

# Metacognitive Training Method for Car Drivers Using VR Simulator

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## Motivation

Traffic accidents caused by decreased cognitive ability

Public transportation underdeveloped rural areas

**BUT**



There are people who need to drive a car for a living even if their cognitive function is somewhat impaired.

## Objectives

To improve from (3)(4) to (1)(2) by providing **metacognitive training** and support for safe driving.

## Process to help patients with cognitive impairment resume driving

### STEP1

Assessing cognitive ability to drive safely



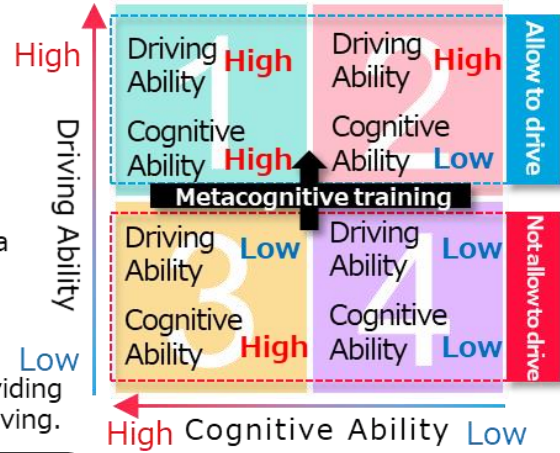
### STEP2

Training to increase the level of **metacognition** and to acquire **compensatory behavior**



### STEP3

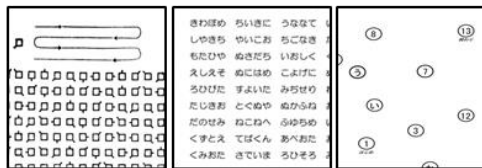
Propose the use of **personal mobility** equipped with driving assistance systems.



## Assessment of cognitive abilities necessary for safe driving

Desk based tests

Three types of **neuropsychological tests**

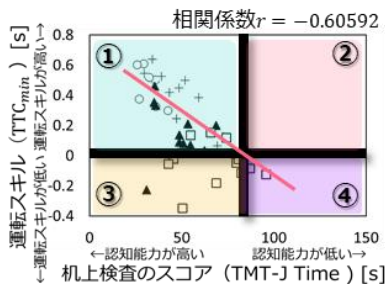


Driving simulator tests

Accident scenarios at **unsignalized intersections**, where the number of traffic accidents is high

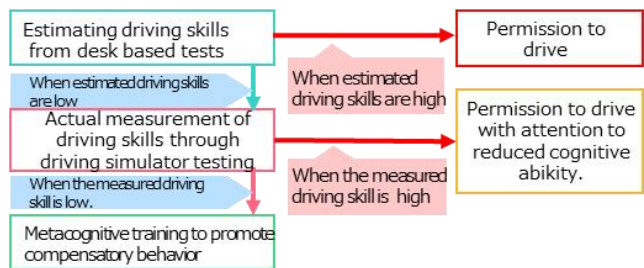


## Relation between desk based tests and driving ability



- 健常者
- + mild cognitive impairment
- ▲ Cognitive impairment
- Severe cognitive impairment

## Flow for judging whether car driving is possible



## Proposed a guideline and thresholds for determining safe driving

**Future task** • Verification of the effectiveness of the metacognitive training method in enabling compensatory behavior