# **Special Issue**

# Fish Cognition and Behaviour

# Message from the Guest Editor

This Special Issue aims to advance our understanding of the cognitive abilities and behavioral strategies of fish, shedding light on their ecological, evolutionary and neurobiological significance. This collection seeks to explore the mechanisms underlying fish cognition, including perception, learning, memory, decisionmaking, and social interactions, as well as how these behaviors adapt to environmental challenges. The scope of this Special Issue includes, but is not limited to, the following topics:

- Cognitive processes in fish, such as problem-solving, spatial navigation, and tool use.
- Behavioral adaptations to changing environments (e.g., climate change, habitat loss).
- Social behavior and communication in fish populations.
- Neurobiological foundations of cognition and behavior in fish species.
- Comparative studies between fish and other vertebrates in cognitive or behavioral traits.
- Applications of fish cognition research in conservation biology and aquaculture.

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