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## **LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED**

CR1	Complement Receptor 1
HLA	Human Leukocyte Antigen
SLE	Systemic Lupus Erythematosus
PCR	Polymerase Chain Reaction
RFLP	Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism
SNP	Single Nucleotide Polymorphism
SSP	Sequence Specific Primer
MS	Multiple Sclerosis
TH	T- helper
TC	T-cytotoxic
RBC	Red Blood Cells
MHC	Major Histocompatibility Complex
MBL	Mannose Binding Lectin
TNF	Tumor Necrosis Factor
IL	Interleukin
CSF	Cerebro Spinal Fluid
CNS	Central Nervous System
DHEA	Dehydroepiandrosterone

NFAT	Nuclear Factor of Activated T-cells
SSOP	Sequence Specific Oligonucleotide Primer
dNTP	De-oxy Nucleotide Tri Phosphate
PBS	Phosphate Buffer Saline
TAP Processing	Transporters Associated with Antigen
LD	Linkage Disequilibrium
RR	Relative Risk
WCM	White Caucasian Mediterranean