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## List of abbreviations

AAAP	amino acid/auxin permease
AAP	amino acid permease
AAPTII	amino acid/polyamine transporter II
ABC	ATP-binding cassette
AOX1	alcohol oxidase 1
APC	amino acid-polyamine-organocation
ARS	autonomous replication sequence
ATP	adenosine 5'-triphosphate
AVT	amino acid vacuolar transport
BLAST	basic local alignment search tool
DTT	dithiothreitol
EACA	ε-aminocaproic acid
EDTA	ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid
EGTA	ethylene glycol-bis(2-aminoethylether)-N,N,N,N-tetraacetic acid
ER	endoplasmic reticulum
FRAP	fluorescence recovery after photobleaching
GAAC	general amino acid control
GABA	γ-aminobutyric acid
GFP	green fluorescent protein
K <sub>m</sub>	Michaelis constant
KPi	potassium phosphate
LCT	lysosomal cystine transporter
MC	mitochondrial carrier
MDR	multidrug resistance
MFS	major facilitator superfamily
NADH	nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide, reduced
NBD	nucleotide-binding domain
NCR	nitrogen catabolite repression
OD <sub>600</sub>	optical density at 600 nm
PCR	polymerase chain reaction
PCTP	sodium propionate, sodium cacodylate trihydrate, Bis-Tris propane
PEG	poly(ethylene glycol)
PM	plasma membrane
PMSF	phenylmethylsulfonyl fluoride

QAC	quaternary ammonium compound
RMSD	root-mean-square deviation of atomic positions
rpm	revolutions per minute
SBD	substrate-binding domain
SBP	substrate-binding protein
SDS-PAGE	sodium dodecyl sulfate polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis
SEC	size-exclusion chromatography
SPS	Ssy1-Ptr3p-Ssy5p complex
TEV	tobacco etch virus
TFE	2,2,2-trifluoroethanol
TMD	transmembrane domain
TMS	transmembrane segment
TORC1	target-of-rapamycin complex 1
Ub	ubiquitin
VBA	vacuolar basic amino acid
VM	vacuolar membrane
YAT	yeast amino acid transporter

## Amino acids and their one- and three-letter codes

Alanine	А	Ala
Arginine	R	Arg
Asparagine	Ν	Asn
Aspartate	D	Asp
Cysteine	С	Cys
Glutamine	Q	Gln
Glutamate	Е	Glu
Glycine	G	Gly
Histidine	Η	His
Isoleucine	Ι	Ile
Leucine	L	Leu
Lysine	Κ	Lys
Methionine		3.4
	$\mathbf{M}$	Met
Phenylalanine	M F	Met Phe
Phenylalanine Proline	M F P	Met Phe Pro
Phenylalanine Proline Serine	M F P S	Met Phe Pro Ser
Phenylalanine Proline Serine Threonine	M F P S T	Met Phe Pro Ser Thr
Phenylalanine Proline Serine Threonine Tryptophan	M F P S T W	Met Phe Pro Ser Thr Trp
Phenylalanine Proline Serine Threonine Tryptophan Tyrosine	M F S T W Y	Met Phe Pro Ser Thr Trp Tyr