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nor the most intelligent that survives. It is the one  
that is most adaptable to change."*

Charles Darwin

"voor mijn ouders"



## **LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS**

<b>AAST</b>	American Association for Trauma Surgery
<b>ACS</b>	Abdominal Compartment Syndrome
<b>AE</b>	Angioembolization
<b>AIS</b>	Abreviated Injury Score
<b>ATLS</b>	Advanced Trauma Life Support©
<b>ATOM</b>	Advanced Trauma Operative Management©
<b>BD</b>	Base Deficit
<b>BLI</b>	Blunt Liver Injury
<b>CI</b>	Cardiac Injury
<b>CT</b>	Computed Tomography
<b>CTA</b>	Computed Tomography Angiography
<b>CVP</b>	Central Venous Pressure
<b>DCL</b>	Damage Control Laparotomy
<b>DCS</b>	Damage Control Surgery
<b>DPL</b>	Diagnostic Peritoneal Lavage
<b>DR</b>	Defintive Repair
<b>DSTC</b>	Definitve Surgical Trauma Care©
<b>ECG</b>	Electrocardiography
<b>ERC</b>	Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiography
<b>ERCP</b>	Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangio-Pancreaticography
<b>FAST</b>	Focussed Assessment with Sonography for Trauma
<b>FNOM</b>	Failure of Nonoperative Management
<b>GCS</b>	Glasgow Coma Scale
<b>GSW</b>	Gunshot wound
<b>Hb</b>	Hemoglobin level
<b>HLOS</b>	Hospital Lenght of Stay
<b>ICU</b>	Intensive Care Unit
<b>ICULOS</b>	ICU Length of Stay
<b>INR</b>	International Normalized Ratio
<b>IOS</b>	Injury Organ Score
<b>IQR</b>	Interquartile Range
<b>ISS</b>	Injury Severity Score
<b>IVC</b>	Inferior Vena Cava
<b>LI</b>	Liver Injury
<b>LPV</b>	Left Portal Vein
<b>MVA</b>	Motor Vehicle Accident
<b>NOM</b>	Nonoperative Management

<b>NTL</b>	Non Therapeutic Laparotomy
<b>OM</b>	Operative Management
<b>P</b>	P-value
<b>PATI</b>	Penetrating Abdominal Trauma Index
<b>PD</b>	Percutaneous Drainage
<b>PVA</b>	Pedestrian Vehicle Accident
<b>RCT</b>	Randomized Controlled Trial
<b>RTS</b>	Revised Trauma Score
<b>RUQ</b>	Right Upper Quadrant
<b>SBP</b>	Systolic Blood Pressure
<b>SD</b>	Standard Deviation
<b>SICU</b>	Surgical Intensive Care Unit
<b>SLI</b>	Stabwound Liver Injury
<b>SNOM</b>	Selective Nonoperative Management
<b>SPW</b>	Subxiphoid Pericardial Window
<b>SW</b>	Stabwound

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