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Example: Our results show that the favorable conditions hypothesis (Levine and D'Antonio 1999) and resource heterogeneity hypothesis (Davies 2005) may not be mutually exclusive.

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Example: Root porosity for Carex nigra was similar to those obtained by Visser et al. (2000) in hydroponic cultures.

Citation formats in Bibliographies.

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Example: Maschinski, J., H. D. Hammond, and L. Holter, editors.

Southwestern rare and endangered plants: proceedings of the second conference.

General Technical Report RM-GTR-283. U. S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Forest and Range Experiment Station, Fort Collins, Colorado, USA.