



### **Romi Pena**

Romi Pena, BVS, PhD, is a veterinarian by training and decided to pursue a career path in science. She obtained a PhD in Barcelona and a postdoc at the Roslin Institute, Scotland, on the optimization of cassettes to drive expression of heterologous proteins to the mammary gland of transgenic livestock. Currently, Pena is a professor at the University of Lleida (Catalonia, Spain), following a period at the IRTA research institute, where her research centers on the genetic improvement of livestock. Her teaching responsibilities include delivering courses in animal genetics and biotechnology to veterinary medicine

undergraduates, helping shape the next generation of animal science professionals. Her longstanding engagement with the ISAG began in 1996 at the conference in Tours, France, and since then, she has witnessed its evolution. In 2019, she co-chaired the ISAG conference in Lleida, Spain, and has led two standing committees—Pigs Genetics and Genomics, and currently, Genetics of Immune Response and Disease Resistance. Pena would like to extend her commitment to the society's mission by bringing support to the executive committee and contributing to ISAG running activities.