

Special Issue

Pain Mitigation for Farmed Livestock

Message from the Guest Editor

It has long been acknowledged that animals feel pain, and that some of the husbandry procedures conducted during the course of our livestock farming activities are indeed painful. Pain mitigation in companion animal medicine is common practice, but adoption of analgesia in commercial farming situations has been challenged due to barriers associated with safety of analgesic agents, practicality of delivery, particularly at scale, and cost. However, these barriers are being eroded, concurrent with increasing attention of customers to animal welfare. Our challenge as researchers is to provide scientific evidence to support the adoption of effective, practicable, and economically viable analgesic strategies for farmed livestock, not merely for the individual clinical case, but on a broader, holistic approach to optimizing animal wellbeing. For this Special Issue, we invite original research papers on any aspect of analgesia for farmed livestock, including, but not limited to, efficacy studies; pharmacological or pharmacokinetic studies; and development of novel delivery methodologies.

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