## icognition — towards telemonitoring of cognitive performance in MS

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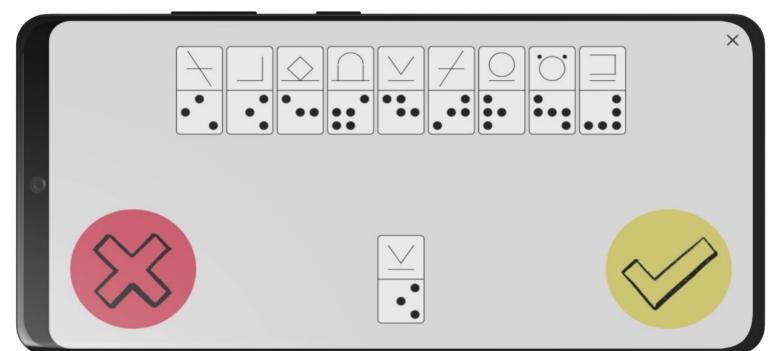
<u>Introduction</u>: Monitoring of cognition = paper-pencil cognitive tests:

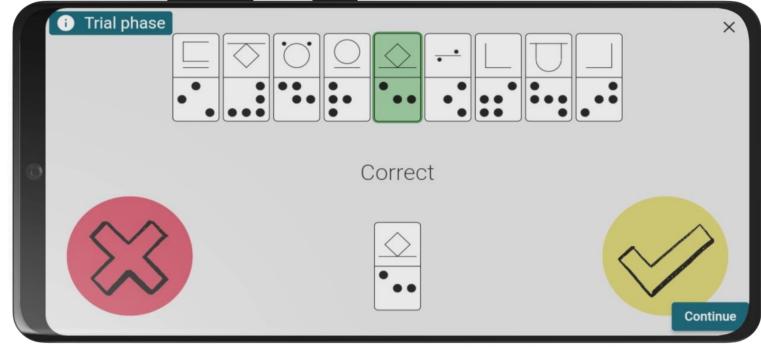
- issues of practice effects
- trained personnel
- testing conditions during clinical visits:

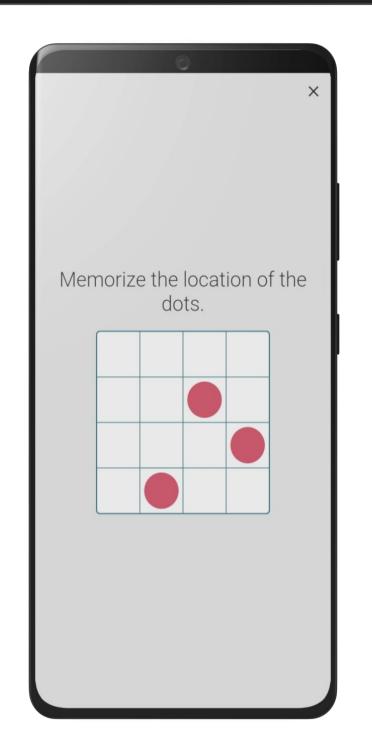
Methods: Smartphone-based cognitive assessment tool with randomly generated exercises, independent use by patient and at-home monitoring.

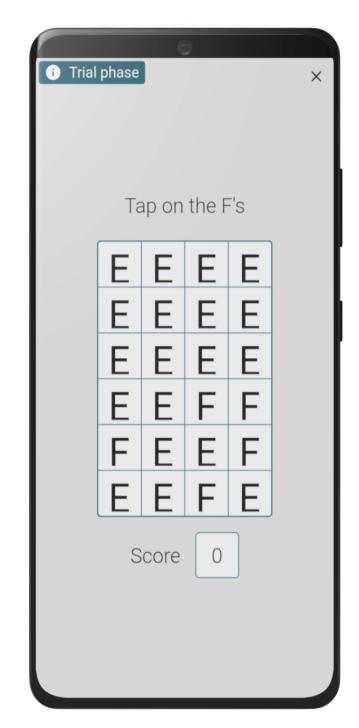
Validation – 76 MS patients:

