

CURRICULUM VITAE - MUKUL K. VERMA. PH.D.

Current Title: Consultant (Vehicle Engineering) &
 Adjunct Professor of Mechanical Engineering

AREAS OF CONSULTING

- Vehicle Engineering – *Automobile design & testing – for Safety and Structural performance. Passive Safety Systems - airbags, crash sensors, structural components. Active Safety Systems - Pre-crash sensors, Crash Avoidance, Autonomous braking. Electric vehicles – functional safety.*
- Sustainable Transportation Technologies – *Vehicle designs for increased energy efficiency & safety. Mass reduction. Intelligent Tires & Vehicles. Mechatronics systems, Vehicle based sensors.*
- Product Liability and Forensic Engineering – *Automotive Safety; Accident Analysis; Performance Evaluation of vehicle structure, interior components, airbags, sensors, mechanical-electrical systems for safety. Vehicle design factors in pedestrians' safety. Pre-crash safety; accident avoidance. Safety of Electric and Hybrid Vehicles. Post-crash rescue criteria and design.*
- Intellectual Property: *Analysis of Patent infringement claims and patent validity factors in areas of automotive safety systems; airbags; vehicle-based sensors; restraint systems, interior components; Tires and TPMS.*

PARTIAL LIST OF CLIENTS & PROJECTS:

- State government– Department of Transportation – *Investigation of factors in injury to a rider in mass-transit bus and design analysis of the ingress-egress structure.*
- Trucking Company – *Analysis of factors causing rollover of fully-loaded tractor-trailer and injury to its driver.*
- US Department of Transportation; US Environmental Protection Agency – *Peer review of research on design of vehicles for 2025 CAFE standards; Evaluation of crash protection effectiveness of reduced-mass cars and SUVs.*
- Overseas automotive research organization – *Consulted on functional and accident safety of Electric vehicles, Test facility review and plan, Invited speaker - Conference on technology and regulatory scenarios.*
- Individual client – *Investigation of factors in head injury; Evaluation of design of remote-operated trunk-lid on. Analysis of available risk-mitigation technologies.*
- Individual client – *Investigation of windshield damage to a pickup truck and analysis of projectile trajectory.*
- Automotive manufacturer – *Investigation of car-to-SUV crash and factors in driver fatality; Performance analysis of frontal and A-pillar airbags and front structure.*
- Insurance company – *Investigation of factors in injury caused to front-seat passenger by external object; Performance of laminated windshields with pre-existing crack.*

- Two Automotive manufacturers – *Patent infringement and validity analysis of Tire Pressure Monitoring Systems.*
- Manufacturer of Small Car – *Directing the vehicle design to achieve top-level safety performance and regulatory compliance.*
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RECENT TESTIFYING EXPERIENCE:

- Depositions (California 2016) – *Invalidity report and Rebuttal of infringement claims. Case 2:14-cv-02963-JAK; and Case 8:14-cv-00491-JAK.*
- Deposition (Florida, 2015) – *Analysis of impact risks from remote-operated trunk-lid and evaluation of risk-mitigation technologies.*
- Deposition (Kentucky, 2012) – *Case involving performance of airbag and vehicle structure in car-to-SUV crash.*

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS

- **Ph.D.**, Mechanical Engineering & Applied Mechanics, University of Michigan.
- **M.S.**, Aerospace Engineering, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.

PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE

- Consultant, M. P. Holcomb Engineering Corporation (1/2009- 9/2012)
- General Motors: (8/1978 -11/2008)
 - *Technical Fellow: Vehicle Safety & Structures, General Motors Product Development Organization (1999-2008).*
 - *Principal Engineer/Systems Manager/ Staff Engineer, General Motors Engineering/ GM Research Laboratories, (1978-1999).*
 - *Research Associate, Highway Safety Research Institute (now UMTRI), University of Michigan (1975-78)*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Professor, Mechatronics Engineering (adjunct), Lawrence Technological University, (2009- current): *Intelligent Tires and Vehicles: Graduate-level course,*
- Invited Course at 2014 International Tire Industry Conference (Cologne): *Intelligent Vehicle-&-Tire Systems for Energy Efficiency and Safety.*
- Professor of Mechanical Engineering (adjunct), University of Alabama at Birmingham (2012-current): *Nonlinear Mechanics in Vehicle Engineering & Aerospace Systems. (2013).*
- GMU classes at General Motors for Engineers & Managers: *Design Integration for Automotive Safety (through 2007)*
- *Mechanical Engineering – Dynamics of Mechanical Systems - Graduate and Professional Development Course, Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Michigan (Dearborn), 1978-1985.*

