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Displaying website links

Links to websites may be displayed within text.

For example:

We thank Cochrane Hypertension (hypertension.cochrane.org) for their support.

Additional data are available from <u>www.healthdata.gov</u>.

Note that if a website is in fact a reference, it should be entered as a reference, not a link.

Adding websites links in RevMan

Links to websites should be entered in RevMan using the Insert Link function. Detailed instructions for doing this are provided in the RevMan Knowledge Base.

Formatting addresses (URLs)

Copy and paste the URL from the website, but remove any unnecessary characters from the end of the URL.

For example:

https://www.researchinformation.info/news/digital-science-opens-russia-subsidiary?utm_source=adestra&utm_medium=RINewsline&utm_campaign=RI%20NL%20MAY17

Should be shortened to:

https://www.researchinformation.info/news/digital-science-opens-russia-subsidiary

Note: In this example the characters following the '?' are related to how you arrived at the link (in this case via a link in an email).

Always test any shortened URLs you enter.

Formatting displayed text

This text should display a shortened version of the URL, not the name of the website, unless the URL has to be very long, in which case do not use the whole URL as the display text, but instead consider using the title of the resource or other explanatory text.

Omit the 'http:// or 'https:// prefix from this field. Do not omit the 'www.' if it is present (although the address will most likely work without it), and do not add 'www.' if it is not included.

Note: include prefix 'https://' for URLs in references.

Correct	Incorrect
ari.cochrane.org	Cochrane Acute Respiratory Infections
	https://ari.cochrane.org
	www.ari.cochrane.org
www.cochrane.org	Cochrane website
	http://cochrane.org

	cochrane.org
www.nih.gov/health-information	https://www.nih.gov/health-information
	nih.gov/health-information
	www.nih.gov