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## **Title: A Simplified Operation for the Endovascular Perforation Murine Model of Subarachnoid Hemorrhage**

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## **Author Questionnaire**

**1. Microscopy:** Does your protocol require the use of a dissecting or stereomicroscope for performing a complex dissection, microinjection technique, or something similar? **Yes.**

If **Yes**, can you record movies/images using your own microscope camera?

**NO.**

If your protocol involves microscopy but you are not able to record movies/images with your microscope camera, JoVE will need to use our scope kit.

If your microscope does not have a camera port, the scope kit will be attached to one of the eyepieces and **you will have to perform the procedure using one eye.**

### **OLYMPUS SZ61**

If a dissection or stereo microscope is required for your protocol, please list all shots from the script that will be visualized using the microscope (shots are indicated with the 3-digit numbers, like 2.1.1, 2.1.2, etc.).

SCOPE shots: 2.3.1, 2.3.2, 2.4.1, 2.5.2, 2.6.1, 2.7.1, 2.7.2, 2.9.1, 2.9.2, 2.10.1, 2.10.2, 2.11.1, 2.12.1, 2.13.2.

*Videographer: Please film the above-mentioned shots using the scope kit*

**2. Software:** Does the part of your protocol being filmed include step-by-step descriptions of software usage? **No**

**3. Filming location:** Will the filming need to take place in multiple locations? **No**

### **Current Protocol Length**

Number of Steps: 20

Number of Shots: 32

# Introduction

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*Videographer: Obtain headshots for all authors available at the filming location.*

**REQUIRED:**

- 1.1. **Wenhao Ding:** Our research established a simplified operation for endovascular perforation-induced subarachnoid hemorrhage model in mice, which may facilitate its application in transgenic mice and greater sample size in molecular mechanism studies.
  - 1.1.1. INTERVIEW: Named talent says the statement above in an interview-style shot, looking slightly off-camera. *Suggested B-roll: 2.3.2*

What advantage does your protocol offer compared to other techniques?

- 1.2. **Wenhao Ding:** Our protocol for establishing the SAH mouse model is easier for new manipulators to operate and increases their efficiency.
  - 1.2.1. INTERVIEW: Named talent says the statement above in an interview-style shot, looking slightly off-camera. *Suggested B-roll: 2.6.1*

What research questions will your laboratory focus on in the future?

- 1.3. **Wenhao Ding:** In the future, we will use this model to explore the molecular mechanisms underlying and the pharmacological effects of subarachnoid hemorrhage.
  - 1.3.1. INTERVIEW: Named talent says the statement above in an interview-style shot, looking slightly off-camera. *Suggested B-roll: 4.1.1*

*Videographer: Obtain headshots for all authors available at the filming location.*

**Ethics Title Card**

This research has been approved by the Animal Ethics Committee at the Longhua Hospital

# Protocol

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## 2. Subarachnoid Hemorrhage (SAH) Induction in Mouse

**Demonstrator:** Wenhao Ding

2.1. To begin, place the mouse on a heating pad preheated to 37 degrees Celsius and maintain this temperature until the surgery is completed [1].

2.1.1. WIDE: Talent placing the mouse on the heated pad and monitoring the temperature.

2.2. After positioning the mouse in a supine position, secure all the limbs using tape [1-TXT].

2.2.1. Talent taping each limb of the supine anesthetized mouse.

**TXT: Anesthesia:**

**Induction: 2 - 2.5% Isoflurane**

**Maintenance: 1 - 1.5% Isoflurane (0.4 - 0.6 L/min flow rate)**

2.3. Now, using scissors, incise the skin along the midline of the anterior neck [1]. Dissect the connective tissue and expose the left common carotid artery and its bifurcations [2].

2.3.1. SCOPE: performing a precise incision along the anterior neck midline with scissors.

2.3.2. SCOPE: using forceps to spread tissue and reveal the common carotid artery and its branches.

2.4. Loop the common carotid artery with a 6-0 (6-oh) nylon suture [1] and leave both ends free without tying them [2].

2.4.1. SCOPE: looping the suture around the artery.

2.4.2. Shot of the end of the suture left free.

2.5. Then, attach both ends of the suture to tape [1] and gently pull them downward and to the right at a 45-degree angle from the horizontal [2]. Now, secure the tape to the operating table to temporarily block the artery [3].

