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2. Effect of universal chlorhexidine decolonisation on the infection rate in intensive care patients.

Duszyńska, Wiesława; Adamik, Barbara; Lentka-Bera, Karolina; Kulpa, Katarzyna; Nieckula-Schwarz, Agata; Litwin, Agnieszka; Stróżecki, Lukasz; Kübler, Andrzej; Anaesthesiology Intensive Therapy, 2017, 49(1): 28-33. (6p) (Article) ISSN: 1642-5758 AN: 122229978
Subjects: Cross Infection Prevention and Control; Cross Infection Epidemiology; Chlorhexidine Therapeutic Use; Bathing and Baths; Infection Control; Critical Care; Adult: 19-44 years; Middle Aged: 45-64 years; Aged: 65+ years; Aged, 80 & over; Male; Female

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