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I applaud NHTSA for taking a look into the fit and comfort of motorcycle gear. As we all know, if someone doesn't see something as comfortable, they wont use it, and if it does not fit, it doesn't work properly. However, I am concerned with the inclusivity of the studies that NHTSA proposes. Rally's tend to be only one type of rider. Men. As a rider (over 10 years on road) with a female body, I have learned that most protective gear is not made for me. Armor doesn't fit without expensive customization, leather is cheaper. The ideals of most companies is that women are either riding passenger (and therefore don't want to keep skin?) or they can simply "pink it and shrink it". I would encourage NHTSA to look outside rallys or specify that they must have a certain level of inclusivity to ensure that all riders, no matter their gender or body type can be equally protected.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for any questions regarding fit and comfort of motorcycle protective gear - especially in regards to that of non-"average" bodies.

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