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## Product review

## EndNote Windows version 4.0. 1st edition

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EndNote is a well-known bibliographic program used by more than 250,000 users worldwide. It is more than just an excellent reference database. It is a tool for searching online bibliographic databases and importing files from various services, CD-ROMs and library databases. There are over 100 predefined connection files giving access to remote bibliographic databases and it is easy to transfer remote references to the user's own EndNote library. As a reference database it is extremely useful for building and working with private reference libraries. The program can handle up to 32,000 references per EndNote library.

EndNote is also a bibliography maker building lists of cited works automatically. It can be used to insert citations into word processing documents, such as Microsoft Word or WordPerfect. An additional powerful tool is the EndNote Add-in that integrates with word processors giving commands from the tools menus. It lists more than 400 bibliographic styles, including medicinal and bioscientific disciplines. It is also possible to create own styles. EndNote works with documents generated in Microsoft Word for Windows 1.0-Word 2000, WordPerfect for Windows 5.0–9.0, Rich Text Format (RTF), and HTML.

Those working already with *EndNote* will welcome the new features in *EndNote 4*. It features a new user interface with all the benefits to be expected from a modern Windows program. There are new formatting options, i.e. including notes in reference lists, citing

anonymous works, grouping references in reference lists, changing capitalization of author names or titles, and enhanced formatting of citations in word processor footnotes, including repeated references. The term list capabilities have been improved in automatic update of terms, automatic completion of terms, and pre-defined term lists for medicine, chemistry, and the humanities, and authors will most welcome some improvements in reference management. Previous/next reference buttons allow for quick scroll through of EndNote records and there are "Move Field" transfers information en masse between EndNote fields, and there are more reference types and fields. It is possible now to save a copy of your library with a simple menu command. Besides, if a user or an inquirer should have any problem with the EndNote program it is offered to contact the technical Adept-Team.

Working with other programs for many years and having tested *EndNote* for several weeks, I am convinced that this program is superior to others. Correspondence with long-time users revealed that there are no obvious shortcomings of this program. Thus, I can strongly recommend *EndNote* to researchers and students giving them an invaluable tool to organize their literature work. Unfortunately, I am not able to transfer my own reference collection from my current program into *EndNote*.

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