SECTION I

# SURVIVAL SURGERY PROCEDURES

APPEND TO PART I, IF APPLICABLE.

**NOTE:** Repeat items I1 through I15 for each species that will have survival surgery.

The following items I.1 to I.15 apply to (identify species): Click here to enter text.

## I.1. Multiple Survival Surgery

I.1.1. Will any of the animals have undergone survival surgery prior to being entered into this study (e.g., by the vendor or under a different protocol)?

No. Animals will not have had prior survival surgery.

Yes. Animals will have had prior surgery

If ‘YES’, provide prior surgeries and include dates of the procedures: Click here to enter text.

I.1.2. Will any animals experience more than one survival surgery, including surgery prior to entering the study?

Yes. Animals will have more than one survival surgery procedure

No. Animals will have only one survival surgery procedure.

If ‘YES’, describe how the multiple survival surgeries, including any experienced prior to entering this study, are interrelated components of this protocol and why the multiple surgeries are necessary to achieve the scientific objective.

Click here to enter text.

## I.2. Narrative of Survival Surgery Procedures Under This Protocol

I.2.1. Description of survival surgery procedures:

Click here to enter text.

I.2.2. Specify the method of wound closure:

Click here to enter text.

I.2.3. Will all sutures and/or would clips be allowed to remain in place beyond the 7th post-operative day?

No. All sutures and/or wound clips will be removed on or before the 7th day after surgery.

Yes. Sutures and/or wound clips will remain in place for more than 7 days.

## I.3. Pre-Operative Animal Support (Not Anesthesia)

I.3.1. Specify pre-operative actions that will be taken to prepare the animals for survival surgery (select all that apply):

Physical exam

Overnight food withdrawal

Body temperature support

Clipping of fur

CBC (define blood sampling method): Click here to enter text.

Chemistry profile (define blood sampling method): Click here to enter text.

Ophthalmic ointment to eyes

Iodine (or Chlorhexidine) + alcohol skin scrub, 3 alternating cycles

Drugs (other than anesthetics and sedatives) or fluids (List below):

Click here to enter text.

## I.4. Pre-Operative Anesthesia/Sedation/Tranquilization

I.4.1. Will pre-operative anesthesia, sedation or tranquilization be provided to the animals?

No. Drugs will not be administered to the animals prior to surgical anesthesia.

Yes. Pre-operative drugs will be used to calm the animals. (List below)

Click here to enter text.

## **I.5. Intra-Operative Animal Support (Not Anesthesia**)

I.5.1. Specify intra-operative care that will be provided to animals during survival surgery (select all that apply):

Mechanical ventilation Heat to prevent hypothermia

Intravenous fluids Cooling to prevent hyperthermia

Ophthalmic ointment to eyes

Other (specify): Click here to enter text.

None (explain):Click here to enter text.

## I.6. Intra-Operative Anesthesia

Please list all agents and dosing regimens to be used for intra-operative anesthesia.

### Table I.6.A. Anesthetic Agents

To add additional rows, click on the **+** at the end of the chart.

| ANESTHETIC AGENT | DOSE | ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION | FREQUENCY OF ADMINISTRATION | DURATION OF TREATMENT |
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## I.7. Neuromuscular Blocking Agents (Paralytics)

I.7.1. Will neuromuscular blocking agents (paralytics) be used at any time during the procedure?

Yes. Neuromuscular blocking agents will be used.

No. Neuromuscular blocking agents will not be used for the procedure.

If ‘YES’, provide details here:

Click here to enter text.

## I.8. Monitoring During Anesthesia

I.8.1. Indicate below the indices that will be used for intra-operative monitoring of animal condition and depth of anesthesia.

Respiratory rate / effort

Mucous membrane color

Body temperature

Oxygen saturation

Heart rate

Blood pressure

Capillary refill time

EKG

Reflex (specify): Click here to enter text.

Other (specify): Click here to enter text.

Other (specify): Click here to enter text.

I.8.2. Specify the frequency at which the above indices will be recorded:

Click here to enter text.

## I.9. Post-Operative Animal Support During Recovery From Anesthesia

I.9.1. Indicate care that will be provided to animals during post-operative recovery from anesthesia (i.e., until sternal recumbency is regained and maintained). Select all that apply below:

Heat to prevent hypothermia

Cooling to prevent hyperthermia

Intravenous fluids

Ophthalmic ointment to eyes

Other (specify): Click here to enter text.

Other (specify): Click here to enter text.

Other (specify): Click here to enter text.

None (explain): Click here to enter text.

## I.10. Monitoring During Recovery From Anesthesia

I.10.1. Indicate below the indices that will be used for post-operative monitoring of animal condition during recovery from anesthesia.

Respiratory rate

Mucous membrane color

Body temperature

Oxygen saturation

Heart rate

Blood pressure

Capillary Refill Time

EKG

Reflex (specify): Click here to enter text.

Other (specify): Click here to enter text.

Other (specify): Click here to enter text.

Specify the frequency at which the above indices will be recorded: Click here to enter text.

## I.11. Pain Management

**NOTE:** The IACUC encourages the use of pre-emptive analgesia for pain management. Analgesia must be provided as early in the procedure as possible, ideally before the procedure begins. (Please contact the Attending Veterinarian for more information on post-operative support expectations. You can also refer to the “Surgical Classification and Postoperative Monitoring” sheet found in the IRBNet “Forms and Templates” tab.)

