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Japan's NEC shows "flying car" hovering steadily for minute



COPTER CAR. Japanese electronics maker NEC Corp. recently showed its "flying car" — a large drone-like machine with four propellers — which hovered steadily for about a minute during a test flight at the company's facility in Abiko, near Tokyo. The test flight, which reached 10 feet high, was held in a gigantic cage as a safety precaution. Often called EVtol, for "electric vertical takeoff and landing" aircraft, a flying car is defined as an aircraft that's electric, or hybrid electric, with driverless capabilities, that can land and take off vertically. NEC officials say their flying car was designed for unmanned flights for deliveries but utilized the company's technology in other operations, such as space travel and cybersecurity. See story on page 16. (AP Photo/Koji Sasahara)



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