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Program

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Vancouver, BC, Canada

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PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

Posters
1.5 hour oral
1.5 hour symposia
2 hour orals
2 hour symposia
Keynote
AGM
Coffee
Lunch

Time	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	
8:30:00 AM	Pre-Congress Workshops	Keynote 2 Jens Bo Nielsen	Symposium 4 3 person	Keynote 3 Tatiana Dellagina	Keynote 4 Brian Day	
8:45:00 AM						
9:00:00 AM		Posters & Exhibitors Coffee	Symposium 5 3 person	Posters & Exhibitors Coffee	Oral Session 7 8 speakers	
9:15:00 AM						
9:30:00 AM			Symposium 6 3 person		Oral Session 8 8 speakers	
9:45:00 AM						
10:00:00 AM			Lunch and exhibits (buffet)		AGM	
10:15:00 AM						
10:30:00 AM			Symposium 1 4 persons		Symposium 2 4 persons	Oral session 9 6 speakers
10:45:00 AM						
11:00:00 AM			Symposium 3 4 persons		Symposium 8 4 person	Oral session 10 6 speakers
11:15:00 AM						
11:30:00 AM		Break	Oral session 3 6 speakers	Break		
11:45:00 AM						
12:00:00 PM		Oral Session 1 8 speakers	Oral Session 2 8 speakers	Symposium 10 4 person		
12:15:00 PM						
12:30:00 PM	Free time/ Excursions	Free time/ Canada Day celebrations	Oral session 5 8 speakers	Symposium 11 4 person		
12:45:00 PM						
1:00:00 PM			Oral session 6 8 speakers	Symposium 12 4 person		
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ABOUT ISPGR

The International Society for Posture and Gait Research (ISPGR) is a staff-supported, member driven organization with 500+ members located in over 20 countries around the world.

The society provides a multidisciplinary forum for basic and clinical scientists, provides member benefits and holds regular meetings in order to:

- Present and discuss the latest research and clinical findings relating to the control of posture and gait and related disorders.
- Facilitate interaction between members who meet from all corners of the globe.
- Promote the broad discipline of posture and gait research.

ISPGR History

The International Society for Posture and Gait Research was formed in 1969 under the name the International Society of Posturography, by a group of basic scientists and clinicians who had similar

interests in quantifying postural sway during stance. Most of the Society members in the first years were from Europe and Japan.

The first meetings took place in *Madrid* (1971), *Smolenica* (1973), *Paris* (1975), *Sofia* (1977), *Amsterdam* (1979), *Kyoto* (1981) and *Houston* (1983). At the 1983 meeting in Houston the founders realized that interest in posturography had expanded to include the entire area of balance and gait control and at the annual meeting in 1986, the Society was renamed to its current name. By the 1992 meeting in *Portland, Oregon*, the Society had grown to over 300 members worldwide and member interests expanded to include sensory and motor control neurophysiology, biomechanics, movement disorders, neural circuitry, vestibular function, neurological disorders, effects of development and aging, rehabilitation, robotics, modeling, neural compensation, and motor learning as related to control of balance and gait.

Download the official ISPGR Mobile App!

ISPGR is excited to announce the launch of our interactive mobile application for the 2014 World Congress! The ISPGR Mobile App is available for iPhone, Android, Blackberry and any smartphone or tablet that has web-enabled browser capability. Maximize your time and experience with the ISPGR Congress – scan the QR code on the back of your badge to download the app.

The ISPGR app allows you to:

- View all congress information (sessions, abstracts, speakers, exhibitors, maps, attendee profiles, etc.) on your mobile device
- Build a personalized schedule and access any session handouts
- Find information quickly with the universal search feature
- Opt into messaging with other attendees
- Receive important congress-related notifications and updates
- Take notes on your mobile device during specific sessions with the ability to extract the information later
- Browse local restaurants and attractions
- **And much more...**



WELCOME LETTER

Dear Colleagues, Dear Friends,

We are honoured to be the hosts of the 2014 World Congress of the International Society of Posture and Gait Research, which follows a long history of rich scientific discussion and exchange over the past 40 years.

We are pleased to welcome you to Vancouver, British Columbia. It has been 15 years since the last time the ISPGR meeting was held in Canada, and so we are especially excited to be able to introduce a new generation of researchers to the hospitality and natural beauty that our country is known for throughout the world. This will be on full-display as you will be able to join all Canadians in celebrating Canada Day on July 1st, during the meeting.

In planning this Congress, we have tried to further emphasize scientific exchange and networking, by encouraging more audience participation within the symposia, dedicating more time and attention to poster presentations, and providing greater access to your work through the new conference APP and electronic poster stations. We have also continued the Society's tradition of focusing on young researchers and student members, by reducing student costs, supporting the first official student-run symposium, and recognizing the excellence of their work through the Young Investigator's award and NDI Aftab Patla student poster awards. The impact of the Society's dedication to student participation is highlighted by the fact that over 40% of our Congress attendance is made up of student members this year!

We have four world-class keynote speakers highlighting some of the most innovative and novel research in our field, and an exciting scientific program that features, 7 pre-conference workshops, 71 oral presentations, 12 symposia, and 403 poster presentations covering a broad spectrum of posture and gait research.

We want to extend a sincere thanks to all of those individuals who have dedicated their time to help organize this Congress. Special thanks goes to the members of the Scientific Content Committee who have worked hard to help us objectively select this year's symposia, oral and poster presentations, and members of the Awards Committee that have the challenging task of choosing winners for the Young Investigator's award and student poster awards. We also would like to thank the ISPGR board members for their continued support, and our Conference Organizers at DeArmond Management, who have been an essential partner to the Society as we transition into a central role of organizing our future ISPGR World Congresses. Finally, we thank you, in advance, for your individual contributions and efforts to help make this a memorable and successful Congress for all.

We encourage you to take advantage of the opportunity to share and discuss your work, but also to develop new networks of friends and colleagues, plan future collaborations, and create and exchange new ideas and perspectives.

Friends, colleagues, welcome to Vancouver and the 2014 World Congress of the ISPGR!




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FUTURE MEETINGS

ISPGR World Congress 2015

June 28 - July 2, Seville, Spain



We are pleased to announce that the 2015 ISPGR World Congress will be take place at the Melia Sevilla Hotel, Seville, Spain!

Key dates: Abstract submission opens October 1, 2014 | Registration opens early 2015

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CONGRESS GENERAL INFORMATION

Meeting Venue

The Westin Bayshore Hotel

**601 Bayshore Drive
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(please review the floor plan at the back of the program for further details)

Registration

World Congress Registration

Registration for the Congress includes admission to all sessions (excluding pre-congress workshops), a copy of the printed program, access to all coffee breaks and lunches daily. In addition, all social events, including the Welcome Reception and Gala Dinner are included in your registration.

Additional Tickets

Pre-Congress Workshops require advance registration and **cost \$40**.

Tickets can be purchased separately for your guests and/or children for all conference excursions, the Welcome Reception (\$35 for adults, \$20 for children), and Gala Dinner (\$95 for adults, \$40 for children).

Name Badges

Your name badge is your admission ticket to the conference sessions, coffee breaks, meals, reception and Gala. Please wear it at all times. At the end of the conference we ask that you return your badge to the registration desk, or at one of the badge recycling stations.

ISPGR Board Members, Exhibitors and Staff will be identified by appropriate ribbons.

Dress Code

Dress is casual for all ISPGR meetings and social events.

Registration and Information Desk Hours

The Registration and Information Desk, located in the foyer, will be open during the following dates and times:

Sunday	June 29	07:30 – 09:30 15:00 – 18:30
Monday	June 30	08:00 – 17:00
Tuesday	July 1	08:00 – 15:00
Wednesday	July 2	08:00 – 17:00
Thursday	July 3	08:00 – 16:00

Speaker Information

For Oral Sessions, each room will be equipped with

- 1 PC laptop
- 1 LCD projector
- 1 microphone
- 1 laser pointer

All speakers in Symposia and Oral Sessions must upload their presentations, during their allocated times, at the speaker ready room: Mackenzie. If you have any questions please visit the registration desk.

Poster Information

Set-up and Removal

There are three Poster Sessions during the Congress. Poster presenters must set-up and remove their posters during the following times:

Poster Session 1

Set-up:	Monday, June 30	07:30 – 08:30
Dedicated time:	Monday, June 30	09:30 – 11:30
Remove:	Monday, June 30	by 18:00

Poster Session 2

Set-up:	Tuesday, July 1	07:30 – 08:30
Dedicated time:	Tuesday, July 1	10:00 – 12:00
Remove:	Tuesday, July 1	by 18:00

Poster Session 3

Set-up:	Wednesday, July 2	07:30 – 08:30
Dedicated time:	Wednesday, July 2	09:30 – 11:30
Remove:	Wednesday, July 2	by 18:00

Information on Poster Authors (Lead), Poster Numbers and Poster Titles begins on page 51. For a complete copy of all the poster abstracts, please visit the ISPGR website, where you can download an electronic copy.

Easy reference Poster Floor Plans can be found on page 80.

Staff

ISPGR staff from De Armond Management Ltd can be identified by the orange ribbons on their name badges. Feel free to ask any one of our staff for assistance. For immediate assistance please visit the registration desk.

Internet Services

IPSGR attendees have access to complimentary WI-Fi in the meeting space area.

WI-Fi Instructions: Username: **ispgr**
Password: **9121**

- Please connect using the wireless network service 'Westin Conference' or 'Westin Hotel' and open your internet browser
- On the Westin Portal page, click the 'I agree' after agreeing to the Terms of Service
- On the next screen, please enter the provided user name and password in the 'ACCESS CODE' section, and click 'submit'
- You will then be directed to the Westin Bayshore homepage at which point, you may go to any website of your choosing, connect to your VPN, or perform email tasks



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Membership

Membership in ISPGR is open to scientists, researchers, clinicians and students from around the world involved in the many research and practical aspects of Gait and Posture. Membership dues support the ISPGR's mission of creating a community of multidisciplinary posture and gait researchers and students.

Member Benefits

- Exclusive opportunity to **submit abstracts** for review and consideration for presentation at Society Meetings
- Opportunity to register for Society Meetings at **reduced registration rates**
- Professional **development and networking**
- Access to **online resources** and conference proceedings

- Opportunity to submit applications for **student scholarships and awards**
- Ability to post and review **job and grant opportunities**
- Opportunity to post **news and information** on related events
- Opportunity to **vote** in annual elections for the Board of Directors
- Opportunity to **stand for election** to the Board of Directors
- Opportunity to **serve as an officer** of the Board of Directors
- Opportunity to **serve on Society committees**

Member Categories

Regular Members

Any person who is engaged in research or clinical practice related to posture and gait is eligible to be a regular member.

Student Members

Students enrolled in degree granting programs at institutions of higher learning and post doctoral fellows are eligible to be student members.

Member Dues

ISPGR membership dues are paid annually and cover the calendar year from October 1 to September 30 each year. Current membership dues are:

Regular Member **\$100**

Student/Post-Doc Member **\$50**

Join a Society Committee

All current ISPGR members are encouraged to serve on a Society committee and actively engage in the future planning of the Society and the World Congress. Committees include:

- Scientific Content Committee
- Awards Committee
- Industrial Relations Committee
- Communications Committee

CONGRESS GENERAL INFORMATION

If you would like to learn more, please arrange a face-to-face meeting with a current board member at the World Congress; either through the member community area on the website or by visiting the registration desk.

ISPGR Excursions Tuesday, July 1st

Both the walking tour and trips to Grouse Mountain have a few spaces left if you wish to register. Delegates who wish to take part in these excursions may register onsite at the registration desk.

Vancouver City Walking Tour with John Atkin

3pm departure, 5pm return (2 hours total) –
Tour departs from the Hotel Lobby

John Atkin is a civic historian and author who conducts tours throughout the city. John offers an interesting and offbeat insight to the city's history and neighbourhoods, and brings an insight of urban planning and development, a love of architecture, and the fascination of the curious to all his tours. This tour will depart from the Westin Bayshore Hotel and will take you through Stanley Park and the West End Neighborhood. Please be sure to wear appropriate footwear and bring water with you.

Cost: \$15 per person

The Grouse Grind Hike to the Summit

3pm departure, 7pm return (4 hours total) –
Busses depart from the Hotel Entrance

The Grouse Grind is a 2.9-kilometre trail up the face of Grouse Mountain, commonly referred to as "Mother Nature's Stairmaster." After ascending 2,830 steps, you will enjoy breathtaking views of the city of Vancouver, sparkling Pacific Ocean, Gulf Islands, and surrounding snowy peaks. How fast you can make it to the top depends on your fitness level and how busy the trail is. The average time it takes to reach the top is 1.5 - 2 hours. Please ensure that you wear appropriate footwear and clothing for the hike (temperatures in early July in Vancouver range from 18-28 degrees Celsius), and be sure to bring plenty of water and sunscreen. You'll enjoy a 10 minute ride down as you dangle above the piney mountainside as you take the Skyride back to the base.

Cost: \$35 per person (includes transportation to the base of Grouse Mountain, and the gondola back down)

Grouse Mountain "Skyride" Gondola to the Summit and Back

3pm departure, 7pm return (4 hours total) –
Busses depart from the Hotel Entrance

Take a leisurely gondola ride up to the summit of Grouse Mountain. High above towering Douglas firs, breathtaking views of the city of Vancouver, sparkling Pacific Ocean, Gulf Islands, and snowy peaks unfold as you journey up the mountainside. North America's largest aerial tramway system is your gateway to the majestic nature of The Peak of Vancouver, and an experience in itself. Whether you're in search of the perfect photo, or a cocktail with a view, your adventure begins with the Skyride.

Cost: \$65 per person (includes transportation to the base of Grouse Mountain, and the return gondola ticket)

ISPGR Canada Day Top Tips

To help you celebrate the National Holiday, Canada Day, July 01 2014, we have highlighted some fun activities to help you explore the city and participate in our lively celebrations:

Canada Day Celebration at Canada Place

www.canadaday.canadaplace.ca

This is the largest Canada Day celebration outside the nation's capital. From 10am to 6pm, guests can enjoy a wide variety of live performances, interactive displays, and many family fun activities. All FREE!

Then, make your way to Georgia Street to enjoy the Canada Day Parade at 7pm, finishing the night with a bang and enjoy the Canada Day Fireworks Show at Canada Place at 10:30pm.

Granville Island

vancouver.about.com/od/historylandmarks/ss/granvilleisland.htm

Granville Island's huge Canada Day celebration, from 8am until midnight, includes a Truly Canadian Pancake Breakfast, a Parade, an official Canada Day Ceremony, live jazz, performers, and MELA!, a South Asian cultural fair. This is the best venue for families with young kids: bring a picnic blanket and take breaks to let the kids run at the free Granville Island Water Park.

Steveston Salmon Festival

www.stevestonsalmonfest.ca

The day begins at 10am with a parade through historic Steveston village, including floats, marching bands, celebrities, politicians, community groups, vintage vehicles & much more. Then, the Festival is officially kicked off at our Opening Ceremonies on the Main Stage at noon with dignitaries, speeches, & the singing of O Canada. After the official opening, the stage bursts with great entertainment all afternoon.

The main attraction is our famous salmon barbecue where over 1200 pounds of wild salmon filets are grilled over open fire pits. This popular treat sells out every year! \$15 per plate - cash only.

Canada Day at Fort Langley National Historical Site

Free admission to visit the site where British Columbia was born. There will be multicultural performances, cake, and ceremony and family activities.

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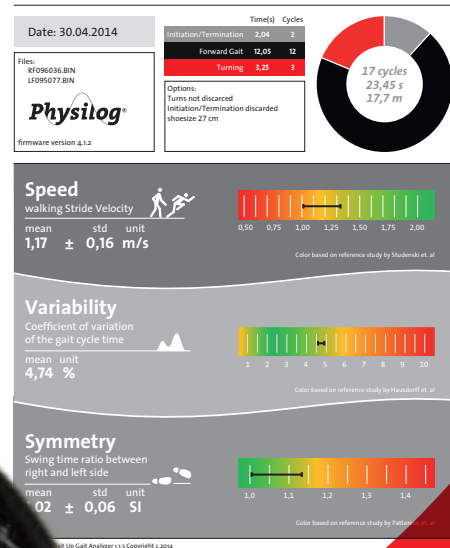
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PRE-CONGRESS WORK SHOPS – Sunday, June 29, 2014

Morning Session 09:00 – 12:00 (lunch on own)

Workshop 1 *Location: Stanley Park Salon 1*

Using Tekscan's force & pressure mapping technology to analyze and assess on foot dysfunctions and gait related disorders, balance, risk of falls and concussion related disorders

Presenter: **Dany Lafontaine**, Tekscan Inc., USA

Workshop Overview: The use of in-shoe and floor mat force and pressure mapping measurement technology has become practice in the clinical and research settings. Clinicians and researchers use this technology to study, assess, analysis and treat, among others, foot, gait, balance, risk of falls and concussion related disorders. In this workshop live hands-on data collection with subjects will be made. The captured data will be processed and displayed. Analysis and interpretation of the data will then be made relative to 1) foot dysfunctions and gait related disorders will be carried out, and 2) balance, risk of falls and concussion related disorders.

Workshop goals and objectives: To exposed the attendees to the use of the F-Scan in-shoe and MatScan floor mat force and pressure measurements systems, including 1) data capture protocols, 2) data analysis protocols, and 3) interpretation on the data relative to foot dysfunctions and gait related disorders, and relative to balance, risk of falls and concussion related disorders.

Takeaway skills and knowledge: 1) learning how to operate the F-Scan in-shoe and the MatScan floor mat systems and 2) operating in the software of the systems. Takeaway knowledge includes how to analyze, assess and interpret on foot dysfunctions and gait related disorders, and on balance, risk of falls and concussion related disorders.

Workshop 2 *Location: Stanley Park Salon 2*

Keeping balance: Function and assessment of the saccule and utricle in the clinical neuro-otology setting - Part one: ideas and theories

09:00 – 09:30 ***Understanding otolithic function and pathology***

Neil Longridge, Vancouver General Hospital and University of British Columbia, Canada

09:30 – 10:00 ***History taking and clinical assessment of the patient with otolithic pathology***

Art Mallinson, Vancouver General Hospital and University of British Columbia, Canada

10:00 – 10:30 ***Unilateral centrifugation to measure the otoliths; using space research to understand vestibular function***

Angelique Van Ombergen, University of Antwerp, Belgium

10:30 – 11:00 ***Break***

11:00 – 11:30 ***Otolithic function in sports performance***

Philippe Perrin, University of Lorraine, France

11:30 – 12:00 ***Otolithic function and fall prevention***

Mans Magnusson, Lund University, Sweden

Workshop 3 *Location: Stanley Park Salon 3*

Biomechanics and motion capture workshop from Vicon

Presenter: **Jacques Gay**, Vicon, UK

09:00 – 09:30	Introduction
09:30 – 10:00	History of gait modelling
10:00 – 10:30	The future of modelling – SCoRE and SARA
10:30 – 11:00	Break
11:00 – 11:30	Practical demonstration of SCoRE and SARA
11:30 – 12:00	Questions

Workshop 4 *Location: ICORD in the Blusson Spinal Cord Centre (off-site)*

Emerging principles for gait training in neurorehabilitation: new task-specific training strategies

Presenters: **Amanda Chisholm**, University of British Columbia, Canada
Catherine Chan, Vancouver Coastal Health and
NeuroMotion Physiotherapy Clinic, Canada
Tania Lam, University of British Columbia, Canada

Format: This workshop will discuss current research emerging for gait training in neurorehabilitation. We will use robotic-based tools (e.g. Lokomat® robotic gait orthosis, and Ekso™ bionic suit) with each work station to provide practical examples demonstrating the implementation of the principles of gait training to enhance the quality and generalizability of practice. The demonstrations will be performed by individuals with a neurological injury, and they will also share their experiences with different gait training modalities.

09:00 – 09:50	Introduction & Review of Literature
09:50 – 10:20	Work Station #1: <i>Taking advantage of the adaptability of locomotion in gait rehabilitation strategies</i>
10:20 – 10:30	Refreshment Break. Coffee will be provided.
10:30 – 11:00	Work Station #2: <i>Enhancing neuroplasticity through sensory stimulation combined with motor training</i>
11:00 – 11:30	Work Station #3: <i>Incorporating principles of motor learning principles into gait training: Task-specificity, variability, and feedback tools to enhance cognitive</i>
11:30 – 12:00	Discussion & Clinical Perspective

Please Note: This workshop will be held at ICORD in the Blusson Spinal Cord Centre (818 West 10th Ave, Vancouver, BC) on Sunday June 29th from 9am - 12noon. The Human Locomotion Lab has all the materials required to conduct the workshop.

