**Fabrication Manual** 

### Shape&Roll Foot Jr.

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### Introduction

The purpose of this manual is to provide instructions for creating a Shape&Roll Foot Jr.

The Shape&Roll Foot Jr. was designed to provide a functional pediatric prosthetic foot in light of the dearth of "little feet" available for pediatric prosthesis users.<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup>Shurr D (2007) Session I: Lower-Limb Prosthetics I: Foot/Ankle Mechanisms. In: Fatone S, Gard SA (eds) (2007) 'P&O Research: Are We Addressing Clinically-Relevant Problems?' Report on the State-of-the-Science Meeting in Prosthetics and Orthotics, February 28, 2006. Northwestern University Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center in Prosthetics and Orthotics, Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL.

### Introduction

In able-bodied walking, the path that the forces acting on the foot follow with respect to the leg resemble a rocker.

The original Shape&Roll Foot for adults was designed to mimic that rocker shape.<sup>2</sup>



<sup>2</sup>Sam, M., Childress, D. S., Hansen, A. H., Meier, M.R., Lambla, S., Grahn, E. C., & Rolock, J.S. (2004). The 'shape&roll' prosthetic foot: I. Design and development of appropriate technology for low-income countries. *Medicine, Conflict and Survival*, 20(4), 294-306.

#### How Does the Shape&Roll Foot Work?

Cuts are made along the length of the foot so that the foot bends into a rocker as force is applied during walking.

### Design of Shape&Roll Foot Jr.

In addition to being smaller, the Shape&Roll Foot Jr. includes several design changes.



The heel has been redesigned with a hinge and bumper to reduce fatigue.

Instead of thickening the sole for heavier or more active users, slots have been cut in the forefoot so that polyurethane bumpers can be inserted.

### Testing the Shape&Roll Foot Jr.

Fatigue testing of prosthetic components involves repeated loading of the foot up to 800 N, simulating the steps of a 60 kg child.

Initial testing of the foot in a Material Testing System has reached over 5,000 cycles without failure.





This section of the manual provides step by step directions for fabricating the Shape&Roll Foot Jr.

Dimensions are specific to the foot size required.

Dimensions and diagrams for feet sizes 13-21 can be found in the Appendix.

#### **Materials**

Polypropylene Block Polyurethane Cylinder Pediatric Pyramid Adapter Square Washer 1/8" x 3/4" with 1/4" hole 1/4" Bolt and Nut Tools Milling machine Band Saw or Table Saw Long 1/8" End Mill 1/4", 3/4", 9 mm, 15 mm drill bits



#### Making the Forefoot

Select the diagram for the desired foot size from the Appendix and draw the lateral profile on an appropriately sized polypropylene block.



Making the Forefoot

Note the position of the **washer slot** and the **hinge hole**. Drill the **hinge hole** and mill out the **washer slot**.



#### Making the Forefoot

Locate the **pyramid adaptor hole**, and drill it through the entire block.

From the bottom of the block, use the **pyramid adaptor hole** as a guide to drill a wider hole all the way up to the **washer slot**.



Making the Forefoot

Use a band saw or table saw to remove excess material.



#### Making the Forefoot

Mill away excess material according to the depths specified in the diagrams in the Appendix.



#### Making the Forefoot

Flip the foot about height axis and mill away excess material according to the depths specified in the diagrams in the Appendix, and mill out the bumper slots.



#### Making the Forefoot

Use a band saw or table saw to cut along the dotted line.



Making the Forefoot

Turn the foot upside down, and drill the hole for the heel bumper to the specified depth.



#### Making the Forefoot

Use a band saw with a 1 mm thick blade to make vertical cuts from the bumper slots to the top edge of the foot.



#### Making the Forefoot

Attach the pyramid adaptor to the top of the foot by running a bolt through the **pyramid adaptor hole** from the bottom.



#### Making the Heel

Start with an appropriate size polypropylene block. Mark the location of the **hinge hole** and drill it through the entire block.



