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A	absorbance (spectrophotometry)	AAA	abdominal aortic aneurysm
A	acceleration	AAA	acute anxiety attack
A	acceptor	AAA	Alcoholics Anonymous Association ("Triple A")
A	accommodation	AAA	American Academy of Allergists
A	acetum; vinegar	AAA	American Association of Anatomists
A	acid	AAA	American Anthropological Association
A	adenine	AAADS	American Academy of Applied Dental Science
A	adenosine	AAALAC	American Association for Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care
A	adrenaline	AAAN	American Academy of Applied Nutrition
A	albumin	AAAP	American Association of Applied Psychology
A	ampère	AAAS	American Association for the Advancement of Science
A	amphetamine	AAB	American Association of Bioanalysts
A	ampicillin	AAB, AAb	anti-antibodies
A	androsterone	AABB	American Association of Blood Banks
A	anode	AABF	afferent arteriole blood flow
A	argon	AACC	American Association of Clinical Chemists
A ( <i>ophth</i> )	axis	AACCN	American Association of Critical Care Nurses
A	total acidity	AACHP	American Association for Comprehensive Health Planning
a	annum; year	AACP	American Academy for Cerebral Palsy
a	ante (L); before, in front of	AACP	American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy
a	anterior	AACPR	American Association of Cleft Palate Rehabilitation
a	asymmetric	AACR	American Association for Cancer Research
a	axial	AACR	American Association of Clinical Research
A.	aqua; water (also: Aq.)		
A.	arteria (L); artery		
A <sup>-</sup>	anion		
Å	Ångström unit		
A1, A2	aortic first (second) sound		
AA	achievement age		
AA	Alcoholics Anonymous (= AAA)		
AA	amino acid		
AA	amino acid arylamidase		
AA	anticipatory avoidance		
AA	aortic area		
AA	aplastic anemia		
AA	application area		
AA	Association of Anaesthetists (UK)		
Aa.	arteriae (L); arteries		
A.a.	alopecia areata		
āā	ana partes aequales (L); equal parts of each		

AAD	alloxazine adenine dinucleotide (=FAD)	AAHM	American Association of the History of Medicine
AAD	alpha-acetyldigoxin	AAHP	American Association of Hospital Planning
AAD	American Academy of Dermatology	AAHPER	American Academy for Health, Physical Education and Recreation
AADM	American Academy of Dental Medicine	AAI	American Association of Immunologists
AADN	American Association of Doctor's Nurses	AAID	American Association of Implant Dentures
AADP	American Academy of Denture Prosthetics	AAIIP	Alfred Adler Institute for Individual Psychology (USA)
AADP	aminopyridine adenine dinucleotide phosphate	AAIN	American Association of Industrial Nurses
AADR	American Academy of Dental Radiology	AAIT	American Association of Inhalation Therapists
AADS	American Academy of Dermatology and Syphilology	AAL	anterior axillary line
AADS	American Association of Dental Schools	AALAS	American Association of Laboratory Animal Science
AAE	active assistive exercise	AAM	American Academy of Microbiology
AAE	acute allergic encephalitis	AAMA	American Association of Medical Assistants
AAE	American Association of Endodontists	AAMC	American Association of Medical Clinics
AAF	acetic-alcohol-formalin (fixing substance)	AAMC	American Association of Medical Colleges
AAF	acetylamino-fluorine	AAME	N-acetylarginine methyl-ester
AAF	(adrenal) ascorbic acid (depletion) factor	AAMI	Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (USA)
AAF	anti-atelectasis factor (= LAS)	AAMIH	American Association for Maternal and Infant Health
AAFMC	American Association of Foundations for Medical Care	AAMMC	American Association of Medical Milk Commissioners
AAFP	American Academy of Family Practice	AAMPR	American Association of Medico-Physical Research
AAG	aortoarteriography	AAMRL	American Association of Medical Record Librarians
AAGL	American Association of Gynecological Laparoscopists	AAN	American Academy of Neurology
AAGP	American Academy of General Practice (now AAFP)		
AAGUS	American Association of Genito-Urinary Surgery		
AAHD	American Academy of the History of Dentistry		

AAN	aminoacetonitril bisulfate	AAPB	American Association of Pathologists and Bacteriologists
AANA	American Association of Nurse Anesthetists	AAPCC	American Association of Psychiatric Clinics for Children
AAO	Academy of Applied Osteopathy (USA)	AAPHD	American Association of Public Health Dentists
AAO	American Academy of Otolaryngology	AAPHP	American Association of Public Health Physicians
AAO	American Association of Orthodontists	AAPMR	American Association of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
AAO	American Association of Osteopathy	AAPS	American Association of Physicians and Surgeons
AAO	amino acid oxidase (= DAAO)	AAPS	American Association of Plastic Surgeons
AAOC	American Association of Osteopathic Colleges	AAPT	American Academy of Physical Therapy
AAOG	American Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists	AAR	antigen-antibody reaction
AAOGAS	American Association of Obstetricians, Gynecologists and Abdominal Surgeons	AART	American Association for Rehabilitation Therapy
AAOM	American Academy of Occupational Medicine	AART	American Association for Respiratory Therapy
AAOMS	American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (Chicago)	AAS	alkyl aryl sulphonate
AAOO	American Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology	AAS	anthrax antiserum
AAOP	American Academy of Oral Pathology	AAS	aortic arch syndrome
AAOS	American Association of Orthopedic Surgeons	AAS	atomic absorption spectrometry
AAP	alanine aminopeptidase	AAS	Australian Academy of Science (Canberra)
AAP	alcohol-induced acute pancreatitis	AASLD	American Academy for the Study of Liver Diseases
AAP	American Academy of Pediatrics	AASP	American Association for Social Psychiatry
AAP	American Academy of Pedodontics	AAST	American Association for the Surgery of Trauma
AAP	American Academy of Periodontology	AAT	alpha-1-antitrypsine
AAP	American Academy of Psychotherapists	AAT	aspartate aminotransferase
AAPA	American Association of Physicians' Assistants	AATCC	American Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists
		AATM	American Academy of Tropical Medicine
		AATP	American Academy of Tuberculosis Physicians

AA-tRNA	aminoacyl transport ribonucleic acid	intervention	regarding airways, breathing and circulation (sometimes referred to as ABC of Resuscitation: airways, breathing, circulation, drugs, ECG, fluids, gauging, hypothermia, intensive care)
AATS	American Association for Thoracic Surgery	ABCP	Association of Blind Chartered Physiotherapists
AAUS	Associated Anesthetists of the United States of America	ABC plaster	hyperemizing plaster (with extracts of arnica, belladonna and capsicum)
AAV	adeno-associated viruses	ABC solution	boric acid and carbolic acid solution
AAV	AIDS associated virus (= HIV)	ABC test	area-brightness comparison test
AAV	Allgemeen Apothekers Verbond; General Association of Pharmacists (The Netherlands)	ABC test ( <i>ophth</i> )	
AAVC	accessory atrioventricular connection (= AAVP)	ABC ABC, abc ( <i>dent</i> )	axiobuccocervical
AAVP	accessory atrioventricular pathway (= AACV)	ABD	anastomose bilio-digestive (F); anastomosis between bile duct and intestine
AB	abortion	ABE	acute bacterial endocarditis
AB	Aid to the Blind	ABERP	accessory bundle effective refractory period (= APERP, ERP-AB, ERP-AP)
AB, Ab	antibody	ABF	androgen-binding fraction
AB	apex beat	ABG	arterial blood gases
AB	asthma bronchiale (L), asthmatic bronchitis	ABG, abg ( <i>dent</i> )	axiobuccogingival
AB, ab ( <i>dent</i> )	axiobuccal	ABJ	anastomose bilio-jejunal (F); anastomosis between bile duct and jejunum
A.B.	Artium Baccalaureus (L); Bachelor of Arts	ABL, abl ( <i>dent</i> )	axiobuccolingual
A>B	air greater than bone (conduction)	ABMP	2-amino-5-bromo-6-methyl-4(3H)-pyrimidinone
ABA	American Burn Association	ABO	absent bed occupancy
ABB	antibody-coated bacteria (test) (= ACB)	ABO	A-B-O system (of blood grouping)
abbr.	abbreviation, abbreviated	ABOB	anhydrous bis-hydroxyethyl biguanide
ABC	antigen-binding capacity	ABP	acute biliary pancreatitis
ABC	atomic, biological, chemical (warfare)		
ABC ( <i>imm</i> )	avidin biotin peroxidase complex		
ABCC	Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission		
ABC apparatus	orthodontic device developed by E.H. Angle, H.A. Baker and C.S. Case		
ABC	reanimation procedures		

