Applied Clinical Trials volume and issue numbers

Thanks to a note from one of your classmates, I was reminded that *Applied Clinical Trials* Website doesn't provide volume and issue numbers. When I noticed that some months ago, I asked the editor if actmagazine.com could provide those details for researchers, who are required to supply complete references. She told me the Webmaster is limited by the corporate software provided.

When I got your classmate's email, it occurred to me to simply translate the dates into volumes and page numbers (as I have done here) and post the translations on the tutorial site. *But that requires a caveat!*

Unless you are fortunate enough to find an article in PDF, the only citation solution is to use the URL, cumbersome as it is, such as: http://www.actmagazine.com/appliedclinicaltrials/article/articleDetail.jsp?id=82495

HTML versions of the posted articles may or may not include the tables and/or figures that were in the print version. Because important parts of some articles appear in that form, that is another reason to make sure to cite the URL when you have seen only the online HTML version.

You could get lucky and download a PDF file—which will show the date and page numbers of the article. In that case, you can use this chart to determine the volume and issue numbers. To test this proposition, I retrieved several articles from actmagazine.com; two of them (randomly?) were PDFs.

In short, when you can access the volume, issue, and page numbers for a magazine or journal citation, use that information in your reference list. When you cannot get that information for an article retrieved online, you're stuck with using the URL.

Note: The issue dates shown on actmagazine.com are improperly precise—which also has something to do with the computer program in use. *ACT* is not, and never has been, dated the first of the month.

Year	Vol. No.	Issue No.
1992	1	May = 1 June = 2 July-Aug = 3 Sept = 4 Oct = 5 Nov -Dec = 6
1993	2	Jan = 1, Feb = 2, Mar = 3, Apr = 4 May = 5, Jun = 6 July = 7, Aug = 8 Sept = 9, Oct = 10 Nov = 11, Dec = 12
1994	3	Jan–Dec = 1–12
1995	4	Jan–Dec = 1–12
1996	5	Jan–Dec = 1–12
1997	6	Jan–Dec = 1–12
1998	7	Jan–Dec = 1–12
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