

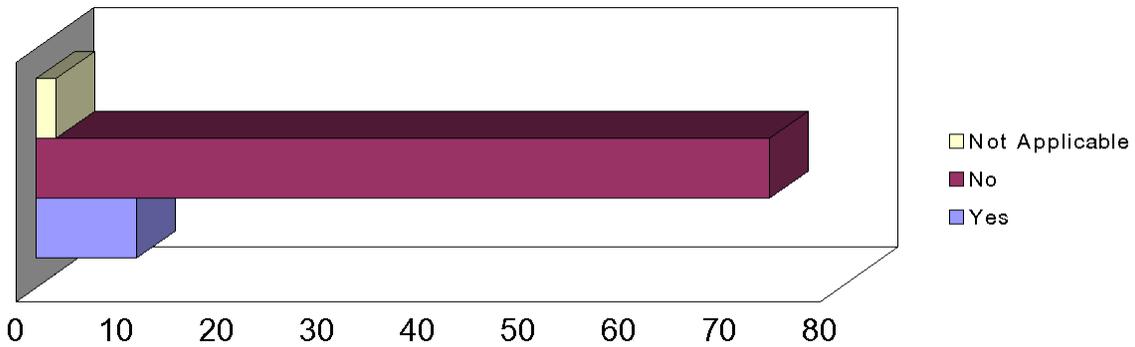


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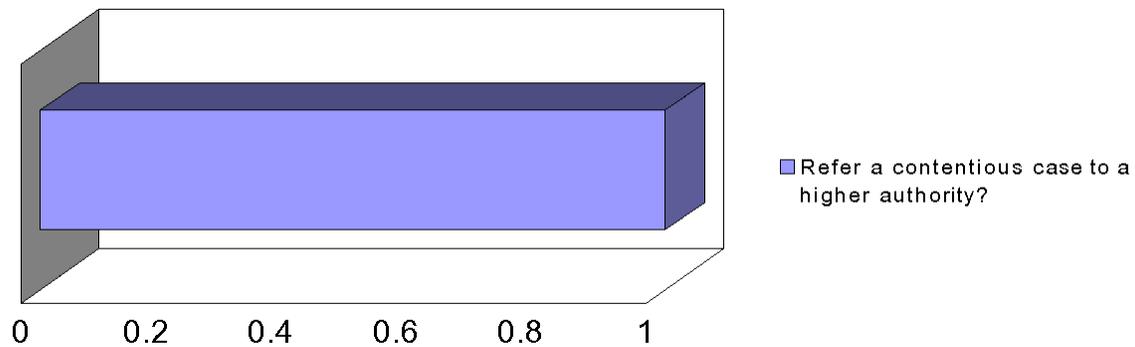
### LPDR: Author conflicts

Have you ever had a conflict with an author?



### LPDR: Division Reviewer powers

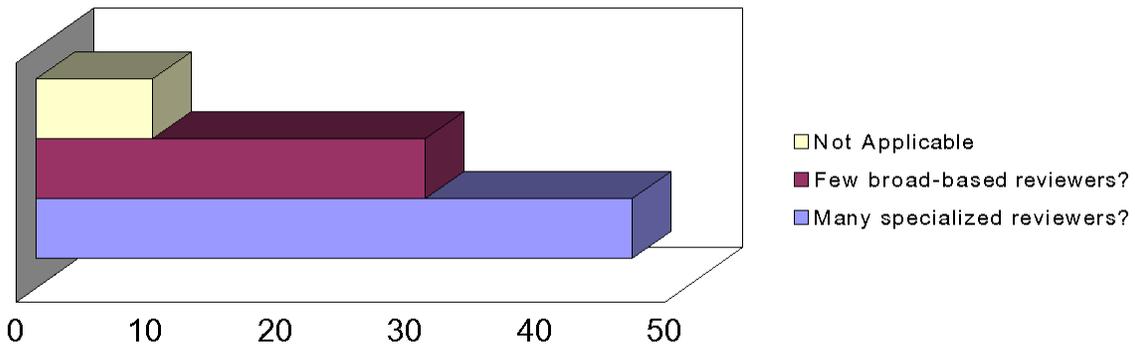
Should a reviewer have the power to:



