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Message from the Guest Editors

The worldwide dissemination of antimicrobial-resistant bacteria, particularly those resistant to last-resource antibiotics, is a common problem for which no immediate solution is foreseen. Bacterial resistance and virulence are interrelated since antibiotic pressure may influence bacterial virulence gene expression and, consequently, infection pathogenesis. In addition, some virulence factors contribute to an increased resistance ability, as observed in biofilm-producing strains. Surveillance of important resistant and virulent clones and associated mobile genetic elements is essential to decision-making in terms of mitigation measures to be applied for the prevention of such infections in both human and veterinary medicine, being also relevant to address the role of natural environments as important components of the dissemination cycle of these strains.

This Special Issue represents the second volume of “Antimicrobial Resistance and Virulence” and aims to publish manuscripts that further clarify the impact of bacterial antimicrobial resistance and virulence in the three areas of the One Health triad, i.e., animal, human, and environmental health.





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