

Special Issue

Domestic Animal Behavior and Well-Being

Message from the Guest Editors

Our interactions with domestic animals are vast and diverse, and these species face significant welfare challenges through the impact of this relationship on their biological function, affective states and ability to live natural lives. Ensuring the well-being of domestic species is increasingly recognized and this social concern is driving major advances in the ways we select, manage, and perceive these animals. We invite original research that identifies welfare issues facing domestic species, generates new methods for assessing welfare, or addresses practical strategies to improve animal welfare. These topics can include relevant aspects of selection, animal health, management, and welfare assessment, as well as methods for measuring the animal's welfare experience. Additional topics may include the use of behavioral methods for measuring welfare or interactions between behavior and other aspects of domestic animal care. This Special Issue will focus particularly on those species that have been shaped by the process of domestication, and will include work focused specifically on companion, working, and farmed animals.

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