### LPDR: Division Reviewer types

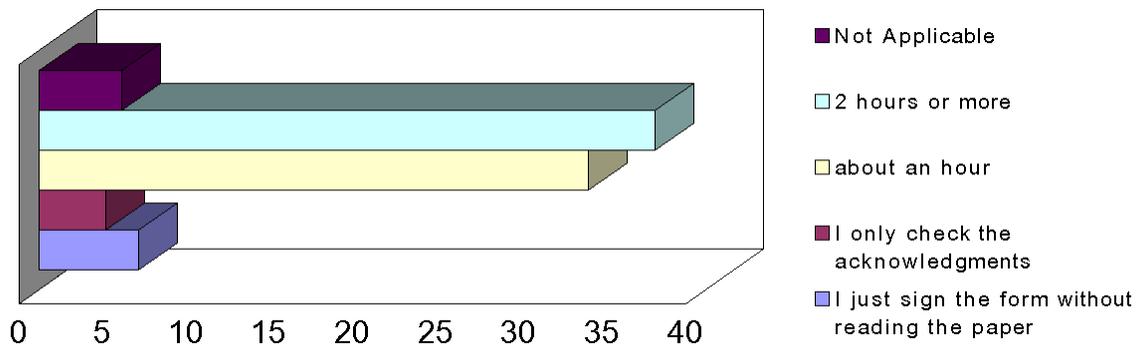
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In your opinion, should a division have:



### LPDR: Document review duration

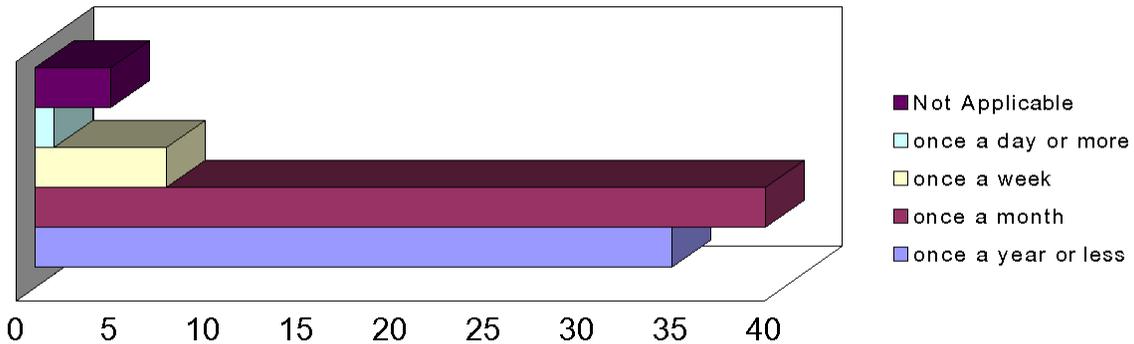
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### LPDR: Document review frequency

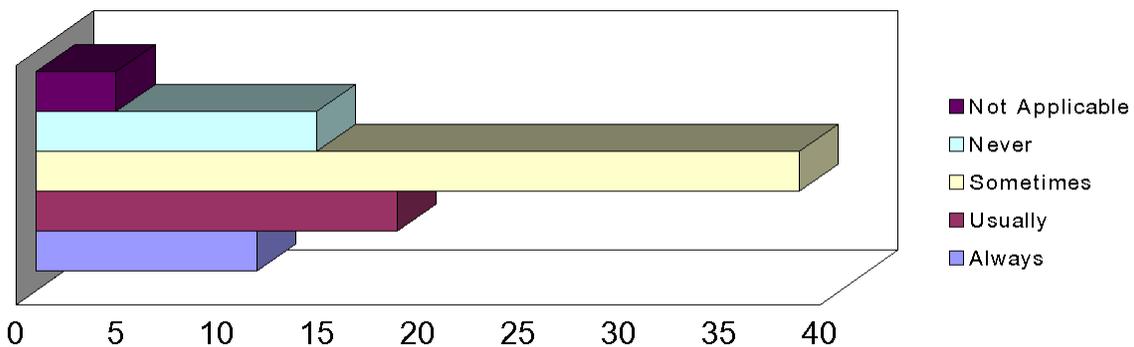
## LBNL Publications: Division Review

How often do you perform a review of a scientific or technical document for publication?



## LPDR: Manuscript edit frequency

How often do you insist on changes to the manuscript, beyond making sure the acknowledgments include a proper reference to the funding sources, such as a reference to DOE/BES contract number DE-AC03-76SF00098?



