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**Committee Discussion Questions**

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**Open Session**

1. What strains should be recommended for the antigenic composition of the 2004-2005 influenza virus vaccine based on:
  - 1) the epidemiology and antigenic characteristics of influenza virus strains circulating in human populations,
  - 2) the serologic responses to circulating influenza viruses of persons immunized with current influenza virus vaccines, and
  - 3) the availability of suitable vaccine candidate strains?