



an Open Access Journal by MDPI

# Progress and Future Prospect of In Vitro Gametogenesis

Guest Editors:

#### Prof. Dr. Zhibing Zhang

Department of Physiology, Department of Obstetrics/Gynecology, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, USA

#### Dr. Aminata Touré

Institute for Advanced Biosciences, Grenoble, France

#### Dr. Huanyu Qiao

Department of Comparative Biosciences, College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 3601 VMBSB, Urbana, IL 61802, USA

Deadline for manuscript submissions: closed (15 December 2022)

### Message from the Guest Editors

Gametogenesis is a complex process occurring in the ovaries and in the testes and allowing eggs and sperm cell production, respectively. In males, meiosis only starts after puberty, and from then, sperm cells are continuously generated every day. In contrast, in females, all oocytes are formed before birth and arrested at the dictyate stage, a late prophase I of meiosis I, around birth. Nurse cells (granulosa and theca) surround the oocytes to provide nutrition, and Sertoli cells correspond to unique nurse cells intimately connected to sperm cells in formation, also providing a special environment for spermatogenesis. The niches for gamete growth are so special that in contrast to somatic cells, the *in vitro* culture is extremely hard to achieve. Despite this complexity, in recent decades, *in vitro* culture from stem cells to gametes has become possible.

In this Special Issue of *Cells*, we welcome researchers to submit their original research articles, reviews, or shorter perspective articles on all aspects related to the theme of the "Progress and Future Prospect of *In Vitro* Gametogenesis".



mdpi.com/si/105889







an Open Access Journal by MDPI

# **Editors-in-Chief**

#### Prof. Dr. Alexander E. Kalyuzhny

Neuroscience, UMN Twin Cities, 6-145 Jackson Hall, 321 Church St SE, Minneapolis, MN 55455, USA

#### Prof. Dr. Cord Brakebusch

Biotech Research & Innovation Centre, The University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark

# **Message from the Editorial Board**

*Cells* has become a solid international scientific journal that is now indexed on SCIE and in other databases. We have successfully introduced a special issues format so that these issues serve as mini-forums in specific areas of cell science. *Cells* encourages researchers to suggest new special issues, serve as special issues editors, and volunteer to be reviewers. Our main focus will remain on cell anatomy and physiology, the structure and function of organelles, cell adhesion and motility, and the regulation of intracellular signaling, growth, differentiation, and aging. We are open to both original research papers and reviews.

# **Author Benefits**

**Open Access:** free for readers, with article processing charges (APC) paid by authors or their institutions.

**High Visibility:** indexed within Scopus, SCIE (Web of Science), PubMed, MEDLINE, PMC, CAPlus / SciFinder, and other databases.

**Journal Rank:** JCR - Q2 (*Cell Biology*) / CiteScore - Q1 (General Biochemistry, Genetics and Molecular Biology)

# **Contact Us**

*Cells* Editorial Office MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5 4052 Basel, Switzerland Tel: +41 61 683 77 34 www.mdpi.com mdpi.com/journal/cells cells@mdpi.com X@Cells\_MDPI