Drinking Water Research Foundation

The U.S. based Drinking Water Research Foundation (DWRF) is an independent not-for-profit 501(C)3 foundation that was founded in 1984 to sponsor peer-reviewed scientific research that addresses the production of safe and affordable drinking water, including bottled water.

DWRF activity includes:
- Conducting research and disseminating information regarding production of safe and affordable drinking water, including bottled water.
- Evaluating alternative techniques for production and delivery of drinking water under emergency conditions.
- Providing education for the public regarding drinking water quality, production, and delivery.

DWRF remains dedicated to the publication and dissemination of scientific research of interest to consumers and the drinking water industry, including bottled water. This mission includes promoting and supporting research that identifies, verifies, and often solves current and potential problems that confront our world’s drinking water supplies. Additionally, DWRF endorses research that further confirms the health benefits of water consumption. The growth and development of the drinking water industry are important, and this research aids its growth.

Some of DWRF accomplishments and activities include:
- Co-sponsor of the 2009 Yale University “Your drinking Water: Challenges and Solutions for the 21st Century” Symposium
- Production of the 2011 “Bottled Water and Tap Water: Just the Facts” and 2013 “Microbial Health Risks of Regulated Drinking Waters in the United States” papers
- Staying abreast of media and scientific reports as they related to drinking water quality
- Funded a 2019 study on “Machine Learning in Modeling the Elusive Daily Water Requirement” to evaluate plasma copeptin threshold as a primary indicator of hydration status.
- Continues engagement in the update to the 2020 Dietary Guidelines for Americans to include the importance of water’s contribution to a healthy lifestyle and dietary pattern.

Your support and charitable contribution will help further the important research and activities conducted by DWRF. For more details, please visit www.thefactsaboutwater.org. We look forward to continued success in the years to come.

DWRF is governed by a board of trustees that is composed of scientists from academia and government as well as distinguished business leaders. The trustees devote their expertise and vast knowledge in business and scientific disciplines relevant to the bottled water industry to ensure that research funded by DWRF will provide cutting-edge results and remain germane to the bottled water industry.

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