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Gordon Heier* (heier@math.uh.edu) and **Shigeharu Takayama**. *On uniformly effective birationality and the Shafarevich Conjecture over curves.*

We will discuss the following recent effective boundedness result for the Shafarevich Conjecture over function fields. Let B be a smooth projective curve of genus g , and $S \subset B$ be a finite subset of cardinality s . There exists an effective upper bound on the number of deformation types of admissible families of canonically polarized manifolds of dimension n with canonical volume v over B with prescribed degeneracy locus S . The effective bound only depends on the invariants g, s, n and v . The key new ingredient which allows for this kind of result is a careful study of effective birationality for families of canonically polarized manifolds. This is joint work with S. Takayama. (Received February 12, 2012)