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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THE LITERATURE

bp	-----	Base pairs
kb	-----	Kilobase
⁰ C	-----	Degree Celsius
Cfu	-----	Colony forming unit
DNA	-----	Deoxyribonucleic acid
Fig.	-----	Figure
g	-----	Gram
hr	-----	Hour(s)
μl	-----	Microlitre
mg	-----	Milligram
min	-----	Minute(s)
rpm	-----	Revolution per minute
ml	-----	Millilitre
w/v	-----	Weight by volume
%	-----	Per cent
V	-----	Volt
mA	-----	Milliampere
EDTA	-----	Ethylenediaminetetraacetate
TAE	-----	Tris Acetate EDTA

LBA----- **Luria Bertani Agar**

PSA----- **Peptone Sucrose Agar**

PCR----- **Polymerase Chain Reaction**

rDNA ----- **Ribosomal Deoxyribonucleic acid**

dNTP-----**Deoxyribonucleosidetriphosphate**

EPS-----**Exopolysaccharide**

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