

# Special Issue

## Advances in Rabies Research 2024

### Message from the Guest Editors

The Special Issue is associated with the following two Rabies In The Americas (RITA) international conferences: RITA XXXIV, which took place in Bogota, Colombia, in October 2023, and RITA XXXV, which will now be taking place in Buenos Aires, Argentina, from 3 to 8 November 2024. RITA is a conference that has been held every year since 1990 by the United States of America, Canada, and Mexico, and more recently by Brazil and Argentina, as well as other Latin American countries; it aims to connect researchers, national and local directors of programs, laboratory workers and all those in the Americas and in other parts of the world who are involved in the surveillance, prevention and control of rabies. RITA conferences are events strictly centered on all aspects of rabies research and provide excellent opportunities to focus on research topics in this area. Symposium participants are cordially invited to contribute their original research papers presented at these two RITA conferences to this Special Issue of *Viruses*. For further information, please visit the following website: [Rita 2024—Rabies In The Americas 2024 \(ritaconference.org\)](https://ritaconference.org).

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