

GLOSSARY OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

The following acronyms and abbreviations appear within the pages of this Special Report supplement.

ABD	Abdomen	DBP	Diastolic blood pressure
ACEI	Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor	DM	Diabetes mellitus
Alb	Albumin	DOE	Dyspnea on exertion
ALT	Alanine transaminase (SGPT)	E – A	Patient says E,E,E, comes out A, A, A upon auscultation of lung showing consolidation
AO	Alert and oriented	ECASA	Enteric coated aspirin
APTT	Activated partial thromboplastin time	ECG	Electrocardiogram
ASA	Aspirin	ECHO model	Economic, clinical, and humanistic outcomes
AST	Aspartate transaminase (SGOT)	ECHO	Echocardiogram
AV	Atrioventricular	EF	Ejection fraction
AWMI	Anterior wall myocardial infarction	ER	Emergency room
BBs	Beta-blockers	ERPF	Effective renal plasma flow
b.i.d.	Twice daily	ESRD	End-stage renal disease
Bili	Bilirubin	ETOH	Ethyl alcohol
BMI	Body mass index	EXT	Extremity
BP	Blood pressure	FDA	Food and Drug Administration
BSO	Bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy	FOB	Fraction of benefit
BUN	Blood urea nitrogen	GEN	General
C/O	Complained of	GGT	Gamma-glutamyl transferase
CABG	Coronary artery bypass graft	Glu	Glucose
CAD	Coronary artery disease	GFR	Glomerular filtration rate
CBC	Complete blood count	GU	Genitourinary
CCB	Calcium channel blocker	HbA_{1c}	Hemoglobin A _{1c}
CHD	Coronary heart disease	Hgb	Hemoglobin
CHF	Congestive heart failure	Hct	Hematocrit
CL	Chloride	HDL	High-density lipoprotein
cm	Centimeter	HEENT	Head, eyes, ears, nose, and throat
CO₂	Carbon dioxide	HMO	Health maintenance organization
COR	Coronary	HOT	Hypertension Optimal Treatment study
Cr	Creatinine	HR	Heart rate
CVA	Cardiovascular accident	Ht	Height
CVP	Central venous pressure	HTN	Hypertension
CXR	Chest X ray		

INR	International normalized ratio	PMI	Point of maximal impulse
JVD	Jugular venous distension	PND	Paroxysmal nocturnal dyspnea
JNC-VI	The Sixth Report of the Joint National Committee on the Prevention, Detection, Evaluation, and Treatment of High Blood Pressure	PO	By mouth
K	Potassium	Post-MI	Post-myocardial infarction
KCl	Potassium chloride	PRA	Plasma renin activity
kg	Kilogram	prn	Take as needed
LAD	Left anterior descending artery	PT	Prothrombin time
lb	Pound	QALY	Quality-adjusted life year
LDH	Lactic dehydrogenase	qd	Once daily
LDL	Low-density lipoprotein	RAA	Renin-angiotensin aldosterone
LFT	Liver function test	RECT	Rectal
LSB	Left sternal border	RR	Respiratory rate
LV	Left ventricular	SAVE	Survival and Ventricular Enlargement trial
LVD	Left ventricular dysfunction	S/P	Status post
LVH	Left ventricular hypertrophy	SCr	Serum creatinine
MCL	Midclavicular line	SEM	Systolic ejection murmur
MD	Medical doctor	SGOT	Serum glutamic oxaloacetic transaminase (AST)
MI	Myocardial infarction	SOB	Shortness of breath
Na	Sodium	SOLVD	Studies of Left Ventricular Dysfunction
NEURO	Neurology	T	Temperature
NHANES-III	National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey	Tab	Tablet
NKDA	No known drug allergies	TAH	Total abdominal hysterectomy
nl	Normal	TC	Total cholesterol
NSAID	Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug	TG	Triglycerides
NSR	Normal sinus rhythm	t.i.d.	Three times a day
OA	Osteoarthritis	UA	Urinalysis
OTC	Over the counter	URI	Upper respiratory infection
PERRLA	Pupils equal, round, regular, react to light and accommodation	VS	Vital signs
PGI₂	Prostacyclin	WD WN	Well developed well nourished
		WNL	Within normal limits
		Wt	Weight
		YLS	Years of life saved