ABP	androgen-binding protein	AC ( <i>pharm</i> )	anti-inflammatory corticosteroid
ABP	arterial blood pressure	AC ( <i>card</i> )	arythmie complète (F); absolute arrhythmia
ABPA	allergic bronchopulmonary aspergillosis	AC ( <i>anat</i> )	atriocarotid (or auriculo-carotid)
ABPI	Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry	AC, ac ( <i>dent</i> )	axiocervical
ABPP	2-amino-5-bromo-6-phenyl-4(3H)-pyrimidinone	A.C.	Académie de Chirurgie; Academy of Surgery (France)
abPV	aberrant pulmonary vein(s)	a.c. ( <i>otorhin</i> )	ad concham (L); just audible
ABR	Abortus Bang Ringprobe (G) (test)	a.c. ( <i>pharm</i> )	ante cenam, ante cibos (L); before meals (Rx)
ABR	absolute bed rest	ACA	American Chiropractic Association
ABR	auditory (or acoustic) brainstem response	ACA	American College of Allergists
ABr test	agglutination test for brucellosis	ACA	American College of Anesthesiologists
ABS	acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene copolymers	ACA	American College of Angiology
ABS	acute brain syndrome	ACA	American College of Apothecaries
ABS	adaptive biosignal	ACA ( <i>pharm</i> )	(epsilon)-aminocaproic acid (= EACA)
ABS	alkylbenzyl sulfonate	ACA ( <i>anat</i> )	anterior cerebral artery
ABS	Australian Biochemical Society	ACA	automatic clinical analyzer
abs.	absent	ACA ratio	ratio of accommodative convergence and accommodation
abs.	absolute	ACAT	acyl-CoA-cholesterol acyltransferase
abs.feb.	absente febre (L); in the absence of fever	ACB	antibody-coated bacteria (= ABB)
ABTS	2,2'-azino-di-(3-ethylbenzothiazoline sulfonate)	ACB	aorto-coronary bypass
ABVD regimen	cytotoxic combination therapy with adriamycin, bleomycin, vinblastin and DTIC	ACC	accelerin-convertin, factor VI and VII
ABY	acid bismuth yeast (agar)	ACC	acidocillin
AC	acetylcholine (= ACh, AcCh)	ACC	adenoid cystic carcinoma
AC	adrenal cortex (or corticosteroid)	ACC	alveolar cell carcinoma
AC	air conditioning	ACC	American College of Cardiology
AC	air conduction	ACC	anodal closure contraction
AC ( <i>phys</i> )	alternating current	acc.	accommodation
AC ( <i>obst</i> )	amniocentesis		
AC	analogue computer		
AC ( <i>physiol</i> )	anodal closure		
AC ( <i>ophth</i> )	anterior chamber		
AC	anticoagulant(s)		

A.c.c.	arteria carotis communis; common carotid artery	ACFS	American College of Foot Surgeons
ACCA	American Clinical and Cli- matological Association	ACG	acycloguanosine
ACCG	apex-carotid cardiogram	ACG	American College of Gas- troenterology
AcCh	acetylcholine (= ACh)	ACG	angiocardiology
ACCI	anodal closure clonus	ACG	aortocoronarography
AcCoA	acetyl coenzyme A	ACG	apex cardiography
ACCP	American College of Chest Physicians	AcG	accelerator globulin (factor V)
ACD	absolute cardiac dullness	ACGME	Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Educa- tion (USA)
ACD	acid citrate dextrose		
ACD	actinomycin D		
ACD	American College of Den- tists	ACGP	American College of Gen- eral Practitioners
ACD	anterior chest diameter	ACH	active chronic hepatitis
ACD, A.c.d.	arteria coronaria dextra (L); right coronary artery	ACH	adrenal cortical hor- mone
ACD	citric acid, trisodium	ACH, ACh	acetylcholine
stabilizer	citrate, anhydrous dextrose (for preservation of donor blood)	ACHE, AChE	acetylcholinesterase
ACE	acetylcholine esterase (= AChE)	ACH index	arm (girth), chest (depth), hip (width) index (of nutri- tional state)
ACE	adrenal cortical extract	AChRAB	acetylcholine receptor
ACE	alcohol-chloroform-ether (anesthetic mixture)	AChR-Ab	acetylcholine receptor anti- body
ACE	American Council of Edu- cation	A.Ch.S.	Associate of the Society of Chiropodists
ACE	angiotensin converting enzyme	a.c. + h.s.	ante cibos et hora somni (L); before meals and at bedtime (Rx)
A.c.e.	arteria carotis externa; external carotid artery	ACI	acute coronary insuffi- ciency
ACED	anhidrotic congenital ectodermal dysplasia	ACI	allowable concentration index
A-cells	alpha cells, acidophilic cells of the anterior pitu- itary	ACI	anticonvulsant index
A-cells	alpha cells of the pancre- atic Langerhans islets	ACI, a.c.i.	arteria carotis interna; internal carotid artery
ACEP	American College of Emergency Physicians	ACIF	anti-complement immu- nofluorescence
ACF	accessory clinical findings	ACINF	Advisory Committee on Irradiated and Novel Foods (UK)
ACF	anhydrous citrovorum fac- tor	ACIP	Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (USA)
ACFO	American College of Foot Orthopedists		

ACLS score	arrest witnessed; cardiac rhythm; lay bystander to administer resuscitation; speed of medical help (high ACLS score indicates good prognosis in myocardial infarction)	ACP	American College of Pathologists
Ac.M.	Académie de Médecine; Academy of Medicine (France)	ACP	American College of Physicians
ACMF regimen	cytotoxic combination therapy with: adriamycin, cyclophosphamide, methotrexate, and 5-fluorouracil	ACP	amorphous calcium phosphate
ACNT	American College of Medical Technologists	ACP	Animal Care Panel
ACN	acute conditioned necrosis	ACP	anodal closing picture
ACN	American College of Neuropsychiatrists	ACP	Association of Clinical Pathologists (USA)
AcNeu	N-acetylneuraminic acid	AcPh	acid phosphatase
ACNM	American College of Nurse-Midwives	ACPM	American College of Preventive Medicine
ACO	anodal closure odor	ACPP	adrenocorticopolypeptide
ACO regimen	cytotoxic combination therapy with: adriamycin, cyclophosphamide and Oncovin	ACP virus	adenoidal-conjunctival-pharyngeal virus
ACOG	American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists	ACR	American College of Radiology
ACOHA	American College of Osteopathic Hospital Administrators	ACR	anti-constipation regimen
ACOI	American College of Osteopathic Internists	A/C ratio	albumin-coagulin ratio
ACOOG	American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists	ACS	American Cancer Society
ACOP	American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians	ACS	American Chemical Society
ACOS	American College of Osteopathic Surgeons	ACS	American College of Surgeons
ACP	accessory conduction pathway (= AAVC, AAVP)	ACS	anodal closing sound
ACP	acid cell phosphatase	ACS	antireticular cytotoxic serum
ACP	acyl carrier protein	ACS	Association of Clinical Scientists (USA)
		ACS ( <i>card</i> )	automated catheterization system
		ACSM	American College of Sports Medicine
		ACSP	Advisory Council on Scientific Policy
		ACT	achievement through counselling and treatment
		ACT	activated coagulation time
		ACT	anticoagulant therapy
		ACTA	automatic computerized transverse axial tomography
		Act-D	actinomycin D
		ACTe	anodal closure tetanus
		ACTH	adrenocorticotrophic hormone

ACTN	adrenocorticotrophin	ADAP	American Dental Assistants' Program
ACTP	adrenocorticotrophic polypeptide	ADAVRS	Assistant Director Army Veterinary and Remount Service (UK)
ACU	antibody concentration unit	ADC	accident de la circulation (F); traffic accident
ACV	acyclovir	ADC	acidocillin
ACVB	aorto-coronary venous bypass	ADC	Aid to Dependent Children
ACVP	American College of Veterinary Pathologists	ADC	AIDS dementia complex
AD	addict	ADC	albumin, dextrose, catalase (medium)
AD	adenoid degeneration (virus)	ADC	analogue-digital converter (or compiler)
AD	alcohol dehydrogenase	ADC	anodal duration contraction
AD	anodal duration	ADC	anodal duration contraction
AD	anterior descending (artery)	ADC, adc	axiodistocervical
AD	antidepressive (drugs)	( <i>dent</i> )	
AD	antigenic determinant	AdC	adrenal cortex
AD	arteriosclerotic disease	ADCC	antibody-dependent cell-mediated cytotoxicity
AD	atopic dermatitis	ADE	acute disseminated encephalitis
AD	auris dextra (L); right ear	ADE	adrenalectomized
AD ( <i>gen</i> )	autosomal dominant	ADE	audible Doppler enhancer
AD ( <i>stat</i> )	average deviation	ADEC	Australian Drug Evaluation Committee
AD ( <i>pharm</i> )	average dose	ADG, adg	axiodistogingival
AD, ad	axiodistal	( <i>dent</i> )	
( <i>dent</i> )		ADGP	albumin-dextrose-gelatin phosphate
A.d. ( <i>card</i> )	atrium dextrum (L); right atrium	ADH	alcohol dehydrogenase
a.d.	aqua destillata (L); distilled water	ADH	antidiuretic hormone (vasopressin)
ADA	adenosine desamidase	ADHA	American Dental Hygienists' Association
ADA	American Dental Association	adhib.	adhibendus (L); to be administered (Rx)
ADA	American Dermatological Association	ADI	acceptable daily intake
ADA	American Diabetic Association	ADI	artificial donogenic insemination (= AID)
ADA	American Dietetic Association	ADI, adi	axiodistoincisal
ADAA	American Dental Assistants Association	( <i>dent</i> )	
ADADS	Assistant Director Army Dental Service (UK)	ADL	activities of daily living
ADAMHA	Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration	ad lib.	ad libitum (L); as desired (Rx)



