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The great advances in assisted reproduction techniques (ART) have improved both reproduction in farm animals such as pigs and cattle and also helped infertile human couples to conceive newborns. According to the latest European Society of Human Reproduction and Embryology (ESHRE) data, human ART are still far from being absolutely effective, showing an effectiveness of around 25–30% of initiated cycles. In animals, subfertile individuals still impair production, causing economic losses. Thus, there is a need to understand the causes of these impairments, in order to deliver more effective treatments.

As both gametes are responsible for providing not only genetic but also epigenetic markers to the embryo, their contribution is broader than initially thought. Therefore, new research in genetic and epigenetic biomarkers for individuals with higher fertility rates will be essential for leading the way to new personalized treatments.

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