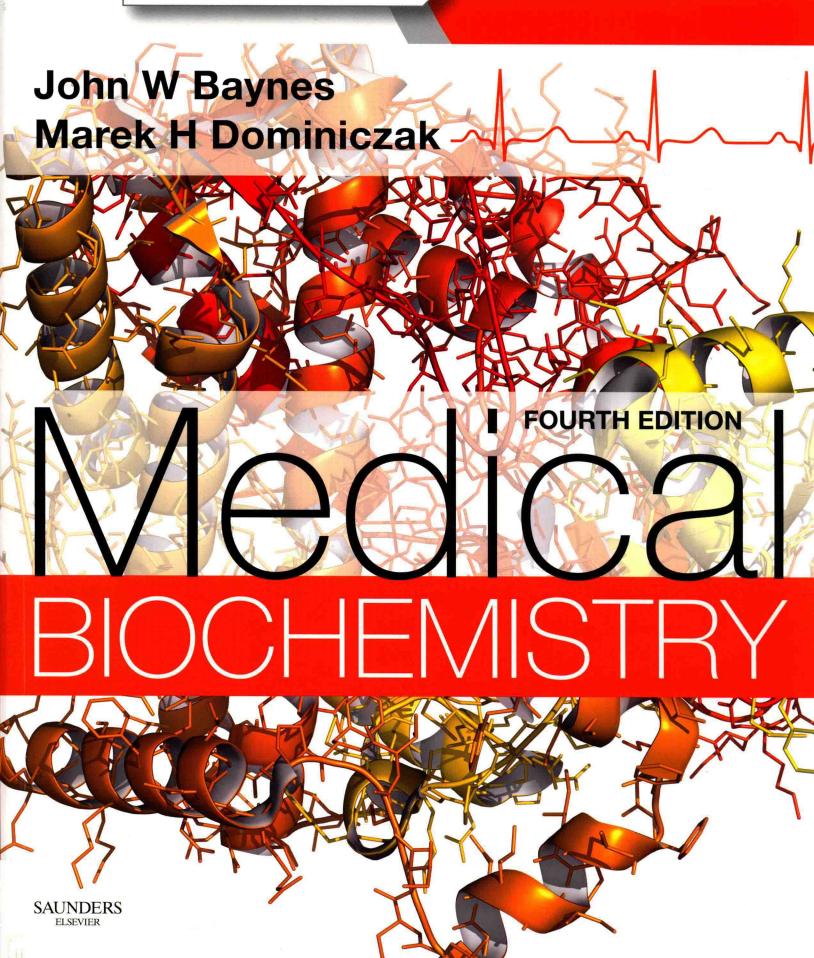
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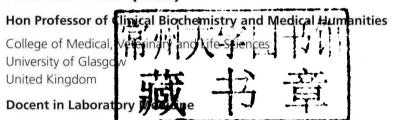
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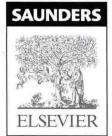
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#### **Preface**

We now present the 4th edition of *Medical Biochemistry*. Our aim remains, as before, to provide biochemical foundation for the study of clinical medicine – with down-to-earth practical relevance.

A textbook is a snapshot of a field as it exists at the time of writing. Such 'photographic' metaphor is appropriate here, because biochemistry undergoes constant change; in the period since the publication of the 3rd edition it has probably changed faster than ever before.

While core metabolic pathways remain largely unchanged, our understanding of underlying regulatory mechanisms is better, thanks to the progress in identifying signaling pathways. In many instances, these pathways have become targets for drugs, and underpin the impressive therapeutic progress in fields such as oncology.

Since completion of the Human Genome Project, genomewide association studies and bioinformatic analyses have allowed us to put together a new picture of genetic regulation, the hallmarks of which are interactions between multiple, heterogeneous transcription factors and gene promoters, and the emerging field of epigenetics.

Behind this are, as had happened many times before in the history of science, major advances in methodology, including rapidly expanding genetic screening. The common denominator between methodologies now employed in genetic research laboratories and hospital clinical labs has been the advent of robotics and bioinformatics, and therefore the ability to process – and interpret – an ever-increasing amount of data.

This edition has again been substantially updated. We have rewritten the chapters on lipids, glucose homeostasis, nutrition and biochemical endocrinology, and added a section on the effects of exercise on muscle development and cardiovascular health. The chapter on the -omics incorporates new directions in proteomics, metabolomics and recombinant DNA technology.

