

Baseline mechanical characteristics of rats that were excluded from subsequent analysis due to severe hypoxemia or early mortality.

Rat#	PIP (cmH ₂ O)	Compliance (ml/cmH ₂ O)	EELV (ml)	Strain	Injury Score
3	28	0.16	2.79	1.57	25
10	31	0.14	1.73	2.31	45
15	23	0.21	2.45	1.81	30
16	35	0.15	2.01	2.44	45
20	30	0.16	1.45	3.14	40
Mean	29.4	0.164	2.086	2.254	37
SD	3.9	0.024	0.483	0.545	8