**Please be advised that the Blusson Spinal Cord Centre is closed to the public on weekends. We will have volunteers present to allow attendees to have access into the building (at the front doors facing West 10th Ave) and scanned up to the 3rd Floor. The workshop will be in the 3rd floor Rehabilitation Research Lab. Map and directions available on the ISPGR conference app.*

PRE-CONGRESS WORK SHOPS – Sunday, June 29, 2014

Afternoon Session 13:00 – 16:00 (lunch on own)

Workshop 5 *Location: Stanley Park Salon 1*

Understanding physical behaviour and behavioural change? How we can derive context rich information on participation in free-living physical activities from body-worn accelerometer data

13:00 – 13:45 ***Physical Behaviours Model and Event-Based analysis***

Malcolm Granat, University of Salford, UK

13:45 – 14:00 ***Event-Based analysis across a number of chronic conditions***

Danny Rafferty, Glasgow Caledonian University, UK and **Malcolm Granat**, University of Salford, UK

14:00 – 14:15 ***Event-based analysis in Intermittent Claudication***

Malcolm Granat, University of Salford, UK

14:30 – 15:00 **Break**

15:00 – 15:15 ***Analysis of data and introduction to practical***

Douglas Maxwell, PAL Technologies Ltd, UK

15:15 – 15:45 ***Group analysis***

Douglas Maxwell, PAL Technologies Ltd, UK,
Danny Rafferty, Glasgow Caledonian University, UK and
Malcolm Granat, University of Salford, UK

15:45 – 16:00 ***Data visualisation and context***

Malcolm Granat, University of Salford, UK

Workshop 6 *Location: Stanley Park Salon 2*

Consensus meeting on clinical stabilometry

13:00 – 13:05 ***Introduction: workshop aims and program***

Lorenzo Chiari, University of Bologna, Italy

13:05 – 13:30 ***A survey of the most commonly used stabilometric parameters and their measurement properties***

Martina Mancini, Oregon Health & Science University, USA and
Antonio Nardone, Posture and Movement Laboratory, Maugeri Foundation, Italy

13:30 – 13:45 ***Influence of the protocol on stabilometric parameters***

Masahiko Yamamoto, Toho University, Japan

13:45 – 14:00 ***The present status of clinical application of stabilometry and its parameters in Japan***

Mitsuhiro Aoki, Akita Graduate School of Medicine, Japan

14:00 – 14:15 ***The present status of clinical application of stabilometry and its parameters in Latin Countries.***

Pierre-Marie Gagey, ADAP, France

14:15 – 14:30 ***Towards accelerometer-based stabilometry?***

Sabato Mellone, University of Bologna, Italy

14:30 – 15:00 **Coffee Break**

15:00 – 16:00 *The Consensus process on Clinical stabilometry*

Kazuo Ishikawa, Akita Graduate School of Medicine, Japan and
Lorenzo Chiari, University of Bologna, Italy

Workshop 7 *Location: Stanley Park Salon 3*

Keeping balance: Function and assessment of the saccule and utricle in the clinical neuro-otology setting - Part two: results and data

13:00 – 13:30 ***Visual vestibular mismatch; visually induced dizziness; what do these terms mean?***

Art Mallinson, Vancouver General Hospital and University of British Columbia, Canada

13:30 – 14:00 ***Otolithic testing techniques in normals; developing a worldwide data base***

Robby Vanspauwen, University of Antwerp, Belgium

14:00 – 14:30 ***New techniques of otolithic assessment; assessment of the medical/legal patient***

Neil Longridge, Vancouver General Hospital and University of British Columbia, Canada

14:00 – 15:00	Break
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15:00 – 15:30 ***New radiological techniques – diffusion tensor imaging of the vestibular system***

Angelique Van Ombergen, University of Antwerp, Belgium

15:30 – 14:00 **Open discussion and questions**

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Sunday, June 29, 2014

Morning Pre-Congress Workshops

- 09:00 – 12:00 **WS 1.** *Stanley Park Salon 1* Using Tekscan's force & pressure mapping technology to analyze and assess on foot dysfunctions and gait related disorders, balance, risk of falls and concussion related disorders
- WS 2.** *Stanley Park Salon 2* Keeping Balance: function and assessment of the saccule and utricle in the clinical neuro-otology setting - Part one: ideas and theories
- WS 3.** *Stanley Park Salon 3* Biomechanics and motion capture workshop from Vicon
- WS 4.** *ICORD Workshop (Offsite):* Emerging principles for gait training in neurorehabilitation: new task-specific training strategies
- Location:*
3rd Floor, Blusson Spinal Cord Centre
818 West 10th Avenue (Northwest corner of Willow St & West 10th Ave)
Vancouver, B.C. V5Z 1M9

Afternoon Pre-Congress Workshops

- 13:00 – 16:00 **WS 5.** *Stanley Park Salon 1* Understanding physical behaviour and behavioural change - how we can derive context rich information on participation in free-living physical activities from body-worn accelerometer data
- WS 6.** *Stanley Park Salon 3* Consensus meeting on clinical stabilometry
- WS 7.** *Stanley Park Salon 2* Keeping Balance: function and assessment of the saccule and utricle in the clinical neuro-otology setting Part two: results and data

Opening of World Congress

- 17:00 – 17:30 **ISPGR World Congress Opening Ceremony**
location: Bayshore Ballroom ABC
- 17:30 – 18:30 **Opening Keynote – William H. Warren**, Brown University, USA
location: Bayshore Ballroom ABC
Behavioral dynamics of visually-guided walking: from stepping to swarming
Chair: **Brad McFadyen**, Laval University, Canada
- 18:30 – 19:30 **Opening Reception**
location: Currents Restaurant and outdoor area

Monday, June 30, 2014

- 08:30 – 09:30 **Keynote Presentation - Jens Bo Nielsen**, University of Copenhagen, Denmark
location: Bayshore Ballroom ABC
Corticospinal control of gait in humans
Chair: **Jacques Duysens**, KU-Leuven, Belgium
- 09:30 – 11:30 **Poster Session 1** *location: Bayshore Ballroom DEF*
- 11:30 – 12:30 **Lunch: posters & exhibits**
location: Bayshore Ballroom DEF & Foyer

Parallel Symposia

12:30 – 14:30

S.1. *Uncovering real-life falls* *location: Cypress Room*

Chair and discussant: **Chris Todd**, University of Manchester, UK

Participants:

Stephen Robinovitch, Simon Fraser University, Canada

Lorenzo Chiari, Università di Bologna, Italy

Clemens Becker, Robert-Bosch-Krankenhaus, Germany

Stefania Bandinelli, Geriatric Unit, ASF, Florence, Italy

S.2. *Can (biomechanical) mobility parameters serve as a biomarker for neurodegenerative movement disorders?* *location: Bayshore Ballroom BC*

Co-Chairs:

Walter Maetzler, University Hospital Tuebingen, Germany

Martijn Muller, University of Michigan, USA

Participants:

Alice Nieuwboer, KU Leuven, Belgium

Fay Horak, Oregon Health and Science University, USA

Martijn Muller, University of Michigan, USA

Walter Maetzler, University Hospital Tuebingen, Germany

S.3. *Advanced methods to identify balance control mechanisms in stance and gait*
location: Stanley Park Ballroom Salon 1 & 2

Chair & Discussant: **Herman van der Kooij**, University of Twente, Netherlands

Participants:

Herman van der Kooij, University of Twente, Netherlands

Thomas Mergner, University of Freiburg, Germany

Tim Kiemel, University of Maryland, USA

Robert Peterka, Oregon Health and Science University, USA

14:30 – 15:00

Break *location: Bayshore Ballroom foyer*

Oral Sessions

15:00 – 17:00

O.1 *Aging Oral* *location: Bayshore Ballroom BC*

Co-Chairs:

Vivian Weerdesteyn, Radboud University, Netherlands

Joe Verghese, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, USA

O.1.1 *Association between walking smoothness and measures of isometric hand grip and knee extension strength*

Bård Bogen, University of Bergen, Norway

O.1.2 *Perceptions of gait speed, timing and risk: an experimental study of road-crossing behavior in older people*

Annie Butler, Neuroscience Research Australia

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- O.1.3** *Biomechanical characteristics of balance control in obese older adults*
Itshak Melzer, Ben-Gurion University, Israel
- O.1.4** *Hearing loss negatively impacts balance and gait by increasing cognitive load*
Nicoleta Bugnariu, University of North Texas Health Science Center, USA
- O.1.5** *The effect of different walking types on dual-task performance among community dwelling older adults*
Maayan Agmon, University of Haifa, Israel
- O.1.6** *The influence of fear and anxiety on postural sway compensations under postural threat in young and older adults*
Daina Sturnieks, Neuroscience Research Australia, Australia
- O.1.7** *The effects of route previewing on older adults' gaze behavior and stepping accuracy during adaptive locomotion*
Mark Hollands, Liverpool John Moores University, UK
- O.1.8** *Balance control interferes with learning to trace a pattern with mirror-reversed vision in older persons*
Normand Teasdale, Université Laval, Canada

O.2 Sensorimotor Control I *location: Stanley Park Ballroom 1 & 2*

Co-Chairs:

Nandini Deshpande, Queen's University, Canada
Geoffrey Wright, Temple University, USA

- O.2.1** *Inspiratory muscle training improves proprioceptive postural control and sit-to-stand-to-sit in individuals with recurrent non-specific low back pain*
Lotte Janssens, KU Leuven (University of Leuven), Netherlands
- O.2.2** *The quick and the slow: separate time scales of control for human walking*
David Logan, University of Maryland, USA
- O.2.3** *Locomotor control strategies underlying acquisition of a skilled walking task when sensory stimulation is combined with motor practice*
Amanda Chisholm, University of British Columbia, USA
- O.2.4** *Addition of haptic information for postural control in young adults: Light touch reduces more body sway than does the "anchor system"*
Renato Moraes, University of Sao Paulo at Ribeirao Preto, Brazil
- O.2.5** *Cutaneous afferent sensitivity and perceptual threshold in the Human foot sole*
Leah Bent, University of Guelph, Canada
- O.2.6** *Unilateral or bilateral vibration effects during postural control for young adults*
Noémie Duclos, Aix-Marseille University, CNRS, France
- O.2.7** *The mere planning of an imagined step movement suffices to trigger cortical facilitation of somatosensory inputs*
Laurence Mouchnino, Aix-Marseille University CNRS, France

O.2.8 *Correlation between structural properties of white matter pathways and proprioceptive postural control in individuals with recurrent non-specific low back pain and healthy controls*

Madelon Pijnenburg, University of Leuven, Belgium

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Parallel Symposia

08:30 – 10:00 **S.4.** *The role and implications of cortical and other supraspinal areas in control of balance and gait* *location: Bayshore Ballroom BC*

Chair: **Fay Horak**, Oregon Health and Science University, USA

Participants:

Klaus Jahn, University of Munich, Germany

Daniel Peterson, Oregon Health & Science University, USA

Lynn Rochester, University of Newcastle, UK

S.5. *Wearable sensory substitution devices for balance or gait dysfunction: Patient-specific design and optimization* *location: Cypress Room*

Chair: **Patrick Loughlin**, University of Pittsburg, USA

Discussant: **Conrad Wall**, Harvard Medical School, USA

Participants:

John Allum, University Hospital, Basel, Switzerland

Patrick Loughlin, University of Pittsburg, USA

Kathleen Sienko, University of Michigan, USA

S.6. *Motor-cognitive reserve and risk: new concepts and novel findings*
location: Stanley Park Ballroom Salon 1 & 2

Chair & Discussant:

Jeffrey M. Hausdorff, Tel Aviv Sourasky Medical Center and
Tel Aviv University, Israel

Participants:

Joe Verghese, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, USA

Anat Mirelman, Tel Aviv Sourasky Medical Center, Israel

Brad Manor, Harvard Medical School, USA

10:00 – 12:00 **Poster Session 2** *location: Bayshore Ballroom DEF*

12:00 – 13:00 **Lunch: Young Investigator Award Presentation** *location: Bayshore Ballroom ABC*

Oral Sessions

13:00 – 14:30 **O.3** **Habilitation & Rehabilitation** *location: Bayshore Ballroom BC*

Co-Chairs:

Beatrix Vereijken, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway

Tania Lam, University of British Columbia, Canada

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O.3.1 *Sensory reweighting of proprioceptive information in young and older adults: Improvement through adaptation*

Mihalis Doulas, Queen's University Belfast, Ireland

O.3.2 *Gait rehabilitation: Does executive function status matter?*

Kristin Lowry, Des Moines University, USA

O.3.3 *Can functional electrical stimulation of the hamstring muscles improve knee kinematics in stiff knee gait of stroke survivors?*

Martin Tenniglo, Roessingh Research and Development, Netherlands

O.3.4 *Gait practice during inpatient rehabilitation following stroke*

Suzanne Kuys, Griffith University, Australia

O.3.5 *Visual cue training to improve walking and turning after stroke: a multi-centre, single-blind feasibility RCT*

Kristen Hollands, University of Salford, UK

O.3.6 *Balance, dizziness, and kinesthesia in patients with chronic whiplash associated disorders: a prospective randomized study comparing three exercise programs*

Anneli Peolsson, Linköping University, Sweden

O.4 **Falls & Falls Prevention** *location: Stanley Park Ballroom 1 & 2*

Co-Chairs:

Kim Delbaere, Neuroscience Research Australia

Mirjam Pijnappels, VU University, Netherlands

O.4.1 *Identifying individuals with difficulty in sit-to-stand movement using dynamic stability limits defined by center of mass acceleration*

Masahiro Fujimoto, University of Maryland School of Medicine, USA

O.4.2 *The quantity and quality of daily activities in relation with fall history and future falls in older adults*

Kimberley van Schooten, VU University Amsterdam, Netherlands

O.4.3 *Development and validation of a fall risk assessment tool from the InCHIANTI study*

Pierpaolo Palumbo, University of Bologna, Italy

O.4.4 *Risk-taking, physical ability and falls in older people*

Stephen Lord, Neuroscience Research Australia, Australia

O.4.5 *Kinematic analysis of real-life falls in older adults*

Woochol Choi, Simon Fraser University, Canada

O.4.6 *Perturbation training while walking improves balance control and voluntary stepping parameters in community dwelling elders: a randomized control trial*

Ilan Kurz, Ben Gurion University, Israel

14:30 – 17:00

Free time with excursions

Wednesday, July 2, 2014

- 08:30 – 09:30 **Keynote Presentation** *location: Bayshore Ballroom ABC*
Tatiana Deliagina, Karolinska Institute, Sweden
Neural mechanisms underlying feedback postural control
Chair: **Mark Carpenter**, University of British Columbia, Canada
- 09:30 – 11:30 **Poster Session 3** *location: Bayshore Ballroom DEF*
- 11:30 – 12:30 **Lunch: posters and exhibits** *location: Bayshore Ballroom DEF & foyer*

Parallel Symposia

- 12:30 – 14:30 **S.7. *Can we more objectively measure motor-cognitive functioning to diagnose sports-related concussions?*** *location: Cypress Room*
Participants:
Michael Cinelli, Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada
Brad McFadyen, Laval University, Canada
Paul van Donkelaar, University of British Columbia, Canada
Li-Shan Chou, University of Oregon, USA
- S.8. *Implants and wearable aids for balance and gait dysfunction***
location: Stanley Park Ballroom 1 & 2
Chair: **Katheen Sienko**, University of Michigan, USA
Discussant: **John Allum**, University Hospital Basel, Switzerland
Participants:
Conrad Wall, Harvard Medical School, USA
Dietmar Basta, University of Berlin, Germany
Lara Thompson, University of the District of Columbia, USA
Yuri Danilov, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA
- S.9. *Exergaming in the elderly for fall risk reduction and prevention: Challenges and future directions*** *location: Bayshore Ballroom BC*
Chair: **Nina Skjaeret**, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway
Discussant: **Stephen Lord**, University New South Wales, Neuroscience Research Australia
Participants:
Claudine Lamoth, Center for Human Movement Sciences, Netherlands
Daniel Schoene, Neuroscience Research Institute, Australia
Alan Bourke, Ecole Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne (EPFL), Switzerland
Brook Galna, Newcastle University, UK
- 14:30 – 15:00 **Break** *location: Bayshore Ballroom foyer*

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Oral Sessions

15:00 – 17:00

O.5 Neurological Disease *location: Bayshore Ballroom BC*

Co-Chairs:

Walter Maetzler, University of Tuebingen, Germany

Lynn Rochester, Newcastle University, UK

O.5.1 *The immediate effect of subthalamic deep brain stimulation on sensory and motor aspects of postural control*

Lauren Shreve, Stanford University, USA

O.5.2 *Training-related improvements in step initiation using self-triggered sensory cueing reveals different expressions of start hesitation in persons with Parkinson's disease*

Robert Creath, University of Maryland School of Medicine, USA

O.5.3 *Quantitative functional reach in high risk individuals for Parkinson's disease*

Sandra Hasmann, University Hospital of Tübingen, Germany

O.5.4 *Functional neuroimaging of prefrontal cortex in Parkinson's disease: effects of cognitive task during seated and standing postures*

Graham Kerr, Queensland University of Technology, Australia

O.5.5 *The effect of concurrent cognitive loading and asymmetric walking in patients with Parkinson's disease with and without freezing of gait*

Farshid Mohammadi, KU Leuven, Belgium

O.5.6 *Balance and gait rehabilitation in patients with cerebellar damage of vascular or degenerative origin*

Anna Turcato, Fondazione Salvatore Maugeri (IRCCS), Scientific Institute of Veruno, Italy

O.5.7 *Vestibulo-cerebellar influences on gait control*

Roman Schniepp, Ludwig-Maximilian-University of Munich, Germany

O.5.8 *Post-stroke lower limb spasticity alters the interlimb spatial and temporal synchronisation of centre of pressure displacements across multiple timescales*

Jonathan Singer, Sunnybrook Research Institute, Canada

O.6 Tools & Methods *location: Stanley Park Ballroom 1 & 2*

Co-Chairs:

Shirley Rietdyk, Purdue University, USA

Li-Shan Chou, University of Oregon, USA

O.6.1 *Quantifying individual components of the timed up and go using the kinect in people living with stroke*

Ross Clark, Australian Catholic University, Australia

O.6.2 *Estimating gait characteristics from accelerometer recordings - agreement between sensor locations*

Sietse Rispens, VU University Amsterdam, Netherlands

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- O.6.3 **Wavelet-based functional ANOVA to reveal statistically-significant contrasts between EMG and kinematics recorded in different experimental conditions**
Johnathan McKay, Emory University and the Georgia Institute of Technology, USA
 - O.6.4 **Defining optimal filtering frequencies in electromyographic signal contaminated with movement artefact**
Stephanie Smith, Glasgow Caledonian University, Scotland
 - O.6.5 **Electrical vestibular stimulation for the clinic: enhancing vestibulo-motor output and improving subject comfort**
Patrick Forbes, Delft University of Technology, Netherlands
 - O.6.6 **A four domain model of gait in older hip-fracture patients based on factor analysis**
Pernille Thingstad, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway
 - O.6.7 **Subtle changes in gait domains over 18 months in Parkinson's disease**
Sue Lord, Newcastle University, UK
 - O.6.8 **Comparison of methods for the detection of freezing of gait (FOG) in patients with Parkinson's disease**
Gwang-Moon Eom, Konkuk University, South Korea

Thursday, July 3, 2014

08:30 – 09:30 **Keynote Presentation – Brian Day**, University College London, UK
Vestibular influence on whole-body actions revealed by virtual head rotation
location: Bayshore Ballroom ABC
 Chair: **Jim Frank**, University of Waterloo, Canada

Oral Sessions

09:30 – 11:30 **O.7 Cognitive Influences and Impairments** *location: Bayshore Ballroom BC*
 Co-Chairs:
 Mike Cinelli, Wilfred Laurier University, Canada
 Karen Li, Concordia University, Canada

- O.7.1 **Differences in gait balance control recovery from concussion between adolescents and young adults**
David Howell, University of Oregon, USA
- O.7.2 **Spatial navigation in patients with cognitive impairment - assessed by the Floor Maze Test**
Gro Tangen, University of Oslo, Norway
- O.7.3 **Contributions of the montreal cognitive assessment (MOCA) to dual task gait performance**
Isabelle Killane, Trinity Centre for Bioengineering, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland

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- O.7.4** *Is cognitive flexibility the key to healthy older adults' ability to prioritise attention in dual-task walking and counting?*

Linda Maclean, University of St Andrews, Scotland

- O.7.5** *Transcranial direct current stimulation (tDCS) alters the multi-scale complexity of dual-task postural control in older adults*

Junhong Zhou, Peking University, China

- O.7.7** *Improvement in dual tasking when walking is more closely linked to dual task interference than cognitive function in people with Parkinson's disease*

Sandra Brauer, University of Queensland, Australia

- O.7.8** *Discerning effect of cognitive capacity on dual task in Parkinson's disease and healthy controls*

Lynn Rochester, Newcastle University, UK

O.8 Sensorimotor Control II *location: Stanley Park Ballroom 1 & 2*

Co-Chairs:

