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Dr. Fred Caporaso is Professor of Food Science and Honors Professor in the Schmid College of Science and Technology at Chapman University. He received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Rutgers University and his Ph.D. from Penn State. Before coming to Chapman he was on the faculty at the University of Nebraska, and also worked as a research scientist for McGaw Laboratories in Irvine, CA (developing prescription only "medical foods" for hospital patients).

Dr. Caporaso has 40 years of experience as a sensory scientist. Although much of his research has been proprietary, he has published in top peer reviewed journals, and completed hundreds of sensory testing contracts for local, national and international food companies (e.g. Con Agra/Hunt-Wesson, Nestle/Carnation, BakeMark, King's Hawaiian Bakeries, Ready Pac Produce, Baskin-Robbins, etc.). Dr. Caporaso has been an expert witness in significant sensory testing litigation cases (noted below). In addition, he was profiled in both the *Wall Street Journal* (11-25-98) and *The Chronicle of Higher Education* (2-23-94) and has appeared as an expert on the hit TV show *Myth Busters*.

Dr. Caporaso has been an active member of the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT, the scientific society for food science and technology with 17,000 members worldwide). His key awards include IFT Fellow (1999), Southern California IFT Section's Distinguished Lifetime Achievement Award (2004), and Chapman's "Million Dollar Club" for Research Grants secured (2013).

In addition, Fred is considered an expert on turtles and tortoises, and was profiled in the *Reptile Hobbyist* (February, 1998). He is a long time member of the World Conservation Union (IUCN) – Species Survival Commission, Tortoise and Freshwater Turtle Specialist Group, and a founding member of the Turtle Survival Alliance. In 2012, Fred received the inaugural "Charlie Green Turtle Conservation & Education Award" given by the Turtle and Tortoise Preservation Group (TTPG). Relatedly, he has received a number of teaching awards, and considers Darwin and the Galápagos Islands his best course. The laboratory for the course involves a trip to the Galápagos, and since 1986, he had made 23 trips to these special islands. In his spare time, he has captive hatched a number of freshwater species from the *Chelodina* and *Macrochelodina* genera, including the critically endangered *Chelodina mccordi*.

For fun, Fred really enjoys tasting wine with his IFT friends!

NOTE: Expert witness experiences include:

- *National Association of Attorneys General vs. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco regarding marketing flavored products to target underage consumers. (multi-state)*
- *Sensory studies for carpet cleaner advertising claims by the two leading companies in the USA (New York).*
- *Fish flesh tainting by a paper pulp processor vs. the Canadian government (British Columbia).*