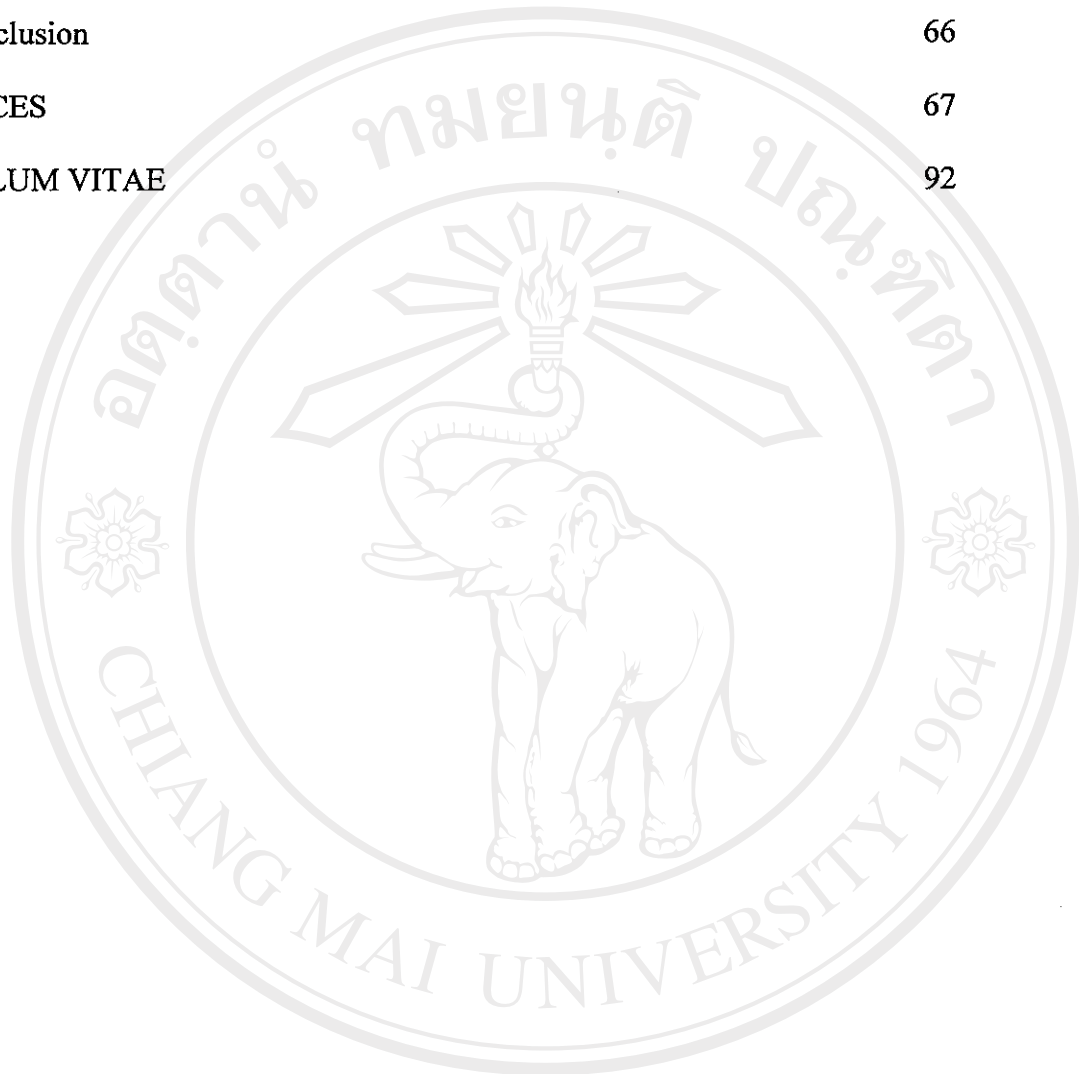


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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

BSA	Bovine serum albumin
cAMP	cyclic adenosine monophosphate
cm	centrimeter
COC	Cumulus oocyte complexes
CO ₂	Carbon dioxide
CR1aa	Serum free amino acid medium
CZB	Chatot-Ziomek-Bavister medium
°C	Celsius degree
DFR	Dominant follicle removal
EGF	Epidermal growth factor
FCS	Fetal calf serum
FSH	Follicle stimulating hormone
HAS	Human albumin serum
hCG	Human chorionic gonadotrophin
HECM	Hamster embryo culture medium
ID	Internal diameter
IGF	Insulin-like growth factor
IU	International unit
IVC	In vitro culture
IVF	In vitro fertilization
IVM	In vitro maturation

IVP	In vitro embryo production
L	liter
LH	Luteinizing hormone
mg	milligram
ml	milliliter
mm	millimeter
MOET	Multiple ovulation and embryo transfer
mRNA	Messenger ribonucleic acid
n-OPU	Non-ultrasound guided transvaginal ovum pick-up
OPU	Ultrasound guided transvaginal ovum pick-up
O ₂	Oxygen
PBS	Phosphate buffer saline
PG	Prostaglandin
PMSG	Pregnant mare serum gonadotrophin
%	Percentage
SOF	Synthetic oviductal fluid
TALP	Tyrosine-albumin-lactate-pyruvate medium
TGF	Transforming growth factor