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Document Title: Definitions/Abbreviations

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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
ATT	at this time
Blk	black
BLS(s)	blood-like stain(s)
Brn	brown
Brnsh	brownish
cal	caliber
Cont	control
creat.	Creatinine
CT	Christmas Tree
dil.	dilute
DTT	dithiothreitol
EB	extraction buffer
EDTA	ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid

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evid	evidence
ext	exterior
F(s) or frag(s)	fragment(s)
FA	further analysis or firearms
FAUR	further analysis upon request
FB	Forensic Biology
FTA	Fast Technology for analysis of nucleic acids
ga	gauge
fl/fluor/fluores	fluorescence
gen	genital
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)
HNPH(s)	human-negroid-type pubic hair(s)
HPH(s)	human pubic hair(s)
HuH(s)	human hair(s)
hsf/hsfp	human seminal fluid protein
IFT	Insufficient for testing
info/inform	information
init	initials
int	interior
K	known

Kbs	Known blood sample
KM	Kastle-Meyer
KS	kernechtrot solution
(L) or L	left
LIMS	Laboratory Information Management System
LP	Latent Prints
lt	light
mat'l	material
max	maxium
ME	Medical Examiner
min	minimum
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

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Ppr	paper
PTT	purple top tube
Q	Questioned
® 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	received
rep	representative
ret/ret'd	retained or Ret
RIA	Rapid Immunoassay
RSID	rapid stain identification
RTT	red top tube
RuB	running buffer
(S) or Susp	suspect
SAEC	Sexual Assault Evidence Collection
SH	Sperm Hy-Liter
sl	slightly
sld	sealed
sm	small
sp or spp	species
std	standard
Stn(s)	stain(s)
Stnd	stained
Stng	staining
sub	submission
TLM	tissue-like material
tm	trace material
UB	Universal buffer
UFS	used for smear
uro or urobil.	Urobilinogen
UV	Ultraviolet

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(V) or vic	victim
vag	vaginal
Veg or veg mat	vegetative material
vis.	visible
vw	very weak
w/	with
w/o	without
WB or W/B	waistband
WBC(s)	White Blood Cell(s)
wpb	white paper bag
wpf	white paper fold
xref	cross reference
Y	yes
↑/(s)	strong/numerous
↓/(w)	weak/few