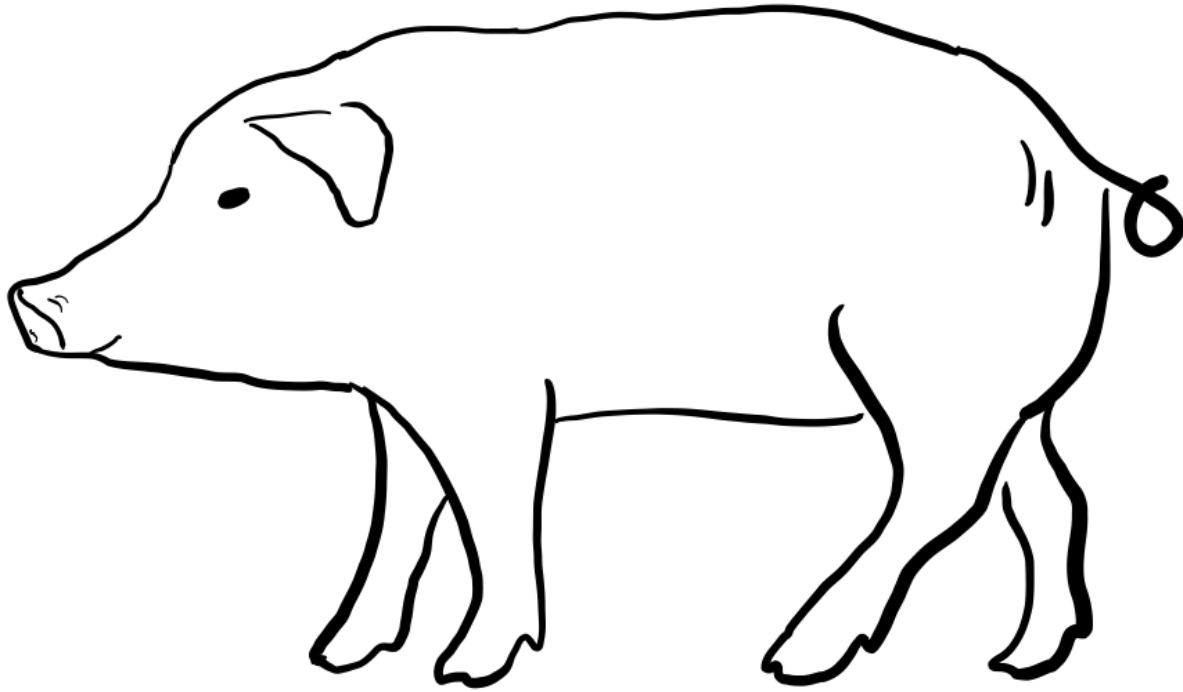


Pig



Pigs are similar to humans in many ways. For example, pig and human hearts and their associated blood vessels are approximately the same size and structure. In addition, their organs function in similar ways. Thus, pigs are a valuable model in understanding heart function, disease progression and treatment.