



## Aquatic Parasites

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Nowadays, studies on aquatic parasites have increased with the growing importance of animal protein for human nutrition and the global expansion of aquaculture. In fact, the rapid growth of the aquaculture trade has generated new challenges and opportunities in the prevention, control, and treatment of parasites in aquatic animals, which have become essential to reducing negative impacts on large-scale production and supply. In addition, the implication of the spread of parasites in new environments by international transport, which has generated ecological and economic impacts, is an aspect of increasing importance.

This Special Issue aims to provide an overview of the current research and advances in all aspects of marine and freshwater aquatic parasites. Original research and review articles are welcomed, potential topics include, but are not limited to: new parasites in both wild and cultivated aquatic animals, systematic, molecular phylogeny, evolution, histopathology, hematology, ecological aspects, host immune response to parasitic infection, and new developments in the treatment of aquatic parasites in both freshwater and marine aquatic animals.





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