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Short- and long-term results of open versus laparoscopic multisegmental resection and anastomosis for synchronous colorectal cancer located in separate segments

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