List of abbreviations

(C)HF (Congestive) heart failure AHI Apnoea—hypopnoea index

AIDS Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome

BMI Body mass index CF Cystic fibrosis

CPAP Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease CPAP Continuous positive airway pressure

CT Computed tomography
ECG Electrocardiogram
ENT Ear, nose and throat

FEV₁ Forced expiratory volume in 1 s

FVC Forced vital capacity
Hb Haemoglobin

HIV Human immunodeficiency virus

HRCT High-resolution computed tomography

KCO Transfer coefficient of the lung for carbon monoxide

MRI Magnetic resonance imaging
NIV Noninvasive ventilation

OSA(S) Obstructive sleep apnoea (syndrome)

PacO₂ Arterial carbon dioxide tension

PaO2Arterial oxygen tensionPCRPolymerase chain reaction

PtcCO₂ Transcutaneous carbon dioxide tension

SaO₂ Arterial oxygen saturation

SpO2 Arterial oxygen saturation measured by pulse oximetry

TB Tuberculosis
TLC Total lung capacity

TLCO Transfer factor for the lung for carbon monoxide

V'E Minute ventilation