

SURGICAL TREATMENT IN TURTLE CLOACAL PROLAPSE

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SUMMARY

A seven years old turtle (*Testudo hermani*) was diagnosed with cloacal prolapse. General anesthesia was performed using ketamine 50mg/kg I.M. Induction time was 45 minutes. The prolapsed tissue was lavaged with sterile saline solution and Betadine solution. Using a forceps all cloacal tissue was reposed in normal position.

A continue suture with silk was applied at cloacal area.

Complete recovery after general anesthesia was after 24 hours. All this time the turtle was kept in warm conditions (24°C).

Two days after surgical procedure every 24 hours 20mg/kg Ampicillin was administered I.M.

After 8 days the suture was removed.

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