

List of abbreviations

ANOVA	Analysis of variance
CV	Coefficient of variation
EAR	Estimated average requirement
EZP	Exchangeable zinc pool
F	Female
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization
FBS	Food Balance Sheets
FFQ	Food frequency questionnaire
FNB	Food and Nutrition Board (United States of America)
GRAS	Generally Regarded as Safe
IAEA	International Atomic Energy Association
IOM	Institute of Medicine (United States of America)
IP-5, IP-6	Inositol penta-phosphate, inositol hexa-phosphate
IZiNCG	International Zinc Nutrition Consultative Group
LOAEL	Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level
M	Male
MW	Molecular weight
NHANES	National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (United States of America)
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology (United States of America)
NOAEL	No Observed Adverse Effect Level
PPM	Parts per million
RDA	Recommended dietary allowance
RT-PCR	Reverse transcriptase-polymerase chain reaction
SD	Standard deviation
SOD	Superoxide dismutase
SRM	Standard reference material
US	United States of America
WHO	World Health Organization