



# Evaluating Child Safety Innovations: Have we got the right tools and the right test methodologies?

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# Objectives

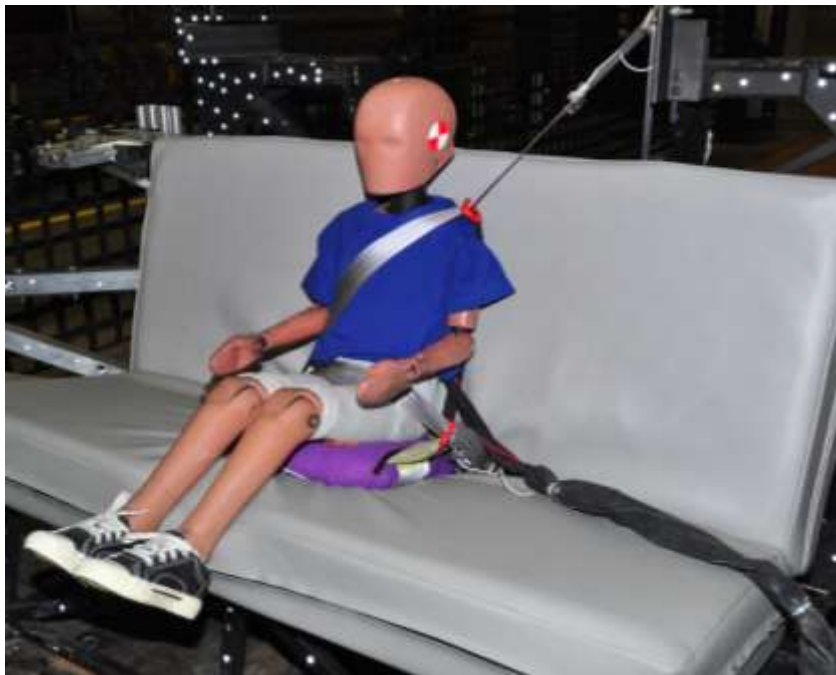


## Program

1. Monitor existing regulations and provide the necessary scientific evidence for the development of new or amended regulations;
2. Provide scientific evidence to advance crash test dummy technology.

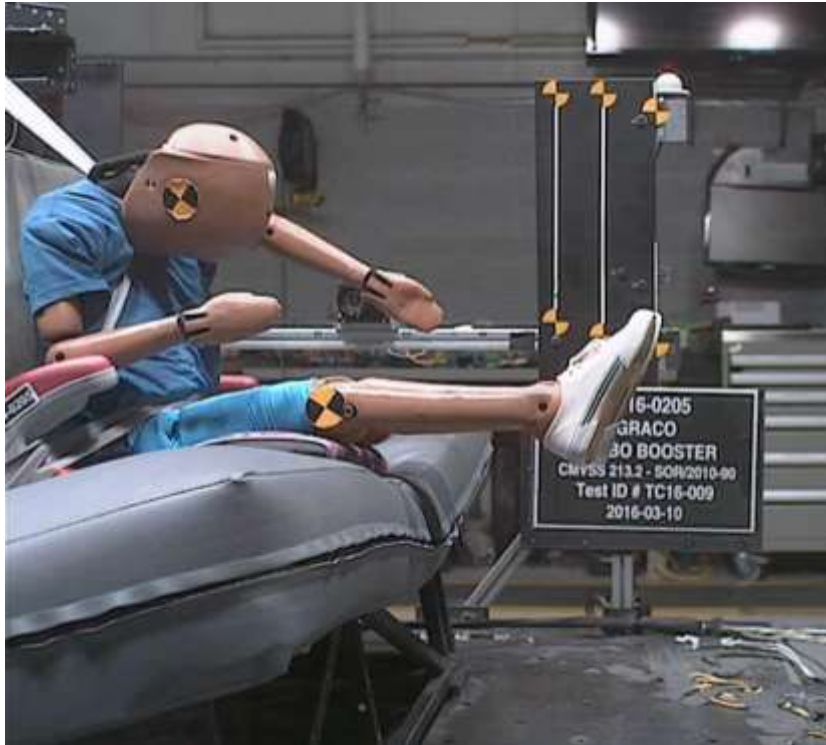
# Objectives of the Study

To evaluate whether the capabilities of current child crash test dummy instrumentation and the associated metrics are adequate for the evaluation of booster seat performance.



