

Special Issue

Ruminant Welfare Assessment

Message from the Guest Editor

This Special Issue is a forum for presenting the results of research covering a wide range of topics in ruminant welfare, in conjunction with its assessment indicators. For ruminant animals kept in farms, the following issues are raised: Evaluation of the welfare of ruminants and their housing systems; Assessing the welfare of ruminants and different housing areas in livestock housing; Evaluation of ruminant welfare and environmental conditions; Evaluation of ruminant welfare and technical and technological progress in professional animal production. Equally important are questions about tools for assessing the welfare of ruminants, including appropriate procedures/protocols, the effects of their implementation, limitations in practical use and opportunities for their further improvement resulting from the development of knowledge on welfare. The goal of this Special Issue is to identify the key factors in assessing the welfare of different groups of ruminants. Submissions on welfare assessment for ruminants live in the wild are also welcome. We aim to provide a forum for interdisciplinary discussion on how to improve the assessment of ruminant welfare.

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