

Table 2. The Anaerobic Flora of Tissue Blocks Taken from 112 Wounds of 69 Patients—Winter 1952-1953

Size of Wound	Total Number of Wounds	Wounds Containing		Time Lag—Injury to Biopsy	
		Nonpathogenic Clostridia	Pathogenic Clostridia	Wounds with Clostridia	Wounds Without Clostridia
Small	29	7 (24%)	6 (21%)	6.2 hours	10 hours
Medium	39	18 (50%)	9 (23%)	9.6 hours	9 hours
Large	44	15 (34%)	9 (20%)	8.0 hours	8 hours
Total Average	112	40 (36%)	24 (21%)	7.9 hours	9 hours