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Mouse Metabolic Phenotyping Centers

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### ABSTRACT

#### Summary:

A subcutaneous or intraperitoneal implantation of Alzet osmotic pump is used to chronically administer selected drug in mice. Chronic drug delivery may be used to examine intermediate to long-term effects of selected drug on obesity, insulin resistance, and metabolism.

### EXTERNAL LINK

<https://mmpc.org/shared/document.aspx?id=151&docType=Protocol>

### MATERIALS

NAME	CATALOG #	VENDOR	CAS NUMBER	RRID
Osmotic pump	1007D	Alzet		

### MATERIALS TEXT

#### Reagent Preparation:

##### Reagent 1: Drug or placebo containing osmotic pump

Reagents and Materials:

1. Alzet osmotic pump

Procedure:

1. Prepare drug or placebo solution based on dosage.
2. Load solution into a syringe.
3. Hold the pump with sterilized tweezers and slowly fill the solution (drug/placebo).
4. Close the hole.
5. For immediate delivery of compound upon subcutaneous implantation, osmotic pumps may be warmed by submerging them in warm water immediately prior to surgery.

- 1 Anesthetize mice with an intraperitoneal injection of ketamine (100 mg/kg body weight) and xylazine (10 mg/kg body weight).

- 2 Shave hair at the incision site on the back.

- 3 Make an incision (~0.5 cm) using sterilized scalpel between the scapulae.

Subcutaneously insert an Alzet mouse osmotic pump containing drug or placebo.

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5 Suture or close the incision site using sterilized staples.

6 Administer ketoprofen to minimize pain and house mice individually.



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