The Role of Social Behavior in Cattle Welfare

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Dear Colleagues,

The social environment is a major contributor to the welfare of farm animals. Cattle are gregarious, and group-housing is usually assumed to provide benefits. However, depending on various factors, such as housing conditions and social dynamics, the social environment can also act as a continuous source of stress. This dual aspect makes the study of social behaviors an exciting topic of research and an excellent target to improve the lives of cattle housed in various husbandry systems. The aim of this Special Issue is to provide a forum for research investigating how the social environment affects the welfare of cattle. We are interested in research investigating all aspects of social behaviors of cattle that have direct or indirect implications for the welfare of these animals. We invite original research papers that address these aspects in both dairy and beef cattle.

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