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## DIFFERENCES

- No retractor
- Anchor at the rear
- Belt is **locked and pre-loaded**
- Cushion is soft & sticky
- Seat back is unyielding

## CRITERIA

- Excursion
- Chest acceleration
- Head acceleration (inertial only)

# Conventional Booster Seats

- Moulded elevated base
- Arm rests serve as belt guides
- Move with the occupant



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- Foldable
- Inflatable
- Latch-able



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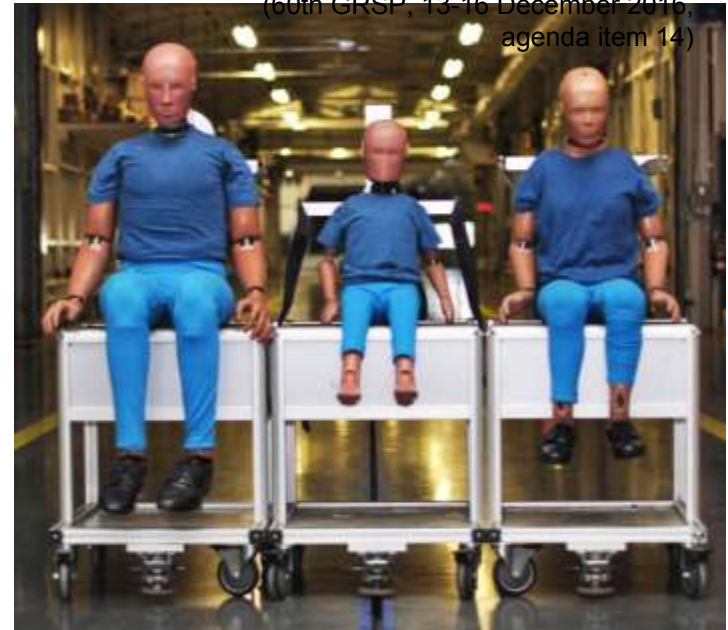
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# Dummy Preparation HIII

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# Dummy Preparation Q6

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# Test Matrix

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	<b>HIII 6</b>	<b>Q6</b>
<b>FRONTAL BARRIER COMPARISONS</b>		
Foldable	X	X
Inflatable	X	X
Standard/ conventional	X	X
ISOFIX	X	X
No booster vs foldable	X	
<b>FRONTAL OFFSET CAR- to-CAR OBSERVATIONS</b>		
Foldable	X	X
Inflatable	X	X