Leah Bent, University of Guelph, Canada

Dan Marigold, Simon Fraser University, Canada

- O.8.1** *Haptically mediated inter-personal entrainment depends on postural coordination dynamics during frequency scaled rhythmic sway*

Vassilia Hatzitaki, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

- O.8.2** *Temporospatial relationships between axial body segments during standing turns is predominantly determined by turning speed*

Rebecca Robins, Liverpool John Moores University, UK

- O.8.3** *Potential different functions in discrete regions of the psoas major muscle at the spine and hip during gait*

Rachel Park, University of Queensland, Australia

- O.8.4** *Experimentally induced hip muscle pain alters single-leg dynamic balance performance in healthy young adults*

Anna Hatton, University of Queensland, Australia

- O.8.5** *Direction specific adaptation of trunk muscles during direction related induced experimental pain*

Martin Eriksson Crommert, Örebro University, Sweden

- O.8.6** *Advanced preparation of automatic postural responses occurs during perturbations with predictable and unpredictable directions*

Elizabeth Pasman, University of British Columbia, Canada

- O.8.7** *Adaptation of dynamic balance between unpredictable gait perturbations in healthy participants*

Aurélien Méreau, Université de Montréal, Canada

- O.8.8** *The relationship between plantar-surface pressure and muscle activity during gait*

Stephen Perry, Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada

11:30 – 12:30	Lunch and Annual General Meeting <i>location: Bayshore Ballroom DEF</i>
12:30 – 13:00	Award Presentations <i>location: Bayshore Ballroom DEF</i>

Oral Sessions

13:00 – 14:30	O.9 Vestibular Function & Disorders <i>location: Bayshore Ballroom BC</i> Co-Chairs: Tim Inglis , University of British Columbia, Canada John Allum , ORL University Clinic, Switzerland O.9.1 <i>Does pharmacological abatement of postural imbalance in acute unilateral vestibulopathy counteract vestibular compensation?</i> Andreas Zwergal , University of Munich, Germany O.9.2 <i>The severity of vestibular dysfunction influences postural compensation</i> Lara Thompson , University of the District of Columbia, USA O.9.3 <i>Clinical characteristics of idiopathic otolithic vertigo</i> Toshihisa Murofushi , Teikyo University School of Medicine, Japan O.9.4 <i>Increased gain of vestibulospinal potentials evoked in neck and leg muscles when standing under height-induced postural threat</i> Eduardo Naranjo , University of British Columbia, Canada O.9.5 <i>Spatial characteristics of the muscle response to electrical vestibular stimulation in humans</i> Billy Luu , Neuroscience Research Australia O.9.6 <i>Polymodal areas in the right brain support the human sense of upright</i> Céline Piscicelli , University Hospital of Grenoble, France O.10 Activity Monitoring & Exercise <i>location: Stanley Park Ballroom 1 & 2</i> Co-Chairs: Kirsten Hollands , University of Salford, UK John Buckley , University of Bradford, UK O.10.1 <i>Association between walking patterns during community ambulation and cognitive function in patients with Parkinson's disease: further insights into motor-cognitive links</i> Aner Weiss , Souraski Medical Center, Israel O.10.2 <i>Time spent standing and walking post-stroke: a three year follow up study</i> Carolyn Fitton , University of Southampton, UK O.10.3 <i>Feasibility of relating continuous monitoring of turning mobility to fall risk and cognitive function</i> Martina Mancini , Oregon Health & Science University, USA O.10.4 <i>Usability and effects of an exergame-based balance training program</i> Eling D. de Bruin , Institute of Human Movement Sciences and Sport, ETH Zurich, Switzerland
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O.10.5 *Effects of a highly challenging and systems-specific balance training program on balance, gait, physical activity and fear of falling in Parkinson's disease*

Erika Franzén, Karolinska Institutet, Sweden

O.10.6 *Move up! Exergames training in children with advanced degenerative ataxia*

Cornelia Schatton, Hertie-Institute for Clinical Brain Research, Germany

14:30 – 15:00 **Break** *location: Bayshore Ballroom foyer*

Parallel Symposia

15:00 – 17:00 **S.10.** *Proactive and reactive adaptations to slips and trips: implications for fall-risk assessment and rehabilitation* *location: Cypress Room*

Chair: **Vivian Weerdestyn**, Radboud University, Netherlands

Participants:

Shirley Rietdyk, Purdue University, USA

Mirjam Pijnappels, VU University, Netherlands

Tanvi Bhatt, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA

Clive Pai, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA

S.11. *Multi-person entrainment in gait and posture: theories and approaches*

location: Stanley Park Ballroom 1 & 2

Chair: **Mark T. Elliott**, University of Birmingham, UK

Participants:

Mark T. Elliott, University of Birmingham, UK

Andreas Daffertshofer, VU University Amsterdam, Netherlands

Vassilia Hatzitaki, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

Jeffrey M. Hausdorff, Tel Aviv Sourasky Medical Center and

Tel Aviv University, Israel

S.12. *The interplay between cognition and mobility: cutting-edge neuroimaging insights* *location: Bayshore Ballroom BC*

Chair: **Teresa Liu-Ambrose**, University of British Columbia, Canada

Discussant: **Stephen Lord**, University New South Wales, Neuroscience Research Australia

Participants:

Caterina Rosano, University of Pittsburgh, USA

Kim Delbaere, University of New South Wales, Australia

Chun Liang Hsu, University of British Columbia, Canada

Lindsay Nagamatsu, University of Illinois, USA

Teresa Liu-Ambrose, University of British Columbia, Canada

18:30 – 19:00 **Closing Ceremony** *location: Bayshore Ballroom*

19:00 – 23:00 **Gala Dinner and live entertainment** *location: Bayshore Ballroom*

AWARDS

Promising Young Scientist Award Winner 2014

The Promising Young Scientist Award acknowledges superior research by a young investigator in Posture and/or Gait. The Awards Committee is pleased to announce this year's award recipient –

Ross Clark, Australian Catholic University.

Ross is a Lecturer in Advanced Motor Control in the School of Exercise and Sports Science at Australian Catholic University.

Through his research Ross has:

- Found that low cost video gaming and Smartphone technology can be used to accurately assess some aspects of physical function
- Worked with clinicians throughout the world to implement these systems in standard clinical practice
- Used the data from these assessments to help identify patients at risk of poor long-term outcomes

Ross's presentation will take place on Tuesday July 1st, at 12:00 in the Bayshore Ballroom.

Research and Innovation Award in memory of Aftab Patla

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The congress will offer two student poster presentation awards in honour of Dr. Aftab Patla. One award will be for basic science and one for clinical science. Recipients will be chosen from a panel of researchers based on several criteria including:

creativity and originality of research / clarity of presentation / level of understanding

The award winner will be announced at the Closing Ceremony, Thursday July 3, 18:30 – 19:00.

Note: This award is for student poster submissions only.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

William H. Warren

Brown University, USA



William H. Warren is Chancellor's Professor of Cognitive, Linguistic, and Psychological Sciences at Brown University, and Director of the Virtual Environment Navigation Lab (VENLab). He received his Ph.D. from the University of Connecticut (1982) and did his post-doctoral work at the University of Edinburgh (1983). He uses virtual reality techniques to investigate the visual control of human action. His primary focus is developing a "pedestrian model" of locomotor behavior and collective crowd dynamics, with applications to visual-motor assessment and rehabilitation. A second line of research studies spatial navigation, including path integration, spatial learning, and the geometry of "cognitive maps". A third project investigates the dynamics of perceptual-motor control in tasks such as bouncing a (virtual) ball on a racket. Warren is author of over 90 scientific papers and the recipient of a Fulbright Research Fellowship, an NIH Research Career Development Award, and Brown's Elizabeth Leduc Teaching Award for Excellence in the Life Sciences.

Behavioral dynamics of visually-guided walking: From stepping to swarming

Locomotion is hierarchically organized, from the individual's step cycle to the collective behavior of human crowds and animal swarms. A behavioral dynamics approach argues that at each level, stable adaptive behavior emerges from the interaction between the individual and its environment, exploiting both physical and informational constraints. At the level of the step cycle, the passive gait dynamics are actively modulated by visual information, one step at a time, to adapt gait to the terrain (Matthis & Fajen, 2013). At the pedestrian level, locomotor trajectories emerge on-line from the agent-environment interaction, without appealing to an internal world model or explicit path planning. I will describe a pedestrian model of steering, obstacle avoidance, interception, and pedestrian interactions derived from experimental studies of walking in a virtual environment. Each basic behavior is modeled as a simple dynamical system, and they can be linearly combined to predict behavior in more complex settings. At the collective level, global crowd behavior emerges from local interactions between pedestrians. Using multi-agent simulation methods, we find that our pedestrian model can generate the patterns of crowd behavior we observe in several "swarm" scenarios (N=20) recorded with motion-capture techniques. I will discuss **(a) Grand Central**, in which individuals criss-cross the room, **(b) random swarm**, in which participants veer left and right while staying together as a group, and **(c) counterflow**, in which two groups pass through each other. In each scenario, the individual trajectories and global traffic patterns can be simulated with just a few model components. Thus, at each level, locomotor behavior can be understood as emergent behavior, with its dynamics modulated by information to yield stable adaptive action patterns.

Jens Bo Nielsen

University of Copenhagen, Denmark



Jens Bo Nielsen is Professor and Head of the Section 'Neural control of Movement' at University of Copenhagen, Denmark. After gaining his medical degree and PhD from the University of Copenhagen, Professor Nielsen became Professor and Head of the Physiology Institute at the University of Kiel, Germany in 1995. He returned to the University of Copenhagen in 2000. Professor Nielsen is interested in how the nervous system controls movement in health and disease. His research covers work at the cellular and integrative level in animal models, healthy human subjects and neurological patients. His main research interests are the central control of gait, motor learning and neuroplasticity, voluntary and involuntary contributions to movement, perception of movement and intentionality.

Professor Nielsen has authored or co-authored >160 papers in international peer-reviewed journals, as well as numerous book chapters, meeting abstracts, medical student textbooks and public science books.

Corticospinal control of gait in humans.

Non-invasive imaging and electrophysiological techniques have revealed the contribution of the corticospinal tract to the control of human gait during the past 15 years. These techniques have also permitted an evaluation of the development of corticospinal control in children and the significance of corticospinal lesions for gait deficits in neurological patients. The lecture will review these findings with an emphasis on adaptation of corticospinal control of gait in relation to gait training and rehabilitation.

Tatiana Dellagina

Karolinska Institute, Sweden



In 1982, I got PhD degree in neurophysiology at Moscow State University (Russia), where I continued working until 1990. Since 1990, I am working at Department of Neuroscience, Karolinska Institute (Stockholm, Sweden). My present position is Professor in neuroscience. The areas of my scientific interest are neural mechanisms of rhythmical movements, and interaction of neuronal networks responsible for different aspects of motor behavior. My recent investigations are focused on neural mechanisms of postural control, their impairment caused by damage to different parts of CNS and sensory organs, as well as on developing methods promoting recovery of postural functions. I have published more than 100 scientific papers in international journals and one monograph.

Neural mechanisms underlying feedback postural control

Maintenance of specific body orientation and equilibrium during standing and locomotion is evolutionary old motor function based on in-born neural mechanisms. Impairment of postural control is one of the major motor disorders following spinal cord injury, stroke, etc. Selection of appropriate rehabilitation strategies for compensation of postural deficits depends largely on elucidation of corresponding neural mechanisms. In my talk the recent advances in the studies of feedback mode of postural control in quadrupeds will be discussed. Specific topics include: distribution of postural networks within CNS, principles of their operation, their impairments caused by spinal cord injury, and neural mechanisms of balance control during locomotion

Brian Day

University College London, UK



Brian Day is Professor of Motor Neuroscience at the Institute of Neurology, University College London. After training in mechanical and bio-engineering, in 1978 he moved into the field of human sensorimotor control mechanisms in health and in neurological diseases that cause movement disorders. He has been at the forefront in the development and application of a number of non-invasive techniques for studying sensorimotor processes and circuitry in intact man, most notably transcranial cortical stimulation, and more recently vestibular stimulation. His current research is devoted to understanding multisensory processes that control and integrate whole-body motor activities.

Vestibular influence on whole-body actions revealed by virtual head rotation

The vestibular system is a 6-axis inertial sensor that provides the brain with unique information about motion and orientation of the head in space. It has great potential to influence a host of whole-body motor activities, but difficult to study with conventional tools. Here I describe an electrical vestibular stimulation method that is simple, produces a pure and functional vestibular input and can be applied during a wide range of activities without interference. I will show that it reveals vestibular influences on a host of normal perceptual and motor activities and may be used to probe vestibulomotor asymmetries in disease.

Symposium I Monday June 30, 12:30 - 14:30, Cypress Room

Uncovering real-life falls

Chair and Discussant: **Chris Todd**, University of Manchester, UK

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What we've learned from video-based recording of falls in older people residing in long-term care

Video capture of falls in the high-risk long-term care (LTC) setting can provide insight on the biomechanical, situational, and environmental factors that contribute to these events, to help guide the design of interventions. Since 2007, the Technology for Injury Prevention in Seniors program has partnered with two LTC centres in the Vancouver area to record video footage of 1074 falls experienced by 358 individuals, from networks of digital video cameras (n=270) in common areas (hallways, dining rooms, lounges). Individuals captured falling have a mean age of 81 years (SD=9), and 60% are female. We have consent to access medical records in 160 fallers with 602 video-captured falls. Of these, 43% have hypertension, 61% have dementia, 22% have diabetes, 15% have a history of stroke, and 3% have Parkinson's Disease. Over 50% are taking antipsychotics, antidepressants, and/or analgesics. We have analyzed each video to categorize key aspects of fall initiation, descent and impact, using a validated 24-item questionnaire (Yang et al., BCM Geriatrics, 2013). In terms of fall initiation, we have focused on describing the scenarios that lead to falls in LTC (Robinovitch et al., Lancet, 2013). Key observations include (1) the high prevalence of falls due to incorrect weight shifting (41% of all falls) followed by tripping (23%) and loss-of-support with an external object (11%), (2) the similarity in the frequency of falls occurring while transferring and walking, and (3) the finding that, while 74% of individuals were habitual users of walkers and wheelchairs, only 21% of falls occurred while using these devices. In terms of fall descent, we have focused on fall direction and balance recovery attempts. 46% of falls involved attempts to recover balance by stepping, and 23% by grasping a nearby object. Most falls were directed backwards (39%), followed by sideways (28%), forward (17%), and straight down (16%), but there was a marked tendency for individuals to rotate backwards during descent. In terms of fall impact, we have examined the consequences of falls in terms of the impacting body sites, and resulting injuries. Of note, head impact was observed in 37% of cases (Schonnop et al., CMAJ, 2013). Probability for head impact did not associate with hand impact (which occurred in 74% of cases), was highest in forward falls, and associated with hypertension and impaired vision. While head injury was documented in 34% of cases (lacerations, abrasions or hematoma), no concussions were noted. These results suggest several new opportunities for prevention of falls and injuries in LTC, including exercises to enhance transferring and upper limb protective responses, improvements in mobility devices (e.g., self-locking wheelchairs, universal design walkers), advances in the management of medications and visual impairments, improved screening for traumatic brain injury following falls, and environmental modifications such as compliant flooring. In moving forward, the challenge is develop effective methods for linking the video evidence with the clinical and situational context, and sharing that information with stakeholders to drive improvements to fall injury prevention.

Lorenzo Chiari, Universita di Bologna, Italy

What we've learned by recording falls with wearable inertial sensors

Wearable inertial sensors offer a remarkable opportunity to measure body movements in a first-person perspective. The kinematics of body segments to which they are attached can indeed be measured at a reasonably low cost, in terms of intrusiveness and acceptability, and with a more than adequate accuracy. Furthermore, being body-worn they can provide measures even in unstructured environments and outdoor. For these reasons the usage of inertial sensors has been so popular in the field of automatic fall detection. Many different approaches

have been explored to solve the fall detection problem using only accelerometers or inertial measurement units (both gyroscopes and accelerometers). Nevertheless, as pointed out in a recent systematic review promoted by the FARSEEING Consortium (Schwickert et al, Z Gerontol Geriat, 2013) which analyzed 96 papers published between 1998 and 2012, the sensor-based devices and their technical specifications varied considerably across studies. Most of the devices included triaxial or bi-/uniaxial accelerometers. Sampling rates and measurement ranges of the sensors were very heterogeneous. The placement of the devices depended on the different sensor types and the number of sensors used for each setting. The most frequent sensor placement positions were waist or hip, followed by trunk attachment; some studies reported combined placement positions. Most publications presented simple detection models with algorithms based on the recognition of a fixed threshold. In some cases these algorithms applied machine learning methods to a minimum of two combined detection phases (e.g. impact and postfall). The findings further indicate a minimal number of analyzed real-world falls and thus the lack of a published evidence base for the existing commercially available fall detection devices. This demonstrates an almost embryonic state of research. Most articles are case reports, case-series or convenience samples and 90/96 depended on simulated falls by younger volunteers rather than real falls amongst elderly people. Algorithmic approaches based on these data, which have been developed using simulations of real-world falls are therefore clearly open for further improvement. As recently outlined by Bagalà et al. (PLoS One, 2012), algorithms calculated from fall simulations in healthy young subjects lack the necessary accuracy requirements for real-world fall detection. They lack either sufficient sensitivity or specificity and would thus produce a high false alarm rate. Contextual information of the fall event such as time, location or prefall activity is scarcely documented. In addition, the mechanisms of the falls are not known as they could not be accurately documented, as yet. With the objective of dealing with the missing evidence base in falls research, the FARSEEING project has started collecting real-world falls by means of wearable sensors. A consensus has been reached and recommendations released on fall definition, fall reporting (including fall reporting frequency, and fall reporting variables), a minimum clinical dataset, a sensor configuration, and variables to describe the signal characteristics (Klenk et al., Z Gerontol Geriat, 2013). From the first 150 falls that were collected we could start the extraction of temporal and kinematic parameters to inform the development of future fall detection algorithms (Bourke et al, ISPGR 2014) and are learning the first rudiments on the 'why' and 'how' such a common but still unexplored process affects the life of millions of elderly each year.

Clemens Becker, University of Stuttgart, Germany

Which are the major knowledge gaps that we still need to fill in falls research

Fall risk and fall prevention research has made considerable progress over the last years but some major knowledge gaps remain. These gaps include conceptualization, analysis of real world fall events, fine tuning and targeting of interventions and finally knowledge translation into large scale programs reaching the population. In a fall phase model we published in 2012 we argued that it is useful to separate the fall into five phases (Becker et al, ZGG, 2012). The analysis of the pre-phase including near fall episodes and gait and transfer abnormalities is likely to increase our knowledge on risk factors for falls and intervention approaches. Time scale analysis of fall prediction using body worn sensors is likely to improve the understanding of precipitating fall risk factors along with video footage and other life logging approaches. Structured detailed fall interviews are complimentary to understand contextual factors in this respect. Video footage is essential to improve the understanding of balance and fall responses during the falling phase. This can lead to improved furniture ergonomics, walking aid and wheelchair design. Currently, a lot of the assumptions rely on lab experiments with healthy subjects on perturbation platforms. Body worn sensors can guide the design of training interventions. The analysis of impact signals can e.g. stimulate product development of protective clothing, absorbing floor materials. Closer looks at the resting and recovery phase are essential to improve home alarm systems and fall detection algorithms to reduce false alarms and thereby enhance adherence. Up to now, most epidemiological studies use fall and faller rates as endpoint. A closer look including long-term monitoring with sensor technology is likely to result

in a much more detailed analysis leading to differing approaches. Near fall and impact analysis, presence or absence of falling and landing responses, differing impact signals and recovery response will lead to a variety of options for new intervention strategies or targeting. The 2012 Cochrane Reviews demonstrate that we need different intervention strategies for community dwelling persons with or without need of assistance. Hospital, rehabilitation and long-term care institutions need to implement programs according to their specific needs. In this area major gaps are translational deficits and slow implementation into large scale efforts. This needs to be accompanied by evaluation to identify dilution effects and ineffective implementation to redesign components. It is promising that several large scale European networks such as ProFound, E-no falls, and Farseeing are underway to fill some of these gaps and similar activities are underway in North America and Australasia. Using these synergies it is likely that a lot of the missing links will be available in the next five years mainly supported by using ICT approaches.

