

Training static and dynamic stability using underwater obstacles

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The obstacle course is designed to train balance strategies

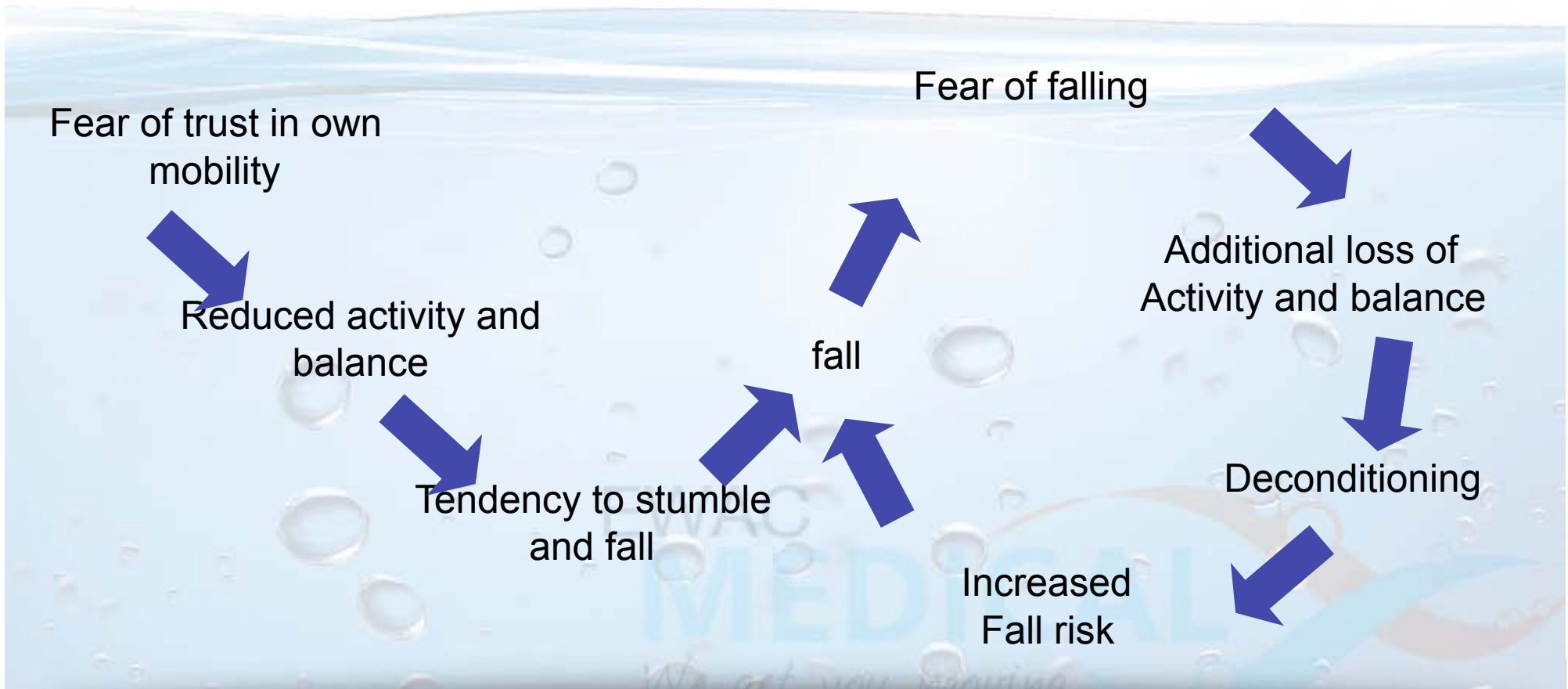
- Predictive to expected perturbation
- Anticipatory Postural Adjustments
- Negotiating obstacles
- Reaching to limits
- Reactive to unexpected loss
 - Ankle strategy
 - Hip strategy
 - Stumble / protective stepping strategy
 - Sideways
 - Forward

Bronstein cs 2004, Shumway-Cook

Definitions

- **Dynamic stability:** control of the COG while changing the BOS on purpose
 - > gait with obstacle negotiation
- **Static Stability:** control of the COG while the BOS should remain stationary
 - > wobble board with (unexpected) perturbations

