

ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ABC	American Broadcasting Company
AMI	American Media Incorporated
BSE	bovine spongiform encephalopathy
BWC	Biological and Toxin Weapons Convention
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service
CBS	Columbia Broadcasting System
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (United States)
CNS	central nervous system
CPAP	continuous positive airway pressure
CWC	Chemical Weapons Convention
DMPS	dimercaptosuccinic acid
DMSA	dimercapto-1-propanesulfonic acid
ELISA	enzyme-linked immunoabsorbent assay
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
FBI	Federal Bureau of Investigation (United States)
GC	gas capillary column chromatography
GC–MS	gas chromatography–mass spectrometry
GMP	good manufacturing practices
GP	Geneva Protocol
HACCP	Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point
HEPA	high-efficiency particulate arresting
HPLC	high-performance liquid chromatography
ICGEB	International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology
IHR	International Health Regulations
ILO	International Labour Organization
IPCS	International Programme on Chemical Safety
IPE	individual protective equipment

MCDU	Military and Civil Defence Unit (OCHA)
NBC	National Broadcasting Company
NMDA	<i>N</i> -methyl-D-aspartate
OCHA	Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (United Nations)
OIE	World Organisation for Animal Health
OPCW	Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons
OPIDN	organophosphate-induced delayed neuropathy
OSOCC	On Site Operations Coordination Centre (OCHA)
PAVA	pelargonic acid vanillylamide
PCR	polymerase chain reaction
PEEP	positive-end expiratory pressure
PFIB	Perfluoroisobutene
PVC	polyvinyl chloride
RADS	reactive airways dysfunction syndrome
SEB	staphylococcal enterotoxin B
SIPRI	Stockholm International Peace Research Institute
TEPP	tetraethyl pyrophosphate
TICs	toxic industrial chemicals
UNDAC	United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination (OCHA)
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNSCOM	United Nations Special Commission
USAMRIID	United States Army Research Institute for Infectious Diseases
USPS	United States Postal Service
WFP	World Food Programme (United Nations)
WHO	World Health Organization