

8 Appendix

8.1 Abbreviations

ATP	adenosine triphosphate
BoNT	botulinum neurotoxine
BSA	bovine serum albumine
CD	circular dichroism
DTT	dithiothreitol
EDTA	ethylene diamine tetraacetic acid
EPR	electron paramagnetic resonance
FCS	fluorescence correlataion spectroscopy
Fig	figure
FRET	fluorescence resonance energy transfer
G	Gauss
HEPES	N-(2-hydroxyethyl)-piperazin-N'-2-ethanesulfonic acid
IPTG	isopropylthiogalactoside
kDa	kilodalton
LB	Luria Bertani (medium)
MALLS	multi angle laser light scattering
NEM	N-ethylmaleimide
NMR	nuclear magnetic resonance
NSF	N-ethylmaleimide sensitive factor
OG	octylglucoside
PAGE	polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis
PBS	phosphate buffered saline
PCR	polymerase chain reaction
PMSF	phenyl methyl sulfonyl fluoride
r	anisotropy
rpm	revolutions per minute
Syb	synaptobrevin
SDS	sodium dodecyl sulfate
SNAP	soluble NSF attachment protein
SNAP-25	synaptosomal associated protein of 25 kDa
SNARE	SNAP-receptor
Syx	syntaxin
TeNT	tetanus neurotoxine
Tris	tris-(hydroxymethyl)-aminoethane

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