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Prescribing Information

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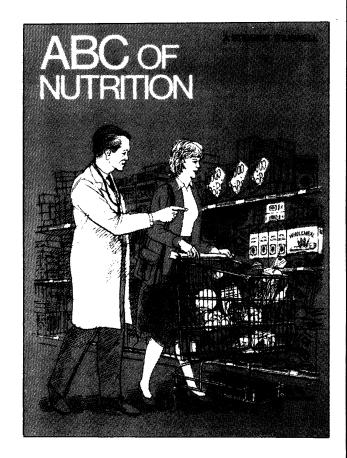
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Skin & soft tissue ^{3,4}	81	75	93%

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Upper respiratory tract ^{5,6}	70	70	100%
Lower respiratory tract ⁷	28	27	96%
Urinary tract ^{6,7,8}	61	57	93%

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INDICATIONS: Chest, ear, nose, throat, genito-urinary, skin and soft tissue infections including those caused by \(\textit{B-lactamase} \) producing organisms.

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