MRI Lower Leg Exerciser

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Project Motivation

- Researching pulmonary blood flow in hypertensive patients
- MRI imaging before and after exercise
 - Doppler Ultrasound studies as well



Pulmonary Arteries in Blue (http://www.cicmd.com/images/cicmd/anatomy%20images/arte ries-pulmanary.gif)

Problem Statement

- Design a lower leg exerciser
- Output in the compatible with:
 - > MR imaging
 - > Ultrasound
- Cardiopulmonary research on pulmonary hypertension patients and healthy volunteers
- Repeatable loads

Previous Prototype



New Prototype



Motion Capture Testing



Testing Results

Cycling



Baseline



Raised 4 in.





Raised at 5°



Ultrasound Testing



IRB Protocol

Recruit 10 healthy subjects

- > Recruitment flyer
- > Primary Screening
- > Secondary Screening
- Primary Ultrasound Scanning
 - > Determine if subject has TR Jet
- Secondary MRI Scanning
 - > Determine effect of exercise device

Future Work

- Get IRB approval for healthy subject study
- Finalize design construction
 - > Mechanical testing of exercise tubing
- Recruit subjects for study
- Complete trials

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Questions?