"If the system does not allow for vertical movements, gait is markedly distorted.

The subject may still be able to move on the treadmill, since the walking surface is moving below him, but this unnatural gait is not the goal of therapy." - Stated in 2000 VA Hospital Study\*

## **Biodex Offset Unweighing System**





Pelvic rotation is a critical component of functional gait mechanics. As patients progress in therapy, the Biodex single-point suspension system allows functional pelvic rotation to occur.



Vertical displacement is also a critical component of functional gait mechanics. The Biodex dynamic suspension system allows up to 4" of vertical displacement which enables the patient to respond to ground reaction forces.

VA Hospitals recommendations support use of Biodex Unweighing Systems

## Recommendations:

- Support up to 40% of patient's body weight
- Allow for 5.5cm of vertical movement to permit normal gait
- Report reliably to ensure the correct degree of unloading
- Enable easy adjustment to the amount of body weight support as the subject improves or fatigues during a training exercise
- VA Hospital Study: Source: Wilson M, Qureshy H, Protas E, Holmes A, Krouskop T, Sherwood A.: Equipment Specifications for Supported Treadmill Ambulation Training. J of Rehab, Rehab and Development, Vol. 37 No. 4, July/August 2000, pp 415-422

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