Special Issue

Forage Production and Preservation Techniques for Ruminant Animals

Message from the Guest Editor

Preservation of forage via ensiling has become a global practice because it provides a consistent, reliable, and predictable feed supply with sufficient nutrients for the ruminant's production system. Unavoidable losses of highly digestible nutrients in plants cause respiration, microbial proteolytic activity, undesirable microbial fermentation, deamination and decarboxylation of amino acids by microbes, which may be affected the efficiency of conservation, increased energy, and nutrient losses as a result of antinutritional compound accumulations in silage samples. Lactic acid bacteria (LAB) have been considered as a major group of starter cultures with high competitiveness that has been used in the animal feed development sectors. Further, LAB has actively contributed to enhancing the nutritional contents of silages and preserved them for long-time storage by enhancing the acidification of silages via increasing essential organic acid production.

I invite you to submit your research on these topics, in the form of original research papers, mini-reviews and perspective articles.

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