This edition also benefits from the expertise of new authors who have shared their perspectives on signaling, fat and glycoconjugate metabolism, exercise biochemistry, nutrition, and blood coagulation processes.

We have expanded the chapter on the GI tract as an important interface between the organism and the environment, and now have a separate short chapter on kidney function. In both we provide more information on membrane transport systems. We remain convinced that the biochemistry of water and electrolyte balance is as important for future clinicians as the key metabolic pathways – and deserve more emphasis in the biochemistry curricula.

We have updated literature and web references throughout the textbook. At the same time we were able to eliminate some web links in this edition, because search engines and websites such as Wikipedia and YouTube now provide quick access to so many rapidly evolving resources.

Throughout the text we strive to explain complex issues as simply as possible, but try hard not to become superficial. Unfortunately, new fields come with new terminologies and numerous additions to scientific slang. The discovery of new genes and new signaling pathways means new names and acronyms. We identify them here not as material to be committed to memory, but to help build a knowledge framework without oversimplification. The fact that some chapters may seem complex to the uninitiated may also reflect the true state of knowledge – the complexity, or even a touch of confusion, often present before a coherent picture emerges.

The Question Bank (Self-Assessment) and many more resources are available at the Elsevier website, www.student-consult.com, to which the reader is referred. Student Consult also provides links to other Elsevier biomedical textbooks which integrate and build on knowledge of medical bio-chemistry. There is also a companion publication, Medical Biochemistry Flash Cards, which provides means for quick revision.

As before, we welcome comments, criticisms and suggestions from our readers. Many of these suggestions are incorporated in this 4th edition. There is no better way to continue the improvement of this text.

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# **Dedication**

To inspirational academics Inquisitive students And all those who want to be good doctors

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Our inspiration to change and improve this text comes also from 'the field' – from the issues, questions and decisions that arise in our everyday clinical practice, in the outpatient clinics and during wardrounds. Therefore a final thank you goes to all our clinical colleagues and doctors in training.

# **Abbreviations**

A	adenine	BMR	basal metabolic rate
ABC	ATP-binding cassette	BNP	brain natriuretic peptide
ACE	angiotensin-converting enzyme	bp	base pair
acetyl-CoA	acetyl coenzyme A	2,3-BPG	2,3-bisphosphoglycerate
ACh	acetylcholine	BUN	blood urea nitrogen equivalent of
ACP	acyl carrier protein		(but not the same as) serum urea
ACTase	aspartate carbamoyl transferase	bw	body weight
ACTH	adrenocorticotropic hormone	C	cytosine
ADC	AIDS-dementia complex	CA	carbonic anhydrase
ADH	alcohol dehydrogenase	CAD	caspase-dependent endonuclease
ADH	antidiuretic hormone (also known	CAIR	carboxyaminoimidazole
	as AVP)		ribonucleotide
ADP	adenosine diphosphate	cAMP	cyclic AMP
AE	anion exchanger	CAT	catalase
AFP	α-fetoprotein	CD	cluster designation: classification
AGE	advanced glycoxidation (glycation)		system for cell surface molecules
	endproduct	CDG	congenital disorders of
AHF	antihemophilic factor		glycosylation
AICAR	5-aminoimidazole-4-carboxamide	CDGS	carbohydrate-deficient glycoprotein
	ribonucleotide		syndromes
AIDS	acquired immunodeficiency	CDK	cyclin-dependent kinase
	syndrome	CDKI	cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitor
AIR	5-aminoimidazole ribonucleotide	CDP	cytidine diphosphate
ALDH	aldehyde dehydrogenase	CFTR	cystic fibrosis transmembrane
ALP	alkaline phosphatase		conductance regulator
ALT	alanine aminotransferase	cGMP	cyclic GMP
AML	acute myeloblastic leukemia	CGRP	calcitonin gene-related peptide
AMP	adenosine monophosphate	CML	chronic myeloid leukemia
ANP	atrial natriuretic peptide	CMP	cytidine monophosphate
APC	adenomatous polyposis coli (gene)	CNS	central nervous system
apoA, B, etc.	apolipoprotein A, B, etc.	COAD	chronic obstructive airways disease
APRT	adenosine phosphoribosyl		(synonym: COPD)
	transferase	COMT	catecholamine-O-methyl transferase
APTT	activated partial thromboplastin	COPD	chronic obstructive pulmonary
	time		disease (synonym: COAD)
AQP	aquaporin	$CoQ_{10}$	coenzyme Q <sub>10</sub> (ubiquinone)
ARDS	acute respiratory distress syndrome	COX-1	cyclooxygenase-1
ARE	antioxidant response element	CK	creatine phosphokinase (also CPK)
AST	aspartate aminotransferase	CPK	creatine phosphokinase (also CK)
ATF	activation transcription factor	CPS I, II	carbamoyl phosphate synthetase
ATM	ataxia telangiectasia-mutated gene		I, $II$
ATP	adenosine triphosphate	CPT I, II	carnitine palmitoyl transferase
AVP	arginine-vasopressin (same as		Ι, ΙΙ
	antidiuretic hormone)	CREB	cAMP-response element-binding
AZT	azido-2',3'-dideoxythymidine		protein
Bcl-2	B cell lymphoma protein 2	CRGP	calcitonin-related gene peptide
BMI	body mass index	CRH	corticotropin-releasing hormone
		-	

