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**Professor Kataoka among Top 30 researchers in CSTP funding program**

The Council for Science and Technology Policy selected the central researchers and research topics for its ¥270 billion Funding Program for World-Leading Innovative R&D on Science and Technology at a meeting on September 4. Among the researchers chosen is Tokyo University Professor Kazunori Kataoka, scientific adviser for NanoCarrier, and the topics include “Diagnosis and Treatment Innovation by Nano-Biotechnology”, a proposal cosponsored by NanoCarrier.

<Outline of research topic>

We aim to lead the world in ground-breaking technology to make possible early detection and precise diagnosis of cancer and determination of pinpoint treatment directing anti-cancer drugs selectively into the affected area with minimal adverse effects. We seek to construct a diagnostic and treatment system that will allow high-quality and economic treatment for anyone anytime, permitting patients to return rapidly to society and setting a basic foundation for Japan's medical industry.

In addition, Tokyo Women's Medical University Professor Teruo Okano, one of our board members, won acceptance for his topic, “Systems Integration Towards Regenerative Medical Industry: Creation of Organ Factory”.

The selected researchers and topics can be found (Japanese only) at:

<http://www8.cao.go.jp/cstp/sentan/senteikekka.pdf>.