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Working Methods in the Field of Animal Assisted Therapy (AAT), Activities (AAA), and Education (AAE): An Open Discussion

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animal-assisted interventions (AAIs) are used in a variety of settings and populations for their cost-effectiveness and positive impacts on wellbeing and psycho-social functioning. AAIs continue to generate a great interest in scientific communities and clinical environments, highlighting the strong significance of the interactions and bonds between animals and human beings. However, scholars use different methods and definitions, and it is hard to find common working methods. Therefore, as researchers, we need to open an international and interdisciplinary discussion about this matter, with a particular focus on the different working methods used worldwide which also include the choice of the species and the individual animals.

This Special Issue is open to any subject area related to recent advances in the three main AAIs' souls: Animal Assisted Therapy (AAT), Animal Assisted Activities (AAA), and Animal Assisted Education (AAE).













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