SPICE, SEX AND SCIENCE: HISTORY THROUGH THE EYES OF A CHEMIST

Evaluating & Citing Your Sources
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The CRAAP Test (%Video here% – Western University Libraries)

**Currency**
- When was the information published/posted? For websites, when was it last updated? Are the links functional?

**Relevance**
- Who is the intended audience? How detailed is the information? Is the information related to your topic?

**Authority**
- Who is the author? For websites, what is the URL?

**Accuracy**
- Can you verify the claims made? Is there a bibliography? What kinds of sources are cited?

**Purpose**
- Objective or biased? How does this influence the treatment of the information?
Chicago Style

- Notes and Bibliography format (footnotes and endnotes)
  - Modified – No notes, bibliography only

- Bibliography listed in the order references appear in text

- **Quick Style Guide** with examples
Journal article (PRINT):


Citation Example

- **Journal article (ONLINE):**
  - Found in: General Science Abstracts database

- **Lastname, Firstname, and Firstname Lastname. “Title of Article.” Journal Title Volume, no.# (year): Page numbers. URL or doi.**

What is a DOI?

- Digital Object Identifier
- Stable, permanent identifier for an electronic document
- URL format: http://dx.doi.org/NUMBER
Citation Example

- Website:
  - http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/410777/neurotransmitter

- Author. “Title of Webpage.” Last modified/Accessed Month Day, Year. URL.
  *Include a publication date or date of revision or modification (see 14.8); if no such date can be determined, include an access date (see 14.7).

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