Stefania Bandinelli, Azienda Sanitaria di Firenze, Italy

Why 2 out of 3 older subjects living in the community do not fall? The FARSEEING-InChianti study

InCHIANTI-study is a population based epidemiologic study conducted in the Chianti region of Italy to investigate age-related decline in mobility (Ferrucci et al, JAGS, 2000). The ability to walk provides the basis of mobility but is not a synonymous. Natural environment commonly imposes varied challenges while walking. The new models of disability suggest that it is the inability to accommodate these environmental demands on mobility that leads to mobility disability. Adaptation to the environment requires the ability to switch rapidly across motor strategies and modify in itinere the motor program. Thus, not surprisingly, deficits in attention and executive function processes are independently associated with risk of postural instability, impairment in activities of daily living, and falls. Higher gait variability has been described in older adults with frailty, Parkinson's and Alzheimer's disease, and prospectively associated with a high risk of future falls and mobility decline. Interestingly, high stride time gait variability has been shown to predict future falls in community-dwelling older adults, even when gait velocity failed to demonstrate an association. Usual gait speed and brisk walking test are measure of walking ability commonly used in epidemiological studies that have been associated with mobility outcomes and disability in older adults. Personal risk factors for falls vary considerably by location and activity at the time of the fall. Because traditional performance tests are unable to assess how individuals cope with daily challenges posed by the environment, we introduced in the mobility assessment protocol movement sensors implemented in a commercial smartphone (SP) that allows the measure of many different components of movement activity in real life during a 5-days recording in a community dwelling population. The InCHIANTI-FU4 Study has enrolled so far a sample of 376 survivors (S) from Baseline-cohort (285 S $\geq$ 65yrs). Protocol of the study include the collection of demographic, health, behavioural, mobility, mood and cognitive, biological and metabolic information using a set of validated instruments and scales (home interview, medical examination, mobility performance assessment, biological samples collection, instrumental laboratory tests). The FARSEEING project has allowed implementing some of the mobility tests included in the original InCHIANTI protocol by recording signals of three different sensors built in common SP placed in a pocket and positioned by a belt on the back. Moreover participants have been invited to wear SP for 7 days during their daily activities. Furthermore, S were asked to evaluate feasibility and usability of SP. S have been monitored to detect the occurrence of falls by a monthly telephonic-follow-up for 6 months at then at 1 year. Data collection is almost completed. 125/285 S have been evaluated by FARSEEING-InCHIANTI protocol while 105/125 S (85%) have agreed to wear SP for a week. Mobility characteristics derived by SP signal-recording of such a low-risk population will be presented. Based on this experience we support the idea that SP-Technology enables measuring the real mobility activity during the daily life in older subjects and contributes to define the personal risk profile for falls that could not captured by usual gait speed tests in laboratory.

Symposium II Monday June 30, 12:30 - 14:30, Bayshore Ballroom BC

Can (biomechanical) mobility parameters serve as a biomarker for neurodegenerative movement disorders?

Chair and Discussant: **Walter Maetzler**, University of Tuebingen, Germany

Chair: **Martjin Muller**, University of Michigan, USA

Alice Nieuwboer, KU Leuven, Belgium

Biomarkers for neurodegenerative movement disorders: state of the art and central concepts

According to the Biomarkers Definition Working Group¹ a biomarker is an objectively measured characteristic that serves as an indicator of normal biological processes, pathogenic processes, or responses to treatment intervention. Throughout the literature, the term biomarker and related concepts are often ill-defined. We will start this symposium by defining related terms such as sensitivity, specificity, predictive value, validity, as well as biomarkers for susceptibility and (early) detection of a disease (trait), for diagnosis (state), prognosis (rate), and prediction of treatment effects. Parkinson's disease (PD) will be used as a disease model to present illustrative examples of such markers. In neurodegenerative movement disorders in general, and PD in particular, it is crucial that biomarkers indicate true disease processes rather than compensatory changes. Also, in a complex disease such as PD, a combination rather than a single biomarker is likely to achieve better sensitivity and specificity for classifying at risk individuals, identifying phenotypes with and without cognitive decline and predicting disease progression. Besides molecular, cellular and genetic biomarkers, the detection of prodromal motor or other signs possibly complemented with imaging methods are likely to be part of the different types of PD biomarkers. While biological, clinical or economic considerations will initially provide the foundation for adoption of a specific biomarker, ultimately, robust validation through power-based clinical trials and statistical analysis are essential. After establishing a potential biomarker, independent cross-validation studies are needed to prospectively determine its predictive accuracy while adjusting for confounding factors. Diagnostic and prognostic biomarker development in movement disorders has to allow sensitive and specific risk-stratification within a sufficiently wide 'window of opportunity' for disease-modifying treatment approaches to be effective.

¹Biomarkers Definition Working Group. *Biomarkers and surrogate end points: preferred definitions and conceptual framework. Clin Pharmacol Ther* 2001; 69:89-95.

Fay Horak, Oregon Health and Science University, USA

Yes, (biomechanical) mobility parameters can serve as a biomarker for neurodegenerative movement disorders.

Balance and gait impairments characterize progression of Parkinson's disease (PD), predict fall risk, and are important contributors to reduced quality of life. Advances in technology of small, body-worn inertial sensors have made it possible to develop quick, objective measures of balance and gait impairments in the clinic for research trials and clinical practice. Objective balance and gait metrics may eventually provide useful biomarkers for PD. In fact, objective balance and gait measures are already being used as surrogate end-points for demonstrating clinical efficacy of new treatments, in place of counting falls from diaries, using stop-watch measures of gait speed, or clinical balance rating scales. Many objective measures of balance and gait for PD have already been shown to be valid, reliable, sensitive to early disease, related to progression compared to clinical gold-standards such as the UDPRS, and responsive to interventions such as levodopa and deep brain stimulation (DBS). This talk summarizes the types of objective measures sensitive to PD and to levodopa intervention from body-worn sensors. However, identification of balance and gait metrics that are insensitive

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to levodopa will be most helpful for future neuroprotective trials. We organize the metrics based on the neural control system for mobility affected by PD: postural stability in stance, postural responses, gait initiation, gait (temporal-spatial lower and upper body coordination and dynamic equilibrium), postural transitions, and freezing of gait. However, the explosion of metrics derived by wearable sensors during prescribed balance and gait tasks that are abnormal in people with PD do not yet qualify as behavioral biomarkers because many balance and gait impairments observed in PD are not specific to the disease, nor shown to be related to specific pathophysiologic biomarkers. In the future, the most useful balance and gait biomarkers for PD will be those that are sensitive and specific for early PD and related to the underlying disease process.

Martijn Müller, University of Michigan, USA

No, (biomechanical) mobility parameters likely cannot serve as a biomarker for neurodegenerative movement disorders

An ideal biomarker may serve both as a marker of existing pathology and of pathology progression over time. Using Parkinson's disease as a model, this talk will discuss why it is unlikely that a single biomechanical measure can reach the level of biomarker. Current technology allows for relatively simple assessment of postural instability and gait difficulty (PIGD) features of PD in both the laboratory as well as the natural environment. This would make it an ideal candidate for biomarker selection. The hallmark pathophysiology of Parkinson's disease (PD) is nigrostriatal dopaminergic denervation. However, PD is a multisystem neurodegenerative disease characterized by both monoaminergic and cholinergic system degeneration and white matter lesions and Alzheimer-type pathology (β -amyloid) can often be superimposed on PD-related pathology. The onset of these pathologies is variable and heterogeneous; for example white matter lesions and β -amyloid may not affect all PD patients. Although research studies have shown that all of these pathologies associate with PIGD features they also associate with other symptoms of PD. Thus, a complex picture of multisystem pathology emerges that affects many aspects of motor and non-motor PD features. Simple biomechanical measures may serve as an endpoint marker of overall pathology and disease progress; however, given the complexity and interaction between different pathologies we will likely not be able, at least not in the near future, to parse out state and progression of each of the individual pathologies.

Walter Maetzler, University of Tuebingen, Germany

Everyday-relevant mobility biomarker: Impossible? Possible? Already available?

An ideal biomarker also has a high ecological validity; i.e. it measures everyday-relevant features which, ultimately, improve the quality of life of the affected individual. This is a particularly important aspect for the assessment of changes in chronic diseases such as neurodegenerative movement disorders. This talk will provide information about definition and relevance of the term "ecological validity". Moreover, the talk will provide an overview of potential quantitative mobility markers that have already been associated with everyday life aspects and quality of life in the elderly, and individuals with a neurodegenerative disorder, in particular with Parkinson's disease. I will focus on recent studies that describe the use of small, (relatively) inexpensive and unobtrusive wearable sensors, which measure continuous movement measurement in the home environment of patients to assess disease-relevant problems / changes in the everyday environment. There is hope that data obtained with these techniques can in particular add to the development of high quality progression (bio)markers. Options to improve the quality of these markers will be discussed.

Symposium III Monday June 30, 12:30 - 14:30, Stanley Park Ballroom 1 & 2

Advanced methods to identify balance control mechanisms in stance and gait

Discussant: **Herman van der Kooij**, University of Twente, Netherlands

Herman van der Kooij, University of Twente, Netherlands

Identification of asymmetries in balance control in neurological patients and age dependent changes in balance control in elderly

By applying whole body perturbations and force fields, balance control mechanisms can be manipulated and simultaneously identified. We have developed techniques to measure response behavior and response variability of multi-segmental balance control. These techniques have been applied to identify asymmetries in stroke survivors and PD patients that were not (correctly) detected by conventional posturography techniques. In PD patients, deficit, excessive impairments, and compensatory mechanisms were detected and quantified at the ankle and hip in each leg. In elderly these techniques were able to quantify differences in balance control mechanisms between young and healthy elderly, and between healthy elderly and elderly with balance control problems, polyneuropathy or cataract.

Thomas Mergner, Neurological University Clinic, Germany

Sensor fusion based postural control model and its generalization for use in a modular control architecture of a multiple degrees of freedom body

Postural responses to unforeseen external disturbances such as pseudorandom support surface tilts are re-active, meaning primarily sensor driven. These responses lend themselves to system identification and modeling. While the postural responses tend to be stereotype reflexes in the human newborn, they become context dependent during childhood development. Then, they change appropriately with changes in disturbance modality or amplitude and sensor availability (e.g. eyes open vs. closed). These changes can be viewed to result from automatic sensory re-weightings. When trying to model the mechanisms underlying the re-weightings, one faces the problem of many possible solutions. Inspired by human psychophysical studies of vestibular and proprioceptive self-motion perception, a solution based on sensor fusions was developed. The fusions internally reconstruct the four relevant external disturbances having impact on the supporting joints (during biped stance mainly the ankle joints). The disturbances are: support surface rotation and translation as well as field forces such as gravity and contact force such as a pull. The sensory estimates of these disturbances are commanding the proprioceptive servo control of the joints to produce compensatory torque (disturbance estimation and compensation, DEC concept). In an 'indirect' system identification approach, human experimental data were compared with model simulations, combining DEC with a priori assumptions about the plant (single inverted pendulum biomechanics). Good correspondence between simulated and human data was found. In a next step, the DEC control was hypothetically generalized as a module for controlling a multi-DOF (degrees of freedom) body. Combining modules, one for each DOF, allows controlling multi-DOF balancing in a surprisingly simple way- complexity rises linearly with the number of DOF. From the modular architecture emerges sensory-driven movement coordination between links. This will be demonstrated for the ankle-hip coordination evoked re-actively by anterior-posterior tilt, pro-actively by voluntary trunk bending, and by a combination of both.

Tim Kiemel, University of Maryland, USA

Using perturbations to probe the neural control of walking

Kinematic and EMG responses to sensory and mechanical perturbations have been widely used to probe the neural control of standing. A perturbation at a single frequency primarily produces a postural response only at the same frequency, but with a scaling of amplitude (described by gain) and a phase shift. The response to a broadband perturbation can be characterized in the frequency domain using a frequency responses function (FRF) describing how gain and phase varies across input frequency. A FRF can be converted to an impulse response function (IRF) in the time domain to describe how posture would respond to a brief perturbation. Here we describe an extension of this approach to probe the neural control of gait. In the time domain, we now use a phase-dependent IRF to characterize the effect of a brief perturbation at any phase of the gait cycle. To compute the phase-dependent IRF, we first characterize the response to a broadband perturbation in the frequency domain using an extension of the FRF called the harmonic transfer function (HTF). The idea behind the HTF is that for a periodic system, a perturbation at input frequency f produces outputs at multiple frequencies $f + kf_0$, where f_0 is the gait frequency and k is any integer. The HTF uses gain and phase to describe this input-output mapping for each k . We have applied this approach to sagittal-plane dynamics of subjects walking on a treadmill while perturbed by a moving visual scene. Phase-dependent IRFs showed that when the visual scene moved forward, the subjects leaned the trunk forward and moved the center of mass (COM) forward on the treadmill. The COM response was caused not only by the expected increased activation of plantarflexors in late stance, but also by the increased activation of dorsiflexors in early stance.

Robert J. Peterka, Oregon Health & Science University, Oregon, USA

Use of stimulus-response analysis to identify mechanisms contributing to balance control during gait

We previously applied stimulus-response analysis to study balance control during stance by (1) using pseudorandom perturbations to evoke sway responses, (2) using spectral analysis of the stimulus-response data to estimate frequency response functions (FRFs) that characterized stance control dynamics, and (3) identifying how sensory reweighting can explain the observed dependence of FRFs on stimulus amplitude [1]. We now demonstrate that similar methods can be applied to identify mechanisms that control medial-lateral (ML) balance during a stepping-in-place (SiP) task. The SiP task serves as a convenient surrogate for the investigation of ML balance control during a walking gait since ML motion of the body center-of-mass (CoM) is similar in SiP and walking. In 6 adult subjects, pseudorandom surface rotations with peak-to-peak amplitudes of 1°, 2°, and 4° evoked ML sway during both eyes-closed stance and SiP. Response measures included ML CoM angle, step width, and step timing (right and left leg “stance times” and “swing times”). FRFs calculated for both SiP and stance tests showed similar dependence on stimulus amplitude suggesting that sensory reweighting contributed to body-orientation control during both SiP and stance. In addition to controlling body orientation, gait requires dynamic balance control to maintain a stable CoM trajectory. We found no evidence that subjects used a mechanism based on step-to-step modulation of lateral foot placement to control dynamic balance. Instead we found that step timing was modulated such that when, for example, the subject was leaning too far rightward, the right-leg stance time was extended to allow for the corrective action of torque due to gravity to be applied over a longer duration. Step-timing adjustments have previously been suggested as a mechanism to control ML dynamic balance in robots [2].

[1] Peterka, J Neurophysiol, 88:1097-1118, 2002.

[2] Maufroy et al., Auton Robot, 28:331-353, 2010.

Symposium IV Tuesday July 1, 8:30 - 10:00, Bayshore Ballroom BC

The role and implications of cortical and other supraspinal areas in control of balance and gait

Chair: **Fay Horak**, Oregon Health and Science University, USA

Klaus Jahn, Ludwig-Maximilians-University of Munich, Germany

Task-specific human brain networks for supraspinal control of locomotion, postural balance, and spatial navigation

Over the last 10 years, functional imaging of the human brain during different postural and locomotor tasks convincingly demonstrated that the supraspinal network known in quadrupeds is conserved in humans despite their transition to bipedalism during vertebrate phylogeny. This network includes premotor frontal cortex for task planning and initiation, basal ganglia for motor modulation, the thalamus for sensory modulation, the homologues to the pacemakers for gait pattern and speed regulation in the interfastigial cerebellum and bilateral midbrain tegmentum (cerebellar and mesencephalic locomotor regions; pedunculo pontine nucleus), their descending target regions in the pontine reticular formation, and the rhythm generators in the cerebellar vermis and paravermal cerebellar cortex.

We present new data and review the literature showing that differences and similarities on the overlapping networks controlling specific tasks such as stance postural equilibrium and gait. For example, steady state locomotion preferentially involves the brainstem and cerebellar network, whereas goal-directed locomotion requires premotor cortical activity. Postural tasks and slow locomotion use multimodal sensory input (via thalamus and cerebellum). More demanding locomotor tasks (e.g., walking along a narrow beam, avoidance of obstacles) activate a fronto-parietal cortical network. Further, as soon as the task involves spatial orientation aspects, the hippocampal formation and the parietal cortex become active.

Task-specific differences in network activity have great impact on the planning and interpretation of studies on healthy subjects and on patients with gait and balance disorders. We will point out that the methods used (e.g., fMRI, PET, fNIRS, EEG) and the specific paradigm (e.g., steady-state vs. goal-directed locomotion; imagined locomotion vs. overground locomotion vs. treadmill locomotion) should be chosen with care to be able to answer the specific research question.

Daniel Peterson, Oregon Health and Science University, Oregon, USA

Supraspinal locomotor control in people with Parkinson Disease- Implications for rehabilitation

Supra spinal brain regions play an important role in human locomotion. Individuals with Parkinson disease (PD) exhibit structural and functional changes in many of the regions associated with locomotion, likely contributing to the locomotor deficits observed in this population. Recent research using a variety of imaging techniques, including task-based functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI), resting-state functional connectivity MRI, positron emission tomography (PET), and diffusion tensor imaging (DTI) has begun to elucidate the neural underpinnings of locomotor dysfunction in people with Parkinson disease, identifying a network of regions exhibiting altered activity with respect to healthy adults during gait or gait-like tasks. These differences span much of the brain (motor/pre-motor cortical areas, basal ganglia, cerebellum, brainstem). Several recent studies have focused specifically on freezing of gait, a particularly disturbing and dangerous symptom of PD, noting a number of structure and function neural alterations in those who freeze. For example, alterations in the activity of locomotor structures (e.g. subthalamic nucleus (STN), cerebellum, tegmental brainstem/pedunculo pontine nucleus (PPN), striatum), and cortical structures (e.g. insula, supplementary motor area (SMA), pre-SMA) have

been noted during gait-like tasks in those who experience freezing. During lower limb motor blocks, thought to be similar to freezing of gait events, the activity in the PPN, globus pallidus, and STN is altered with respect to normal movement. Finally, DTI has shown that the structural connectivity of the PPN with cortical, basal ganglia and cerebellar regions is also altered in freezers and these alterations are related to specific cognitive deficits. Together with resting-state functional connectivity MRI, these data suggest that a complex and distributed group of structures are involved with gait dysfunction and freezing in PD. These findings inform targeted rehabilitation interventions aimed at improving locomotion in those with PD. Further, imaging methods noted above can be used to test whether interventions have effects on neural, as well as behavioral, outcomes. For example, recent reports suggest that freezing of gait may be related to dysfunction in cognitive domains including response inhibition and set-shifting. These findings are supported by imaging data showing altered function in a number of frontal regions related to these cognitive domains. Together, these findings suggest that rehabilitation protocols that incorporate cognitive challenges, specifically response inhibition and set-shifting, may be especially effective at improving freezing of gait in PD.

Lynn Rochester, University of Newcastle, UK

Gait is a cognitive task: mechanisms and therapeutic implications.

For the past decade, the notion that safe and effective gait is due solely to an intact motor system has given way to a more complex model that reflects the cognitive control of gait. Evidence supporting this comes from diverse sources including: behavioural; structural and functional brain imaging; neurophysiological; and neuropathological experiments. Behavioural studies demonstrate a selective association between independent gait characteristics and cognitive functions, allowing a more refined understanding of single and dual-task impairments especially in relation to attentional control and its consequences for gait. To date the evidence has focused on the role of dopamine in gait derived from studies in Parkinson's disease, however recent research suggests that gait, postural control and falls are also subserved by the cholinergic system which has a key role in attention and executive function as well as direct projections to motor outputs. This association is more evident in neurodegenerative disease where the cholinergic system is impaired. This review focuses on the role of the cholinergic system in gait, drawing evidence from neurophysiological and imaging studies. Behavioural studies (dual-task interference, cross-sectional and longitudinal) will also highlight the contribution of different neurotransmitters to gait, postural control and falls, providing evidence of shared pathological substrates. Finally, interventions that target attentional control of movement will be presented along with interventions aimed at improving age-related (cognitive) risk factors. These include pharmacological (e.g. cholinesterase inhibitors), and non-pharmacological (eg attention training, dual task and exercise) approaches, heralding a new era of therapeutic development. The significance of this evidence will be discussed with respect to clinical practice such as developments of pharmacological and behavioural approaches which target enhanced attentional control as a means to reduce gait impairment and falls risk.

Symposium V Tuesday July 1, 8:30 - 10:00, Cypress Room

Wearable sensory substitution devices for balance or gait dysfunction: Patient-specific design and optimization

Chair: **Patrick Loughlin**, University of Pittsburgh, USA

Discussant: **Conrad Wall**, Harvard Medical School, USA

John Allum, University Hospital, Basel, Switzerland

Modes of vibrotactile and auditory biofeedback of trunk sway for different patient groups

BACKGROUND: Postural instability is a main feature of several diseases. Providing vibrotactile and auditory feedback of trunk sway has a direct effect on muscle synergies during stance in vestibular loss patients [1], and a positive effect after one training session for those with Parkinson's disease [2]. To achieve these gains a number of feedback modes have been investigated, including lateral or anterior posterior (AP) feedback, dual-tasking and carry-over effects.