ADM	adriamycin	ADS	action dynamique spécifique (F); specific-dynamic action
AdM	adrenal medulla	ADS ( <i>mil</i> )	Advanced Dressing Station
ADMA	aldehyde dimethyl acetate	ADS	anatomical dead space
ADMA	American Drug Manufacturers Association	ADS	antidiuretic substance (= ADH, ADP)
ad man. med.	ad manum medici (L); to the hand of the physician (Rx)	ADS	anti-donor serum
ADME ( <i>pharm</i> )	absorption, distribution, metabolism, excretion (of a substance)	ADS	Army Dental Service
ADMS	Assistant Director Medical Service (UK)	A.d.S.	Académie des Sciences (Paris)
ADN	acide desoxyribonucleique (F); deoxyribonucleic acid (= DNA)	ADSA	action dynamique spécifique des aliments (F); specific-dynamic action of food-stuffs
ADN	autonomous diabetic nephropathy	ad sat.	ad saturatum (L); to saturation
ADNase	anti-deoxyribonuclease	adst.feb.	adstante febre (L); when fever is present
ADO	apnoic diffusion oxygenation	ADT	Accepted Dental Therapeutics
ADO, ado ( <i>dent</i> )	axiodisto-occlusal	ADT	accident du travail (F); accident at work
ADP	adenosine diphosphate	ADT	adenosine triphosphate (usually: ATP)
ADP	albumin degradation products	ADT	agar-gel diffusion test
ADP	antidiuretic principle (= ADH, ADS)	ADT	alternate-day treatment
ADP	automatic data processing	ADT	"any desired thing", placebo
ADPG	adenosine-5-diphosphate glucose	ADTA	American Dental Trade Association
ADPL	average daily patient load	ad us.	ad usum (L); according to custom
ADPR	adenosine diphosphate ribose	ad us.ext.	ad usum externum (L); for external use
ADR	Accepted Dental Remedies	ad us.prop.	ad usum proprium (L); for own use
ADR	adverse drug reaction	ADV	adenoid degeneration
Adr.	adrenaline	ADV	viruses, adenoviruses
ADRI	Animal Diseases Research Institute (Nepean/Canada)	ADX	acetyldigoxin
ADRRS	Adverse Drug Reaction Reporting System (USA)	ADX	adrenalectomized
ADRV ( <i>card</i> )	arrhythmogenic dysplasia of the right ventricle (= ARVD)	AE	above elbow
		AE	activation energy
		AE	agar-gel electrophoresis
		AE	Antitoxin-Einheit (G); antitoxic unit
		AE	avian encephalomyelitis

A + E	Accident and Emergency (Department)	AER	Association Européenne de Radiologie; European Association of Radiology
AEA	Atomic Energy Authority	AER	Association of Eye Research
AEACA	acetyl-epsilon-aminocaproic acid	AER	auditory evoked response
AEAIC	Académie Européenne d'Allergologie et Immunologie Clinique; European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology	AER	average evoked response
AEA sol.	alcohol-ether-acetone solution	AERE	Atomic Energy Research Establishment
AEB	atrial ectopic beat (= AEC, AES, APB, APC)	AERP	atrial effective refractory period
AEC	at earliest convenience	AERP	atrial excitation repolarization phase
AEC	Atomic Energy Commission (USA)	AES	American Encephalographic Society (= AEEGS)
AEC	atrial ectopic contraction	AES	American Epidemiological Society
AECD	allergic eczematous contact dermatitis	AES	American Epilepsy Society
AECG	ambulatory electrocardiography (Holter monitoring) (= AEM)	AES	aortic ejection sound
AEE	acute allergic encephalitis	AES	atrial extrasystole (= AEB, APC)
AEE	Atomic Energy Establishment	AESAL	Académie Européenne des Sciences, des Arts et des Lettres; European Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Literature
AEEGS	American Electroencephalographic Society (AES)	AESGP	Association Européenne des Spécialités Pharmaceutiques Grand Public (Paris)
AEF	allogenic effector factor	AET	amino-ethyl-isothiouronium chloride
AEG	air encephalogram	AET	antimycotic elution test
AEI	atrial ejection index	AEV	avian erythroblastosis virus
AEL	acute erythroblastic leukemia	AF	acanthosis factor
AEM	ambulatory ECG monitoring (Holter)	AF	acid-fast
AEM	analytical electron-microscopy	AF	albumin-free
AeMA	Aero-Medical Association (USA) (= AMA)	AF	aldehyde fuchsin
AEP	auditory (or acoustic) evoked potential	AF	ammonium formiate
AEP	average evoked potential	AF	amniotic fluid
AEq	age equivalent	AF	angiogenesis factor
AER	acoustic evoked response	AF	aortic flow
AER	albumin excretion rate	AF	Armed Forces
AER	aldosterone excretion rate	AF	Arthritis Foundation
		AF	atrial fibrillation
		AF	audio frequency

AFA	automatic frequency adaptation	AFIP	Armed Forces Institute of Pathology
AFB	acid-fast bacillus	AFL	anti-fatty liver (factor in pancreatic tissue)
AFBA	Asociación Farmaceutica y Biochimica Argentina; Argentinian Pharmaceutical and Biochemical Association	AFL	antifibrinolysin
AFC	antibody forming cells	AFLNH	angiofollicular lymphnode hyperplasia
AFC	automatic frequency control	AFML	Armed Forces Medical Library
AF CET	Association Française pour la Cybernétique Economique et Technique; French Association for Economical and Technical Cybernetics (Paris)	AF murmur	Austin Flint murmur
AF CMF	Association Française des Chirurugiens Maxillo-Faciaux; French Association of Maxillofacial Surgeons	AFORMED	alternating failure of response mechanical to electrical depolarization
AF CM regimen	cytotoxic combination therapy with: adriamycin, 5-fluorouracil, cyclophosphamide, and methotrexate	AFP	adiabatic fast passage
AF CP	antibody forming cell precursors	AFP	alpha-fetoprotein
AF CR	American Federation for Clinical Research	AFP	American Family Physician (journal)
AF C regimen	cytotoxic combination therapy with: adriamycin, 5-fluorouracil and cyclophosphamide	AFP	amplitude frequency product
A.f.d.	arteria femoralis dextra (L); right femoral artery	AFP complex	aescinum-flavonole-phosphatide
AF DC	Aid to Families with Dependent Children	AFQT	Armed Forces Qualification Test
AF EC	Association Française pour l'Etude du Cancer; French Association for the Study of Cancer (Paris)	AFR	antifibrinolysin reaction (= AFT)
AF H	American Foundation for Homeopathy	AFR	ascorbic free radical
AF I	amaurotic familial idiocy	AFRD,	acute febrile respiratory disease, ... illness
AF I	atrial filling index	AFRI	cytotoxic combination therapy with adriamycin and 5-fluorouracil
		AF regimen	atrial functional refractory period
		AF RP	American Fertility Society
		AFS	atomic fluorescence spectroscopy
		AFS	arteria femoralis sinistra (L); left femoral artery
		A.f.s.	antifibrinolysin test (= AFR)
		AFT	antigen fixation test
		AFT	absolute free thyroxine
		AFT <sub>4</sub>	apparent free testosterone concentration
		AFTC	American Foundation for Tropical Medicine
		AFTM	

AG	anesthésie générale (F); general anesthesia	AGI	Associazione Genetica Italiana; Italian Genetics Association
AG	anion gap	AGL	acide gras libre (F); free fatty acid
AG, Ag	antigen, allergen	AGM	African green monkey
AG	antigravity	AGMK	African green monkey kid- ney (= GMK)
AG	antiglobulin	AGN	acute glomerulonephritis
AG	atrial gallop	AGNE	acides gras non esterifiés (F); non-esterified fatty acids
AG, ag ( <i>dent</i> )	axiologingival	AGP	alkaline granulocyte phos- phatase
A/G	albumin-globulin ratio	AGPA	American Group Practice Association
AGA	accelerated growth area	AGR	Advanced Gas-cooled Reactor
AGA	American Gastroenterolo- gical Association	A/G ratio	albumin-globulin ratio
AGA	American Gastroscopic Association	AGS	adrenogenital syndrome
AGA	American Genetics Asso- ciation	AGS	American Geriatrics Society
AGA	American Geriatrics Asso- ciation	AGS	American Gynecological Society
AGA	American Goiter Associa- tion	AGT	antiglobulin test (Coombs)
AGA ( <i>obst</i> )	average (or appropriate) for gestational age (see also LGA, SGA)	AGTH	adrenoglomerulotrophic hormone
AGARD	Advisory Group for Aero- nautical Research and Development (institution of NATO)	AGTT	abnormal glucose toler- ance test
AGC	automatic gain control (in hearing aids)	AGU	aspartylglucosaminuria
AGCT	antiglobulin consumption test	AGV	aniline gentian violet (solu- tion)
AGCT	Army General Classifica- tion Test, "Army Alpha Test" (intelligence test)	AH	abdominal hysterectomy
AGD	agar-gel diffusion (= ADT)	AH	aqueous humor
AGE	angle of greatest extension	AH	arterial hypertension (= AHT)
AGF	adrenal growth factor	Ah	hypermetropic astigmatism
AGF	angle of greatest flexion	AHA	American Heart Associa- tion
AGF	anti-gammaglobulin factor	AHA	American Hospital Associa- tion
ag.feb.	aggremente febre (L); when the fever increases	AHA	American Hypnotherapy Association
AGG	agammaglobulinemia	AHA	Area Health Authority
AGG	anti-gammaglobulin	AHA	aspartyl-hydroxamic acid
AGGS	anti-gas gangrene serum	AHA	auto-hemolytic anemia
AGI	Alan Guttmacher Institute		

