Announcement on the selection of Topical Collaborations in Nuclear Theory recommended for funding

The Office of Nuclear Physics (NP), on the basis of a peer review, has selected the following Topical Collaborations (to start in FY 2016) for funding recommendation:

- Coordinated Theoretical Approach to Transverse Momentum Dependent Hadron Structure in QCD (TMD Collaboration)
  Principal Investigator/Project Director: Jianwei Qiu
  Lead Institution: Brookhaven National Laboratory
  Participating Institutions: Duke University, Jefferson Laboratory, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Los Alamos National Laboratory, MIT, New Mexico State University, Penn State University at Berks, Old Dominion University, Temple University, University of Arizona, University of Kentucky, University of Maryland, University of Virginia

- Nuclear Theory for Double-Beta Decay and Fundamental Symmetries (DBD Collaboration)
  Principal Investigator/Project Director: Jonathan Engel
  Lead Institution: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
  Participating Institutions: Central Michigan University, College of William and Mary, Iowa State University, Michigan State University, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, San Diego State University, University of California Berkeley, University of Massachusetts, University of Tennessee

- Beam Energy Scan Theory Collaboration (BEST Collaboration)
  Principal Investigator/Project Director: Swagato Mukherjee
  Lead Institution: Brookhaven National Laboratory
  Participating Institutions: Indiana University, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, McGill University, Michigan State University, MIT, North Carolina State University, Ohio State University, Stony Brook University, University of Chicago, University of Connecticut, University of Houston, University of Illinois at Chicago

Topical Collaborations are fixed-term, multi-institution collaborations established to investigate a specific topic in nuclear physics of special interest to the community, which is well aligned with programmatic NP goals.