METHODS AND RESULTS: Using a headband with 8 equally spaced vibrators and 2 bone-conducting auditory actuators, we first examined whether training with combined vibrotactile and auditory feedback of trunk sway benefits balance control compared to training alone. A benefit of training with biofeedback was present in young adults and to an even greater extent in the elderly [3]. Next we examined whether the benefit differed when feedback was restricted to the AP or lateral direction. For stance, a greater effect of biofeedback was obtained when restricted to the AP direction [4]. For gait, the effects were equal [5]. The benefit of feedback was also tested when dual tasking balance with either motor or mental tasks in the young and elderly [6].

Reductions in sway velocities occurred with feedback for the both tasks in the young but only the motor task in the elderly despite improvement in mental task performance. Finally we established that the carry-over effects for some tasks last about 3 weeks [7] after biofeedback training.

CONCLUSIONS: Bidirectional rather than unidirectional trunk sway information provided by a headband of vibrators is effective in reducing trunk sway in the elderly and patient populations prone to fall. Further research should examine if these effects are increased after a more intensive or repeated training program and if there are longer term carry-over effects.

Patrick Loughlin, University of Pittsburgh, USA

Customizing vibrotactile balance feedback

Falls are the leading cause of serious injury among older adults, resulting in billions of dollars in medical costs and adversely affecting a person's health and quality of life. Accordingly, the development of a balance prosthesis that can provide sensory information that improves balance has become of interest, with clear clinical and economic importance. Owing to the technical challenges and associated risks of an invasive device such as a vestibular implant, the development of a noninvasive balance prosthesis is an area of active research. Different modalities of balance and motion biofeedback have been explored as potential balance prostheses, including auditory, visual, vibrotactile, and mixed modalities. Because it does not interfere with the natural functions of the auditory and visual systems during daily activities, and because many people with vestibular impairments also have hearing impairments and rely heavily on vision for postural cues, several studies have explored the efficacy of vibrotactile feedback (VTF) for improving balance and, to a lesser extent, gait. While these studies have demonstrated improved balance during VTF, most current vibrotactile feedback methods do not take into account the individual's specific balance function, unlike hearing aids and other sensory prosthesis that are tuned to the individual. In this talk, we discuss methods to tailor VTF to the specific user and the potential benefits of doing so. These include subject-specific parameter settings including threshold levels and predictive

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feedback based on the subject's postural control time delay.

Kathleen H. Sienko, University of Michigan, USA

Feedback displays for vibrotactile sensory augmentation devices: Spatial resolution and cuing strategies

Sensory augmentation is a technique for augmenting or replacing compromised sensory information. In the context of sensory-based balance impairments, a sensory augmentation device can provide cues of body motion to supplement an individual's intact sensory systems, using inertial measurement units and intuitive vibrotactile feedback displays. Recognizing the reduced quality of life, increased financial costs, and increased mortality risks associated with balance impairments, an overarching goal of our research has been to design, build, and evaluate a sensory augmentation technology platform for use in clinical and home environments that will supplement current balance rehabilitation best practices while emphasizing co-creation with both the prospective patient population and those administering rehabilitation throughout the design process. We have demonstrated that subjects with vestibular loss and older adults can quickly learn to use vibrotactile sensory augmentation in a research laboratory setting to improve postural stability during quiet and perturbed stance. This presentation summarizes our findings on the effects of the vibrotactile feedback display's spatial resolution on postural sway performance during multi-directional surface perturbations. I will furthermore discuss the implications of non-volitional postural responses to torso-based vibrotactile stimulation on the design of vibrotactile displays for balance-related applications.

Symposium VI Tuesday July 1, 8:30 - 10:00, Stanley Park Ballroom 1 & 2

Motor-cognitive reserve and risk: New concepts and novel findings

Discussant: **Jeffrey M. Hausdorff**, Tel Aviv Sourasky Medical Center and Tel Aviv University, Israel

Joe Verghese, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, USA

Motor cognitive risk- MCR

Many clinical pre-dementia syndromes have been proposed to assess dementia risk, but the need for cognitive testing or biomarkers limits their widespread use. Given the growing global burden of dementia, there is an urgent need to optimize risk assessment and accessibility. The Motoric Cognitive Risk Syndrome (MCR), a newly described pre-dementia syndrome characterized by slow gait and cognitive complaints, can be detected without complex tests. In this presentation, we report global prevalence of MCR in 26,000 participants from 22 studies based in 17 countries. We show that MCR is common in seniors, and a strong risk factor for cognitive decline and dementia. The concept of MCR will be described, the possible utility and assessment of this syndrome and its potential for identifying individuals at risk will be addressed. MCR syndrome is common in older individuals, and this concept can be easily applied in a variety of settings to identify older individuals at high risk of developing cognitive decline or dementia.

Anat Mirelman, Tel Aviv Medical center, Israel

Motor cognitive interactions as viewed through the window of fNIRS

The relationship between gait and executive function has been previously studied using neuropsychological tests, imaging (e.g., fMRI), and dual task paradigms. These are all indirect methods that assess associations across the domains. Functional near infrared spectroscopy (fNIRS) is a brain imaging technology that detects hemodynamic changes in the prefrontal cortex. The rationale behind fNIRS is that relevant stimuli produce an increase in regional cerebral blood flow due to higher energy demands in "activated" areas resulting in higher

blood oxygenation. The technology is portable and can be used to examine brain activity in a direct way during walking. We will present evidence of motor-cognitive interactions during gait from fNIRS studies in healthy adults, patients with PD, and elderly fallers and show how neural activation during gait changes with age, pathology and in response to training, reflecting on plastic changes as response to interventions.

Brad Manor, Harvard Medical School, USA

Modulating brain activity to understand and improve cognitive-motor control

The observation that performing a cognitive task while walking interferes with locomotor control suggests that the involved tasks compete for shared brain networks and this competition diminishes either one task or both. The notion that dual tasking in general and walking while performing cognitive tasks in particular is dependent upon prefrontal cortex activation suggests that strategies designed to facilitate activation of this brain region may significantly improve performance in one or both tasks. tDCS is one potential strategy to modulate cortical activity that is safe, portable, noninvasive and inexpensive. tDCS modulates cortical activity by inducing a low amplitude current flow between two or more sponge electrodes placed upon the scalp. This current flow changes brain tissue polarity and thus, its excitability. tDCS targeting the prefrontal cortices has proven effective for the treatment of depression and has shown promise in reducing the severity of certain types of chronic pain. Daily sessions of tDCS targeting the sensorimotor cortices may also improve motor outcomes. In this talk, we introduce tDCS as a tool for the study and rehabilitation of locomotion, report initial evidence that tDCS reduces the cognitive dual task costs on walking, and discuss future research applications.

Symposium VII Wednesday July 2, 12:30 - 14:30, Cypress Room

Can we more objectively measure motor-cognitive functioning to diagnose sports-related concussions?

Michael E. Cinelli, Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada

Magnitude and duration of balance impairments following a concussion

Concussions are defined as a, "complex pathophysiological process affecting the brain, induced by traumatic biomechanical forces¹." It is estimated that over 300,000 cases of sport-related concussions occur annually in the United States among individuals 15-24 years of age². The number and severity of concussion symptoms vary from athlete to athlete, depending on the biomechanical forces and areas of the brain affected. Although no two concussions are similar in nature, balance impairments are a common cardinal symptom. Research suggests that with 90% of concussions, symptoms resolve within 7 days^{3,4}, and static stability has been shown to recover within 3–5 days using the Balance Error Scoring System (BESS)⁴. However, we have recently found that balance control of concussed athletes was not fully recovered upon return to play (i.e., 10-48 days post concussion) as indicated by a pronounced increased velocity of Centre of Pressure (COP) in the anterior-posterior (A/P) direction during static balance⁵ and greater swing time variability during locomotion⁶. These deficits were evident despite reduction of reported concussion symptoms. We have also demonstrated A/P balance impairment during a gait initiation task, which is a task that challenges the balance control system as it moves from stable static balance to continuously unstable gait. Concussed athletes (~5 days post-concussion) demonstrated significantly greater COP posterior displacement during the loading phase. This increase in posterior COP displacement during the loading phase appears to be a strategy employed to overcome the A/P postural instability to allow for gait initiation to occur. Balance control in the A/P direction is primarily regulated by ankle

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extensors, which receive input from the descending lateral vestibulospinal tract (VST). We believe that following a concussion, damage to the vestibular system could result in long lasting impairments to the lateral VST and the persistence of poor balance control even in the absence of symptoms.

Bradford J. McFadyen, Université Laval, Canada

Behavioural markers for sensitive, ecologically valid detection of motor-cognitive functional alterations following concussions

Mild Traumatic Brain Injuries (mTBI) are still often under- or mis-diagnosed. Residual deficits in motor-cognitive functioning can remain undetected by traditional, isolated, domain specific, clinical testing resulting in many persons with mTBI being returned prematurely to function. While there are many efforts on developing biomarkers and improving imaging, behavioural markers based on ecological, daily activities that naturally combine cognitive and motor functions have the potential to be more sensitive to such residual deficits. They can also provide context specificity to not only guide diagnosis but more specifically aide return to function decisions. Recent evidence from different work, including that of the symposium presenters, has shown subtle but clear changes following mTBI in dynamic equilibrium and executive functioning within the context of postural tasks and locomotor mobility. In addition, our work has shown how the manipulation of the complexity of cognitive-motor environmental demands can be exploited to better identify persistent deficits following mTBI. Building on such evidence, this talk will address how behavioural markers might be advanced, particularly through the exploitation of various emerging technology (inertial sensors, motion capture, virtual reality), and integrated into clinical practice to improve clinical decision making.

Paul van Donkelaar, University of British Columbia, Canada

Neurocognitive deficits following concussion

Concussion is a challenge to accurately diagnose and manage due to a lack of sufficiently objective biomarkers. Concussions are associated with subjectively experienced physical, cognitive, and psychological symptoms; balance deficits; and cognitive diminishment in many sufferers. These symptoms and problems usually resolve spontaneously over the course of a few days to weeks. Given these challenges, it is difficult to objectively determine the severity of the injury and how to manage it. In the context of contact sports, this can lead to inappropriate return-to-play decisions, leaving athletes vulnerable to subsequent short- and long-term injury if they have not sufficiently recovered. Adults suffering concussion commonly display deficits in maintaining and distributing attention within and between tasks and in the ability to accurately recall items using short-term working memory. In a series of studies over the last decade, we have demonstrated that participants with concussion have marked and long-lasting (up to 2 months) deficits of executive function when performing tasks driven by conflicting cues or requiring task switching. These data imply that executive dysfunction is a common feature underlying some of the behavioural difficulties observed in this patient population. Thus, executive function assessment targeting task-switching holds the promise of providing a sensitive indicator of recovery in the very aspects of neurocognitive functioning that are most compromised due to concussion. In particular, the deficits in these tasks remain after the athlete's performance on clinical assessments has normalized and they have been returned to play.

Li-Shan Chou, University of Oregon, USA

Examination of the effects of concussion on dynamic balance control during dual-task gait

Clinicians often rely on clinical symptoms and neuropsychological tests to determine a proper time for a concussed patient to return pre-injury activity. However, executive dysfunction and motor deficits following a concussion have been found, in adults and adolescents, to require greater recovery time than commonly assessed neuropsychological variables. This suggests that more extensive and complete testing following concussion is needed to make appropriate decisions on return to vigorous activity. Including a cognitive task during walking allows for simultaneous assessment of motor and cognitive performance. Individuals with concussion were reported to adopt a more conservative gait pattern or continue to display altered walking performance during dual-task conditions despite undetectable differences on measurements of symptoms and neuropsychological tests. Our prospective and longitudinal studies further examined how dynamic balance control during dual-task walking is affected by concussion within an acute post-injury interval (<72 hrs) and over the subsequent two months. The center of mass (COM) medial/lateral (M/L) displacement and peak M/L velocity were significantly greater in concussed subjects compared with control subjects during dual-task walking. These data suggest that concussion affects the ability to control body posture and momentum during gait up to two months following injury. Dual-task cost for the walking speed, peak anterior COM velocity and COM M/L displacement for concussed subjects were also found to be greater than control subjects across the two month testing period. This could indicate a disruption of the integration between motor or cognitive function during walking. Taken these findings together, if the ability to walk or maintain balance is inordinately affected by the implementation of a single additional task, individuals suffering from concussion may be less able to avoid hazards during normal activities and thus susceptible to further injury for a prolonged period of time during the post-concussion period.

Symposium VIII Wednesday July 2, 12:30 - 14:30, Stanley Park Ballroom 1 & 2

Implants and wearable aids for balance and gait dysfunction

Chair: **Kathleen Sienko**, University of Michigan

Discussant **John Allum**, University Hospital Basel, Switzerland

Conrad Wall, Harvard Medical School

Preliminary experiences with the beta test version of a vibrotactile tilt feedback belt

Background and aim: A beta test version of a wearable sensory augmentation device that uses vibrotactile feedback of body tilt to help people reduce their sway while standing and walking has been developed. A tilt sensor mounted on the small of the back is used to signal the subject about the magnitude and direction of their displacement away from the vertical. Several published studies have shown that subjects can reduce their sway during standing and walking by using this form of vibrotactile feedback. Reduced sway has been correlated with decreased risk of falling. The overall aim is to use the beta version to finalize the production design of a balance belt to be used for balance rehabilitation therapy. Methods: Ten units have been produced and are presently being placed at selected beta test sites. These sites all perform balance rehabilitation therapy. There is a mixture of private clinics and university associated ones. We aim to collect feedback from these sites, and then use this information to inform the production design within a 6 to 9 month timeframe. Results: The focus of our presentation will be to share the lessons learned from this exercise, and the likely changes that need to be made for the production design. Conclusions: The conclusions of our analysis of the information we learn will be based on the data we get from the test sites and will be presented.

Dietmar Basta, University of Berlin, Germany

Efficacy of vibrotactile vestibular neurofeedback training based on objective body sway measures in everyday-life conditions

Background and aim - Vestibular rehabilitation strategies mostly require a long-lasting training, which is finally not often successful. An individualized neuro-feedback training which is based on a body sway analysis in everyday-life conditions seems to be a more promising approach. Hence, the present study was aimed at investigating the efficacy of individualized vibrotactile neuro-feedback training for vestibular rehabilitation in a double-blind, placebo-controlled multicenter study. Methods - One hundred thirty two patients who experience one of the following balance disorders for more than 12 months were included in the study: canal paresis, otolith disorder, Parkinson's disease, and presbyvertigo. Vibrotactile neurofeedback training was performed daily (15 min) over 2 weeks with the Vertiguard-system in those 6 tasks of the Standard Balance Deficit Test (14 everyday-life conditions) with the most prominent deviations from the normative values. The Vertiguard-system measured the velocity during performing the tasks close to the center of body mass. The device was connected in the training sessions with 4 vibrotactile stimulators and compared the continuously recorded velocity with individually preset thresholds for the stimulator activation in the specific direction (left/right, forward/backward). Results - A significant reduction in trunk and ankle sway as well as in the subjective symptom scores (DHI/VSS) were observed in the verum group. Such an effect could not be found in any of the outcome parameters of the placebo group. Conclusions - The present findings indicate that the individualized vibrotactile neuro-feedback training, as applied in the present study, is a highly efficient method for the reduction of body sway in different balance disorders. Even if the rehabilitation with the Vertiguard-system is effective and shows long lasting effects, the future goal is to develop a prosthesis which provides automatically the correct individual feedback thresholds in the everyday-life of the patient. This would be especially important for the treatment of progressive diseases (e. g. Parkinson's).

Lara Thompson, University of the District of Columbia, USA

Vestibular prosthesis tested in non-human primates

Background and Aims: We have investigated the vestibulo-ocular reflex (VOR), tilt perception, and postural stability in rhesus monkeys in the normal state, after bilateral vestibular ablation (BVH state), and in the BVH state aided by an invasive canal prosthesis. Methods: The prosthesis senses angular head velocity and provides this information to the brain by electrically stimulating canal ampullary nerves. Results: We found that the angular VOR is improved by prosthetic stimulation, and that the perception of head orientation in space is affected by electrical stimulation. Postural stability in the BVH monkey during quiet stance was not affected by electrical stimulation, but trunk motion during head turns was reduced by prosthetic stimulation. Conclusions: These results indicate that an invasive canal prosthesis can provide angular head velocity information to the brain that improves the VOR, the perception of head orientation in space, and postural stability associated with head motion. Further work is needed, both in human subjects and non-human primates, to determine more definitively the benefit of invasive canal prosthetics in subjects with severe vestibular deficits.

Yuri P. Danilov, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA

New approach to neurorehabilitation: cranial nerve noninvasive neuromodulation (CN-NINM technology)

Introduction: The objective of this study was to investigate the efficacy of cranial nerve non-invasive neuromodulation (CN-NINM) intervention using a portable neurostimulator (PoNSTM) device to treat symptoms of chronic mild to moderate traumatic brain injury (mTBI), especially functional deficits in balance, gait, cognition,

and mood. Methods: A single-arm pilot study involving 4 subjects with chronic (5.4 yrs) symptoms of mTBI were tested immediately before and after 2 weeks of CN-NINM intervention on standard functional assessments of balance, gait, cognition, memory, and mood state. Subjects also underwent fMR imaging while observing stereo B/W checkerboards progressing/receding, and rotating in pseudorandom motion to excite the vestibular-ocular reflex circuitry. All subjects had previously completed therapeutic interventions for balance & gait dysfunction, had reached a plateau, and declared clinically disabled. Subjects completed twice-daily training sessions for two weeks (5 days/week). Each session involved 20-minutes each of a maximal-challenge balance, and treadmill-based gait with concurrent CN-NINM stimulation. Results: All subjects exhibited observable improvements in balance and gait, cognitive function, memory, attention and mood. Dynamic Gait Index: a test of 8 facets of gait including modulating speed, turning the head during gait, stepping around and over obstacles, and ability to climb stairs. Subjects exhibited improvements in scores of 13.5, 14, 10, and 21.5 points, respectively on a 24-point scale. A 3-point change is considered clinically and statistically significant. NeuroCom™ Computerized Dynamic Posturography Sensory Organization Test (SOT) – standing balance performed under six sensory conditions to quantitatively evaluate the relative use of visual, vestibular and proprioceptive inputs in dynamic balance control. Subjects exhibited improvements in scores of 62, 10, 22, and 47 points, respectively on an age & height normalized scale. A 10-point change is considered clinically and statistically significant. Additionally, TBI Subjects C & D were tested for changes in cognitive function, memory, attention and mood. Their scores on the Brief Repeatable Battery of Neuropsychological Tests (BRBNT) exhibited improvements in all 7 categories of test for declarative and spatial memory, attention, arithmetic capacity, and mood. We observed that twice daily application of superficial electrical stimulation to two major cranial nerves (lingual branch of the trigeminal nerve and lingual branch of the facial nerve), innervating the anterior 2/3rd of the dorsal surface human tongue induces increased activity in the brainstem. The specific regions exhibiting increase metabolic activity in the dorsal pons varolli, superior medulla, and ventrolateral cerebellum all structures intimately involved in balance, gait, head and eye-movement control. We postulate that systematic application of CN-NINM induces processes of neuroplasticity that leads to improved and sustained functional behavior regulated by these structures. Conclusions: Prolonged activation produces sustained increased neural activity in at least the sensory and spinal nuclei of trigeminal nuclei complex, and the caudal part of the nucleus tractus solitarius where both stimulated nerves have direct projections. It may also increase the receptivity of multiple neural circuitries and/or affect internal mechanisms of homeostatic regulation, according to our contemporary concept of synaptic plasticity.

Symposium IX Wednesday July 2, 12:30 - 14:30, Bayshore Ballroom BC

Exergaming in the elderly for fall risk reduction and prevention: Challenges and future directions

Chair: **Nina Skjaeret**, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway

Discussant: **Stephen Lord**, University New South Wales, Neuroscience Research Australia

Claudine Lamoth, University Medical Centre Groningen (UMCG), Netherlands

Development of an interactive gameplay tool for balance training of elderly

Fall related injuries are responsible for disability, physical dysfunction and loss of independence among older adults. Primary causes of falling are postural instabilities during daily activities. Developing a tool to train balance is therefore of great importance. The project “Exergaming for balance training of elderly” of SPRINT/UMCG, aims to develop a gameplay system for balance training of seniors at home and integrates game characteristics that brings added value over conventional balance training [1]. First, an important feature of exergames is that it takes the player’s attention away from the motor task and focuses on achieving game performance goals, while simultaneously balance is practiced. This external attention focus results in greater automaticity

of postural control [2]. Second, algorithms will be developed to quantify postural control during game play to adapt the game to individual capabilities of the user, and to monitor progression over days/weeks/months [3]. Third, effective balance training programs include high doses and challenging variable exercises, with a large number of repetitions [4]. This can be accomplished by varying game-context and performance requirements. Finally, game systems can provide feedback at different time scales: to the gamer during game play, on activity frequency and duration and users can compare their current performance to past performances, and to other users. These factors might also increase adherence to balance training, because it enhances motivation and enjoyment of exercising. We adopt a multidisciplinary approach in which game designers/programmers, human movement scientists, rehabilitation scientists and biomedical engineers work together. Moreover, the project builds on a user-centered design approach to ensure that the game system will fit the user's demands.

