

Special Issue

Advances in Cytogenetics of Fish

Message from the Guest Editors

With over 35,000 species occupying diverse ecological niches and exhibiting high karyotype variability, fishes represent the most diverse group of vertebrates and serve as excellent models for cytogenetic research. Early fish cytogenetics relied on traditional methods like karyotyping and banding techniques (e.g., C-banding and Ag-NOR). With reduced costs, the field has expanded significantly. Fluorescence in situ hybridization (FISH) and derivative methods such as chromosome painting (WCP) and comparative genomic hybridization (CGH) are now common, enabling mapping of several repetitive DNA elements like ribosomal DNA, satellites, microsatellites, and transposable elements. These tools have advanced knowledge on chromosomal rearrangements, speciation, sex chromosome evolution, karyotype composition (including A and B chromosomes), and overall genome organization. The studies in this Special Issue span evolutionary biology, aquaculture, conservation, and biodiversity characterization, highlighting the continued importance of integrating classical and modern methods in fish cytogenetics.

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