



* Signs of sepsis include respiratory distress (tachypnoea, grunting, subcostal recession), apnoea, an oxygen requirement, pallor with poor peripheral perfusion, fever $> 38^{\circ}\text{C}$ or an unstable temperature, and acidosis.

† At least a full blood count, blood cultures and, when feasible, a lumbar puncture. A penicillin and an aminoglycoside are the antibiotics of choice.

‡ Group B streptococcus risk factors (see Fig. 1).

‡‡ There are insufficient data upon which to base a single management strategy for situations where intrapartum antibiotics are indicated but not given.

¶ FBC, full blood count.