

ACGIH® Symposia Criteria and Guidelines

An additional venue for presentation of new data is an ACGIH®-sponsored symposia or workshop that provides a platform for public discussion and scientific interpretation. ACGIH® encourages input from external parties for suggestions on symposia topics, including suggestions about sponsors, speakers and format. ACGIH® employs several criteria to determine the appropriateness of a symposium. A key criterion is that the symposium must be the most efficient format to present the committee with information that will assist in the scientific judgment used for writing the *Documentation* and in setting the respective TLVs® or BEIs®. A symposium topic should be suggested while the substance/agent is [under study](#), as symposia require considerable time, commitment, and resources to develop. Symposium topic suggestions submitted while a substance is on the [Notice of Intended Changes \(NIC\)](#) will be considered, but this is usually too late in the decision-making process. A symposium topic will not be favorably considered if its purpose is to provide a forum merely for voicing opinions about existing data. Rather, there must be on-going research, scientific uncertainty about currently available data, or another scientific reason for the symposium. Symposium topic suggestions should be sent to the ACGIH® Science and Education Group (science@acgih.org).