CRP	C-reactive protein	FGAR	formylglycinamide ribonucleotide
CSF	cerebrospinal fluid	FGF	fibroblast growth factor
CT	calcitonin	FHH	familial hypocalciuric
CTP	cytidine triphosphate		hypercalcemia
CVS	chorionic villous sampling	FMN	flavin mononucleotide
DAG	diacylglycerol	$FMNH_2$	reduced flavin mononucleotide
DCC	'delete in colon carcinoma' gene	FRAXA	fragile X syndrome
dNPs	deoxynucleotides	Fru-1,6-BP	fructose-1,6 bisphosphate
ddNPs	dideoxynucleotides	Fru-2,6-BP	fructose-2,6 bisphosphate
DEAE	diethylaminoethyl	Fru-2,6-BPase	fructose-2,6 bisphosphatase
DGGE	denaturing-gradient gel	Fru-6-P	fructose-6-phosphate
	electrophoresis	FSF	fibrin-stabilizing factor
DHAP	dihydroxyacetone phosphate	FSH	follicle-stimulating hormone
DIC	disseminated intravascular	G	guanine
	coagulation	G3PDH	glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate
DIPF, DFP	diisopropylphosphofluoride		dehydrogenase
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid	GABA	γ-amino butyric acid
DNP	2,4-dinitrophenol	GAG	glycosaminoglycan
dNTPs	deoxynucleotides triphosphates	Gal	galactose
Dol-P	dolichol phosphate	Gal-1-P	galactose-1-phosphate
Dol-PP-GlcNAc	dolichol	GalNAc	<i>N</i> -acetylgalactosamine
	pyrophosphate-N-	$GalNH_2$	galactosamine
	acetylglucosamine	GAP	guanosine-triphosphatase
DOPA	dihydroxyphenylalanine		activating protein
DPPC	dipalmitoyl phosphatidyl choline	GAPDH	glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate
DVT	deep vein thrombosis		dehydrogenase
EBV	Epstein–Barr virus	GAR	glycinamide ribonucleotide
ECF	extracellular fluid	GDH	glutamate dehydrogenase
ECM	extracellular matrix	GDP	guanosine diphosphate
EDRF	endothelium-derived relaxing factor	GDP-Fuc	guanosine diphosphate-L-fucose
	(nitric oxide)	GDP-Man	guanosine diphosphate-mannose
EDTA	ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid	GFAP	glial fibrillary acidic protein
EF-1, 2	elongation factor-1,2	$\gamma$ GT	γ-glutamyl transferase
EFAs	essential fatty acids	GH	growth hormone
EGF	epidermal growth factor	GHRH	growth hormone-releasing
eIF-3	eukaryotic initiation factor 3		hormone
EMSA	electrophoretic mobility shift assay	GIP	glucose-dependent insulinotropic
ENaC	epithelial sodium channel		peptide
ER	endoplasmic reticulum	GIT	gastrointestinal tract
ERK	extracellular signal-regulated	GK	glucokinase
	kinase	Glc	glucose
ESR	erythrocyte sedimentation rate	Glc-1-P	glucose-1-phosphate
FACIT	fibril-associated collagen with	Glc-6-P	glucose-6-phosphate
	interrupted triple helices	Glc-6-Pase	glucose-6-phosphatase
FAD	flavin adenine dinucleotide	GlcN-6-P	glucosamine-6-phosphate
FADD	a 'death domain' accessory protein	GlcNAc	N-acetylglucosamine
$FADH_2$	reduced flavin adenine dinucleotide	GlcNAc-1P	N-acetylglucosamine-1-phosphate
FAICAR	5-formylaminoimidazole-4-	GlcNAc-6-P	N-acetylglucosamine-6-phosphate
	carboxamide ribonucleotide	$GlcNH_2$	glucosamine
FAP	familial adenomatous polyposis	GlcUA	D-glucuronic acid
Fas	apoptosis signaling molecule: a	GLP-1	glucagon-like peptide-1
	'death domain' accessory protein	GLUT	glucose transporter (GLUT-1 to
	(CD95)		GLUT-5)
FBPase	fructose bisphosphatase	$GM_1$	monosialoganglioside 1
FDP	fibrin degradation product	GMP	guanosine monophosphate
