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doi: [https://doi.org/10.1016/S1369-7021(12)70127-X](https://doi.org/10.1016/S1369-7021(12)70127-X)

(Donaldson, 2012)

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*Figure 1. Title (Author, Date).*

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In Figure 1, (Donaldson, 2012, p. 298) . . .

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**Figure 1. Unravelling DNA with gold nanoparticles (Donaldson, 2012)**

**eBook**

Original image

Cropped image

**Figure 2. Comparison of objects in nanotechnology (Binns, 2010)**

**In-text**

. . . as shown in Figure 2, (Binns, 2010, p.2).

**Reference**

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Figure 3 (National Nanotechnology Initiative [NNI], n. d.) illustrates . . .

**Reference**


*Figure. 3 Nanoparticles entering a cell (National Nanotechnology Initiative, n.d.)*

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**Reference**


*Figure. 4 Daintree rainforest frogs (n.d.)*

Blog post

**In-text**

The spread of the influenza virus when sneezing (Figure 4, Racaniello, 2009) demonstrates the need to cover your mouth.

**Reference**


*Figure. 4 Sneeze (Racaniello, 2009)*

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