

James Drachenberg

The RHIC/AGS User's Executive Committee merit award is given to James Drachenberg for his contributions to the study and advancement of the field of spin physics, through measurements from collisions of polarized protons.

Dr. Drachenberg's analysis of single-spin asymmetries of jets and pions within jets from the RHIC 2011 polarized proton data at 500 GeV was one of the first with that new dataset, set a very high standard for future analyses of those data, and continues to make important contributions to spin physics at RHIC. He has also served in important leadership roles as both the STAR spin physics working group co-convener and as deputy spokesperson for the STAR collaboration.

Dr. Drachenberg earned his Ph.D. from Texas A&M University in 2012 and is currently an Associate Professor at Abilene Christian University.