

Quick Comparison EndNote, Mendeley, Zotero

More comparisons see: <https://mediatum.ub.tum.de/?id=1127579>

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Comparison_of_reference_management_software

http://www.slub-dresden.de/fileadmin/groups/slubsite/Service/PDF_Service/Literaturverwaltungsprogramme_im_Ueberblick.pdf

	EndNote	Mendeley	Zotero
General			
Link	www.endnote.com www.myendnoteweb.com	www.mendeley.com	www.zotero.org
Platform	Win, OSX, iOS; Web	Win, OSX, Linux, iOS, Android, Web	Win, OSX, Linux (with connectors to Chrome, Safari, Firefox), iOS & Android (3rd party apps), Web
Language	English	English	multilingual
Licence	full licence (from \$100, desktop & Web), free licence (EndNote Web/Basic, reduced functionality, particularly without subscription to Web of Science)	free	free
Online storage	2 Gb (free EndNote Web/Basic); unlimited (fully licensed)	2 Gb personal (free) 5 Gb (\$55/year), unlimited (\$165/year)	300 Mb (free, expandable by external storage), 2 Gb (\$20/year), unlimited (\$120/year)
Syncing	via EndNote Web	via Mendeley account	via Zotero account
Share & Collaborate	entire library (incl. attachments) with max 100 (14 for EN X7) others; groups (excl. attachments) with unlimited others (via EndNote Web)	public & max. 5 private groups (max 25 members, 100 Mb max shared web storage)	unlimited groups & members
Max. datasets	unlimited (50k with free EndNote Web/Basic)	unlimited	unlimited
Word processor	Word, Open Office, Pages, LaTeX (via BibTeX export)	Word, Open Office, LaTeX (via BibTeX sync)	Word, Open Office, via BibTeX export)
Data input / import / export			
Manual input/edit	yes	yes	yes
Import from databases	yes	yes	yes
Import from websites	yes (via capture from EndNote Web/Basic)	yes (via web importer)	yes (via Zotero Connector)
Import from PDF	yes	yes	yes
Find full text (PDF)	automatically: WoS, DOI, Pubmed, manually: OpenURL (http://sfx.ethz.ch/sfx_lib4ri?)	manually: via DOI and link to publisher	manually: CrossRef, GoogleScholar, OpenURL (http://sfx.ethz.ch/sfx_lib4ri?)
Attach files	yes	yes	yes
Import/export filter	BibTeX, RIS, EndNote XML, etc	BibTeX, RIS, EndNote XML, Zotero, etc	BibTeX, RIS, EndNote XML, etc
Handling			
# document types (book, article, etc)	48	20	36
Search online databases	yes (EndNote Desktop contains many connectors incl. Web of Science & NEBIS)	only Mendeley's crowd sourced database (yet)	via Web browser
Search library	yes (incl. PDFs and annotations)	yes (incl. PDFs)	yes (incl. PDFs)
Search duplicates	yes	yes	yes
Provide tags/keywords/labels	yes	yes	yes
Read / annotate PDFs	yes (built-in)	yes (built-in)	yes (external PDF reader)
PDF organiser	yes (limited)	yes (very good)	yes (limited)
Sort references	yes	yes	yes
Update metadata	yes (EN X8 also as batch)	yes	yes
Organise in groups or folders	yes (limited to one hierarchical step)	yes	yes
Backup library	yes (compressed EndNote library)	yes (zipped sqlite library, no attachments)	via export
Citation			
Styles	> 6000 (client), >3000 (Web), top 21 (without WoS)	>6000 (client)	>6000 (client)
Style editor	yes built-in	yes Mendeley Visual csl-editor	yes Visual csl-editor
Interaction with word processor	plugin (client & Web)	plugin	plugin
Help			
Manuals, Tutorials, Trainings, Support	http://clarivate.libguides.com/endnote_training/home http://www.youtube.com/user/EndNoteTraining?feature=watch	http://resources.mendeley.com http://www.mendeley.com/videos-tutorials http://www.youtube.com/user/MendeleyResearch/featured	www.zotero.org/support http://www.youtube.com/user/DHBWLiteratur2012
FAQ	http://endnote.com/support/faqs	http://support.mendeley.com	https://www.zotero.org/support/frequently_asked_questions
Forum	https://community.endnote.com/t5/EndNote/ct-p/endnote	http://feedback.mendeley.com/forums/4941-general	http://forums.zotero.org/categories/
Blog	discontinued; only 3rd party blogs	http://blog.mendeley.com/	www.zotero.org/blog/