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Washington Research Foundation Receives Prestigious Brotman Leadership Award

Washington Research Foundation (WRF) has been named the University of Washington's 2012 Brotman Leadership Award winner. The award was presented to WRF's CEO, Ron Howell, at UW Medicine's *Take Stock* event held in Seattle's Chihuly Garden and Glass Exhibition Hall at the end of June.

Named in honor of Jeffrey H. Brotman, University of Washington alumnus and co-founder of Costco, the award was established in 2008 to recognize one recipient each year "whose visionary philanthropic leadership makes a significant impact on UW Medicine's ability to carry out its mission: improving the health of the public."

On receiving the award, Mr. Howell stated, "We are proud of our partnership with the University of Washington and UW Medicine, which carries out vital research and operates some of the finest medical centers in the country. It is an honor for our contribution to be acknowledged in this manner. We look forward to many additional years of successful collaboration."

Washington Research Foundation was founded in 1981 to assist universities and other nonprofit research institutions in the state of Washington with the commercialization and licensing of their technologies. To date, WRF has returned more than \$360 million to the state's research institutions through gifts and licensing disbursements.

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