

**YALE PEPPER CENTER
TRANSLATIONAL GEROSCIENCE PILOT PROGRAM**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR 2025 LETTER OF INTENT

1. Complete the cover page
2. Letter of intent (2 pages):
 - Specific aims and hypotheses
 - Research strategy:
 - Significance of proposed research
 - Innovation
 - Approach
 - One paragraph on how the proposed research addresses a critical issue in translational geroscience
 - Plans for subsequent funding
 - Timeline
3. Budget and justification page (not included in 2-page limit):
 - Funding for one year with a maximum of \$75,000 (direct costs).
4. Biosketches: Provide an NIH Biographical Sketch (5-page limit) for the Principal Investigator(s), one of which must have a faculty appointment in the School of Medicine, and Co-investigator(s).
5. Send via email to: denise.acampora@yale.edu by 5 P.M., Tuesday, January 14, 2025
Phone: (203) 688-5238

Criteria for Review: In addition to standard criteria, including the significance of the research, innovation, and quality of the approach, major consideration will be given to the likelihood that the project will lead to independent funding. This assessment will be based both on the project and the qualifications of the investigators.

Applicants with LOIs that are selected to move forward will receive instructions for full proposals. Full proposals will receive external review, and projects selected for funding will begin July 1, 2025.

Timeline of the submission and award process:

January 14, 2025	Deadline for LOIs
February 7, 2025	Invitations sent for to submit full proposal
March 17, 2025	Deadline for full applications
July 1, 2025	Funding begins