



## Zebrafish—a Model System for Developmental Biology II

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Following a very successful first run, we are pleased to announce the launch of a second edition of the Special Issue on Zebrafish—A Model System for Developmental Biology II.

The birth of zebrafish (*Danio rerio*) research is linked to the historic publication of George Streisinger and colleagues (Nature 1981;291:293–296). It was followed by a series of seminal papers on zebrafish developmental staging and cell lineage studies by Charles Kimmel and colleagues (for example, Dev Dyn 1995;203:253–310) and forward genetic screens for zebrafish mutants by the Nüsslein-Volhard, Driever, and Fishman labs (published in Development 1996;193:1–481). In the field of developmental biology, zebrafish has been critical in identifying the components of many signalling pathways, the mechanisms behind gastrulation movements and neuronal migration, and the genetic and morphogenetic basis of the development of organs such as the heart, brain, liver, and skeleton. This Special Issue will focus on the latest advances in basic research made possible by the use of zebrafish. We invite contributions, reviews, or research papers that focus on this field of research.





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