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ABBREVIATIONS

**Acad.** Cicero, Academica

**Fin.** Cicero, De Finibus

**DC** Decleva Caizzi, Pirrone: Testimonianze ([10] in Bibliography)

**DK** Diels-Kranz, Fragmente der Vorsokratiker

**DL** Diogenes Laertius, Lives of the Philosophers

**IG** Inwood and Gerson, Hellenistic Philosophy: Introductory Readings (2nd edn.)

**LS** Long and Sedley, The Hellenistic Philosophers ([24] in Bibliography)

**Col.** Plutarch, Adversus Colotem (Against Colotes)

**M** Sextus Empiricus, Adversus Mathematicos

**PH** Sextus Empiricus, Outlines of Pyrrhonism

**SVF** Stoicorum Veterum Fragmenta

**TLG** Thesaurus Linguae Graecae

Other abbreviations for ancient texts are given in the Index Locorum.