



GUIDANCE FOR INVESTIGATORS

Pharmaceutical agents used in mice

Drug	Dose (mg/kg)	Route	Effect	Notes	
<u>Anesthesia</u>					
Pentobarbital	40-50 mg/kg	IV, IP	Sedation/ Anesthesia	Respiratory and cardiac depression.	
	100 mg/kg	IV, IP	Terminal procedures- euthanasia		
Xylazine	4-8 mg/kg	IM	Sedation		
	10-16mg/kg	IP			
Acepromazine	1-2mg/kg	IM	Tranquilization		
	2-5mg/kg	IP			
Ketamine	44mg/kg	IM	Sedation/ Anesthesia		
	100mg/kg	IP			
	20mg/kg 50mg/kg	IM IV	Immobilization		
Midazolam	5mg/kg	IM, IP	Sedation		
Yohimbine	2.1 mg/kg	IP	Reversal of xylazine	.63mg/30gm mouse	
<u>Analgesia</u>					
Buprenorphine	.05mg/kg- .1mg/kg	SQ, IV Q 6-8 hrs	Post op pain	Can be used as pre-emptive analgesia during anesthesia. If respiratory depression is a concern, wait until partially recovered and sternal.	
	.1mg/kg- .25mg/kg	PO Q 6-8hrs			
Ibuprofen	40mg/kg	PO Q 8 hrs	Moderate pain		
Ketaprofen	5mg/kg	SQ	Moderate pain		
<u>Antibiotics</u>					
Baytril Dilution <i>Mix 1 ml of injectable Baytril with 10 ml sterile saline or water</i>	5mg/kg (1:10 dilution=2.27 mg/ml)	SQ Every 12 hours	Broad spectrum including some anaerobes	Wt	Dose/ml
				15g	0.03
				20g	0.04
				25g	0.06
				30g	0.07
				35g	0.08
40g	0.09				
Bactrim (200mg/5ml) Dilution	1ML diluted in 167 mls drinking water	PO	Broad spectrum, especially Staph spp.	Change solution every 3 days.	

Ketamine/Xylazine

Dose Rate:	0.2 ml/25 gm body weight IP, subQ	
Volumes:	Ketamine	1.0 ml
	Xylazine at 20 mg/ml	0.5 ml
	Sterile saline or sterile water	8.5 ml
	Total volume	10.0 ml

Ketamine/Xylazine/Acepromazine

Dose Rate:	0.2 ml/100 gm body weight IP, subQ	
Volumes:	Ketamine	1.0 ml
	Xylazine at 20 mg/ml	0.5 ml
	Acepromazine	0.2 ml
	Sterile saline or sterile water	2.3 ml
	Total volume	4.0 ml