

Special Issue

Diseases of Insect Pollinators

Message from the Guest Editor

To date, the pathogens most commonly found in pollinators are those with honeybees (*Apis mellifera*) as a reservoir. Their spread, from the hives to the environment, is one of the most common threats to pollinating insects, with effects on their reproduction. In addition, the main pathogens of bumblebees (*Bombus* sp.) are also widespread in other pollinators. Thanks to modern testing techniques, viruses specific to certain genera (e.g., *Andrena* sp.) have also recently been identified, the spread of which is unknown or little known. This Special Issue aims to explore the diseases of insect pollinators through a series of research articles, reviews, or case reports focused on different aspects of their health, including the discovery of new pathogens, the effects of pathogens on pollinator communities, spillover events, and the interaction with invasive species.

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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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