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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ABR	:	auditory brain stem responses.
AFA	:	arm fat area.
AGA	:	appropriate for gestational age.
BCL	:	Behavior Check List.
BMC	:	bone mineral content.
BP	:	blood pressure.
BPD	:	bronchopulmonary dysplasia.
BW	:	birth weight.
CNS	:	central nervous system.
CP	:	cerebral palsy.
CVH	:	cerebral intraventricular hemorrhage.
DDST	:	Denver Developmental Screening Test.
DNA	:	Deoxyribose nucleic acid.
D _x	:	Developmental Quotient.
FTIT	:	Fagan Test of Infant Intelligence.
GA	:	gestational age.
GLH	:	germinal layer hemorrhage.
HC	:	head circumference.
HOME	:	Home Observation for Measurement of the Environment.
HSQ	:	Home Screening Questionnaire.
IQ	:	Intelligence Quotient.
IUGR	:	intrauterine growth retardation.

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IVH : intraventricular hemorrhage.  
LBM : lean body mass.  
LBW : low birth weight.  
MAC : midarm circumference.  
MDI : mental developmental indicies.  
MLBW : moderately low birth weight.  
MSSI : Maternal Social Support Index.  
NICU : newborn intensive care unit.  
NDS : neurodevelopmental score.  
OKN : optokinetic nystagmus.  
PBQ : Preschool Behavior Questionnaire.  
PCA : post-conceptional age.  
PDI : psychomotor developmental indicies.  
PHHC : post hemorrhagic hydrocephalus.  
PI : ponderal index.  
PVL : periventricular leucomalacia.  
RD : respiratory distress.  
RDS : respiratory distress syndrome.  
RLF : retrolental fibroplasia.  
ROP : retinopathy of prematurity.  
RSc : relative clinical score.  
SA : social age.  
SES : socioeconomic status.  
SGA : small for gestational age.  
SQ : Social Quotient.  
VLBW : very low birth weight.