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DICTIONARY OF ABBREVIATIONS IN MEDICAL SCIENCES
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This interesting compilation of abbreviations in the medical-scientific sector is an updated version of the work published a few years ago in Germany. New terms have been introduced, especially from the rapidly changing fields of cardiology, immunology and genetics (biotechnology). The collection of medical acronyms is very comprehensive with approximately 20,000 entries which have been selected to include items which might cause confusion when reading the literature. Indeed, it amply illustrates the utter chaos that can be created when using ONLY abbreviations WITHOUT defining their meaning in full at the first mention of them in a published text.

A 13 page APPENDIX lists Abbreviated Titles of some 500 Medical-Scientific Journals.

Bearing in mind this is a SELECTION of abbreviations it is a reference text of interest to researchers in scientific and medical fields and is a recommended addition for libraries catering for the needs of such persons.

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