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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

add	=	additional material of unknown origin
AS	=	Angleman syndrome
BAC	=	Bacterial Artificial Chromosome
bp	=	base pair(s)
°C	=	degree celsius
CARS	=	The Childhood Autism Rating Scale
CCD	=	charged coupled device
CGH	=	Comparative Genomic Hybridization
DAPI	=	4,6-Diamino-2-Phenyl-indole
dATP	=	deoxyadenosine-5'-triphosphate
dCTP	=	deoxycytidine-5'-triphosphate
dGTP	=	deoxyguanosine-5'-triphosphate
dTTP	=	deoxythymidine-5'-triphosphate
dUTP	=	deoxyuracine-5'-triphosphate
dNTP	=	dATP+ dCTP+ dGTP+ dTTP
del	=	deletion
der	=	derivative chromosome
DF	=	dysmorphic features
DMSO	=	dimethylsulfoxide
DNA	=	deoxyribonucleic acid
dn	=	de novo
dup	=	duplication
et al.	=	et ali (Latin) and others
FH	=	family history of mental retardation
FISH	=	Fluorescence <i>in situ</i> Hybridization
<i>FMR1</i>	=	<i>Fragile X mental retardation 1</i>
<i>FMR2</i>	=	<i>Fragile X mental retardation 2</i>
FXS	=	Fragile X syndrome

GTG = Giemsa-Banding Technique Using Trypsin
ICD-10 = The International Classification of Diseases,
10th Edition
idic = isodicentric chromosome

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS (Continued)

IMR	=	idiopathic mental retardation
inv	=	inversion
IQ	=	intelligence quotient
ISCN	=	International Standing Committee on Human Cytogenetic Nomenclature
ish	=	in situ hybridization
Kb	=	kilobase(s)
M	=	molar
mar	=	marker chromosome
Mb	=	mega base pair(s)
mM	=	millimolar
MCA	=	multiple congenital anomalies
ml	=	milliliter
mm	=	millimeter
mos	=	mosaic
MAPH	=	multiplex amplifiable probe hybridization
MLPA	=	multiplex ligation dependent probe amplification
MR	=	mental retardation
M-TEL	=	multiplex FISH telomere integrity assay
MTX	=	methotrexate
p-arm	=	short arm of chromosome
PAC	=	P1-derived Artificial Chromosome
PCR	=	polymerase chain reaction
PDD	=	Pervasive Developmental Disorders
PDD-NOS	=	Pervasive Developmental Disorder Not Otherwise Specific
PHA	=	phytohemagglutinin
PKU	=	phenylketonuria

PWS	=	Prader-Willi syndrome
q-arm	=	long arm of chromosome
RNA	=	ribonucleic acid
r	=	ring chromosome

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS (Continued)

<i>RELN</i>	=	Reelin
SDS	=	sodium dodecyl sulfate
SKY	=	spectral karyotype
SSC	=	standard saline citrate
t	=	translocation
TAR	=	telomere associated repeat region
TSC	=	tuberous sclerosis complex
VCF	=	Velocardio-Facial Syndrome
μl	=	microliter
μM	=	micromolar
U	=	unit(s)
UV	=	ultraviolet