

ABBREVIATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

4.1 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.

4.2 RESPONSIBILITY

Forensic Science Examiners from the Division of Scientific Services who utilize the following terms during any and all phases of evidence examination.

4.3 DEFINITIONS

| | |
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| α-NP | α-Naphthyl Phosphate |
| 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 |
| Att'd | attached |
| B | Blue (related to ALS) |
| bc | barcode |
| B/G | Blue/Green (related to ALS) |
| Bio | biological |
| Blk | black |
| BLS(s) | blood-like stain(s) |
| bpb | brown paper bag |
| bpf | brown paper fold |
| Brn | brown |
| Brnsh | brownish |
| \bar{c} | containing |

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|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| cal | caliber |
| cj | case jacket |
| CNV | contents not verified |
| Cont | control/containing |
| cos | cosigner |
| creat. | Creatinine |
| CS | Controlled Substances |
| CSS | Crime-scene search (related to ALS) |
| CT | Christmas Tree |
| dH ₂ O | De-ionized water |
| Diam. | diameter |
| dil. | dilute |
| DNC | did not collect |
| DSS | Dried secretion swabs |
| DTT | dithiothreitol |
| EB | extraction buffer |
| EDTA | ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid |
| env | envelope |
| evd | evidence |
| exam | examination |
| ext | exterior |
| F(s) or frag(s) | fragment(s) |
| FA | Firearm(s) or further analysis |
| FAUR | further analysis upon request |
| FB | Forensic Biology |
| FBB | Fast Blue B |
| FLM | fiber-like material |
| fl/fluor/fluores | fluorescence |

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| fs/c | Fingernail scrapings/clippings |
| FTA | Fast Technology for analysis of nucleic acids |
| ga | gauge |
| gen | Genital or general |
| gms | glass microscope slide |
| GP | gunpowder/gunpowder particles |
| GSR | gunshot 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® |
| ICFI | Insufficient characteristics for further identification |
| IFT | Insufficient for testing |

*Archived abbreviations

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|-------------|--|
| 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/mat | material |
| max | maximum |
| ME | Medical Examiner |
| micro | microscopical |
| min | minimum/minutes |
| Min. mat. | mineral matter/material |
| mito | mitochondrial |
| MM | mineral matter |
| ms | microscope slide |
| mtDNA | mitochondrial DNA |
| N | no |
| NC | not collected |
| nDNA | nuclear DNA |
| NEATT | Not examined at this time |
| NFE | No further examination |

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| Neg or (-) | negative |
| NFT/NFST | No further testing/No further serological testing |
| NS or N/S | No suspect |
| NSFC* | Not suitable for comparison |
| NT/NST | Not tested/No serological testing |
| Ø | no or none |
| OCME | Office of Chief Medical Examiner |
| O-N | overnight |
| 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) |
| Pig. Dist. | pigment distribution |
| pkg(d) | package(d) |
| P + R | packaged and returned |
| PICS/pics | picroindigocarmine solution/pictures |
| Pos or (+) | positive |
| Ppr | paper |
| pf | paper fold |
| PTT | purple top tube |
| PW/Pwk | paper work |
| Q | Questioned |
| QD | Questioned Documents |
| ® or R | right |
| R/b or rb or R-B | reddish-brown |

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|----------------|--|
| RB | reagent blank |
| RAL | retained at Lab |
| RBC(s) | Red Blood Cell(s) |
| rec/rec'd/rcvd | received |
| ref | reference/referring to/referencing |
| rep | representative |
| ret/ret'd | retained |
| RFA | Request for Analysis |
| RIA | Rapid Immunoassay |
| RK* | Rape Kit |
| RKbpb* | Rape Kit brown paper bag |
| RKwpb* | Rape Kit white paper bag |
| RLD | ridge-like detail |
| ROA | round(s) of ammunition |
| RSID | rapid stain identification |
| RTP | Returned to Package/Packaging |
| RTT | red top tube |
| RuB | running buffer |
| (S) or Susp | suspect |
| SAEC/SAECK | Sexual Assault Evidence Collection/Kit |
| SA/SAK | Sexual Assault/Sexual Assault Kit |
| SAF | Sample(s) accounted for |
| SEM | Scanning Electron Microscope |
| SH | Sperm Hy-Liter |
| s/↑ | strong/numerous |
| sl | slightly |
| sld | sealed |
| sm | small |

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|----------------|--------------------------|
| sp or spp | species |
| std | standard |
| 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 |
| TRSO | technical right side out |
| TWSO | technical wrong side out |
| UB | Universal buffer |
| UFS | used for smear |
| unstnd | unstained |
| uro or urobil. | Urobilinogen |
| UV | Ultraviolet |
| V | Violet (related to ALS) |
| (V) or vic | victim |
| vag | vaginal |
| vcf | various colored fibers |
| Veg or veg mat | vegetative material |
| vis. | visible |
| vm | voice mail |
| vw | very weak |
| w/ | with |
| w/o | without |

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|-----------|-------------------------|
| w/↓ | weak/few |
| WB or W/B | waistband |
| WBC(s) | White Blood Cell(s) |
| WES | white examination sheet |
| wpb | white paper bag |
| wpf | white paper fold |
| ws | worksheet |
| xref | cross reference |
| Y | yes |

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