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Metrics for Identifying Fatigued Driving

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Rationale for developing metrics of driver fatigue



Valid metrics of driver fatigue



Sufficient knowledge of driver fatigue



Measures to alleviate the problem



Reduction in road traffic casualties



Physiologic metrics



Method	Metric	Reference standard
EEG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - alpha, theta & beta power density^{1,2,3, 4,5,6,7} -alpha spindle parameters³ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - response to fatigue-inducing factors while driving -self-rated sleepiness - lane drifting
EOG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - slow eye movements^{1,5,7} -blink duration, amplitude, density^{2,5,7,8} - lid closing and opening velocity^{5,8} - saccadic & fixation parameters⁸ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - response to fatigue-provoking factors while driving - self-rated sleepiness

¹Mitler et al. N J Engl Med 1997, 337, 755-61. ²Sandberg et al. 2011, 34, 1317-25.

³Simon et al. Clin Neurophysiol 2011, 122, 1168-78. ⁴Kecklund & Åkerstedt. Ergonomics 1993, 1007-17.

⁵Åkerstedt et al. J Sleep Res 2010, 19, 298-309. ⁶Wei et al. Neurosci Letters 2012, 506, 235-39.

⁷Anund et al. Acc Anal Prev 2008, 40, 1970-76. ⁸Schleicher et al. Ergonomics, 2008, 982-1010.

Behavioral metrics

Method	Metric	Reference standard
Task-based methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PVT: lapses, response speed¹ - Posturography: balance scores² 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - response to fatigue-inducing factors
Video-based methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Perclos: the proportion of time eyes are 80–100% closed^{3,4,5} - ORD: eye closures, facial tone, behavior, mannerisms^{3,4} 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - "near crashes" - self-rated sleepiness - lane drifting
<u>Vehicle & steering wheel – based methods</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - lane variability^{6,7,8,9,10,11} - steering variability^{6,7,8} 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - self-rated sleepiness - vigilance performance - response to fatigue-inducing factors while driving

¹Baulk et al. *Accid Anal Prev* 2008, 40, 396-402. ²Forsman et al. *J Sleep Res* 2007, 16, 259–61. ³Hanowski et al. *Accid Anal Prev* 2003, 35, 153–60. ⁴Dingus et al. *Accid Anal Prev* 2006, 38, 1127-36. ⁵Sommer & Golz *Conf Proc IEEE Eng Med Biol Soc* 2010, 4456-9. ⁶Friedricsh & Young *EUSIPCO-2010*, 2010, 209-13. ⁷Berglund Master's Thesis, 2007. ⁸Mattson Master's Thesis 2007. ⁹Sandberg et al. *IEEE Trasaction on Intelligent Transportation* 2011, 12, 97-108. ¹⁰Forsman et al. *Accid Anal Prev* (in press). ¹¹Soccolich et al. *Accid Anal Prev* (in press).

Vehicle/steering wheel-based metrics

Study	Driving conditions	N of metrics tested	Ref. standard	Most sensitive metric
Friedrics ¹ (2010)	Real roads	31	Subj. fatigue (KSS)	Average <i>steering</i> angular velocity
Berglund ² (2007) & Mattson ³ (2007)	Simulator	17	Subj. fatigue (KSS)	Combination of <i>steering wheel</i> direction reversals, <i>vehicle</i> path deviations, and sd of lateral position
Forsman ⁴ (in press)	Simulator	87	Beh. & subj. fatigue (PVT, KSS)	Combination of <i>lane variability</i> metrics (e.g., sd of lateral lane position)

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³Mattson Master's Thesis 2007.

⁴Forsman et al. Accid Anal Prev (in press).

Subjective sleepiness and driving

Subjective sleepiness (KSS)

1 extremely alert

2 very alert

3 alert

4 rather alert

5 neither alert nor sleepy

6 some signs of sleepiness

7 sleepy, no effort to stay awake

8 sleepy, some effort to stay awake

9 very sleepy, great effort to keep awake, fighting sleep

Driving errors

minor lane drifting markedly increases^{1,2}

major lane drifting (lane departures)

markedly increases^{1,3,4}

¹ Reyner & Horne, *Int J Legal Med*, 1998, 111, 120–23

² Sagaspe et al., *PLoS ONE*, 2008, 3, e3493.

³ Anund et al., *Accid Anal Prev*, 2008, 15, 1970-6

⁴ Ingre et al. *J Sleep Res*, 2006, 15, 142-8

How can you choose the right metric(s)?



