

## 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://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Comparison_of_reference_management_software)  
<http://nbn-resolving.de/urn:nbn:de:bsz:14-qucosa2-233817>

	EndNote	Mendeley	Zotero
<b>General</b>			
<b>Link</b>	<a href="http://www.endnote.com">www.endnote.com</a> <a href="http://www.myendnoteweb.com">www.myendnoteweb.com</a>	<a href="http://www.mendeley.com">www.mendeley.com</a>	<a href="http://www.zotero.org">www.zotero.org</a>
<b>Platform</b>	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
<b>Language</b>	English	English	multilingual
<b>Licence</b>	full licence (from \$100, desktop & Web), free licence (EndNote Web/Basic, reduced functionality, particularly without subscription to Web of Science)	Mendeley Desktop (free, local installation with local and cloud based storage, discontinued but still working) Mendeley Reference Manager (free, local installation but only with cloud based storage)	free
<b>Online storage</b>	<a href="#">2 Gb (free EndNote Web/Basic); unlimited (fully licensed)</a>	<a href="#">2 Gb personal (free)</a> <a href="#">5 Gb (\$55/year), unlimited (\$165/year)</a>	<a href="#">300 Mb (free, expandable by external storage)</a> , <a href="#">2 Gb (\$20/year), unlimited (\$120/year)</a>
<b>Syncing</b>	via EndNote Web	via Mendeley account	via Zotero account
<b>Share &amp; Collaborate</b>	<a href="#">entire library (incl. attachments) with max 100 others; groups (excl. attachments) with unlimited others (via EndNote Web)</a>	public & max. 5 private groups (max 25 members, 100 Mb max shared web storage)	<a href="#">unlimited groups &amp; members</a>
<b>Max. datasets</b>	unlimited (50k with free EndNote Web/Basic)	unlimited	unlimited
<b>Word processor</b>	Word, Open Office, Pages, LaTeX (via BibTeX export)	Word, Open Office, LaTeX (via BibTeX sync)	Word, Open Office, via BibTeX export)
<b>Data input / import / export</b>			
<b>Manual input/edit</b>	yes	yes	yes
<b>Import from databases</b>	yes	yes	yes
<b>Import from websites</b>	<a href="#">yes (via Endnote Click browser plugin)</a>	yes (via web importer)	yes (via Zotero Connector)
<b>Import from PDF</b>	yes	yes	yes
<b>Find full text (PDF)</b>	automatically: via WoS, DOI, Pubmed manually: via Endnote Click (browser extension)	manually: via DOI and link to publisher	manually: CrossRef, GoogleScholar
<b>Attach files</b>	yes	yes	yes
<b>Import/export filter</b>	BibTeX, RIS, EndNote XML, etc	BibTeX, RIS, EndNote XML, Zotero, etc	BibTeX, RIS, EndNote XML, etc
<b>Handling</b>			
<b># document types (book, article, etc)</b>	48	20	36
<b>Search online databases</b>	yes (EndNote Desktop contains many connectors incl. Web of Science)	yes (via Mendeley online account)	via Web browser
<b>Search library</b>	yes (incl. PDFs and annotations)	yes (incl. PDFs)	yes (incl. PDFs)
<b>Search duplicates</b>	yes	yes	yes
<b>Provide tags/keywords/labels</b>	yes	yes	yes
<b>Read / annotate PDFs</b>	yes (built-in)	yes (built-in)	yes (external PDF reader)
<b>PDF organiser</b>	yes (limited)	yes (very good)	yes (limited)
<b>Sort references</b>	yes	yes	yes
<b>Update metadata</b>	yes	yes	yes
<b>Organise in groups or folders</b>	yes (limited to one hierarchical step)	yes	yes
<b>Backup library</b>	yes (compressed EndNote library)	yes (zipped sqlite library, no attachments)	via export
<b>Citation</b>			
<b>Styles</b>	> 6000 (client), >3000 (Web), top 21 (without WoS)	>6000 (client)	>6000 (client)
<b>Style editor</b>	yes built-in	yes Mendeley Visual csl-editor	yes <a href="#">Visual csl-editor</a>
<b>Interaction with word processor</b>	plugin (client & Web)	plugin	plugin
<b>Help</b>			
<b>Manuals, Tutorials, Trainings, Support</b>	<a href="https://clarivate.com/webofsciencgroup/support/endnote/">https://clarivate.com/webofsciencgroup/support/endnote/</a>	<a href="https://www.mendeley.com/guides">https://www.mendeley.com/guides</a> <a href="http://support.mendeley.com">http://support.mendeley.com</a> <a href="http://www.youtube.com/user/MendeleyResearch/featured">http://www.youtube.com/user/MendeleyResearch/featured</a>	<a href="http://www.zotero.org/support">www.zotero.org/support</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=zotero">https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=zotero</a>
<b>FAQ</b>	<a href="http://endnote.com/support/faqs">http://endnote.com/support/faqs</a>	<a href="https://service.elsevier.com/app/home/supporhub/mendeley/">https://service.elsevier.com/app/home/supporhub/mendeley/</a>	<a href="https://www.zotero.org/support/frequently_asked_questions">https://www.zotero.org/support/frequently_asked_questions</a>
<b>Forum</b>	<a href="https://community.endnote.com/">https://community.endnote.com/</a>	discontinued	<a href="https://forums.zotero.org/">https://forums.zotero.org/</a>
<b>Blog</b>	discontinued; only 3rd party blogs	<a href="http://blog.mendeley.com/">http://blog.mendeley.com/</a>	<a href="http://www.zotero.org/blog/">www.zotero.org/blog/</a>