Water: to cut the fall circle



Negotiating obstacles and stumbling

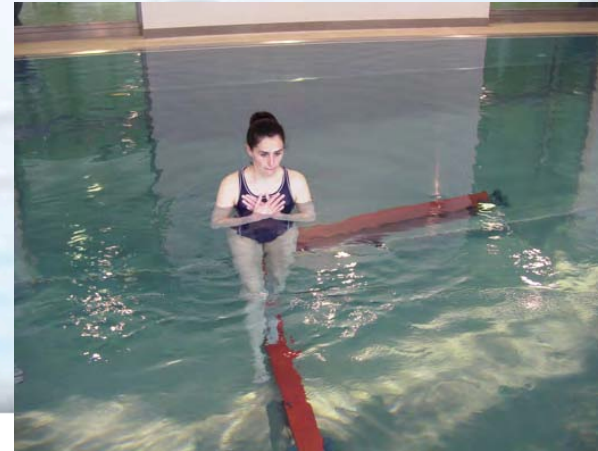
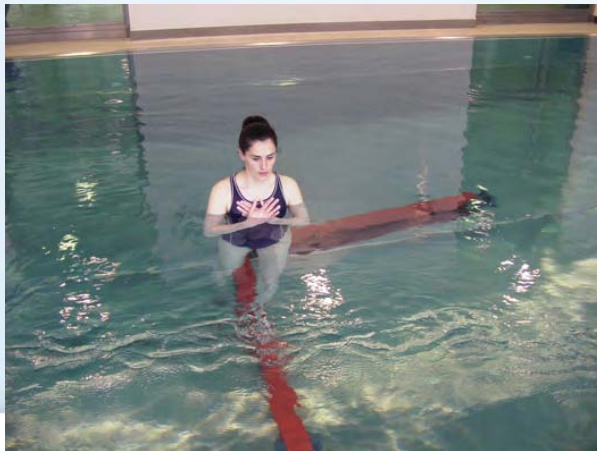
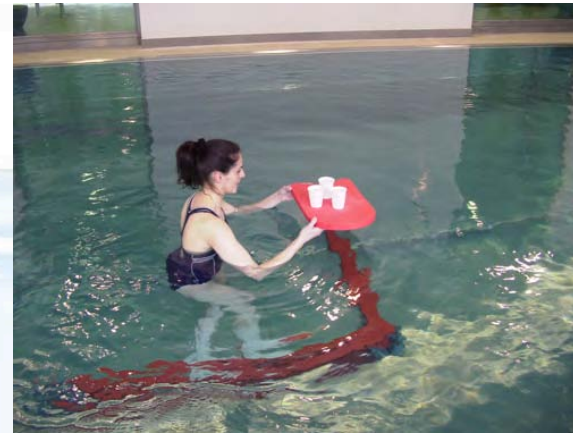
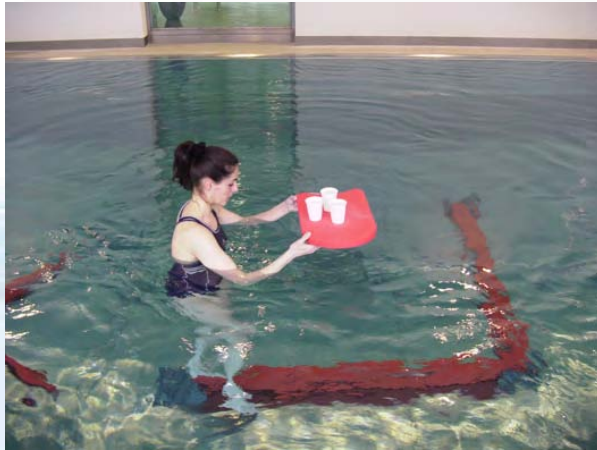
- Stumbling is – with 19% - the largest reason of falls in home dwelling elderly older than 75.
 - Inside (carpet, electrical cord etc)
 - Outside (uneven pavement etc)
 - Avans 2004
- Stroke patients have difficulties to negotiate/cross obstacles by not adequately adapting their short or long step strategies, leading to falls
 - Van Swigchem 2013
- Tripping over obstacles is among the most commonly reported causes of falls, esp when unexpected dual-tasks have to be performed that challenge attention demands.
 - Kim & Brunt 2007, APMR

