

Special Issue

Current Research on Donkeys and Mules: Second Edition

Message from the Guest Editors

Although there is a growing interest in these species due to their more recent uses (milk and meat production, assisted therapy, and pet/companion animals), their traditional importance (packing and agricultural work), and the efforts to maintain endangered breeds all over the world, they are still neglected and forgotten in many scientific fields, with little to no specific information available on some topics. This brings new opportunities to researchers interested in characterizing their idiosyncrasies or specific attitudes. This Special Issue is aimed at highlighting species-specific findings in physiology, genetics, welfare, behavior, internal medicine, epidemiology, pathology, and pharmacology, along with any research showcasing new applications for these species. Comparative studies with other equids will also be of interest. Both reviews and original articles are welcome. By collecting manuscripts on a wide variety of cutting-edge topics, we hope to support these species and help to preserve and maintain their populations.

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