

Special Issue

Genetic Diversity of Wild Boar and Deer

Message from the Guest Editors

Wild boar and deer have crucial roles in communities in which they appear. These species are normally in close contact with human activities, being cause of important benefits and potential dangers.

The ecological importance and the relationship with human activities, make the genetic diversity of wild boar and deer to be a topic that must be studied in depth. This topic might be approached with three questions:

Which is the pattern of genetic diversity in wild boar and deer around the world? This question might be answer by studies describing the distribution of genetic diversity along large geographical areas.

Which are the factors affecting genetic diversity of wild boar and deer species? Processes related to animal behaviour, ecological features or demography might influence the level of genetic diversity of populations.

Which are the consequences of genetic diversity of wild boar and deer species? Different levels of genetic diversity might have consequences in the interaction with other organisms in their communities such as pathogens.

This special issue welcomes contributions on the topic and questions posed above.

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