

Special Issue

Information Technology Applied to Animal Management

Message from the Guest Editors

Recent technological developments have ensured that large data sets can be registered on movement, as well as social interactions, vocalizations, and physiological responses of individual or grouped animals. Such advancements allow for different ways of interpreting data and the use of non-classic logic to reduce uncertainties, besides presenting solutions for real-time recording and decision-making. The idea of the present Special Issue is to encourage progress towards the use of information technology in the animal management of farm and wild animals. The objectives are the development and application of smart sensors in livestock production, pets, or wild animals; the use of automation in animal management and monitoring; the use of simulation, optimization, and modelling in animal production and wild animals; decision support systems applied to livestock farming; computer vision and image processing; precision animal production; the use of the internet of things (IoT) and cloud computing in animal monitoring; development and applications of artificial intelligence (AI) in livestock management; and the use of data mining in animal production and management.

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