Using Zotero for Chem 7 Writing Assignments

The citation style used by the journal *Cell* is closest to what you need (APA style and *Nature*’s style are also close). When you are ready to insert your first citation and are prompted by the Zotero dialog box, choose ‘Cell’ as the citation style to use (you can change styles at any point using the ‘Document Preferences’ command from the Zotero toolbar).

Proceed to insert your citations, then add your reference list (bibliography) at the end of your paper, using Zotero.

As a final step, you’ll need to make a few changes to your reference list to match the style required for your paper.

First, choose ‘unlink citations’ from the Zotero toolbar (*tip: save a ‘final draft’ copy of your paper with the linked code intact, in case you need to go back later and make changes*). This will strip out the code that underlies all your cited references, and will change the in-text citations and bibliography in your paper to flat, editable text.

Once this is done:

Make these changes for **journal article references**:
- Remove the period following the date.
- Remove the title of the article, leaving only the journal title, in abbreviated format.
- Italicize the abbreviated journal title.
- The volume number should be bolded, and **not** italicized.

Make these changes for **book references**:
- Remove the period following the date.
- Italicize the book title.
- Insert a comma following the book title.
- Make sure the book title uses ‘title case’ – each significant word should be capitalized, not lower case.
- Remove the parentheses from the name of the publisher and the place of publication.

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**Examples:**

*Journal article reference in Cell format:*


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*Book reference in Cell format:


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