

# LARGE ANIMAL REVIEW

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**Large Animal Review** is a bimonthly scientific journal published by SIVAR (Italian Society of Farm Animals Veterinary Practitioners) for scientific updating of veterinarians who deal with animals in livestock production and the supply chain control in the production of food industry. The topics of main interest for the journal are those of internal medicine, surgery, obstetrics, animal nutrition, zootechnics, infectious and parasitic diseases, food safety and security, animal welfare, prevention and management.

#### MANUSCRIPTS

Large Animal Review publishes manuscripts in the form of reviews, original articles and case reports; manuscripts must comply with the guidelines below.

**Review** - This is a complete coverage of a specific topic accompanied by a detailed and updated bibliography. Authors interested in writing a review should contact the editor of Large Animal Review. The text should not have more than 48.000 characters (including spaces) and not be accompanied by more than 15 figures or tables.

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#### FORMAT

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- Preferably in Microsoft Word, or OpenOffice or Rich Text Format;
- Lines and pages numbered consecutively;
- Times New Roman 12 point font;
- Justified paragraphs;
- Side margins of 2 centimetres;
- Single line spacing;
- The number of characters (including spaces) must not exceed the number indicated for each type of contribution in the previous paragraph.

**Three documents** must be uploaded at the time of submission: 1) a cover letter, 2) the certificate of ethical approval (if applicable), 3) the main body of the manuscript.

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In the cover letter you must include:

- The title of the manuscript;
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- The declaration of the absence of conflict of interest.

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Each manuscript must follow the following structure:

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#### **Example:**

Assessment of biochemical profiling in calves with neonatal diarrhea.

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