

Biostatistics statement:

Title: Application of preoperative artificial neural network (preope-ANN) based on blood biomarkers and clinicopathological parameters for predicting long-term survival of patients with gastric cancer

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