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## Abbreviations

ADCV	Archiv des Deutschen Caritas-Verbandes
ADF	Archiv der deutschen Frauenbewegung
ADW	Archiv des Diakonischen Werkes der evangelischen Kirche in Deutschland
ÄGSE	Ärztliche Gesellschaft für Sexualwissenschaft und Eugenik
AKAK	<i>Archiv für Kriminal-Anthropologie und Kriminalistik</i>
AKDF	Archiv des katholischen deutschen Frauenbundes
AKDS	Allgemeine Konferenz der deutschen Sittlichkeitsvereine
AR	<i>Allgemeine Rundschau</i>
ARGB	<i>Archiv für Rassen- und Gesellschaftsbiologie</i>
BAK	Bundesarchiv Koblenz
BDF	Bund deutscher Frauenvereine
BfM	Bund für Mutterschutz
BMBU	Berliner Männerbund zur Bekämpfung der Unsittlichkeit
CAIM	Centrallausschuss für Innere Mission
CBDF	<i>Centralblatt des Bundes deutscher Frauenvereine</i>
CF	<i>Die christliche Frau</i> , journal of the KDF
DCV	Deutscher Caritasverband
DEF	Deutsch-Evangelischer Frauenbund
DFHS	Deutscher Frauenverein zur Hebung der Sittlichkeit
DGBG	Deutsche Gesellschaft zur Bekämpfung der Geschlechtskrankheiten
DMB	Deutscher Monistenbund
DNBM	Deutsche Nationalkomitee zur internationalen Bekämpfung des Mädchenhandels
DZIAF	Deutscher Zweig, International Abolitionist Federation
EFZ	<i>Evangelische Frauenzeitung</i> , journal of the DEF

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EZA	Evangelisches Zentral-Archiv
<i>Frau</i>	<i>Die Frau: Monatsschrift für das gesamte Frauenleben unserer Zeit</i>
<i>Frauenblätter</i>	<i>Frauenblätter zur Hebung der öffentlichen Sittlichkeit</i> , journal of the DFHS
GE	Gemeinschaft der Eigenen
GG	<i>Geschlecht und Gesellschaft</i>
<i>Gleichheit</i>	<i>Die Gleichheit: Zeitschrift für die Interessen der Arbeiterinnen</i>
GSAPKB	Geheimes Staatsarchiv Preussischer Kulturbesitz
HLA	Helene-Lange-Archiv
<i>HPB</i>	<i>Historisch-Politische Blätter</i>
IAF	Internationale Abolitionistische Föderation
IBMS	Internationale Bund für Mutterschutz und Sexualreform
IGS	Internationale Gesellschaft für Sexualforschung
JFB	Jüdischer Frauenbund
<i>JSZ</i>	<i>Jahrbuch für sexuelle Zwischenstufen</i> , journal of the WHK
<i>KB</i>	<i>Korrespondenzblatt der Berliner Vereine zur Bekämpfung der öffentlichen Sittenlosigkeit</i> , journal of the AKDS
KDF	Katholischer deutscher Frauenbund
KFV	Katholischer Fürsorgeverein für Mädchen, Frauen und Kinder
KMV	Kölner Männerverein für die Bekämpfung der öffentlichen Unsittlichkeit
LAB	Landesarchiv Berlin
MDGBG	<i>Mitteilungen der Deutschen Gesellschaft zur Bekämpfung der Geschlechtskrankheiten</i>
MMSV	Marianische Mädchenschutzvereine
MWHK	<i>Mitteilungen des wissenschaftlich-humanitären Komitees</i>
NDB	<i>Neue Deutsche Biographie</i> , ed. Bayerische Akademie der Wissenschaften, Historische Kommission (Berlin: Duncker & Humblot, 1953–2007)
NG	<i>Die Neue Generation</i>
NZ	<i>Die Neue Zeit</i>
PAR	<i>Politisch-Anthropologische Revue</i>
RStGB	Reichsstrafgesetzbuch
SAM	Staatsarchiv München
SBVR	<i>Stenographische Berichte über die Verhandlungen des Reichstages</i>
SM	<i>Sozialistische Monatshefte</i>
SP	<i>Sexual-Probleme</i>
VBWHK	<i>Vierteljahrsberichte des wissenschaftlich-humanitären Komitees</i>

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VFF	Verband Fortschrittlicher Frauenvereine
VFJM	Verein der Freundinnen junger Mädchen
VJS	Verein Jugendschutz
WHK	Wissenschaftlich-humanitäre Komitee
WSV	Westdeutscher Sittlichkeitsverein
ZBG	<i>Zeitschrift für Bekämpfung der Geschlechtskrankheiten</i>
ZSW	<i>Zeitschrift für Sexualwissenschaft</i>