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Message from the Guest Editors

The already noticeable implications of global warming associated with changes in pathogen life cycles, transmission, the extension of the infectious season, and the geographical expansion of disease-affected areas, coupled with global warming effects on the fitness and condition of aquatic animals worldwide, are posing new challenges to an already major bottleneck to the aquaculture industry's development and the survival of aquaria and wild marine animals. Understanding disease processes in known and new outbreaks, especially host-pathogen crosstalk, is crucial to developing innovative solutions, optimizing epidemiological models, and creating countermeasures to limit disease impacts on aquatic animals. In line with this, the second edition of this Special Issue welcomes original scientific and review articles on key and emerging aquatic animal diseases and their impact on the hosts, covering pathogen characterisation, hostpathogen interaction, transmission, pathogenesis, global warming effects, and novel treatment strategies. Articles focusing on multiomics, new health monitoring techniques, and innovative approaches are also welcome for publication.

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