## **ABBREVIATIONS**

For convenience, the following abbreviations are used in this thesis:

LPC : Lysophosphatidylcholine

SPG : Sphingomyelin

PC : Phosphatidylcholine

PI : Phosphatidyl inositol

PS : Phosphatidyl serine

PE : Phosphatidylethanolamine

CHO: Cholesterol

PL : Phospholipids

CHO/PL : Cholesterol-Phospholipid ratio

TL: Total lipids

NL : Neutral lipids