

CV of David Hague BSc CPhys MInstP

David Hague is a Bachelor of Science (BSc) with an honours degree in physics, a Chartered Physicist (CPhys) and a Member of the Institute of Physics (MInstP).

He has been a forensic scientist, specialising in the reconstruction of road traffic collisions, for more than 20 years. Between 1993 and 1996 he was employed at the Metropolitan Police Forensic Science Laboratory, which in 1996 became the London Laboratory of the Home Office Forensic Science Service, where he was a Senior Forensic Scientist and the National Scientific Lead for Accident Investigation.



David became a private consultant in January 2012 and continues to provide accident investigation reports for Civil and Criminal proceedings. This includes reconstruction of events from physical evidence, taking into account any witness evidence, in order to establish whether the collision could have been avoided at different approach speeds or if the parties had responded differently.

To assist with the reconstruction of road traffic collisions he has conducted research and published scientific papers on the calculation of vehicle speed from braking and cornering tyre marks, pedestrian slide distances, CCTV footage, vehicle damage assessments, motorcycle slide marks and retained speedometer readings.

David has also designed and constructed equipment to measure the variations in digital CCTV timings and has developed analytical methods to assist with the calculation of vehicle speeds from digital footage. He has also used radio controlled equipment he constructed to conduct high speed vehicle crash testing at police field days in 2011 and 2012 and at the Institute of Traffic Accident Investigators field days in 2013 and 2014.

David has attended courts in England, Scotland and Northern Ireland and has given evidence in Coroners', Magistrates', Crown, Military and High Courts. He has also worked as an accident investigation consultant in Europe, Asia and North America.