

Models 80800A 80800A-10

Mouse Forced Exercise Walking Wheel System

User's Manual



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System Description

The Forced Exercise Walking Wheel System for Mice is an electronically controlled motorized wheel drive apparatus. The system features up to 20 exercise wheels (10 for the 80800A-10 model), each with the capacity for holding one mouse or other small animal. The wheels are driven by a variable speed motor, forcing the animals to perform walking or running exercise tasks. The system is designed to give maximum flexibility in conducting sleep deprivation and forced exercise studies. The system also features an integrated electronic control panel that allows the programming of a wide range of parameters including: exercise time, resting time, number of cycles and exercise wheel speed. An integrated USB port allows computer control where by the parameters of the test can be scheduled via the Scurry software.

System Specifications

Wheel capacity:	20 (80800A) or 10 (80800A-10)
Speed range:	0.9 m/min to 11.4 m/min
Speed resolution:	0.1 m/min
Test Time Range:	0-24 hours
Rest Time Range:	0-24 hours
Timing Resolution:	1 second.
Repeat cycle limit:	999 cycles (also has continuous repeat setting)
Power:	15 VDC, 4.6A power pack (included)
Dimensions:	33.90" x 22.25" x 10.88" (with wheels)
Weight:	25.0 lbs. (empty), 41.0 lbs. (with 20 wheels)

Use with Model 80801 wheels

- Wheel Diameter: 5.94" ID
- Wheel Width: 2.25" ID
- Run distance: 0.47 meters/revolution

Use with Model 80803 Water Support (optional)

Only available for Model 80800A: MAXIMUM 12 Wheels

Features

- Twenty exercise wheel capacity (10 for the 80800A-10 model)
- Menu driven controls with graphical LCD
- Optional computer control
- · Variable speed ranges with electronically controlled speed regulation
- Speed ramping functions for soft start and stop
- · Timed test and rest times with repeat cycle setting
- Microprocessor based precision timing
- Infinite repeat cycle setting
- Test setup parameter storage
- Remote start ability
- Removable stainless steel waste pan
- Individual drive tracks for each wheel
- · Non-slip cushioned wheel drive hubs
- · Easy placement and removal of wheels (even while running)
- · Easily mounted to a flat surface or workbench
- · Easily disassembled for cleaning

System Parts

- · Exercise Bed with integrated drive motor
- Stainless Steel Waste Pan
- Psymcon control with cable
- 15 VDC power supply with power cord
- USB cable
- Exercise Wheels (Model 80801 purchased separately)
- User Manual

Connections

To set up the Forced Exercise Bed

- 1. Connect the power cord to the 15V power supply
- 2. Connect the 15V power supply to the Exercise Bed
- 3. Connect the Psymcon control unit to the Exercise Bed with the 25 pin cable.
- For computer control, connect the USB cable to the Exercise Bed "Computer" port. Connect the other side of the cable to an available USB port on the computer(Scurry software required – purchased separately)

General Care and Troubleshooting

Care Instructions

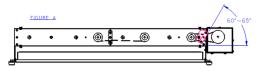
- · Make sure shafts are free of debris
- · Make sure screws are tight
- · Make sure wheels are setting fully on the rollers and not running off of them
- · Make sure there is not a thumping sound when it runs and that all shafts spin properly

Troubleshooting Instructions

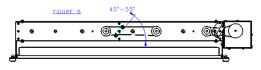
- If there is a thumping noise or shafts are not spinning properly:
 - Open the side of the exercise bed
 - Make sure belts are free of debris and not rubbing against metal
 - Make sure screws are tight, especially on pulleys. A 5/64" or 2mm hex key may be used on the set screws on the pulleys.

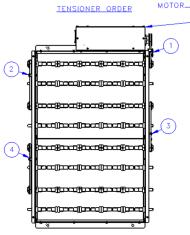
Tensioner Procedure

- 1. Start by adjusting every tensioner facing vertical, so no tension is on any of the belts.
- Tighten the motor belt tensioner (1) clockwise to around 60 ~ 65 degrees as shown in Figure A. This belt should be fairly tight.



 Tighten the next belt tensioner (2) clockwise to around 45 ~ 55 degrees as shown in Figure B. Start and run the bed to ensure there is no slipping/tooth skipping. If skipping occurs on the first shaft, the motor tensioner (1) most likely needs to be tighter.





- 4. Continue this process for belt tensioner (3) and belt tensioner (4).
- 5. If skipping occurs during that process, determine which shaft it is occurring on and tighten the tensioner that comes before it, and then try tightening the tensioner that comes after the shaft.

Basic Test Steps

After the unit is assembled and power is applied, a test can be run. A typical test will have the following steps. See the section on menu descriptions for special instructions on each of the steps.