- 1) For the moment, there is *no "silver bullet"* to measure driver fatigue. Therefore, it is recommended using *multiple methods/metrics*.
- 2) The easiest way is to rely on *introspection (subjective metrics)*. It is a quite valid/reliable and inexpensive method but sensitive to manipulation.
- 3) *Vehicle/steering wheel and eye closure metrics* are also among the first choices. They are unobtrusive and objective by nature.
- 4) *Physiologic metrics* are objective by nature but often obtrusive (electrodes) and expensive (analyses). However, they will become more feasible to use in the future along with the development of technology .

Truck driver sleepiness – an ongoing project at FIOH

1. How sleepy are long-haul truck drivers at the wheel?
2. Is it possible to improve their alertness through training?

Pre-intervention measurement

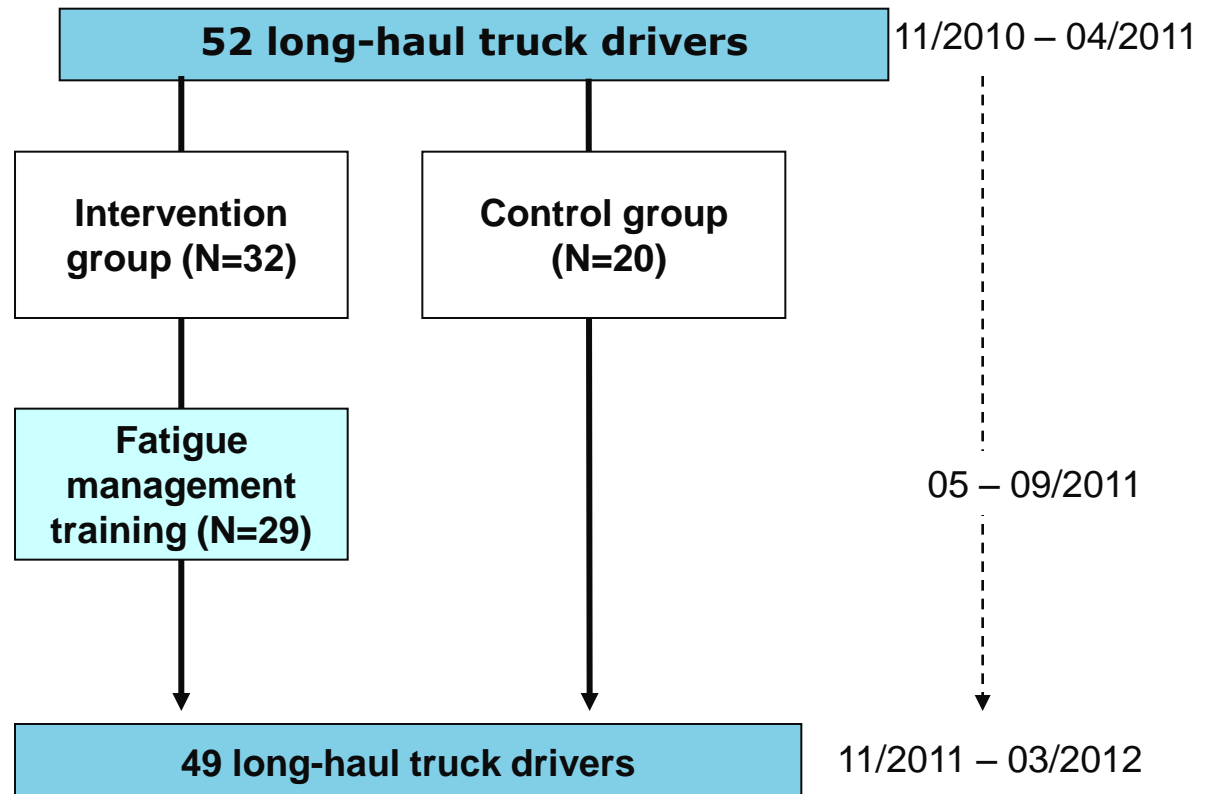
- 2 week measurement period including 3 days of intensive measurements

Intervention

- half-day fatigue management training
- self-made plan for fatigue management + feedback from the plan

