

Special Issue

Pathogenesis and Diagnostics of *Angiostrongylus vasorum* Infection

Message from the Guest Editors

Discovered in the 19th century in France, *Angiostrongylus vasorum* is a cardiopulmonary nematode of dogs and wild carnivores and is, therefore, also called “The French heartworm”.

This Special Issue is devoted to collecting original work with the aim of shedding light on some poorly known aspects of this highly fascinating parasite. We focus on diagnostic findings in the clinical and laboratory context and on the pathogenesis of canine angiostrongylosis. The purpose is to unravel questions arising from the available diagnostic options and shed light on some poorly known aspects in the development of the disease.

These aspects are of value in the frame of a) veterinary medicine, in particular for clinical practitioners, and b) parasitology research, by contributing to better understanding of the mechanisms underlying the disease, and therefore advancing potential accompanying therapeutic option.

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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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