Summary. The second edition of Guppy Color Bank (Shaddock 2009a) is the most comprehensive guide to guppy strains of the World. A total number of 133 guppy strains are phenotypically and genotypically described by Philip Shaddock in as much as 334 pages. The author combines information from scientific literature with the hobby experiences and with photography, so that Guppy Color Bank is wellcome to all those interested in poeciliids. Moreover, observations related to color genes, their complex interaction, and cellular expression in different circumstances are useful information to all the scientists involved in animal biology or teaching. The book is not a simple compilation from literature; it is plenty of original observations and ingenious breeding projects by which the author creates new and extraordinary strains. Such an excellent result is the so called See Thru Guppy, the first transparent guppy in history (see also Shaddock 2009b for details). We warmly recommend the book to all the guppy fanciers (it can be found on www.guppydesigner.com).

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