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Chinese American Food Society (<http://www.cafsnet.org>)

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## Message from the President



Dear CAFS  
Members:

Happy New  
Year. I am honored to  
serve as CAFS  
President of 2015-

2016. Joining CAFS as a student member, being a proud lifetime member, serving for CAFS, and learning from many past CAFS presidents and outstanding members in food science and technology are some of my best experience and memories.

2014-2015 was a great year for CAFS. Under the excellent leadership of Dr. Yaguang

Luo, CAFS celebrated its remarkable 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. During the year, we established a student committee to engage CAFS young generation. We made great progress on mentoring program and established the CAFS Mentor Committee. In collaboration with the IFT, we organized the first Chinese-speaking short course in the 2015 IFT annual meeting and enhanced the offering of scholastic activities. For all these great accomplishments, I want to give my sincere congratulations to the leadership team of 2014-2015 for a job well done! Let us all thank our Past President Yaguang and the 2014-2015 Executive Committee for their contributions to CAFS.

This year is going to be another exciting year for CAFS. I am very fortune to have a

team of excellent leaders to join me to serve you. We have set our goals and are actively implementing the plans to achieve the goals. One critical effort to expand CAFS family and build a solid foundation of CAFS future is the recruitment of new members. Therefore, one of our specific goals is to actively recruit new members. I am glad to inform you that we have recruited Dr. Lihan Huang to serve the Membership Director position. He is taking the lead in developing effective strategies and channels to recruit new members.

We also would like to attract more student members to engage and take the lead roles in CAFS activities. We believe that they will benefit tremendously through the involvement. Mr. Ren Yang will continue to lead the Student Committee to assist on recruitment of student members, CAFS website improvement, annual banquet registration, and new CAFS communication medium development.

CAFS has a long history in bridging food professionals in Asia, North America, and other countries. We not only provide great networking platform to our members, but also stimulate, encourage, and foster collaborations, progress, and development in food science and technology among the professionals worldwide. This year, we would like to focus on member benefits by enhancing membership communication and connection, expanding mentoring opportunities to members at every

career stage, sponsoring and organizing international conferences, as well as supporting and recognizing professional achievements of our members. We have a new Membership Directory Editor, Dr. Andy Hwang. He will take the lead in reorganizing and updating our membership directory, so our members can use it as one of the effective means to network.

We have a new Secretary, Dr. Qinchun Rao, on board. He will use CAFS Gmail to reach out members, share job opportunities, post announcements, and publish two issues of newsletters annually to keep members informed of CAFS business and activities.

Dr. Olive Yao Li, one of our Executive Directors, will take the lead in our mentorship programs to connect CAFS mentors and mentees and make this program beneficial to our members in their career and professional development.

I am very pleased to share with you that, working with our Executive Committee, CAFS has honorarily sponsored two international conferences in 2015, *China International Food Safety & Quality (CIFSQ) Conference* in Beijing and the *First ERRC-FAFU Symposium on Predictive Microbiology and Chemical Residue Analysis* in Fuzhou, Fujian, China. Under the leadership of our Conference Committee chair, Dr. Yao-wen Huang, we plan to organize and participate in more professional conferences and scientific programs in Food Science and Technology.

As the chair of Website Committee, Dr. Haiqiang Chen will take the lead to improve CAFS website. He has involved student members to develop additional website functions and resources for our members.

We want to continue to recognize the great achievements of our members and their contributions to CAFS. Dr. Fanbin Kong will lead the Award Committee for this important CAFS membership benefit.

Dr. Hongda Chen will continue to chair the By-Law Committee to guild us in serving CAFS. Dr. Yaguang Luo will be in charge of Nomination Committee to identify 2016-2017 CAFS leadership. Drs. Sean Liu, Jason Wan, and Wenjie Liu will serve as our Executive Directors.

The annual CAFS banquet is one of our proud traditions. Our President Elect, Dr. Zhongli Pan, has been taking the lead in planning this exciting event for this year to be held in Chicago during the 2016 IFT annual meeting.

