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**AUTM Honors Kevin L. Wozniak with the AUTM 2026 Chair’s Award
for Leadership and Service to Technology Transfer**

[Seattle, February 10, 2026] – Kevin L. Wozniak, MBA, RTTP, is the recipient of AUTM’s prestigious 2026 Chair’s Award, honoring his exceptional leadership and lasting contributions to both the organization and the technology transfer profession. AUTM is the non-profit leader in efforts to educate, promote, and inspire professionals to support the development of academic research that changes the world and drives innovation forward. Wozniak was presented with the award during the AUTM Annual Meeting, where technology transfer leaders gathered to celebrate excellence in innovation, service, and impact.

Wozniak serves as Director of Research Security & Intellectual Property at COGR, where he leads national policy efforts supporting university technology transfer and research security programs. He brings more than 25 years of experience in intellectual property management, commercialization, and research administration. A long-standing AUTM member, Wozniak is a member of the Public Policy Advisory Committee, has served on the AUTM Board of Directors, and holds the Registered Technology Transfer Professional (RTTP) credential, reflecting his demonstrated expertise, professionalism, and ethical leadership.

“It is truly an honor to receive this award,” said Wozniak. “AUTM has been an invaluable community throughout my career, and I am grateful for the opportunity to work alongside dedicated colleagues who are committed to advancing innovation, strengthening policy, and ensuring that university research delivers meaningful benefits to society.”

AUTM proudly recognizes Wozniak’s sustained commitment to advancing technology transfer and amplifying the economic, social, and environmental impact of academic research.

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