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## **Editor-in-Chief**

Prof. Dr. Brian J. Leury

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## **Aims**

*Ruminants* (ISSN 2673-933X) is an international open access journal. It publishes original research articles, reviews, and communications that offer substantial new insight into any field of study that involves ruminants, including cattle, all domesticated and wild bovines, goats, sheep, giraffes, deer, gazelles, and antelopes. Scientifically excellent papers that consider ruminants in the context of genetic or environmental conservation, rural development, or that have significant implications for animal welfare will be particularly welcome, and an interdisciplinary approach is encouraged. Experimental and genomic studies must explain what hypotheses are being tested, and whether new hypotheses are required. Submissions with a strong veterinary, nutritional, meat or dairy science, or genetic focus must make the wider interest of the work very clear. Our aim is to encourage scientists to publish their experimental and theoretical research in as much detail as possible. Full experimental details and/or method of study, must be provided for research articles.

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- Milk and Dairy Products
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