OTHER EXPERIENCE: AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

- Chairman, Experts' Workgroup for Enhanced Vehicle Compatibility (2003-2008)
- US industry representative
 - Traffic safety regulations - *OICA/ Group of Experts on Passive Safety (France) (2007-2008)*
 - *VC COMPAT Final Workshop (Netherlands) 2006*
 - *International Harmonization Association (Germany) 2005*
- GM representative to USCAR 2007-2008
 - *Research projects in hydrogen fuel cell vehicle safety*
- Technical Sessions Organizer, Chairperson
 - *FISITA (International Federation of Automotive Engineering Societies)*
 - *SAE Annual Congress 1985 – current*

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS – INTERNATIONAL JOURNALS & CONFERENCES

1. Article: “Intelligent Systems - Intelligent Tires and Vehicle Systems involving Tire-mounted sensors...”, *Tire Technology International*, July 2014.
2. Invited Lecture, “Sustainable Transportation & Intelligent Vehicle and tire Technologies”, *Tire Technology Conference and Expo*, Cologne, Germany, February 2013.
3. Verma, M., Vantsevich, V., Keynote Speech “Intelligent Tires – Past, Present and Future”, *4th Annual Conference on Intelligent Tire Technology*, December 2011.
4. Verma, M., Goertz, A., “Preliminary Evaluations of Pre-crash Safety System Effectiveness”, Paper # 2010-01-1042, *SAE Annual Congress*, April 2010.
5. Verma, M., “Evaluation of MDB as a Car Surrogate in LTV-to-Car Frontal Compatibility Tests”: Part II - GM Test Results”, *SAE Government - Industry Meeting*, Washington DC, 2008.
6. Verma, M., Lange, R. and McGarry, D., “A Study of US Crash Statistics from Automatic Crash Notification Data”, Paper 07-0058, *Enhanced Safety of Vehicles Conference*, Lyon, France, 2007.
7. Subramaniam, K., Verma, M., Nagappala, R., Tedesco, R and Carlin, L., “Evaluation of Stiffness Matching Concepts for Vehicle Safety Improvement”, Paper 07-0112, *Enhanced Safety of Vehicles Conference*, Lyon, France 2007.
8. Verma, M., “Enhanced Vehicle Collision Compatibility - Progress Report of US Technical Workgroup for Front-to-Front Compatibility”, Paper 07-0291, *Enhanced Safety of Vehicles Conference*, Lyon, France 2007.
9. Peddi, S., Subramaniam, K., Sharma, V., Verma, M., Schuyten, H., “Development of Mobile Deformable Barrier as a Car Surrogate”, Paper 2007-01-1179, *SAE Transactions - Journal of Passenger Cars – Mechanical Systems*, 2007.

