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# Emerging and Re-Emerging Viral and Bacterial Diseases of Fish: Diagnostic Challenges, Therapeutic Options and Preventive Strategies

## Message from the Guest Editor

Emerging and re-emerging viral and bacterial diseases continue to threaten global aquaculture and wild fish populations, causing substantial losses in production, welfare, and trade. This Special Issue, "Emerging and Re-emerging Viral and Bacterial Diseases of Fish: Diagnostic Challenges, Therapeutic Options and Preventive Strategies," aims to bring together cuttingedge research and critical reviews that advance fish health management. We welcome submissions on novel and re-emerging pathogens, innovative diagnostic tools and molecular surveillance, antimicrobial resistance and prudent use of therapeutics, as well as vaccine development, immunostimulants, and host-pathogen interactions. Contributions on probiotics and microbiome modulation, biosecurity measures, husbandry practices, and integrated health management strategies that bridge laboratory and field applications are particularly encouraged. By consolidating multidisciplinary insights from researchers, clinicians, and industry partners, this Special Issue seeks to support more effective, sustainable, and science-based approaches to the control and prevention of infectious diseases in finfish aquaculture worldwide.

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