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## **ABBREVIATIONS**

**11 HSD-1:** 11-hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase-1

 $\alpha_2$  Col6:  $\alpha_2$  chain of collagen 6

**ACBP:** AcylCoA binding protein

**ACC:** AcetylCoA carboxylase

**ACE:** Angiotensin-converting enzyme

**ACF:** Aberrant crypt focus

**ACRP30:** Adipocyte complement-related protein of 30 kDa

**ACS:** AcylCoA synthase

**ACTH:** Adino-cortico-trophic hormone

**ADD1:** Adipocyte determination- and differentiation-

dependent factor-1

**ADRF:** Adipocyte derived relaxing factor.

**ADSF:** Adipose tissue specific secretory factor

**AgRP:** Agouti-related peptide.

AHA: American Heart Association

**AMPc:** Cyclic AMP

**AMPK:** Adenosine mono-phosphate kinase

**AQP7:** Aquaporin 7

**ArKO mouse:** Aromatse deficient mouse

**ASP:** Acylation stimulating protein.

 $AT_1, AT_2$ : Angiotensin receptors 1,2

**ATP:** Adult Treatment Panel

**ATP-CL:** ATP-citrate lyase

**bHLH:** Basic-helix-loop-helix

**BMI:** Body mass index

**C/EBP:** CCAAT/enhancer binding protein

**CART:** Cocaine- and amphetamine-regulated transcript

**CCK:** Cholecystokinin

CETP: Cholesteryl ester transfer protein

**CNS**: Central nervous system

**CORS-26:** Collagenous repeat containing sequence of 26 kDa

protein

**COX-1 and COX-2:** Cyclooxygenases.

**CRC:** Colorectal carcinoma

**CRH:** Corticotropin-releasing hormone

**CS**: Citrate synthase

**DGAT** Diacylglycerol acyltransferase

**DR-1-Motif** Direct repeat of the nuclear receptor hexameric DNA

core recognition motif spaced by one nucleotide

**ECM** Extracellular matrix

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**EGR2:** Early growth response 2

**eNOS:** endothelial nitric oxide synthase

**ER:** Endoplasmic reticulum

**ES:** Embryonic stem

**FA:** Fatty acid.

**FABP:** Fatty acid binding protien

**FAS:** Fatty acid synthase

**FATP:** Free fatty acid transporter protein

**FFA:** Free fatty acid

**FIZZ3:** Fond in inflammatory zone.

**Foxa2:** Forkhead box A2

**Foxo1:** Forkhead box O1

**FSH:** Follicle-stimulating hormone

**GATA-2 and GATA-3:** GATA-binding protein-2 and -3

**GBP28:** Gelatin-binding protein of 28 kDa

**GH:** Growth hormon

**GHRH:** Growth hormone releasing hormone

**GLP-1:** Glucagon-like peptide 1

**Glut-4:** Glucose transporter-4.

**GM-CSF:** Granulocyte-macrophage colony-stimulating factor

**GPDH:** Glycerol-3-phosphate dehydrogenase

**HGF:** Hepatocyte growth factor

**HLP IIItype:** III Hyperlipoproteinemia

**HOMA:** Homeostasis Model Assessment

**HPA:** Hypothalamic-pituitary axis

**HSL:** Hormone sensitive lipase

**IBMX:** Isobutylmethylxanthine

**ICAM-1:** Adhesion molecule-1

**IGF-I:** Insulin-like growth factor I

**IgG:** Immunoglobulin G

**IKK:** IkappaB kinase

**IL-10:** Interleukin-10

**IL-6:** Interleukin- interleukin-6

**IL-8:** Interleukin-8

**iNOS:** Inducible nitric oxide synthase

**IRS-1:** Insulin receptor substrate-1

**JNK:** c-Jun NH<sub>2</sub> –terminal kinase

**KDa:** Kilo Daltone

**Kg**: Kilogram

**KLF5:** Krüppel-like transcription factor 5

**LCAT:** Lecithin: cholesterol acyltransferase

**LDL:** Low-density lipoprotein

**LEPR:** Leptin receptor

**LH:** Leutinizing hormon

**LPL:** Lipoprotien lipase

**LPS:** Lipopolysaccharides

**MAPK:** Mytogen activated protein kinase

**MCP-1**: Monocyte chemoattractant protein-1

**ME:** Malic enzyme

**MIX:** Methylisobutylxanthine

**MSH:** Melanocyte Stimulating Hormon

**NCEP:** National Cholesterol Education Program

**NF**K**B**: Nuclear factor kappaB.

**NHLBI:** the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute

**nM**: Nanometer

**NO:** Nitric oxide

**NPY:** Neuropeptide Y

**Ob-R(a,b,c,d,e):** Leptin receptors

**OSA:** Obstructive sleep apnea

**oxLDL:** Oxidized Low Density Lipoproteins

**PAI-1:** Plasminogen activating inhibitor-1

**PDH:** Pyruvate dehydrogenase

**PGE2:** Prostaglandine E2

**PGI2:** Prostaglandine I2

**PI3K:** The Phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase

**PKA:** Protein kinase A

**PLTP:** Phospholipid transfer protein

**POMC:** Pro-opiomelanocortin

**PPAR-7:** Peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor-7;

**PPREs:** PPAR response elements

**pref-1:** preadipocyte factor-1

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**PYY:** Peptide YY

**RA:** Retinoic acid

**RAAS:** Renin angiotensin-aldosterone system.

**Rb:** retinoblastoma protein

**RELM:** Resistin-like molecule

**r-metHuLeptin:** Recombinant methionyl human leptin

**ROS:** Reactive oxygen species

**RXR**: Retinoid X receptor

**SMAD-3:** Drosophila homolog 3

**SOCS-3:** Suppression of cytokine signalling-3

**SREBP1:** Sterol regulatory element binding protein-1

**T4:** Thyroxine

**TAG:** Triacyleglycerol

**TAZ:** PDZ-binding motif

**Tg mouse:** Transgenic mouse

**TG:** Triglyceride

**TGFβ:** The transforming growth factor beta

**TNFR I and II:** Tumour necrosis factor  $\alpha$  receptors I, II

**TNFa:** Tumour necrosis factor  $\alpha$ 

**tPA:** Tissue-type plasminogen activator

**TSH:** Thyroid stimulating hormon

**TZD:** Thiazolidinedione

**uPA:** Urokinase-type plasminogen activator

**VEGF**: Vascular endothelial growth factor

**VLDL:** Very low density lipoproteins

**WAT:** White adipose tissue

**WHO**: World Health Organization.

**WHR:** Waist-hip ratio

Wnt-10b: Wingless-type MMTV integration site family

member 10b.

**WOSCOPS:** West of Scotland Coronary Prevention Study