AH-AB	antihemagglutinin antibody	AHMC	Association of Hospital Management Committees
A-H block	atrium-His block	AHN	Assistant Head Nurse
AHC	acute hemorrhagic conjunctivitis	AHOP	adiposity-hyperthermia-oligomenorrhea-parotid (syndrome)
AHC	aminohexyl cellulose	AHP	acute hemorrhagic pancreatitis
AHC	anterior horn cell (disease)	AHQS	asymmetric hind-quarters syndrome
AHC	antihemophilic factor C, factor XI	AHR	antihyaluronidase reaction
AHD	antihyaluronidase	AHR	Association for Health Records
AHD	arteriosclerotic heart disease	AHS	American Hearing Society
AHD	autoimmune hemolytic disease	AHS	American Hospital Society
AHE	acute hemorrhagic encephalitis	AHS	Assistant House Surgeon
AHE	acute hypertensive encephalopathy	A-H series	Ammon-Hottinger series
AHF	American Health Foundation	(lab)	
AHF	American Hospital Formulary	AHT	antihyaluronidase test (or titer)
AHF	antihemophilic factor, factor VIII	AHT	arterial hypertension (= AH)
AHF	Argentinian hemorrhagic fever, Junin fever	AHTCG,	antihuman thymocytic globulin
AHG	antihemophilic globulin (AHG-A = factor VIII, AHG-B = factor IX)	AHTG	antihuman thymocytic plasma
AHG	antihuman globulin	AHTP	
AHGC test	antihuman globulin consumption test	AI	adhesion index
AHGS	acute herpetic gingival stomatitis	AI	aortic insufficiency
AHGS	antihuman globulin serum	AI	artificial insemination
AHH	aryl hydrocarbon hydroxylase	AI	atherogenic index
AHIL	Association of Hospital and Institution Libraries (USA)	AI, ai (dent)	axioincisal
AHIP	Assisted Health Insurance Plan	A/I (psych)	aptitude index
AHLG	antihuman lymphocyte globulin (= ALG)	AIA	allyl-2-isopropyl acetamide
AHLS	antihuman lymphocyte serum (= ALS)	AIB, AIBA	amino-isobutyric acid
		AIBS	American Institute of Biological Sciences
		AIC	antigen-immunosuppressive conjugate
		AICA	anterior inferior cerebellar artery
		AICAR	amino-imidazole carboxamide ribonucleotide
		AICD	automatic implantable cardioverter/ defibrillator
		AICF	auto-immune complement fixation

AID	acute infectious disease	AIM	Association Internationale de Mutualité; International Association of Mutuality
AID	Agency for International Development		
AID	artificial insemination by donor	AIMM	Association Internationale des Musées Médicaux (F); International Association of Medical Museums
AID	auto-immune disease		
AIDS	acquired immune deficiency syndrome	AIMS	APSAC Intervention Mortality Study (UK)
AIEA	Agence Internationale de l'Energie Atomique (F); International Atomic Energy Agency (Vienna) (= IAEA)	AIMS	Arthritis Impact Measurement Scales
AIEB	Association Internationale pour l'Etude des Bronches; International Association for Bronchial Study	AIN	American Institute of Nutrition
AIFD	acute intrapartum fetal distress	AIP	acute intermittent porphyria
AIG	anti-immunoglobulin	AIP	acute interstitial pneumonia
AIGE	Asociación Interamericana de Gastroenterología; Interamerican Association of Gastroenterology	AIP	Anatuberculin integrale Petragani
AIH	American Institute of Homeopathy	AIP	Association Internationale de Psychotechnique (F); International Association of Psychological Technique
AIH	artificial insemination by husband	AIP	automated immune precipitation
AIHA	American Industrial Hygiene Association	AIPA	Association Internationale de Psychologie Appliquée (F); International Association of Applied Psychology
AIHA	auto-immune hemolytic anemia	AIPF	All-India Pharmacists Federation
AIHC	American Industrial Health Conference	AIPP	2-amino-5-iodo-6-phenyl-4(3H)-pyrimidinone
AIHP	American Institute of the History of Pharmacy	AIPU	All-India Pharmacists Union
AIIMS	All-India Institute of Medical Sciences	AIR	agglutination inhibition reaction
AIIS ( <i>anat</i> )	anterior inferior iliac spine	AIR	amino-imidazole ribonucleotide
AIL	angio-immunoblastic lymphadenopathy	AIRC	Associazione Italiana per la Ricerca sul Cancro; Italian Association for Cancer Research
AILD	angioimmunoblastic lymphadenopathy with dysproteinemia		

AIRMEC	Association Internationale pour la Recherche Médicale et les Echanges Culturels (F); International Association for Medical Research and Cultural Exchange	AJC	American Journal of Cardiology (official abbreviation: Amer. J. Cardiol.)
AIS	acoustic information-processing system	AJM	American Journal of Medicine (official abbreviation: Amer. J. Med.)
AIS	adrenergic inhibitory system	AJR ( <i>card</i> )	accelerated junctional rhythm
AIS	aortic isthmic stenosis; coarctation of the aorta	AJR	American Journal of Radiology (official abbreviation: Amer. J. Radiol.)
AISM	Association Internationale des Sociétés de Microbiologie; International Association of Microbiological Societies	AK	above knee (e.g. amputation)
AISS	Association Internationale de Sauretage et de Premiers Secours en cas d'Accidents; International Association for Rescue and First Aid in Accidents	AK	acetate kinase
		AK	artificial kidney (see also FAK, HAK, PAK)
		A.K.C.	Associate King's College (London)
		AL	acute leukemia, leukosis
		AL	adaptation level
		AL ( <i>pharm</i> )	adeps lanae (L); wool fat
		AL	anesthésie locale (F); local anesthesia
		AL	anterior left
		AL	auris laeva (L); left ear (= AS)
AIT ( <i>clin</i> )	acute intensive treatment	AL, al ( <i>dent</i> )	axiolingual
AIT ( <i>lab</i> )	agglutination immobilization test	ALA	American Laryngological Association
AIT ( <i>psych</i> )	analytic intelligence test	ALA	American Lung Association
AITHA	Association Internationale de Thalasso-thérapie (F); International Association of Thalassotherapy	ALA	(delta)-aminolevulinic acid
AITIA	Aspirin in Transient Ischemic Attacks Trial (USA, 1972-1977)	ALa, ala ( <i>dent</i> )	axiolabial
AIU	absolute iodine uptake	Ala	alanine
AIUM	American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine	ALAD	(delta)-aminolevulinic acid dehydrogenase
AIV	technique of protein and vitamin supplementation of milk (named after the discoverer Artturi Ilmari Virtanen)	ALADPA	anomalous origin of left anterior descending from pulmonary artery
AIVR ( <i>card</i> )	accelerated idioventricular rhythm	ALaG, alag ( <i>dent</i> )	axiolabiogingival
AJ	ankle jerk	ALaL, alal ( <i>dent</i> )	axiolabiolingual
		AL anhydr.	adeps lanae anhydricus (L); anhydrous wool fat