Daniel Schoene, Neuroscience Research, Australia

Stepping exergames and the risk of falling in older people

Stepping exergames such as Dance Dance Revolution emerged in the 1980's and are still popular among young people today. Recently, similar stepping games that use pressure sensors under the feet have been used by researchers to explore their potential in reducing the fall-risk and improving functional outcomes in older people. Besides the potential effects on health-related outcomes the accessible low-cost technology, use as home-based interventions and increased motivation as well as intention-building aspects of exergames offer significant advantages over traditionally delivered exercise programs. However, evidence in samples of older people is scarce. In principle, stimuli emerge on a display screen providing a task to which the player has to react with a step response, therefore demanding perceptual, cognitive and motor capacities. Findings of multiple studies have demonstrated that specific functions from those domains can discriminate fallers from non-fallers. Thus, stepping exergames may provide a means of targeting risk factors in real-life scenarios. So far no studies have been powered to investigate the effect of an exergame intervention on fall rates. Stepping exergames are safe and appear to be feasible as an in-home intervention in healthy samples and under supervision in frailer older adults. There is limited and in parts inconsistent evidence that exergame participation can result in improvements in clinical outcome measures such as balance, fear of falling and cognition. Our group has developed stepping tasks that are not just a modified version of dance games but other tasks that focus on specific cognitive functions in combination with stepping, such as a Trail Stepping task and a step version of Tetris. Preliminary results demonstrate the utility and feasibility in assessing and reducing fall-risk. A randomized controlled trial is currently underway and the results regarding changes in cognitive and motor functional performance from this and other studies will be presented.

Alan Bourke, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Switzerland

Challenges of developing an inertial sensor based stepping exergame for the elderly

It has recently been shown that exergaming can increase exercise adherence and uptake in an elderly population thus reducing the risk of falling. Therefore, the motivation to develop virtual reality based exercise interventions is warranted. However, in order to develop such an intervention certain criteria need to be considered. The minimum requirement for these exergames is that they should be fun and engaging as well as challenging and safe. We present the design elements and challenges involved in bringing a virtual reality based stepping exercise intervention from concept through to reality. This exergame, developed in the framework of the EU-funded FARSEEING project, allows the user to interact with a three dimensional graphical environment, which is projected in their field of vision. Direction is given via visual feedback to the user on which target to virtually contact with a virtual representation of their feet in the form of an avatar. The user's feet movements are tracked using inertial sensors which measure true displacement of the feet in real-time which is used as input to the game engine. In order to develop such an exergame a number of technical computational and algorithmic

challenges needed to be addressed. We present the technical requirements for the system, including the interface, processing unit, sensors and communication. We also cover the animation, safety and intervention design including the taxonomy and the implemented system for the final virtual reality exergame. We cover in detail the challenges faced when performing real-time foot trajectory measurement and how these were overcome in terms of real-time implementation, developed algorithms for step detection and trajectory measurement where finally we conclude with a presentation of the developed exergame.

Brook Galna, Newcastle University, UK

Designing exercise based computer games for people with Parkinson's disease

Parkinson's disease (PD) is a multi-system neurodegenerative disorder that impairs postural control and mobility, causing falls and reduced levels of physical activity. The overall impact of PD on quality of life is marked. Exercise is effective in improving gait, balance and mobility in PD but professional resources are limited and alternative approaches to provision of exercise and rehabilitation programmes need to be found. An alternative is the use of exercise-based computer games (exergames) such as those played with Nintendo Wii and Microsoft Kinect. However, commercial games are not designed with specific rehabilitation strategies in mind, nor are they designed to accommodate the various motor and non-motor symptoms associated with PD such as tremor, dyskinesia or cognitive dysfunction. This poses challenges to their application and utility. Key features of exercise programs in PD are considered to include: practice of complex tasks (total body movement rather than exercising a single joint); use of sensory input for augmented feedback (e.g. sound and vision) regarding performance; graduated and goal-directed activity; intensity and frequency of practice. In response to these needs, we developed a stepping based exergame using the Microsoft Kinect to rehabilitate balance in people with PD (PD-Kinect). The aims of this presentation will be to i) summarize the emerging literature on exergaming for people with PD; and ii) describe our team's experience in designing an exergame specifically for people with PD. Particular emphasis will be placed on the iterative design process we adopted involving people with PD as well as the feedback we obtained from people with PD who played the game.

Symposium X Thursday July 3, 15:00 - 17:00, Cypress Room

Proactive and reactive adaptations to slips and trips: Implications for fall-risk assessment and rehabilitation

Chair: **Vivian Weerdestyn**, Radboud University, Netherlands

Shirley Rietdyk, Purdue University, USA

Failures of proactive gait adaptations: Individual and environmental characteristics that result in failure to cross a visible, stationary obstacle

Most environmental challenges encountered in daily life are visible from a distance, such as stairs, ramps, and obstacles. The first line of defense to prevent a fall from these challenges is the proactive gait changes made to avoid or accommodate the environment. However, even when an obstacle is perceived in the environment, and proactive gait adaptations were made, failure can still occur due to inadequate adaptations. For example, a person perceives a staircase, elevates the limb to clear the stair, but trips on the stair. These failures also occur in the lab, and most subjects fail at least once when enough trials are observed. Examination of these proactive failures informs fall risk from a new perspective. We have observed that young and older adults have similar obstacle contact rates in a lab setting; so age does not increase the likelihood of obstacle contact in a normally lit environment with a high contrast obstacle. However, older adults are more likely to contact with the lead

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limb; since lead limb contacts are more difficult to recover from, older adults are less likely to recover and therefore are more likely to become injured. Changes in foot clearance over time appear to indicate that both young and older subjects have an inaccurate perception of obstacle height or that the visuomotor transformation is compromised during control of lead and trail limb elevation. Further, we have begun to systematically manipulate environmental characteristics to empirically determine their direct impact on failures. The identification of antecedents of trips may lead to development of improved interventions, including environmental remediation and proactive obstacle avoidance training.

Mirjam Pijnappels, VU University Amsterdam, Netherlands

Limitations and possibilities in the reactive recovery responses after tripping in older adults

Tripping over an obstacle induces a forward body rotation. Reactive responses need to be fast and powerful in order to restrain this forward angular momentum and to prevent falling. These reactions might be affected by age-related neuromuscular decline and inadequate responses can lead to falls. The first question that will be addressed is why reactive balance recovery responses after tripping are less successful in older adults than in young adults. We tripped young and healthy older adults repeatedly in our experimental setup over suddenly appearing obstacles while walking overground at preferred walking speed. While young adults responded with a single step, older adults were more likely to take multiple shorter steps after recovery foot landing. Our results showed that the support limb plays an important role in balance recovery by generating the appropriate joint moments during push-off, necessary to restrain the forward angular momentum before landing of the recovery foot. Older adults showed similar onsets of muscle activity and joint moments as young adults, but insufficient reduction of the angular rotation during push-off and poorer placement of the recovery limb. The less adequate body orientation at recovery foot landing appeared not to be due to inadequate arm movements, but rather to lower rates of moment generation in all joints and a lower peak ankle moment in the support limb. The second question then to be addressed is whether such inadequate lower limb responses can be improved by training. We found that older trainers who increased their muscle strength capacities over a 16-week resistance training period improved their tripping responses by 49%. Interestingly, controls that did not change in their strength capacities also improved their tripping responses by 20%, indicating that motor skill learning can have beneficial effects on balance recovery. These promising results are further underlined by recent findings that young adults can adjust their ongoing reactive recovery response after tripping. It seems therefore that adjustments and improvements of reactive balance recovery responses are possible, which might be helpful to prevent falls.

Tanvi Bhatt, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA

Fall prognosis and prevention: Perturbation-based assessment, adaptation and generalization in the young, old and neurologically impaired

Despite the commonality of falls within the community-dwelling aging and disabled population, little is known about their mechanism or their contributing factors, with limited tools assessing this crucial aspect. Further, there are limited evidence-based treatment approaches for fall reduction in these populations. Accurate assessment measures can form the baseline for development of appropriate and effective interventions in order to prevent falls and improve quality of life and community participation. Perturbation-based assessment and treatment is an emerging field that holds potential to address the epidemic of falls. Based on previous theoretical and empirical evidence we explored the feasibility of applying laboratory-induced falls for assessment of real-life falls in community-dwelling older adults and people with stroke. Further we examined the validity of different routine (performance-based) clinical balance tests in predicting an imminent fall in these groups. Both traditional qualitative and quantitative balance assessments were obtained. Immediate fall risk was assessed by exposing subjects to an unannounced, novel "real-life-like" slip induced with a low friction moveable platform.

We observed that individuals experiencing a fall on the laboratory slip-test had significantly lower scores on the functional status measures compared to those who recovered. Further the measures of stability and limb support were more sensitive in predicting falls than the functional status measures. Next we examined the adaptation effects induced by such repeated laboratory perturbations and the ability to generalize their effects to different contexts. Healthy subjects were exposed to repeated moveable platform slip perturbations induced under their right limb and were subsequently exposed to slips under the non-trained limb, non-trained surface (oil contaminated vinyl floor) and non-trained perturbation (trips). We observed that the perturbation-training induced adaptations could be significantly generalized between limbs, surfaces and contexts, resulting in reduced fall outcomes on exposure to these novel, non-training environments. Lastly to address the role of neural substrates underlying such adaptations, we asked if the adaptive effects observed within a healthy nervous system would be impacted by a neurological insult such as a stroke. Results indicated that people with hemi-paretic chronic stroke could adapt their center-of-mass stability and compensatory stepping responses similar to healthy older adults for preventing fall-risk. Given these positive results, perturbation-based assessment and training could be used as an adjunct to current rehabilitation paradigms to target fall-prevention.

Yi-Chung (Clive) Pai, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA

Long-lasting human motor memory: Perturbation training against falls among community-dwelling older adults

Letting older adults slip and fall seems counterintuitive. However, due to the vital functional plasticity of the human motor system, allowing older adults to slip and fall in a safely controlled environment may in fact help them develop skills that subsequently reduce likelihood of falls in uncontrolled and dangerous everyday living situations. Perturbation-training is one such emerging paradigm known to induce shorter-term falls reduction in healthy young as well as older adults. Its longer-term benefits are not fully understood, however. The purpose of this study was to determine the length of time and to what degree older adults could retain their fall-resisting skills acquired from a single perturbation training session. In this conditional three-stage, sequential, pre-post-retest design, subjects underwent the initial training session at the beginning of each stage in precisely the same manner as their cohorts of other stages, and returned to participate in a retest only once at the end of that stage just as did the other cohorts. Seventy-three community-dwelling older adults (≥ 65 years) received perturbation training consisting of 24 slips in the initial session. Outcome measurements, taken upon the first (novel) and the 24th (final) slip of the initial session and the retest slip, included fall-or-no-fall, and stability (quantified by the shortest distance from relative motion state of the center-of-mass and the base-of-support to the limits of stability) at instants prior to (proactive) and after (reactive) the onset of the slip. Whether or not the participants successfully retained their training in the retest of a given stage would then determine the length of time for the retest in the next stage. If the participants in Stage I exhibited significant retention during their 6-month retest, the second cohort of subjects (Stage II) would then retest nine months after their initial training. Alternatively, if six-month retention was not observed in Stage I, Stage II participants would retest three months after their initial session. The outcomes observed for Stage I and Stage II would then dictate whether the retest for the cohort in Stage III would be either at one-and-a-half, four-and-a-half, seven-and-a-half, or at 12 months after their initial session. We found that the training boosted subjects' resistance against falls with a significant reduction from 42.5% falls on the first slip to 0% on the 24th slip. Rate of falls remained low in 6-month (0%), 9-month (8.7%) and 12-month laboratory retest (11.5%); with no significant difference between the three time intervals. Such reduction of falls and its retention were due to the significant training-induced improvement in the proactive and reactive control of stability. The method applied in the present study eliminated any bias resulted from the training effect resulting from multiple retest and provided a high temporal resolution of training retention as fine as 1.5 months. Although it is very time consuming, it offers maximal flexibility. The findings thus enabled us to demonstrate the feasibility of a single session of perturbation training to "inoculate" older adults and to reduce their annual risk of falls.

Symposium XI Thursday July 3, 15:00 - 17:00, Stanley Park Ballroom 1 & 2

Multi-person entrainment in gait and posture: theories and approaches

Chair: **Mark T. Elliott**, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom

Mark T. Elliott, University of Birmingham, UK

The entrainment of gait when walking in group formations

When walking side-by-side, two individuals will tend to fall into step with each other and walk in synchrony. This has been observed in both treadmill walking and natural overground walking. The level of synchrony between walking couples is modulated by the sensory information available within different modalities, with tactile cues (e.g. hand-holding) resulting in the greatest levels of entrainment between couples. Currently, while gait entrainment has been studied under dyadic conditions, it is unclear whether entrainment occurs within larger groups and under what conditions. In my presentation, which forms part of the symposium on Multi-person entrainment in gait and posture, I describe the entrainment of gait between individuals walking in a group of four. In addition, I investigate how entrainment is affected by walking under different conditions, including when holding a conversation within the group (compared to silence) and walking in a rush (compared to relaxed). Groups were gender matched and instructed to walk either in a 2x2 formation or as a single row of four. The experiments took place in a 17m x 12m open area laboratory with a 16 camera Vicon motion capture system (capture volume ~10m x 5m). Participants completed 6 lengths of the lab for each trial while wearing a full Plug-in Gait marker set. Participants were instructed on the formation and walking speed along with a topic of conversation in the talking conditions. I will report the results in terms of the kinematics of movements of each group member under the conditions tested and also the degree of synchrony achieved within the group as a whole and between pairs. I will discuss how results of these kinds of experiments can inform modelling of human-structure interaction research and the prediction of building structural vibration.

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Vivien Marmelat, Movement to Health (M2H), Montpellier-1 University, EuroMov, France

Long-range correlations in temporal sequences – designing auditory cues for locomotion

The temporal correlation structure of consecutive events contains valuable information about its generating process. We focus on power law distributions in systems that are considered generic markers of healthy and adaptive performance. (Persistent) long-range correlations change with task and environmental constraints. Temporal correlation structures of motor events are linked to pathologies like Huntington's and Parkinson's disease. With respect to the latter, auditory cueing is often assumed beneficial for gait stability. Stride length, cadence, and speed can increase, whereas inter-stride variability and occurrence of freezing decrease when patients are 'paced' by a metronome. However, isochronous auditory cues alter the typical dynamics of healthy gait: persistent long-range correlations in stride intervals of self-paced gait can switch to anti-persistent correlations. Hence, we discuss whether a train of auditory cues with more fractal-like correlation structure can yield a more consistent and predictable adaptation of motor performance. This is particularly interesting in the context of so-called 'strong anticipation' that facilitates subjects to synchronize with a metronome even if the sequence is random. We present experimental findings that may help understanding effects of (correlations in) auditory cueing on gait, which can open new opportunities for optimizing cueing protocols in the presence of neurodegenerative pathologies.

Vassilia Hatzitaki, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

Interpersonal entrainment in dancers: Contrasting timing and haptic cues

We examined the nature of interpersonal synchrony mediated by light fingertip touch when individuals rhythmically sway side by side at their own pace, same or different externally imposed (metronome) tempos. Three types of couples participated in two experiments; expert couples, consisting of individuals with at least 8 years systematic practice in traditional Greek dance; novice couples, consisting of individuals with no prior experience in dance and mixed couples, consisting of one expert dancer and one novice partner. Analysis of the centre of pressure signals in the frequency domain revealed that fingertip touch evoked interpersonal synchronization during self-paced sway. During metronome paced sway (0.25 Hz) only expert dancers further increased synchronization suggesting a more efficient integration of tactile and timing cues¹. In a subsequent experiment, we asked whether dancers are able to suppress the spontaneous tendency towards entrainment when the two partners sway at different tempos (one at 0.25Hz, the other at 0.35Hz). Haptic touch evoked interpersonal entrainment only in mixed couples whereas touch interference was weaker in novices and absent in experts. Interestingly, in mixed couples, the expert dancer consistently led his/her novice partner². All together, these results suggest that light fingertip touch evokes spontaneous interpersonal entrainment. The touch effect is stronger when this is provided by an expert in movement timing (i.e. dancer) due to more reliable cues about sway sensed at the fingertip. Suppression of the spontaneous interpersonal entrainment in expert dancers suggests that explicit training in movement timing can modulate the self-organized properties of inter-personal entrainment.

Jeffrey M. Hausdorff, Tel Aviv Sourasky Medical Center and Tel Aviv University, Israel

Modality-specific communication enabling gait synchronization during over-ground, side-by-side walking

An attentive observer will notice that unintentional synchronization of gait between two human walkers occurs fairly frequently. The frequency with which this occurs and the mechanisms underlying this phase-locking of rhythms and the gait pattern have only recently begun to be studied. We examined the potential sensory mechanisms that contribute to the gait synchronization that occurs when two people match their rhythms and gait patterns under natural walking conditions, using quantified measurements. Gender and height matched pairs walked a 70 meter path under five conditions that manipulated the available sensory feedback. The modalities studied were visual, auditory, and tactile. Each modality was investigated in isolation and compared to walking when sensory feedback was withheld and when all three modalities were available. Movement data was recorded using two trunk-mounted triaxial accelerometers. Offline, a gait synchronization index (GSI) was calculated from the vertical component of the acceleration signals, quantifying the synchronization of the gait rhythms on a scale of 0-1 using the phase-synchronization method with 0 indicating no synchrony and 1 indicating maximum synchrony. Overall, 36% of the trials exhibited synchrony. Tactile and auditory feedback showed the greatest ability to synchronize, while visual was the least effective. The results show that gait synchronization during natural walking is not merely anecdotal but is a repeatable phenomenon that is quantifiable and is related to the available sensory feedback modalities. In follow-up work, we investigated the role of attention to determine the degree to which automaticity regulates the synchronization among pairs. Further work is needed to more fully identify the mechanisms that govern the synchronization of walking rhythms, to understand how and why some couples are more likely to walk in synchrony, compared to other, and to characterize the dependence on a variety of known and as yet unidentified sensory communication modalities.

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The interplay between cognition and mobility: Cutting-edge neuroimaging insights

Chair: **Teresa Liu-Ambrose**, University of British Columbia, Canada

Discussant: **Stephen Lord**, University New South Wales, Neuroscience Research, Australia

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Resilience to brain aging: insights on the significance of subclinical markers of brain abnormalities on cognitive function and mobility.

One hypothesis to explain why older adults remain high functioning late in life is that they have a greater “brain reserve”. However, brain reserve has not been objectively quantified, as it has mostly relied on gross measures of whole-brain abnormalities that are largely non-specific manifestation of brain aging. Additionally, the determinants of brain reserve have not been characterized systematically, in relationship to objective measures of brain integrity. We hereby illustrate a method to define resilience to brain aging using objective quantitative measures based on repeated brain magnetic resonance imaging in older adult participants of the Cardiovascular Health Study and Health Aging and Body Composition Study at the Pittsburgh field site. Specifically, we quantified the risk of mortality, dementia, and impaired mobility in older adults in relation to objective quantitative magnetic resonance imaging.

Kim Delbaere, University New South Wales, Australia

White matter integrity, cognitive function, and mobility

Mobility requires the structural and functional integrity of neural networks to process sensorimotor input. White matter (WM) integrity is essential for fast and efficient operation of the neural networks. Reduced WM integrity is associated with increased fall risk, including impaired executive functioning, impaired balance, slow gait, and falls. Specifically, subcortical infarcts (SI) and white matter hyperintensities (WMH) are associated with an increased risk of multiple falls. Both SI and WMH are commonly found in frontal and subcortical areas and could disrupt the integrity of neural networks including the long descending motor fibers and frontal-subcortical circuits that are important for motor control and cognitive function. In recent years, advances in brain imaging techniques (e.g. diffusion tensor imaging tractography) have allowed us to look at WM integrity directly based on the strength and direction of water diffusivity in WM. Disruption in WM integrity, especially in the corpus callosum and longitudinal association fibres, has been associated to gait and balance impairments. It is assumed reduced WM integrity leads to impairments in functional connectivity of the neural networks. This may have an important effect on processing speed which in turn impacts both motor and cognitive functions. Further, the ability to process and integrate information from sensory, visual and motor domains – essential for balance and gait – are compromised as a result of WM damage. This talk will provide a summary of the growing body of literature linking cerebral white matter disease to deficits in cognitive and physical performance and now, impaired mobility.

