Fetal Pig Anatomy

Day 1

- 1. Obtain all tools needed for this exercise. Familiarize yourself with your pig's name and sex.
- 2. Using a razorblade and a pair of tweezers, remove a section of skin long the back to expose muscle tissue
- 3. Remove skin around a <u>single</u> leg to expose the muscles of the leg.
- 4. Attach string to legs and tie together around dissection pan.
- 5. Begin incisions on page 28 of <u>Fetal Pig</u>, also shown on 35-2 of your Helms manual.

Day 2

- 1. Complete incisions described on the above stated page.
- 2. Identify major organs visible at this time.
- 3. Peel back skin if needed.
- 4. Cut through jaw with razorblade to open up the oral cavity for easier view. Shown on page 36, and 35-5 in Helms.
- 5. Identify all neck organs as shown on page 34.

Day 3

- 1. Locate heart, veins, and arteries of the pig.
- 2. Identify major arteries, organs, and trace them along the pig's body cavity.

- 3. Search for the following: Kidney, Heart, umbilical artery, aorta, and pulmonary arteries.
- 4. If time permits remove heart and slice in half to separate the ventricles. This will show the valves. (hopefully)

Day 4

- 1. Catch up if needed.
- 2. Identify Urogenital and reproductive organs listed in your manual.

Optional: remove small intestine and stretch as far as possible to see it's true length.

3. Clean-up. Wash dishes, all tools, and dispose of pigs in an appropriate container provided by your instructor.

Remember:

- 1. Gloves are required.
- 2. Playing with or abusing the pig is not allowed. The instructor is allowed to do whatever he/she feels like. (within a certain degree)
- 3. All parts, tissues, or any "trash" will be thrown away in a container provided by the instructor and nowhere else.
- 4. Formaldehyde smells. Aprons are nice but we suggest you wear clothes that you don't value highly.