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Current Research in Sheep and Goat for Better Fiber (Wool and Cashmere) Production

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Dear Colleagues,

Wool and cashmere are always important textile materials as quality animal fiber, and their production exists as an integral part of sheep and goat feeding around the world. Wool and cashmere production is a main source of income for sheep and goat feeding, and its benefit highly depends on fiber yield and quality. Better wool and cashmere production is badly in need to meet the increasing consumption of better woolen goods, and improve its sustainability. This Special Issue aims to share the innovation progress in technical research or theoretical recognition concerning wool and cashmere production on fine or semi-fine wool sheep and cashmere goats, focusing on higher fiber yield and better fiber quality. Research areas include: nutrition regulation, management strategy, genetic breeding, reproduction technology, disease control and prevention, fiber quality modulation and analysis, etc. In addition, as the meat performance of wool sheep is attracting increasing attention, we welcome relevant research papers on fine wool sheep, semi-fine wool sheep and cashmere goats.

We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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