

Rat/Mouse Post Operative Evaluation Record

Animal # _____ Species _____ Surgery Date _____ Pre-op weight _____ g /kg
 Procedure _____ Anesthetic Agent _____ Amount _____

Date									
Day post-procedure									
Time									
EXTERNAL OBSERVATIONS									
Active?									
Inquisitive?									
Rough hair coat?									
Crusty red eyes?									
Eating?									
Drinking?									
Feces?									
Urine?									
PHYSICAL EXAMINATION									
*Rate & type of breathing?									
Normal gait/paralysis?									
Fecal/urine soiling of coat?									
Diarrhea?									
**Dehydration?									
Bony/thin appearance?									
Vocalization?									
Body weight?									
% change from pre-op weight									
SUTURE/STAPLE LINE									
Wound edges red?									
Swelling around incision?									
Swelling under incision?									
Sutures/staples missing?									
Exudate from incision?									
Date Sutures/staples removed?									
OBSERVER INITIALS									

* N=normal, L=labored, R=rapid, S=shallow
 ** Gently pinch up a fold of skin. Skin of dehydrated animals will stay pinched up.