ALAS	aminolevulinic acid synthetase	ALI ( <i>card</i> )	anterolateral infarction
ALAS	Asociación Latino-Americana de Sociología (S); Latinamerican Association of Sociology	ALL	acute lymphatic leukemia
ALAT	alanine aminotransferase (= ALT)	ALL	allorhythmia
Alb.	albumin	ALLO	atypical legionella-like organisms
ALC	Alternative Lifestyle Checklist	ALM	acrolentiginous melanoma
ALC ( <i>vet</i> )	avian leukosis complex	ALMA	Adoptee's Liberty Movement Association
ALC, alc ( <i>dent</i> )	axiolinguocervical	ALME	acetyl-L-lysine methylester
ALCALPA	anomalous origin of left coronary artery from left pulmonary artery	ALMI	anterior lateral myocardial infarction
ALCAPA	anomalous origin of left coronary artery from pulmonary artery	ALO, alo ( <i>dent</i> )	axiolinguo-occlusal
ALCARPA	anomalous origin of left coronary artery from right pulmonary artery	ALP ( <i>lab</i> )	alkaline leukocyte phosphatase
AlCr ( <i>dent</i> )	aluminum crown	ALP ( <i>pharm</i> )	allopurinol
AlcR	alcohol rub	ALP	alveolar lung proteinosis
ALD	aldolase (also: fructose 1,6-diphosphate aldolase; ketose 1-phosphate aldehyde lyase)	ALP ( <i>anat</i> )	anterior lobe pituitary (= ALH)
ALDH	aldehyde dehydrogenase	ALR	agglutination lysis reaction
ALD-L	liver aldolase	ALROS	American Laryngological, Rhinological, and Otological Society
ALD-M	muscle aldolase	ALS ( <i>neur</i> )	amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (= MLS)
ALFT	alum-precipitated formol toxoid	ALS ( <i>imm</i> )	antilymphocytic serum (= AHLS)
ALG ( <i>imm</i> )	antilymphocyte globulin (= AHLG)	ALS	Abt-Letterer-Siwe disease; infectious reticulo-endotheliosis
ALG, alg ( <i>dent</i> )	axiolinguogingival	syndrome	
ALGB	acute leukemia group B	ALT	alanine aminotransferase (= ALAT)
ALGG	gammaglobulin fraction of ALG	ALTB	acute laryngotracheobronchitis
ALGOL	algorithmic language (for scientific-technical tasks)	alt.dieb.	alternis diebus (L); every other day (Rx)
ALH	anterior lobe hypophysis; anterior pituitary gland	alt.hor.	alternis horis (L); every other hour (Rx)
ALI	annual limit of intake (e.g. of radioactivity)	alt.noc.	alternis nocte (L); every other night (Rx)
		ALV	anterior wall of left ventricle
		ALV	avian leukosis virus
		ALVAD ( <i>card</i> )	abdominal left ventricular assisted device
		ALX	alexidine
		AM	actinomycosis



AM	actomyosin	AMD	alpha-methyl dopa
AM	ampèremeter, ammeter	AMD, amd	axiomesiodistal
AM ( <i>phys</i> )	amplitude modulation, A-mode (ultrasound)	( <i>dent</i> )	
AM	anovulatory menstrual cycle	AMDS	Association of Military Dental Surgeons
AM	arousal mechanism	AME	amphotericin B methyl ester
AM	aviation medicine	AMEL	Aero-Medical Equipment Laboratory
AM, am	axiomesial	AmFAR	American Foundation for AIDS Research
( <i>dent</i> )		AMG, amg	axiomesiokingival
AM	myopic astigmatism	( <i>dent</i> )	
Am	ametropia	AMH	anti-Müllerian hormones
aM	atypical mycobacteriosis	AMH	automated medical history
A.M.	Artium Magister (L); Master of Arts (= M.A.)	AMHA-TP	automated micro-hemagglutination test with treponema pallidum antigen
a.m.	ante menstruationem (L); premenstrual		automated multiphasic health testing
a.m., AM	ante meridiem (L); before noon	AMHT	
a.m.	ante mortem (L); prior to death	AMI	acute myocardial infarction
AMA, a.m.a.	against medical advice	AMI	anterior myocardial infarction
AMA	Aero-Medical Association (USA) (= AeMA)	AMI	Association Médicale d'Israel; Medical Association of Israel
AMA	American Medical Association	AMI	Association of Medical Illustrators
AMA	antimitochondrial antibodies	AMI, ami	axiomesio-incisal
AMA	Australian Medical Association	( <i>dent</i> )	
AMAc	acute metabolic acidosis	AMIEV	Association Médicale Internationale pour l'Etude de Vie (F); International Medical Association for the Study of Life (Sofia)
AMAL	Aero-Medical Acceleration Laboratory		acute myocardial infarction superimposed on healed myocardial infarction
AmB	amphotericin B	AMI/HMI	
AMC	acetylmethyl carbinol	AMIS	Aspirin Myocardial Infarction Study (USA)
AMC	amoxicillin (= AOC)	AMJ	Australian Medical Journal (official abbreviation: Aust. med. J.)
AMC	Army Medical Corps	AMJA	American Medical Joggers Association
AMC	arthrogryposis multiplex congenita		
AMC, amc	axiomesiocervical		
( <i>dent</i> )			
AMCA,	p-aminomethyl-cyclohexane carboxylic acid; tranexamic acid (= EACA, PAMBA, TAMCHA)		
AMCHA			
AM+CT	antibiotic medicine and clinical therapy		

AML	acanthiomeatal line	AMREF	African Medical Research Foundation (Kenya/Tanzania)
AML	acute myeloic leukemia		
AML	Aero-Medical Laboratory (USA)	AMRL	Aerospace Medical Research Laboratories (USA)
AML	anterior mitral leaflet (= AMVL)		
AMLF	Association des Microbiologistes de Langue Française; Association of French Speaking Microbiologists (Canada)	AMRS	automatic message registering system
AMLFC	Association des Médecins de Langue Française du Canada; Association of French Speaking Doctors of Canada	AMS	American Microscopical Society
AMLS	anti-mouse lymphocyte serum	AMS	antimacrophage serum
AMM	Asociación Médica Mexicana; Mexican Medical Association	AMS	Army Medical Service
AMM	Asociación Médica Mundial (S); Association Médicale Mondiale (F); World Health Organization (= WHO)	AMS	arteria mesenterica superior (L)
AMML	acute myeloic-monocytic leukemia	AMS, A.M.S.	Assemblée Mondiale de la Santé (F); World Health Assembly
AMN	alloxazine mononucleotide	AMS	Association of Military Surgeons
AMO, amo (dent)	axiomesio-occlusal	AMS, A.M.S.	Australian Medical Service
AMOL	acute monocytic leukemia	ams	amount of substance
AMP	adenosine monophosphate	AMSC	Army Medical Specialist Corps
AMP	amphetamine	AMT	alpha-methyltyrosine
AMP	ampicillin	AMT	American Medical Technologists
AMP	average mean pressure	AMT-B	amphotericin B
amp	ampère	amu	atomic mass unit
amp.	amplifier	AMV	avian myeloblastosis virus
amp.	ampoule	AMV	augmented mode of ventilation
amp.	amputation	AMVL	anterior mitral valve leaflet (= AML)
AMPIM	Animal Models of Protecting Ischemic Myocardium (NIH study, USA)	AN	afferent neuron
AMPT	alpha-methyl-p-tyrosine	AN	amyl nitrite
AMQ	American Medical Qualification	6-AN	6-amino-nicotinamide
AMR	alternating motion reflexes	ANA	alanine-β-naphthylamide
		ANA	American Neurological Association
		ANA	American Nurses' Association
		ANA	antinuclear antibody
		ANADase	anti-nicotinamide adenine dinucleotidase
		ANAE	acid alpha-naphthyl acetate esterase

ANAP	agglutination negative, adsorption positive	ANP ( <i>card</i> )	arrival of negative potential
ANAP	anionic neutrophil-activating peptide	ANP	atrial natriuretic peptide (= ANF)
ANB angle	auriculo-naso-labial angle	ANPO	alpha-naphthylphenyloxazole
ANBPS	Australian National Blood Pressure Study (1973-1979)	ANR	acute nonresponder
ANC	Army Nurses' Corps	AN region	atrio-nodal region
AnCC	anodal closure contraction (= ACC)	ANRL	antihypertensive neutral renomedullary lipids
ANCOVA	analysis of covariance	ANS	8-anilino-naphthalene sulfonate
AnDTe	anodal duration tetanus (= ADTe)	ANS	autonomic nervous system
an.ex.	anode excitation	ANSI	American National Standards Institute
ANF	American Nurses' Federation	ANT	2-amino-5-nitrothiazole
ANF	American Nurses' Foundation	ANTU	alpha-naphthylthio-urea
ANF	antinuclear factor	ANUG	acute necrotizing ulcerative gingivitis
ANF	atrial natriuretic factor (= ANP)	ANZAAS	Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science
AN factor	1-biotin sulphoxide (in cultures of <i>Aspergillus niger</i> )	ANZCP	Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists
ANHS	American Natural Hygiene Society	AO	acridine orange
ANIT	alpha-naphthyl isothiocyanate	AO	anodal opening
ANL	all-or-none law	AO ( <i>chem</i> )	anti-oxidants
ANLL	acute non-lymphoblastic leukemia	AO, A.O.	Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Osteosynthese; Working Group for Osteosynthesis (Germany)
ANM	Academia Nacional de Medicina (Argentina, Brazil); Académie Nationale de Médecine (France); National Academy of Medicine	AO	atrioventricular opening
ANM	amylum non mucilaginosum	AO, ao	axio-occlusal
ANMM	Academia Nacional de Medicina de México; National Academy of Medicine of Mexico	( <i>dent</i> )	
AnOC	anodal opening contraction (= AOC)	AOA	Alpha Omega Alpha (honorary medical fraternity, USA)
ANOVA	analysis of variance	AOA	American Optometric Association
ANP	A-norprogesterone	AOA	American Orthopedic Association
		AOA	American Orthopsychiatric Association (= ORTHO)
		AOA	American Osteopathic Association
		AOAA	amino-oxyacetic acid

