

# Peer Review of Draft Report on Carcinogens Monograph on Trichloroethylene

## Format of the Peer Review

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences

NTP Peer-Review Meeting  
August 12, 2014

# Public Comments Format

- Oral comments
  - At least 7 minutes is allotted to each speaker, one speaker per organization is permitted. At the discretion of the chair, the time may be extended to 10 minutes.
    - Oral comments by phone
    - Registered oral comments in person
    - *Ad hoc* oral comments in person
    - If desired, panelists may ask a public speaker for clarifications, additional information, or general questions
- Written comments
  - Acknowledgement of submitters
  - Identification of scientific issues

# General Format for Peer Review

- Office of Report on Carcinogens (ORoC) staff or contractor makes a brief presentation on topic or section of draft monograph
  - Panelists may ask for clarifications or general questions
  - Primary reviewers present their peer-review comments
  - ORoC staff responds to the peer-reviewers' comments
  - Other members of the panel present any peer-review remarks or ask questions
  - The panel has a general discussion
  - Chair briefly summarizes primary points
- Vote by show of hands on (1) NTP's draft level of evidence for each cancer site and (2) NTP's draft listing recommendation
  - Brief statement for record for any "no" votes or abstentions
  - Chair only votes in case of a tie