



Frequency Range	1-10Hz	11-34Hz	35-70Hz	71-100Hz	100+Hz
Muscle fibre activation	Twitch	Type I Fibres	Type II Fibres	Type IIa Fibres	Type IIb Fibres
Example Programmes	Decontracture (1Hz)* for reducing Muscle spasm Endorphinic (5Hz)* for acute pain relief Capillarisation (8Hz)* for increased circulation, venous return, lactate removal and lymphatic drainage Arterial Insufficiency (9Hz) with pain at rest or with activity	Prevention of Disuse Atrophy (30-40Hz) prevention of reflex inhibition and muscle volume loss Cardio Training (10Hz) for patients with reduced exercise capacity eg Cardiac failure Endurance (10-14Hz) to increase aerobic capacity in the stimulated muscles	Disuse Atrophy (35-45Hz) Maximum tetanic contractions of Type I fibres (suggested for 2 weeks rehab, progressing on to Type II fibre training) Venous Insufficiency (50Hz) promoting venous return (with and without oedema) Resistance (50-60Hz) to increase capacity for lactate anaerobic type work	Reinforcement (75-85Hz) to strengthen previously atrophied muscles that now, have normal volume Potentiation (10-75Hz) to increase speed and power used <10 minutes prior to event Strength (75-90Hz) to increase strength and speed of contraction	Explosive strength (104-111Hz) to promote maximum force in stimulated muscles for explosive actions such as jumping
Comments	*Combining these three programs provides Active Recovery for post training		The optimal protocol for Disuse Atrophy is two treatments per day	TENS 80-100Hz for pain relief	As with Strength use during rehab to maintain adapted fibres while injured
Example work/ rest times	Arterial insufficiency 7s/7s	Cardio 20s/20s Endurance 8s/2s	Disuse Atrophy 6s/7s Resistance 7s/7s	Reinforcement 4s/8s Strength 4s/27s	Explosive 3s/32s



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