2.5.1. Talent attaching both ends of the suture to tape.

2.5.2. SCOPE: pulling them downward and to the right at a 45-degree angle from the

horizontal.

2.5.3. Talent securing the tape to the operating table.

2.6. Next, ligate the external carotid artery using a nylon suture [1].

2.6.1. SCOPE: Tying off the external carotid artery with a nylon suture.

2.7. Using an electrocautery pen, fuse the external carotid artery distal to the ligation site [1]. Pull the artery downward to expose the internal carotid artery and align both vessels into a straight line [2].

2.7.1. SCOPE: sealing the distal artery with the electrocautery pen.

2.7.2. SCOPE: gently pulling and aligning the external and internal carotid arteries in a straight line.

2.8. With a sharpened tip of the filament, locate the black mark positioned 8 millimeters from the tip [1].

2.8.1. Talent trimming the filament and checking the placement of the 8 millimeter mark.

NOTE: The timestamps for the SCOPE shots were provided by the videographer. The postshoot integrator hasn't reviewed the footage.

2.9. Use scissors to make a small incision for inserting the filament into the external carotid artery [1] and insert the filament using forceps [2].

2.9.1. SCOPE: making the incision with scissors near the artery. Videographer's NOTE: We did a long take with the scope footage, so here's the timecode for Clip "IMG\_4371": STEP 2.9.1 IMG\_4371 18:38

2.9.2. SCOPE: inserting the filament precisely using forceps. Videographer's NOTE: We did a long take with the scope footage, so here's the timecode for Clip "IMG\_4371": STEP 2.9.2/2.10.1/2.10.2 IMG\_4371 27:25.

2.10. Slowly advance the filament with forceps until the black mark passes completely through the carotid bifurcation [1]. Then, advance it an additional 2 millimeters to perforate the vessel [2].

2.10.1. SCOPE: guiding the filament through the artery to the marked position. Videographer's NOTE: We did a long take with the scope footage, so here's the timecode for Clip "IMG\_4371": STEP 2.9.2/2.10.1/2.10.2 IMG\_4371 27:25.

2.10.2. SCOPE: slightly advancing filament further and inducing perforation of the vessel.

2.11. Immediately retract the filament following perforation [1].

2.11.1. SCOPE: quickly pulling the filament back after completing the perforation.

Videographer's NOTE: We did a long take with the scope footage, so here's the timecode for Clip "IMG\_4371": STEP 2.11.1 IMG\_4371 30:09

2.12. Then, fuse the external carotid artery using an electrocautery pen [1].

2.12.1. SCOPE: applying the electrocautery pen to seal the external carotid artery.

Videographer's NOTE: We did a long take with the scope footage, so here's the timecode for Clip "IMG\_4371": STEP 2.12.1 IMG\_4371 29:14

2.13. Remove the tape and withdraw the nylon suture from the common carotid artery to restore blood flow [1] and observe the clear pulsation of the artery [2].

2.13.1. Talent removing the securing tape and gently pulling out the nylon suture.

2.13.2. SCOPE: Shot of the artery's pulsation. Videographer's NOTE: We did a long take with the scope footage, so here's the timecode for Clip "IMG\_4371": STEP 2.13.2 IMG\_4371 32:31

2.14. Now, close the neck incision using 5-0 (5-oh) absorbable sutures [1-TXT].

2.14.1. Talent stitching the neck incision with 5-0 absorbable sutures. **TXT: Sham group: Partially advance the filament; Do not puncture**

### 3. Post-Operative Procedures and Tests

3.1. 24 hours post-surgery, assess neurological performance using a modified scoring system in a blinded manner [1]. Evaluate spontaneous activity, movement of all limbs, forelimb strength, ability to climb a wire cage, tactile response on both sides of the trunk, and reaction to vibrissae stimulation [2].

3.1.1. Talent examining the animal after surgery.

3.1.2. LAB MEDIA: Table 1.

3.2. After anesthetizing the mouse, place the mouse in a supine position [1-TXT] and tape its limbs to the surgical table [2]. Using scissors, make a midline abdominal incision, cut through the abdominal wall, and carefully expose the thoracic cavity [4]. Then, cut the sternum to reveal the heart [4].

