

# Effect of Patella Alta on the Native Anatomometricity of the Medial Patellofemoral Complex: A Cadaveric Study

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# Impact of Local Steroid Application in a Minimally Invasive Transforaminal Lumbar Interbody Fusion

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# Reduced Blood Loss With Use of Canady Hybrid Plasma Scalpel Compared With Bovie Electrocautery in the Resection of Soft-Tissue Sarcomas

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# The July Effect in Hand Surgery

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# When Do Patients Perceive Clinical Benefits After Knee and Shoulder Sports Surgery?

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