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PEIMA Pisciculture expérimentale des Monts d'Arrée

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Engineer, Head of PEIMA INRA experimental farm

PEIMA is an experimental unit for studies with salmonids and is supported by 2 INRA divisions ("Animal physiology and breeding Systems" and "Animal Genetics"). The staff is composed of 12 employees: the manager, one engineer, a responsible of fish rearing, an assistant, and 8 technicians. They are skilled in conducting multidisciplinary experiments: mainly physiology of reproduction, growth and adaptation, nutrition, products quality and genetics.

Facilities allow experiments from egg stage to large size fish. Missions of PEIMA facilities are: (1) to preserve and/or produce original genetic resources for trout, e.g. synthetic population, lines selected for growth, utilization of plant-based diets, muscle lipid content, spontaneous masculinization,...; (2) to conduct and manage experiments supervised by INRA or external scientists; (3) to develop proofs of concept for innovation farming systems

PEIMA is part of Transnational Access in EU Infrastructures projects Aquaexcel and Aquaexcel 2020 PEIMA has been involved in a number of R&D projects, at the local, national or European level. Staff is used to work in collaboration with many research teams and other experimental facilities.

PEIMA team has a recognized expertise in the management of experimental designs, fish phenotyping and data collection and staff has been associated to a number of publications of different research teams. More significantly, PEIMA is leader of more than 5 R&D projects in tight relationship with local relevant bodies and the private sector.

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