

Medical and women's health acronyms.

2WW = 2-Week Wait

47XXY = Klinefelter's Syndrome

ACA = Anti-cardiolipin Antibodies

ACTH = Adrenal Corticotrophic Hormone

AF = Aunt Flo (menstruation)

AH, AZH = Assisted Hatching

AHI = At-home Insemination

a.i = alt.infertility newsgroup

a.i.a, aia = alt.infertility.alternatives newsgroup

a.i.p, aip = alt.infertility.primary newsgroup

a.i.s, ais = alt.infertility.secondary newsgroup

AI = Artificial Insemination

AIH = Artificial Insemination from Husband

ANA = Anti-nuclear Antibodies

AO = Anovulation

AOA, AVA = Anti-ovarian Antibody

APA = Anti-phospholipid Antibodies

APTT = Activated Partial Thromboplastin Time

ART = Assisted Reproductive Technology

ASA = Anti-sperm Antibody

ASRM = American Society of Reproductive Medicine

ATA = Anti-thyroid Antibody

AWOL = A Woman On Lupron

B2 = Baby Two (mailing list)

BA = Baby Aspirin

BBT = Basal Body Temperature

BCP = Birth Control Pills

BD = Baby Dance (sex)

BG = Blood Glucose

BMS = Baby-making Sex

BSE = Breast Self-Exam

BT = Balanced Translocation

BW, b/w = Bloodwork

C# = Cycle Number

CAD = Carbohydrate Addict's Diet

CAH = Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia

CASA = Computer-assisted Semen Analysis

CB = Cycle Buddy CBAVD = Congenital Bilateral Absence of the Vas Deferens

CCCT, CCT = Clomiphene Citrate Challenge Test (Clomid Challenge Test)

CD = Cycle Day

CD56+ = Natural Killer Cells

CF = Cervical Fluid

CM = Cervical Mucus

CMV = Cytomegalovirus

CNM = Certified Nurse Midwife

COH = Controlled Ovarian Hyperstimulation

COW = Curse of Womanhood (menstruation)

CP = Cervical Position

CVS = Chorionic Villae Sampling

D&C = Dilation & Curettage

D&E = Dilation & Evacuation

DE = Donor Eggs

DES = Diethylstilbestrol (a synthetic estrogen)

DHEAS = Dihydroepiandrosterone Sulfate

DI = Donor Insemination

DIPI = Direct Intra-peritoneal Insemination

DOST = Direct Oocyte-Sperm Transfer

DPO = Days Post-Ovulation

DPR = Days Post-Retrieval

DPT = Days Post-Transfer

DP3DT = Days Post 3-Day Transfer

DP5DT = Days Post 5-Day Transfer

Dx = Diagnosis

E2 = Estradiol

EB, EMB = Endometrial Biopsy

ED = Egg Donor

EDD = Estimated Due Date

ENDO = Endometriosis

EPO = Evening Primrose Oil

EPT = Early Pregnancy Test

ET = Embryo Transfer

ETF = Embryo Toxic Factor

ETA = Embryo Toxicity Assay

EW, EWCM = Eggwhite Cervical Mucus

FBG = Fasting Blood Glucose

FET = Frozen Embryo Transfer

FHR = Fetal Heart Rate

FP = Follicular Phase

FSH = Follicle Stimulating Hormone

FTTA = Fertile Thoughts To All

FUR = False Unicorn Root
FV = Fertile Vibes

GC = Gestational Carrier
GD = Gestational Diabetes
GIFT = Gamete Intra-fallopian Transfer
GnRH = Gonadotropin Releasing Hormone
GP = General Practitioner
GS = Gestational Surrogate
GTT = Glucose Tolerance Test

HbA1c = Glycosylated Hemoglobin (also called Glycohemoglobin)
hCG, HCG = Human Chorionic Gonadotropin
HCP = Health Care Practitioner
HEPA = Hamster Egg Penetration Assay
hMG, HMG = Human Menopausal Gonadotropin
HP = Hannah's Prayer (Christian infertility / pregnancy loss group)
HPT = Home Pregnancy Test
HRT = Hormone Replacement Therapy
HSC = Hysteroscopy
HSG = Hysterosalpingogram

IBT = Immunobead Binding Test
ICI = Intra-cervical Insemination
ICSI = Intra-cytoplasmic Sperm Injection
IF = Infertility
IGTT = Insulin and Glucose Tolerance Test
IM = Intra-muscular (WRT injections) OR Intended Mom
INCIID = International Council on Infertility Information Dissemination
IOR = Immature Oocyte Retrieval
IP = Intended Parent
IR = Insulin Resistant
ITI = Intra-tubal Insemination
IUFD = Intra-uterine Fetal Demise
IUGR = Intra-uterine Growth Retardation
IUI = Intra-uterine Insemination
IVC = Intra-vaginal Culture
IVF = In Vitro Fertilization
IVIg = Intravenous Immunoglobulin

