**Anesthesia for Recumbent Equine Castration**

For castration of the recumbent animal, several anesthetic regimens are available and suitable. Anesthesia may be induced by intravenous administration of a xylazine (1.0 mg/kg) and ketamine hydrochloride (2.2 mg/kg) mixture. If the procedure is prolonged, a second dose may be given intravenously according to the desired time of anesthesia. Alternatively, guaifenesin in combination with thiamylal sodium may be used; or if rapid induction is desired, thiamylal sodium or thiopental sodium alone is suitable.