Special Issue

Small Ruminant Infectious Foot Disease

Message from the Guest Editor

Lameness in small ruminants remains one of the most important animal welfare and economic problems affecting the small ruminant livestock sector globally. The infectious foot diseases footrot and the recently emerged contagious ovine digital dermatitis are of particular concern. Considerable research into footrot epidemiology and control has led to multiple countries attempting eradication programmes using a range of strategies whilst novel microbiological techniques have led to a greater insight into aetiopathogenesis. The aim of this Special Issue is to present recent research and reviews on infectious foot disease in small ruminants. Articles from all aspects of the field will be considered: however, we are particularly interested in studies which investigate the socioeconomic impact of infectious foot disease, the efficacy of control strategies, and novel insights into aetiopathogenesis, with the aim of stimulating interest, understanding, and exploration of this important subject.

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