

Simultaneous recording of intraurethral and intravesical pressures

A MODEL FOR STRESS OR MIXED URINARY INCONTINENCE

Model

Simultaneous recording of intravesical and intraurethral pressures in anesthetized animals.

Interest

- This model is suitable for evaluating the effects of compounds on urethral and intravesical pressures and to access urethral and bladder coordination.
- Compounds having an effect in this model include αadrenoceptor agonists, monoamine re-uptake inhibitors and PDE inhibitors.

Species

- Rat
- Guinea-pig

Model Description

- In anesthetized animals, intravesical and urethral pressures are simultaneously recorded after bladder and urethral catheters implantations.
- Test compounds are administered via various routes (i.v., p.o., i.g., s.c. or i.p.) and parameters are measured for up to two hours post-administration.

Parameters evaluated

- Maximum urethral pressure
- Urethral basal pressure
- Urethral relaxation during micturition
- Micturition pressure
- Micturition volume
- Basal intravesical pressure and threshold pressure for micturition

Scientific publications

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Simultaneous measurement of urethral and bladder pressure in anesthetized male rat. (2) (1) (2) (3) (5) Urethral Pressure (6) Circles illustrate points at which different cystomanometric parameters are calculated: threshold pressure (1), micturition pressure (2), basal pressure (3), maximal urethral pressure (4), amplitude of urethral relaxation (5), basal urethral pressure (6), and duration of urethral relaxation (7).