



Monitoring and Surveillance of Veterinary Antimicrobial Use and Antibiotic Resistance in Animals

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Antimicrobial resistance is a global One Health topic that affects us all, whether we are working in human or veterinary medicine. While antibiotic use in farm animals is decreasing in many countries, other nations are still using these essential medical resources as growth promoters for economic gain. As veterinarians responsible for animal welfare, it is vital that we are permitted to treat sick animals effectively, but we must learn to be more prudent in our use of these drugs. It is essential that we, as responsible clinicians, policy makers and researchers, develop methods of quantifying, monitoring, benchmarking, and reporting antibiotic use in both farm and companion animals, so that antimicrobial stewardship schemes can be implemented and their successes or failures analysed. This Special Issue therefore particularly encourages submissions in these areas of antibiotic use monitoring. The relationship between antimicrobial use and resistance in animals also requires further investigation, and we welcome submissions in this area as well.

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Message from the Editor-in-Chief

There are very few fields that attract as much attention as scientific endeavor related to antibiotic discovery, use and preservation. The public, patients, scientists, clinicians, policy-makers, NGOs, governments, and supra-governmental organizations are all focusing intensively on it: all are concerned that we use our existing agents more effectively, and develop and evaluate new interventions in time to face emerging challenges for the benefit of present and future generations. We need every discipline to contribute and collaborate: molecular, microbiological, clinical, epidemiological, geographic, economic, social scientific and policy disciples are all key. *Antibiotics* is a nimble, inclusive and rigorous indexed journal as an enabling platform for all who can contribute to solving the greatest broad concerns of the modern world.

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