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## Sheep and Goat Production and Products in Europe: Current Status, Challenges, and Opportunities

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Sheep and goat production from European breeds is an essential and far-reaching industry, providing original products to international markets. Ruminant animal products are recognized in Europe and other continents for their quality and originality. Although these products have a number of attractive characteristics, their high sensory quality is considered the most relevant to consumers. The quality of animal products from ruminants varies between breeds, feeding strategies, processing factors, and so on. New systems to trace the origin of animal products in Europe are required. In this Special Issue, we invite researchers to submit original research and review articles on new challenges and strategies to ensure the quality of food products from sheep and goat breeds in Europe. These papers might include, but are not limited to, topics relating to traceability control, biomarkers, new production systems, new products, original products, or the use of regional available byproducts.



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