

Scientific Writing

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Writing scientific dissertation

- Where to start ?
- Structuring your dissertation
- Scientific language
- Plagiarism
- Dealing with References



Where to start?

Gather your resources

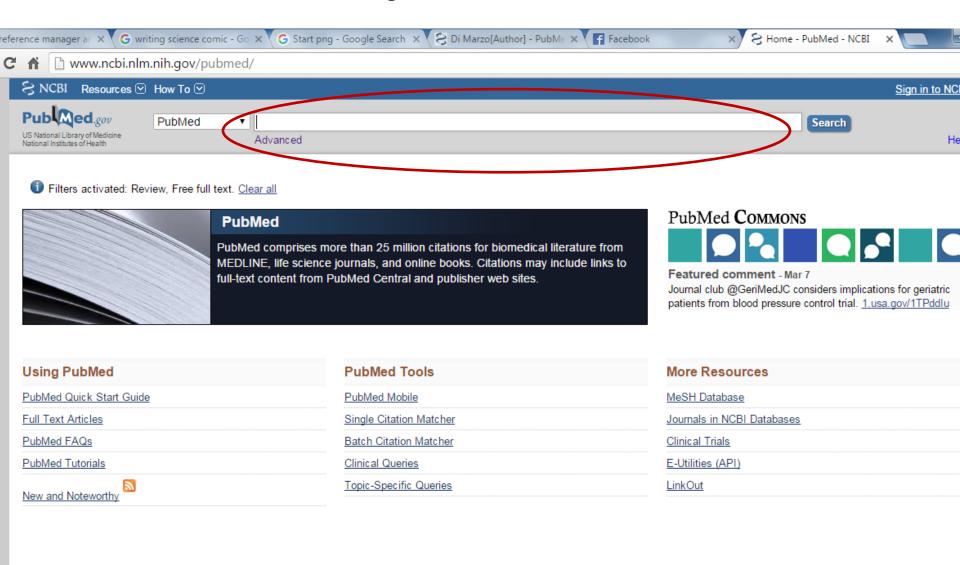
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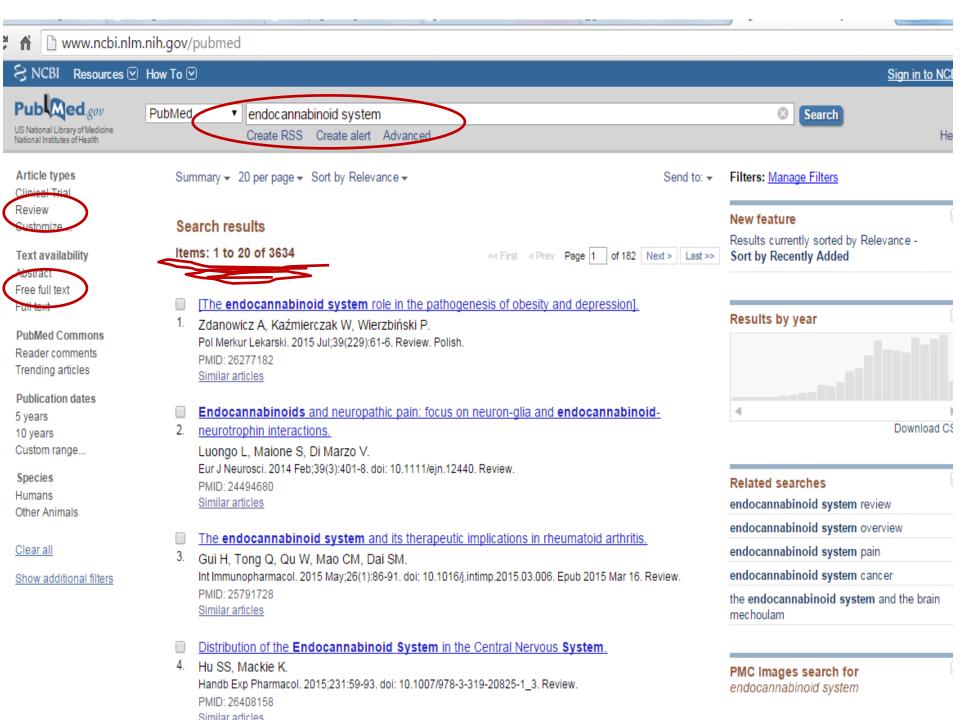
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Read & Read

