Disinfecting Ultrasound Transducers Used in Percutaneous Procedures:
What Practitioners Need to Know about the Intersocietal Position Statement

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