

Subconjunctival Injection

After proper preparation and the head is properly restrained by an assistant, the injection is administered:

Step 1:

With one hand, retract the eyelid by holding the skin above it taut. Avoid touching the eyelid itself as this may cause the animal to blink. This allows for better access to the subconjunctival area.

Step 2:

With the other hand holding the needle with the bevel up, lay the needle against the globe of the eye, almost parallel to the cornea. This prevents possible penetration of the cornea if the animal moves. The tip of the needle should be pointing in the direction towards the subconjunctiva.

Step 3:

Using a swift but gentle stabbing motion, the needle is inserted into the subconjunctiva. Ensuring that the bevel remains just under the conjunctiva, administer the drug slowly, creating a bulge or “pocket” of drug.



When removing the needle slightly twist. This aids to close the wound and prevent undue leakage of the drug from the injection bleb.

Eye Injection: <https://courses.cit.cornell.edu/vet644/eyeInjection.html>