# Q6 vs HIII Foldable

## Frontal Rigid Barrier 48 km/h



# HIII standard & Q6 on Foldable

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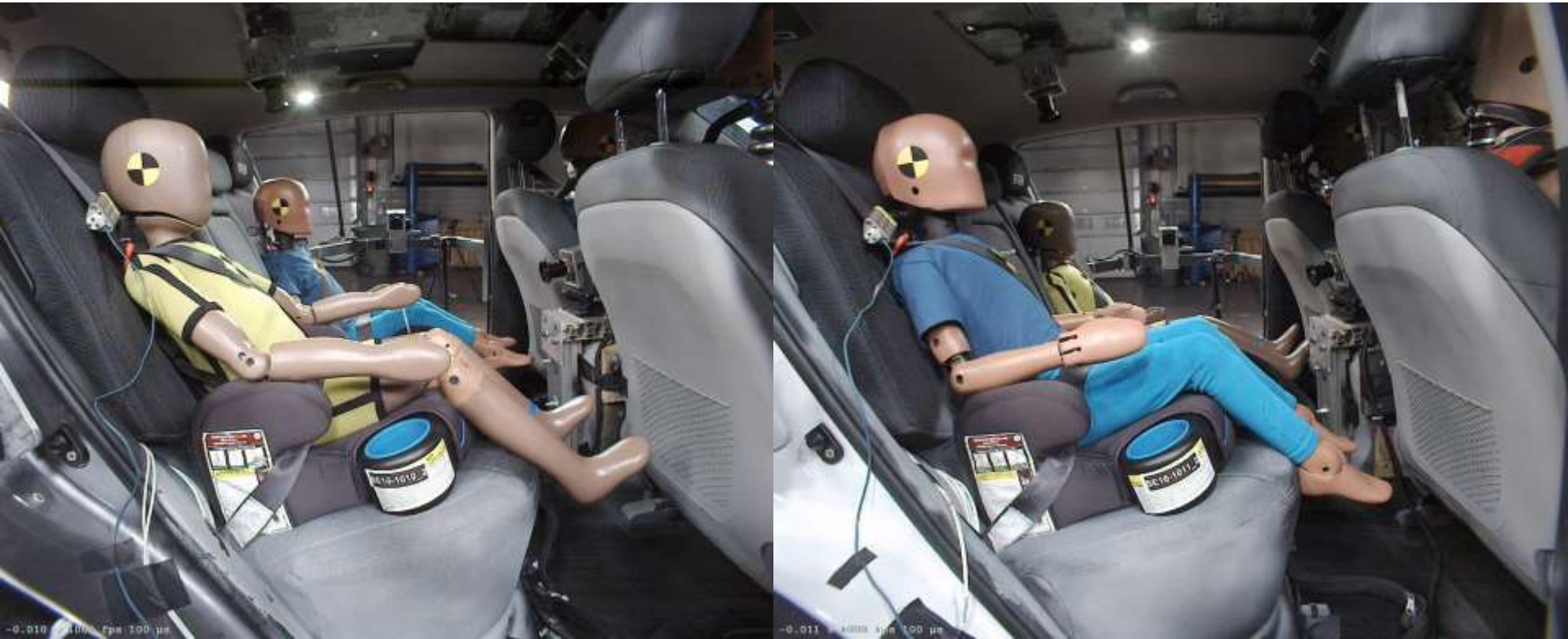
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# Q6 vs. HIII Standard

## Frontal Rigid Barrier 55 km/h



# Q6 vs. HIII Inflatable

## Frontal Rigid Barrier 55 km/h





# H3 & Q6 Inflatable

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# Q6 vs. HIII Isofix

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Upper pelvis excursion 305 mm



