



## Zoonotic Hepatitis E Virus: A Focus on Animals, Food and Environment

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Hepatitis E virus (HEV) infection is a major health problem worldwide. HEV typically causes self-limiting acute viral hepatitis, although chronic infection with neurological and other extrahepatic manifestations has also been reported. The literature indicates that domestic pigs and wild boars are the main reservoirs of genotype 3 and genotype 4 for human infections in industrialized countries. However, the recent identification of HEV from various animal species poses additional potential concerns for HEV zoonotic infection.

This Special Issue aims to provide new insights outlining and covering all the main topics on the pathways of HEV infection in the context of an integrated animal/food/environmental surveillance. We would like to invite colleagues investigating the epidemiology of HEV in animals, food, and environments to submit their manuscripts to this Special Issue in the form of original research or reviews.





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## Message from the Editor-in-Chief

The worldwide impact of infectious disease is incalculable. The consequences for human health in terms of morbidity and mortality are obvious and vast but, when infections of animals and plants are also taken into account, it is hard to imagine any other disease that has such a significant impact on our lives—on healthcare systems, on agriculture and on world economics. *Pathogens* is proud to continue to serve the international community by publishing high quality studies that further our understanding of infection and have meaningful consequences for disease intervention.

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