



Ticks and Tick-Borne Diseases—Pathogens, Parasites and People

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Ticks vector a large variety of pathogens and are an increasing global concern under the influence of climate change, population and land use changes and globalization. The impact of these diseases on health ramifies into a broader social need to address not only the biology of ticks and their pathogens but also the social, economic, and psychological costs of tick-vectoring diseases on people who have the disease, their families, their health-care providers, and their communities. For this Special Issue, we invite submissions on the biology of ticks, the biology of the pathogens they transmit and the broader societal consequences of tick-vectoring diseases.

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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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