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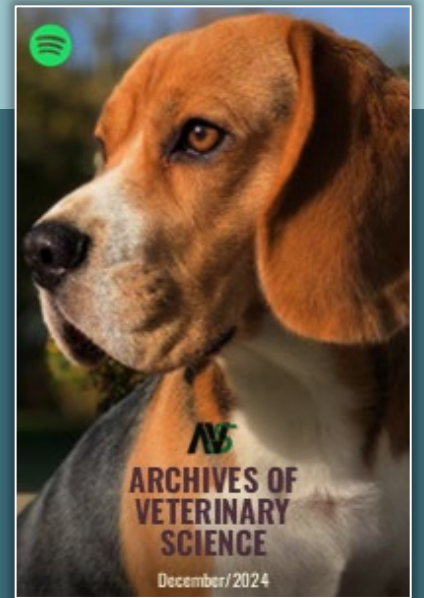
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There are many sources from which the avian MSCs could be isolated, including amnion, skin, lungs, cartilage, neurons, adipose tissues, and kidneys. Recently, avian MSCs have been used in different poultry aspects such as treating bone and skin affections, preventing some immunosuppressive viral diseases, and improving gut health.



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Therefore, this review article spotlights avian MSCs regarding their sources and different applications in the poultry field.

**Keywords:** Avian mesenchymal stem cells; bone and skin affections; disease prevention; gut health.



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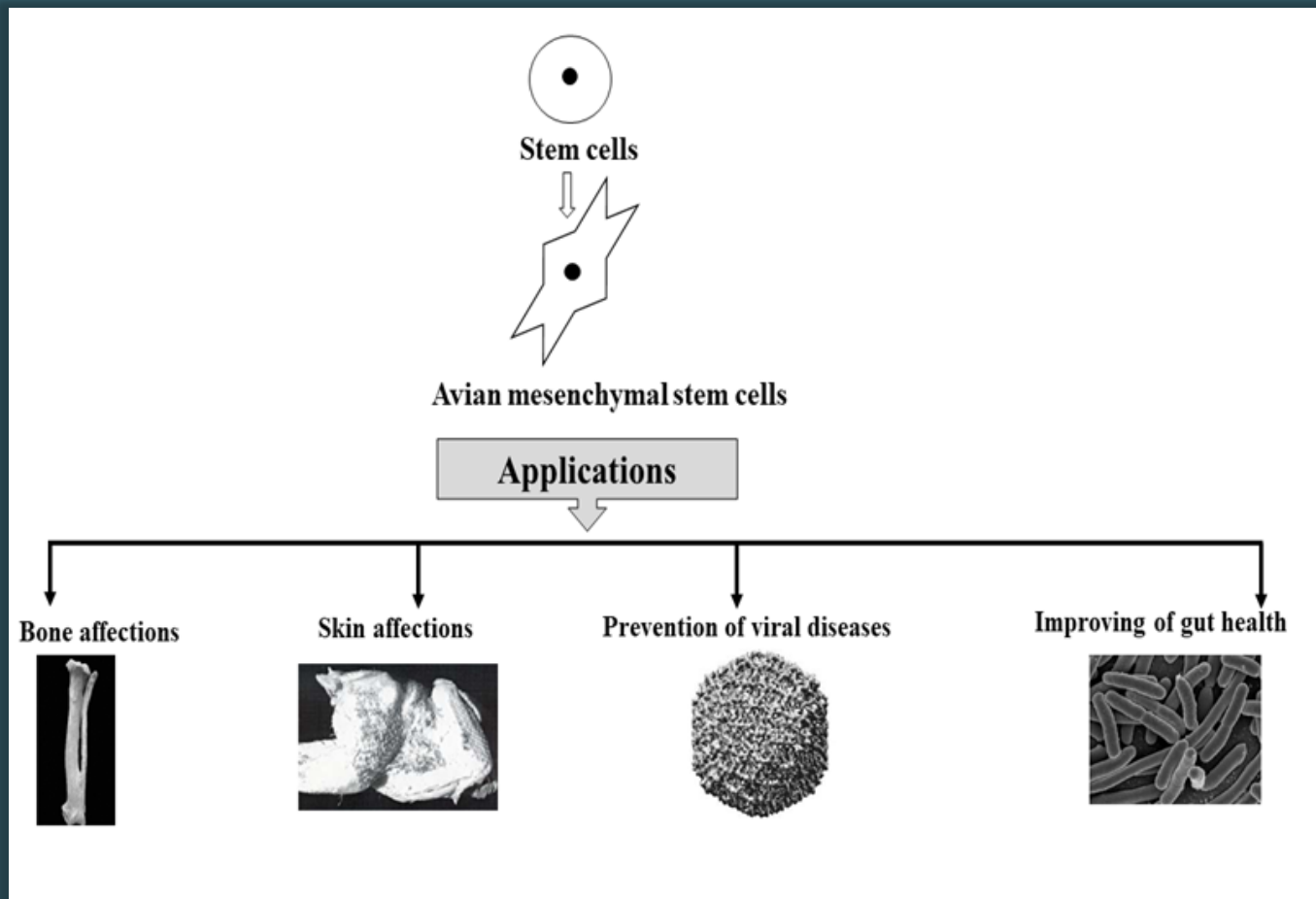
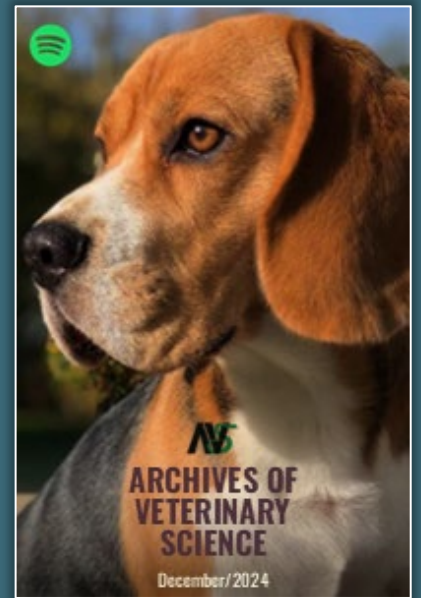


Figure 1 – The different applications of MSCs in the poultry field.



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# CONCLUSION



Very little is known about the pathogenesis of avian MSCs. Besides, few studies showed the beneficial effects of avian MSCs. Therefore, research on the properties of avian multipotent stem cells is needed, which will lead to renewed interest in their extended applications in the poultry field.



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