

## Special Issue

# Working Animals: Welfare, Ethics, and Human-Animals Relationship—2nd Edition

### Message from the Guest Editors

Innovative papers from different research areas, such as the behavior and welfare of working animals, computer video analysis, sport exercise animal physiology, dog olfaction science, human-working animal relationship, animal-assisted intervention issues, and veterinary medicine, are invited to contribute to this Special Issue, which aims to collate the latest advances in the welfare and ethics issues of working with animals.

Interdisciplinary studies will be considered, especially those regarding (but not limited to):

- Search and rescue dogs;
- Detection dogs;
- Herding and hunting dogs.
- Animals involved in assistance/service to humans;
- Human-working animal relationship;
- Transport animals;
- Ethical issues related to working animals.

---

### Guest Editors

Dr. Silvana Diverio

Department of Veterinary Medicine, University of Perugia, Via San Costanzo 4, 00126 Perugia, Italy

Dr. Gabriella Guelfi

Department of Veterinary Medicine, University of Perugia, Via San Costanzo 4, 06126 Perugia, Italy

---

### Deadline for manuscript submissions

closed (28 December 2024)



## Animals

---

an Open Access Journal  
by MDPI

---

Impact Factor 2.7  
CiteScore 5.2  
Indexed in PubMed



[mdpi.com/si/151800](https://mdpi.com/si/151800)

*Animals*  
Editorial Office  
MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5  
4052 Basel, Switzerland  
Tel: +41 61 683 77 34  
[animals@mdpi.com](mailto:animals@mdpi.com)

[mdpi.com/journal/  
animals](https://mdpi.com/journal/animals)





# Animals

---

an Open Access Journal  
by MDPI

---

Impact Factor 2.7  
CiteScore 5.2  
Indexed in PubMed



[mdpi.com/journal/  
animals](https://mdpi.com/journal/animals)



## 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

1. Curtin University Sustainable Policy (CUSP) Institute, Curtin University, Kent St., Bentley, Western Australia 6102, Australia
2. Former Foundation Professor of Animal Welfare, University of Queensland and Foundation Director, Centre for Animal Welfare and Ethics, University of Queensland, Brisbane, 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)