- Highlight important paragraph
- Build a mind map
- Determine the main outlines
- Write a paragraph for each outline
- Fortify with recent papers



Language

- Simple sentences
- Consistency: font, line width, symbols
- Font size !!
- Beware of abbreviations
- You may consult a proof-reader

Common words

However

Moreover

Respectively

Regardless

Additionally

Furthermore

Recently

In contrast

Apparently

X has shown that

It was Found that

On the other hand

In conclusion

Plagiarism

- turning in someone else's work as your own
- copying words or ideas from someone else without giving credital
- failing to put a quotation in quotation marks
- giving incorrect information about the source of a quotation

Plagiarism

- Changing words but copying the sentence structure of a source without giving credit
- Copying so many words or ideas from a source that it makes up the majority of your work, whether you give credit or not

Plagiarism

- Incorrect

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Correct

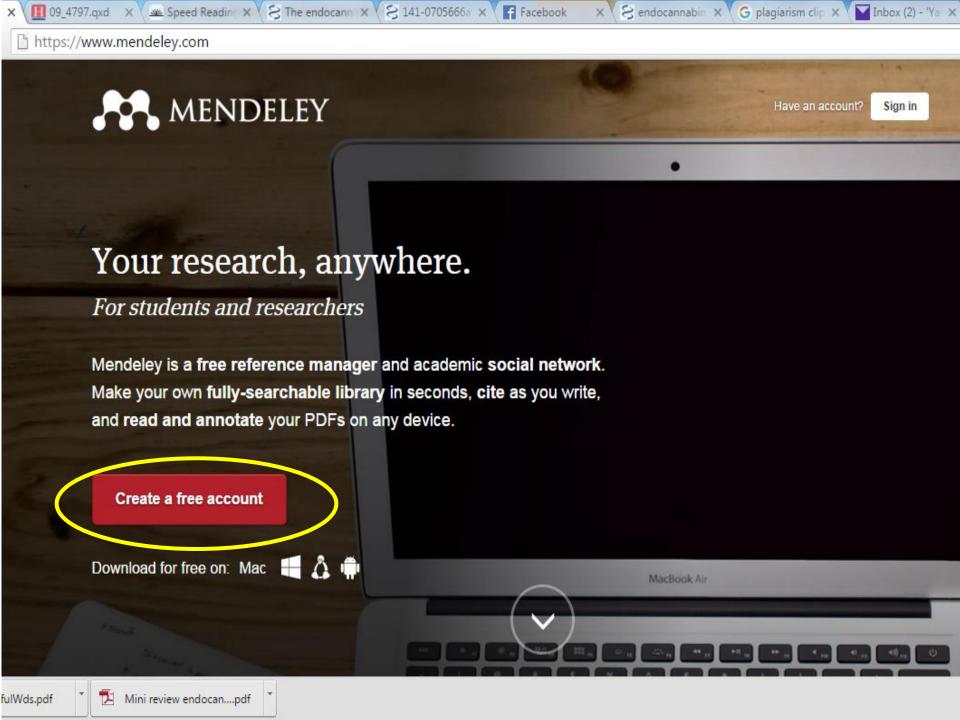
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Quotations

- <u>Indirect</u>: Some researchers note that "children are totally insensitive to their parents' shyness" (Zimbardo, 1977, p.62).
- <u>Direct</u>: Zimbardo (1977) notes that "Children are totally insensitive to their parents' shyness" (p. 62).
- <u>Paraphrasing</u>: Some researchers have observed that children seem oblivious to their parents' bashfulness (Zimbardo, 1977).

References

- MUST BE CORRECTLY CITED
- Just because a topic is discussed does not make it an appropriate reference
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- Title- catchy , informative
- Abstract- brief background- why did you do it?
 what was the important missing evidence?

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- Minimum 3 pages (including bibliography)
- Reference citation style: APA



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- Cancer
- Psychological disorder
- Cardiovascular system
- GIT disorder
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