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Capripoxviruses: A Continuing Worldwide Threat to Sheep, Goats and Cattle

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Dear Colleagues,

Sheeppox virus, goatpox virus and lumpy skin disease virus are members of the capripoxvirus genus, which cause poxvirus diseases in sheep, goats and cattle, respectively. Collectively, these diseases cause large production losses throughout many regions in Africa and Eurasia. Lumpy skin disease virus is primarily spread by vectors and has expanded its historical geographic range from Africa into new regions in Eurasia. Since lumpy skin disease virus is a new disease, it is testing local veterinary services' abilities to control the disease, through the education of producers, diagnostic testing and prevention using vaccines. This Special Issue will cover all topics related to capripoxviruses including their biology, epidemiology, diagnostics and vaccines.

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