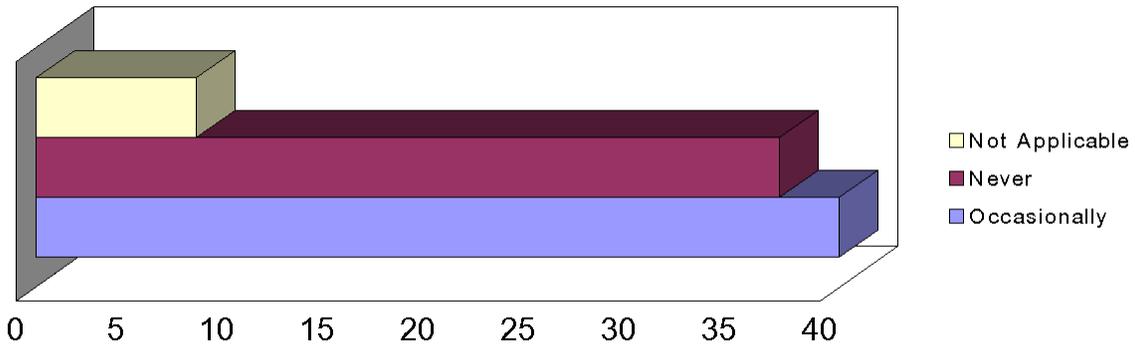
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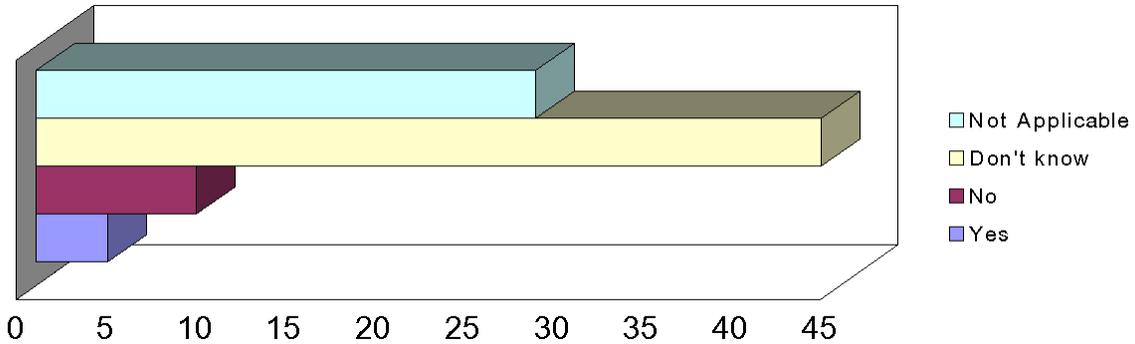
## LBNL Publications: Division Review

How often do you pass papers to another Division Reviewer, for example, if you feel you are not qualified?



### LPDR: Paper rejection frequency if >0

If your previous answer is >0: Was the paper published anyway?



### LPDR: Workload assessment



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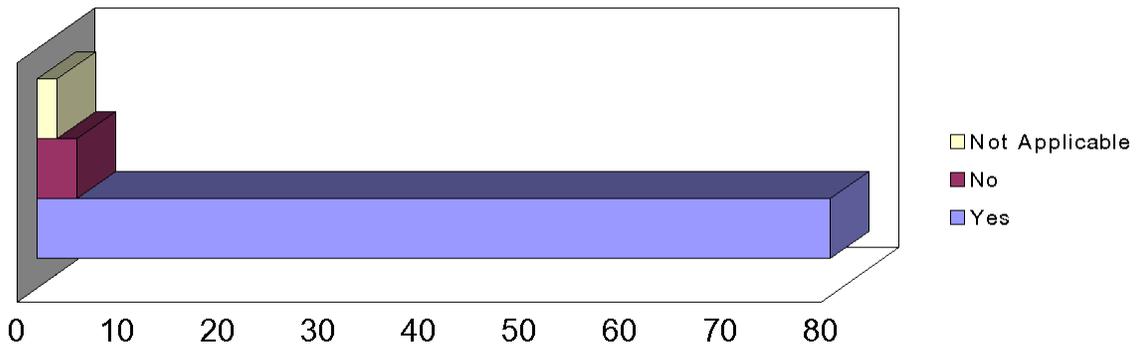
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Do you find this workload reasonable?

