## Reactive Step Training

ActiveStep<sup>®</sup> perturbation technology for the Gait Trainer<sup>™</sup> 3

## Biodex and Simbex Partner to Add Perturbation Training to the Gait Trainer 3 Treadmill

Simbex and Biodex are proud to announce their partnership to incorporate Simbex's ActiveStep® fall prevention training technology into the Biodex Gait Trainer 3 treadmill.

ActiveStep was designed and developed by Simbex to facilitate dynamic perturbation training and fall simulations for physical therapy clinics and biomechanics researchers. The Gait Trainer 3 is a Biodex rehabilitation treadmill with biofeedback and neurologic music training.

The addition of ActiveStep technology will add a dimension of perturbation-training capabilities, utilizing rapid changes in belt speed to simulate the motion of slips and trips, making the Gait Trainer 3 an even more powerful and versatile therapy tool.

## **Biodex Values Evidence-Based Effectiveness**

Results of the Randomized ActiveStep<sup>®</sup> Clinical Evaluation (RACE) Study, a multicenter, randomized controlled trial with more than 500 participants were recently published in Physical Therapy.<sup>1</sup>

Dynamic perturbation training on ActiveStep® was shown to reduce the chance of fall-related injury in older adults (65+) at 3-month followup, compared to standard physical therapy alone.

ActiveStep<sup>®</sup> is a dynamic perturbation training system designed and developed by Simbex. The RACE Study (NCT01006967) was funded by the NIH through the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. (NCT01006967)

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Over the past five years, we've seen a proliferation of perturbation training research and products. We're excited to add a clinically proven and cost-effective tool for fall prevention into our GT3 treadmill." *-Ed Beban, SVP Market Development, Biodex Medical Systems, Inc.* 

"It is exciting to see our dynamic perturbation training technology being made available to therapists throughout the world through this partnership with Biodex" *Rick Greenwald, CEO, Simbex.* 