10. Verma, M., "Progress in Vehicle Collision Compatibility Improvements", Paper 09, *VC COMPAT Final Workshop, Eindhoven, Netherlands, 2006*.
11. Verma, M., Lavelle, J., Tan, S., and Lange, R., "Injury Patterns and Effective Countermeasures for Vehicle Collision Compatibility", Paper 05-0173, *Enhanced Safety of Vehicles Conference, Washington DC, 2005*.
12. Verma, M., "Vehicle to Vehicle Crashes - Steps towards Increased Compatibility", *International Automotive Technical Conference, Dresden, Germany, 2005*.
13. Verma, M. Gupta, G., Sreekanth, M., "Development of an MDB Concept for Crash Compatibility", Paper 2005-01-1374, *SAE Transactions, 2005, vol 114, p1645-1650*.
14. Verma, M., "EVC Technical Work Group Status; Chairman's Report", *SAE Government - Industry Meeting, 2005*.
15. Verma, M., Nagappala, R., Murugan, M., Tung, Y., "Evaluation of Structural Parameters for vehicle crash compatibility", *International Journal of Crashworthiness, vol. 9, no. 4, 2004*.
16. Verma, M., Nagappala, R., Tung, Y., Zimmerman, M., Murugan, M., Bernstein, M., "Significant Factors in Height of Force Measurements for Vehicle Collision Compatibility", Paper 2004-01-1165, *SAE Annual Congress, Detroit, 2004*.
17. Verma, M., Lavelle, J., Lange, R., "Perspectives on Vehicle Crash Compatibility and Relationship to Other Safety Parameters", Paper 412, *Enhanced Safety of Vehicles Conference, Nagoya, Japan, 2003*.
18. Verma, M., Lange, R., Lavelle, J., "Relationship of Crash Test Procedures to Vehicle Compatibility", Paper 2003-01-0900, *SAE Transactions, 2003, vol112, pp920-928*.
19. Chandra, J., Wawa, C., Verma, M., "Implementation and Validation of a Finite Element Approach to Simulate Occupant Crashes with Airbags: Part 1- Airbag Model", *American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Applied Mechanics Division, Vol. 169, 1993*.
20. Chandra, J., Wawa, C., Verma, M., "Implementation and Validation of a Finite Element Approach to Simulate Occupant Crashes with Airbags; Part II – Airbag Coupling with Crash Victims", *American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Applied Mechanics Division, Vol. 169, 1993*.
21. Verma, M., Repa, B., "Pedestrian Impact Simulation- A Preliminary Study", Paper 831601, *Stapp Car Crash Conference, San Diego, 1983*.
22. Verma, M., "Transient Response Test Procedures for Measuring Vehicle Directional Control", *Vehicle System Dynamics, 1981*.
23. Verma, M., Gillespie, T., "Roll Dynamics of Commercial Vehicles", *Vehicle System Dynamics, 1980*.
24. Verma, M., Scott, R., Segel, L., "Effect of Frame Compliance on the Lateral

Dynamics of Motorcycles”, *Vehicle System Dynamics*, 1980.

25. Gillespie, T., Verma, M., “Analysis of Rollover Dynamics of Double-bottom Tankers”, Paper 781065, SAE Annual Congress, 1978.
26. Verma, M., “Theoretical and Experimental Investigations of Motorcycle Dynamics”, PhD Thesis, University of Michigan, 1978.
27. Verma, M., Segel, L., Sayers, M., Winkler, C., Watanabe, Y., “A Study of the Free-Control Dynamics of Single-track Vehicles: The Adequacy of Linear Analysis”, University of Michigan Research Report, 1977.
28. Verma, M., KrishnaMurthy, A., “Inelastic Post-buckling of Columns of Variable Flexural Rigidity”, *Mechanics Based Designs of Structures & Machines*, Vol. 3, 1974.
29. Verma, M., KrishnaMurthy, A., “Nonlinear Vibrations of Nonuniform Beams with Concentrated Masses”, *Journal of Sound & Vibration*, Vol. 33, 1974.
30. Verma, M., KrishnaMurthy, A., “Nonlinear Bending of Beams of Variable Cross-section”, *International Journal of Mechanical Sciences*, 1973.
31. Verma, M., KrishnaMurthy, A., “Minimum Mass Design of Beams of Variable Cross-section”, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, *Journal of Applied Mechanics*, 1973.

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SAMPLE INTERVIEWS AND WEB-PUBLISHED ARTICLES: (www.VEfact.com)

1. *Automobile Seat & Seatback Structure and Occupants’ Safety in Crashes*; January 2010.
2. *Airbag Deployment, Occupant Safety and Role of Vehicle Structure*; February 2010.
3. *Pedestrian Impacts with Automobiles*; April 2011.
4. *Summary of Keynote speech on Intelligent Tire Technology*, December 2011.
5. *Trends in Automobile Safety: Analysis of Recent NCAP Front Crash Tests*; January 2012.
6. *When Two Automobiles Collide – Side Impacts & Vehicle Occupants’ Safety*; July 2012.

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