Obstacle courses: stroke

- English et al (2012): review of literature

	<p>Improve adaptability of walking skills</p>	<p>Obstacle courses (include over low obstacles, steps, ramps, foam surfaces)</p>	<p>Dual tasking (eg carrying tray of objects) Picking up objects from floor</p>	<p>English et al., 2007; Dean et al., 2000; Blennerhassett & Dite 2004; Salbach et al., 2004; Pang et al., 2005; Marigold et al., 2006; Mudge et al., 2009; van de Port et al., 2009; Rose et al., 2010</p>
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Obstacle course





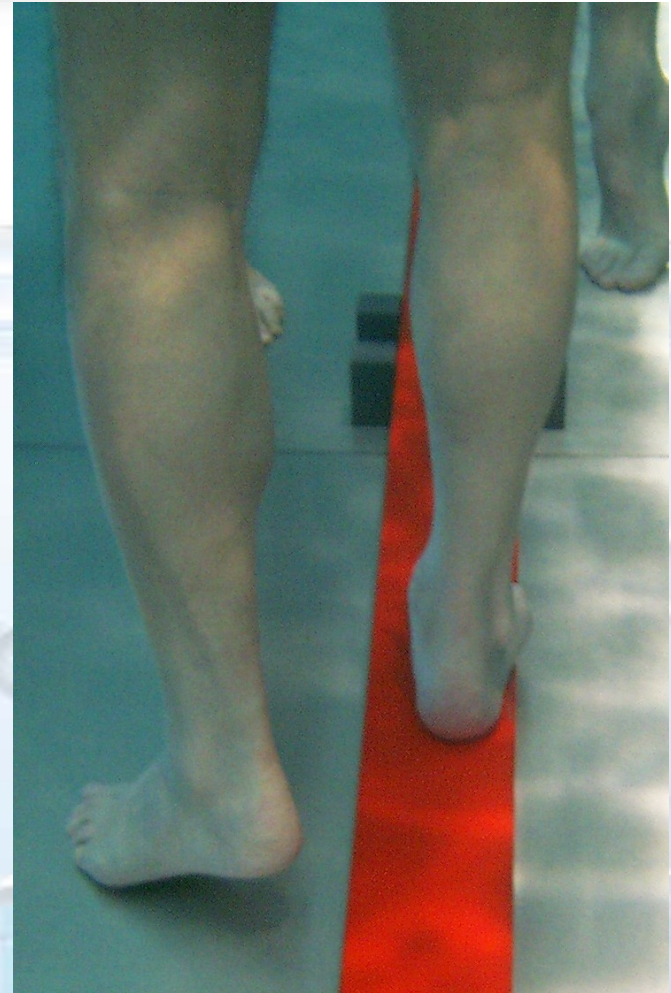




Figure 38. Obstacle course on balance board



Figure 39. Obstacle course on hurdle

The effect of balance control and vestibular function by an aquatic rotation control and the obstacle avoidance underwater with hemiplegia
HM Kwon, 2009



Figure 40. Obstacle course on balance beam with task-orientation

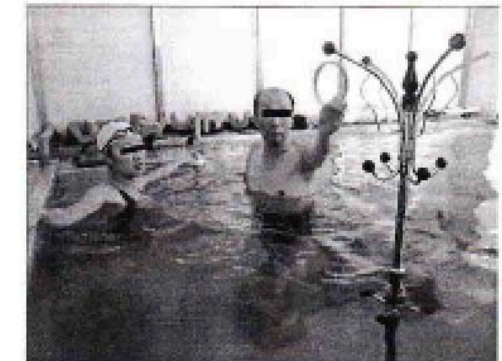
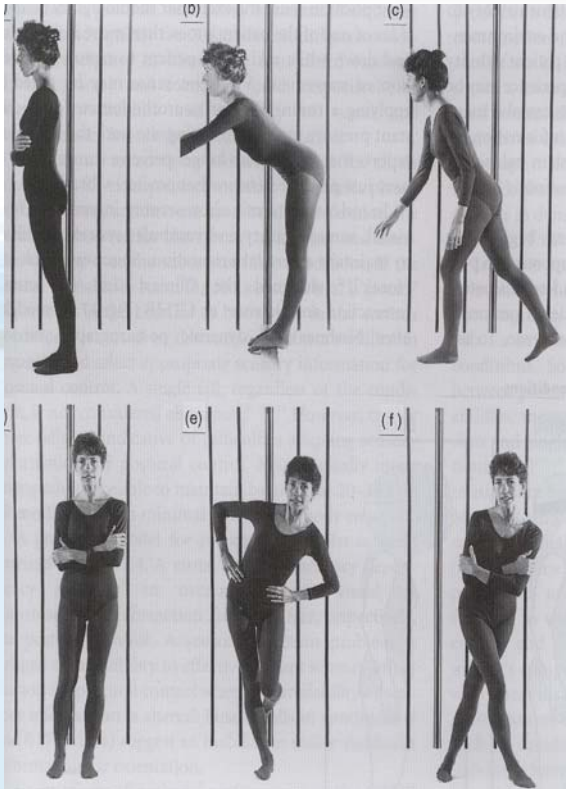


