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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Meta analysis was carried out by the author to confirm which is better for trans versus laparoscopic surgery in low rectal cancer. Trans anal may be more suitable for low rectal cancer. This is a good article. As stated in the discussion, the indications of patients must be strictly selected, otherwise the advantages of trans anal cannot be demonstrated. It is recommended to accept.

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