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# **Cell Sex**

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# Message from the Guest Editor

Current hectic lifestyles, ever-growing industrialization, and consequent increasing environmental degradation impact all organisms, especially in terms of their reproductive health and individual sexuality. It is well-established that sex-specific changes within the germline occur during fetal development. During their journey, germ cells interact with the surrounding somatic cells and decide their sexually dimorphic fate under the influence of other aspects of body physiology of an organism. Extensive research from the past has shown that various signaling pathways work simultaneously and collectively bring decisive signaling molecules that decide sexual fate. However, many unknown pathways are being discovered, or others are yet to be discovered. This topic will therefore provide a platform focusing on the utilization of fish models to investigate the scope of "cell sex", and will include various aspects such as:

- Germ cell sexuality
- Transgenerational effects of epigenetics on reproductive sustainability
- Endocrine disruptors and sex change
- Model fish epigenetics and omics for the sex spectrum
- Multicellular interaction of sexual physiology





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