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## Lameness in Livestock

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Lameness represents an intractable challenge for the livestock production industry; it seriously compromises the efficiency of livestock production systems and poses a threat to food security. More importantly, lameness is a serious animal welfare concern affecting all of the ‘five freedoms’. Apart from the obvious implication with ‘freedom from pain, injury or disease’, lameness can also compromise animals’ freedom from hunger, freedom from discomfort, freedom to express normal behaviour, and freedom from fear and distress. As implementing lameness control measures is often difficult in practice, there is an urgent need to advance our abilities to facilitate the human behaviour changes needed to tackle this complex disease and studies addressing this need will be particularly welcomed in this Special Issue. Original research that will further our understanding of the aetiopathogenesis, the epidemiology and the genetic background of lameness causing diseases are also welcomed. Systematic reviews of pertinent topics will also be considered for publication.

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