

Special Issue

Wasting Diseases Affecting Sheep

Message from the Guest Editor

Wasting diseases in sheep produce significant economic losses. There are many disorders that lead to “thin ewe syndrome” and they all have a chronic and insidious course. The differential diagnosis of these pathologies is complex, it is necessary to have in-depth knowledge of each pathology in order to be able to implement therapeutic and preventive measures in the flocks. Although chronic wasting diseases in sheep may be associated with management problems or nutritional deficiencies, there are several infectious diseases that occur with this symptomatology, such as Maedi-visna, paratuberculosis, caseous lymphadenitis, scrapie, or respiratory tumors from ovine pulmonary adenocarcinoma or enzootic nasal adenocarcinoma. Further, other toxic or nutritional diseases, mineral deficiencies, and oral disorders, can lead to chronic weight loss. Of course, the importance of parasitic diseases in the development of this syndrome cannot be ignored. We invite original papers that offer new information about any disorders that lead to chronic emaciation syndrome in order to reduce economic losses associated with this disorder in sheep production.

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