

Special Issue

Meat Quality from Production through Processing

Message from the Guest Editor

The perception of meat quality changes as you change countries when moving from fresh to processed meat, and depending on where you are in the production chain or when considering different species. For example, flavor is considered a challenge to the quality of lamb, while chicken has recently had problems with woody breast. The entire production system is important to achieving the goal of producing quality meat. Review papers and original research articles from different research areas, such as production practices affecting the quality of fresh meat, meat parameters for functionality, the consumer perception of meat quality, or processing practices affecting the acceptance of meat products, are invited to contribute to this Special Issue. Interdisciplinary studies will be considered, especially ones regarding (but not limited to): (1) Production practices affecting meat quality in livestock species; (2) Genetic influence on meat quality; (3) Harvest and early postmortem factors affecting meat quality; (4) Consumer perception of meat quality in different regions of the world; (5) Meat as it affects processing parameters and the quality of the final product.

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