

Table 7. Causes of Wound and Strains of Clostridia Present in 28 Patients, Series B, Winter 1952-1953

Cause of Wound	Number of Patients with Clostridia	Average Number of Species per Patient	Specimen			Total Strains Recovered	Average Species per Positive Specimen
			Total Number	Positive for Clostridia			
				Number	Per Cent		
Mortar shells	7	2.5	51	13	25.4	21	1.6
Grenades	6	2.0	36	14	38.9	16	1.1
Rifle and machine gun fire	8	2.8	40	22	55.0	39	1.7
Artillery shells	17	2.0	82	27	32.9	35	1.6
Total	38		209	76		111	