

absorbance (e.g. absorbance at 310)	A(A_{310})
adenosine, mono-, di-, triphosphate	AMP, ADP, ATP
approximately	approx. (<i>not c. or ca.</i>)
becquerel	Bq (1 Ci = 3.7×10^{10} Bq)
bovine serum albumin	BSA
centigrade	use Celsius; ($^{\circ}$ C)
centimetre (10^{-2}) x m	cm
coenzyme A and acetyl derivatives	CoA and Acetyl CoA
colony forming units	cfu
concentration	concn (in tables only)
counts per minute	ct min $^{-1}$
cultivar	cv.
dalton	Da
deci (10^{-1} x)	d; e.g. dm
degree absolute (Kelvin)	$^{\circ}$ K = $^{\circ}$ C + 273
deoxyribonucleic acid, deoxyribonuclease	DNA, Dnase, cDNA
complementary DNA	
disintegrations per minute	d min $^{-1}$
dry weight	d. wt
Einstein(s)	E
electron microscope (transmission and scanning)	TEM, SEM
ethylene diaminetetraacetate	EDTA
experiment	Expt (in tables only)
femto (10^{-15} x)	f; e.g. fg
fresh weight	fresh wt
gas chromatography-mass spectrometry	GC-MS
gas liquid chromatography	GCL
grams(s)	g
hectare	ha
high performance liquid chromatography	HPLC
hour	h
joule ($\text{kg m}^2 \text{s}^{-2}$)	J, 1 calorie = 4.18 J
kilo (10^3 x)	k; e.g. kg, km
least significant difference	LSD
litre	I, do not abbreviate when confusion could arise with number one
mass spectrometry	MS
mega (10^6 x)	M
metre	m
Michaelis constant	Km
micro (10^{-6} x)	μ e.g. μ g
micromolar	μ M
milli (10^{-3} x)	m; e.g. mm, mg
millimolar	mM
milliequivalents	meq
minute	min
molar (mol l^{-1})	M
mole (a gram molecule)	mol
molecular weight	mol. wt
nano (10^{-9} x)	n; e.g. nm
newton	N
nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide and reduced form	NAD, NADH

nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate and reduced form	NADP, NADPH
number	No. (in tables only)
nano (10^{-9} x)	n; e.g. nm
newton	N
nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide and reduced form	NAD, NADH
nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate and reduced form	NADP, NADPH
number	No. (in tables only)
pascal (unit of pressure)	Pa; 100 kPa = 1 bar = 0.987 atmospheres use minus index, e.g. mg 1^{-1} except when unit is a culture vessel or organism
per	p; e.g. pg
pico (10^{-12} x)	ppt (in tables only)
precipitate	P; use P = 0.05, etc.
probability (statistical)	use W m $^{-2}$ (energy flux density) or photon flux density-?mol m $^{-2}$ s $^{-1}$ or ?E m $^{-2}$ s $^{-1}$
radiant	RH
relative humidity	R _F
retardation factor	RNA, messenger RNA = mRNA etc.
ribonucleic acid	s
second	SDS
sodium dodecylsulphate	sp.; plural spp.
species	SD
standard deviation of sample	SE
standard error of mean	temp. (in tables only)
temperature	TLC
thin-layer chromatography	u.v.
ultraviolet light	vol. (in tables only)
volume(s)	v/v
volume/volume(concentration)	Ψ
water potential	W ^w
watt (IJ s $^{-1}$)	wt (in tables only)
weight	w/v
weight/ volume (concentration)	