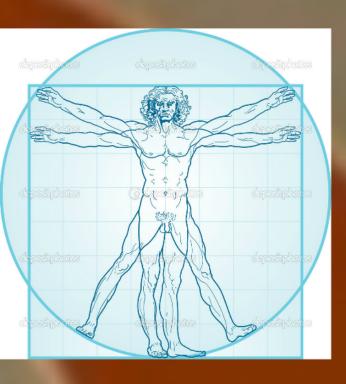




Step 1 Posture assessment



Running form is largely determined by posture. Imbalances or distortions here will predetermine movement patterns while running. During this step the following tests and measurements are done:

- navicular drop test
- girth measurements
- standing posture assessment
- leg length discrepency test

Step 2 Optogait



On to the treadmill. Here right vs left leg measurements are gathered through 2 HD 30 mps cameras and the state-of-the-art Optogait gait analysis system. Measurements taken in this step include:

- range of motion differences at the hip and knee
- stance time right vs left
- flight time right vs left
- initial contact right vs left
- dynamic posture while running



Step 3 Soft tissue Assessment

In most cases, by step 3 the causative factors to a current or potential future injury have become quite clear. In this step we begin the process of determing the initial corrective actions.

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Step 4 Flexibility and range of motion



In this step we begin the process of refining corrective actions. By simplifying attributes of the gait analysis to basic movement patterns while standing, sitting, or lying, we often learn where specifically we need to spend time relaxing, loosening, or lengthening soft tissue to allow for more balanced movement while running.

Step 5 Strength and coordination



Here we learn how and if any deficits or imbalances in flexibility and range of motion have resulted in muscle inhibition or weakness.*

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Step 6 Homework

You will receive a write up via email 2-3 business days after your analysis. This document will outline the next steps that are to be done, with pictures and videos where needed. Clients are urged to ask any and all questions about their assignment...



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Step 7 Check-in Sessions

Often times a 40-60 minute session is needed 6-12 weeks after the initial gait analysis. During this session additions to homecare, adjustments to exercises, or further suggestions are given based on the results of the homework and effect this has had on the gait.

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