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### LPDR: Author conflicts

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Have you ever had a conflict with an author?

Yes	10
No	73
Not Applicable	2

### LPDR: Division Reviewer powers

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Should a reviewer have the power to:

Refer a contentious case to a higher	1
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### LPDR: Division Reviewer types

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In your opinion, should a division have:

Many specialized reviewers?	46
Few broad-based reviewers?	30
Not Applicable	9

### LPDR: Document review duration

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How much time do you typically spend on a review?

I just sign the form without reading the paper	6
I only check the acknowledgments	4
about an hour	33
2 hours or more	37
Not Applicable	5

### LPDR: Document review frequency

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How often do you perform a review of a scientific or technical document for publication?

once a year or less	34
once a month	39



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once a week	7
once a day or more	1
Not Applicable	4

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### LPDR: Manuscript edit frequency

How often do you insist on changes to the manuscript, beyond making sure the acknowledgments include a proper reference to the funding sources, such as a reference to DOE/BES contract number DE-AC03-76SF00098?

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Always	11
Usually	18
Sometimes	38
Never	14
Not Applicable	4

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### LPDR: Paper peer review frequency

How often do you pass papers to another Division Reviewer, for example, if you feel you are not qualified?

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Occasionally	40
Never	37
Not Applicable	8

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### LPDR: Paper rejection frequency if >0

If your previous answer is >0: Was the paper published anyway?

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Yes	4
No	9
Don't know	44
Not Applicable	28

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### LPDR: Workload assessment



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Do you find this workload reasonable?

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Yes	79
No	4
Not Applicable	2

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### LPDR: Division Reviewer responsibilities

In your view, should a Division Reviewer check:

none

NA

Clarity is a very important concern for me.

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That it is a serious scientific paper.

Checking the scientific content to make sure it makes sense is the primary duty of a reviewer.

division reviewer should not be expected to judge the scientific validity/importance of the work. However, he/she should have enough scientific judgment to stop obviously wrong, shoddy or crackpot work. Style/grammar/presentation are important, and reviewer ought to be able to at least suggest corrections so that paper is understandable. Figures should be good quality, labels readable, units spelled out, all symbols/traces defined

I think the author list should be controlled by the authors.

Its hard for a divison reviewer to know who to acknowledge other than the funding agency, except in some special cases.

None

Other - I think the reviewer should be able to relate the paper to general goals of the organization and also for requested work the objectives.

Possible need to secure intellectual property interests for LBNL before the work enters the public domain.

Returning comments to the author on all of these is quite appropriate. But the reviewer should not insist on changes beyond the required acknowledgement

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The Division Reviewer needs to fully understand what their role is. This should be spelled out and reviewers should be trained or maybe certified as reviewers.

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None

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I believe the main purpose is to prevent release of material that would embarrass the Laboratory, not to provide a scientific review.

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I would spend more time on a paper if it was written by a junior member of the group. If it is written by a senior investigator whom I trust and respect I spend almost no time on the review.

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English errors.

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Unless it is egregious, the authors know who should be an author and what the appropriate references are. The same with the funding acknowledgments. I notice if it is missing, but I have never yet seen an author credit the wrong funding agent.

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i suppose the only thing the reviewer should check is if the paper is so bad its submission will embarrass the lab. The peer review process for most journals works well.

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If WFO (work for others, i.e. non-DOE funding) proper release procedures.

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Paper should be clear and logical, but I would not insist on any particular style. Accuracy is the most important. I don't generally look at funding sources, maybe I should have!

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na

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n/a

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yes

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Comment here

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Style should not be the responsibility of a technical reviewer, but I find that some papers coming to me as "final" still need editorial work. Alas!

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depends on the paper. If authors are world class and recognized, and paper is going to peer reviewed journal, then a check of funding and other acknowledgments may be sufficient. Papers going to journals without peer review probably deserve more scrutiny.

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I believe a DR should check scientific content, but not be required to do so. The other items should be required.

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Guidance on what is expected of a division reviewer would be helpful.

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the reliability of the science content and acknowledgment of previous related work are to my mind the most important contents to be checked

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None

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answer

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N/A

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In many cases (particularly for works that are not in my area of expertise), there is not sufficient time (about an hour or two) to fully chase down references and grok all the background material. In that case, I ask for a verbal explanation.

The reviewer should be checking everything (within limits of time and knowledge).

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none