Figure 41. Obstacle course on adjustable reaching pole

Static balance

- Hip- / stumble strategy
 - Bronstein 2004
- COG displaces more in water than on land and also faster > probably because of increased hip movements
 - Louder 2014



Stroke: obstacle course

<p>Standing</p>	<p>Improve postural control in standing</p>	<p>Standing with constrained base of support, with feet in parallel and tandem conditions</p>	<p>Narrow base of support Stand on foam Eyes closed Turning upper body Cross arms Stand on one leg</p>	<p>Dean et al., 2000; Pang et al., 2005; Marigold et al., 2006; English et al., 2007; Mudge et al., 2007</p>
		<p>Reach for objects, including down to the floor. Trace spiral on a whiteboard</p>	<p>Practice in pairs by passing objects Constrain and narrow base of support (eg stand with feet together, or in tandem)</p>	<p>Dean et al., 2000; Yang et al., 2006; English et al., 2007; van de Port et al., 2009; Marsden et al., 2010</p>

English et al (2012) literature review



Fig. 2. Methods of aqua exercise program

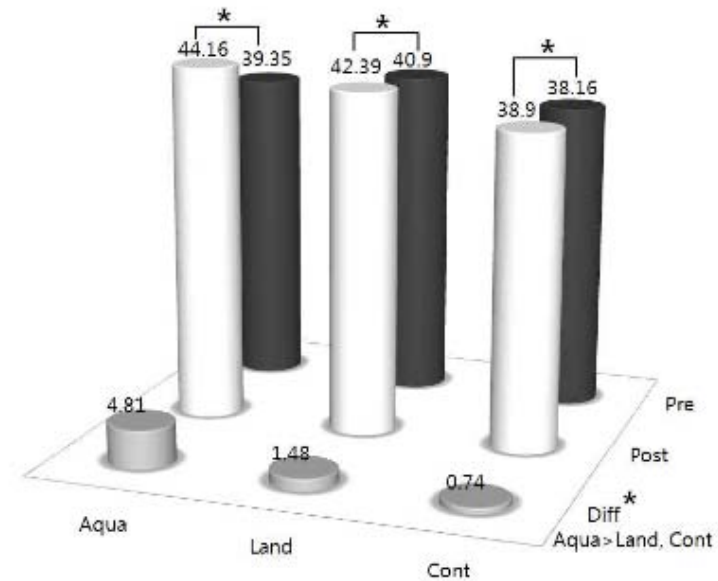


Fig. 17. A comparison of BBS between pre-post(*p<.05)

Han et al 2012

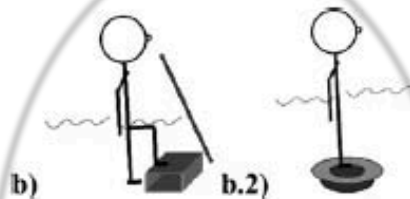
Proprioceptive exercises in water and on land N = 93, RCT, chronic stroke

All groups showed increase of COG sway, with only water giving a ss difference

BBS changed most in the water group

	% change T ₀ -T ₁	%change T ₀ -T ₂	ES T ₀ -T ₁
BBS land	4	4	
BBS water	14 (7 points)	9	0.42

3. Postural stability training



4. Transferring oneself and changing body positions



Vivas J 2011. Parkinson and AT (Halliwick)