AOAC	Association of Official Agricultural Chemists	AORN	Association of Operating Room Nurses (USA)
AOAS	American Osteopathic Academy of Sclerotherapy	AOS	American Ophthalmological Society
AOB	alcohol on breath	AOS	American Otological Society
AOC	amoxicillin (= AMX)	AOS	anodal opening sound
AOC	anodal opening contraction (= AnOC)	AOSPS	American Otorhinolaryngologic Society for Plastic Surgery
AOCA	American Osteopathic College of Anesthesiologists	AOT	Association of Occupational Therapists (USA)
A OCD	American Osteopathic College of Dermatology	AOTA	American Occupational Therapists Association
A OCH, Aoch	arachnitis optico-chiasmatica	AOTe	anodal opening tetanus
AOCI	anodal opening clonus	AOTF	American Occupational Therapy Foundation
A OCPA	American Osteopathic College of Pathologists	AOV, AoV	aortic valve
A OCPR	American Osteopathic College of Proctology	AP	Academy of Periodontology (USA)
A OCR	American Osteopathic College of Radiology	AP	accouchement prémature (F); premature birth
A OCRM	American Osteopathic College of Rehabilitation Medicine	AP	acetylpyridine
AOD	adult-onset diabetes mellitus	AP	action potential
AOD	arterial occlusive disease	AP	alkaline phosphatase (= APh)
AoEDP	aortic enddiastolic pressure	AP	anomalous pathway
AOG, AoG	aortography	AP	anterior pituitary
AOL	acro-osteolysis	AP	aortic pressure
AOM	Academy of Medicine	AP	appendectomy
A.O.M.	Artis Obstetriciae Magister (L); Master of Obstetric Art	AP	arithmetic progression
AON	all-or-none (law)	AP	arterial pressure
AOO	anodal opening odor	AP	arthritis psoriatica (L); psoriatic arthritis
AOP	anodal opening picture	AP	artificial pneumothorax
AOP, AoP	aortic pressure	AP, ap	axiopulpal
AOPA	American Orthotic and Prosthetics Association	Ap	arteria pulmonalis (L); pulmonary artery
AOP syndrome	adiposity-oligomenorrhoea- parotid swelling syndrome (see also: AHOP)	A.P.	Académie de Pharmacie; Academy of Pharmacy (France)
AOR	adequate ovarian reserve (cp. DOR)	A.p.	angina pectoris
		a.p. ( <i>obst</i> )	ante partum (L); before delivery
		a.p.	ante prandium (L); before lunch (Rx)

a-p	anterior-posterior, antero-posterior	APASL	Asian-Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver
A + P	auscultation and percussion	APB	alternating pressure breathing (= APN, APNPB, PNPB, PNPV)
A-5-P	adenosine-5-phosphate	APB	atrial premature beat (= AEB, APC)
APA	acute parenteral alimentation	APC	acute pharyngoconjunctival fever
APA	aldosterone-producing adenoma	APC	ampicillin (= AMP)
APA	American Patients Association	APC	analgesic preparation made of: aspirin, phenacetin and caffeine
APA	American Pediatric Association	APC	antiphlogistic corticosteroid
APA	American Pharmaceutical Association (= APhA)	APC	aperture current
APA	American Physiotherapy Association	APC	atrial premature contraction (= AEB, APB)
APA	American Psychiatric Association	APCV	adenoidal-pharyngeal-conjunctival viruses
APA	American Psychoanalytic Association	APD	action potential duration
APA	American Psychological Association	APD	amino-propylidene biphosphonate
APA	American Psychotherapy Association	APD	anteroposterior diameter
APA	anti-pernicious anemia factor, vitamin B <sub>12</sub> (= APAF, APF)	APD	aorto-pulmonary defect (= APSD, APW)
APA	Australian Physiotherapy Association	APD	atrial premature depolarization
6-APA	6-aminopenicillanic acid	APDC	ammonium-pyrrolidone dithiocarbamate
A.P.A.	Arzneimittelprüfungsanstalt (G); Drug Evaluation Agency (Switzerland)	APE	acetone powder extract
APAAP	alkaline phosphatase - antialkaline phosphatase	APE	anterior pituitary extract
APACHE	Acute Physiology and Chronic Health Evaluation (a physiologically based classification system)	APE	arecaidine propargylester
APAD	3-acetylpyridine-adenine dinucleotide	APERP	accessory pathway effective refractory period (= ABERP, ERP-AB, ERP-AP)
APAF	anti-pernicious anemia factor, vitamin B <sub>12</sub> (= APA, APF)	APF	animal protein factor, anti-pernicious anemia factor, vitamin B <sub>12</sub> , extrinsic factor (= APA, APAF)
APAP	acetyl-p-aminophenol (= NAPAP)	APF	anti-perinuclear factor
		APF	aphthoid Pospischill-Feyrter
		APG	anterior pituitary gonadotrophin
		APH	anterior pituitary hormone

APh	alkaline phosphatase (= AP). Sometimes also used for: acid phosphatase	Apo-A, Apo-B	apoprotein A, apoprotein B etc.
APHA	American Protestant Hospital Association	Apo-Lp	apolipoproteins
APHA	American Public Health Association	APP	apocynin pyrophosphate, cocarboxylase
APhA	American Pharmaceutical Association (= APA)	APP	arginine-enriched polypeptide
3-APHD	3-acetylpyridine-hypoxanthine-dinucleotide	APP	avian pancreatic polypeptide
API	aerosol penetration index	APP, ApP	pulmonary artery pressure
API	Arzneiprüfungsinstitut (G); Drug Evaluation Institute (Germany)	APPA	American Psychopathological Association
APIM	Association Professionnelle Internationale des Médecins; International Association of the Medical Profession	APPA	4-amidinophenylpyruvic acid
APKD	adult polycystic kidney disease	APPG	aqueous procaine penicillin G
APL, APLH	anterior pituitary-like hormone, chorionic gonadotrophin (= CG)	APPP	Association of Planned Parenthood Physicians
APM	Academy of Physical Medicine	APPS	Association for the Psychophysiological Study of Sleep
APM	Academy of Psychosomatic Medicine (USA)	APR	anterior pituitary reaction, Aschheim-Zondek reaction (= AZR, AZT)
APM	Arzt-Presse-Medizin (G); Press Information Service of the Austrian Medical Association	APRL	Army Prosthetic Research Laboratory
APm	mean arterial pressure	APRL	arterial pressure reducing lipid
APMI ( <i>card</i> )	abrupt pacemaker inhibition	APRS	adult personality rating schedule
APMR	Association for Physical and Mental Rehabilitation	APRT, APRTase	adenine-phosphoribosyl transferase
APN	alternating positive-negative (ventilation) (= APB, APNPB, PNPR)	APS	acute physiology score (see also: SAPS)
APNPB, APNPV	alternating positive-negative pressure breathing, ... ventilation (= APB, APN, PNPR)	APS	adenosine-5'-phosphosulfate
APO	apomorphine	APS	alkaline primary secretion
		APS	American Pediatric Society
		APS	American Physiological Society
		APS	American Proctologic Society
		APS	American Psychological Society
		APS	American Psychosomatic Society
		APS	aminopolystyrene

APSA	American Pediatric Surgical Association	Aq.niv.	aqua nivalis (L); snow water
APSAC	anisoylated plasminogen-streptokinase activator complex	Aq.pluv.	aqua pluvialis (L); rain water
APSD	aorto-pulmonary septal defect (= APD, APW)	Aq.pur.	aqua pura (L); pure water
APST	atrial pacing stress test	Aq.tep.	aqua tepida (L); tepid water
APT	alum-precipitated toxoid	AR ( <i>phys</i> )	absorption rate
APT	aminopropyl isothio-uronium	AR	accelerated reaction
APTA	American Physical Therapy Association	AR	achievement ratio (= AQ)
APTD	Aid to Permanently and Totally Disabled	AR	active resistive (exercise)
APTT	activated partial thromboplastin time	AR	airway resistance
APUD	amine and precursor uptake and decarboxylation (by chromaffin cells of the GI tract)	AR	alarm reaction
APW	aorto-pulmonary window (= APD, APSD)	AR	alkali reserve
APWS	abortive pickwickian syndrome	AR	analytic reagent
AQ	achievement quotient	AR	anterior right
Aq.	aqua (L); water	AR	antirheumatic (drug)
Aq.astr.	aqua astricta (L); frozen water	AR	aortic receptor
Aq.bidest.	aqua bidestillata (L); twice distilled water	AR ( <i>card</i> )	aortic regurgitation (= AI)
Aq.bull.	aqua bulliens (L); boiling water	AR, A/R	apical-radial (pulse)
Aq.cal.	aqua calida (L); hot water	AR	arsphenamine
Aq.com.	aqua communis (L); common (drinking) water	AR	atrophic rhinitis
Aq.dest.	aqua destillata (L); distilled water	AR	augmentation reaction
Aq.ferv.	aqua fervens (L); (boiling) hot water	ar ( <i>chem</i> )	aromatic
Aq.fluv.	aqua fluvialis (L); river water	A.R.	Abderhalden reaction
Aq.font.	aqua fontana (L); spring water	ARA	American Rheumatism Association
Aq.gel.	aqua gelida (L); cold water	ARA	antiribosomal antibody
Aq.mar.	aqua marina (L); sea water	ARA-A	adenine arabinoside
		ARA-C	cytosine arabinoside
		ARA-Hx	arabinosyl hypoxanthine
		ARAS	ascending reticular activation system (= ARS, RAS)
		ARBOR	arthropod-borne (viruses), Arbo viruses
		ARC	AIDS-related complex
		ARC	American Red Cross
		ARC ( <i>ophth</i> )	anomalous retinal correspondence
		ARC	Australian Red Cross Society
		ARCAPA	anomalous right coronary artery from pulmonary artery
		A.R.C.S.	Associate of the Royal College of Science (UK)

