Reviewer’s report

Title: What is the advantage of rectal amputation with an initial perineal approach for primary anorectal carcinoma?

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Reviewer: Claudio Gambardella

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