



- New research 501(c)(3), charitable organizations (Agricultural Research Organization: ARO)
- operational requirements:
 - directly conduct research
 - expenditure requirements
 - work in conjunction with agricultural colleges and universities
- Modeled after MRO's (Medical Research Organization)

- Builds research capacity in the U.S.
- Complements public funding.
- Reaches non-traditional agricultural research donors.
- Free-market approach using private wealth using public-private partnerships.
- <u>Champions</u>: Senators Thune and Stabenow and Congressmen Nunes and Kind

University Support:

- Association of Public and Landgrant Universities (APLU)
- California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
- California State University, Fresno
- Clemson University
- Cornell University
- Iowa State University
- Michigan State University
- North Dakota State University
- Oklahoma State University
- Oregon State University

- South Dakota State University
- Texas A&M University
- The Ohio State University
- University of Arizona
- University of California System
- University of Florida
- University of Kentucky
- University of Maryland
- University of Minnesota
- University of Wisconsin
- Washington State University

Sector Support:

- American Farm Bureau Federation
- American Farmers & Ranchers
- American Honey Producers Association
- American Seed Trade Association
- American Sheep Industry Association
- American Society of Agronomy
- American Society for Horticulture Science
- American Soybean Association
- American Veterinary Medical Association
- Biotechnology Industry Organization
- California Blueberry Commission
- California Cattlemen's Association
- California Citrus Mutual
- CropLife America
- Crop Science Society of America
- National Association of Wheat Growers
- National Cattlemen's Beef Association
- National Chicken Council
- National Coalition for Food and Agricultural Research (National C-FAR)
- National Corn Growers Association

- National Cotton Council
- National Council of Farmers Cooperatives
- National Farmers Union
- National Grain and Feed Association
- National Greenhouse Manufacturers Association
- National Milk Producers Federation
- National Turkey Federation
- Oklahoma Farm Bureau Federation
- Olive Growers Council of California
- Poultry Science Association
- Soil Science Society of America
- Texas Farm Bureau Federation
- Tulare County Farm Bureau Federation
- United Egg Producers
- United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association
- U.S. Apple Association
- U.S. Cattlemen Association
- USA Rice Federation
- Western Growers Association
- Western United Dairymen

