Special Issue

African Swine Fever Virus 2.0

Message from the Guest Editor

In the last few years, African swine fever (ASF) has become one of the most feared infectious diseases affecting swine production and the commercialization of swine-derived products across many geographical regions of the world. The etiological agent, ASF virus (ASFV), is a large, structurally complex virus with a double-stranded DNA genome encoding for over 150 proteins. Although the disease was originally identified in the 1920s, research on ASF has dramatically intensified in just the last ten years. This Special Issue of Viruses will be devoted to covering different aspects of ASFV research. Special emphasis will be placed on reports focused on molecular mechanisms mediating virus virulence, virus pathogenesis in domestic and wild swine, host immune responses involved in protection against infection, the development of different types of experimental vaccines, molecular bases of virus replication, virus structure, and novel/improved diagnostic methodologies. This Second Special Issue of Viruses expects to offer scientists working on ASF a forum to share high-quality research in a variety of thematic areas of ASF research.

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