

## Special Issue

# Genetics and Reproduction in Pigs

### Message from the Guest Editor

Spermatogenesis and semen preservation technology are key factors affecting reproductive efficiency in pigs. Spermatogenesis is the complex and dynamic evolution from spermatogonia into spermatozoa, which is precisely controlled by genetic and epigenetic factors. With the development of new technologies, an increasing number of genes and molecular mechanisms related to spermatogenesis have been identified. In addition, significant progress in semen preservation has been achieved over the last decade, including liquid preservation and freezing preservation. This Special Issue will focus on sharing advances in spermatogenesis and semen preservation in pigs, providing a basis for innovation in boar reproductive technologies. We welcome submissions exploring diverse topics, including genomic selection, reproductive genetics, assisted reproductive technologies, genetic diversity conservation, and the integration of biotechnology into breeding programs. Studies investigating the molecular mechanisms underlying fertility and reproductive health, as well as applications of biotechnologies to address emerging challenges in porcine production, are strongly encouraged.

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