

# Abbreviations

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ACTH      Adrenocorticotrophic hormone

ARfD      Acute reference dose

BfR	Bundesinstitut fuer Risikobewertung/German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment
BMDL	Benchmark Dose Lower Confidence Limit
CHO	Chinese hamster ovary
CLoA	Clavine oxidase
CNS	Central nervous system
COT	Committee on the Toxicity of Chemicals in Food, Consumer Products and the Environment
EAs	Ergot alkaloids
EFSA	European Food Safety Authority
Et	Ergotamine tartrate
EU	European Union
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
FSH	Follicle-stimulating hormone
GB	Great Britian
GI tract	Gastrointestinal tract
HBGV	Health based guidance value

5-HT	5-hydroxytryptamine
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
i.v.	Intravenous
JECFA	Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives
LA	Lysergic acid
LB	Lower bound
LC/MS/MS	Liquid Chromatography-Tandem Mass Spectrometry
LD	Lethal dose
LH	Luteinizing hormone
LO(A)EL	Lowest observed (adverse) effect level
LOD	Limit of detection
LOQ	Limit of quantification
LSD	Lysergic acid diethylamide
mg/kg	Milligram per kilogram
miRNA	micro ribonucleic acid
Misc	Miscellaneous

ML	Maximum levels
MoS	Margin of Safety
NDNS	National Diet and Nutrition Survey
ng/g	Nanogram per gram
NI	Northern Ireland
NO(A)EL	No observed adverse effect level
PRL	Prolactin
SACN	Scientific Advisory Committee on Nutrition
s.c.	Subcutaneous
SCE	Sister chromatid exchange
<i>St</i>	<i>Salmonella typhimurium</i>
(F)T4	(Free) thyroxine
TDI	Tolerable daily intake
TDS	Total Diet Study
TSH	Thyroid-stimulating hormone
UB	Upper bound

UF	Uncertainty factor
WHO	World Health Organisation
$\mu\text{g}$	$\mu\text{g}$ = microgram
$\mu\text{g/g}$	microgram per gram
$\mu\text{g/kg}$	microgram per kilogram
$\mu\text{g/L}$	microgram per litre