From the Speed Menu

1. Select the exercise speed for the test

From the Duration Menu

- 1. Select the "Test Time" for each test
- 2. Select the "Rest Time" for each test

From the Cycles Menu

1. Select the number of times to repeat the test

From the Test Menu

- 1. Start, Stop, and Reset the Test.
- 2. Press the "STATUS" button to see time and distance for the test.

Loading and Unloading Animals

To load an animal into the wheel, loosen the thumbscrew on the swing hatch and swing the hatch away. Place the animal in the wheel, swing the hatch back to cover the wheel and tighten the thumbscrew. Place the wheel in an open track on the Forced Exercise Bed. The wheels can be loaded or unloaded while the test is in progress, if desired.

Mouse Exercise Walking Wheel Model 80801

Wheel Features

- Wheels are 2.25" internal width with an internal running diameter of 5.94"
- · Wheels are sturdy yet lightweight
- · Wheel sides are polycarbonate plastic with riveted anodized aluminum round rungs
- Thumbscrew locking swing hatch is made from anodized aluminum
- Access for animal loading and removal is 5.0"

Wheel Specifications

Weight:	0.8lbs.
Wheel Diameter:	5.94" ID
Wheel Diameter:	6.75" OD
Wheel Width:	2.25" (internal)
Wheel Width:	2.75" (external)



Menu Descriptions

Using the Menus

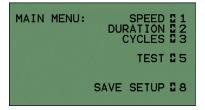
All menus are controlled using the eight buttons to the right of the display screen. The display shows all options for a particular menu on the right side of the screen with a number label corresponding to the button number assigned to that function. Not all menus use all of the buttons. If a number label is missing on a menu, that button has no function for that particular menu.

Main Menu

The Main Menu runs automatically after the introduction screen. It is the default screen for all operations. All Exercise Bed functions and settings are accessed from this menu.

Menu controls

Button 1: Go to the Speed Menu(SPEED)Button 2: Go to the Duration Menu(DURATION)Button 3: Go to the Repeat Cycle Menu(CYCLES)Button 4:(CYCLES)Button 5: Go to the Test Menu(TEST)Button 6:Utton 7:Button 7:(SAVE SETUP)



Save Setup

This selection allows the user to store system parameters in memory. These parameters are loaded automatically the next time the device is turned on, eliminating the need to set the parameters after every power up.

To save setup parameters

Press Button (8) in the Main Menu Parameters saved: Test Time, Rest Time, Repeat Cycle setting, Infinite Repeat Setting and Speed setting

Speed Menu

The Speed Menu is used to set the exercise speed of the test in meters per minute (m/min). A secondary readout shows the equivalent seconds per revolution (sec/rev) of the exercise wheels. The sec/rev reading updates as the m/min setting is changed but cannot be directly manipulated.

To access the Speed Menu

Press Button (1) from the Main Menu

Menu controls

Button 1:	Increment Speed by 0.1 m/min	(+0.1)
Button 2:	Decrement Speed by 0.1 m/min	(-0.1)
Button 3:	Increment Speed by 1.0 m/min	(+1.0)
Button 4:	Decrement Speed by 1.0 m/min	(-1.0)
Button 5:	Increment Speed by 5.0 m/min	(+5.0)
Button 6:	Decrement Speed by 5.0 m/min	(-5.0)
Button 7:		
Button 8:	Enter speed and return to Main Menu	(ENTE



Notes

- The menu automatically limits the speed range per the gear ratio settings. It will not allow speed settings higher or lower than the specified limits.
- Only one speed may be used for the test. If a speed change is desired during a test, it must be done manually. More complex speed changes can be programmed when using the optional computer control software.
- The system automatically adjusts itself to maintain a constant speed if wheels are added or subtracted. Slight speed variation may be noticeable during the adjustment period.

Specifications

Default Gear Ratio (28/18)

- Max speed: 11.4 m/min
- Min speed: 0.9 m/min

Duration Menu

The Duration Menu is used to set the Test and Rest Time for the test. The shadowed cursor indicates which selection is active. Only the active selection is changed by the buttons. Both times are represented in the hours:minutes:seconds (H:M:S) format. The distance setting represents the distance that will be traveled in meters for the set amount of time. The setting is based on the test time entered and the speed specified in the Speed Menu. The distance is for display only and cannot be directly manipulated.

