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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

BC	: Base curve
BCR	: base curve radius
BSCVA	: Best spectacle corrected visual acuity
CL	: contact lens
CLEK	: Collaborative Longitudinal Evaluation of Keratoconus
CVK	: Computerized videokeratography
CXL	: Collagen cross-linking
FDA	: Food and drug administration
GPC	: Giant Papillary Conjunctivitis
IL-1	: Interleukin -1
K1	: Flattest K
K2	: Steepest K
LASIK	: Laser in-situ keratomileusis
LD	: Lens diameter
BOZD	: Back optic zone diameter
LogMAR	: the Logarithm of the Minimum Angle of Resolution
OSU	: The Ohio State University
OZD	: Optic zone diameter
PCCR	: Posterior central curve radius
PCW	: Peripheral curve width
PK	: penetrating keratoplasty
PMMA	: polymethylmethacrylate
RGP	: rigid gas permeable
UCVA	: Uncorrected visual acuity
UVA	: ultraviolet A
VA	: Visual acuity