

51st STAPP CAR CRASH CONFERENCE®

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SUBMISSION SCHEDULE

March 12, 2007	Abstracts due for Advisory Committee review
May 21, 2007	Invited papers due for Advisory Committee peer review
September 17, 2007	Final manuscripts due for publication

The Stapp Conference Advisory Committee

invites abstracts of prospective papers for consideration in planning the 51st Stapp Car Crash Conference. Papers are desired on research in impact biomechanics, human injury tolerance, and related fields that advance the knowledge of land-vehicle crash injury and occupant protection.

Paper offers should include the following information:

1. a tentative title for the paper
2. author information (name, affiliation, address, phone, fax, and e-mail)
3. an abstract of 200 to 300 words that
 - states the objective of the study
 - outlines the problem the study attempts to solve and the methodology
 - states explicitly the data to be included
 - summarizes the results and conclusions of the study

Since paper invitations are based solely on the abstract, it is important that authors provide clear, descriptive, and specific information by which the paper offer can be evaluated. Abstracts will not be reconsidered.

Abstracts should be submitted

by March 12, 2007 to: Leda L. Ricci, Executive Director, Stapp Conference Advisory Committee, University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute, 2901 Baxter Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-2150. Authors may also submit abstracts by fax to (734) 647-3330 or by e-mail to leda@umich.edu. If you have questions regarding abstract or paper submission, please call (734) 936-1114.

To assure adequate time for peer review, authors whose abstracts are accepted will be invited to submit a completed paper by **May 21, 2007**. If there are extenuating circumstances, **authors of accepted abstracts may request permission to submit full manuscripts after May 21st, but no later than June 22nd**, although this may reduce the likelihood of successfully completing the review process for this year's journal and conference. **Papers of accepted abstracts submitted after June 22nd will be submitted to the peer-review process, but will not be considered for the 2007 conference and journal.**

Acceptance of an abstract does not guarantee acceptance of a paper. Papers that are judged

to meet the standards and requirements of the *Stapp Journal* will be accepted for publication and presentation.

Papers offered for consideration at the Stapp Conference must be written in an objective, scholarly, and scientific manner, and must be free of commercialism, advertisement, and product identification. Papers must be prepared in clear English, and all data must be presented using SI units. Papers accepted for the conference must be presented at the conference.

All papers accepted for publication must be based on new data and results that will not have been published elsewhere prior to the conference, or submitted for publication elsewhere.

Authors reporting on research directly involving human or animal subjects are required to provide appropriate acknowledgment in the abstract submission and paper offer that the research was approved by a properly constituted institutional review board or ethics committee. Abstract submissions and paper offers that cannot provide this information will not be accepted for consideration by the Advisory Committee.

Technical Paper Awards

The **John Paul Stapp Award** is offered annually for the Stapp paper presented at the previous conference that best meets the goals of the Stapp Car Crash Conference as judged by the Stapp Advisory Committee.

Stapp Student Awards of \$1,500, \$1,000, and \$500 are presented annually to the three students who are judged by the Stapp Student Award Committee to have made the most significant contributions to the research presented in a Stapp paper. Authors of accepted papers that include significant contributions by a student are invited to describe those contributions in a letter in order for that student to be considered. The three awards are made at the end of the conference in which the papers were presented.