Dr. Zachary Zheng, our new treasurer, will manage CAFS budget and finance. We plan to form a sponsorship committee to seek financial supports from companies and

organizations to ensure the financial strength of CAFS. We seek your volunteer to chair this committee. The stronger of the CAFS financial status will enable CAFS to provide more membership benefits, professional enhancement activities, and CAFS awards. We encourage your contributions to CAFS through annual membership due and additional monetary supports.

I am excited to work with the very capable 2015-2016 Executive Committee and know that, with your support, we will accomplish the goals we have set up for this year. We need your suggestions, support, and involvement! Please feel free to contact me with your ideas, suggestions, and things that you would like to share and contribute to CAFS.

Best wishes to you for a successful career as a food science and technology professional as well as a proud CAFS member.

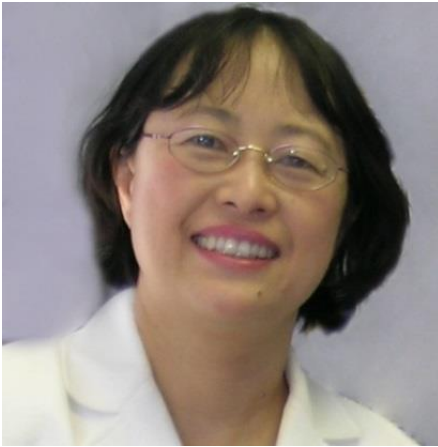
Sincerely,

Vivian C.H. Wu

President, 2015-2016



## Message from the Past President



Dear CAFS members:

It was such a rewarding experience for me to serve as the CAFS President in FY2015. It has been a busy year – but certainly a fulfilling one, especially as we celebrated our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary! I want to thank each and every one of the Executive Committee and the many volunteers for jobs well done.

The 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration was the centerpiece of our FY2015 agenda. As you read the banquet report by Dr. Zhongli Pan, the 40<sup>th</sup> celebration party, annual meeting and banquet were a great success. This spectacular celebration would not be possible without the dedicated work by our banquet committee led by Dr. Vivian Wu. It is a credit to her vision and execution that we had such great food and venue. Moreover, we optimized our registration process, initiated on-line registration in collaboration with IFT, and got on-site registration flowing at record speeds.

As part of the 40<sup>th</sup> celebration, we prepared and published a 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemorative book, to honor the many great memories from our CAFS members. I want to thank Drs. Joseph Jen, Cathy Ang, Jit Ang, Kow-Ching (Sam) Chang, Romeo J.P. Leu, Rei-young Amos Wu, Yun-Hwa Peggy Hsieh, Fu-Hung Hsieh, Kenny F. Chuang, James H. Moy, Y. Martin Lo, Hongda Chen, and Howard Zhang for sharing their experiences in serving CAFS. A special note of gratitude goes out to Dr. Yao-wen Huang for leading this great endeavor. It is a testament of his outstanding leadership and dedication that our members and friends can now and forever cherish the many touching stories through the 40<sup>th</sup> commemorative book.

In recognizing the lifelong support and exemplary services of CAFS' past Presidents, we presented them with special plaques during our 40<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration. I want to thank Dr. Vivian Wu and Zachary Zheng for spearheading the president plaques/pins effort. It was their dedicated services and ingenuity in getting these pins and plaques done so beautifully and cost-effectively.

To continue pushing for the improved scholarly activities and as part of our CAFS 40<sup>th</sup> celebration, we worked with the IFT leadership in designing, organizing, and promoting the first Chinese-speaking short course entitled “Ensuring Food Safety of Exports” (出口食品

安全). My sincere thanks to Dr. Yao-wen Huang for ensuring this dream of offering an all Chinese-speaking short course during IFT Annual Meeting became a reality. I also want to thank him for organizing a Symposium entitled “Ensuring Food Safety of Imported/Exported Chinese Foods” featuring prominent food safety experts from Mainland China and Taiwan.

