List of Abbreviations

CoNS: Coagulase Negative Staphylococci
ESBL: Extended-spectrum \(\beta\)-lactamases
MRSA: Meticillin resistant \(S. aureus\)
CA-MRSA: Community acquired meticillin resistant \(S. aureus\)
HA-MRSA: Hospital acquired meticillin resistant \(S. aureus\)
PVL: Panton-Valentine leukocidin
HCAIs: Healthcare associated infections
PFGE: Pulse Field Gell Electrophoresis
MLST: Multi-locus sequence typing
ST: Sequence type
DGH: District General Hospital
SSI: Surgical Site Infections

Nomenclature

In this work International Nonproprietary Name (INN) nomenclature has been followed, as such, Meticillin (INN) rather than Methicillin (United States Adopted Names -USAN) has been used.