

Special Issue

Social Behavior of Companion Animals: From Basic to Clinical Ethology

Message from the Guest Editor

Companion animals, by definition, are supposed to provide their caregivers company or entertainment, and therefore physical and emotional benefits. However, human–pet relations may sometimes lead to conflicts compromising the welfare of all parties involved. In addition, serious misunderstandings can arise in the relationships between companion animals and other non-human species, and it is not so rare that relations among the same species may lead to severe disputes. From a basic to clinical ethology, this Special Issue aims to deepen the knowledge of the inter- and intraspecific social behavior of companion animals, while also providing structured guidelines and recommendations to help clinicians in treating problems related to the social sphere. To achieve this objective, you are invited to submit a manuscript that might improve our understanding of social interactions among individuals not only when the relationship is mutually beneficial, but also when it is challenging or entirely dysfunctional.

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