The Tasmanian Devil

A "No-Moving Parts" Helicopter Model

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The Tasmanian Devil is a fun sport model that boosts low and slow like the Estes Flying Saucer. During boost it goes into a fast rotation and as rotation speed builds, this model will actually slow down during boost. After burnout, the model immediately flips over and recovers by autorotation.

Construction is simple and straight forward. It is advisable to use high-density balsa for the rotors.

Though it is not very competitive, the Tasmanian Devil is legal for NAR competition. It might be a "foolproof" model for those of you who don't have the inclination to build the normal "complex" helicopter duration model.

