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Stelio received his graduation in Veterinary Medicine by the School of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science (FMVZ) – University of São Paulo State (UNESP) in 1984. After graduation he performed Residence in Veterinary Anesthesiology and finished his Master of Science at the same institution in 1990. Since his graduation he has been interested in studying homeopathy and acupuncture. In 1986 he attended a Human Course on Acupuncture by the Brazilian Acupuncture Association, as by that time there were no courses available in veterinary acupuncture in Brazil. He performed his PhD at the University of Cambridge, UK, between 1990 and 1993. Part of his studies was about the endocrine effect of acupuncture in horses undergoing acupuncture.

Stelio has been a Diplomate by the European College of Veterinary Anesthesiology and Analgesia since 1995 and is Certified by the International Veterinary Acupuncture Society (IVAS) since 2002. In 1999, Stelio was the founder and President four times of the Brazilian Veterinary Acupuncture Association (ABRAVET). He was responsible for the successful recognition of Veterinary Acupuncture specialization in Brazil and for organizing the exam for the first specialists in 2016. Stelio is responsible for the Veterinary Acupuncture discipline for the under graduation and graduation Veterinary Medicine courses since 2002 at FMVZ-Unesp. He was also the supervisor of the Residence Program in Veterinary Acupuncture from 2014 to 2020 at FMVZ-Unesp. Stelio has attended most of IVAS Congress, as a speaker since 1998 in Taiwan and loves to be with IVAS friends both for exchanging knowledge and for celebration at parties.