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Environmental Factors on Lipid Peroxides and Antioxidant Status in Animals

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Message from the Guest Editor

Life is associated with a range of stresses. There is a lot of experimental evidence that most of these stresses are associated with lipid peroxide formation, therefore affecting the antioxidant status of animals. Among the environmental factors, probably the most important stressor is environmental temperature, which causes heat stress. Oxygen is essential for aerobic life, and therefore, hypoxia or hyperoxia are also important stress factors which activate oxygen-free radical formation and affect the antioxidant status. Among the technological stress factors, the effect of social stress in an unknown area of antioxidant research; however, there are previous studies about the positive effect of some low molecular weight antioxidants against the detrimental effect of social stress in large-scale animal production systems. All of the abovementioned stresses have a direct effect on the lipid peroxide formation and antioxidant status of animals, but regulation of these processes is not completely known yet.

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