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Tracing, citing and exporting SOLO records – video transcript

Citation tracing in SOLO

It is possible to use SOLO to conduct some limited citation tracing. This is only an option for records that have these 'branching arrow' symbols next to them. These are only there for some records, whether they appear or not is dependent on what information SOLO holds about the particular work. These are tools for citation tracing both forwards and backwards. They are not comprehensive. They rely on the metadata that the records were given originally and on what else is in SOLO. But they can be useful tools in expanding literature searches.

This one with the two 'arrows' branching off upwards will try to find works that cite your original record. It tries to trace forward. If I click on it, you will see a result in SOLO that cites your original record. To get back to the results list, you click this back arrow right here.

This single 'arrow' pointing downwards tries to find the references that are in your original record. It traces backwards. So here we see results that are in SOLO that were cited in your original record. And again, to get back, click the back arrow up here.

Citing and exporting records

The three dots next to each record shows you all the export options. This includes 'citation'.
This shows you how the record should be cited in some of the major citation styles. You can then copy and paste these directly into a bibliography.

There are also options to export directly into a specific reference manager - EndNote, Mendeley and RefWorks. You can also export the record as a file that can then be imported into different reference managers, either the Bibtex file type or the RIS file type.

The Libraries offer training and support for a variety of reference management software. This is via guides, classes and one to one advice. Please see our Reference Management LibGuide for more information.