

Animal care and use statement.

The animal protocol was designed to minimize pain or discomfort to the animals. The animals were acclimatized to laboratory conditions (23°C, 12h/12h light/dark, 30% humidity, ad libitum access to food and water) for two weeks prior to experimentation. All animals were euthanized by Chloral hydrate(intraperitoneal injection, 0.3 mg/100g 4%Chloral hydrate) for tissue and serum collection.



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