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## News

### 'Turning Discovery into Action': Yale Planetary Solutions Awards Grants to 19 Projects



The fifth round of the Yale Planetary Solutions Grant Program is awarding more than \$1.9 million to 19 projects, including four commercialization-focused projects that will also receive support from the Planetary Solutions Impact Accelerator. These awards will support proposals from across the university, including grantees from all three divisions of FAS and eight of Yale's professional schools. [Read more.](#)

### Fellowship Program Helps Researchers Develop Pragmatic Climate Solutions



Two students in the Yale Planetary Solutions Doctoral Fellowship program are tackling climate challenges from very different angles—from recycling solar panel waste and critical material recovery to testing carbon-removal techniques on working farmland. Their research projects highlight how cross-sector collaboration can help turn big climate ideas into real-world solutions. [Read more.](#)

### Yale Faculty Showcased Cutting-Edge Research at Biodiversity Day 2026



The Yale Institute for Biospheric Studies (YIBS) and



YPS held Biodiversity Day on April 28, an event dedicated to highlighting and celebrating the breadth and depth of biodiversity-themed research across the university. Over 150 scholars gathered to listen to short talks by Yale faculty showcasing cutting-edge research and the different dimensions of biodiversity science. Many of the researchers were affiliated with the Yale Peabody Museum, using its collections as an important piece of their work. [Read more.](#)

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## The Carbon Dioxide Removal Roadmap



Five years ago, FedEx made a transformative gift to Yale to launch a new center dedicated to a simple but enormous question: Can we use nature to pull carbon out of the sky? This month, the Yale Center for Natural Carbon Capture marked that anniversary with its Spring Symposium, a two-day gathering on May 7 and 8 at Kline Geology Laboratory. [Read more.](#)

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## Watch: Better Soil with Natural Carbon Removal: A Yale Geochemist Explains



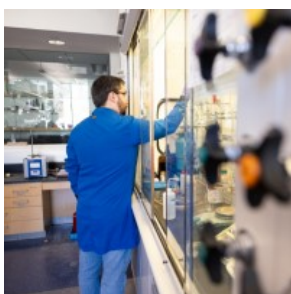
What if one of the most powerful climate solutions wasn't something we needed to build—but something the Earth has been doing for billions of years? In this episode, Steph Speirs sits down with Dr. Noah Planavsky, a faculty geochemist at Yale and one of the world's experts on enhanced rock weathering. They explore how accelerating a natural process improves soil health and boosts crop yields. [Watch on YouTube.](#)

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## Opportunities

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### YPS and the Yale Office of Facilities Are Seeking a Summer Intern!



We're seeking a part-time summer intern to initiate Yale's participation in the International Institute for Sustainable Laboratories' Laboratory Benchmarking Tool. This is an exciting opportunity to contribute data to a multinational database and measure building performance against other research institutions. The intern will work to ensure accurate, up-to-date information across Yale's lab spaces. [Learn more.](#)

[Online Short Course: Mangrove Ecology, Blue Carbon, and Restoration: Enroll by May 15](#)

[NFCDD Virtual Course: Rethinking Your Research Funding](#) (Accessible through [Yale Faculty](#))

[Resources](#))

[Applications Are Open for Yale Climate Change and Health Certificate Program: Early Bird Deadline is May 31](#)

[Estée Lauder Companies Invites Innovators Across Disciplines and Sectors to "Reimagine Beauty"](#)

[Abstract Submissions are Now Open for "Integrating Scales in Planetary Biology." Submit by August 27!](#)

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## Upcoming Events

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### 2026 Yale Bike to Work Breakfast



Rethink your ride and pedal to campus on Friday, May 15 for the Yale Bike to Work Breakfast. Meet up with fellow bike commuters and enjoy complimentary breakfast from 7 to 9 am, courtesy of the Yale Office of Sustainability and Farmington Canal Rail-to-Trail Association. Visit with Handsome Dan, learn what CTrides can offer to bike commuters, try out a Veo e-scooter, and more! [Register.](#)

"The New Haven Digital Atlas: A New Way to See the Past and Imagine the Future"  
May 14, Humanities Quadrangle

Exhibition Opening Reception: "Silent Springs, Windswept Seas: Rachel Carson's Environmental Vision"  
May 21, Beinecke Library

Yale Innovation Summit  
May 27-28, Evans Hall

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