

Selected chapters of Athletic Training:

Core Stability Speed and endurance

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puzzle of success



Technical skill
Strategic tactical skills
Athletic (Physical) Conditions
Coordination skills
Cognitive abilities
Mental skills
Anthropometric requirements
Genetic Preconditions

Health, medical and physiotherapy support
nutritional status

environmental factors

- social (parents, friends, trainers, sponsors)
- material (training facility, sports and test equipments)
- time (work, school, study...)

The more pieces of the puzzle I have the more I realize what is shown on it – and I reach the desired result - SUCCESS!!!!



Basic considerations



The game of handball is getting faster, harder and requirement in technic and taktik are growing...

- 🌐 The technical skills need to be on a very high level to be successful
- 🌐 the influence of good Athletic Training is getting higher
- 🌐 A good aerobic condition and capacity, the strenght of muscles in interaction, the mobility of the joints and the sensorimotoric activity increased in terms of regeneration ability , injury prevention and performance development
- 🌐 The anaerobic capacity, a high VO₂max and the ablility to work under fatigue (lactate conditions) are necessary
- 🌐 There are significant correlations between VO₂max and the running distance , number of sprints and placing in the championship
- 🌐 Often it is not easy and sometimes not possible to integrate the athletic training in the game with the ball – the technical skills could suffer



CORE STABILITY

Global muscles

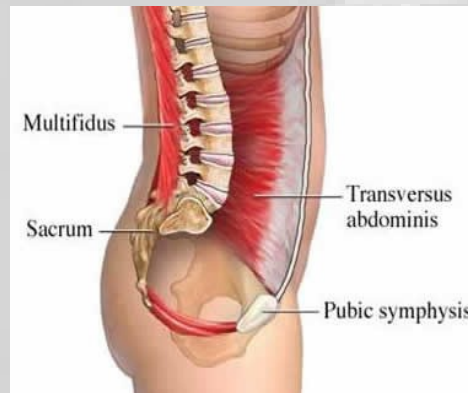
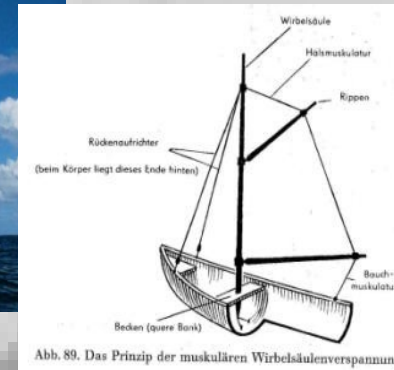
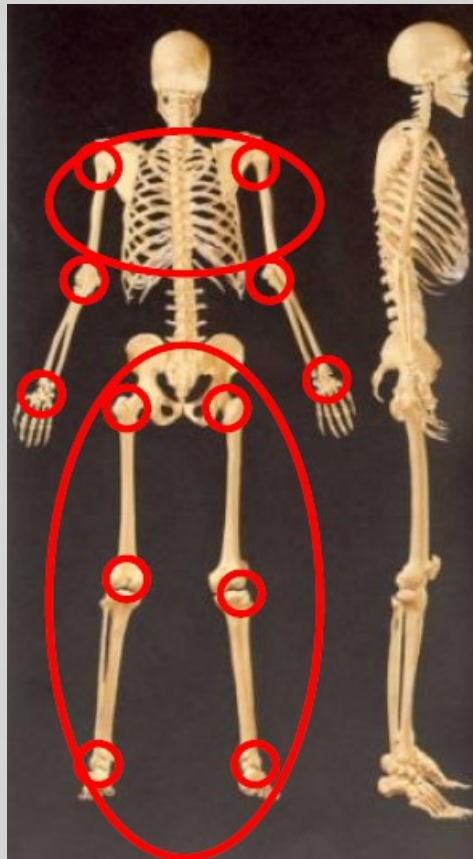
Local stabilizers

Muscle Chains

**Sensorimotor
Activity**



WHAT MEANS CORE STABILITY...



bracing of the spine and a strong trunk

History

- Australian research group -
Hodges [1990]

