

**Title: Definitions/Abbreviations**

**A. PURPOSE:**

To maintain a comprehensive list of abbreviations and definitions used in the Forensic Biology Procedures and on the quality record worksheets during case examination.

**B. RESPONSIBILITY:**

Forensic Science Examiners from the Connecticut State Forensic Science Laboratory who utilize the following terms during any and all phases of evidence examination.

**D. DEFINITIONS:**

ABA	Abacard
AH(s)	animal hair(s)
ALS	alternate light source
amt	amount
Amy	Amylase
AP	acid phosphatase
AR or A/R	Administrative Reviewer
ATT	at this time
B	Blue
B/G	Blue/Green
Blk	black
BLS(s)	blood-like stain(s)
bpb	brown paper bag
Brn	brown
Brnsh	brownish
c̄	containing
cal	caliber
Cont	control/containing
cos	cosigner
creat.	Creatinine

CSS	Crime-scene search
CT	Christmas Tree
dil.	dilute
DSS	Dried secretion swabs
DTT	dithiothreitol
EB	extraction buffer
EDTA	ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid
env	envelope
evid	evidence
ext	exterior
F(s) or frag(s)	fragment(s)
FA	Firearms or further analysis
FAUR	further analysis upon request
FB	Forensic Biology
fl/fluor/fluores	fluorescence
fs/c	Fingernail scrapings/clippings
FTA	Fast Technology for analysis of nucleic acids
ga	gauge
gen	Genital or general
GP	gunpowder/gunpowder particles
GSR	gun shot residue
H(s)	hair(s)
HBH(s)	human body hair(s)
HCBH(s)	human caucasian-type body hair(s)
HCH(s)	human caucasian-type hair(s)
HCHH(s)	human caucasian-type head hair(s)
HCPH(s)	human caucasian-type pubic hair(s)
hd(s)	head(s)

HF(s)	hair fragment(s)
HH(s)	human hair(s)
HHH(s)	human head hair(s)
HLF(s)	hair-like fiber(s)
HNBH(s)	human negroid-type body hair(s)
HNH(s)	human negroid-type hair(s)
HNHH(s)	human negroid-type head hair(s)
HNPB(s)	human-negroid-type pubic hair(s)
HPH(s)	human pubic hair(s)
HuH(s)	human hair(s)
hsf/hsfp	human seminal fluid protein
HT	HemaTrace®
IFT	Insufficient for testing
info/inform	information
init	initials
int	interior
K/Kn/Knn	known
Kbs	Known blood sample
KM	Kastle-Meyer
KS	kernechtrot solution
(L) or L	left
L/m	Left message
LIMS	Laboratory Information Management System
LP	Latent Prints
lt	light
macro	macroscopical
mat'l	material
max	maximum

ME	Medical Examiner
micro	microscopical
min	minimum
mito	mitochondrial
MM	mineral matter
mtDNA	mitochondrial DNA
N	no
NEATT	Not examined at this time
NDNA	nuclear DNA
NFE	No further examination
Neg or (-)	negative
NFT	No further testing
NS or N/S	No suspect
NSFC	Not suitable for comparison
NT	Not tested
Ø	no or none
OCME	Office of Chief Medical Examiner
OT or o-Tol	ortho-Tolidine
Otm(s)	other trace material(s)
Ouch	Ouchterlony
p30	human seminal fluid protein
PBS	Phosphate Buffered Saline
PH(s)	pubic hair(s)
pkg(d)	package(d)
PICS	picroindigocarmine solution
Pos or (+)	positive
Ppr	paper
PTT	purple top tube

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PW/Pwk	paper work
Q	Questioned
QD	Questioned Documents
® or R	right
R/b or rb or R-B	reddish-brown
RB	reagent blank
RAL	retained at Lab
RBC(s)	Red Blood Cell(s)
rec/rec'd/rcvd	received
rep	representative
ret/ret'd	retained
RIA	Rapid Immunoassay
RK	Rape Kit
RKbpb	Rape Kit brown paper bag
RKwpb	Rape Kit white paper bag
RSID	rapid stain identification
RTT	red top tube
RuB	running buffer
(S) or Susp	suspect
SAEC	Sexual Assault Evidence Collection
SEM	Scanning Electron Microscope
SH	Sperm Hy-Liter
s/↑	strong/numerous
sl	slightly
sld	sealed
sm	small
sp or spp	species
std	standard

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Stn(s)	stain(s)
Stnd	stained
Stng	staining
sub	submission
Supp'l	Supplemental
TAK	Takayama
TLM	tissue-like material
tm	trace material
TR or T/R	Technical Reviewer
UB	Universal buffer
UFS	used for smear
unstd	unstained
uro or urobil.	Urobilinogen
UV	Ultraviolet
V	Violet
(V) or vic	victim
vag	vaginal
Veg or veg mat	vegetative material
vis.	visible
vm	voice mail
vw	very weak
w/	with
w/o	without
w/↓	weak/few
WB or W/B	waistband
WBC(s)	White Blood Cell(s)
wpb	white paper bag
wpf	white paper fold

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ws	worksheet
xref	cross reference
Y	yes
#X	amount of magnification

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