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Beyond the Basics: Genetic Insights into Male Infertility

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Male infertility, which affects approximately 7% of men globally, is a complex pathological condition characterized by various semen abnormalities and qualitative defects.

Interestingly, the quest to understand male infertility has evolved dramatically from its early focus on physical and environmental factors to a sophisticated exploration of its genetic underpinnings. With the advent of genomic sequencing and molecular biology, the last few decades have witnessed a paradigm shift, revealing the intricate genetic landscapes that govern male reproductive function. This burgeoning field has identified a plethora of genetic variations, ranging from chromosomal anomalies to single nucleotide polymorphisms, that contribute to the complexity of male infertility.

The aim of this Special Issue is to delve into the latest genetic discoveries and their implications for diagnosing and treating male infertility. We seek to provide a comprehensive overview of current trends, challenges, and advancements in the field, fostering a deeper understanding of the genetic intricacies of male reproductive health.













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