



## The Role of Personality in Sexual Selection

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Dear Colleagues,

Choosing a high-quality mate is one of the most important decisions in each individual's life. Based on theories in and concepts of sexual selection, we identified different mechanisms on how and when to choose a mate, and we have convincing evidence for the fitness advantages of choosers over non-choosers. The number of identified traits under sexual selection is continuously growing, with a shift in focus from morphological to behavioural traits. One prominent behavioural trait is an individual's personality. Based on the existing knowledge on personality in the context of mate choice, we want to focus on new aspects such as the role of personality of both the chooser and the chosen individual. We want to link personality to fitness and ask how personality is associated with cognition, and how both are relevant for mate choice. The goal of this Special Issue is to complement our knowledge on and deepen our understanding of the fascinating topic of how personality shapes sexual selection and vice versa.

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