

## At the start of his Administration, Obama...

- Appointed 5 Nobel laureates in science and 25 members of the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine to key positions in his Administration.
- Issued memoranda and Executive Orders requiring all Executive Branch departments & agencies to allow their scientists to speak freely and to make scientific data on which decisions are based available to the public.
- Shared with his Cabinet his view about the importance of S&T in addressing the country's biggest challenges and asked that they all appoint their own science advisors.
- Instructed me, as his OSTP Director and Science Advisor, to re-invigorate U.S. S&T cooperation with our most important international partners...including Japan.