

SARS-CoV-2 e salute circolare: un'occasione per ripensare il rapporto tra *sapiens* e gli animali non umani

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*SARS-CoV-2 and Circular Health: An Opportunity to Rethink the Relationship
between Sapiens and Non-human Animals*

Abstract: SARS-CoV-2 pandemic is likely the major health-care threat of 21th century. Most of the pathogens are zoonotic and the emergence of a novel threatening microorganism strictly depends on the way we, as a species, establish relationships with the nature as a whole. Our health ought to be considered an integrated system in which each component has its part: individuals, society as a whole, non-human animals, environment, etc. This new approach of health has been called *one health*. Applied Ethics could give an important contribution to the foundation of this novel approach. First, it could phrase arguments advocating a major attention on wellbeing of non -human animals. Second, it could insist on rephrasing the very concept of “moral community”. This reformulation may disclose a new approach in which non-human animals are not just included in *our* moral community, for it is the very concept of “moral community” which is reshaped in its roots.

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