

Editorial

Epigenetics is Here to Stay

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The number of publications on epigenetic topics is exploding! Indeed, also this special issue of *OBM Genetics* contains the largest number of contributions of all special issues *OBM Genetics* is currently hosting. Epigenetics is here to stay. The field of epigenetic research is extremely broad, ranging from health and disease, environmental influences, development, disease prognosis, behaviour, molecular mechanisms, genomic imprinting, reproduction, diagnostics, aging and so forth. To better study the epigenome, we need tools that are evolving. This special issue reflects this broad range of topics.

The authors of this issue on epigenetic mechanisms in health and disease can be proud of their achievement. Although *OBM Genetics* is a relatively new scientific journal, it has shown that it can host a substantial number of scientific contributions of well-known scientist in the field of epigenetics. Not only is this promising for the journal but it is also for the scientists who can quickly publish open access after a thorough peer review. I was impressed with the quality and speed of the reviewers. If the journal can maintain this quality, we might be looking at a new platform to share our findings and ideas on epigenetic topics and maybe able to find each other more easily. There is a great need for high quality and approachable journals in this field of epigenetics with its numerous science projects and expanding number of diagnostic tests. Both



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authors and reviewers have made me confident that there is a need and willingness to make this journal a platform for epigenetics. Let's hope for the best!



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