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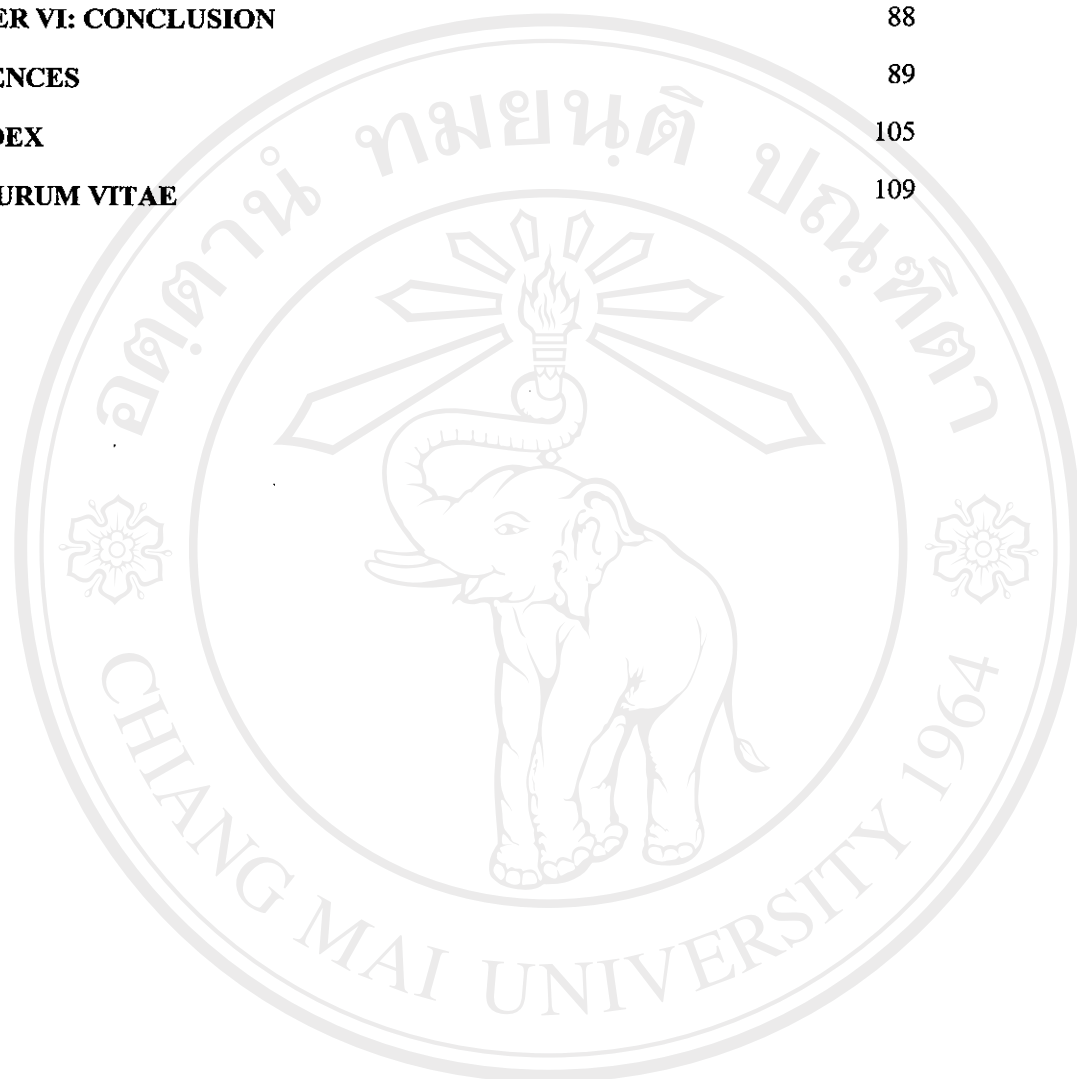
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## ABBREVIATIONS

%	percent
$\alpha$	alpha
$\mu$	micro
$\mu$ l	microliter
$\mu$ m	micrometer
$\mu$ M	micromolar
$^{\circ}$ C	degree Celsius
AIDS	acquired immunodeficiency syndrome
bp	base pair
CD	cluster of differentiation
CFU	colony forming unit
ConA	concanavalin A
COPD	chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
CR	complement receptor
d	day
dATP	deoxyadenosine triphosphate
dCTP	deoxycytidine triphosphate
dGTP	deoxyguanosine triphosphate
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid
dTTP	deoxythymidine triphosphate
EIA	enzyme immunoassay
EDTA	ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid
ETs	electrophoretic types
g	gram or gravity
GPL	glycopeptidolipid
HIV	human immunodeficiency virus

HPLC	high performance liquid chromatography
IFN	interferon
IL	interleukin
IR	inverted repeat
IS	insertion sequence
kb	kilobase
kDa	kilodalton
kg	kilogram
LAM	lipoalabinomannan
M	molarity
MAC	<i>Mycobacterium avium</i> complex
mg	milligram
MIC	minimal inhibitory concentration
ml	milliliter
mM	milimolar
MOPH	Ministry of Public Health
MOTT	mycobacterium other than tuberculosis
MTB	<i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i>
N	normality
ng	nanogram
NTM	non-tuberculous mycobacteria
OD	optical density
ORF	open reading frame
PBMC	peripheral blood mononuclear cell
PCR	polymerase chain reaction
PEG2	prostaglandin E2
PFGE	pulsed field gel electrophoresis
PHA	phytohemagglutinin
PPD	purified protein derivative of tuberculin

PPeM	potential pathogenic mycobacteria
REA	restriction enzyme analysis
RFLP	restriction fragment length polymorphism
RNA	ribonucleic acid
rpm	revolutions per minute
TB	tuberculosis
TLC	thin layer chromatography
TNF	tumor necrotic factor
U	unit
WHO	World Health Organization
wk	week
yr	year

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