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Dear Dr. Marj Concha

We are pleased to submit a full-length research manuscript entitled “The Lived Experience of Drivers with Spinal Cord Injuries: A Qualitative Inquiry” for consideration by the *South African Journal of Occupational Therapy.*

We declare that this study is our original work and has not been published elsewhere, nor is it currently under consideration for publication elsewhere.

In this paper, we explore the personal experiences of drivers with SCI in South Africa, with specific reference to the City of Cape Town Metropolitan area. We also discuss the significance of driving while having a diagnosis of SCI; identify barriers/limitations of driving post-SCI; and unveil the strengths or supports that facilitate post-SCI driving. The significance of this study lies in its contribution in illuminating the rehabilitation and return-to-driving needs of individuals with SCI in the South African context. The study also identifies plausible practice and research opportunities for occupational therapists who are interested in driving and SCI.

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Thank you for your consideration of this manuscript.

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