Chun-Liang Hsu, University of British Columbia, Canada

Lindsay Nagamatsu, University of Illinois, USA

Neural signature of impaired mobility and their significance

Cognitive impairment and impaired mobility are major public health concerns and often coexist – even among functionally independent older adults. The neural basis for this association is currently unclear. We conducted a 12-month observational study to determine the neural correlates of impaired mobility among otherwise healthy community-dwelling older adults aged 70 to 80 years. Specifically, we compared 1) functional brain activation during dual-task performance and 2) functional connectivity (i.e., the temporal coherence of functional brain activation) during rest and a simple finger tapping between fallers (i.e., 2 or more falls in the prior 12 months) and non-fallers (i.e., no falls in the prior 12 months). During functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI), participants completed: 1) an event-related cognitive dual-task paradigm and 2) a simple motor tapping task with blocks with rest. Overall, we found that fallers demonstrated reduced hemodynamic response and slower reaction times during dual-task performance compared with non-fallers. Fallers also demonstrated altered between-network functional connectivity. Altered connectivity was observed between the default mode network, fronto-parietal network, and the primary motor sensory network. Thus, a recent history of multiple falls among older adults without a diagnosis of dementia may indicate sub-clinical changes.

Teresa Liu-Ambrose, University of British Columbia, Canada

Neuroimaging evidence for “Central Benefit Model” of exercise in falls prevention

The widely accepted dogma is that improved physical function underlies the effectiveness of exercise interventions in reducing falls risk. However, evidence from our randomized controlled trials suggests that exercise may reduce falls risk via mechanisms other than improved physical function. Specifically, improved cognitive function – specifically, executive functions – and associated functional plasticity may be an important yet under-appreciated mechanism by which the exercise reduces falls risk in older adults. Specifically, we demonstrated that a home-based exercise program of balance and strength reduced falls by 47% among older adults with a significant history of falls -- in the absence of significant improvement in physical function (i.e., balance and muscle strength). Notably, cognitive performance of selective attention and conflict resolution significantly improved in the exercise group compared with the control group. We also found that improved selective attention and conflict resolution secondary to 12 months of progressive resistance training was associated with improved usual gait speed. Furthermore, exercise may reduce falls risk by slowing down the progression of white matter lesions. Neuroimaging evidence from two randomized controlled trials of exercise will be discussed within the context of the proposed central benefit model (Liu-Ambrose et al., 2013).

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P1-R-115 Functional reorganization of the locomotor network in Parkinson patients with freezing of gait

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P1-R-116 Postural influence between 4 modalities to immediately test the postural influence of foot orthotics

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P1-R-117 Comparison of standard and poincare measures of stride time variability

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P1-R-118 Postural control and cognitive efficiency following concussion

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- P1-R-119** Assessment of the sit-to-stand performance power in older persons by linear encoder
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- P1-R-120** Support surface acceleration affects tibialis anterior onset latency during support surface translation perturbations
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- P1-R-121** Knee stability during walking in elderly with and without knee osteoarthritis
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- P1-R-122** A novel biomechanical measure to quantify post-stroke locomotor stability
Alison Oates¹, Claire Perez², Valeri Goussev², Bradford McFadyen¹, Joyce Fung³
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- P1-R-123** A new method to identify gait pattern changes before Freezing of Gait
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- P1-R-124** The paradigm of complexity analysis of physical activity patterns: concept validation for single-sensor configuration
Anisoara Paraschiv-Ionescu¹, Petra Benzinger², Ulrich Lindemann², Christopher Moufawad el Achka¹, Clemens Becker², Kamiar Aminian¹
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- P1-R-125** Achilles tendon vibration shifts the center of pressure backward in standing and forward in sitting
Dominic Pérennou¹, Guillaume Barbieri¹, Vincent Nougier¹
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- P1-R-126** Motion sequencing of rising from the floor - A model of recovery from falling
Lars Schwickert¹, Clemens Becker¹, Jochen Klenk¹, Ulrich Lindemann¹
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- P1-R-127** Retest reliability of the Dikablis eye-tracker when sitting, standing and walking
Samuel Stuart¹, Lisa Alcock², Brook Galna², Sue Lord², Lynn Rochester²
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- P1-R-128** Analysis of different positions by posturography in elderly. Are there differences among recurrent fallers, single fallers and no fallers?
Erika Tanaka¹, Paulo Ferreira¹, Marcela Silva¹, Patricia Silva¹, Priscila Botelho¹, Natalia Rodrigues¹, Mathues Gomes¹, Renato Moraes¹, Daniela Cristina de Abreu¹
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- P1-R-129** Orthotic-induced changes in rearfoot biomechanics during gait are not reflected in below shoe pressure measurements
Scott Telfer¹, Mandy Abbott¹, James Woodburn¹
¹Glasgow Caledonian University
- P1-R-130** Decomposition of the Turn-to-Sit subtask in community dwelling older adults: what can it tell us about functional performance, cognition, and parkinsonism?
Aner Weiss¹, Anat Mirelman¹, Aron Buchman², David Bennett², Talia Herman¹, Jeffrey Hausdorff¹
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- P1-R-131** Investigating spatial orientation: comparing the test-retest reliability of 3 protocols
Fang Zhang¹, Nandini Deshpande¹, Elsie Culham¹
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- P1-S-132** Own body transformation and spontaneous task performance in subjects with chronic balance deficits.
John Allum¹, Marina Sleptsova¹, Dagmar Schmid¹, Flurin Honegger¹, Tanja Schatz², Cecile Biner², Wolf Langewitz¹
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- ## S Vestibular function and disorders
- P1-S-133** Validity and reliability of dynamic visual acuity (DVA) measurement during walking
Nandini Deshpande¹, Brian Peters²
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- P1-S-134** Vestibular and functional outcomes in children with cochlear implants
Kristen Janky¹, Diane Givens¹
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- P1-S-135** Are the balance responses to vestibular stimulation modulated after depression of the cerebellum?
Chris Lam¹, Gagan Gill¹, Richard Staines², Craig Tokuno³, Leah Bent¹
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- P1-S-136** Gait characteristics of patients with phobic postural vertigo: effects of fear of falling, attention, and visual input
Klaus Jahn¹, Roman Schniepp¹, Max Wuehr¹, Sabrina Huth¹, Cauchy Pradhan¹, Thomas Brandt¹
¹University of Munich
- P1-S-137** Visual orientation cues are used to calibrate vestibular information during quiet standing
Adam Toth¹, John Zettel¹, Leah Bent¹
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- P1-J-138** Mechanical loading Characteristics of the Medial Compartment of the Knee Joint during Tai Chi Gait
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Poster Session 2

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A Activity Monitoring

P2-A-1 Drivers of change in physical activity over 18 months in incident Parkinson's disease

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P2-A-2 Physical behaviours model and event based analysis - an approach to producing patient-centered outcomes

*Malcolm Granat*¹

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P2-A-3 3-day activity monitoring confirms inter-ictal alterations in patients with Freezing of Gait

*Jeffrey Hausdorff*¹, Aner Weiss¹, Talia Herman¹, Marina Brozgot¹, Ariel Tankus¹, Nir Giladi¹

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P2-A-4 Quantifying transitions in patients with Parkinson's disease in the home and community setting

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P2-A-5 The frequency analysis of acceleration for the detection of falling

*Isu Shin*¹, Soonjae Ahn¹, Jungyoon Kim¹, Youngho Kim¹

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P2-A-6 Comparison of 7 physical activity monitors: a validation study

*Claudia Mazzà*¹, Fabio Storm¹, Ben Heller²

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B Aging

P2-B-7 Effects of non-slip socks on the gait patterns of older people when walking on a slippery surface

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P2-B-8 Differences between older adult "slippers" and "trippers" in measures of dynamic balance during walking

*Mark Hollands*¹, Derek Peters², Paul Robinson², Rachel Wright³

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P2-B-9 Postural stability in complex, whole-body movements: exploring age related changes

*Andrew Huntley*¹, Lori Ann Vallis¹, John Zettel¹

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P2-B-10 Comparison of muscle power and functionality among adults and the elderly with knee osteoarthritis

*Carina Junqueira*¹, Roberta Brunelli¹, Elisa Libardi¹, Daniela de Abreu¹

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P2-B-11 The effects of ambient lighting and macular degeneration on the ability to integrate motion for accurate foot placement

*Daniel Marigold*¹, Kim Lajoie¹, M. Scott Alexander¹, David Neima², Robert Strath¹, Stephen Robinovitch¹

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P2-B-12 Obstacle influence on gait variability of individuals with Parkinson disease, Alzheimer dementia and healthy individuals

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C Balance support device

P2-C-13 Real-time and carry-over effects of multi-modal biofeedback during gait and balance tasks in the elderly

*Shannon Lim*¹, Brian Horslen¹, Justin Davis¹, John Allum², Mark Carpenter¹

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P2-C-14 Effect of lightly touching to a cane on postural sway during single-leg standing

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D Cognitive, attentional and emotional influences

P2-D-15 Effects of instruction on turning in Parkinson's disease

*Allan Adkin*¹, Jacob Pfeiffer¹, Jae Patterson¹, Craig Tokuno¹

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P2-D-16 Association between personality traits and dual task performance among the community dwelling older adults - work in progress

*Maayan Agmon*¹, Galit Armon¹

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P2-D-17 Action strategies used to navigate cluttered environments and the effect of postconcussion syndrome

*Carmen Baker*¹, Michael Cinelli¹

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P2-D-18 Cognitive compensation in the context of an unpredictable platform perturbation and simulated age-related hearing loss

*Halina Bruce*¹, Gifty Asare², Ioannis Makris³, Daniel Aponte³, Nancy St-Onge⁴, Karen Z. H. Li²

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P2-D-19 Critical role of right inferior frontoparietal network in kinaesthetic illusory movement

*Fabien Cignetti*¹, Marianne Vaugoyeau¹, Bruno Nazarian¹, Muriel Roth¹, Jean-Luc Anton¹, Christine Assaïante¹

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P2-D-20 The effect of visual tracking on stabilization of posture in a dynamic virtual environment

*Orit Elion*¹, Sara Snell¹, Emily Keshner¹

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P2-D-21 Center of mass movement during sit-to-walk in healthy individuals while feeling emotions

*Gu Eon Kang*¹, Melissa Gross¹

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- P2-D-22** Gait dynamics during a dual task as marker for cognitive function in patients with dementia
Claudine Lamothe¹, Maartje de Groot², Bregje Appels², Jos van Campen²
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- P2-D-24** Exploiting the environmental demands of locomotor mobility to detect mTBI: A preliminary study
Bradford McFadyen¹, Isabelle Cossette¹, Marie-Christine Ouellet¹
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- P2-D-25** The effect of attentional focus on postural control during quiet standing
Nadia Polskaia¹, Eliane Dionne¹, Natalie Richer¹, Yves Lajoie¹
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- P2-D-26** Impaired cognitive performance is associated with gait speed decline in oldest old people
Marjon Stijntjes¹, D.G. Taekema², J. Gussekloo¹, R.G.J. Westendorp¹, C.G.M. Meskers¹, A.J.M. de Craen¹, A.B. Maier³
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E Coordination of posture and gait

- P2-E-27** Interference between posture and movement underlies difficulty standing up smoothly in healthy adults
Brian Day¹, Timothy Cacciatore¹, Omar Mian¹, Amy Peters¹
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- P2-E-28** Postural adaptation to contracting vs expanding optic flows
Guillaume Giraudet¹, Clementine Faron¹, Jocelyn Faubert¹
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- P2-E-29** The influence of height-induced anxiety on human gait characteristics during aperture crossing
Amy Hackney¹, Luke Denomme¹, Michael Cinelli², Jim Frank³
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- P2-E-30** Energy adaptations of the trunk during transitions from level to inclined surfaces
Glynnis Pardo¹, Stephen Prentice¹
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G Developmental disorders

- P2-G-31** Examining the sensory integration deficit hypothesis in adolescent idiopathic scoliosis: the case of proprioceptive information
Christine Assaiante¹, Fabien Cignetti¹, Jean-Luc Jouve², Gérard Bollini², Marianne Vaugoyeau¹
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- P2-G-32** Vestibular assessments in children with global developmental delay: An exploration of test-retest reliability of three evaluation tools.
Elizabeth Dannenbaum¹, Lora Salvo², Victoria Horne³, Farwa Malik³, Anouk Lamontagne²
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- J Exercise and physical activity**
- P2-J-33** Postural control in individuals with spinal cord injury: Training, functional performance, and mechanisms
Anna Bjerkefors¹, Jordan Squair², Zhen Chen³, Tania Lam³, Mark Carpenter³
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- P2-J-34** Baseline white matter lesions do not minimize the benefit of resistance training on mobility and balance: results from a 12-month randomized controlled trial
Elizabeth Dao¹, Niousha Bolandzadeh¹, Roger Tam¹, Lindsay Nagamatsu¹, Liang Hsu¹, David Li¹, Teresa Liu-Ambrose¹
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- P2-J-35** Development of a rating scale for perceived stability during balance training
Debbie Espy¹, Nathan Casey¹, Tony Wiland¹, Natalie Kuchta¹, M Reinthal¹
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- P2-J-37** Effects of proprioceptive exercises for patients with chronic low back and neck pain: A systematic review
Michael McCaskey¹, Corina Schuster-Amft², Nicole Wenderoth¹, Eling de Bruin¹
¹ETH Zurich, ²Reha Rheinfelden
- P2-J-38** The effects of walking on fall prevention in lower-risk community-dwelling older adults
Yoshiro Okubo¹, Yosuke Osuka¹, Songee Jung¹, Raphael Figueroa¹, Takehiko Tsujimoto¹, Tatsuya Aiba¹, Teho Kim¹, Kiyoji Tanaka¹
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- P2-J-39** Locomotor and respiratory adaptability and interactions post-stroke
Cynthia Otfinowski¹, Jadranka Spahija¹, Joyce Fung¹
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- P2-J-40** An intensive exercise program improves motor performances in patients with dementia: translational model of geriatric rehabilitation
Michael Schwenk¹, Ilona Dutzi², Bijan Najafi¹, Jane Mohler¹, Klaus Hauer³
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- P2-J-41** Comparison of swing-related muscles activation in walking and running across a range of speeds.
Camila Taira¹, Ryoji Kiyama¹, Erika Tanaka², Kiyohiro Fukudome¹, Tetsuo Maeda¹
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K Falls and falls prevention

- P2-K-42** Reactive gait transitions improve after induced stepping training
Woei-Nan Bair¹, Robert Creath¹, Masashiro Fujimoto¹, Andrea Gaeta¹, Janice Abarro¹, Sandy McCombe-Waller¹, Michelle Prettyman¹, Brock Beamer¹, Mark Rogers¹
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- P2-K-43** Fall risk prediction in high-functioning community-dwelling older adults: Reconsideration of clinical balance measures
Chitra lakshmi K Balasubramanian¹, Dawn Saracino¹, Rob Robinson¹, Amber Boyette², Peter Wludyka¹
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- P2-K-44** The role of proprioception during postural control in elderly and Parkinson's Disease patients with a history of falls
Esther Bekkers¹, Kimberly Dockx¹, Sabine Verschuere¹, Elke Heremans¹, Sarah Vercruysee¹, Alice Nieuwboer¹
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- P2-K-45** Adaptations to large-scale treadmill-based perturbation training: Improvements in spatial and temporal parameters of the reactive response
Tanvi Bhatt¹, Prakruti Patel¹
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P2-K-46 Temporal and kinematic parameters of real falls recorded from older adults using accelerometers attached to the lower back.

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P2-K-47 Safety on stairs: influence of a tread edge highlighter and its position

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P2-K-48 Associate factors to fear of falling in elderly with Parkinson's disease

*Erika Franzén*¹, Maria Hagströmer¹, David Conradsson¹, Maria Nilsson²

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P2-K-49 Validity and reliability of psychological measures related to fear of falling in older community-dwelling individuals

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P2-K-51 Higher involvement of executive dysfunction in serious falls will fracture than in slight falls

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P2-K-52 Exploring the causes of falls and balance impairments in people with neuropathy

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P2-K-53 Margin of dynamic stability (MDS) during walking combined with grasping in fallers older adults

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P2-K-54 The influence of the content of speech production and perception on gait variability

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P2-K-55 Exergaming for fall risk reduction: Investigating older players' movement characteristics

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P2-K-56 Biomechanical and physiological determinants for hip impact during falls in older adults

*Yijian Yang*¹, Dawn Mackey¹, Teresa Liu-Ambrose², Stephen Robinovitch¹

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L Habilitation and rehabilitation

P2-L-57 Wearable auditory biofeedback of gait for persons with Parkinson's Disease

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P2-L-58 Is perception of vertical impaired in individuals with chronic stroke with a history of 'pushing'?

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P2-L-59 Adapted tango alters center of mass displacement and muscular activity during reactive balance in individuals with Parkinson's disease

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P2-L-60 Dynamic balance while walking on a treadmill with a load on the ankle in hemiparetic individuals

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P2-L-61 Timing of providing ankle-foot orthoses in (sub)acute stroke patients: first results on balance-related measures of mobility

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P2-L-62 The effect of local muscle vibration on the sit-to-walk performance

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P2-L-63 The effect of a unilateral ankle foot orthosis on the kinematics in normal walking

*Jacqueline Romkes*¹, Reinald Brunner¹

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P2-L-64 Using action-sounds to cue gait in Parkinson's disease patients with freezing of gait

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P2-M-65 Visually guided interlimb adaptation during walking in children and adults: 'virtual' split-belt treadmill adaptation

*Julia Choi*¹, Peter Jensen¹, Jens Bo Nielsen¹

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M Learning, plasticity and compensation

P2-M-66 Adaptation of multi-joint balance coordination to whole body force fields

*Denise Engelhart*¹, Alfred Schouten², Ronald Aarts¹, J Pasma³, Carel Meskers⁴, Andrea Maier⁴, Herman van der Kooij¹

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P2-M-67 The effects of transcranial transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation on primary motor cortex enhance implicit motor learning process and cortical excitability

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N Modeling, robotics and biomechanics and implantable neuroprostheses

P2-N-68 Modelling of optimal locomotor avoidance strategies with the differential games approach

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P2-N-69 A case study on gait improvement after clinical program using robot suit HAL in a stroke patient

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P2-N-70 Assessment of postural stability and balance in Parkinson disease patients after deep brain stimulation surgery using full body motion capture suit

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P2-N-71 The applicability of the inverted pendulum model to stooping and crouching postures

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O Neurological diseases

P2-O-72 Increased lateral position of the center of mass during turning is associated with freezing of gait in Parkinson's disease

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P2-O-73 Deficits in predictive scaling of postural responses in people with Multiple Sclerosis (MS)

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P2-O-74 How does dopaminergic dysfunction in Parkinson's disease influence planning for stepping over multiple obstacles during gait? Insights from gaze behaviour.

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P2-O-75 Reduced structural connectivity of proprioceptive neural pathways in MS

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P2-O-76 Single and dual tasking in high risk individuals for Parkinson's disease

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P2-O-77 Adaptability of gait in stroke survivors: Relationships to clinical measures of balance, motor recovery and walking speed

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P2-O-78 Cutaneous sensory function and plantar foot pressures during walking in people with Multiple Sclerosis

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P2-O-79 The integration of vision and proprioception on obstacle crossing strategies in people with motor-incomplete spinal cord injury.

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P2-O-80 Effects of foot support on sitting postural stability among individuals with spinal cord injury

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P2-O-81 Effects of aging and disease on frontal brain activation while walking and dual tasking

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P2-O-82 Cerebellar gray matter volume and balance functions in Parkinson disease

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P2-O-83 Neuronal correlates of steering in the human brain - changes induced by stroke

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P2-O-84 Asymmetric pattern of lower extremity loading during post-stroke gait

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P2-O-85 Dual-task interference is related to PPN structural connectivity in people with Parkinson disease who freeze

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P2-O-86 Effect of gaze fixation on gait parameters in Parkinson's Disease

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P2-O-87 General motor-cognitive deficits in the postural instability and gait disorder (PIGD) subtype in Parkinson's disease (PD)

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P2-O-88 Postural responses to base of support and visual field in adults with cerebral palsy

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P2-P-89 Comparison of postural control with different customized foot orthoses on isolated subtalar arthrodesis

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P2-P-90 Gait kinematics after partial amputation of the toes due to the frostbite

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P2-P-91 Fear of falling is not elevated in younger patients after total knee replacement

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Q Sensorimotor control

P2-Q-92 The effect of concussions on the loading phase of gait initiation

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P2-Q-93 Do load sensations at the foot sole contribute to enhanced postural stability when ankle feedback is increased?

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P2-Q-94 Proprioceptive vibration effects on older healthy subjects

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P2-Q-95 Cortical activity during the planning to cross an obstacle in young healthy adults

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P2-Q-96 Analysis of factors influencing the functional reach test in a cohort of 1102 elderly

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P2-Q-97 Reaching the limits of cognitive resources: Control strategies used by children during a multi-task paradigm.

