

National Toxicology Program Workshop

Genetically Modified Rodent Models for Cancer Hazard Identification: Selecting Substances for Study and Interpreting and Communicating Results

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Hamilton Crowne Plaza Hotel, 14th and K Streets, NW, Washington, DC

Workshop Purpose

The purpose of the workshop is to seek scientific comment on two issues of paramount importance to the use of genetically modified mouse models in cancer hazard identification by the National Toxicology Program (NTP). These issues are (1) how to select agents for study that would be appropriately evaluated in one or more of these new rodent models, and (2) how to best convey the results and interpretations of results from these assays to the scientific/regulatory communities and the public.

Workshop Format

The format will include an initial plenary session, followed by two simultaneous breakout group sessions, and then reassembly into plenary for presentations and discussion of the conclusions of the breakout groups. The NTP sincerely appreciates the time all of the workshop attendees are devoting to this endeavor and encourage everyone to participate fully in the deliberations of the breakout groups. Invited participants are pre-assigned to one of the two breakout groups. Observers are welcome to attend either breakout session and hear the discussions. Observers will be invited by the breakout group chair to participate in the discussions at designated times.