Preface

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We are happy to present here the 7th special issue of Veterinary Research Communications which contains the presentations of the invited speakers and a selection of communications from the last Meeting of the Italian Society of Veterinary Sciences (S.I.S.Vet.), the LXII, held in San Benedetto del Tronto (Ascoli Piceno) in September 2008.

The issue includes the contributions from the Round table discussion, one Workshop as well as two invited lectures and 57 communications selected by specially appointed Referees out of 239 presentations at the Meeting.

Through this Special Issue, the S.I.S.Vet. aims to acquaint the International Scientific Community with the fruits of the efforts of Italian Researchers in the different branches of Veterinary Sciences.

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