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CHEMICAL RESTRAINT

Any animal that the technologist foresees as being difficult to position may require sedation, tranquilization, or general anesthesia. The assigned students may administer the drug(s) under the supervision of a technician or veterinarian. Advance chemical restraint will save time in the animals which are known to be difficult to handle.

For cases known to require sedation, the imaging request should not be submitted until the drugs have been acquired from pharmacy.

Sedation for ultrasound:

- Please do not use hydromorphone unless necessary as it causes excessive panting.
- Recommended protocols for sedation for echocardiography can be found on the bulletin board in the ultrasound room. Please consult with the sonographer before sedation for echocardiography.

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