

CURRICULUM Anna Schneider

Researcher at National Research Council of Italy, Institute for Sustainable Plant Protection
(CNR-IPSP), Turin (Italy)

Largo Braccini2 – 10095 Grugliasco (Turin)
h



Born in Biella, February 6th 1953. Degree in Agricultural Science (1978) and Master degree in Viticulture and Oenology (1979). Agronomist. After a fellowship at CSIRO (South Australia) (1980-81), since 1982 is a permanent researcher at the National Research Council of Italy (CNR), currently at the Institute for Sustainable Plant Protection (Turin, Italy).

Her research activity, often in cooperation with Italian and international research groups, was addressed from early 1990 to the study, the recovery and the safeguard of *Vitis* genetic resources: wild genotypes, grape cultivars and clones. The major subjects are: a) genotype characterization by plant morphology and molecular markers, b) varietal identification, c) cultivar origin and parentage studies, d) recovery and conservation of threatened grapevine genetic resources, e) exploitation of lesser and poorly known traditional grape cultivars. She is curator of in vivo ex situ grapevine collections, like the one located in Grinzane Cavour (northern Italy) oriented to neglected and endangered grape cultivars.

As Project, Group or WP leader she participated to international, national, and regional programs on the study and the exploitation of grapevine genetic resources. As expert in the field she is member of the *Vitis* Working Group under the European Cooperative Program for Plant Genetic Resources, and of the Working Group on Plant Biodiversity under the frame of the National Program on Plant Biodiversity of the Italian Agriculture Ministry.

From 1988 to 2018 she has been lecturer of Ampelography at the University of Turin. As lecturer in the field of grape varieties, she also participated to workshops, masters and educational programs in other Italian and foreign academic institutions.