I.11.1. Will analgesia be provided to the animal for relief of post-operative pain?

Yes. Analgesia will be provided.

No. Post-operative analgesia will not be provided.

If ‘NO’, Explain why analgesia will be withheld: Click here to enter text.

If ‘YES’, please list analgesics and dosing regimens on table I.11.A. below:

### Table I.11.A. Analgesics

To add additional rows, click on the **+** at the end of the chart.

| ANALGESIC | TIMING OF ADMINISTRATION | DOSE | ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION | FREQUENCY OF ADMINISTRATION | DURATION OF TREATMENT |
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## I.12. Post-Operative Antibiotic or Drug Therapy

I.12.1. Will antibiotics or drugs other than experimental agents be provided to animals during the post-operative period?

Yes. Antibiotics and/or drugs will be administered.

No. Such treatment is not planned and will be provided only if medically advised.

If ‘YES’ specify details here:

Click here to enter text.

## I.13. Single Housing During Post-Operative Recovery

I.13.1. A special exemption (Appendix U) is not required for single housing during the immediate post-operative period (for the recovery of the animal patient). This provision exists from the point of anesthesia recovery up to seven days post recovery. Please select the appropriate response which applies to this protocol. If more than one is applicable, then select multiple responses:

Single housing post anesthesia is not required for this study.

Animals may be singly housed post anesthesia for up to 7 days. Animals in this condition will be provided with environmental enrichment.

Animals will require 7 or more days of single housing. I have included Appendix U to justify the extended use of single housing.

Which animals in your study will require single housing? Click here to enter text.

## I.14. Specimen Collection From Live Animals

I.14.1. Will specimens be collected from living animals during or after the survival surgery?

Yes. Specimens will be collected from living animals

No. Specimens will not be collected from living animals.

## I.15. Humane Endpoints which will be monitored and will be prompt intervention to prevent continued pain or distress.

According to The Guide, information that is critical to the IACUC's assessment of appropriate endpoint consideration within a protocol includes precisely defining the humane endpoint (including assessment criteria); the frequency of animal observation; training of personnel responsible for assessment and recognition of the humane endpoint; and the response required upon reaching the humane endpoint. The IACUC has determined that the list below defines the commonly accepted clinical milestones which should be regarded as humane endpoints for most terrestrial animal studies.

### Table I.15.A. Clinical Observation(s)/Milestone(s)

Choose all of those which are appropriate for the species being used. For each milestone, indicate the action that will be taken. Add other milestones (in the row marked 'other') if applicable for defining the humane endpoints for the proposed study.

| CLINICAL OBSERVATION/MILESTONE | APPLICABLE TO MY PROPOSAL | FREQUENCY OF OBSERVATION (e.g., 4hrs., 12 hrs., weekly) | PROTOCOL PERSONNEL ARE TRAINED TO RECOGNIZE | REPONSE REQUIRED UPON REACHING THE HUMANE ENDPOINT | PROVIDE DURATION  (# OF DAYS, WEEKS, ETC.)  OF MONITORING OR A SCIENTIFIC JUSTIFICATION FOR NOT USING THE MILESTONES LISTED |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Infection unrelated to the protocol. | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Not eating or drinking  (will require individual housing to effectively assess) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Decreased fecal and urine output  (will require individual housing to effectively assess) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Delayed wound healing  (requires checking at least daily until suture removal) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Sudden behavioral change  (Ex: aggression, guarding, hiding) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Licking, biting, scratching of the operative / injection site  (requires checking at least daily until suture removal) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Poor posture or ambulating difficulty  (Ex: tense, tucked-up, stiff gait) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Lost hair coat condition  (Ex: ruffled fur, lack of grooming, piloerection) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize |  |
| Sudden activity level change  (Ex: restlessness, pacing, reluctance to move) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Unexpected sweating or salivation  (Ex: stressed rodents salivate excessively when stressed) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| 'Painful' facial expression  (Ex: grimace, eyes dull, pupils dilated, pinning of ears) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Oculonasal discharge  (Ex: rats shed porphyrin pigment when stressed) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Teeth grinding | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Signs of moderate to severe pain or distress that was not anticipated by the study plan. | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Body weight relative to an age-matched reference.  (Ex: Requires regular <q 48 hours> weighing) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize |  |
| Self-mutilation  (requires checking at least daily until suture removal) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Neurological disorders (e.g., seizures, blindness, ataxia) that were not anticipated by the study plan. | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Cardiopulmonary disorders (e.g. sudden weakness, vascular collapse, coma) that were not anticipated by the study plan. | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Abnormal feeding or defecation for 48 hours (e.g.,  decreased feed or water intake and/or decreased fecal production that is unrelated to the study plan). | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize | Click here to enter text. |
| Non-weight bearing for 72 hours (e.g., inability to maintain upright posture) | yes  no | Click here to enter text. | yes  no | Consult VetEuthanize |  |

I.15.1. Other humane endpoints which will be employed in this project:

Click here to enter text.

I.15.2. Other humane endpoints which will be employed in this project:

Click here to enter text.