

## Press Release

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### THE ITALIAN TOP SCIENTIST 2011 AWARD

The award of "Top Scientist 2011" has been presented during the "Food Science Gran Gala" held in Milan during December 2011. The event was organized with the sponsorship of 12 Italian journals from the agro-food sectors and in celebration of the 55th anniversary of the INTERNATIONAL P.B.I. foundation.

Several scientists and technologists involved in innovation and development for the food and dairy industries were present to congratulate the Top Scientist 2011 and other colleagues receiving awards.

#### **The Top Scientist 2011 Award**

The Top Scientist 2011 award was presented to Sebastiano Porretta in acknowledgement of his contribution as "a reliable reference for science, food technology and its disclosure"

Sebastiano Porretta is responsible for the Consumer Science Department at the "Stazione Sperimentale per l'Industria delle Conserve Alimentari" (SSICA) in Parma and is also a Professor at the "Sacro Cuore" Catholic University and President of the Italian Society for Food Technology (AITA). He is very well known in the international scientific community for his work and is the author of several papers for international magazines plus more than 20 specialized books in both Italian and English.

During the same event, several other awards were presented to eminent academics in recognition of a variety of achievements:

#### In Memory

Roberta Lodi: "an example for new generations of scientists for dairy and human microbiology culture"

Marco Riva: "for the versatility of his interests, his passion for food technologies and his curiosity for food culture as a scientist in all fields of food"

#### Dedication to Career

Carlo Cantoni: "for a dedicated life improving the safety of food of animal origin"

Livio Leali: "for achieving a milestone in guaranteeing the quality of milk"

Sandra Carini: "for a dedicated life in training the new generation of scientists to build a bridge between scientific research and dairy production"

Giorgio Ottogalli: "for a dedicated life in the world of academics to highlight the positive aspects of micro-organisms to the dairy industry"

Bruna Bianchi Salvadori: "for making a fundamental contribution in the world of starters and yoghurts"

#### Technical Recognition

Gian Claudio Andreis: "for a professional reference in the complicated field of food law"

Alfredo Caprioli: "a very well-known international scientist in food and hygiene microbiology"

Bruno Battistotti: "a reliable expert in dairy microbiology"



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