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### **Walkability as an Urban Design Problem**

The planning and design of the walkable environment is receiving more and more attention for its various benefits related to public health, sustainability, economy, or social life. Therefore, there is a growing need for knowledge about the walkability of the built environment. This project aims to support urban design knowledge and practice and to contribute to the broader field of “walkability” by refining the methods and measures used to analyze the relation between walking behavior and physical environment. Its goal is to integrate knowledge from the medical field of walkability with urban design research and provide new empirical knowledge about the concrete level in which urban design and architectural practice operates. The empirical study from this project investigates the complexity of walking and how it is related to the built environment through field studies in three areas in Stockholm. The findings from this project try to provide insights into how we can better understand the interaction between the built environment and walking behavior in influencing each other.