LAD = Leukocyte Antibody Detection Assay
LAP = Laparoscopy
LH = Luteinizing Hormone
LIT = Leukocyte Immunization Therapy
LMP = Last Menstrual Period (start date)

LO = Love Olympics (sex)
LP = Luteal Phase
LPD = Luteal Phase Defect
LSP = Low Sperm Count
LUF, LUFS = Luteinized Unruptured Follicle Syndrome

MAI = Miscarriage After Infertility (mail list)
MC, m/c, misc. = Miscarriage
MESA = Microsurgical Epididymal Sperm Aspiration
MF = Male Factor
m.h.i, mhi = misc.health.infertility newsgroup
MIFT = Micro Injection Fallopian Transfer
m.k.p, mkp = misc.kids.pregnancy newsgroup
MMR = Measles-Mumps-Rubella Vaccine
MRI = Magnetic Resonance Imaging

NEST = Non-surgical Embryonic Selective Thinning
NK = Natural Killer Cells (CD56+)
NORIF = Non-stimulated Oocyte Retrieval In (office) Fertilization
NP = Nurse Practitioner
NSA = Non-surgical Sperm Aspiration

O, OV = Ovulation
OASIS = Overweight & Seeking Infertility Support (mail list)
OB = Obstetrician
OB/GYN = Obstetrician/Gynecologist
OC = Oral Contraceptives
OD = Ovulatory Dysfunction
OHSS = Ovarian Hyperstimulation Syndrome
ONNA = Oh No, Not Again (mail list)
OPK = Ovulation Predictor Kit
OPSS = Overweight & Pregnant Support (mail list)
OPT = Ovulation Predictor Test
OTC = Over The Counter
OTTTC = Overweight & Trying To Conceive (mail list)
OW = Overweight

P4 = Progesterone
PA = Physician's Assistant
PAI-1 = Plasminogen Activator Inhibitor-1
PANFERT = Pregnancy After Infertility (mail list)
PCAO= Polycystic Appearing Ovaries
PCO = Polycystic Ovaries
PCOD = Polycystic Ovary Disease
PCOS = Polycystic Ovary Syndrome

PCP = Primary Care Physician
PCT = Post Coital Test
PESA = Percutaneous Epididymal Sperm Aspiration
PG = Pregnant
PGD = Pre-implantation Genetic Diagnosis
PI = Primary Infertility
PID = Pelvic Inflammatory Disease
PIO = Progesterone in Oil
PLI = Paternal Leukocyte Immunization
PMS = Pre-menstrual Syndrome
PNM = Perinatal Mortality
POC = Products of Conception
POF = Premature Ovarian Failure
PROM = Premature Rupture of Membranes
PTSD = Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
PZD = Partial Zona Dissection

RE = Reproductive Endocrinologist
R-FSH, R-hFSH = Recombinant Human Follicle Stimulating Hormone
RI = Reproductive Immunologist
RIP = Reproductive Immunophenotype
ROS = Reactive Oxygen Species
RPL = Recurrent Pregnancy Loss
RSA = Recurrent Spontaneous Abortion
Rx = Prescription

SPA = Sperm Penetration Assay
SA = Semen Analysis
SART = Society of Assisted Reproductive Technology
s/b, S/B = Stillbirth
SCORIF = Stimulated Cycle Oocyte Retrieval In (office) Fertilization
SHG, SonoHSG = Sonohysterogram
SI = Secondary Infertility
SIS = Saline Injection Sonogram
SLE = Systemic Lupus Erythematosus
SPA = Sperm Penetration Assay
SPALS = Subsequent Pregnancy After a Loss Support (mail list)
s.s.p.l, sppl = soc.support.pregnancy.loss newsgroup
STD = Sexually Transmitted Disease
SUZI = Sub-zonal Insertion

T4 = Thyroxine
TC = Traditional Carrier
TEBG = Testosterone-Estradiol Binding Globulin
TESA = Testicular Sperm Aspiration

TESE = Testicular Sperm Extraction
TET = Tubal Embryo Transfer
TL = Tubal Ligation
TNF = Tumor Necrosis Factor
TORCH = Toxoplasmosis, Other, Rubella, Cytomegalovirus & Herpes test
TR = Tubal Reversal
TRH = Thyroid Releasing Hormone
TS = Traditional Surrogate
TSH = Thyroid Stimulating Hormone
TTC = Trying to Conceive
TTCAR = Trying to Conceive after Reversal
TUFT = Trans-uterine Fallopian Transfer
Tx = Treatment
TZD = Thiazolidinediones

UR = Urologist
US, u/s = Ultrasound
UTI = Urinary Tract Infection

V = Vasectomy
VR = Vasectomy Reversal

WBC = White Blood Cells
WHR = Waist to Hip Ratio
WNL = Within Normal Limits

ZIFT = Zygote Intra-fallopian Transfer