3.2.1. Talent positioning the anesthetized mouse supine on the operating table. **TXT:**

**Anesthesia: Isoflurane**

- 3.2.2. Talent taping the mouse limbs. Videographer's NOTE: Step 3.2.2 and step 3.2.3 were combined in one clip.
- 3.2.3. Talent performing abdominal and thoracic incisions.
- 3.2.4. Talent cutting the sternum, exposing the heart.
- 3.3. Now, carefully insert the infusion needle into the left ventricle, ensuring it remains stable and does not puncture the heart [1].
  - 3.3.1. Talent guiding the infusion needle into the ventricle with precision, checking for stability. Videographer's NOTE: Steps 3.3.1 and 3.4.1 were combined in one clip.
- 3.4. Begin perfusion using precooled 1x PBS at 4 degrees Celsius at a flow rate of approximately 10 milliliters per minute [1-TXT].
  - 3.4.1. Talent operating the perfusion. **TXT: Continue until the exiting liquid turns clear** Videographer's NOTE: Steps 3.3.1 and 3.4.1 were combined in one clip.
- 3.5. Once perfusion is complete, remove the infusion needle and stop the fluid flow. Proceed with the collection of brain tissue [1].
  - 3.5.1. Talent extracting the needle and picking up tools for brain extraction procedure.



# Results

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## 4. Results

- 4.1. The average neurological score 24 hours after surgery was significantly lower in the subarachnoid hemorrhage group compared to the sham group [1].
  - 4.1.1. LAB MEDIA: Figure 2. *Video editor: Highlight the SAH data points.*
- 4.2. Blood clots visibly accumulated around the circle of Willis in the subarachnoid hemorrhage group [1], while no such accumulation was observed in the sham group [2].
  - 4.2.1. LAB MEDIA: Figure 3B. *Video editor: Zoom in on the right panel (SAH) showing red clots*  
LAB MEDIA: Figure 3B. *Video editor: Zoom in on the left panel (sham).*

## Pronunciation Guides:

### 1. Isoflurane

#### Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/medical/isoflurane>

IPA: /ˌaɪsəˈflʊreɪn/

Phonetic Spelling: eye-suh-floo-rayn

### 2. Carotid

#### Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/carotid>

IPA: /kəˈrɑːtɪd/

Phonetic Spelling: kuh-raa-tid

### 3. Bifurcation

#### Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/bifurcation>

IPA: /ˌbaɪfəˈkeɪʃən/

Phonetic Spelling: bye-fer-kay-shun

### 4. Electrocautery

#### Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/medical/electrocautery>

IPA: /ɪˌlektroʊˈkɔːtəri/

Phonetic Spelling: ih-lek-troh-kaw-tuh-ree

### 5. Filament

#### Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/filament>

**IPA:** /'fɪləmənt/

**Phonetic Spelling:** fih-luh-muhnt

## **6. Pulsation**

**Pronunciation link:**

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/pulsation>

**IPA:** /ˌpʌl'seɪʃən/

**Phonetic Spelling:** puhl-say-shun

## **7. Absorbable**

**Pronunciation link:**

<https://www.howtopronounce.com/absorbable>

**IPA:** /əb'zɔ:rbəbl/

**Phonetic Spelling:** ub-zor-buh-buhl

## **8. Subarachnoid**

**Pronunciation link:**

<https://www.howtopronounce.com/subarachnoid>

**IPA:** /ˌsʌbə'ræk,nɔɪd/

**Phonetic Spelling:** suh-buh-rak-noid

## **9. Vibrissae**

**Pronunciation link:**

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/vibrissa>

**IPA:** /vaɪ'brɪsi/

**Phonetic Spelling:** vai-brih-see

## **10. Perfusion**

**Pronunciation link:**

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/perfusion>

**IPA:** /pər'fju:ʒən/

**Phonetic Spelling:** per-fyoo-zhun

## **11. Sternum**

**Pronunciation link:**

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/sternum>

**IPA:** /'stɜ:nəm/

**Phonetic Spelling:** stur-nuhm

## **12. Thoracic**

**Pronunciation link:**

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/thoracic>

**IPA:** /θə'ræsɪk/

**Phonetic Spelling:** tuh-ra-sik