indication is given in the Foreword whether this represents Editorial belief that aging research conducted in the other continents differs qualitatively from the American variety.

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