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CURRENT ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

A	absorbance (e.g. A_{250} absorbance at 250)	g	gravity (centrifugal)
Å	Ångström	GC	gas chromatography
ADP	adenosine diphosphate	gen.	genus
a.i.	active ingredient	GLC	gas liquid chromatography
amp	ampère	h	hour(s)
AMP	adenosine -5'-monophosphate	ha	hectare
approx.	approximately	hl	hectolitre
atm	atmosphere	HPLC	high performance liquid chromatography
ATP	adenosine -5'-triphosphate	η	viscosity
ATPase	adenosine triphosphatase	i.e.	that is (<i>id est</i>)
bar	bar	IF	immunofluorescence
Bé	Baumé degree	in.	inch
b.p.	boiling point	IR	infrared
bp	base pair	ISEM	immunosorbent electron microscopy
BSA	bovine serum albumin	ITS	internal transcribed spacer
bu	bushel	J	joule ($\text{kg m}^2 \text{s}^{-2}$)
C	centigrade	K	kelvin
ca.	about (<i>circa</i>)	kg	kilogram
cal	gram-calorie	km	kilometre, e.g. km^2
Cal; kcal	kilogram-calorie	K_m	Michaelis constant
cf.; cfr.	compare (<i>conferre</i>)	kWh	kilowatt/hour
cfu	colony-forming units	l	litre
cg	centigram	L-; DL-; D-	configuration (chemical)
cm	centimetre, e.g. cm^2 , cm^3	lb	pound (avoirdupois)
CoA	coenzyme A	LD ₅₀ ; LD ₉₀	lethal dose at 50%, at 90%
concn	concentration (in tables only)	ln	natural logarithm
ct min^{-1}	counts per minute	log	decimal logarithm
cu.	cubic	LSD	least significant difference
cv.	cultivar(s), cultivated variety	m	metre
D-; L-; DL-	configuration (chemical)	m^2	square metre
Da	dalton	m^3	cubic metre
diam.	diameter	<i>m-</i>	<i>meta-</i>
DIBA	dot immunobinding assay	M	molar (mol l^{-1})
dm	decimeter, e.g. dm^2 , dm^3	max.	maximum
d min^{-1}	disintegrations per minute	mc	millicurie
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid, e.g. cDNA	meq.	milliequivalent
	complementary DNA, mtDNA mitochondrial DNA	mg	milligram
DNase	deoxyribonuclease	MIC	minimal inhibitory concentration
d wt	dry weight	min	minute
E	Einstein, e.g. $\mu\text{E m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	ml	millilitre (10^{-3} dm^3)
ED ₅₀	median effective dose (50%)	MLD	minimal lethal dose
e.g.	for example (<i>exempli gratia</i>)	mm	millimetre
ELISA	enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay	mm^2	square millimetre
<i>et al.</i>	and others (<i>et alii</i>)	mm^3	cubic millimetre
etc.	and so on (<i>et cetera</i>)	mM	millimolar
f.	forma	μm	millimicron (10^{-6} mm)
F ₁ ;F ₂ ;F ₃	filial generations (genetics)	mol	mole (a gram molecule)
f. sp.	forma specialis	mol.wt	molecular weight
f wt	fresh weight	m.p.	melting point
g	gram(s)	MS	mass spectrometry

µg	microgram	RNA	ribonucleic acid, e.g. mRNA=messengerRNA; rRNA=ribosomal RNA; tRNA=transfer RNA; dsRNA=double-stranded RNA
µl	microlitre	RNase	ribonuclease
µm	micrometre	rpm	revolutions per minute
µM	micromolar	RQ	respiratory quotient
N	normal (solutions)	s	second (time)
N	newton	SD	standard deviation of samples (statistical)
No.	number	SDS	sodium dodecylsulphate
NAD; NADPH	nicotinamide adenosine di nucleotide and reduced form	SE	standard error of mean (statistical)
NADP; NADPH	NAD phosphate and reduced form	SEM	scanning electron microscopy
ng	nanogram	sp.; spp.	species (sp., singular; spp., plural)
nm	nanometre(10 ⁻⁹)	sp.n.; n.sp.	new species
NMR	nuclear magnetic resonance	subsp.	subspecies
<i>o</i> -	<i>ortho</i> -	σ	thousandth part of a second
OD	optical density	t	ton
OP	osmotic pressure	TEM	transmission electron microscopy
<i>p</i> -	<i>para</i> -	TLC	thin-layer chromatography
<i>P</i>	probability (statistical), e.g. <i>P</i> =0.05	UV	ultraviolet
Pa	pascal	v	volume (physical measure)
PCR	polymerase chain reaction	V	volt
pg	picogram	var.	variety
pH	Hydrogen ion concentration (negative log of)	viz.	namely
pI	isoelectric point	vol.	volume (books)
pm	picometre	vs.	against (<i>versus</i>)
ppm	parts per million	v:v	volume per volume (concentration)
<i>r</i>	correlation coefficient	W	watt
R _f	retardation factor	w:v	weight per volume (concentration)
RAPD	random amplified polymorphic (DNA)	w.; wt	weight
RFLP	restriction fragment length polymorphism	w:w	weight per weight (concentration)
RH	relative humidity	Ψ _w	water potential
		Ω	ohm