Special Issue

Correlation between Metabolic Syndrome and Cardiovascular Diseases: A Veterinary Perspective

Message from the Guest Editor

The current Special Issue aims to gather high-quality papers that may contribute to our knowledge of metabolic syndrome in veterinary medicine, focusing on its effects on cardiovascular function. Metabolic syndrome is a multifactorial condition with worldwide prevalence defined by the clustering of several factors including dysglycemia, obesity and high blood pressure that increase the risk of cardiovascular disease and diabetes mellitus type 2. Due to the dissimilarity between species, animal models play a crucial role in better understanding the status of the disease and evaluating the underlying mechanisms involved in its pathophysiology. Based on these premises, I am pleased to invite you to submit original papers, reviews, commentaries, and case reports addressing research and studies on the topic of understanding the biological mechanisms of metabolic syndrome and its cardiac pathological manifestation in animals. Please also note that the connection between the two topics, namely, metabolic syndrome and cardiovascular disease, should be proven using objective experimental data, not only statistics or bibliographic citations.

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