

## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

<b>ALT</b>	: Alanine transaminase
<b>ARDS</b>	: Acute respiratory distress syndrome
<b>AST</b>	: Aspartate aminotransferase
<b>CALC 1</b>	: Calcitonin 1
<b>CA-MRSA</b>	: Community associated methicillin-resistant s.aureus
<b>CAP</b>	: Community-acquired pneumonia
<b>CBC</b>	: Complete blood count
<b>CDC</b>	: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
<b>CKD</b>	: Chronic kidney disease
<b>CRP</b>	: C-reactive protein
<b>DM</b>	: Diabetes mellitus
<b>ECLIA</b>	: Electrochemiluminescence immunoassay
<b>FDA</b>	: Food and Drug Administration
<b>GAS</b>	: Group A streptococcus
<b>HAP</b>	: Hospital-acquired pneumonia
<b>HB</b>	: Hemoglobin
<b>HF</b>	: Heart failure
<b>HIV</b>	: Human immunodeficiency virus
<b>HMPV</b>	: Human metapneumovirus
<b>HTN</b>	: Hypertension
<b>ICU</b>	: Intensive care unit
<b>IL</b>	: Interleukin
<b>INR</b>	: International normalized ratio
<b>MRSA</b>	: Methicillin-resistant S. aureus
<b>PCR</b>	: Polymerase chain reaction
<b>PCT</b>	: Procalcitonin
<b>PPIs</b>	: Proton Pump inhibitors
<b>PSI</b>	: Pneumonia severity index
<b>PT</b>	: Prothrombin time
<b>PVL</b>	: Panton-Valentine leukocidin
<b>RBS</b>	: Random blood sugar
<b>ROC</b>	: Receiver operating characteristic

<b>RSV</b>	: Respiratory syncytial virus
<b>SARS</b>	: Severe acute respiratory syndrome
<b>SD</b>	: Standard deviation
<b>SIRS</b>	: Systemic inflammatory response syndrome
<b>TNF</b>	: Tumor necrosis factor
<b>WBCs</b>	: White blood counts