

List of abbreviations

AE	acute exacerbation
CF	cystic fibrosis
COPD	chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
CRP	C-reactive protein
CT	computed tomography
FEV₁	forced expiratory volume in 1 s
FVC	forced vital capacity
HRCT	high-resolution computed tomography
ICU	intensive care unit
IL	interleukin
IPF	idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis
MRSA	methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
NTM	nontuberculous mycobacteria
<i>P</i>aCO₂	arterial carbon dioxide tension
<i>P</i>aO₂	arterial oxygen tension
QoL	quality of life
RCT	randomised controlled trials
<i>S</i>aO₂	arterial oxygen saturation
TNF	tumour necrosis factor