



Advances in Honey Bee Virus Research

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Message from the Guest Editor

The sudden collapse of honey bee colonies in California in 2005 and alarming reports about significant colony losses in the U.S. and Europe have attracted the renewed attention of researchers and the general public. Thus, research focused on the elucidation of the genomic sequences of previously identified and new honey bee-associated viruses, their pathogenicity at the individual and colony levels, their structure, their interactions with other pathogens, and their relationship with the host, many times emerging from covert-asymptomatic to overt-symptomatic infections following stress challenges, has recently been conducted.

In this Special Issue, our aim is to highlight recent significant advances in this area of virology to provide an updated integrated picture of honey bee-associated viruses. Researchers who would like to contribute their views and/or original research on the above themes, including molecular, structural, genomic, and biological virus–host aspects and the emergence/involvement of new virus strains, as well as new viruses, are welcome to do so.





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