

SYMBOLS

° degree	τ life (time)
′ foot	$\tau_{1/2}$ half-life (time)
″ inch	λ wavelength
/ per	@ at
% per cent	ā before
: ratio	ā with
∞ infinity	√ā check with
+ positive	ḡ after
- negative	ḡ without
± positive or negative	24° 24 hours
# number; fracture; pound	Δt time interval
÷ divided by	2d second
× multiplied by; magnification	1° primary
= equals	2° secondary to
≠ does not equal	♀ female
~ approximate	♂ male
↓ decreased	3 dram
↑ increased	3 ounce
→ to (in direction of)	-ve negative
∅ normal	+ve positive
√ systolic blood pressure	D _x diagnosis
∧ diastolic blood pressure	R _x treatment or therapy
∠ angle	+ deceased
∠ _E angle of entry	◇ lozenge; sex unknown or unspecified
∠ _X angle of exit	Ⓐ, Ⓢ axilla (temperature)
└ right lower quadrant	Ⓗ, Ⓐ hypodermically
┐ right upper quadrant	Ⓜ intramuscularly
┌ left upper quadrant	Ⓢ intravenously
└ left lower quadrant	ℒ left
> greater than	Ⓜ murmur
< less than	Ⓜ by mouth, murmur
Δ change	Ⓢ by mouth, orally
√ root; square root	Ⓢ rectally, registered trade- mark, right
χ ² chi square (test)	Ⓢ end of anesthesia, end of operation
σ 1/1000 of a second	
σ standard deviation	
Σ sum of	
π 3.1415- ratio of circumference of a circle to its diameter	