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# **Mechanisms of Transgenerational Epigenetic Inheritance**

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Evolution occurs when altered phenotypes are selected and transmitted to the offspring. Gametes are responsible for transmitting phenotypic information to the next generation. In addition to the genome, the epigenome (like DNA methylation histone modifications) has also been reported to be transmitted from the oocytes to the next generation, which is known as transgenerational epigenetic inheritance. Unlike the genome, the epigenome can change depending on the environment. The discovery of transgenerational histone modification raises a new possibility that environment-induced changes of histone modifications in oocytes can affect the phenotypes of the next generation and potentially contribute to evolution. However, the mechanisms of this epigenetic inheritance have not been fully understood. This Special Issue of Genes "Mechanisms of Transgenerational Epigenetic on Inheritance" will provide an overview of advancement in this field of research from plants to animals, including critical perspectives on current and upcoming challenges.



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