Panel Template

It is the responsibility of the Panel Chair to communicate with panelists and insure that all panel abstracts have been submitted and linked to the Panel Overview. It is best if the Overview is submitted FIRST. The Panel Chair is also responsible for placing the individual panel abstracts in Presentation Order.

1. **Panels should be structured using the Original Research or Education categories provided for individual abstracts**.
2. **Panels must be composed of a coordinated sequence of abstracts (maximum of 5/minimum of 4) that follow a theme** and flow logically from one to another supporting the central theme. *See the template below.*
    a. It is the responsibility of the Panel Chairs to ensure that the abstract authors include in the opening section (e.g., INTRODUCTION) or closing sections (e.g., DISCUSSION) how the abstract relates to the Panel theme.
    b. Unrelated abstracts from a laboratory or organization do not constitute a Panel. [If the Panel theme is not clearly identified and/or the abstracts do not support a central theme, the individual abstracts may be unbundled and evaluated as separate slide or poster abstracts.]
3. **Panels will be structured to include time for a focused moderated discussion by the Chairs.** Panel Chairs will be asked to prepare questions prior to the Scientific Meeting to facilitate a discussion with the audience. Individual presentations within Panels should be timed to allow for at least a 15 minute moderated discussion.
4. During the Meeting, **each Panel speaker should cite or link directly to the panel theme** in their introduction and discussion and at the end of their talk should provide segues to the next abstract in the panel.

Example Template of a Session (Panel) Overview [from AMHP 86(3):311, 2015]:

> **TITLE:** FULL SCALE HELICOPTER CRASH TESTING – PERFORMANCE OF CRASH INJURY MITIGATION TECHNOLOGIES
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> **BODY:** This panel presents the results from the first of two full-scale crash tests of transport helicopters conducted at the NASA Langley Research Center Landing and Impact Research Facility (LandIR). A multi-facility effort measured the efficacy of multiple protection concepts using a variety of fully instrumented anthropomorphic test devices, airframe sensors, video and mechanical data. The first presentation, from LandIR, describes the experimental setup and overall study goals. The second presentation describes the crash pulse in detail, which varies depending upon location within the aircraft. This has obvious implications for crashworthy concept designs. During crash, some of the most at risk occupants are those not seated. A presentation by the Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) describes the performance of a mobile Aircrew Restraint System as compared to the current restraint. However, the most vulnerable occupants are patients during

evacuation. The US Army Aeromedical Research Laboratory presents results of an effort to characterize the risks to patients transported in litters. Finally, the study also included measuring the response of civil aviation forward facing passenger seats as well as a comparison of sidewall-mounted troop seats and an investigation of a modification to the FAA Hybrid III ATD conducted by FAA CAMI.

Example Template of an individual Original Research abstract supporting a Panel:

Please retain the headings in **BOLD** and replace the *blue text in italics* with your submission.

INTRODUCTION: <*This section cites or links directly to the panel theme and describes how this talk contributes to panel focus; includes the background, including a statement of the problem and why it is important, the status of the current research, and the hypothesis to be tested.*>

METHODS: <*This section includes a brief description of how the study was conducted, the number, type and gender of the subjects, and how they were selected and grouped. It should also include the metrics collected, how they were measured, and how frequently they were recorded. The types of scales or questionnaires administered should be identified. Environmental conditions and administered medications should be described. In addition, a summary of the statistical methods should be provided. A statement concerning ethics approval for studies using human or animal subjects is also required.*>

RESULTS: <*This section includes a summary of the data and metrics of operational and/or statistical significance. "Results will be discussed" is not acceptable.*>

DISCUSSION: <*This section interprets the meaning of the results in terms of their application to the operational/clinical/scientific community and suggests areas for future research. It ends with a link back to overall panel goals or theme to provide segues to next abstract in the panel.* >