## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

bp = Base pair

CASA = Computer-assisted semen analysis

conc. = Concentration

conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> = Concentrated Nitric Acid

DNA = Deoxyribonucleic acid

dNTPs = Deoxyribonucleotide triphosphates

DW = Distilled water

g = Gram

 $H_2O_2$  = Hydrogenperoxide

kb = kilobase pairs

L = Litre M = molar

M = molar mg = Milligram

 $MgCl_2$  = Magnesium chloride

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mm = Millimetre

mM = Millimolar

MW = Molecular weight

NaCl = Sodium chloride

NaOH = Sodium hydroxide

ng = nanogram

PCR = Polymerase chain reaction

PTX = Pentoxifyllines

rpm = rotation per minute

sec = second

SpTest = Seminal plasma testosterone

SpTP = Seminal plasma total protein

SpZn = Seminal plasma zinc

SrTest = Serum testosterone