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METRIC UNITS					
СС	cubic centimeter	L	Liter	mg	milligram
g	gram	m ²	meter squared	mL	milliliter
kg	kilogram	mcg or μg	microgram	mm	millimeter
kL	kiloliter	mEq	milliequivalent		

SYMBOLS					
%	percent	°C	degree Celsius		
>	greater than	۰F	degree Fahrenheit		
<	less than	#	number when placed in front of the numeral; i.e., #10		
			pound when placed behind the numeral; i.e., 10#		

Ad lib	(as much as desired)	FeLV	(feline leukemia virus)
AD	(right ear)	FIP	(feline infectious peritonitis)
ALT	(alanine aminotransferase)	FIV	(feline immunodeficiency virus)
AS	(left ear)	FNA	(fine needle aspirate)
AST	(aspartate aminotransferase)	F/S	(female spayed)
AU	(both ears)	GI	(gastrointestinal)
BAR	(bright, alert, responsive)	HCT	(hematocrit)
bid	(2 times a day)	Hgb	(hemoglobin)
BS	(body score)	ID	(intradermal)
BSA	(body surface area)	IM	(intramuscular)
BUN	(blood urea nitrogen)	Ю	(intraosseous)
Ca	(calcium)	IP	(intraperitoneal)
CBC	(complete blood count)	IPPV	(intermittent positive pressure ventilation)
CK	(creatine kinase)	IV	(intravenous)
CNS	(central nervous system)	K	(potassium)
CO_2	(carbon dioxide)	kVp	(kilovolt peak)
COX-1	(isoform of cyclo-oxygenase)	LDA	(left displaced abomasum)
COX-2	(isoform of cyclo-oxygenase)	LRS	(lactated ringer's solution)
CRI	(constant rate infusion)	MAP	(mean arterial pressure)
CRT	(capillary refill time)	mA	(milliamperage)
CVP	(central venous pressure)	mAs	(milliameperage seconds)
ECG	(electrocardiogram) see also EKG	MCH	(mean corpuscular hemoglobin)
EDTA	(ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid)	MCHC	(mean corpuscular hemoglobin
EKG	(electrocardiogram) see also ECG		concentration)
ELISA	(enzyme linked immunosorbant assay)	MCV	(mean corpuscular volume)
ETCO ₂	(end tidal carbon dioxide)	mm H	g(millimeters of mercury)

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M/N	(male neutered)
NaCl	(sodium chloride)
NPO	(nothing by mouth/ nothing per os)
NRBC	(nucleated red blood cell)
NSAID	(Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drug)
O_2	(oxygen)
OD	(right eye)
OHE	(ovariohysterectomy) see also OVH
OS	(left eye)
OU	(both eyes)
OVH	(ovariohysterectomy) see also OHE
PCV	(packed cell volume)
РО	(per os - by mouth)
ppm	(parts per million)
PRN	(as needed)
psi	(pounds per sq. in.)
qd	(once a day)
qid	(4 times a day)
RBC	(red blood cell)
RDA	(right displacedabomasum)
SC	(subcutaneous) see also SQ
sid	(once a day)
SID	(source image distance)
SQ	(subcutaneous) see also SC
T_3	(Triiodothyronine)
T_4	(Thyroxin)
tid	(3 times a day)
TP	(total protein)
TPR	(temperature, pulse, respiration)

(urinalysis)

WBC (white blood cell)

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