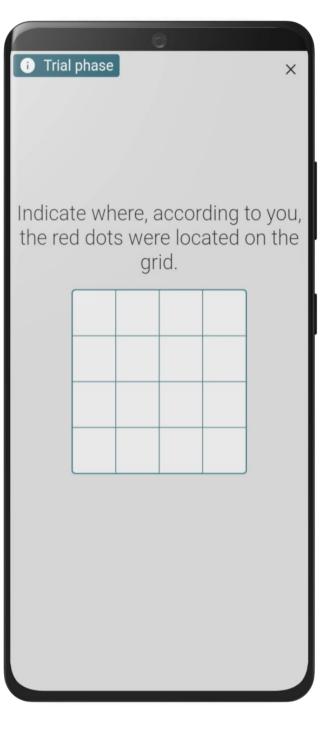
- 1. Symbol test ~ SDMT: information processing speed
- Dot Memory test  $\sim 10/36$  Spatial Recall test: visuospatial short-term memory and learning



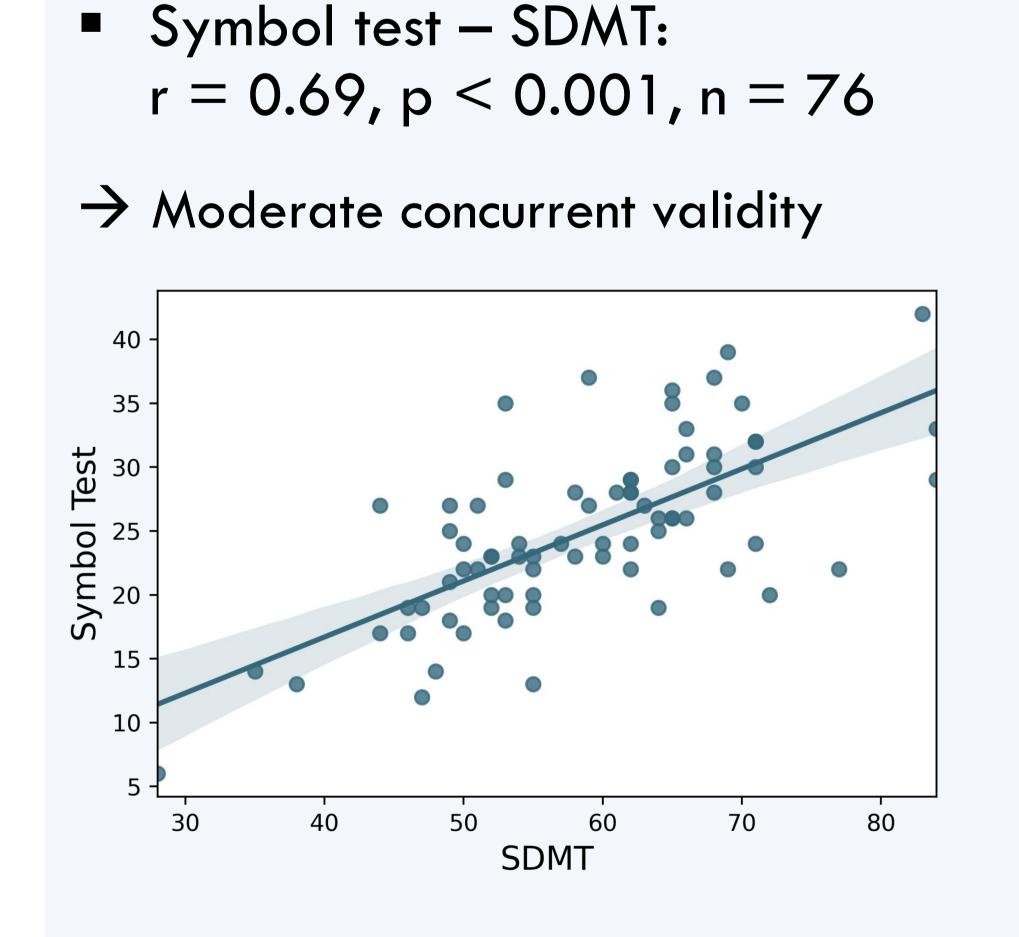




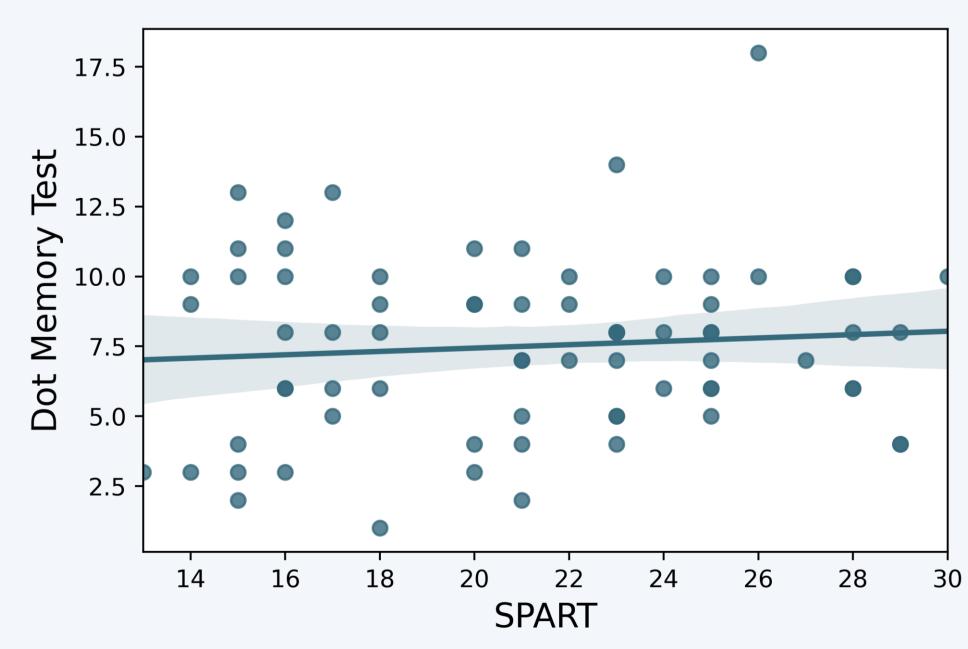




The smartphone-based symbol test is a good alternative for more frequent and reliable cognitive monitoring in MS.

