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The purpose of this Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) is to describe the subcutaneous injection in rats.

1. Introduction and Definitions:

Abbreviations: Animal Care Services ACS, Principal Investigator PI, subcutaneous SC, intravenous IV, intraperitoneal IP, intramuscular IM, per os PO, per rectum PR

Recommended Needle Sizes and Volumes Length of needle: ½ to ¾ inch

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ensure accurate dosing.

Disinfecting the skin with alcohol is recommended but not mandatory for subcutaneous injections.

Choose the appropriate administration route for the substance to be injected.

2. Materials:

Sterile syringes Sterile needles (21-27 gauge) 70% alcohol

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