

Castration Lab Job Sheet

Objectives:

- Utilize safe practices in working with animals
- Demonstrate the scalpel method of castration

Materials

- 2 small balloons
- 1 large balloon
- 2 mock testicles (chocolate eggs or circus peanuts work well)
- 2 rubber bands
- Scalpel (scissors work)
- Red Jello (water with red food coloring also works)
- Paper towel
- Funnel

Pre Lab

Creating the mock scrotum.

1. Obtain all of the supplies needed.
2. Put 1 mock testicle into each of the small balloons.
3. Cut the rubber bands and tie one rubber band around the top of each of the stuffed small balloons. This is the vas deferens.
4. Using a partner to help, put the testicles into the scrotum (big balloon) with the vas deferens (rubber bands) hanging out the top of the scrotum.
5. Using a funnel, pour a small amount of blood (red jello) into the scrotum and tie off the top.

Castration

Castrate the "Bull Calf" by removing part of the scrotum and extracting both testicles.

To accomplish this task, follow these steps.

1. Put the paper towel down on the desk to limit the mess made.
2. Pinch the tip of the scrotum between the thumb and first finger below the testicles.
3. Use the scalpel to cut the bottom 1/3 of the scrotum sack completely off.
4. Individually remove testicle from the opening created by the scalpel.
5. Pull the testicle from the scrotum and cut the vas deferens as high as possible so there is nothing hanging out from the open scrotum.
6. Repeat with the other testicle.
7. Show your instructor the completed product.
8. Remove the testicle from the little balloon and enjoy your Rocky Mtn. Oysters.
9. Clean everything up.