

ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

AIDS	acquired immunodeficiency syndrome	lb	pound
ATP	adenosine triphosphate	m	meter
bid	two times a day	mEq	milliequivalent
C	Celsius; centigrade	mg	milligram
CBC	complete blood cell (count)	min	minute
Ch.	chapter	mL	milliliter
cm	centimeter	mm	millimeter
CO₂	carbon dioxide	mOsm	milliosmole
CPR	cardiopulmonary resuscitation	MRI	magnetic resonance imaging
CT	computed tomography	ng	nanogram (= millimicrogram)
dL	deciliter (= 100 mL)	oz	ounce
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid	pH	hydrogen ion concentration
ECG	electrocardiogram	po	orally
EEG	electroencephalogram	prn	as needed
eg	for example	q	every
ESR	erythrocyte sedimentation rate	qid	four times a day
F	Fahrenheit	RNA	ribonucleic acid
FDA	Food and Drug Administration	sc	subcutaneous(ly)
g	gram	SD	standard deviation
h	hour	sec	second
H₂	histamine	sq	square
Hb	hemoglobin	tid	three times a day
Hct	hematocrit	U	unit
Hg	mercury	vs.	versus
HIV	human immunodeficiency virus	wk	week
HLA	human leukocyte antigen	yr	year
Hz	hertz (cycles per second)	µg	microgram
ie	that is	µL	microliter
Ig	immunoglobulin	µm	micrometer; micron
IM	intramuscular(ly)	µU	microunit
IU	international unit	/	per
IV	intravenous(ly)	<	less than
kcal	kilocalorie (food calorie)	>	more than
kg	kilogram	≤	equal to or less than
L	liter	≥	equal to or more than
		+/-	plus or minus