We are blessed to have the longtime support of our community and receive incredible contributions from our generous sponsors. In particular, I want to thank Almond Board of California, U.S. Dairy Export Council, and State Key Laboratory of Food Science and Technology at Jiangnan University. Most of all, I want to thank Guangwei Huang, immediate Past President, for doing such an outstanding job in engaging our community for the record amount of financial support. Your efforts made it possible to fund the many anniversary programs without breaking our bank.

I want to thank Dr. Fanbin Kong for the tremendous behind-the-scenes hard work in preparing the meeting minutes, designing and writing the newsletters, and polishing the commemorative book.

Students are the future of our society. We tapped in the aspirations of emerging generations of food professionals. Thanks to Ren Yang for leading our student committee, and for initiating numerous activities to engaging our student body to actively participate in CAFS activities. Thanks to the

ingenuity of our student committee, we are leaping into the 22<sup>nd</sup> century with high tech- from badge scanning to QR reading.

Mentoring and supporting the career growth of our younger members and junior faculties is a passion we all share. Thanks to the leadership of Drs. Olive Yao Li and Zhongli Pan on the mentorship committee, we have an integral foundation to ensure the success of a robust program. The mentoring program that you established will be fruitful for many years to come.

In addition to our EC members and committee chairs, many other CAFS members and volunteers also contributed significantly to the success of our program. I want to especially thank Drs. Bin Zhou, Boce Zhang, David Teng, and Atilio de Frias, Ms. Kristi Kan, and Mr. Jungzhong Ding, for helping polish the logo, set up the meeting program, design and print the QR code, and registering attendees in record high speed.

I want to thank all of you for your strong support throughout the year, and ask you to give your full support to Dr. Vivian Wu, the CAFS President of FY2016 and her team.

Best regards,

Yaguang Luo

President, 2014-2015



## 2015 Annual Banquet Report and Highlights



The 2015 Chinese American Food Society Annual Meeting and Banquet were held at the MingHin Cuisine Restaurant in Chicago, Illinois on July 13, 2015. More than 100 members and guests attended the banquet to network and get updated on the latest news of the organization. This year's banquet was especially exciting and memorable as we also celebrated the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Chinese American Food Society (CAFS) since its founding in 1975!

The banquet was initiated by welcoming remarks by the CAFS President, Dr. Yaguang Luo. We were honored that VIP guests (Drs. John Ruff and Daryl Lund, IFT Past Presidents; Dr. Pingfan Rao, IUFoST Past President; and Ms. Wei Shao, CIFST Secretary

General) could join us for the special occasions.

Dr. Luo first thanked the founders of CAFS nearly 40 years ago, and shared the congratulations message sent by our past President and CAFS co-founder, Dr. Joseph Jen. She then introduced the finalized CAFS logo design that was both insightful and contemporary, and thanked Dr. Yi-Cheng Su for leading this great effort. All members and attendees were gifted with the CAFS pins that displayed the newly launched logo. The initiations of the Student Committee and Mentor Committee were officially announced. Dr. Luo also reported several professional activities and efforts led by the CAFS for the past year such as the Chinese-speaking pre-IFT short courses. This year, the CAFS Lifetime Membership has reached 89 members.

In conjunction with the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Society, the executive committee members have steered an admirable effort to prepare a Commemorative Book containing words from the past Presidents that reflected on the 40 years of CAFS's vibrant history. The Book was organized and edited by Dr. Yao-wen Huang with an editorial board of Drs. Cathy Ang, Jet Ang, Honda Chen and





Howard Zheng. It was distributed at the event, and an online version could be downloaded from the website. We conferred our past presidents with commemorative plaques as a token of appreciation for their valuable efforts and achievements in leading the organization.

Dr. Yao-wen Huang, the most senior Lifetime Member attending the meeting were invited to give the 40-CAFS Year Remarks. Dr. Huang just retired from the University of Georgia in June after his 33 years teaching and research. Finally, of course, a birthday celebration would never complete without a cake! A Cake-cutting Ceremony was carried out by Drs. Huang and Luo to mark the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and other 40 years to come. Singing of the happy birthday song led by Dr. Yao-wen Huang truly pushed the ceremony to the peak.