ARD	absolute reaction of degeneration	ARN	acide ribonucléique (F); ribonucleic acid (RNS)
ARD	acute respiratory disease	ARNMD	Association for Research in Nervous and Mental Diseases
ARD	aortic root diameter		
ARDS	Air Research and Development Command	ARO	Association for Research in Ophthalmology (USA)
ARDS	acute respiratory distress syndrome (= RDS) (also for: adult respiratory distress syndrome)	AROM	active range of motion
		ARP	absolute refractory period
ARE	amount (of substance) to be excreted	ARP	activité de la rénine plasmatique (F); plasma renin activity
( <i>pharm</i> )		ARP	Advanced Research Projects
ARES	antireticulo-endothelial serum (= ACS, RAS, SAC, SARC)	ARP	American Registry of Pathologists
		ARP, ARPI	anti-reflux plasty
ARF	acute renal failure (= ARI)	ARPT	American Registry of Physical Therapists
ARF	acute respiratory failure	ARPV	absolute refractory period of ventricle
ARF	acute rheumatic fever	ARQ	aortic regurgitation quotient
ARG	aortorenography	ARQ	automatic error-correcting system
ARG	autoradiography	A.R.R.C.	Associate of the Royal Red Cross (UK)
Arg	arginine	ARRS	American Roentgen Ray Society
ArgP	arginine phosphate	ARRT	American Registry of Radiologic Technologists
ARG	aniridia, (mental) retardation and genitourinary abnormalities	A.R.R.T.	American Registered Respiratory Therapist
syndrome		ARS	activating reticular system (= ARAS, RAS)
		ARS	American Radium Society
ARI	acute renal insufficiency (= ARF)	ARS	American Rhinologic Society
ARI	acute respiratory insufficiency (= ARF)	ARS	aryl sulfatase A (= ASA)
ARI	atrial refractory interval	A.R.S.P.H.	Associate of the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health (UK)
A.R.I.C.	Associate of the Royal Institute of Chemistry (UK)	ART	algebraic reconstruction technique
		Art.	articulatio (L); joint
ARID	AIDS-related immune dysfunction	art ( <i>gen</i> )	antirepression of transactivation
ARLS	anti-rat lymphocyte serum		
ARM ( <i>obst</i> )	artificial rupture of the membranes		
ARMA	American Registry of Medical Assistants		
ARMB	Académie Royale de Médecine Belge (F); Belgian Royal Academy of Medicine		
ARMH	Academy of Religion and Mental Health		



art.	arterial	ASAIO	American Society for Artificial Internal Organs
A.R.T.	Accredited Record Technician	ASAL	arginine succinate lyase
ARV	AIDS-associated retrovirus (= HIV, HTLV, LAV)	ASAP	"as soon as possible"
ARV ( <i>card</i> )	anterior wall of the right ventricle (= ARVW)	ASAPS	American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery
ARV	aortic regurgitant volume	ASAS	arginine succinate synthetase
ARVD	arrhythmogenic right ventricular dysplasia (= ADRV)	ASAT	aspartate aminotransferase (= ASPAT)
ARVW	anterior right ventricular wall (= ARV)	ASB	American Society of Bacteriology
AS	ampère second	ASB	American Society of Biochemists
AS	anaphylactic shock	ASB	assisted spontaneous breathing (= ASV)
AS	ankylosing spondylitis	ASBC	American Society of Biological Chemists
AS	antiserum	ASC	acetylsulphanilyl chloride
AS	anxiety state	ASC ( <i>mil</i> )	Advanced Surgical Centre
AS	aortic stenosis	ASC	automatic sensitivity control
AS	aqueous solution	asc.	ascending
AS	aqueous suspension	A-scan	amplitude scan (of ultrasound)
AS	arterial system	ASCC	American Society for the Control of Cancer
AS	arteriosclerosis, atherosclerosis	ASCE	American Society of Childbirth Educators
AS	asystole	ASCH	American Society of Clinical Hypnosis
AS, A.s.	auris sinistra (L); left ear (= AL)	ASCII	American Standard Code for Information Interchange (computer version)
As	astigmatism	ASCLT	American Society of Clinical Laboratory Technicians
A.s.	atrium sinistrum (L); left atrium	ASCO	American Society of Clinical Oncology
ASA	acetylsalicylic acid, aspirin	ASCO	American Society of Clinical Pathologists
ASA	Adam-Stokes attack	ASCP	American Society of Clinical Pathologists
ASA	American Society of Andrology	ASCPT	American Society for Pharmacology and Therapeutics
ASA	American Society of Anesthesiologists	ASCRS	American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons
ASA	American Standards Association		
ASA	American Surgical Association		
ASA	anti-sperm antibodies		
ASA	arylsulphatase A (= ARS)		
ASAD	free combination of: acetylsalicylic acid and dipyridamole		
AS + AI	aortic stenosis + aortic insufficiency		

ASCVD	arteriosclerotic cardiovascular disease	ASHD	atrial septal heart defect (= ASD)
ASCVD	arteriosclerotic cerebrovascular disease	ASHG	American Society of Human Genetics
ASD	accouchement sans douleur (F); painless delivery	ASHI	Association for the Study of Human Infertility
ASD	atrial septal defect (= ASHD)	ASHNS	American Society of Head and Neck Surgery
ASDC	American Society of Dentistry for Children	ASHP	American Society of Hospital Pharmacists
ASDR	American Society of Dental Radiographers	ASI ( <i>card</i> )	anteroseptal infarction (= ASMI)
ASE	Antistreptolysin-Einheit (G); antistreptolysin unit	ASI ( <i>psych</i> )	Anxiety State Inventory
ASE	axilla-shoulder-elbow (bandage)	ASII	American Science Information Institute
ASECS	antigen-specific electrophoretic cell separation	ASIM	American Society of Internal Medicine
ASEP	American Society for Experimental Pathology	ASIS	Association for the Study of Internal Secretion
ASF	African swine fever	ASK	antistreptokinase
ASF	aniline-sulphur-formaldehyde (solution for microscopy)	ASL	antistreptolysin
ASFV	African swine fever virus	ASLIB	Association of Special Libraries and Information Bureaus
ASGB	Anatomical Society of Great Britain and Ireland	ASLO	antistreptolysin-O (= ASO)
ASGE	American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy	ASM	American Society for Microbiology
ASH	aldosterone stimulating hormone	ASM, A.S.M.	Association Sportive de Médecine; Association of Sports Medicine (France)
ASH	American Society for Hematology	AsM	myopic astigmatism
ASH ( <i>card</i> )	asymmetric septal hypertrophy	ASMA	Aero-Space Medical Association
AsH ( <i>ophth</i> )	hyperopic astigmatism	ASMA	anti-smooth muscle antibody
ASHA	American School Health Association	ASME	Association for the Study of Medical Education
ASHA	American Speech and Hearing Association	ASMI	anteroseptal myocardial infarction
ASHBM	Associate Scottish Hospital Bureau of Management	ASMS	American Society of Maxillofacial Surgeons
ASHD	arteriosclerotic heart disease	ASMT	American Society for Medical Technology
		ASN	American Society of Neuroradiology
		Asn	asparagine

ASNEMGE	Association des Sociétés Nationales Européennes et Méditerranéennes de Gastroenterologie; Association of European and Mediterranean Societies of Gastroenterology	ASR	antistreptolysin reaction (= AST)
ASO	American Society of Orthodontists	ASRT	American Society of Radiologic Technologists
ASO	antistreptolysin-O (= ASLO)	ASS	Adam-Stokes syndrome
ASO	arteriosclerosis obliterans (L); obliterating arteriosclerosis	ASS	American Sociological Society
ASOOA	American Society of Ophthalmologic and Otolaryngologic Allergy	ASS	anterior superior spine
ASOS	American Society of Oral Surgeons	ASS	Azetylsalizylsäure (G); acetylsalicylic acid
ASP	American Society of Parasitologists	ASSA	American Society for the Study of Arteriosclerosis
ASP	American Society of Periodontists	ASSH	American Society for Surgery of the Hand
ASP	American Society of Pharmacognosy	ASSMB	Association des Sociétés Scientifiques Médicales Belges (F); Belgian Association of Scientific Medical Societies
ASP	asparaginase	ASSS	American Society for the Study of Sterility
Asp	asparaginic (aspartic) acid	AST	antistreptolysin test (= ASR)
ASPAT	aspartate aminotransferase (= ASAT)	AST	aspartate aminotransferase (= ASAT, ASPAT)
ASPAT	A-streptococci polysaccharide antibody titer	AST	atrial stimulation
ASPECT	Approach to Systematic Planning and Evaluation of Clinical Trials	ASt	antistaphylolysin
ASPET	American Society of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics	Ast.	astigmatism
ASPH	Association of Schools of Public Health	ASTEC	Association of Science Technology Centers
ASPM	N-(N-acetyl-4-sulfamoylphenyl)-maleinimide	ASTHO	Association of State and Territorial Health Officials
ASPRS	American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons	ASTI	antispasticity index
ASR	aldosterone secretion rate	AStL	antistaphylolysin
		ASTM	American Society for Testing and Materials
		ASTMH	American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene
		ASTO	antistreptolysin O (titer)
		AStR	antistaphylolysin reaction
		AStT	antistaphylolysin test
		ASU	Arizona State University (Phoenix)
		ASV	assisted spontaneous ventilation (= ASB)

