# **Special Issue**

# Genome Sequencing Technologies Applied in Animal Virology

# Message from the Guest Editor

The field of animal virology has been transformed by recent advances in genome sequencing technologies. From classical Sanger methods to high-throughput next-generation sequencing (NGS) and real-time longread platforms, these innovations have opened new avenues for the detection, characterization, and evolutionary tracking of animal viruses. In both domestic and wild animal populations, genomic tools and sequencing-based approaches are indispensable for understanding viral diversity, pathogenesis, transmission dynamics, outbreak investigation, vaccine development, and the monitoring of viral mutations and recombination events. This Special Issue invites contributions that explore the use of genome sequencing technologies in the study of animal viruses. We welcome original research articles, reviews, and methodological papers that address, but are not limited to, the following topics: metagenomic approaches for virus discovery, viral genome assembly and annotation, sequencing-guided diagnostics, genomic surveillance, phylogenetic and evolutionary analyses, host-virus interactions, and the integration of omics technologies in veterinary virology.

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