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GnRH	gonadotropin-releasing hormone	IRE-BP	IRE-binding protein
GP1b–IXa (etc.)	glycoprotein receptor 1b–IXa (etc.)	IRMA	immunoradiometric assay
GPx	glutathione peroxidase	ITAM	immunoreceptor tyrosine activation
GRE	glucocorticoid response element		motif
GSH	reduced glutathione	ITIM	immunoreceptor tyrosine inhibition
GSSG	oxidized glutathione	*117	motif
GTP	guanosine triphosphate	JAK	Janus kinase
GTPase	guanosine triphosphatase	JNK	Jun N-terminal kinase
5-HIAA	5-hydroxyindoleacetic acid	K	equilibrium constant
5-HT	5-hydroxytryptamine	kb	kilobase
Hb	hemoglobin	kbp	kilobase pair(s)
HBOC	Hb-based oxygen carrier	KCCT	kaolin-cephalin clotting time
HCM	hypercalcemia associated with	KIP2	cell cycle regulatory molecule
TI.	malignancy	K <sub>m</sub>	Michaelis constant
Hct	hematocrit	LACI	lipoprotein-associated coagulation
HDL HCE P	high-density lipoprotein	T G I W	inhibitor
HGF-R	hepatocyte growth factor receptor	LCAT	lecithin: cholesterol acyltransferase
HGP	Human Genome Project	LDH	lactate dehydrogenase
HGPRT	hypoxanthine-guanine	LDL	low-density lipoprotein
*****	phosphoribosyl transferase	LH	luteinizing hormone
HIV	human immunodeficiency virus	LPL	lipoprotein lipase
HLA	human leukocyte antigen (system)	LPS	lipopolysaccharide
HLH	helix-loop-helix (motif)	LRP	LDL-receptor-related protein
HMG	hydroxymethylglutaryl	M-CSF-R	macrophage colony-stimulating
HMWK	high-molecular-weight kininogen	1 = 1 2	factor receptor
HNPCC	hereditary nonpolyposis colorectal	malonyl-CoA	malonyl coenzyme A
1 - Days	cancer	Man	mannose
hnRNA	heteronuclear ribonucleic acid	Man-1-P	mannose-1-phosphate
HPLC	high-performance liquid	Man-6-P	mannose-6-phosphate
TTDM	chromatography	MAO	monoamine oxidase
HPT	hyperparathyroidism	MAPK	mitogen-activated protein kinase (a
HRT	hormone replacement therapy		superfamily of signal-transducing
HTGL	hepatic triglyceride lipase	2.0	kinases)
HTH	helix-turn-helix (motif)	Mb	myoglobin
ICAM-1	intracellular cell adhesion	MCHC	mean corpuscular hemoglobin
ton	molecule-1	Map 1	concentration
ICF	intracellular fluid	MCP-1	monocyte chemoattractant
IDDM	insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus	Man	protein-1
	(term now substituted by Type 1	MCV	mean corpuscular volume
IDI	diabetes mellitus)	MDR	multidrug resistance
IDL	intermediate-density lipoprotein	MEKK	mitogen-activated protein kinase
IdUA	L-iduronic acid	3 553 7 77 4	kinase
IEF	isoelectric focusing	MEN IIA	multiple endocrine neoplasia type
IFN-γ	interferon-γ	4 (17)	IIA
Ig	immunoglobulin	met-tRNA	methionyl-tRNA
IGF	insulin growth factor	MGUS	monoclonal gammopathy of
IGF-1	insulin-like growth factor 1	MIIG	uncertain significance
IL DAD	interleukin (IL-1 to IL-29)	MHC	major histocompatibility
IMP	inosine monophosphate	····· DATA -	complex
Inr	initiator (nucleotide sequence of	miRNAs	micro RNAs
ID I I D I A D /=+=\	a gene)	MMPs	matrix metalloproteinases
IP <sub>1</sub> I-1-P <sub>1</sub> , I-4-P <sub>1</sub> (etc.)	inositol monophosphates	MPO	myeloperoxidase
IP <sub>2</sub> , I-1,3-P <sub>2</sub> , I-1,4-P <sub>2</sub>	inositol bisphosphates	mRNA	messenger ribonucleic acid
IP <sub>3</sub> , I-1,4,5-P <sub>3</sub>	inositol trisphosphate	MRP	multidrug resistance-associated
IRE	iron response element		protein

