Animal Welfare at Slaughter

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

It is estimated that 89 billion terrestrial animals are slaughtered for human consumption annually. While figures for slaughtered farmed and wild caught fish are debated, they are considered as being significantly greater than that for terrestrial animals. The one common experience that all animals destined for human consumption face is the process and act of slaughter. During the entire slaughter process, there is a significant potential for serious welfare compromise.

This Special Issue invites original research papers that examine animal welfare during the commercial slaughter process. The scope is limited to welfare during the process of slaughter and does not include transportation, on-farm killing or capture (wild caught fish). Topics can include assessment and comparison of stunning and slaughter methods (including non-stun); welfare during unloading and in lairage; restraint; and individual and group stunning methods. Original papers on novel and new technologies are encouraged as are papers on fish stunning. Review papers are permitted provided they give a new perspective of the literature and include recent research.

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