

Exception to the Animal Welfare Act/Regulations- University of Missouri

Pigs may have solid food withheld up to approximately 36 hours (no water restriction) prior to the terminal surgery in order to empty the digestive track. During this time, they will receive electrolytes and molasses. This procedure has not been used in over 8 years but it is maintained in an IACUC-approved, animal use protocol in case it is ever needed.