Progress in Comparative Placentology

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During a number of symposia on comparative placentology various discussions with physiologists demonstrated the submicroscopical morphology, especially of the trophoblast, the development of the placenta and the morphometry of functionally specialized areas of the villous surface to be of major interest. Moreover the differentiation between normal development and pathological variation was shown to be of great importance for the correct interpretation of physiological findings.
Therefore it is hoped that compiling several studies with different approaches to the general topic of comparative placentology in a single volume will meet the existing demand of a great number of scientists for easy availability of original literature in this field of research.

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