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Diagnostic and Characterization of Fish Pathogens

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Sustainable aquaculture is one of the most important topics in the world. It depends, to a large extent, on the control of pathologies, which in turn depends on the rapid and accurate detection and identification of the causative agent, so that it can be characterized and specific prevention and control measures can be developed. Nowadays, increasingly modern and powerful tools are used for diagnosis and characterization. Some of these, well established in human and terrestrial animal pathologies, are not commonly employed in the aquatic field. For this reason, in this Special Issue, we want to encourage scholars to contribute their research on the diagnosis and characterization (viral, bacterial and parasitic) of fish and shellfish pathogens.

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