Draft RoC Monographs on Selected Viruses Peer-review Format

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Public Comment 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
• Office of Report on Carcinogens (ORoC) staff or support contractor* makes a brief presentation on the draft monograph
  – Panelists ask clarifying questions, if needed
  – Primary reviewers present their peer-review comments
  – 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 human data 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

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