Post-intervention measurement

- 2-week measurement period including 3 days of intensive measurements



Proportion of "sleepy" shifts

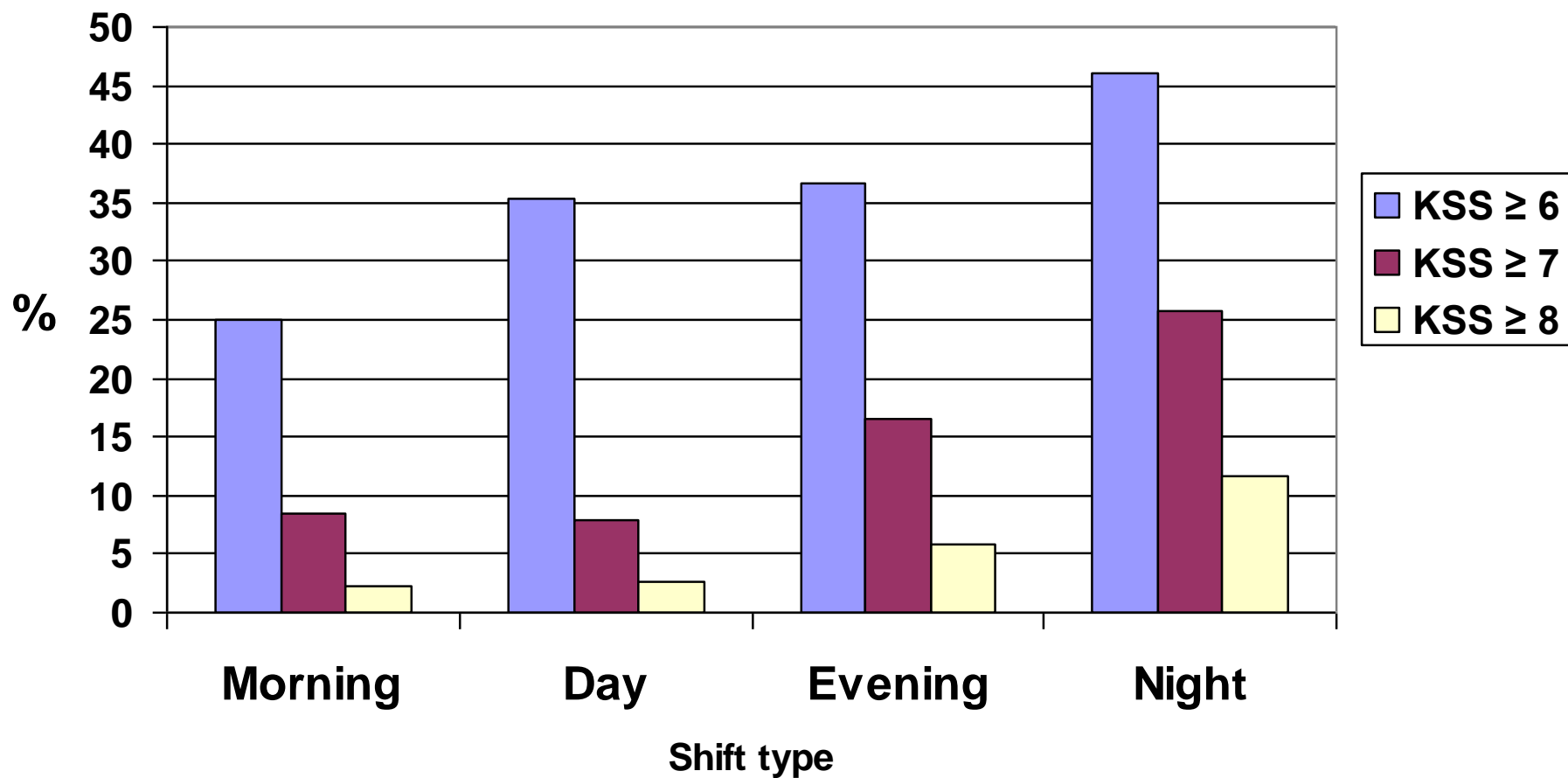
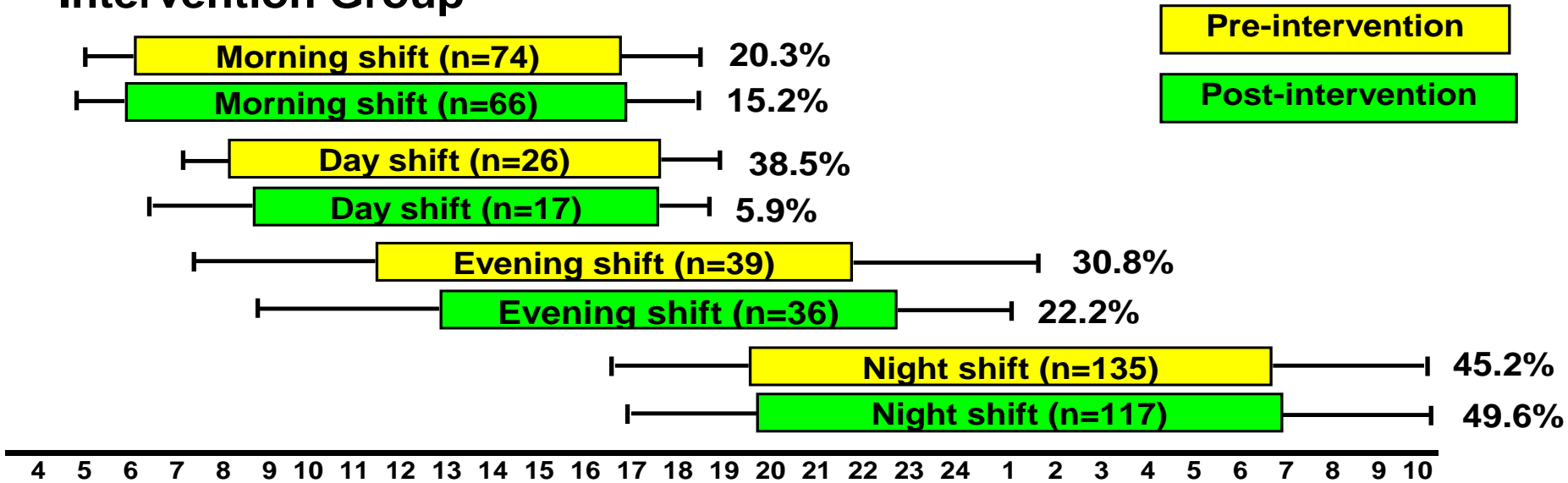


