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**LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS**

bp	=	base pairs
CFU	=	Colony Forming Unit
°C	=	degree Celcius
cm	=	centimeter
DNA	=	deoxyribonucleic acid
dNTP	=	deoxynucleotide triphosphate
EDTA	=	ethylenediamine tetraacetic acid
<i>et al.</i>	=	Et. Alii (Latin), and others
EtOH	=	ethanol
g	=	gram
h	=	hour
i.e.	=	id est (Latin), that is
kb	=	kilobase pairs
kg	=	kilogram
LAB	=	Lactic Acid Bacteria
λ	=	lambda
l	=	liter
<i>Lb.</i>	=	<i>Lactobacillus</i>
<i>Lc.</i>	=	<i>Lactococcus</i>
<i>Ln.</i>	=	<i>Leuconostoc</i>
MgCl <sub>2</sub>	=	magnesium chloride
MRS	=	de Man, Rogosa and Sharpe
μg	=	microgram
μl	=	microliter
μM	=	micromolar
mg	=	milligram
mM	=	millimolar
min	=	minute
M	=	molar

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ng	=	nanogram
N	=	Normal
NA	=	Nutrient Agar
NB	=	Nutrient Broth
/	=	per
%	=	percent
PCR	=	polymerase chain reaction
RFLP	=	restriction fragment length polymorphism
RNase	=	ribonuclease
rpm	=	rotation per minute
NaCl	=	sodium chloride
TAE	=	Tris-acetate-EDTA electrophoresis buffer solution
TBE	=	Tris-borate-EDTA electrophoresis buffer solution
w/v	=	weight per volume
w/w	=	weight per weight