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Sustainable Forage Production in Crop-Livestock Systems

Message from the Guest Editor

Crop and livestock systems have become increasingly specialized, and their lack of diversification has had negative economic, biological and environmental consequences. A viable alternative approach to diversifying agricultural productions is to integrate cash grain cropping with ruminant livestock production. The adoption of an integrated crop-livestock system has the potential to improve the ability of individual farmers to remain viable, enabling them to be competitive in current markets. With integrated crop-livestock systems, it is possible to produce annual grain crops and have remaining forage for animal grazing, which improves the carrying capacity of pastures, increasing food production without the need to further expand property size. This Special Issue aims to document cutting-edge research studies that are focused on the production of sustainable forage systems, as well as integrated crop and livestock production. We are seeking high-quality research that can contribute to the growing literature on this topic.

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