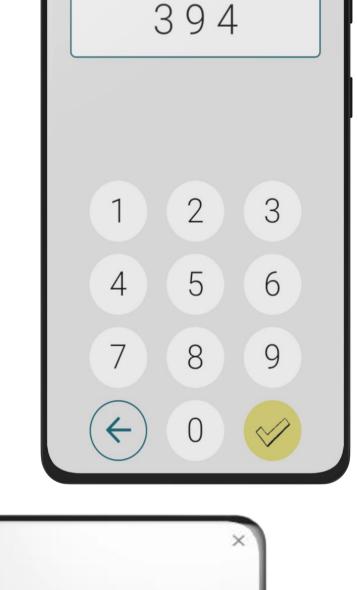


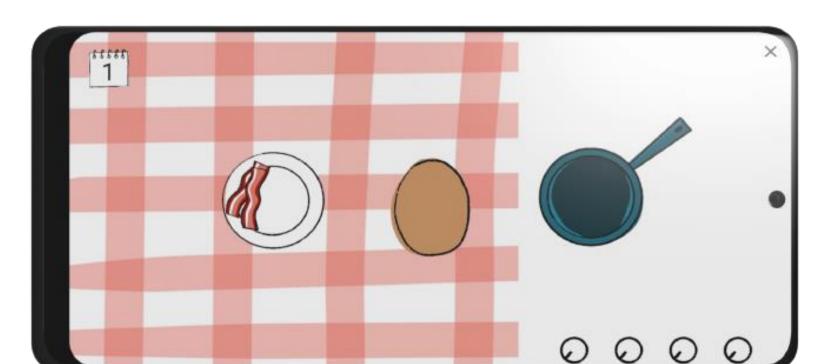
- Dot Memory test SPART: r = 0.09, p = 0.444, n = 70
- → No correlation



To be continued:

- 100 MS patients and 100 healthy controls
- Digit Span test
- Finger Dexterity test

















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