Miscellaneous Surgery Notes

External portion of catheter plugged with steel pin, coiled into loop and covered with tape
Leg restraints made by tying a rubber band to a bolt (17-20 gm) and using a collar for easy adjustment.

One cc syringe barrel for regular rubber bands

Syringe tip for small rubber bands

Bright LED lights with an adjustable neck can be used as “surgery lights.”
Even regular flashlights can be used. It is very useful to make some sort of stand to hold the light. A very simple stand can even be made from a wire clothes hanger.

The stand will hold the light steady, and the intensity/area covered can be adjusted by moving the light closer or farther away from the surgery site.
The stand can also be adjusted to make the light come in from the right angle, etc.

A simple stand also makes it easier to position a “gooseneck” light to shine in the right place.
A small “flip-top” Eppendorph tube is useful for collecting blood, and holding tail tips or ear punch tissue for DNA analysis.