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Antibiotic resistance: How to Fight

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Abstract

Discoveries of antibacterial drugs in the 1930s and 1940s lead to overly optimistic predictions of winning the war against all pathogenic bacteria. Resistance to many antibiotics was noted within the first few years of their clinical use. There has been misuse and overuse of antibiotics which has sped up the evolution of antibiotic resistance. It directly affects morbidity and mortality, causes increases in healthcare costs and reduces the number of available drugs for future patients.

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