Transdisciplinary research is essential to ensuring a sustainable, safe, and quality food supply. In an effort to broadly communicate—to researchers and other stakeholders in industry, academia, and government sectors—the discussions between the National Dairy Council (NDC) and several USDA agencies (Agricultural Research Service, Economic Research Service, and National Institute of Food and Agriculture) as well as the Foundation for Food and Agricultural Research (FFAR), the proceedings from the USDA and NDC Collaborative Research Planning Meeting were published recently as a Letter to the Editor in the Journal of Food Science (Slimko et al., 2017). The full text has been made freely available to facilitate broad dissemination of research priorities and promote innovation in the specified targeted areas of food safety, nutrition, product research, and environmental sustainability over the next 3 to 5 years.

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