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Molecular Identification, Taxonomy and Genetic Variation of Parasite in Animals

Message from the Guest Editors

In recent decades, the integration of morphology-based and molecular taxonomy in parasitological studies has provided a crucial contribution to our knowledge of the diversity, host specificity, distribution and dynamics of parasitic organisms, in order to highlight possible emergence and re-emergence patterns and, overall, to improve our understanding of parasitic infections in animals. Nevertheless, particularly in less investigated host–parasite systems, many taxonomy-related questions are still open. The present Special Issue aims to collect comprehensive taxonomical studies focused on parasites of wild and farmed animals with possible applications in diagnostics, food safety, epidemiology, animal conservation and the study of host–parasite interactions.

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