#### Making the Heel

Mill off excess material from the top, posterior portion of the heel.



#### Making the Heel

Use the mill to cut out the barrels of the hinge joint to the designated depth.



#### Making the Heel

Aligning the length axis of the heel with the vertical, the mill can be used to remove material between the two barrels.



#### Assembling the Foot

Cut the polyurethane rod to the specified length and insert it into the rearfoot.



Assembling the Foot

Line up the **hinge holes** and secure a bolt through them.



### Appendix



Appendix provides diagrams and dimensions for manufacturing feet sizes 13 to 21. All measurements are specified in mm.

### Size 21 Foot

#### Minimum Starting Block Dimensions: 63.5 mm x 181.28 mm x 58 mm

Polyurethane Rod Dimensions (D=diameter of rod):

#### D0.75" x 22.5 mm

### Size 21 Forefoot Lateral View



### Size 21 Forefoot Transparent View



#### Size 21 Forefoot Top and Bottom Views





### Size 20 Foot

#### Minimum Starting Block Dimensions: 164.98 mm x 61.9 mm x 50 mm

Polyurethane Rod Dimensions (D=diameter of rod):

D0.75" x 24.82 mm

### Size 20 Forefoot Lateral View



### Size 20 Forefoot Transparent View


## Size 20 Forefoot Top and Bottom Views





# Size 19 Foot

#### Minimum Starting Block Dimensions: 158.64 mm x 61.9 mm x 50 mm

Polyurethane Rod Dimensions (D=diameter of rod):

#### D0.75" x 22.31 mm

# Size 19 Forefoot Lateral View



## Size 19 Forefoot Transparent View



## Size 19 Forefoot Top and Bottom Views





# Size 18 Foot

#### Minimum Starting Block Dimensions: 153.20 mm x 58.7 mm x 46 mm

Polyurethane Rod Dimensions (D=diameter of rod):

D0.5" x 21.03 mm

## Size 18 Forefoot Lateral View



## Size 18 Forefoot Transparent View



## Size 18 Forefoot Top and Bottom Views





# Size 17 Foot

#### Minimum Starting Block Dimensions: 145.75 mm x 57.2 mm x 46 mm

Polyurethane Rod Dimensions (D=diameter of rod):

D0.5" x 21.98 mm

## Size 17 Forefoot Lateral View



## Size 17 Forefoot Transparent View



## Size 17 Forefoot Top and Bottom Views





# Size 16 Foot

#### Minimum Starting Block Dimensions: 134.99 mm x 57 mm x 42 mm

Polyurethane Rod Dimensions (D=diameter of rod):

D0.5" x 21.18 mm

# Size 16 Forefoot Lateral View



## Size 16 Forefoot Transparent View



## Size 16 Forefoot Top and Bottom Views





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# Size 15 Foot

#### Minimum Starting Block Dimensions: 127.60 mm x 54 mm x 45 mm

Polyurethane Rod Dimensions (D=diameter of rod):

D0.5" x 20.38 mm

# Size 15 Forefoot Lateral View



## Size 15 Forefoot Transparent View



## Size 15 Forefoot Top and Bottom Views





# Size 14 Foot

#### Minimum Starting Block Dimensions: 114.13 mm x 54 mm x 42 mm

Polyurethane Rod Dimensions (D=diameter of rod):

D0.5" x 18.39 mm

## Size 14 Forefoot Lateral View



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## Size 14 Forefoot Transparent View



## Size 14 Forefoot Top and Bottom Views



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## Size 14 Heel







# Size 13 Foot

#### Minimum Starting Block Dimensions: 102.80 mm x 48.4 mm x 42 mm

Polyurethane Rod Dimensions (D=diameter of rod):

D0.38" x 17.41 mm

## Size 13 Forefoot Lateral View



# Size 13 Forefoot Transparent View



## Size 13 Forefoot Top and Bottom Views


## Size 13 Heel





