

Spontaneous bacterial pleuritis in 3 patients with liver cirrhosis Pleuritis bacteriana espontánea en tres pacientes con cirrosis hepática.

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We report 4 episodes of spontaneous bacterial pleuritis observed in 3 patients with liver cirrhosis complicated by ascites and pleural effusion. This infection mimics spontaneous bacterial peritonitis. Three episodes were successfully treated. Proposed pathogenesis, diagnostic methods and therapy are discussed.