While enjoying the 11-course scrumptious dishes, attendees were delighted



with the Door Prize Drawing. We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Almond Board of California, U.S. Dairy Export Council, and State Key Laboratory of Food Science and Technology for their generousities in sponsoring the banquet and souvenirs for the lucky attendees.

At the end of the evening, the executive board members for the upcoming year were announced, and the leadership role was passed on to the newly elected officers with Dr. Vivian Wu as the new CAFS President. We appreciate the participation of members and friends and contributions of many volunteers to the event. With that, the annual meeting and banquet was adjourned, and we hope to see you again next year!





### 2015-2016 CAFS Officers

**President:** Vivian C.H. Wu

**President Elect:** Zhongli Pan

**Past President:** Yaguang Luo

**Executive Committee Directors:** Zhongli Pan, Z. Jun Weng, Yao Olive Li, Sean Liu

**Secretary & Newsletter Editor:** Qinchun Rao

**Treasurer:** Zuoxing Zachary Zheng

**Membership Directory Editor:** Andy Hwang

**Membership Director:** Lihun Huang

**Chair of Student Committee:** Ren Yang

**Chair of Website Committee:** Haiqiang Chen

**Chair of Award Committee:** Fanbin Kong

### 2015CAFS Award Recipients

#### 2015 Professional Award: Howard Zhang

Center Director for the USDA ARS Western Regional Research Center in Albany, California.

- Leads research on Produce Safety and Microbiology, Crop Improvements and Genetics, and Exotic and Invasive Weeds.
- Received the IFT 2001 Samuel Cate Prescott Award, Research and Development Associates' 2009 Colonel Rohland Isker Award.
- Served as Chair of the Nonthermal Processing Division of IFT in 2002, President of the CAFS in 2012-2013.
- Elected Fellow of IFT in 2014



#### 2015 CAFS Distinguished Service Award: Guangwei Huang

Associate Director (Food Research & Technology) in Almond Board of California (ABC)

- 19 years of service to the nut industry.
- Manages ABC's almond quality, safety and processing technology research projects.
- Contributes his extensive almond technical/application knowledge towards a variety of ABC market development initiatives, particularly in China.
- Created an almond innovation competition for food science students at universities throughout China that has reached more than 14000 students.



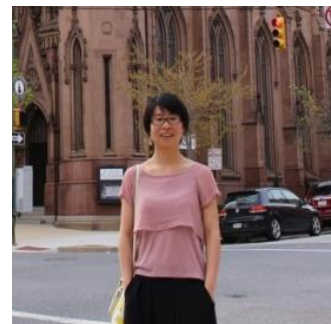


## 2015 Outstanding Student Award: Jie Xiao

Ph.D. Candidate in Food Sciences, Rutgers (8/2012-present), The State University of New Jersey

Advisor: Dr. Qingrong Huang

Research Area: Kafirin protein and its applications in nano-encapsulation, Pickering emulsion and electrospun fiber



## CAFS Member News

### **Hongda Chen: one of the candidates selected for the IFT Nominations & Elections Committee**

Recently, IFT announced the slate of candidates selected for the IFT Nominations & Elections Committee. These talented individuals offer a breadth of knowledge about the profession, as well as an unwavering commitment to the long-term success of IFT by ensuring that we have a continuous succession of dedicated volunteer leaders to guide our organization. Dr. Hongda Chen, National Program Leader, USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture, was one of the candidates for full 3-year term. IFT's voting membership elects members for the Nominations & Elections Committee, along with one member for President-Elect and four members for the Board of Directors (previously announced and featured on [ift.org](http://ift.org)). During our election, February 15–March 15, 2016, IFT members will be able to cast their ballots electronically from any Internet-accessible computer worldwide. IFT will send an e-mail

on February 15, 2016 with details on how to cast your vote. Included on this ballot will be the candidates for the Nominations & Elections Committee, which will soon be announced to the IFT membership. We really hope that Dr. Hongda Chen will be selected and will have the excellent opportunity to further serve our society.