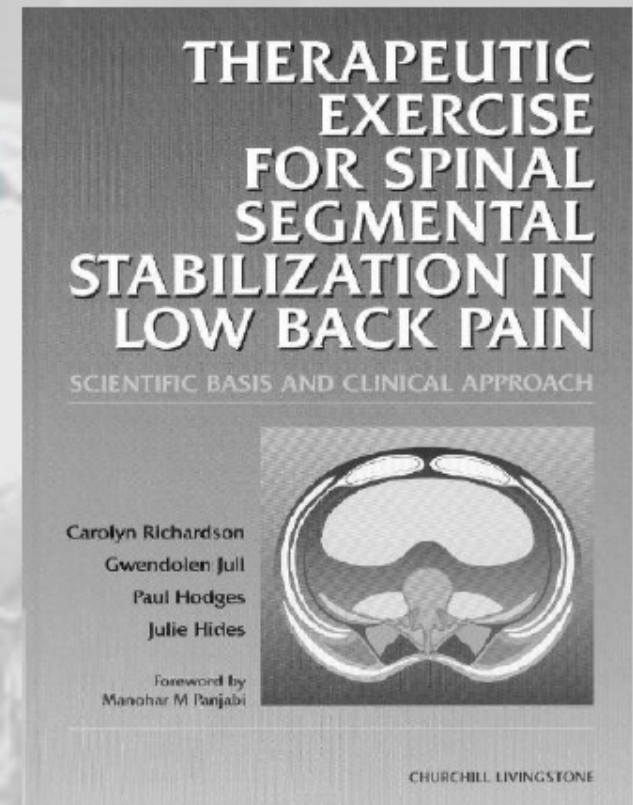
S-E-T concept

- Vidar Vindal, *Gitle Kirkesola*,
Silvia Kollos

[PT from Norway, Austria and Germany]



Hannspeter (Hape) Meier

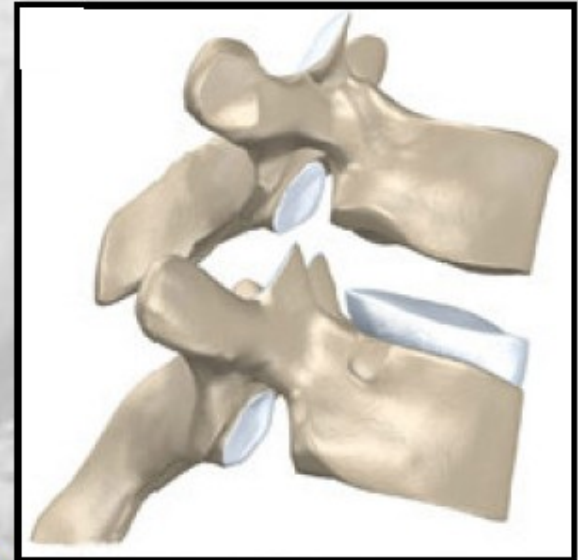


Anatomic basics

Muscle classification

- „global“ and
- „local“ stabilizers

..... to control segments and joints



segment system

Global muscles [lumbar area]

- back muscles [m. erector spinae]
- abdominal muscles [different parts]

