Symbiosis in Animal-Assisted Interventions

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You are invited to submit original manuscripts for this Special Issue of *Animals* titled "Symbiosis in Animal-Assisted Interventions." The Special Issue will focus on the symbiotic nature of humans and other animals when participating in animal-assisted interventions. Symbiosis can be defined as a relationship between two organisms in which at least one of the organisms benefits. Animal-assisted interventions are designed to benefit humans, but how do they impact the animals? We welcome papers that examine a broad range of animal-assisted interventions, including but not limited to therapies (e.g., psychotherapy and hippotherapy), learning (e.g., education, personal development and coaching), and recreational activities (e.g., animal visiting programs). The purpose of the Special Issue is to examine benefits and costs to humans and animals involved in interventions.

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