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Infection, 1999 (1,2) presents evidence-based recommendations for surgical

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epidemiology, definitions, microbiology, pathogenesis, and surveillance of

SSI; and provides a detailed discussion of the pre-, intra-, and post-operative issues relevant to SSI genesis. The guideline

includes a

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