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Dear Dr. Lazar, Dr. Levin, and Dr. Pilonieta,

As a follow up to the Pilot Grant Award letter, we wanted to share our appreciation to Dr. Pilonieta for her submission of a pilot grant application. Although not approved for an award this year, the Trustees were impressed by her study, titled "A Single Arm Intervention Study to Evaluate Effects of Personality Traits on Efficacy of Processing Speed Training in Individuals with Subjective Cognitive Decline." They believe that the proposal has considerable potential, particularly with strong mentorship from the senior investigators on the research team to address the weaknesses noted by the reviewers. The Trustees would like to encourage Dr. Pilonieta to revise and resubmit her proposal during next year's Pilot Grants cycle.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I express appreciation to you for your efforts in advancing collaborative research in age-related cognitive decline and memory loss. We look forward to seeing a resubmission from Dr. Pilonieta next year.

Sincerely,

Angelika Schlanger

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