

**TITLE:** Using the Research Organizer Mendeley to Categorize and Cite Evidenced-Based Articles

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**TEXT:**

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