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I used to be against the idea of motorcycles lane sharing, based on the fact that it seemed dangerous. Once I read safety reports out of Europe, it became clear that allowing motorcycles into the protected spaces between cars would reduce rear end collisions, saving lives. A friend of mine was recently rear ended on his motorcycle while stopped. His motorcycle was lodged in the truck's radiator. He was injured, but not killed. Lane sharing would have prevented this injury.

I have driven a car in Europe and California and haven't found motorcycles to be a problem.

Thank you for your attention.

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