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# Mammalian Gametogenesis, Fertilization and Early Embryogenesis

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## **Message from the Guest Editor**

Dear Colleagues,

Mammals produce their offspring through sexual reproduction. Thus, mammalian reproduction is vital for animal evolution, species existence, population growth, animal health. This life course gametogenesis, fertilization, embryogenesis, and postdelivery care. Mammalian gametogenesis is a highly orchestrated process that generates genetically and epigenetically unique gametes. Mammalian fertilization is the union of a sperm and an egg in a species-specific manner that forms a single-cell embryo called a zygote. The zygote, remarkably, reprograms the gamete-specific genome and epigenome to begin embryogenesis for creating a new organism.

The emergence of new technology and tools has recently significantly promoted our understanding of mammalian reproduction at the molecular, cellular, genetic, epigenetic, and genomic levels. For this Special Issue, we invite scientists and clinicians to contribute original research articles, clinical studies, reviews, and perspectives that underscore novel findings in the areas of spermatogenesis, oogenesis, sperm–egg interaction, and zygotic activation.

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