

# PAVE QSE Accepted Abbreviations

METRIC UNITS					
cc	cubic centimeter	L	Liter	mL	milliliter
cm	centimeter	m <sup>2</sup>	meter squared	mm	millimeter
dL	deciliter	mcg or µg	microgram	mm <sup>3</sup>	millimeter cubed
g	gram	mEq	milliequivalent	mmol	millimol
kg	kilogram	µm	micrometer	µ	Mu
kL	kiloliter	mg	milligram		

US CUSTOMARY UNITS OF MEASUREMENT							
c	cup	gr	grain	oz	ounce	T or Tbs	tablespoon
fl oz	fluid ounce	gtt	drops	pt	pint	t or tsp	teaspoon
gal	gallon	lb	pound	qt	quart		

SYMBOLS			
%	percent	°C	degree Celsius
>	greater than	°F	degree Fahrenheit
<	lesser than	#	number when placed in front of the numeral; i.e., #10
			pound when placed behind the numeral; i.e., 10#

DENTAL FORMULA	
I	incisor
C	canine
PM	premolar
M	molar

SPINAL FORMULA	
C	cervical
T	thoracic
L	lumbar
S	Sacral
Cd	coccygeal/caudal

Ad lib	(as much as desired)	AU	(both ears)
AD	(right ear)	AV	(atrioventricular)
ADH	(anti-diuretic hormone)	BAL	(bronchoalveolar lavage)
ADP	(adenosine diphosphate)	BAR	(bright, alert, responsive)
AGID	(Agar gel immunodiffusion test)	BCS	(body condition score)
ALP	(alkaline phosphatase)	bid	(2 times a day)
ALT	(alanine aminotransferase)	BMBT	(buccal mucosal bleeding time)
AMH	(Anti-Mullerian Hormone)	BSA	(body surface area)
ANA	(antinuclear antibody test)	BPM	(breaths per minute)
aPPT	(activated partial thromboplastin time)	BUN	(blood urea nitrogen)
AS	(left ear)	Ca	(calcium)
AST	(aspartate aminotransferase)	cAMP	(cyclic adenosine monophosphate)
ATP	(Adenosine triphosphate)	CBC	(complete blood count)



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cGMP (cyclic guanosine monophosphate)	Hgb (hemoglobin)
CK (creatin kinase)	HPF (high power field)
CN (cranial nerve)	ID (intra dermal)
CNS (central nervous system)	IM (intramuscular)
CO <sub>2</sub> (carbon dioxide)	IO (intraosseous)
COX-1 (isoform of cyclo-oxygenase 1)	IP (intraperitoneal)
COX-2 (isoform of cyclo-oxygenase 2)	IPPV (intermittent positive pressure ventilation)
CPR (cardio-pulmonary-resuscitation)	IRIS (International Renal Interest Society)
CPCR (cardio-pulmonary-cerebral-resuscitation)	IV (intravenous)
CRI (constant rate infusion)	K (potassium)
CRT (capillary refill time)	kVp (kilovolt peak)
CVP (central venous pressure)	LDA (left displaced abomasum)
Cytochrome c (cytochrome complex, or cyt c)	LDH (lactate dehydrogenase)
DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid)	LH (Luteinizing Hormone)
DTM (dermatophyte test media)	LRS (lactated ringer's solution)
eCG (equine chorionic gonadotropin)	MAP (mean arterial pressure)
ECG (electrocardiogram) <i>see also EKG</i>	mA (milliamperage)
EDTA (ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid)	mAs (milliameperage seconds)
EKG (electrocardiogram) <i>see also ECG</i>	MCH (mean corpuscular hemoglobin)
ELISA (enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay)	MCHC (mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration)
ETCO <sub>2</sub> (end tidal carbon dioxide)	MCV (mean corpuscular volume)
FAD (flavin adenine dinucleotide)	MHz (megahertz)
FAMACHA (Faffa Malan Chart)	MHC (major histocompatibility complex)
FeLV (feline leukemia virus)	mm Hg (millimeters of mercury)
FIP (feline infectious peritonitis)	M/N (male neutered)
FIV (feline immunodeficiency virus)	mRNA (messenger ribonucleic acid)
FNA (fine needle aspirate)	NaCl (sodium chloride)
F/S (female spayed)	NADH (nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide)
FSH (follicle-stimulating hormone)	NMDA (N-methyl-D aspartate)
GABA (gamma-aminobutyric acid)	NPO (nothing by mouth/ nothing per os)
GGT (gamma glutamyl transferase)	nRBC (nucleated red blood cell)
GI (gastrointestinal)	NSAID (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug)
GnRH (gonadotropin-releasing hormone)	O <sub>2</sub> (oxygen)
hCG (human chorionic gonadotropin)	OD (right eye)
HCT (hematocrit)	



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OHE	(ovariohysterectomy) <i>see also OVH</i>	US	(United States)
OS	(left eye)	USDA APHIS	(U.S. Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service)
OU	(both eyes)	U/A	(urinalysis)
OVH	(ovariohysterectomy) <i>see also OHE</i>	VCPR	(Veterinary Client Patient Relationship)
PaO <sub>2</sub>	(arterial oxygen)	WBC	(white blood cell)
PGF2 $\alpha$	(prostaglandin F2 $\alpha$ )	tRNA	(transfer ribonucleic acid)
PCR	(polymerase chain reaction)		
PCV	(packed cell volume)		
PO	(per os - by mouth)		
ppm	(parts per million)		
PRN	(as needed)		
psi	(pounds per sq. in.)		
PT	(prothrombin time)		
PTT	(partial thromboplastin time)		
qd	(once a day)		
qid	(4 times a day)		
q(x)	(every x number of hours)		
RBC	(red blood cell)		
RDA	(right displaced abomasum)		
RNA	(Ribonucleic acid)		
rRNA	(ribosomal ribonucleic acid)		
SA	(sinoatrial)		
SC	(subcutaneous) <i>see also SQ</i>		
SDH	(Sorbitol Dehydrogenase)		
SDMA	(symmetric dimethylarginine)		
sid	(once a day)		
SID	(source image distance)		
siRNA	(small interfering ribonucleic acid)		
Sp./spp.	(species)		
SPO <sub>2</sub>	(peripheral oxygen saturation)		
SQ	(subcutaneous) <i>see also SC</i>		
T <sub>3</sub>	(triiodothyronine)		
T <sub>4</sub>	(thyroxin)		
tid	(3 times a day)		
TP	(total protein)		
TPR	(temperature, pulse, respiration)		

