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Acronyms

A	ampere
AC	alternating current
AFB	acid-fast bacilli
AIDS	acquired immunodeficiency syndrome
bp	base pair
BSC	biological safety cabinet
°C	degrees Celsius
C _A	average monthly consumption
CFC	chlorofluorocarbon
CI	colour index
dB	decibel (A-scale weighted)
DC	direct current
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid
DNase	deoxyribonuclease
DOTS	directly observed treatment, short-course
DST	drug-susceptibility testing
EDTA	ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid
EN	European norms (standards)
ETFE	ethylene tetrafluorethylene
FEFO	first expired, first out
FIFO	first in, first out
FL-DST	first-line drug susceptibility testing
FM	fluorescence microscope
GLP	good laboratory practice
HDPE	high-density polyethylene
HEPA	high-efficiency particulate air
HFC	hydrofluorocarbon
HIV	human immunodeficiency virus
Hz	hertz (<i>frequency</i>)
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission
ISO	International Organization for Standardization

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