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to the committee,

It is important to remember that not long ago Mononucleosis was considered the cause of most otherwise unexplained chronic illness. Then better testing methods were developed and it turns out almost 100% of the adult population has markers of previous infection.

COVID-19 clearly caused liver damage and lung damage to some patients. The statistical information regarding recovery from these two acute domains is not publicly available. Other rare complications seem unlikely to form a pattern and would be relative to particular pre-existing conditions or susceptibilities. What is needed is for the committee to collect longitudinal data so far for acute covid cases requiring hospitalization and to analyze for any patterns of ongoing liver enzyme abnormalities and changes in blood oxygen saturation. This is a standard clinical approach.

I postulate that long covid among health professionals may be completely psychological. A result of limited public access to covid wards or high risk transmission sites. Knowledge of being observed moderates expressions of anti-social behavior. It is entirely possible that health workers may have simply been victimized at a higher rate by colleagues in the absence of public observers. This hypothesis requires testing.

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