

List of abbreviations

AHI	apnoea-hypopnoea index
BMI	body mass index
COPD	chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
CPAP	continuous positive airway pressure
CT	computed tomography
ECG	electrocardiography
FEV₁	forced expiratory volume in 1 s
FVC	forced vital capacity
HRCT	high-resolution computed tomography
Hb	haemoglobin
K_{co}	transfer coefficient of the lung for carbon monoxide
MRI	magnetic resonance imaging
NIV	noninvasive ventilation
OSA(S)	obstructive sleep apnoea (syndrome)
P_aCO₂	arterial carbon dioxide tension
P_aO₂	arterial oxygen tension
P_tcCO₂	transcutaneous carbon dioxide tension
S_aO₂	arterial oxygen saturation
S_pO₂	arterial oxygen saturation measured by pulse oximetry
TLC	total lung capacity
T_lCO	transfer factor of the lung for carbon monoxide
V_E	minute ventilation