

## Special Issue

# Impacts of COVID-19 on Health, Behavior, Welfare and Relationship of Companion Animals and Other Animals

### Message from the Guest Editors

Due to the SARS-CoV2 pandemic, many inconveniences occurred with important repercussions also on the physical and emotional state of people and animals. Understanding the current impacts of COVID-19 on the health, behavior, welfare, and relationship of pets and other animals is essential to protect and improve the welfare of animals and cohabiting humans. We welcome contributions focused on, but not limited to, the following areas:

- Effect of the stress on pets during the pandemic;
- Welfare of companion animals, exotic animals, equids, and farm, wild, and zoo animals during the pandemic;
- Effect of forced human–animal cohabitation;
- Behavioral changes in animals due to the pandemic;
- Impact of the pandemic on chronic animal diseases (physical and behavioral);
- Effect of the pandemic on behavioral development of animals;
- Impact of the pandemic on ecology, behavioral ecology, and animal communication;
- Role of the pandemic on immune, urogenital, dermatological, cardiac, gastrointestinal, metabolic, and osteoarticular diseases.

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