# **CAST**

# Communicating the Science and Technology of Food and Modern Agriculture

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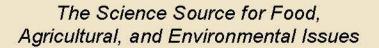


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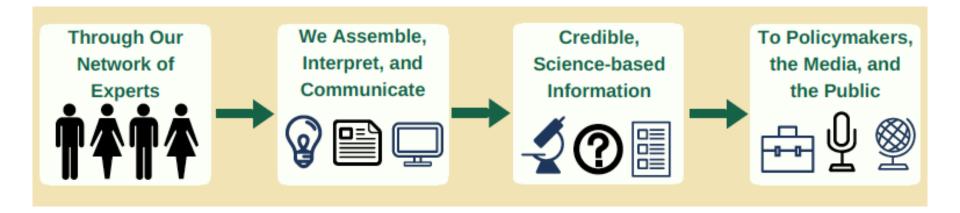
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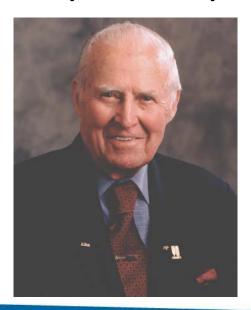
#### The CAST Mission





#### The CAST Vision

A world where decision making related to agriculture and natural resources is based on credible information developed through reason, science, and consensus building.



"...what CAST does is very important to mankind." ~Dr. Norman E. Borlaug



#### What Does CAST Do?

- CAST disseminates sciencebased information through:
  - Print materials
  - Online sources
  - Videos on website, YouTube, and SchoolTube
  - Spanish & Chinese translations on select publications







#### **How Does CAST Do This?**

#### With the help of many volunteer contributors:

- 50 Board Members representing scientific societies, companies, nonprofits, and universities
- 160+ active task force members working on CAST reports yet to be released
- Volunteer scientific experts as authors and reviewers—more than 700 volunteers since 2007

65% academia
15% government
15% companies
5% nonprofits



#### **2018 Publication Rollouts**

- Regulatory Barriers to the Development of Innovative Agricultural Biotechnology by Small Businesses and Universities [March 2018]
- Scientific, Ethical, and Economic Aspects of Farm Animal Well-being [April 2018]
- Omega-3 Fatty Acids: Health Benefits and Dietary Recommendations [May 2018]
- Genome Editing in Agriculture—Methods, Applications, and Governance [July 2018]
- Impact of Free-range Poultry Production Systems on Animal Health, Human Health, Productivity, Environment, Food Safety, and Animal Welfare Issues [July 2018]
- Food Loss and Waste [September 2018]



# Forthcoming Publications—PLANT

- Enabling Open Source Data Networks in Public Agricultural Research
- Historic Drought, Aquifer Depletion, and Potential Impacts on Long-term Irrigated Agricultural Productivity
- Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Programs Protect Human Health, Environmental Sustainability, and the Economy
- Irrigation and Precision Crop Management Technologies
- Potential Reductions of Nutrient Loss Impacts on Water Quality
- Recruiting and Educating Graduate Students to Become Researchers and Leaders in Global Agricultural Studies
- The Impact of CAST—45 Years of Influence in Agriculture
- The Microbiome's Positive Impacts on Crops



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