**Chronic Ferret Treatment Protocol**

Directly Post-Surgery

1. Bring to 114 EEI in carrier
2. Keep warm in carrier with blankets and heat lamp
3. Return to home cage once fully mobile
4. Provide with kibble and bowl of ½ can A/D + Ensure slurry
5. Administer PO **Biomox**, SQ **fluids** (10ml), and SQ **ketoprofen** as soon as animal is in cage
6. Administer SQ **buprenorphine** at 7pm

Following Days

1. Weigh daily
2. Administer SQ **buprenorphine** at 7am and 7pm – 6 total post-surgery doses
3. Administer SQ **ketoprofen** roughly every 24 hours until buprenorphine treatment ends
4. Administer SQ **fluids** (10ml) BID until ketoprofen treatment ends
5. Provide new food slurry BID for 2-3 days or until appetite returns
6. Administer PO **Biomox** BID – 20 total doses
7. Remove sutures under isoflurane 2 weeks after surgery
8. Treat any seromas with warm compress BID

Drug Dosages

1. Buprenorphine:  
    0.05mg/kg, 0.3mg/ml concentration
2. Ketoprofen:  
    1mg/kg, 100mg/ml concentration
3. Biomox:  
    20mg/kg, 50mg/ml concentration
4. Ketamine (pre-op):  
    20mg/kg, 100mg/ml concentration