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Advances in Equine Reproductive Physiology and Endocrinology

Message from the Guest Editors

The harmonious development of reproductive activity in females depends on the anatomical, histological, biochemical and hormonal integrity of the ovarian, hypothalamic, pituitary and uterine structures involved. Understanding the regulatory, endocrine, autocrine and paracrine mechanisms that allow for the alternation of follicular and luteal growth phases is essential to understanding reproduction, particularly the cyclicity of females. Reproductive processes in mares, as in other domestic species, are complex. Endocrine imbalances play a particularly prominent role among these factors. Accurate knowledge of the intimate mechanisms underlying these processes can be help diagnose and treat infertility and/or sub-infertility. Moreover, the sexual cycle and pregnancy can alter hormone profiles, thereby changing the physiological endocrine control of the reproductive process. Recent advances in biological, endocrinological and biotechnological knowledge developed in mares have improved their efficiency. This Special Issue focuses on "Advances in Equine Reproductive Physiology and Endocrinology" and therefore welcomes new research and in-depth reviews on these topics in this species.

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