MS	mass spectrometry	PEPCK	phosphoenolpyruvate
MSH	melanocyte-stimulating hormone		carboxykinase
MSUD	maple syrup urine disease	PF3	platelet factor 3
MyoD	muscle cell-specific transcription	PFK-1 (-2)	phosphofructokinase 1 (2)
	factor	$PGG_2$	prostaglandin $G_2$ (etc.)
Na <sup>+</sup> /K <sup>+</sup> -ATPase	sodium-potassium ATPase	PGK	phosphoglycerate kinase
NABQI	N-acetyl benzoquinoneimine	PGM	phosphoglucomutase
NAC	N-acetylcysteine	PHHI	persistent hyperinsulinemic
$NAD^{+}$	nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide		hypoglycemia of infancy
	(oxidized)	PHP	pseudohypoparathyroidism
NADH	nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide	Pi	inorganic phosphate
	(reduced)	PI-3-K	phosphoinositide-3-kinase
$NADP^{+}$	nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide	$PIP_2/PIP_3$	phosphatidylinositol bisphosphate/
	phosphate (oxidized)	(C)	trisphosphate
NADPH	nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide	PK	pyruvate kinase
	phosphate (reduced)	PKA/PKC	protein kinase A/C
NANA	N-acetylneuraminic acid (sialic	PKU	phenylketonuria
	acid)	PL	phospholipase A, etc.
ncRNAs	noncoding RNAs	PLA/PLC	phospholipase A/C
NF	nuclear factor	PMA	phorbol myristic acetate
NF-II	type II neurofibromatosis	PNS	peripheral nervous system
NGF	nerve growth factor	PPARs	
NHE		FFARS	peroxisome proliferator-activated
NIDDM	sodium-hydrogen exchanger	DD:	receptors
NIDDW	noninsulin-dependent diabetes	PPi	inorganic pyrophosphate
	mellitus (term now substituted by	PRL	prolactin
NIV.CC1	Type 2 diabetes mellitus)	PrP	prion protein
NKCC1	Na-K-Cl co-transporter 1 (etc.)	PRPP	5-phosphoribosyl-α-pyrophosphate
NMDA	N-methyl-D-aspartate	PS -	phosphatidylserine
NPY	neuropeptide Y	PT	prothrombin time
NSAID	nonsteroidal antiinflammatory	PTA	plasma thromboplastin antecedent
	drug	PTH	parathyroid hormone
nt	nucleotide (as measure of size/	PTHrP	parathyroid hormone-related
	length of a nucleic acid)		protein
$1.25(OH)_2D_3$	$1,25$ -dihydroxy vitamin $D_3$	PTK	protein tyrosine kinase
OGTT	oral glucose tolerance test	PTPase	phosphotyrosine phosphatase
8-oxoG	8-oxo-2'-deoxyguanosine	Py	pyrimidine base (in a nucleotide
OxS	oxidative stress		sequence)
3-PG	3-phosphoglycerate	R	receptor (with qualifier, not alone)
p38RK	p38-reactivating kinase	RAIDD	a 'death domain' accessory protein
Pa	pascal	Rb	retinoblastoma protein
PA	phosphatidic acid	RBC	red blood cell
PAF	platelet-activating factor	RDS	respiratory distress syndrome
PAGE	polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis	RER	rough endoplasmic reticulum
PAI-1	plasminogen activator inhibitor-1	RFLP	restriction fragment length
PAPS	phosphoadenosine phosphosulfate		polymorphism
PC	phosphatidyl choline	RIP	a 'death domain' accessory
PC	pyruvate carboxylase		protein
PCR	polymerase chain reaction	RKK	p38RK homologue of MEK
PDE	phosphodiesterase	RNA	ribonucleic acid
PDGF	platelet-derived growth factor	RNAi	RNA interference
