List of Abbreviations

AAB	Association of Applied Biologists	IMP	Individual Merit Promotion
ACRE	Advisory Committee on Releases to the Environment	ISHS	International Society for Horticultural Science
ADAS	Agricultural Development and Advisory Service	ISPP	International Society for Plant Pathology
BBSRC	Biotechnology & Biological Sciences Research Council	IVEM	Institute of Virology and Environmental Microbiology
BCPC	British Crop Protection Council	MAFF	Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries and Food
BioSS	Biomathematics and Statistics Scotland	MLURI	Macaulay Land Use Research Institute
BPC	British Potato Council	MRI	Moredun Research Institute
BSPB	British Society of Plant Breeders	NERC	National Environmental Research Council
BTG	British Technology Group	NFT	National Fruit Trials
CAPS	Cleaved Amplified Polymorphic Sequence	NFU	National Farmers Union
CEC	Commission of the European Communities	NIR	Near Infra-Red
CHABOS	Committee of Heads of Agricultural and Biological	NMR	Nuclear Magnetic Resonance
	Organisations in Scotland	NPTC	National Proficiency Test Council
CIP	International Potato Centre - Peru	ORSTOM	Organisation for research in science and technology overseas
COST	European Co-operation in the field of Scientific and	PCR	Polymerase Chain Reaction
	Technical Research	PD	Post-doctorate
DfID	Department for International Development	PVRO	Plant Variety Rights Office
EAPR	European Association for Potato Research	RAPD	Randomly Amplified Polymorphic DNA
ECRR	Edinburgh Centre for Rural Research	RFLP	Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism
ECSA	European Chips and Snacks Association	RNAi	RNA interference
EHF	Experimental Husbandry Farm	RRI	Rowett Research Institute
ELISA	Enzyme linked immunosorbent assay	SABRI	Scottish Agricultural and Biological Research Institutes
EPPO	European Plant Protection Organisation	SAC	Scottish Agricultural College
ESTs	Expressed Sequence Tagged Sites	SASA	Scottish Agricultural Science Agency
FF	Flexible Funding (SEARAD)	SCRI	Scottish Crop Research Institute
FLAIR	Food-Linked Agro-Industrial Research	SEB	Society for Experimental Biology
GILB	Global Initiative on Late Blight	SERAD	Scottish Executive Rural Affairs Department
GIUS	Glasshouse Investigational Unit for Scotland	SET	Scottish Enterprise Tayside
H-GCA	Home-Grown Cereals Authority	SNSA	Scottish Nuclear Stocks Association
HDC	Horticultural Development Council	SPD	Senior Post-doctorate
HPLC	High Performance Liquid Chromatography	SSCR	Scottish Society for Crop Research
HRI	Hannah Research Institute	SSFG	Scottish Soft Fruit Growers Ltd
IACR	Institute of Arable Crops Research	STS	Sequence Tagged Sites
ICTV	International Committee for the Taxonomy of Viruses	UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
IOBC	International Organisation for Biological Control	WHO	World Health Organisation