A web-based e-training platform for
Extended Human Motion Investigation in Orthopedics

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Curricula for human motion analysis
The new proposed educational materials of the e-learning platform include:
- A theoretical part including all issues regarding motion analysis (anatomy, biomechanics, principles and main technical approaches);
- Case studies from clinic orthopedic practice;
- Case studies using up-to-date investigation methods (data acquisition and analysis using various techniques, computational modeling, etc).

Content of curricula for human motion analysis course is:
1. Physics of the human body motion
   - Basic knowledge on human body statics, kinematics, dynamics, on material strength and elasticity theory, on materials and biomaterials properties.
2. Basic anatomy of human body motion
   - Basic knowledge on bone tissue structure, joints structure and muscle structure. Effects of external stimuli on bones shape and structure.
   - Biomathematics applied on bone and on muscle structure modeling. Anatomic and biomechanics analysis of walking.
3. Modern techniques in human motion analysis
   - Data acquisition and analysis of human motion using video analysis systems and using specific pressure plates
   - Stress/strain evaluation in human musculoskeletal system using finite elements method
   - Applications of the modern investigation methods on rehabilitation, motion analysis, prosthetics. Case studies.

Steps and Tools for Transfer of Innovation from the Project e-Medî
The aim of the ORTHÔ-eMAN project is to transfer the e-learning system, capabilities and expert devised content (e-learning material) of the e-Medî platform, from the subject of breast cancer to the subject of human motion analysis in orthopaedics.

The e-Medî platform consists of 3 major software parts. Two of them are custom software developed for the project and one is proprietary third party software. The modules are communicating through a XML descriptor that contains the course’s logic.

Principle of Adaptation of Products of e-Medî Learning Platform
While the basic framework concepts are the same, the most notable differences are located in the implementation aspect in the sectors: XML Schema, Authoring Tool, Display Tool, LMS, Operating System, Web based keyword search tool.

The Authoring Tool has been totally revamped and rewritten in GWT (google web toolkit) as a Web Application (webapp). GWT allows the source code of the application to be written in Java which translates to Javascript in order to run in the client’s browser.

The original Display Tool was a Flash based application. Due to the current advances in HTML with HTML5, it was decided to rewrite the Display Tool in a modern web friendly way.

The chosen LMS for the ORTHÔ-eMAN project is Moodle (http://moodle.org/) which is an open source project written in PHP. It was one of the stated targets of the ORTHÔ-eMAN project to change the LMS due to long and difficult to solve problems of the previous LMS.

Registration for ORTHÔ-eMAN
The process of registration for developed e-learning course is now open. If you want to register as a trainee for human motion analysis course, you can access the ORTHÔ-eMAN project website (www.ortho-eman.ro). Registration menu. You will receive information about the necessary steps to graduate this course. The target group will be formed by residents, medical doctors in course of gaining competence especially in orthopedics and by engineers.

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