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Innovations in Poultry Reproductive Biology: Germ Cells, Developmental Mechanisms, and Translational Applications

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This Special Issue highlights cutting-edge advances in the molecular, cellular, and developmental mechanisms regulating avian reproduction. Poultry reproductive biology is undergoing transformation, with breakthroughs in germ cell isolation, in vitro gametogenesis, genome editing, and transgenic technologies offering new insights into fertility regulation, genetic conservation, and breeding innovation. Research on primordial germ cell migration, oocyte and spermatogonial stem cell differentiation, and hormonal and epigenetic modulation is deepening understanding of reproductive development. Translational applications—from germline modification for genetic resource preservation to novel reproductive biotechnologies enhancing hatchability and production efficiency—are rapidly evolving. This Special Issue welcomes original research, reviews, and methodological papers exploring reproductive mechanisms and applications, aiming to bridge avian developmental biology with applied breeding and biotechnology to promote sustainable poultry production and conserve avian genetic diversity.

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