Special Issue

Editorial Board Members' Collection Series: Behavior, Applied Ethology and Welfare of Farmed Animals

Message from the Guest Editors

Farm animal welfare has become a hot topic of debate in many regions of the globe, due to the growing public ethical concerns with animal welfare and the related potential negative impacts on the environment and human health. Scientists are challenged with developing and validating methods to assess and potentially improve animal welfare. The goal of this Special Issue is to contribute to this debate, providing a collection of new scientific evidence on any aspect of animal welfare assessment, with a special interest in the study of behavior as an indicator of welfare in farmed animals, and the influence of genetic selection, environmental management and housing conditions on the welfare of animals. Studies should include measurements of behavior combined with other welfare indicators such as physiology, health and production. The study of emotions as indicators of pain, suffering or animal welfare and studies on the perspectives of consumers, citizens, farmers and other stakeholders on the issue are also welcome. We welcome experimental research papers and reviews.

Guest Editors

Prof. Dr. Maria José Hötzel

Laboratório de Etologia Aplicada e Bem-Estar Animal, Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Rod. Admar Gonzaga 1346, Itacorubi, Florianópolis 88034-001, Brazil

Dr. Emma Fàbrega i Romans

Animal Welfare Program, Institute for Food and Agriculture Research and Technology (IRTA), Monells, 17121 Girona, Spain

Deadline for manuscript submissions

closed (30 September 2024)



an Open Access Journal by MDPI

Impact Factor 2.7 CiteScore 5.2 Indexed in PubMed



mdpi.com/si/159215

Animals
Editorial Office
MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5
4052 Basel, Switzerland
Tel: +41 61 683 77 34
animals@mdpi.com

mdpi.com/journal/ animals





an Open Access Journal by MDPI

Impact Factor 2.7 CiteScore 5.2 Indexed in PubMed



About the Journal

Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Animals is an on-line open access journal that was first published in 2011. Animals adheres to rigorous peerreview and editorial processes and publishes only high quality manuscripts that address important issues in the many varied disciplines that involve animals, with a focus on animal science, animal welfare and animal ethics. Animals is covered in the Science Citation Index Expanded (SCIE) in Web of Science, with the latest Impact Factor: 2.7 (2024, ranks 15/86 (Q1) in 'Agriculture, Dairy & Animal Science'; 21/170 (Q1) in 'Veterinary Sciences'), 5-Year Impact Factor: 3.2.

Editor-in-Chief

Prof. Dr. Clive J. C. Phillips

Institute of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Sciences, Estonian University of Life Sciences, Kreutzwaldi 1, 51014 Tartu, Estonia
 Curtin University Sustainability Policy (CUSP) Institute, Kent St., Bentley 6102, Australia

Author Benefits

Open Access:

free for readers, with article processing charges (APC) paid by authors or their institutions.

High Visibility:

indexed within Scopus, SCIE (Web of Science), PubMed, PMC, Embase, PubAg, AGRIS, Animal Science Database, CAB Abstracts, and other databases.

Journal Rank:

JCR - Q1 (Veterinary Sciences) / CiteScore - Q1 (General Veterinary)

