus
Citavi	Yes	No	No	Only versions prior to 6.0	Yes ^[31]	No	Only versions prior to 6.0	LaTeX editors LEd , Texmaker , TeXnicCenter , TeXstudio , TeXworks , WinEdt , WinShell

CiteULike	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	none
colwiz	Yes	?	?	Yes	No	No	?	NeoOffice, Star Office
EndNote	Yes	Yes	Yes	No ^[32]	No	No	Yes	No
F1000Workspace	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Manuscripts App
JabRef	Yes ^[33]	?	?	Yes ^[34]	Yes	No	?	Emacs, Texmaker, TeXstudio, Vim, WinEdt
KBibTeX	No	?	?	No	Yes	No	?	none
Mendeley	Yes	Partial ^[35]	No	Yes	No	No	?	NeoOffice
Paperpile	in beta	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
Pybliographer	No	?	?	Yes	Yes	No	?	none
Qiqqa	Yes	?	?	No	Yes	No	No	none
ReadCube (now Papers)	Yes	Yes	?	No	No	Yes	No	none
refbase	No	?	?	Yes ^[36]	No	No	Yes	PIRA, MediaWiki, SPIP
RefDB	No	?	?	No	No	No	No	none
Reference Manager	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	none
Referencer	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
RefWorks	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	none
SciRef	Yes	?	?	No	No	No	No	none
Sente	Yes	?	Only versions prior to 5.0	No	No	No	Yes	Mellel, Nisus, TextEdit; HTML and plain text scan
Wikindx	No	?	?	No	No	No	Yes	Integrated WYSIWYG word processor (RTF output for Word/OpenOffice)
WizFolio	Yes	?	?	Yes	No	Yes	?	Zoho Writer
Zotero	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	(with LyZ) ^[37]	Yes	Yes	NeoOffice

Database connectivity [edit]

This table lists the [academic databases and search engines](#) which reference managers can import from. In some cases, a search and retrieval can be conducted directly in the reference manager. In others, a [bookmarklet](#) or [Firefox extension](#) will allow a site to be [scraped](#).

Software	ArXiv	CiteSeer	IEEE Xplore	PubMed	Other
Bebop	No	No	No	No	No
BibBase	No	No	No	No	DBLP, Zotero, BibSonomy, Mendeley
BibDesk	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	ACM portal, Jstor, DBLP, Google Scholar, Web of Science, any Z39.50 or Entrez, and others
Bibloscape	No	No	No	Yes	Import from integrated web browser
BibSonomy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	various ^[38]
Bibus	No	No	No	Yes	none
Bookends	Yes	No	No	Yes	Web of Science, Amazon, Google Scholar, Z39.50
Citavi	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	WorldCat/OCLC, Ovid, EBSCO, ProQuest, Web of Science, Z39.50 (4500+ online resources), SRU. Further catalogs are added upon request. Browser plugins (Firefox, Chrome, Internet Explorer) support DOI lookup, ISBN lookup, PubMed ID lookup, PMCID lookup, arXiv ID lookup, COinS and import from Wikipedia.
CiteULike	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	various [4]

colwiz	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Over 30 repositories, Import from integrated web browser
EndNote	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	various ^[39] any Z39.50
F1000Workspace	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Google scholar, Google Books, Amazon, Web of Science/Web of Knowledge, WorldCat/OCLC, Science Direct, JSTOR, Highwire, PMC Europe, ACMDigitalLibrary, Scopus, Wiley, NIHLibrary, voyager, PrimoLibweb, PubMedID/DOI/ISBN lookup and the majority of journal websites.
JabRef	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	ACM Portal, CrossRef, DBLP, DOAJ, DOI, GVK, Google Scholar, INSPIRE-HEP, Medline, MathSciNet, SAO/NASA Astrophysics Data System, Springer, and zbMATH
KBibTeX	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BibSonomy, CiteBase, CSB, DBLP, Google Scholar, ScienceDirect, INSPIRE-HEP, Z MATH, Z39.50
Mendeley	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	various [5]
Paperpile	Yes	No	No	Yes	Google Scholar
Pybliographer	No	No	No	Yes	none
Qiqqa	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	GoogleScholar, JSTOR
ReadCube (now Papers)	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Microsoft Academic, Google Scholar
refbase	Yes	No	No	Yes	DOI lookup
RefDB	Yes	No	No	Yes	any Z39.50
Reference Manager	No	No	No	Yes	various ^[40]
Referencer	?	?	?	?	?
RefWorks	No	No	No	Yes	various
SciRef	No	No	No	No	No
Sente	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Z39.50, SRU, Web of Knowledge
Wikindx	No	No	No	Yes	via plug-ins
WizFolio	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	various ^[41]
Zotero	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	various ^[42]

Password "protection" and network versions [edit]

Some reference managers provide network functionality. (N/A means the product has no networking, while "no" indicates it does (but lacks an implemented feature).)

Software	Passworded	Networking	
		User-specific permissions ^[43]	Simultaneous write access
Bebop	No	N/A	N/A
BibBase	N/A	N/A	N/A
BibDesk	Yes	No	No
Biblioscope	Yes	Yes	Yes
BibSonomy	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bibus	?	?	?
Bookends	?	?	?
Citavi	Yes ^[44]	Yes	Yes
CiteULike	Yes	No	Yes
colwiz	Yes	Yes	Yes
EndNote	Yes	No ^[45]	No ^[45]
F1000Workspace	Yes	Yes	Yes
JabRef	No	No	Partial
KBibTeX	No	N/A	N/A
Mendeley	Yes ^[46]	Yes	Yes
Paperpile	Yes ^[47]	Yes	Yes
Pybliographer	?	?	?
Qiqqa	Yes	Yes	Yes
ReadCube (now Papers)	Yes	Yes	No
refbase	Yes	Yes	Yes

RefDB	Yes	Yes	Yes
Reference Manager	Yes	No	Yes
Referencer	?	?	?
RefWorks	Yes	?	Yes
Sente	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wikindx	Yes	Yes	Yes
WizFolio	Yes	Yes	Yes
Zotero	Yes ^[48]	Yes	Yes

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