

The following abbreviations may be used without definition in the journal *Applied Animal Science*. Abbreviations of all chemical elements, common combinations of chemical elements, SI units of measure used with a value, and common amino acids (3-letter and 1-letter abbreviations) should be used without definition. Abbreviations are not permitted in the title, running head, and key words. Plural abbreviations do not require “s”.

AA	amino acid(s)	IVDMD	in vitro dry matter disappearance
ACTH	adrenocorticotropin	KPH	kidney, pelvic, heart fat
ADF	acid detergent fiber	LD ₅₀	50% lethal dose
ADFI	average daily feed intake	LM	longissimus muscle
ADG	average daily gain	LSD	least significant difference
ADIN	acid detergent insoluble nitrogen	LSM	least-squares mean
ADL	acid detergent lignin	ME	metabolizable energy
ADP	adenosine diphosphate	MHC	major histocompatibility complex
AI	artificial insemination	MP	metabolizable protein
AMP, ADP, ATP	adenosine mono-, di-, or triphosphate	mRNA	messenger ribonucleic acid
ANOVA	analysis of variance	MSE	mean square error
ARS	Agricultural Research Service	MUFA	monounsaturated fatty acid
avg	average (use only in tables, not in the text)	MUN	milk urea nitrogen
B cell	bursal-derived, bursal-equivalent derived cell	N	normal
BCS	body condition score	n	number of observations
BHB	β-hydroxybutyrate	NDF	neutral detergent fiber
BLUP	best linear unbiased prediction	NE	net energy
BSA	bovine serum albumin	NEg	net energy for gain
BUN	blood urea nitrogen	NEI	net energy for lactation
BW	body weight	NEm	net energy for maintenance
cDNA	complementary DNA	NEAA	nonessential amino acid
CI	confidence interval	NPN	nonprotein nitrogen
CoA	coenzyme A	NS	not significant
CP	crude protein	OM	organic matter
CV	coefficient of variation	P	statistical probability
DCAD	dietary cation-anion difference	PAGE	polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis
DE	digestible energy	PBS	phosphate-buffered saline
DEAE	(dimethylamino)ethyl	PCR	polymerase chain reaction
df	degree(s) of freedom	ppm	parts per million
DHI(A)	Dairy Herd Improvement Association	PTA	predicted transmitting ability
DIM	days in milk	PUFA	polyunsaturated fatty acid
DM	dry matter	QG	quality grade
DMI	dry matter intake	r	correlation coefficient
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid	R ²	coefficient of multiple determination
DP	dressing percentage	RDP	rumen-degradable protein
EAA	essential amino acid	RIA	radioimmunoassay
EBV	estimated breeding value	RNA	ribonucleic acid
ECM	energy-corrected milk	RUP	rumen-undegradable protein
EDTA	ethylenediaminetetraacetate	s.c.	subcutaneous
EFA	essential fatty acid	SCC	somatic cell count
ETA	estimated transmitting ability	SD	standard deviation
ELISA	enzyme-linked immunosorbent antibody assay	SDS	sodium dodecyl sulfate
EPD	expected progeny difference	SE	standard error
Exp.	experiment	SEM	standard error of the mean
FCM	fat-corrected milk	SFA	saturated fatty acids
FFA	free fatty acid	T cell	thymic-derived cell
F:G	feed-to-gain ratio	TDF	total dietary fiber
FSH	follicle-stimulating hormone	TDN	total digestible nutrients
GE	gross energy	TLC	thin layer chromatography
G:F	gain-to-feed ratio	TME	true metabolizable energy
GLC	gas-liquid chromatography	TME _n	nitrogen-corrected true metabolizable energy
GLM	general linear model	TMR	total mixed ration
HPLC	high-performance (high-pressure) liquid chromatography	Tris	tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane
h ²	heritability	TSAA	total sulfur amino acids
Ig	immunoglobulin	UFA	unsaturated fatty acids
IGF	insulin-like growth hormone	USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
i.m.	intramuscular	UV	ultraviolet
i.p.	intraperitoneal	VFA	volatile fatty acid
i.v.	intravenous	YG	yield grade

The following units and terms can be used without definition in *Applied Animal Science*.

atomic mass unit	amu	millimolar (concentration)	mM (= mmol/L)
atmosphere	atm	millimole (mass)	mmol
base pair	bp	minute(s)	min
calorie (gram)	cal	molar (concentration)	M
celsius (with number)	°C	molar (mass)	mol
centimeter	cm	mole (number, mass)	mol
centimeter, square	cm ²	month(s)	mo
circa	ca.	morning/afternoon	a.m./p.m.
centimorgan	cM	nano	n (prefix)
centipoise	cP	newton	N
central processing unit	CPU	normal (concentration)	N
colony-forming unit	cfu	nanogram	ng
counts per minute	cpm	osmolality	use mmol/kg
counts per second	cps	outside diameter	o.d.
crossed with, times	×	parts per billion	ppb (use µg/kg or equivalent)
cubic	cu	parts per million	ppm (use mg/kg or equivalent)
cubic centimeter	cc, cm ³	pascal	Pa
cubic millimeter	mm ³	pico	p (prefix)
curie	Ci	picogram	pg
cycles per second (hertz)	Hz	plaque-forming unit	pfu
day(s)	d	probability	P
dalton	Da	revolutions per minute	rpm
deci	d (prefix)	second(s)	s
deciliter	dL	siemens	S
electron volt	eV	species	spp.
equivalents	Eq	subcutaneous	s.c.
foot-candle	use lx	subspecies	ssp.
gram	g	unit	U
gravity	g	volt	V
hectare	ha	volume	vol
hour(s)	h	volume/volume	vol/vol (use parenthetically)
inside diameter	i.d.	watt	W
international unit	IU	week(s)	wk
intramuscularly	i.m.	weight/volume	wt/vol (use parenthetically)
intraperitoneally	i.p.	year(s)	yr
intravenously	i.v.		
joule	J	Amino Acids	
kilo	k (prefix)	alanine	Ala
kilobase	kb	arginine	Arg
kilobyte	KB	asparagine	Asn
kilocalorie	kcal	aspartic acid	Asp
kilogram	kg	citrulline	Cit
kilopascal	kPa	cysteine	Cys
liter	L	glutamic acid	Glu
logarithm (natural)	ln	glutamine	Gln
logarithm (base 10)	log ₁₀	glycine	Gly
lux	lx	histidine	His
mega	M (prefix)	isoleucine	Ile
meter	m	leucine	Leu
metric tonne	t or tonne	lysine	Lys
micro	µ (prefix)	methionine	Met
microcurie	µCi	ornithine	Orn
microfarad	µF	phenylalanine	Phe
microgram	µg	proline	Pro
microliter	µL	serine	Ser
milli	m (prefix)	threonine	Thr
milliliter	mL	tryptophan	Trp
millimeters of mercury	mm Hg	tyrosine	Tyr
		valine	Val