Upper pelvis excursion 138 mm

# Injury Metrics

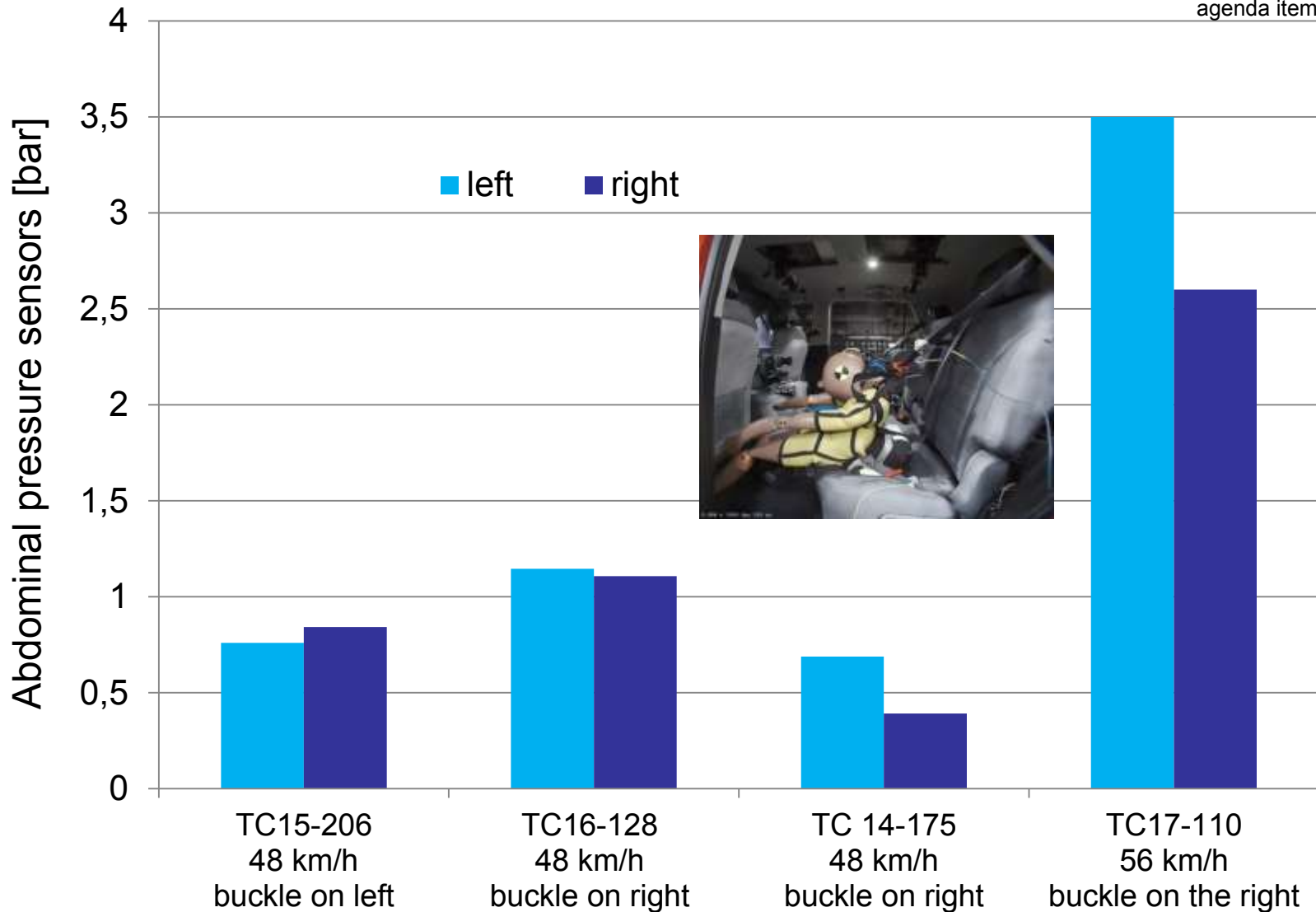
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- No single instrumentation based metric that appears helpful in discriminating between good and poor retention;
- Chest deflection misleading;
  - Lowest deflection associated with slippage into the neck or under the belt

