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## ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

AZF	Azoospermia factor
%	percent
<i>Tag</i>	<i>Thermus aquaticus</i>
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid
mM	millimolar
$\mu$ M	micromolar
$\mu$ l	microliter
$^{\circ}$ C	degree Celsius
bp	base pair
dNTPs	deoxyribonucleotide triphosphate
dATP	deoxyadenosine triphosphate
dCTP	deoxycytidine triphosphate
dGTP	deoxyguanosine triphosphate
dTTP	deoxythymidine triphosphate
EIA	enzyme immunoassay
g	gram or gravity
M	molarity
mg	milligram
Kb	kilobase
Mb	megabase
MgCl <sub>2</sub>	magnesium chloride
ml	milliliter
min	minute
N	normality
ng	nanogram
nm	nanometer
OD	optical density

PBMC	peripheral blood mononuclear cells
PCR	polymerase chain reaction
RNA	ribonucleic acid
rpm	round per minute
U	unit
<b><i>DFFRY</i></b>	ubiquitin specific protease 9, Y chromosome
<b><i>DBY</i></b>	DEAD (Asp-Glu-Ala-Asp) box polypeptide 3, Y-linked
<b><i>EIF1AY</i></b>	eukaryotic translation initiation factor 1A, Y chromosome
<b><i>PRY</i></b>	testis-specific PTP-BL-related protein on Y chromosome
<b><i>TTY2</i></b>	testis-specific testis transcript Y 2
<b><i>RBM1</i></b>	RNA binding motif protein 1
<b><i>DAZ</i></b>	deleted in azoospermia
<b><i>BPY2</i></b>	basic protein on Y chromosome 2
<b><i>CDY1</i></b>	chromodomain protein, Y-linked, 1
<b><i>SMCY</i></b>	Smcy homolog, Y-linked (mouse)
<b><i>SRY</i></b>	sex determining region Y