

Table 1. Surgical data statistics

	operation time(mins)	occluding time(mins)	chest opening and closing time(mins)	postoperative hospital stay(days)
sternal incision	18-71 (46.58±13.58)	5-38 (13.83±9.17)	24-54 (36.00±9.80)	4-8 (6.09±1.04)
intercostal incision	24-72(47.54±12.06)	5-37(16.16±8.01)	14-59(31.56±9.58)	3-9(5.79±1.45)
P value	0.65	0.44	0.19	0.46