

**Biostatistics statement:**

The comparison between laparoscopic and open surgery for large GISTs:

A meta-analysis

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