Fig. 1. The proportion of shifts during which the drivers rated their sleepiness ≥ 6 , ≥ 7 or ≥ 8 on the Karoliska Sleepiness Scale at least once. A total of 130 morning shifts, 38 day shifts, 85 evening shifts, and 222 night shifts have been included in the analysis.

Does fatigue management training reduce fatigue?

Intervention Group



Control Group

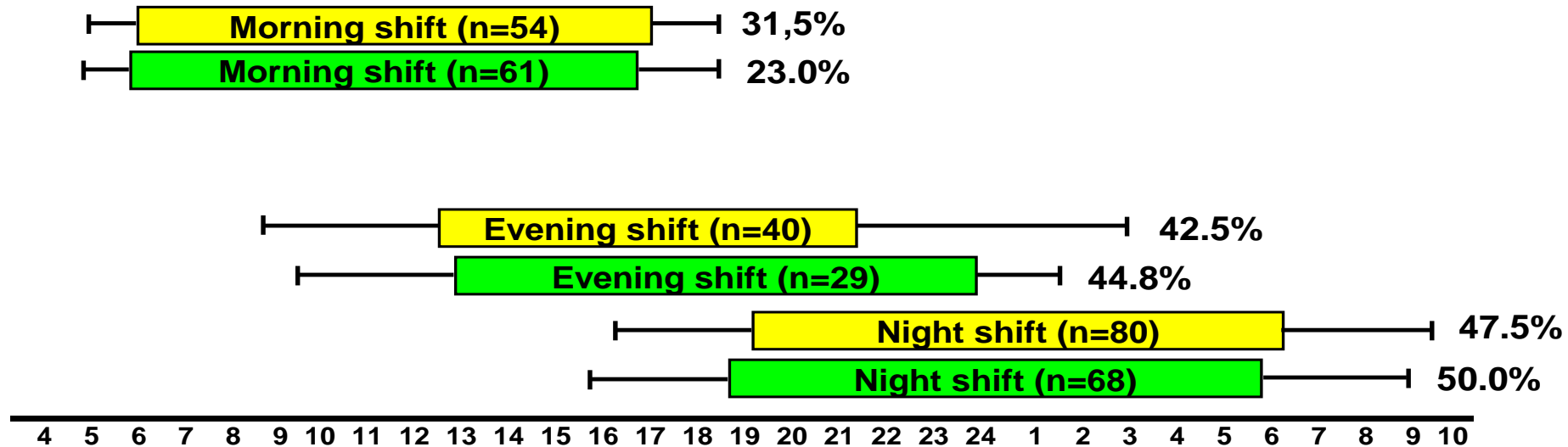


Fig. 2. % of "sleepy" shifts (KSS \geq 6 at least once) in the intervention and control groups.

Thank you!

