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Aquaculture is an alternative to the depletion of fisheries resources and to the increase of global food demand. However, due to husbandry practices, one of the main constraints in aquaculture production are the infectious diseases. Thus, infectious diseases caused by bacteria, virus, parasites, and fungus, are the major cause of mortality and economic losses in commercial aquaculture. Therefore, it is essential to comprehend the whole process of a disease outbreak, a complex network of interactions between host, pathogen and environment. Increasing knowledge on the infectious process will help to find strategies for the prevention and control of diseases.

This Special Issue aims to provide a collection of articles with the recent insights on aquaculture infectious diseases research, including diseases impact and control. Original research, reviews and short communications dealing with outbreaks, microorganism-host interactions, microbial pathogenic and virulence processes, treatment and prevention approaches, techniques for rapid detection of the pathogen and development of diagnosis methods, are welcome.



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