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Message from the Guest Editors

In recent decades, we have witnessed a noticeable and evident change in human–animal relationships. We have gone from a utilitarian vision of this relationship to a more respectful vision of otherness and animal welfare. Consequently, the way of relating to and contacting animals has also changed which, particularly for pets, provides for a closer and often symbiotic coexistence. Furthermore, some animal species, such as dogs, are involved in activities that are now considered “working”, and involve a very close coexistence between owner and animal.

However, the zoonotic risks derived from these close human–animal interactions, which constitute the rules of interacting and living with animals (pets in particular), are still little explored, and are underestimated. This Special Issue will address this gap.

Papers highlighting any aspect of infectious (bacterial, viral, or parasitic) zoonoses in this field are welcome and will be taken into consideration for the publication. We encourage authors of research or review articles to submit their material to this Special Issue.





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