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## **Diversity of Honey Bee: Morphology and Genetics**

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## **Message from the Guest Editors**

Dear Colleagues,

Honey bees (*Apis mellifera*) are important pollinators of both wild and cultivated plants. Their native range includes Europe, Africa, and the Middle East. From there, honey bees were transported by humans all over the world. Within this wide geographic range, there is substantial variability related to both adaptations and evolutionary history. Part of this diversity is threatened by beekeeping activities, including the importation of foreign genotypes and their massive proliferation, which in turn results in introgressive hybridization and homogenization of bees on a global scale. For this Special Issue, we welcome original research as well as review articles related to description, analysis and conservation of the honey bee diversity. The relevant studies can be based on various methodologies, including morphology and genetics.

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