

STAPP

CALL FOR SHORT COMMUNICATIONS

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Short Communications Submission Deadline – July 16, 2018

DESCRIPTION: The Stapp Advisory Committee invites Short Communications for presentation at the 2018 Stapp Conference. A Short Communication is not considered a terminal publication (i.e., a completed study) and is most appropriate for quickly reporting on novel and important findings from research studies, and new and novel research methodologies and/or technologies. Short Communications contain only essential references and minimal tables and figures. Authors of Short Communications will be allotted 10 minutes of presentation time and 5 minutes for questions. Short Communications will be included in a separate file from the *Stapp Journal* on the USB drive that is available at the Stapp Conference. However, submission of a Short Communication does not preclude the future submission of a full-length paper for the *Stapp Journal* on the same topic with expanded background, methods, data, results, discussion, and references.

TOPICS: Submissions of Short Communications for Stapp are desired on the same wide range of topics as for full papers. Appropriate topics include but are not limited to:

- research and developments in impact/injury biomechanics including analyses and results of laboratory and real-world injury and crash data that advance knowledge and understanding pertaining to injury causation and that lead to improved countermeasures and injury assessment tools, such as crash-test dummies, signal-processing techniques, and computational models that help to reduce injuries and fatalities to occupants of motor vehicles and vulnerable road users such as pedestrians and cyclists,
- studies related to sports-related injuries, blast/military injuries, aviation injuries,
- research and developments in crash-avoidance technologies, driver-assist technologies, and objective test procedures and assessment methods for these technologies,
- research and developments related to driver distraction and human machine interactions that affect driver behavior related to increasing the potential for vehicle crashes, and
- research related to autonomous vehicles, particularly with regard to improving safety for occupants of autonomous vehicles.

SUBMISSION: Abstracts are not required for Short Communications. Rather the full Short-Communication must be submitted in the final format described below and in the attached template file by **JULY 16, 2018**. Short Communications should be submitted to Leda Ricci at UMTRI, 2901 Baxter Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48109-2150; email: Leda@umich.edu.

REVIEW: Each Short Communication will be reviewed by two members of the Stapp Advisory Committee and will receive only one round of comments. Comments will be sent to authors with a rating of Accept, Accept with Suggested Modifications, Accept with Required Modifications, or Reject. For Short Communications receiving a rating of Accept with Required Modifications, the authors must respond with a revision and other appropriate responses to reviewer comments. The authors will then receive a final decision as to whether the revised Short Communication is accepted or rejected.

FORMAT: Short Communications submitted to Stapp must be between 1 and 3 pages including figures, tables, and appendices. Initial submissions must be in final format and should include a short abstract (150 words or less). The body of Short Communications must follow the two-column format of the attached template file for font size and type (Times New Roman 10 pt), and margins. The headings of Introduction, Methods, etc. are suggested but the authors may substitute other headings as appropriate for their submission.