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# Factors Affect Fattened Ewes' and Lambs' Performance, Carcass Conformation, Meat Quality, and Flavor

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Dear Colleagues,

The production of high-quality mutton with flavor has become the core direction for producers to cater to the market. Using high-throughput omics technology to understand meat quality traits is helpful to produce highquality mutton. In addition, methods of improving meat products through nutritional management methods to improve performance and intramuscular fat deposition in ewes and lambs are also common.

Special Issue: "Factors Affect Fattened Ewes' and Lambs' Performance, Carcass Conformation, Meat Quality and Flavor", will explore recent advances in ewes' and lambs' meat quality and flavor from various perspectives, including but not limited to:

Research progress on the effects of genetics, nutrition, environment, and other factors on lamb or ewe meat quality and/or flavor;

Recent developments in identifying and managing factors affecting fattened ewes' and lambs' performance;

Application of genome and other high-throughput sequencing technologies to study meat quality-related traits.

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