



## Advances in Diagnostic and Treatment Methods for Joint Diseases in Dogs and Cats

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Joint pathologies represent the most frequent cause of lameness in dogs and cats; sometimes, physical disabilities in dogs and cats, even at a young age, risk being the reason for owners resorting to extreme actions.

The reasons for the spread of these diseases are often connected to a selection, based on phenotypic aspects, which aims to search for accentuated aesthetic peculiarities without paying any attention to potentially correlated pathologies.

For many joint diseases, early diagnosis and treatment represent one of the most successful solutions, making the disease compatible with an acceptable quality of life for the patient.

Currently, the development of an adequate clinical sensitivity and the availability of advanced diagnostic tools make it possible to identify articular pathological conditions with sufficient precocity, which are otherwise destined to an evolution with devastating and irreversible effects on normal functioning.

The purpose of this Special Issue is to collect innovative scientific contributions related to clinical and instrumental diagnostics and techniques for treating joint diseases in dogs and cats.





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