



## Respiratory Viruses of Equids

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### **Message from the Guest Editor**

Equine respiratory viruses remain a leading cause of equine morbidity and mortality. Equine herpesvirus, equine influenza virus, equine rhinitis A and B viruses, and adenovirus are among the most common viruses associated with respiratory infections worldwide. Further, emerging respiratory viruses such as Hendra virus represent an imminent threat to horse populations. So there is a tremendous need to collate more information about equine respiratory viruses and establish systematic surveillance programs to better characterize and monitor their spread.

The overall aim of this Special Issue is to provide updated information regarding all aspects of respiratory viruses of equids, including their epidemiology, prevalence, clinical presentation, pathogenesis, diagnostics, therapeutics, prevention strategies, and vaccination. All types of articles will be considered for publication, including short reports, primary research articles and reviews. We hereby invite authors to submit original high-quality papers that provide a significant contribution to the understanding of these various aspects of respiratory viruses of equids.





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## Message from the Editor-in-Chief

The worldwide impact of infectious disease is incalculable. The consequences for human health in terms of morbidity and mortality are obvious and vast but, when infections of animals and plants are also taken into account, it is hard to imagine any other disease that has such a significant impact on our lives—on healthcare systems, on agriculture and on world economics. *Pathogens* is proud to continue to serve the international community by publishing high quality studies that further our understanding of infection and have meaningful consequences for disease intervention.

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