

Appendix H Multiple Major Survival Surgical Procedures

A major surgical procedure is defined as a surgical intervention that penetrates or exposes a body cavity (peritoneal, thoracic, cranium) or produces substantial impairment of physical or physiologic function. Multiple major procedures are those whereby an animal will regain consciousness after each procedure. Procedures must be described in Appendix C. A major surgery followed by a second procedure where the animal is sacrificed is not considered in multiple major surgical procedures.

1. **Justify** the need for multiple major surgical events in a single animal.

2. What is the time interval between the surgical events?