

Special Issue

Validation of Stress Indicators for Animal Welfare Monitoring Preslaughter and/or Early Prediction of Meat Quality Variation

Message from the Guest Editor

The development of tools for the monitoring of animal welfare preslaughter is increasingly required by the livestock industry in order to avoid loss of profits-related animal losses, and carcass and meat quality downgrading. The demand is for tools allowing no time-consuming, non-invasive, and real-time measurements of stress indicators to be included in a systematic documentation of welfare from farm to slaughter with the objective to identify the animal welfare problem by feed-back mechanisms through the pork chain and correct the cause. Original manuscripts that address any validation of stress indicators for animal welfare monitoring from farm to slaughter and/or the early prediction of carcass and meat quality variation are invited for this Special Issue.

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