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P2-Q-98 Proprioceptive postural control and sit-to-stand-to-sit performance after first-time lumbar micro-discectomy: The effect of surgical approach and early individualized physical therapy

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P2-Q-99 Effect of light touch on quiet stance and reactive postural responses in post-stroke individuals

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P2-Q-100 Subcortical structures in humans can be facilitated by transcranial direct current stimulation

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P2-Q-101 The effect of conflicting virtual scenery on leveled and inclined gait

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P2-Q-102 Insoles impact on imagined and actual movement

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P2-Q-103 Decline in lateral step initiation in older adults: a longitudinal study

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P2-Q-104 The influence of the dorsal foot skin during a vestibular perturbation

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P2-Q-105 The relationship of sensory functions with head and trunk control during locomotion in healthy young and older adults

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P2-Q-106 Brain activation during staircase and plane locomotion

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R Tools and methods for posture and gait analysis

P2-R-107 The effect of accelerometer mass in the mechanomyography measurement

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P2-R-108 Relation between vestibular-ocular reflex tests, and stance and gait posturography after an acute unilateral peripheral vestibular deficit.

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P2-R-109 Multi-segment kinematic assessment of human trunk: sensitivity to skin Artifacts

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P2-R-110 Postural responses to closed-loop angular perturbations of support surface

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P2-R-111 Construct validity and internal consistency of the Mini BESTest in individuals with Parkinson's disease

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- P2-R-112** Assessment of gait pattern in individuals with knee osteoarthritis classified by WOMAC questionnaire
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- P2-R-113** Motor behavior and influence of pathological state to movement characteristics across different movement classes
Massimo Cenciarini¹, Christoph Maurer¹, Maren Bennewitz¹, Hannah Bast¹
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- P2-R-114** Fractal dynamics while walking on conventional and feedback-controlled treadmill
Gyerae Tack¹, Jinseung Choi¹, Dongwon Kang¹
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- P2-R-115** Postural control stabilises over the first 30 seconds of quiet standing in Parkinson's disease: time series analysis.
Silvia Del Din¹, Shirley Coleman¹, Alan Godfrey¹, Brook Galna¹, Lynn Rochester¹
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- P2-R-116** Lyapunov exponents in the nonlinear analysis of falls and frailty
Timothy Foran¹, Richard Reilly², Rose Anne Kenny²
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- P2-R-117** Towards detection of freezing of gait in Parkinson's disease patients during daily living activities
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- P2-R-118** Motor assessment of Parkinson disease patients following deep brain stimulation surgery using gait analysis technology
Greydon Gilmore¹, Mehdi Delrobaei¹, Kristina Ognjanovic¹, Mandar Jog¹, Fariborz Rahimi¹, Billy Xian¹
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- P2-R-119** A new wavelet-based assessment of inter-joint coordination in walking of young and healthy older adults
Espen Alexander Ihlen¹, Beatrix Vereijken¹, Tobias Goihl¹, Per Bendik Wik¹, Olav Sletvold¹, Jorunn Helbostad¹
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- P2-R-120** Age-related changes of verticality perception during upright stance
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- P2-R-121** Dynamic gait instability occurs at different time scales for young and older adults
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- P2-R-122** The coordination of gait and cane use in people post-stroke
Claire Perez¹, Valeri Goussev¹, Joyce Fung²
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- P2-R-124** Measurement of relation between plantar skin friction and plantar skin slipped area during a walk
Takayuki Shiina¹, Akira Obara¹, Yuka Iijima¹, Shogo Shibasaki¹, Hiroshi Takemura¹, Hiroshi Mizoguchi¹
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- P2-R-125** Using the systems framework for postural control to analyze the components of balance evaluated in standardized balance measures: a scoping review
Kathryn Sibley¹, Marla Beauchamp², Karen Van Ooteghem³, Sharon Straus⁴, Susan Jaglal⁴
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- P2-R-126** Clinical assessment of trunk muscle and balance function in persons with spinal cord injury
Jordan Squair¹, Anna Bjerkefors², Mark Carpenter¹
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- P2-R-127** A comparative study on different posturographic descriptors to assess standing balance in young children
Ann Hallemans¹, Evi Verbecque¹, Paula Lobo da Costa², Marcus Fraga Vieira³, Luc Vereeck¹, Peter Aerts¹
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- P2-R-128** Is Kinect suitable for measuring whole body movement patterns during exergaming?
Mike van Diest¹, Jan Stegenga¹, Heinrich Wörtche¹, Klaas Postema², Gijsbertus Verkerke², Claudine Lamoth²
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- P2-R-129** Rotation amplitude dependency of the intrinsic ankle stiffness during standing
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- P2-R-130** Correct method to measure knee angle in standing phase of gait
Hiroyuki Yamamoto¹
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- P2-R-131** Analysis of the tilt of the main axis in normal subjects using the Body Tracking Test
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S Vestibular function and disorders

- P2-S-132** Mechanisms of gaze stability during walking: differences between active and passive walking
Eric Anson¹, John Carey², Tim Kiemel³, John Jeka⁴
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- P2-S-133** Unilateral vestibular loss impairs external space representation
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- P2-S-134** Electrophysiological recording of jerk component of linear vestibulo-ocular reflex in humans
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- P2-S-135** The effects of self-perceived motion in the presence of virtual stimuli and galvanic vestibular stimulation on postural control
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P2-S-136 High rate of falls among patients with vertigo and dizziness - data from a tertiary care center

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A Activity Monitoring

P3-A-1 Pre-impact fall detection using an inertial sensor unit

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P3-A-2 Levels and patterns of physical activity and inactivity in elderly individuals with Parkinson's disease

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P3-A-3 An instrumented version of the Berg Balance Scale to assess postural control

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P3-A-4 Prevalence and circumstances of falls in young adults: 29% fell in a five week observation period

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P3-A-5 Low physical activity is associated with impaired cognitive function in PD

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P3-A-6 Accelerometer filter choice - effects on measures of elderly with Parkinson's disease

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P3-A-7 Targeting sedentary behaviour using sensory feedback to change posture

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B Aging

P3-B-8 Gait and postural sway deteriorate differently with age

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P3-B-9 Balance and mobility deficits in older adults with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus who do not report mobility disability

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P3-B-10 Exploring measures to better assess the effect of cold on dynamic balance in a young and older female population

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P3-B-11 Analysis of muscle power and postural control in elderly women of different age groups

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P3-B-12 Comparing compensatory reactions in young and older adults in response to platform perturbations during gait

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P3-B-13 Effect of higher muscle coactivation on standing postural response to perturbation in older adults

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C Balance support device

P3-C-14 Functional electrical stimulation of trunk muscles increases trunk stiffness during quiet sitting

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P3-C-15 Early identification of declining balance in higher functioning older adults

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D Cognitive, attentional and emotional influences

P3-D-16 Adaptability of reactive postural responses as a function of voluntary task constraint: influence of aging

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P3-D-17 Focusing attention on reaction time improves postural control and reaction time in young adults

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P3-D-18 Postural task difficulty decreases the regularity of center of pressure

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P3-D-19 Slow Gait does not protect against distractions

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P3-D-20 Effects of cognitive dual-tasks on postural sway in older adults with Mild Cognitive Impairment

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P3-D-21 Effects of transcranial direct current stimulation (tDCS) to right posterior parietal cortex (PPC) on visuospatial attention and obstacle crossing in young adults

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P3-D-22 Attentional allocation to visually guided walking depends on age and executive function

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P3-D-23 The “Stroop Walking Task”: An innovative dual task for detecting executive function impairment.

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P3-D-24 Influence of cognitive demand on center-of-pressure sway and coactivation of ankle muscles during quiet standing in individuals with stroke

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P3-D-25 Falling head over heels: assessing the cognitive and electrophysiological processes underlying gait and falls.

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P3-D-26 Do individual traits and characteristics influence postural strategy under conditions of height-induced postural threat?

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E Coordination of posture and gait

P3-E-27 Effect of chronic low back pain in spatio-temporal gait parameters during walking combined with hand prehension movements

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P3-E-28 The stepping threshold with an upper body pull postural perturbation paradigm

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F Development of posture and gait

P3-F-29 Obstacle avoidance strategies in the developing child

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P3-F-30 Development of gait in children revealed by principal component model of lower-limb kinematics and kinetics

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H Effect of medication on posture and gait

P3-H-31 Effects of levodopa and severity of Parkinson's disease on postural sway and gait

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P3-H-32 Influence of levodopa on stepping threshold to pulls in Parkinson's disease.

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P3-H-33 N-acetyl-L-leucine accelerates vestibular compensation after unilateral labyrinthectomy by action in the cerebellum and thalamus

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J Exercise and physical activity

P3-J-34 Exergaming (Xbox Kinect®) versus mirror matched gym based exercise for postural control in healthy adults: a Randomised Controlled Trial.

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P3-J-35 On the move: Feasibility of a group-based motor learning exercise program in community-dwelling older adults with impaired mobility

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P3-J-36 Objectively measured training progression in Parkinson's disease - is dual-tasking an interfering factor?

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P3-J-38 Changes in characteristics of physical activity after stroke

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P3-J-39 Effects of low intensity functional electrical stimulation assisted cycling training in stroke patients on brain plasticity and electromyography

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P3-J-40 Virtual reality-based balance training using body-worn sensors: Results of a pilot study in older adults

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P3-J-41 Promoting functional plasticity to promote mobility: Preliminary data from a 6-month randomized controlled trial

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K Falls and falls prevention

P3-K-42 Influence of a dual-task on foot clearance during gait in people with incident Parkinson's disease

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P3-K-43 Incidence, type, and control of medio-lateral protective stepping in older fallers and non-fallers

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P3-K-44 Age-related differences in CoM downward acceleration and velocity profiles during stair descent: effects of high risers

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P3-K-45 Motor and cognitive correlates of gait slowing in a challenging environment in people with Parkinson's disease

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P3-K-46 Reduced ability to discriminate shadows from surface undulations contributes towards increased falls risk in older adults

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P3-K-47 Do cognitive and motor impairments predict balance control post-stroke

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P3-K-48 Maori and nonMaori in advanced age, a contrast of frailty measures and falls: LILACS NZ

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P3-K-49 ERP measures reveal dual-task interference in postural performance in young adults

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P3-K-50 Presynaptic control of balance in healthy subjects

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P3-K-51 FFRAT, a web-based assessment tool for evaluating fall risk in the elderly

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P3-K-52 Acute effect of an adapted racquetball training on motor symptoms and balance in PD

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P3-K-53 Association between spasticity and balance impairments in persons post-stroke

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P3-K-54 The effects of added body mass on spatiotemporal gait measures and gait variability during treadmill walking

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P3-K-55 Investigating the relationship between sarcopenia and functional measures of gait and posture in community-dwelling and assisted-living older adults

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P3-K-56 Cognitive neural network modulation in relation to balance impairments

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P3-K-57 Anxiety-related changes in the conscious control of gait

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L Habilitation and rehabilitation

P3-L-58 Influence of proprioceptive vibrations on postural strategies for stroke patients: a hemispheric dependence

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P3-L-59 Complex muscle vibration patterns to induce gait-like lower limb movements: A proof of concept in healthy and neurologically affected participants

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P3-L-60 Immediate effects of anterior weight shift training on muscle coactivation during gait in adults with hemiplegia after stroke

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P3-L-61 Acute and short-term changes in serum BDNF concentration following treadmill-based exercise in people with motor-incomplete SCI

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P3-L-62 Anticipatory postural adjustments and step execution during gait initiation in water: A pilot study

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P3-L-63 The effect of restricting arm movements on walking speed in children with Cerebral Palsy and Typically Developing children

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P3-L-64 Aftereffect of a new robot-assisted gait training on kinematics and kinetics during walking in individuals after stroke

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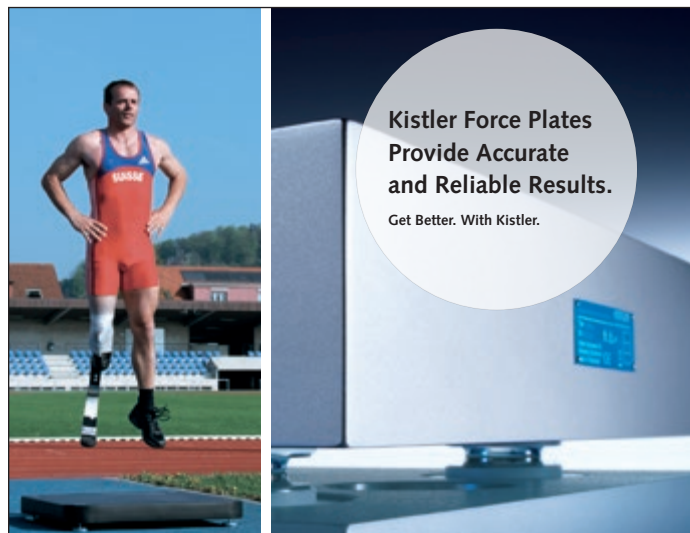
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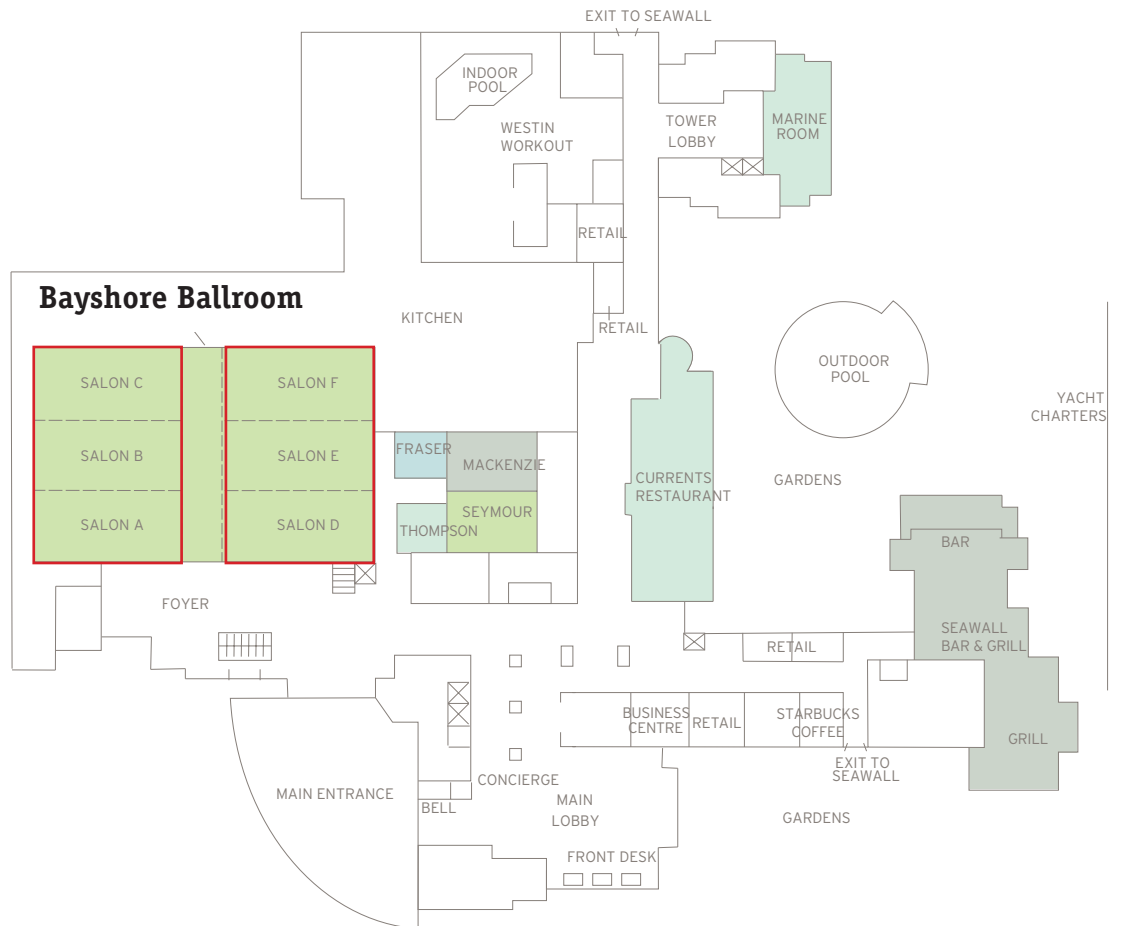
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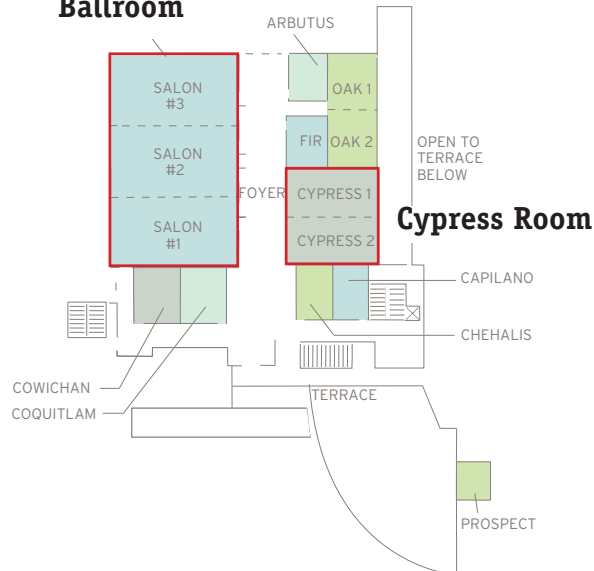
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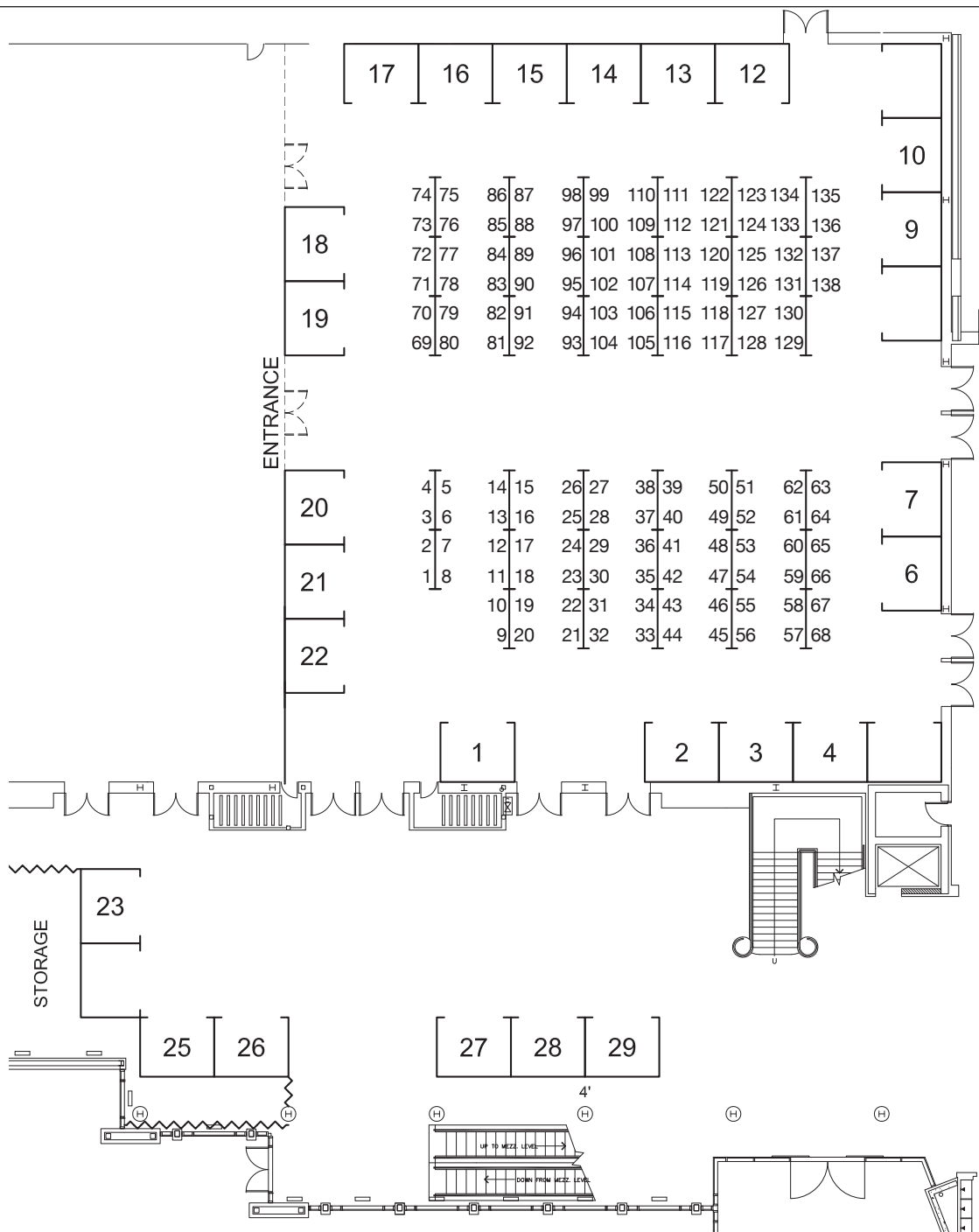
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