### **Yaguang Luo received the honor from USDA's Agricultural Research Service**

Dr. Yaguang Luo recently received the “Senior Scientist of the Year Award” conferred by the US Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Services. This prestigious award recognizes her “scientific contributions enabling science-based food safety regulations and industry practices”. Dr. Luo received cash and research support. Congratulations!



**Retirement of Yun-Hwa Peggy Hsieh**

Dr. Yun-Hwa Peggy Hsieh, Betty M. Watts Professor at Florida State University (FSU) and the past CAFS President (2000-2001), retired on February 1, 2016. Dr. Hsieh received her B.S. degree in Nutrition & Foods from Catholic Fu Jen University in Taiwan, M.S. degree in Animal Science from Purdue University, and Ph.D. in Food Science from Florida State University. Prior to joining the faculty at Florida State University in Spring 2003, she taught at Auburn University for ten years. She holds thirteen patented and patent-pending technologies and has been an invited speaker to more than 80 national and international conferences. Dr. Hsieh is an elected IFT (2007) and IAFoST (2006) Fellow. She can be reached at yhsieh@fsu.edu. Wish Dr. Hsieh a happy retirement filled with fun and happiness!

**Dr. Yao-wen Huang is a Professor Emeritus of UGA now**

After 33 years teaching, Dr. Yao-wen Huang retired in June 2015. As awarded Professor Emeritus of the University of Georgia, he is also appointed as a Chair Professor at both the National Taiwan Ocean University and the Shanghai Ocean University. He is currently teaching food safety and product development courses for college students and providing food safety training programs for food industry at home and abroad. Dr. Huang is Past-President of CAFS (1999-2000) and Past-President of National Phi Tau Sigma (2008-2010); he is an elected Fellow of IFT (2009) and of IAFoST (2014). He can be reached at huang188@gmail.com.

**Relocation of Dr. Vivian Wu**

Dr. Vivian Wu has recently moved to USDA ARS to serve as the Research Leader for the Produce Safety and Microbiology Research Unit at the Western Regional Research Center in Albany, CA. Prior to joining the USDA, ARS, WRRRC in August, 2015, Dr. Wu served as a Full Professor at the University of Maine where she led the Pathogenic Microbiology Laboratory since October, 2003. Dr. Wu can be reached at vivian.wu@ars.usda.gov.

**Relocation of Dr. Albert Hong**

Dr. Albert Hong have relocated to a new position as Research Principal at Mondelez International, Global Biscuit, Technology Platform in New Jersey. Previously, Dr. Hong was with Kraft Foods, Inc. in Illinois before the company split. Dr. Hong can be reached at albert.hong@mdlz.com.

**CAFS Google Group**

Any CAFS student members can apply to join this group. The forum address is:

<https://groups.google.com/d/forum/cafs2015>

The purpose of this group is to provide a place for the Chinese food society to share information and improve communication.



**Chinese President Xi Jinping met with three CAFS representatives**

Drs. Juming Tang, Zhongli Pan and Ruihong Zhang attended the reception when Chinese President Xi Jinping visited Seattle on September 23, 2015. CAFS was well represented in the event.



**Happy Chinese New Year!**



## 2015 CAFS Financial Report

*-- Prepared by Zuoxing (Zachary) Zheng*

Balance forward from FY 2014	\$21,613.19
<b>Expenses</b>	
Fun Photo Contest Award	\$50.00
Plaque for Distinguished Service Award	\$89.12
Subtotal Expense	<b>\$139.12</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Mailed in Membership	\$740.00
Bank interest	\$2.99
Royalty donation	\$392.77
Subtotal Income	<b>\$1135.76</b>
<b>2015 Annual Banquet and 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:</b>	
Banquet registration through IFT	\$306.00
Sponsor of CAFS banquet	\$4160.00
MingHin Cuisine Restaurant	<b>\$5959.00</b>
2015 Student Award	<b>\$100.00</b>
Cake	<b>\$110.99</b>
Receipt books and staples	<b>\$55.00</b>
Color code and raffle tickets	<b>\$146.28</b>
CAFs pins	<b>\$483.00</b>
President's Plaques	<b>\$1442.25</b>
Subtotal	<b>\$5656.52</b>
Balance of 2015 term	<b>\$23228.14</b>

