

***Interactive comment on “HESS Opinions
“Crash tests for a standardized evaluation of
hydrological models”” by V. Andréassian et al.***

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Dear Prof. O'Connor,

Thank you for your encouraging comments.

You may well be right. . . we are not sure that the "hybrid" approaches are indeed possible (but we wish they were!).

We do agree that we have been perhaps overly optimistic in this paper. The only answer we could offer to justify this naïve optimism is a question: in the case of car crash tests, who knows what reception was first made to this idea?

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