

TABLE E-1 Prevalence of Bacteria in Positive Cultures

Bacteria	No. of Bacteria*
Coagulase-negative <i>Staphylococcus</i>	22 (56.4%)
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	9 (23.1%)
Coagulase-negative <i>Staphylococcus</i> and <i>Propionibacterium acnes</i>	4 (10.3%)
<i>Propionibacterium acnes</i>	2 (5.1%)
<i>Clostridium perfringens</i>	1 (2.6%)
Beta-hemolytic <i>Streptococcus</i>	1 (2.6%)

*The values are given as the number of bacteria, with the percentage in parentheses.

TABLE E-2 The Number of Specimens from Each Surgery Sent for Culture and Histology

No. of Specimens*	No. of Negative Cultures	No. of Positive Cultures	No. of Both Negative and Positive Cultures
1 (63.0%)	131	12	0
2 (25.6%)	43	10	5†
3 (7.1%)	13	0	3‡
4 (3.1%)	7	0	0
5 (0.0%)	0	0	0
6 (0.4%)	0	1	0
7 (0.4%)	6	1	0
8 (0.0%)	0	0	0
9 (0.4%)	8	1	0

*The values are given as the number of intraoperative specimens obtained for histology, with the percentage in parentheses. †These cultures had one negative culture and one positive culture. ‡These cultures had two positive cultures and one negative culture.