ASVIP ( <i>card</i> )	atrial synchronous ventricular inhibited pacing	ATEB	Association Nationale des Techniques Biologistes; National Association of Biological Techniques (France)
asx	asymptomatic		
AT	abdominal toxoplasmosis		
AT	accident du travail (F); accident at work	ATEE	N-acetyl-L-tyrosine-ethyl-ester
AT	achievement test		
AT ( <i>otol</i> )	adenotomy	ATERP	atrial effective refractory period (= AERP, ERPA)
AT	adjunctive therapy		
AT	air temperature	ATEU	AIDS Treatment Evaluation Unit (USA)
AT, A.T.	Alt-Tuberkulin (G); old tuberculin	at.fib.	atrial fibrillation
AT ( <i>mil</i> )	ambulance train	ATFRP	atrial functional refractory period (= AFRP, FRPA)
AT	amitriptyline		
AT	anaphylatoxin	ATG	antithrombocyte globulin
AT	angiotensin	ATG	antithymocyte globulin
AT	antithrombin	ATH	abdominal total hysterectomy
AT	antitrypsin (= ATr)		
AT ( <i>lab</i> )	appearance time	ATH	acetytyrosine hydrazide
AT	Aschoff-Tawara (node)	ATh	azathioprine
AT	atomic time	ATHC	allotetrahydrocortisol
AT ( <i>psych</i> )	autogenetic training	ATK	Alt-Tuberkulin Koch (G); old tuberculin Koch
AT	(combination of) cytarabine + 6-thioguanine	ATL	Achilles tendon lengthening
At	acidité total (F); total acidity	ATL	adult T-cell leukemia
at	airtight	ATL	anterior tricuspid leaflet (= ATVL)
at	technical atmosphere	ATLV	adult T-cell leukemia virus
A-T	adenine-thymine	atm	physical atmosphere
A+T	adenotomy and tonsillectomy	ATMA	antithyroid microsomal antibody
AT 10	antitetanic substance, dihydrotachysterol	ATME	automatic transmission measuring equipment
ATA	alimentary toxic aleukia	ATMI	acute transmural myocardial infarction
ATA	alkali test area		
ATA	antithrombocyte antibody	ATN	acute tubular necrosis
ATB	atrial tachycardia with block (also used for: atrioventricular block = AV block)	at.no.	atomic number
		ATNR	asymmetrical tonic neck reflex
ATCC ( <i>lab</i> )	American Type Culture Collection	ATP	adenosine triphosphate (= ADT)
ATCSA	Association of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeons of America	ATPase	adenosine triphosphatase
		ATPD	ambient temperature and pressure, dry
ATE	adenotonsillectomy (= A+T)	ATPR	average threshold of pain reaction

ATPS	ambient temperature and pressure, saturated	AV	aortic valve
ATR	Achilles tendon reflex	AV	atrioventricular
ATR	attenuated total reflection	AV	audiovisual
ATr	antitrypsin	AV	autophagic vacuoles
ATS	American Temperance Society	av, a.v.	arteriovenous
		av.	average
ATS	American Therapeutic Society	A.V. ( <i>chem</i> )	acid value
ATS	American Thoracic Society	AVA	aortic valve area
ATS	American Trauma Society (Chicago)	AVA	arrhythmogenic ventricular activity
ATS	antitetanic serum	AVA, avA	arteriovenous anastomosis
ATS	antithymocyte serum (= ATG)	AVA, avA	arteriovenous angioma
ATS	anxiety tension state	AVC	aberrant ventricular conduction
ATS	atropine sulfate	AVC	allantoid vaginal cream
ATSD	Alzheimer type senile dementia (= SDAT)	AVC ( <i>card</i> )	apparent valve change
ATT	alkali test time	AVC	atrioventricular canal
ATT	ammonia tolerance test	AVC	atrioventricular conduction
ATT	antitoxin titer	AVC	automatic volume control
att ( <i>gen</i> )	attachment site	AVCERP	atrioventricular conduction effective refractory period
ATVL	anterior tricuspid valve leaflet	AVCMF	cytotoxic therapy with a combination of: adriamycin, vincristin, cyclophosphamide, methotrexate, and 5-fluorouracil
at.vol.	atomic volume		
at.wt.	atomic weight	AVCS	atrioventricular conduction system
ATZ	anal transitional zone	AVD	aortic valvular defect
AU	antitoxin unit	AVD	apparent volume of distribution
AU	arbitrary unit (in cytophotometry and microspectrophotometry)	AVD	atrioventricular dissociation
AU	auris uterque (L); each ear	avD	arteriovenous difference
ÅU	Ångström unit	AVDA	American Venereal Disease Association
AUA	American Urological Association	AVDC	atrioventricular dissociation with capture
AUC	area under curve	avD-O <sub>2</sub>	arteriovenous oxygen difference (= av-O <sub>2</sub> )
AUDI	International Society of Audiology	avdp	avoidupois
AUL	acute undifferentiated leukemia	AVERP	atrioventricular (node) effective refractory period (= AVNERP)
aur.fib.	auricular fibrillation		
AUSH-AG	Australia serum hepatitis antigen	aVF	augmented volt foot (ECG)
AV	acuité visuelle (F); visual acuity		
AV	anteversion (of the uterus)		

AVFRP	atrioventricular (node) functional refractory period (= AVNFRP)	AVP	arterial volume pulse
AVG	aortovenography	AVPC	aortic valve partial closure
AVHD	acquired valvular heart disease	AVPSVT	atrioventricular interval of paroxysmal supraventricular tachycardia
AVI	air velocity index	AVR	accelerated ventricular rhythm
AVI	atrioventricular interval	AVR	aortic valve replacement
AVJA	atrioventricular junctional arrhythmia	aVR	augmented volt right arm (ECG)
AVJT	atrioventricular junctional tachycardia	AV regimen	cytotoxic therapy with a combination of adriamycin and vincristin
AVK	anti-vitamin K	AVRT	atrioventricular reentrant tachycardia (= AVNRT)
aVL	augmented volt left arm (ECG)	AVS	aortic valve stenosis
AVMA	American Veterinary Medical Association	AVS	Association for Voluntary Sterilization
AvMV	avian myeloblastosis virus	AvSV	avian sarcoma virus
AVN	atrioventricular node	AVT	arginine-vasotinin
AVNAERP	atrioventricular node antegrade effective refractory period (= AVERP, AVNERP)	AW	above waist
AVNAFRP	atrioventricular node antegrade functional refractory period (= AVFRP, AVNAFRP)	AW	atomic warfare
AVNERP	atrioventricular node effective refractory period (= AVERP, AVNAERP)	A + W	alive and well
AVNFRP	atrioventricular node functional refractory period (= AVFRP, AVNAFRP)	AWAR	anterior wall of aortic root
AVNR	atrioventricular nodal reentry	AWF	adrenal weight factor
AVNRT	atrioventricular nodal reentrant tachycardia (= AVRT)	AWI ( <i>card</i> )	anterior wall infarction
AVNT	atrioventricular nodal tachycardia	AWM ( <i>card</i> )	abnormal wall motion
AVO	aortic valve opening	AWMF	Arbeitsgemeinschaft Wissenschaftlich-Medizinischer Fachgesellschaften (G); Study Group of Medical Scientific Societies (Germany)
av-O <sub>2</sub>	arteriovenous oxygen difference (= avD-O <sub>2</sub> )	AWMI	anterior wall myocardial infarction
AVP	antiviral protein	AWO	airway obstruction
AVP	aortic valve prolapse	AWP ( <i>pharm</i> )	average wholesale price
AVP	aortoventriculoplasty	AXM	acetoxycyclohexamine
AVP	arginine-vasopressin	Ax-Ro joint	axial rotation joint
		AYF	anti-yeast factor
		AYF	ayfactive
		AYV	aster yellow virus
		Az.	azote (nitrogen)
		AZG ( <i>pharm</i> )	8-azaguanine
		AZR, AZT	Aschheim-Zondek reaction, ... test (= APR)
		AZT	azidothymidine