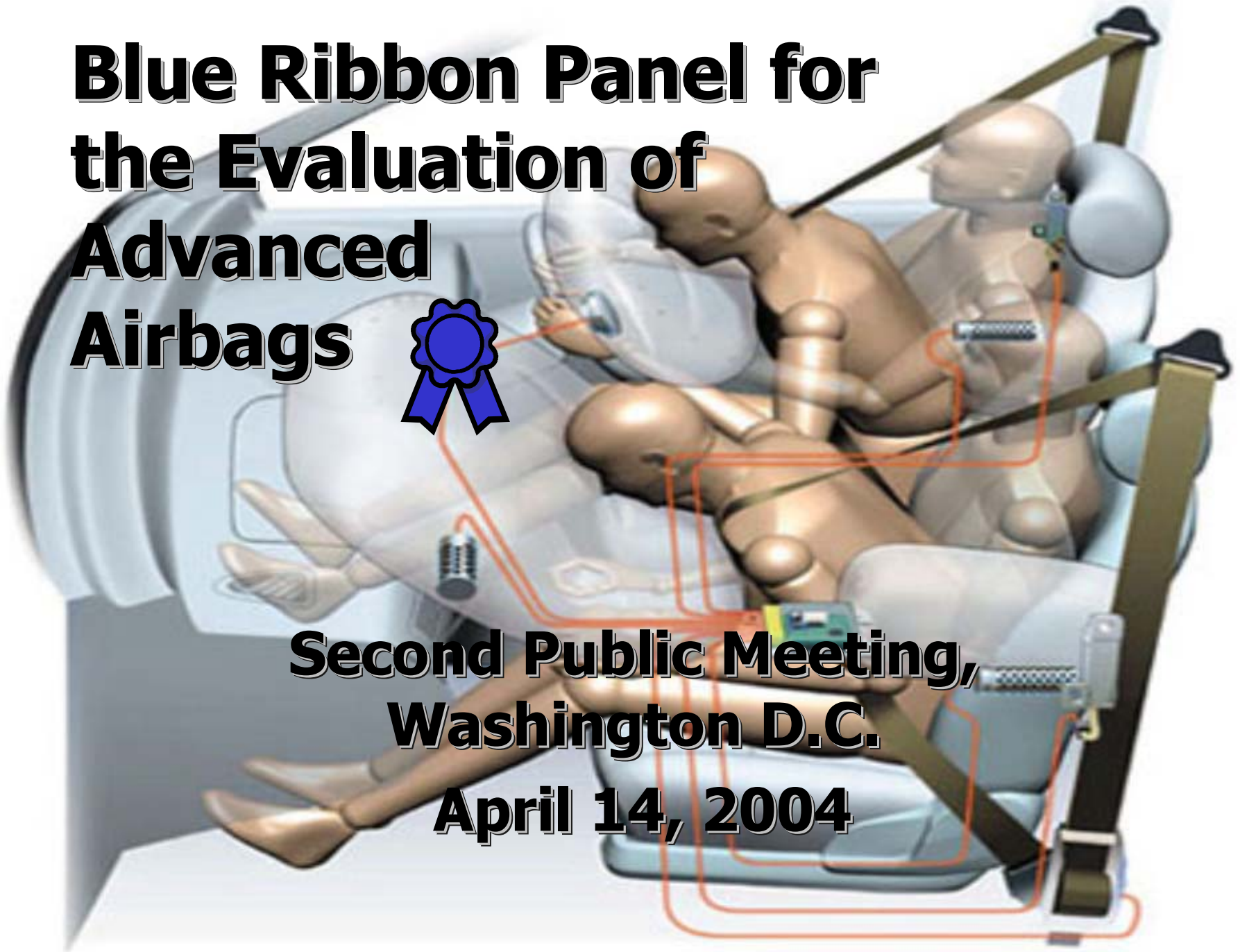


Blue Ribbon Panel for the Evaluation of Advanced Airbags



**Second Public Meeting,
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Background

- Alliance committed to 3-year program
 - Program to be managed by independent third party
 - Oversight provided by Blue Ribbon Panel
 - Transparent process
 - Data collected is available to all



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Blue Ribbon Panel recommendation

- Utilize the NASS/CDS infrastructure
- Organize new data collection teams



Background

- The BRP oversees the Alliance's commitment of \$4.5M to enhance the factual basis for future airbag rulemaking by sponsoring a major program of real-world crash investigations
- Data collection from April 2002 until April 2005 at three new sites funded by the Alliance:
 - Dade County, Florida
 - Dallas County, Texas
 - Multiple Counties, Alabama
- About 1,350 frontal crashes will be investigated at these sites during the 3 years (about 875 to date)



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