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It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our former colleague, Amnon Rapoport, in Tucson Arizona.

Amnon Rapoport joined the faculty of the UCR School of Business in 2009 and retired as a Distinguished Professor of Management in 2017. Previously, Rapoport was on the faculty at the University of Arizona; UNC Chapel Hill; Haifa University, Israel; and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel.

Rapoport earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in in psychology and philosophy from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, then went on to earn his M.A. and Ph.D. in quantitative psychology at UNC Chapel Hill.

Professor Rapoport was one of the pioneers and leaders in the experimental study and quantitative modeling of human decisions in social and interactive contexts. During his distinguished career, he published four books (and edited others) and more than 300 peer-review research papers and chapters in leading psychological, management, operation, marketing, decision theory, economics, and political science journals, and is recognized as a leading authority in many of these areas.

His most important and influential work was on experimental studies of interactive decisionmaking behavior. This includes theoretical and empirical research on:

- Coalition formation
- Bargaining
- Social dilemmas
- Behavioral operations management
- Behavioral game theory
- Dynamic pricing
- Directed networks

Professor Rapoport's work was theory-driven, and, in most cases, the theory was represented formally by mathematical (primarily, but not exclusively, game theoretical) models. At the same time, he was a meticulous and rigorous, yet imaginative and creative experimentalist. In fact, he was one of the pioneers of computerized experimentation in the domain of individual and group decision making.

With a career spanning over 60 years, Professor Rapoport nurtured and supported the careers of generations of scholars and researchers. He will be greatly missed by his family, friends, colleagues, co-authors, and students.