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### SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

μl Microlitre

% Percent

pH Potential of hydrogen

δ Delta

γ Gamma

α Alpha

L Litre

°c Degree celsius

ml Millilitre

nm Nanometre

mg Milligram

Da Dalton

μg Microgram

mM Millimolar

A Absorbance

%L Percentage of lymphocytes

r Correlation coefficient

HIV Human immunodeficiency virus

AIDS Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome

CD Cluster of differentiation

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CBC Complete blood cell count

PerCP Peridinin chlorophyll protein

FITC Fluorescein isothiocyanate

PE Phycoerythrin

RBC Red blood cell

PCP Pneumocystis carinii pneumonia

CDC Centers for disease control and prevention

ELISA Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay

AZT Azidothymidine

ZDV Zidovudine

DNA Deoxyribonucleic acid

cDNA Complementary DNA

Tc cells Cytotoxic T-lymphocytes (CD8 lymphocytes)

ADCC Antiboby-dependent cell-mediated cytotoxic pathway

AIF Apoptosis-inducing factor

CMV Cytomegalovirus

NK cell Natural killer cells

F/P ratio FITC to protein ratio

CV Coefficient of variation

SD Standard deviation

mAb Monoclonal antibody

FACS Fluorescence-activated cell sorter

FSC Forward light scatter

SSC Side light scatter

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PBMC Peripheral blood monomuclear cell

PBS Sodium phosphate buffer

rpm Revolutions per minute

IgM Immunoglobulin M

DMSO Dimethylsulfoxide

MW Molecular weight

BSA Bovine serum albumin

DEAE-Dextran Diethylaminoethyl-Dextran

EDTA Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acic

MEM Minimum essential medium

FCS Fetal calf serum

IgG Immunoglobulin G

WBC White blood cell count

UL Upper left

UR Upper right

LL Lower left

LR Lower right

QC-criteria Quality control criteria