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Case Western Reserve University ranked 17th in "Top 100 Worldwide Universities Granted U.S. Utility Patents in 2018"

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Case Western Reserve University is listed 17th—up from 43rd last year—in the "[Top 100 Worldwide Universities Granted U.S. Utility Patents \(https://academyofinventors.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Top-100-2018.pdf\)](https://academyofinventors.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Top-100-2018.pdf) in 2018" (<https://academyofinventors.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Top-100-2018.pdf>) rankings compiled by the National Academy of Inventors (NAI) and Intellectual Property Owners Association (IPO).

The rankings, which highlight the vital role patents play in university research and innovation, are based on data from the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). The report ranks the top 100 universities named as the first assignee on utility patents granted by the USPTO during the 2018 calendar year.

Case Western Reserve, which climbed to 17th with 95 utility patents granted in 2018, has demonstrated a steady growth in the rankings, up from 43rd in 2017, 46th in 2016 and 51st in 2015.

"This recognition is evidence of the extraordinary ingenuity of Case Western Reserve faculty and of the university's commitment to bring our discoveries and inventions to the market, where they can be of greatest benefit to society," said Suzanne Rivera, vice president for research.

The NAI is a member organization comprising national and international universities and governmental and nonprofit research institutes, with over 4,000 inventor members and fellows representing more than 250 institutions worldwide.

The top 10 ranked universities worldwide in 2018 are:

1. University of California System
2. Massachusetts Institute of Technology
3. Stanford University
4. King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals
5. University of Texas System
6. California Institute of Technology
7. Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation

- 8. Harvard University,
- 9. Johns Hopkins University
- 10. (tie) Arizona State University and University of Michigan.

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