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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AAS	Atomic absorption spectrophotometry
ALT	Alanine transferase
AST	Aspartate Aminotransferase
ATPO	Anti thyroid per-oxidase
BLL	Blood lead level
BMI	Body mass index
BMR	Basal metabolic rate
Bp	Blood pressure
CBC	Complete blood count
CNS	Central nervous system
DDT	Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane
DIT	Diiodotyrosine
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic acid
EDTA	Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid
FAAS	Flame atomic absorption spectrophotometry
FBS	Fasting blood sugar
FSH	Follicle stimulating hormone
Ft3	Free triiodothyronine
Ft4	Free tetraiodothyronine
GH	Growth hormone
GHRH	Growth hormone releasing hormone
GnRH	Gonadotropine releasing hormone
HDL	High density lipoprotein
IGF-I	Insulin-like growth factor 1
IQ	Intelligence quotient
IU	International unit
LDL	Low density lipoprotein
LH	Leutinizing hormone
LOAEL	Lowest-observed-adverse-effect level
MCH	Mean corpuscular heamoglobin
MCV	Mean corpuscular volume

MEN	Multiple endocrine neoplasia
MIT	Monoiodotyrosine
mIU	Mill international unit
ml	Milliliter
mm HG	Milliliter of mercury.
MRI	Magnetic resonance imaging
NEFA	Non esterified fatty acids
ng	Nanogram
pg	Pictogram
PRL	Prolactin
RNA	Ribonucleic acid
rT3	Reserve triiodothyronine
SCN	Thiocyanate
T3	Triiodothyronine
T4	Tetraiodothyronine
TBG	Thyroid binding globulin
TG	Triglycerides
TRH	Thyrotropin releasing hormone
TSH	Thyroid stimulating hormone
TT3	Total triiodothyronine
TT4	Total tetraiodothyronine
US	Ultra sound
WBCs	White blood cells
ZPP	Zinc protoporphyrin
µg/dL.	Microgram per decilitter