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Units of time
s - second(s)
min - minute(s)
h - hour(s)
d - day(s)
wk - week(s)
mo - month(s)
yr - year(s)

Units of volume
µL - microliter
mL - milliliter
L - liter
dL - deciliter

Other physical units
Bq - becquerel
°C - degree Celsius
Cal - calorie
Ci - curie
cM - centimorgan (spell out morgan if used without a prefix)
Da - dalton
Eq - equivalent
g - gram
ha - hectare
Hz - hertz
IU - international unit
J - joule
lx - lux
m - meter
M - molar (concentration; preferred over mol/L)
mol - mole
N - normal (concentration)
Pa - pascal
t - metric ton (1,000 kg)
V - volt
W - watt

Statistical symbols and abbreviations
P- as in P < 0.05
ANOVA - analysis of variance
CV - coefficient of variation
df - degree(s) of freedom
F - F-distribution (variance ratio)
LSD - least significant difference
n - sample size (used parenthetically or in footnotes)
P - probability
r - simple correlation coefficient
r2 - simple coefficient of determination
R - multiple correlation coefficient
R2 - multiple coefficient of determination
s2 - variance (sample)
SD - standard deviation (sample)
SE - standard error
SED - standard error of the differences of means
SEM - standard error of the mean

Other acronyms/abbreviations
ACTH - adrenocorticotropic hormone
ADG - average daily gain
ADP - adenosine diphosphate
AI - artificial insemination
ATP - adenosine triphosphate
avg - average (use only in tables, not in the text)
BCS - body condition score
bp - base pair
BSA - bovine serum albumin
BW - body weight
cDMA - complementary deoxyribonucleic acid
C/EBP - CAAT-enhancer binding protein
cfu - colony-forming unit
CoA - coenzyme A
Co-EDTA - cobalt ethylenediaminetetraacetate
CP - crude protein (N x 6.25)
d - dextrodiam. diameter
DE - digestible energy
DNA - deoxyribonucleic acid
EBV - estimated breeding value
eCG - equine chorionic gonadotropin
EDTA - ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid
EIA - enzyme immunoassay
ELISA - enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay
Exp. - experiment (always followed by a numeral)
FFA - free fatty acid(s)
FSH - follicle-stimulating hormone
G - gravity
GE - gross energy
GLC - gas-liquid chromatography
GLM - general linear model
GnRH - gonadotropin-releasing hormone
GH - growth hormone
GHRH - growth hormone-releasing hormone
hCG - human chorionic gonadotropin
HEPES - N-(2-hydroxyethyl)piperazine-N’-2-ethanesulfonic acid
HPLC - high-performance (pressure) liquid chromatography
i.d. - inside diameter
Ig - immunoglobulin (when used to identify a specific immunoglobulin)
IGF - insulin-like growth factor
IGFBP - insulin-like growth factor-binding protein(s)
IL - interleukin
kb - kilobase(s)
LD50 - lethal dose 50%
LH - luteinizing hormone
LHRH - luteinizing hormone-releasing hormone
ME - metabolizable energy
Misc. - miscellaneous
NAD - nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide
NADH - reduced form of NAD
NDF - neutral detergent fiber
NDIN - neutral detergent insoluble nitrogen
NE - net energy
NEG - net energy for gain
NEI - net energy for lactation
NEm - net energy for maintenance
NEFA - nonesterified fatty acid
No. - number (use only in tables, not in the text)
NRC - National Research Council
o.d. - outside diameter
PAGE - polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis
PBS - phosphate-buffered saline
PCR - polymerase chain reaction
PG - prostaglandin
PMSG - pregnant mare's serum gonadotropin
PPAR - peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor
PUFA - polyunsaturated fatty acid(s)
QTL - quantitative trait locus (loci)
RFLP - restriction fragment length polymorphism
RIA - radioimmunoassay
RNA - ribonucleic acid
rpm - revolutions/minute (not to be used to indicate centrifugal force)
RQ - respiratory quotient
SDS - sodium dodecyl sulfate
SFA - saturated fatty acid
SNP - single nucleotide polymorphism
ssp. - subspecies
ST - somatotropin
spp. - species
TDN - total digestible nutrients
TLC - thin layer chromatography
Tris - tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane
USDA - US Department of Agriculture
UV - ultraviolet
VFA - volatile fatty acid(s)
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vol/vol - volume/volume (used only in parentheses)
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