



Infections and Epidemiology of the Rabies Virus

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Rabies has plagued humankind since the time the human–dog bond was first established. Today, *Rabies lyssavirus* and rabies-like *Lyssaviruses* are found in nearly every country in the world, and cause more human deaths than any other zoonotic diseases, mainly across Asia and Africa. While methods for prevention and elimination of rabies virus are well understood for many of the reservoir species, the global epidemiology of rabies is constantly changing, and our understanding grows as the surveillance systems and diagnostic capacity improve: new reservoirs are recognized, reservoir species expand their geographic range, and anthropogenic interventions affect the movement of reservoir.

This Special Issue, “Infections and Epidemiology of the Rabies Virus”, hopes to promote papers that explore the ever-changing landscape of rabies, rabies reservoir species, and humankind’s attempts to control it. As a true One Health disease with implications for human and animal health, we hope this Issue will reflect the many disciplines involved in furthering our understanding of rabies, from health sciences to epidemiology, social sciences, and economics.





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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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