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List of Abbreviations

ABI	: Ankle-brachial index.
AKA	: As known as.
ALL	: Anterior longitudinal ligament.
AP	: anteroposterior.
CE	: Cauda equine.
CT	: Computed tomography.
CTM	: Computed tomography-myelography.
DSCA	: Dural sac cross sectional area.
EZ	: Elastic zone.
FSU	: Functional spinal unit.
IAP	: Inferior anteroposterior.
IPD	: Interspinous process decompression.
ITL	: Intertransverse "ligament".
IVF	: Intervertebral foramen.
LF	: Ligamentum flavum.
LSS	: Lumbar spinal stenosis.
Lt	: Left.
MISS	: minimally invasive spinal surgery.
MRI	: Magnetic resonance imaging.
NCSs	: Nerve conduction studies.
NASS	: North American Spine Society.
NIC	: Neurogenic intermittent claudication.
NR	: Nerve root.
NZ	: Neutral zone.
PEEK	: Polyetheretherketone.

PLIF	: posterior lumbar interbody fusion.
PLL	: Longitudinal ligament.
PVD	: Peripheral vascular disease.
PZ	: Plastic zone.
Rt	: Right.
SAP	: Superior anteroposterior dimension.
SEP	: Somatosensory evoked potential.
TFLs	: Transforaminal ligaments.

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