Dear Colleagues

I am sure you are aware that the second edition: *Infectious Diseases of Livestock* (2004), edited by JAW Coetzer and RC Tustin, have been out of print for several years and therefore virtually unobtainable. The three-volume second edition, while it was still available, was a sought-after information source and because of continuing demand, it was decided to make the second edition available as soon as possible again, this time in an electronic format using Anipedia as the platform. Moreover, the editors intend to update the content as soon as possible as well as add chapters on newly emerged diseases and animal disease-related issues. At the time of the launch of Anipedia a couple of weeks ago more than 100 chapters have already been updated or are in that process by internationally distinguished authors.

The Editors would very much appreciate comments or suggestions on Anipedia from users/clients (see Comments/Queries). An evaluation form is available for different facets of the platform (Complete Evaluation Form). We are eager to make use of the best sources of animal health information and, in time, establish a community of young talented contributors to Anipedia to ensure sustainability of high-quality material on subjects related to animal health.

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