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List of Abbreviations

Abb.	Full term
A1ATD	Alpha 1 antitrypsin deficiency
AASLD	American Association for the study of Liver Diseases
AFB1	Aflatoxin B1
AFP	Alpha fetoprotein
AFU	Alpha L fucosidase
AIH	Autoimmune Hepatitis
AJCC	American Joint Committee on Cancer
ALP	Alkalinephosphatase
ALT	Alanine aminotransferase
AR	Androgen receptor
AST	Aspartate aminotransferase
BCLC	Barcelona - Clinic Liver Cancer
BMI	Body mass index
CLD	Chronic liver disease
CLIP	Cancer liver Italian Program
CLT	Cadaveric liver transplantation
CT	Computed tomography
CTAP	CT arterial portography
CT-HA	CT during hepatic angrography
DAA	Direct-acting antiviral
DCP	Des-gamma-carboxyprothrombin
DDLT	Decreased donor liver transplantation
DKK-1	Dickkopf-1
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic acid
EASL	European Association for the Study of the Liver
ECM	Extracellular matrix
ECOG	Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group

List of Abbreviations (Cont...)

Full term Abb. EGF-R..... Epidermal growth factor receptor ELISA..... Enzyme linked immune-sorbent assay EUROHEP..... European Concerted Action on Viral Hepatitis FAK...... Focal adhesion kinase FERM four point one protein, ezrin, radixin and moesin FGF-R..... Fibroblast growth factor receptor GP73 Golgi protein 73 GPC3..... Glypican-3 HBeAg..... Hepatitis B e antigen HBsAg..... Hepatitis B surface antigen HBV Hepatitis B virus HCC Hepatocellular carcinoma HCV Hepatitis C virus HDV Hepatitis Delta virus HGF Hepatocyte growth factor HGFR..... Hepatocyte growth factor receptor HH Haemochromatosis HIV Human immunodeficiency virus HLA Human leukocyte antigen HNF-1..... Hepatocyte nuclear factor 1 IGF..... Insulin-like growth factor IL-6 Interleukin 6 INR International normalized ratio LCA.....Lens culinaris agglutinin LDLT Living donor liver transplantation LH..... Laproscopic hepatectomy MDK Midkine MELD Model for end stage liver disease