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Distributed peer review is a process in which one member of the proposal team, either the Principal Investigator (PI) or a co-Investigator (co-I), commits to review ten other submitted proposals. Therefore, the best proposals are selected by peer review, but instead of having a small committee review a large number of proposals, a larger number of people each review a smaller number of proposals. In this manner, the review load is distributed among many peers, and any individual reviewer will have a lower workload, with more time to spend reviewing each assigned proposal.

Detailed information on how distributed peer review works for ALMA is provided on the [Science Portal](#). If you have any remaining questions feel free to contact the ALMA Helpdesk and specify the Project Handling department.