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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

aa	Amino Acid
AIDS	Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome
AlP	Aluminum Phosphate
APS	Ammonium Persulfate Solution
ASC	Antibody-Secreting Cell
ATCC	American Type Culture Collection
BALB/c	Inbred strain of mouse
BCG	Bacillus Calmette-Guerin
BP	Base Pair
BSA	Bovine Serum Albumin
CBB	Coomassie Blue G-250
CC-RT-	Cell Culture-Reverse Transcriptase- Polymerase
PCR	Chain Reaction
CD region	Coding region
cDNA	complementary DNA
CT	Cholera Toxin
CTL	Cytotoxic T-Lymphocyte
DEPC	DiEthyl PyroCarbonate
DMEM	Dulbecco's Modification of Eagle's Medium
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic Acid
dNTP'S	deoxynucleotide Trihosphates
E. coli	Escherichia coli
EDIM	Epizootic Diarrhea of Infant Mice
EDTA	EthyleneDiamine Tetraacetic Acid
EIA	Antigen Enzyme Immunoassays
ELISA	Enzyme Linked Immunosorbent Assay
ELISPOT	Enzyme-Linked Immunospot

FBS	Fetal Bovine Serum
G-protein	Glycoprotein
GSK	GlaxoSmithKline
HCV	Hepatitis C Virus
HEPES	N-2-Hydroxy Ethyl Piperazine-N-2-Ethane Sulphonic acid
Hib	Haemophilus influenzae type B
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
HRV	Human Rotavirus
IFA	Incomplete Freund's Adjuvant
IFN	Interferon
IgG	Immunoglobulin G
I/M	Intramuscular Injection
IMAC	Immobilized Metal Affinity Chromatography
I/N	Intranasal Injection
I/P	Intraperitoneal Injection
I-RRV	Inactivated Rhesus Rotavirus
L3	MonooLeate/Lauric Acid
LB Broth	Luria-Bertani Broth
LT	heat-Labile Toxin
MBP	Maltose-Binding Protein
MHC	Major Histocompatibility Complex
MMLV	Moloney Murine Leukemia Virus
MOPS	3-(N-Morpholino) PropaneSulfonic acid
MPL	MonoPhosphoryl Lipid
mRNA	Messenger Ribonucleic Acid
NGM	Non Glycosylated Mutant
Ni-NTA	Nickel- Tri Acetic acid- treated Sepharose
N-MAbs	Neutralizing Monoclonal Antibodies
NSP	Non Structural Protein

OD	Optical Density
ODN	OligoDeoxynucleotide
ORT	Oral Rehydration Therapy
PBS	Phosphate buffered saline
PCPP	Poly[di(CarboxylatoPhenoxy)]Phosphazene]
PCR	Polymerase Chain Reaction
PLG	Poly Lactide-Coglycolide
P-protein	protease-cleaved protein
PSA	Porcine Serum Albumin
RNA	Ribonucleic Acid
rpm	Round Per Minute
RRV	Rhesus Rotavirus
RTB	Ricinus communis Toxin B
RT-PCR	Reverse Transcriptase- Polymerase Chain Reaction
RV	Rotavirus
rVP6	Recombinant VP6
SDS-PAGE	Sodium Dodecyl Sulfate - Polyacrylamide Gel Electrophoresis
Sf	Spodoptera frugiperda
TAE	Tris-Acetate EDTA Buffer
TEMED	Tetramethylethylenediamine
Th1 Cell	T helper 1 Cell
TrVP7	Truncated VP7
VLPs	Virus Like Proteins
VP	Viral Protein
WHO	World Health Organization

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