## NSTX-U strongly supporting advanced predictive capability, ITER, PMI solutions, and next-step STs

- Very productive first year of operations on NSTX-U
  - Rapid H-mode access, scenario development, error field correction
  - Surpassed NSTX maximum magnetic field and pulse-duration
  - New fast-ion physics with 2<sup>nd</sup> NBI GAE stabilization, counter TAE
  - Commissioned new advanced PMI diagnostics MAPP
- Advancing predictive capability for core, edge, PMI
  - Developing reduced models for RWM, understanding of halo rotation
  - Global ion-scale turbulence (GTS), Vn ETG stabilization
  - GAE stabilization from 2<sup>nd</sup> NBI consistent with simulation (HYM)
  - Exploring SOL widths, advanced divertor interactions with 3D fields
- Developed attractive next-step ST-FNSF/Pilot Plant
- Aim to resume NSTX-U physics operation in ~1+ years