

At NeoCon 2008, Nienkämper introduces AYA™: advanced ergonomics – simplified Design: Mark Saffell and David Ritch, 5D Studio

Chicago, IL –June 2008: Nienkämper's new AYA™ Chair redefines ergonomic elegance. What places it in a category all its own is a self-adjusting tilt mechanism that uses the sitter's own weight to control the seating position through a reclining range of motion. When the occupant reclines to a desired angle and pauses there, the chair's self-weighting mechanism automatically adjusts and balances to stay in that position. By using the sitter's own weight to provide resistance, there is no need for tension control. As a result, AYA™ is remarkably easy to adjust: the one and only lever on the chair controls seatpan height and also makes it possible to lock the angle of recline at one of five positions.

AYA™ is the first chair in North America to use this extraordinary motion system, which is based on the principles of how the body moves. A deficiency in most ergonomic seating is that an individual is farther away from a work surface in a reclining position than when he or she is sitting upright. But AYA™'s mechanism slides the seat forward when reclining occurs, ensuring that the sitter's hands and head remain in relative proximity to the work area. Designed to flex with the natural hip pivot motion of the human body, AYA™ provides excellent lumbar support through a full range of motion.

Underneath Nienkämper's signature tailored upholstery is a mesh back suspension system that enhances the comfort of this handsome and superbly engineered chair.

Mark Saffell and David Ritch, of 5D Studio in Venice, California, are award-winning designers of ergonomic seating and other types of furniture for workplace environments.

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