To access the Duration Menu

Press Button (2) in the Main Menu

Menu controls

Button 1: Increment the time by 1	(+1)	
Button 2: Decrement the time by 1	(-1)	TEST TIME: +12 1 01:05:10 H:M:S -12 2
Button 3: Increment the time by 10	(+10)	+102 3
Button 4: Decrement the time by 10	(-10)	DISTANCE: -1024 00455.91 M MAX25
Button 5: Go to Maximum setting	(MAX)	MIND 6
Button 6: Go to Minimum setting	(MIN)	RESET TIME: SELECT 7 00:10:00 ENTER 8
Button 7: Advance the Cursor to the next value	(SELECT)	00.10.00 ENTER 0
Button 8: Enter time and return to Main Menu	(ENTER)	

Notes

- The menu automatically limits the settings for the duration range. The maximum range is 23 hours, 59 minutes and 59 seconds.
- The test time is always executed first, followed by the rest time. If the repeat cycle is set to 1, the rest time is ignored and the test ends after the test time.
- An entry of zero for the test time or rest time will automatically be changed to 1 second.

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Cycles Menu

The Cycles Menu is used to set the repeat cycles for the test. One cycle consists of one test period and one rest period as specified in the Duration Menu. The test many be set for infinite cycles. In this case, the test and rest time cycle will repeat until stopped by user intervention.

To access the Cycles Menu

Press Button (3) in the Main Menu

Menu controls

Button 1:	Increment the cycles by 1
Button 2:	Decrement the cycles by 1
Button 3:	Increment the cycles by 10
Button 4:	Decrement Speed by 10
Button 5:	Increment the cycles by 100
Button 6:	Decrement the cycles by 100
Button 7:	Toggle infinite repeat on/off
Button 8 [.]	Enter cycle and return to Main Menu

(+100) (-100) (INF. REP) (ENTER)

(+1) (-1) (+10) (-10)

REPEAT CYCLES:

Note: The maximum number of cycles is 999 unless the infinite repeat is set.

Test menu

The Test Menu allows the test to execute as determined by the setup parameters. The Test Menu displays the setup parameters and provides control buttons for the test. It also shows a status bar that indicates the progress of the test.

To access the Test Menu

Press Button (5) in the Main Menu.

Menu controls

Button 1:Button 2:Button 3:Button 4:Button 5:Button 5:Start/Stop the testButton 6:Reset the testButton 7:Go to the Status MenuButton 8:Return to the Main menu(MENU)

M/MIN: 07.0 REPS: 005 TEST TIME: TEST: 00001 01:05:10 DISTANCE: START/STOP: 5 00455.91 RESET: 6 REST TIME: STATUS: 7 00:10:00 MENU: 8

See "Important Instructions for Running Tests" for operational rules (page 10).



Status Menu

The Status Menu shows the current statistics for the test. This includes the cycle time, cycle distance, total test time and total distance. Each of the these four readouts update as the test is in progress. The cycle readouts reset after each test time. The total time and distance indicators can only be reset by pressing the "Reset" button. The Status Menu allows the same control over the test as the Test Menu (Start, Stop, and Reset).

To access the Status Menu

Press Button (7) in the Test Menu.

Menu controls

Button 1: Button 2: Button 3: Button 4: Button 5: Start/Stop the test (START/STOP) Button 6: Reset the test (RESET) Button 7: Go to the Test Menu (TEST) Button 8:

CYC.TIME: 00:00:15 CYC.DIST: -IDLE--0001.36 TIME: START/STOP 678 0:00:15 RESET TEST DIST ENTER 00001.36

Important Instructions for Running tests

- To Start a test, Press "Start" in the Test Menu or Status Menu.
- Once the test is running, the "Start" button becomes the "Stop" button.
- Pressing the "Stop" button will pause the test. The test can be resumed by pressing the "Start" button again or cancelled by pressing the "Reset" button.
- The test resumes exactly where it was paused with respect to time, distance, and cycles.
- Canceling a test resets the time and distance readouts. The test will then begin from zero on the next "Start" command.
- The user can toggle between the Test Menu and the Status Menu while the test is running.
- The control will always ramp the speed up and down on a start or stop. The length of the ramp time depends on the speed setting. The ramp time is not included in the time or distance reading. The time for the test will start once the wheel has reached its full speed.

Remote Initiate

A test may be started remotely by another hardware device. A switch closure on the Remote Initiate jack on the control head will initiate a test. The Remote Initiate input provides identical function as pressing the Start button in the Test Menu (see Important Instructions for Running Tests).

Notes on Computer Operation

- See the software user manual for instructions on operating the software.
- Plugging in the USB cable will cause the Psymcon control panel to go blank.
- After unplugging the USB cable, the Psymcon screen will refresh. The system will load the parameters stored in memory (see SAVE SETUP section). It will not continue to use the parameters downloaded from the computer.

PsymCon Device Contrast Adjust

The PsymCon Device's LCD display has an adjustable contrast setting. In the event that the LCD screen is too faint to see or the background is too dark, the user can adjust the contrast. To adjust, use a small flathead screwdriver to turn the internal dial on the PsymCon control panel. The adjustment dial is on the left side of the control box beside the cable entry port for the device.



User Notes

Enter any user notes here for your convenience.

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