## Chinese American Food Society

### Membership Application / Renewal / Update

You are using this form for: (please check one) ☐ New Application ☐ Renewal ☐ Update

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(individual member or representative of corporate member, as you wish this appear in the membership directory)

Professional Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ ; Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ ; Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Correspondence Address: (please check one) ☐ Business ☐ Residence

Present Position and Area of Interest/Specialization:

\_\_\_\_\_

Education (All Degrees, Year Received, Institutes Graduated From):

\_\_\_\_\_

Membership Dues for Calendar Year: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Student Member \$10

\_\_\_ Life Member \$300 (Payable only once)

\_\_\_ Active Member \$20

\_\_\_ Associate Member \$20

\_\_\_ Corporate Member \$250 (including dues for one active member or associate member)

Total Amount Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (please make check payable to Chinese American Food Society)

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Application Verification:

Name of University: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership I.D. Code No.: \_\_\_\_\_ (to be completed by the CAFS Treasurer)

Please return this form with payment to:

Zachary Zheng  
2390 Chambour Dr.  
Buffalo Grove, IL 60089  
[zachary.zheng@valent.com](mailto:zachary.zheng@valent.com)

## Employment & Conferences

### **Assistant Professor of Food Microbiology at University of Maine**

Application link:

<https://umaine.hiretouch.com/job-details?jobID=32084&job=assistant-professor-of-food-microbiology>

### **Assistant Professor - General Mills Endowed Land Grant Professorship in Cereal Chemistry and Technology at University of Minnesota**

Application link:

[https://www.myu.umn.edu/psp/psprd/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/HRS\\_HRAM.HRS\\_APP\\_SCHJOB.GBL?Page=HRS\\_APP\\_JBPST&Action=U&FOCUS=Applicant&SiteId=1&JobOpeningId=305590&PostingSeq=1](https://www.myu.umn.edu/psp/psprd/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/HRS_HRAM.HRS_APP_SCHJOB.GBL?Page=HRS_APP_JBPST&Action=U&FOCUS=Applicant&SiteId=1&JobOpeningId=305590&PostingSeq=1)

### **Assistant/Associate Professor, Microbiome of Animal Agriculture and Food Safety at Colorado State University**

Application link:

<https://jobs.colostate.edu/postings/29770>

### **Assistant Professor/Brewing Microbiologist at Oregon State University**

Application link:

<http://oregonstate.edu/foodsci/position-opening-assistant-professorbrewing-micobiologist>

### **Assistant Professor/Food Safety Biologist at Oregon State University**

Application link:

<http://oregonstate.edu/foodsci/position-opening-assistant-professorfood-safety-biologist>

### **Assistant/Associate Professors in Human Nutrition and in Food Science at University of British Columbia**

Application link:

[http://www.hr.ubc.ca/jobs/faculty.php?job\\_id=22422](http://www.hr.ubc.ca/jobs/faculty.php?job_id=22422)

### **Assistant Professors of Practice at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln**

Application link:

<http://employment.unl.edu>

Search for a position:

F\_160009 – Food Chemistry/Analysis and Nutrition Specialist

F\_160010 – Food Engineer/Processing Specialist

F\_160011 – Food Microbiologist/Food Science Specialist

### **107<sup>th</sup> AOCS Annual Meeting**

Salt Palace Convention Center, Salt Lake City, UT

May 1-4, 2016

### **Rapid Detection for Food Safety Conference**

Baltimore, MD

June 27-28, 2016

### **IFT 2016 Annual Meeting**

McCormick Place South, Chicago IL

July 16-19, 2016

### **ASABE 2016 Annual International Meeting**

Orlando, FL

July 17-20, 2016

### **IAFP 2016 Annual Meeting**

America's Center, St. Louis, MO

July 31 - August 3, 2016

### **18<sup>th</sup> IUFoST Annual Meeting**

Dublin, Ireland

August 21-25, 2016

### **13<sup>th</sup> Conference of Food Engineering (CoFE'16)**

Columbus, OH

September 12-14, 2016

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