Animal Assisted Interventions: Effects and Mechanisms of Action

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This Special Issue welcomes submissions including primary research focused on the efficacy of animal-assisted interventions to improve human health and wellbeing, including physical, mental health and behavioral issues. Research papers may also explore the mechanism of action of animal-assisted interventions and the benefits and drawbacks of involvement in such interventions for the animals and humans involved. Research focusing on how animal-assisted interventions are currently being used to augment or as an alternative to standard treatments' is also welcomed. This Special Issue intends to move forward the knowledge on what issues animal-assisted interventions are effective for and what their mechanism of action may be. In addition, papers which include findings relating to the positive or negative impacts on the animals involved in animal-assisted interventions will be considered.

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