

## Abbreviations

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17 $\beta$ HSD- 17 $\beta$ hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase	DHBS - 3,5 Dicloro-2-hydroxy benzene sulphate
17 $\beta$ -HSOR-17 $\beta$ Hydroxy steroid oxidoreductase	DHEA-S - dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate
3 $\beta$ HSD- 3 $\beta$ hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase	DM- diabetes mellitus
3 $\beta$ -HSD1-3 $\beta$ -hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase	EDTA- Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid
ALP - Alkaline phosphatase	EGTA- Ethylene Glycol Tetra Acetic acid
ALP - alkaline phosphatase	EI - Electron Impact
ALP- alkaline phosphatase	EPL - early pregnancy loss
APS - Ammonium persulphate	EPL- early pregnancy loss
AR- Androgen receptor	ER- Estrogen receptor
AT- adipose tissue	ERs- estrogen receptor
AUC- area under curve	FA- Fresh <i>Aloe vera</i> gel
AVG- <i>Aloe vera</i> gel	FC- Folin & Ciocalteu's
AVG- <i>Aloe vera</i> gel	FOA- Formulated <i>Aloe vera</i> gel
BSA- Bovine serum albumin	FSHR- Follicle stimulating hormone receptor
CDH1 - Cadherin-1	G-3-Phosphate - Glycerol-3-Phosphate
CDNB - 1-chloro, 2,4- dinitrobenzene	GC MS- Gas chromatography mass spectrometry
CDNB- 1-chloro-2,4dinitrobenzene	GC-MS - Gas chromatography and mass spectroscopy
CE - cholesterol esterase	GK - Glycerol Kinase
CMC- Carboxymethylcellulose	GOD- Glucose Oxidase
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CO - cholesterol oxidase	GSH - reduced glutathione
CuSO <sub>4</sub> .5H <sub>2</sub> O- Copper sulphate	GST- glutathione S-transferase
Cyt C- cytochrome P450 oxidoreductase	GST- Glutathione-S-Transferase
DAB - 3, 3'-diaminobenzidine	Hb- Haemoglobin
DEPC- Diethyl pyrocarbonate	HBSS - Hank's Balanced Salt Solution
DHAP - Dihydroxy acetone phosphate	

hCG - human chorionic gonadotropin	PMSF- Phenyl Methane Sulfonyl Fluoride
HDL - High density lipoproteins	PNP - p-Nitrophenol
HPLC - High Pressure Liquid Chromatography	pNPP- para-Nitrophenylphosphate
HPLC- High pressure liquid chromatography	POD- Peroxidase
HPTLC - High Performance Thin Layer chromatography	PTA - Phosphotungstic acid
HPTLC- High performance thin layer chromatography	RT PCR - Reverse Transcriptase Polymerase chain reaction
HRP - Horseradish peroxidase	RT- Retention time
HSOR- Hydroxy Steroid Oxidoreductase	RT-PCR- Reverse transcription Polymerase Chain Reaction
IGF-1 - Insulin like growth factor-1	SDS- Sodium Dodecyl Sulphate
IGFBP-I - insulin-like growth factor binding protein	SGPT- Serum Glutamate Pyruvate Transaminase
IGF-I - insulin-like growth factor I	SGPT- Serum glutamic pyruvic transaminase
INT - Iodo Nitro Tetrazolium Chloride	SHBG - circulating sex hormone binding globulin
IR- Insulin receptor	SHBG- sex hormone binding globulin
K <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub> - Di-potassium Hydrogen Phosphate	StAR - Steroidogenic Acute Regulatory protein
LB Reagent - Libermann-Burchard reagent	STS - steroid sulfatase
LH- Luteinizing hormone	TCM- traditional chineese medicines
LHR- Luteinizing hormone receptor	TEMED – Tetramethylethylenediamine
LOD - limit of detection	TLC - Thin Layer chromatography
LOQ - limit of quantitation	TLC- Thin layer chromatography
MMPs - Matrix metalloproteinases	TMB- 3,3',5,5'-Tetramethylbenzidine
NADH- Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide reduced	TNF $\alpha$ - Tumor necrosis factor- $\alpha$
NaF- Sodium Flouride	UDPGT- UDP-glucuronosyltransferases
NaH <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> .2H <sub>2</sub> O- Sodium dihydrogen phosphate dehydrate	WB - Western Blot
NaOH- Sodium hydroxide	
OGTT- Oral glucose tolerance test	
PCOS - Polycystic ovarian syndrome	