

Measurement

Abbreviation	Meaning	Latin Root
i, ii, ...	one, two, etc.	
a.a., aa ³	of each	ana
ad ⁴	to, up to	ad
aq. ad	add water up to	
BSA	body surface area	
cc	cubic centimeter	
dil	dilute	dilutus
f, fl.	fluid	
fl. oz.	fluid ounce	
g, G, gm	gram	
gr.	grain	
gtt	drop(s)	guttae
l, L	liter	
mcg, µg	microgram	
mEq	milliequivalent	
mg	milligram	
ml, mL	milliliter	
q.s.	a sufficient quantity	quantum sufficiat
q.s. ad	add sufficient quantity to make	quantum sufficiat ad
ss ⁵	one-half	
Tbs, T	tablespoon	
tsp, t	teaspoon	
U	unit	
>	greater than	
<	less than	



3 Always keep context in mind as 'aa' can also mean affected area when applying topical medications.

4 Always keep context in mind as 'ad' can also refer to the right ear.

5 Sometimes, it is easier to think of 'ss' as meaning 0.5 instead of one-half.