

**Self Learning™ Program**  
Frequently Used Abbreviations / Acronyms

AF = atrial fibrillation  
AIDS = acquired immune deficiency syndrome  
ACE = angiotensin-converting enzyme  
ARB = angiotensin II receptor blocker  
BMI = body mass index  
BPH = benign prostatic hyperplasia  
COVID-19 = coronavirus disease 2019  
COPD = chronic obstructive pulmonary disease  
CI = confidence interval  
CT = computed tomography  
FDA = Food and Drug Administration  
GCS = Glasgow Coma Scale  
GLP-1 = Glucagon-like peptide-1  
HIV = human immunodeficiency virus  
HPV = human papilloma virus  
HR = hazard ratio  
ICU = intensive care unit  
IM = intramuscular  
IQR = interquartile range  
LFTs = liver function tests  
MI = myocardial infarction  
MRI = magnetic resonance imaging  
NNH = number needed to harm  
NNT = number needed to treat  
NPV = negative predictive value  
NSAID = non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs  
OR = odds ratio  
PE = pulmonary embolism  
PPI = proton pump inhibitors  
PPV = positive predictive value  
RBC = red blood cell  
RCT = randomized, controlled trial  
RD = risk difference  
RRR = relative risk reduction  
SARS-CoV-2 = severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus-2  
SD = standard deviation  
SGLT-2 = Sodium/glucose cotransporter 2  
SNRI = serotonin-norepinephrine reuptake inhibitor  
SSRI = selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor  
STI = sexually transmitted infection  
UTI = urinary tract infection  
VTE = venous thromboembolism  
WHO = World Health Organization

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