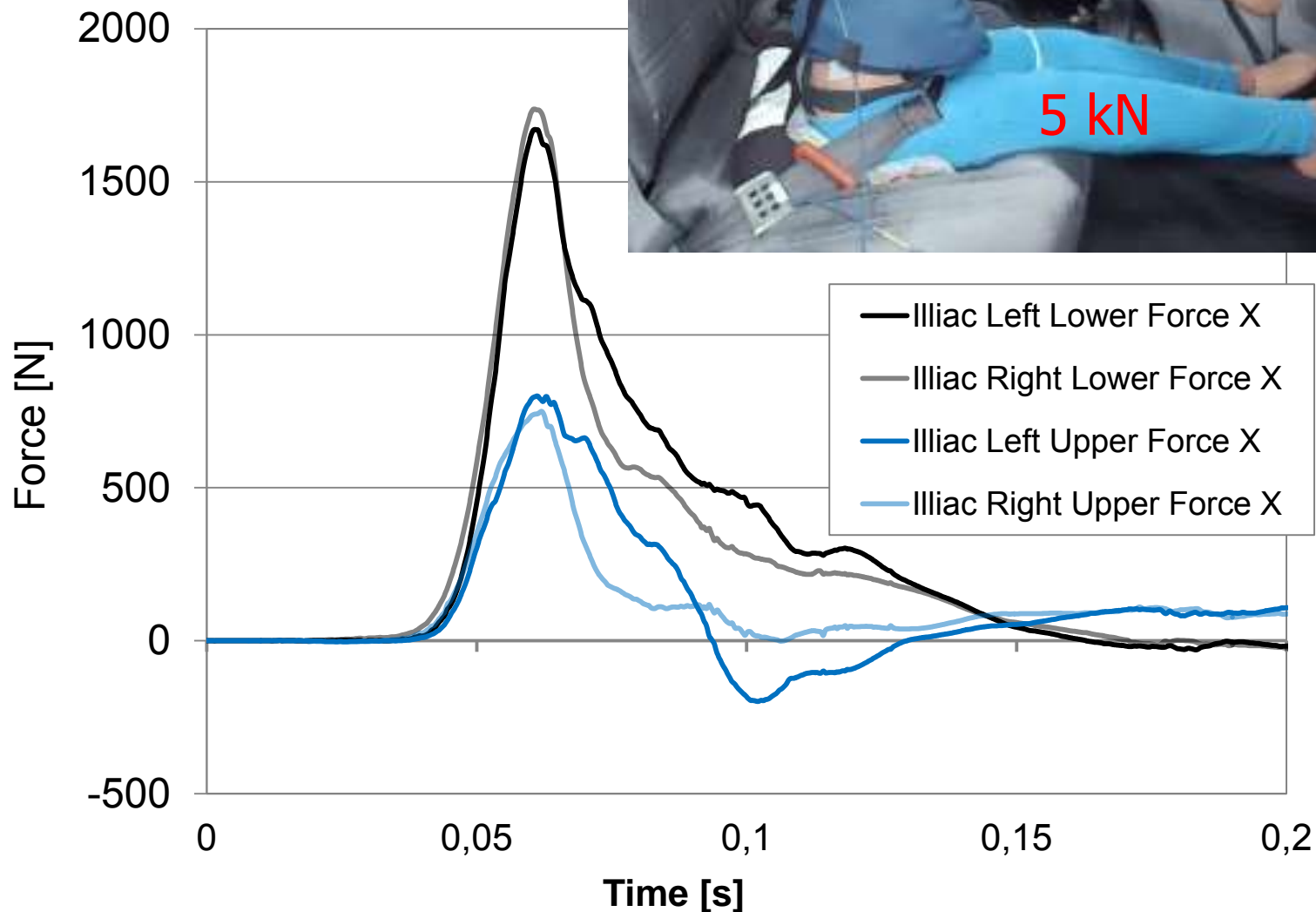
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# HIII Inflatable





# Q6 on inflatable & H3 Foldable

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## Moving car-to-moving car frontal offset 56 km/h



# H3 Foldable

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Moving car-to-moving car frontal offset  
56 km/h



# H3 Foldable



# Conclusions

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- Movement of the HIII and the Q6 and the interactions with restraints are notably different
- Dummy measures/ traditional injury metrics were not predictive
- Variables worthy of further consideration:
  - frontal excursion
  - Pressure sensors



# Conclusion

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- A harmonized child dummy capable of reproducing human posture and motion in a realistic vehicle environment is needed.
- Test programs should explore alternative test methods
- Reliance on minimum requirements and the associated test methodologies may not be conducive for the development or for the optimization of child safety

# Future work

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Additional paired comparisons conducted in a vehicle buck at lower impact speeds and regulatory-like tests using the proposed FMVSS 213 sled buck.



# Canada Goose- Foldable

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