

## Special Issue

# Pathogen Elimination in Animal Populations

### Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue aims to establish a science-based platform that focuses on pathogen elimination strategies in animal populations. The elimination of pathogens is the ultimate goal and the most advanced strategy of animal disease prevention overall. To our knowledge, this issue is the first initiative to focus on this topic. This Special Issue will strive to be multi-organismal, cross-species, and global in nature. Its topics will include reviews on historical elimination efforts and pathogen transmission, new research in these areas, and summaries of field-based experience with attempts to eliminate both viral and bacterial agents from herds and flocks. We welcome all manuscripts that deal with these topics, especially contributions from field veterinarians who have served their customers and their animals by choosing to improve the welfare of their animals, and the economic viability of their farmers by choosing to eliminate the root cause of the problem rather than continuing to live with it, including the lessons that were learned therein.

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