PDH	pyruvate dehydrogenase	RNAPol I/II	RNA polymerase I/II
PDK	phosphatidylinositol dependent	RNR	ribonucleotide reductase
	kinase	RNS	reactive nitrogen species
PE	phosphatidyl ethanolamine	ROS	reactive oxygen species
PEP	phosphoenolpyruvic acid	S	Svedberg unit
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SACAIR	5-aminoimidazole-4-	TB	tuberculosis
	(N-succinylocarboxamide)	TBG	thyroid-binding globulin
	ribonucleotide	TCA	tricarboxylic acid cycle
SAM	S-adenosyl methionine	TCT	thrombin clotting time
SAPK	stress-activated protein kinase	TEG	thromboelastography
SCIDS	severe combined immunodeficiency	TF	transcription factor (with qualifier)
	syndrome	TFPI	tissue factor pathway inhibitor
scuPA	single-chain urinary-type	TG	triglyceride (triacylglycerol)
	plasminogen activator	$TGF(-\beta)$	transforming growth factor-β
SD	standard deviation	$\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{max}}$	Km for facilitated transport protein
SDS	sodium dodecyl sulfate	TNF	tumor necrosis factor
SDS-PAGE	sodium dodecyl sulfate-	TNF-R	tumor necrosis factor receptor
	polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis	tPA	tissue-type plasminogen activator
SEK	SAPK homologue of MEK	TRADD	a 'death domain' accessory protein
SER	smooth endoplasmic reticulum	TRAFS	a 'death domain' accessory protein
ser-P	serine phosphate	TRH	thyrotropin-releasing hormone
SGLT	Na <sup>+</sup> -coupled glucose symporter	TSH	thyroid-stimulating hormone
SH	(Figs only) steroid hormone		(thyrotropin)
SH2	Src-homology region-2	TTP	thymidine triphosphate
SIADH	syndrome of inappropriate	$TXA_2$	thromboxane $A_2$
	antidiuretic hormone secretion	U	uridine
siRNAs	small interfering RNAs	UCP	uncoupling protein
snRNA	small nuclear RNA	UDP	uridine diphosphate
SOD	superoxide dismutase	UDP-Gal	UDP-galactose
SPCA	serum prothrombin conversion	UDP-GalNAc	UDP-N-acetylgalactosamine
	accelerator	UDP-Glc	UDP-glucose
Src	a protein tyrosine kinase	UDP-GlcNAc	UDP-N-acetylglucosamine
SRE	steroid response element	UDP-GlcUA	UDP glucuronic acid
SREBPs	sterol regulatory element-binding	UMP	uridine monophosphate
	proteins (SREBP 1a, SREBP 1c)	uPA	urinary-type plasminogen activator
SRP	signal recognition particle	UTR	untranslated region
SSCP	single-strand conformational	UV	ultraviolet
	polymorphism	VCAM-1	vascular cell adhesion molecule 1
SSRI	selective serotonin reuptake	VDCC	voltage-dependent calcium
	inhibitor		channel
STAT	signal transducer and activator of	VIP	vasoactive intestinal peptide
	transcription	VLDL	very low-density lipoprotein
SUR	sulfonylurea receptor	vWF	von Willebrand factor
T	thymine	WAF1	cell cycle regulator
$T_3$	tri-iodothyronine	X-SCID	X-linked severe combined
$\mathrm{T}_4$	thyroxine		immunodeficiency
TAG	triacylglycerol (triglyceride)	XMP	xanthine monophosphate
TAP	transporter associated with antigen	XO	xanthine oxidase
	presentation	ZP3	zona pellucida 3 glycoprotein