RCT, n = 11, H&Y 2/3,

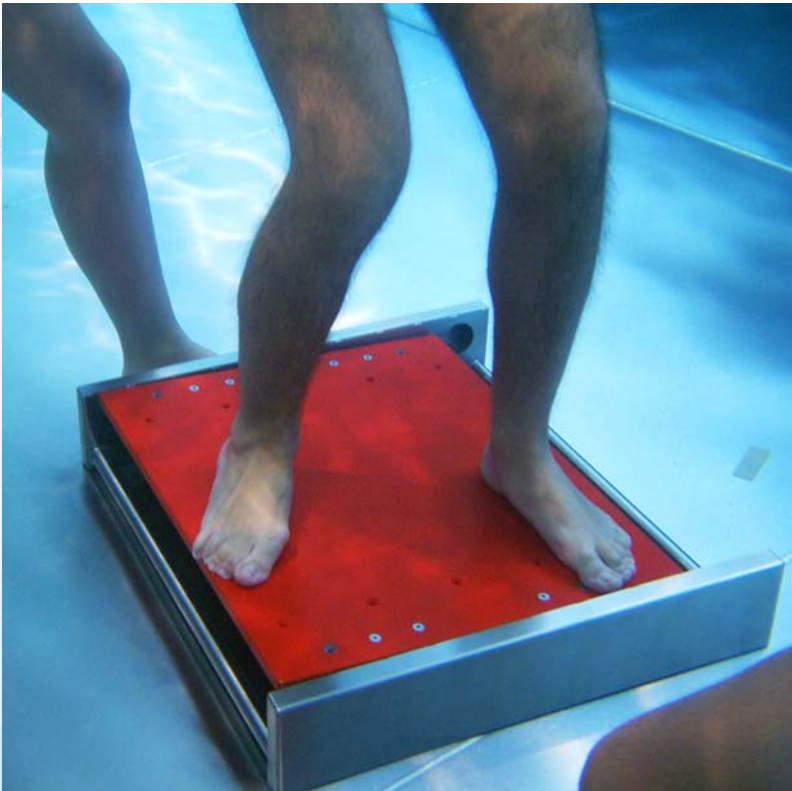
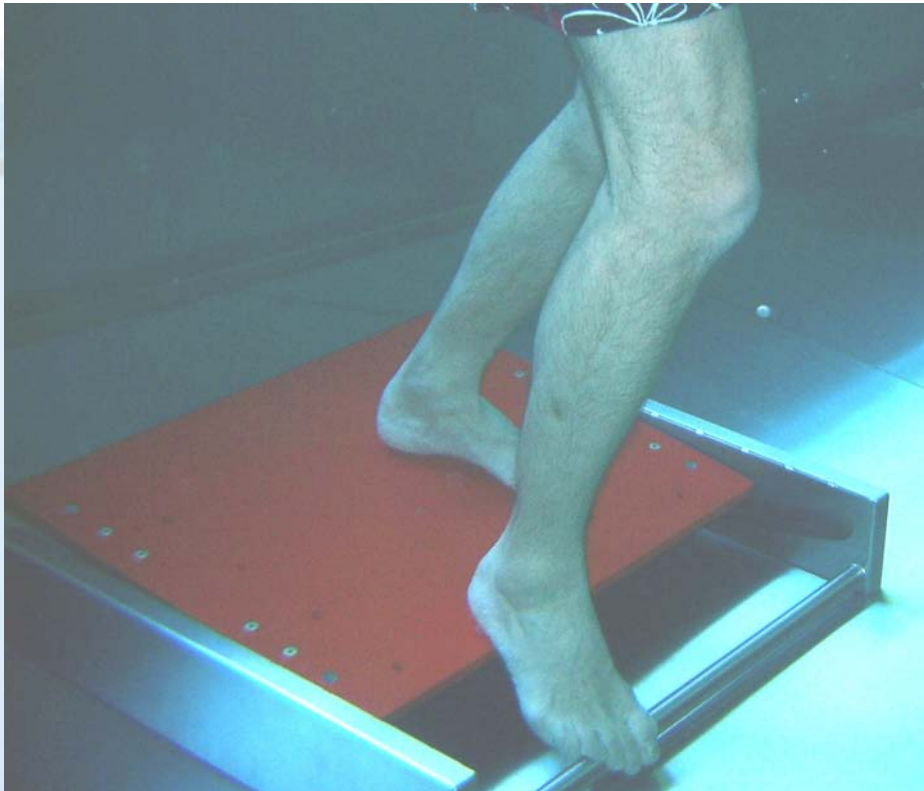
Therapy during On phases

Control: land ex, matching AT in terms of exercise characteristics

Assessment: T₀ – T₁ (4 wk) – T₃ (17 days after T₁) in Off dose BBS and UPDRS (unified PD rating scale): ss changes and a moderate effect size







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Thank you and let's go the pool

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