**Title**. ***How to format your presentation for the 20th annual meeting of the Rocky Mountain Virology Association***

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**Abstract (300 words).** The CoVid-19 pandemic has led us to rethink this year’s meeting of the Rocky Mountain Virology Association. With much regret we had to cancel our stay at the CSU Mountain Campus. If you check the figures in <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7019928/> you will see last year’s group, the mountain setting and the amazing Milky Way seen each night. If you browse the abstracts, you will see that our group studies all aspects of virology and prion biology. However, every dark cloud has its sliver lining and what we give up in environment we gain in attendance. In the past we have been limited to about 100 attendees, mostly regional, but now with the virtual meeting up to 500 can attend for anywhere there is an internet connection. Our invited speakers include **Rosemary Rochford**, Professor of Immunology and Microbiology, University of Colorado, Anschutz Medical Campus, **Amanda L. Woerman**, Assistant Professor, Biology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, **Margo A. Brinton**, Regent’s Professor, Department of Biology, Georgia State University, **Heather Hickman**, Chief, Viral Immunity and Pathogenesis Unit, Laboratory of Clinical Immunology & Microbiology, NIAID, **Theodore Pierson**, Chief, Viral Pathogenesis Section, Chief, Laboratory of Viral Diseases, NIAID, and special guests:  **David Quammen**, Emeritus Professor, Montana State University and author of ***Spillover***, and a special appearance by **Kay Holmes**,Emeritus Professor, University of Colorado School of Medicine. Our kids also have something planned but you have to attend – no spoiler alerts here. We have limited presentation slots so please register and submit your abstract in this format. But we have ample space available to attend, so please register and enjoy our 20th anniversary edition of the Rocky Mountain Virology Association (*nee* Club).