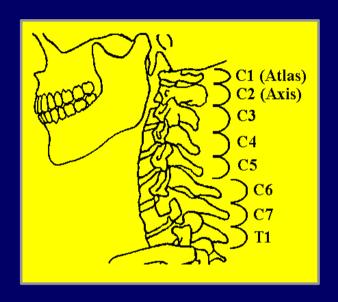
# ISO TC22 SC10 WG1 Activity on the Test Procedure for the Evaluation of Injury Risk to the Cervical Spine in a Low Speed Rear End Impact

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#### ISO TC22 SC10 WG1

# WG Scope

- Discuss & Develop Test Procedures for Improving Occupant Protection
- Members
  - Experts from Europe, Canada, USA and Japan
- Low-Severity Rear Impact Test procedure Discussion Plan
  - Started in 2000
  - Nov 2001, working draft discussed
  - March 2002, revised committee circulated for ballot
  - December 2001, first presentation to GRSP experts
  - May 2002, expected to be submitted to each country for ballot



# Background

- Real world situation
  - Low-severity neck injury in rear end low speed collisions
  - Reports of soft tissue neck injuries, commonly referred to as whiplash associated disorder (WAD)









# Background

- Worldwide activity investigating various aspects of soft neck injuries (WAD)
  - Accident analysis
  - Biomechanical investigations to understand the problem
  - Tests involving seats
  - Tests involving anthropometric test devices
    ISO SC10 WG1 Report to GRSP Geneva F.Bendjellal , December 5th, 2001

- No harmonised test procedure available
  - Different test procedures are being developed
  - Not possible to compare different evaluations of seats

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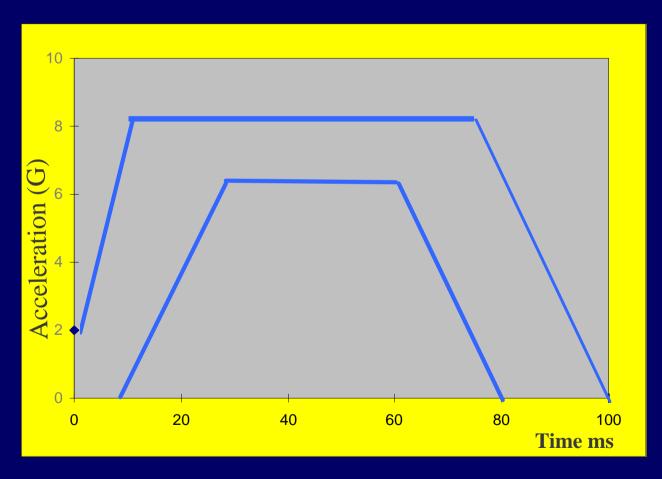
- A sled test procedure that simulates a low speed rear end impact resulting in a delta-v of the struck vehicle of 15 km/h.
- Its main purpose is the evaluation of seat/occupant interactions in front seat systems during the loading phase under standard conditions.
- The seat-belt system is not considered a significant factor during the loading phase. Seat-belt use therefore is not required unless it is known to affect the occupant response during the loading phase.
- Not addressed by the Present ISO Test Procedure
  - Dummy choice
  - Injury criteria

#### ◆ Sled Test Procedure

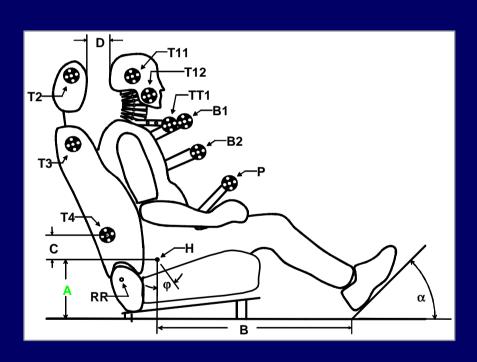
- Severity
  - Delta V 15 km/h, as majority of soft tissue neck injuries (WAD) is reported to occur at or below this level
  - A generic crash pulse that is representative of current car-tocar rear end crashes



#### ◆ Sled Pulse Corridor



Seat Mounted on Rigid Frame



- Seat H-point determination using SAE H Point Machine
- Seat adjustment (height, longitundinal, seat-back angle...) according to ECE 94

- Measurements
  - Sled deceleration/acceleration & velocity using SAE J211 Standard
- Cameras
  - Provision for 2 high speed cameras
- Remaining Tasks
  - Review and circulating out for approval of the draft document by WG members by end of March 2002
  - Balloting and approval of CD by SC10 members

# ISO TC22 SC10 WG1 Test Procedure An example of a low-severity rear impact test

