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Objective

The aim of the *Sheep & Goat Research Journal* is to provide and publish electronically timely sheep and goat research findings that can be used by scientists, educators, extension agents, and producers. Specifically, the Journal aims to encourage producer use of research that has practical application.

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