

Pain Category E Explanation

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Regarding the 11 pigs that were reported under category E:

The pigs were enrolled in a Cecal Ligation and Puncture (CLP) Sepsis Model study. Anesthesia was provided during the CLP surgery: Meloxicam was administered during the induction. Buprenorphine is also administered once immediately after surgery. Buprenorphine or a Fentanyl patch were also provided for up to 3 days post-surgery to help minimize pain. However, since the CLP models a complex series of pathologic events and due to multifaceted nature of Sepsis, the animals were categorized as a Pain Category E.

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