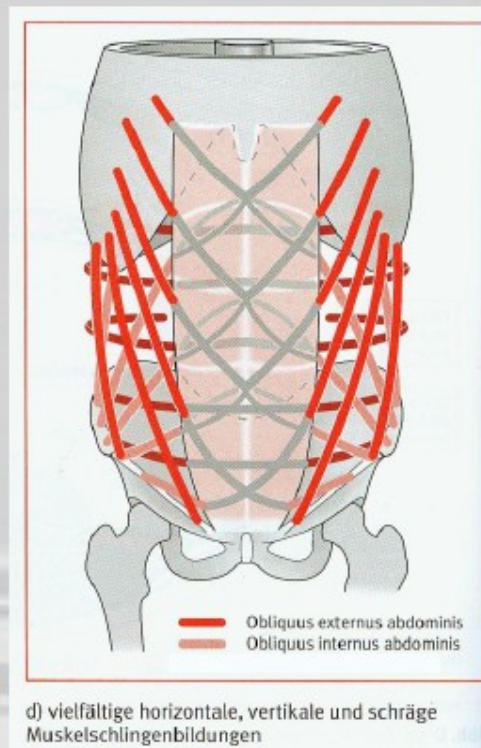
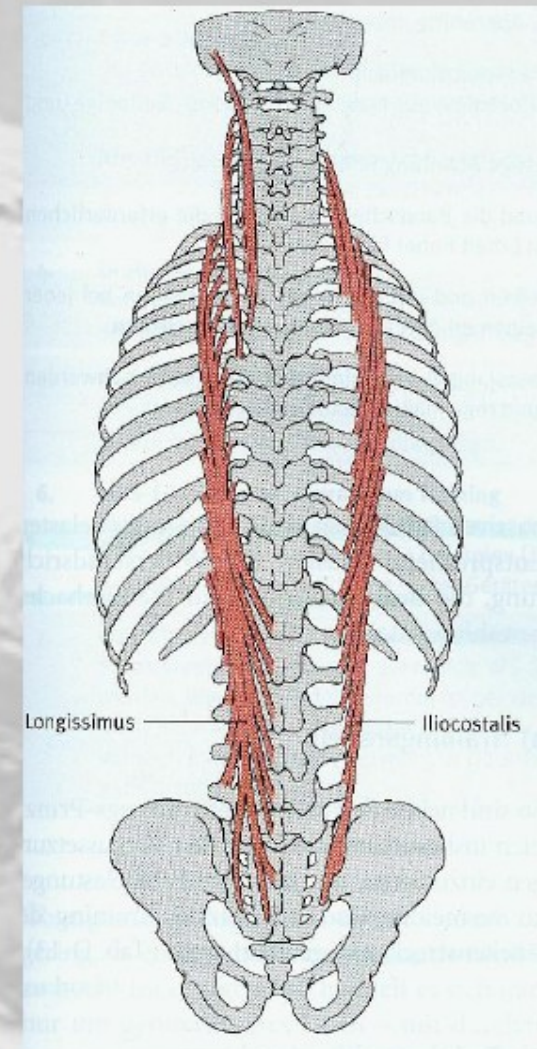


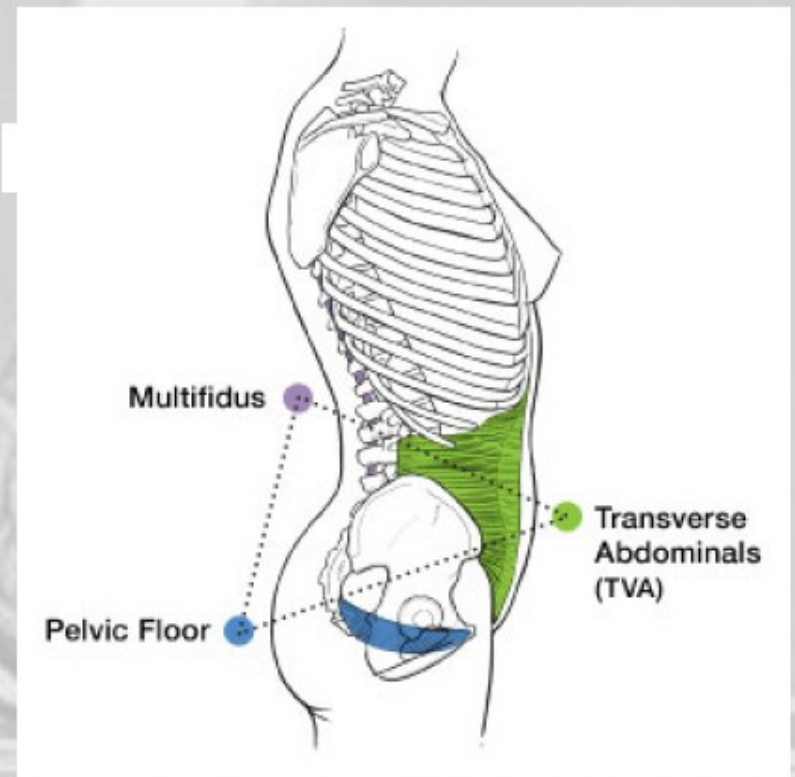
Abb. Gottlob 2001



The collective of lumbar stabilization

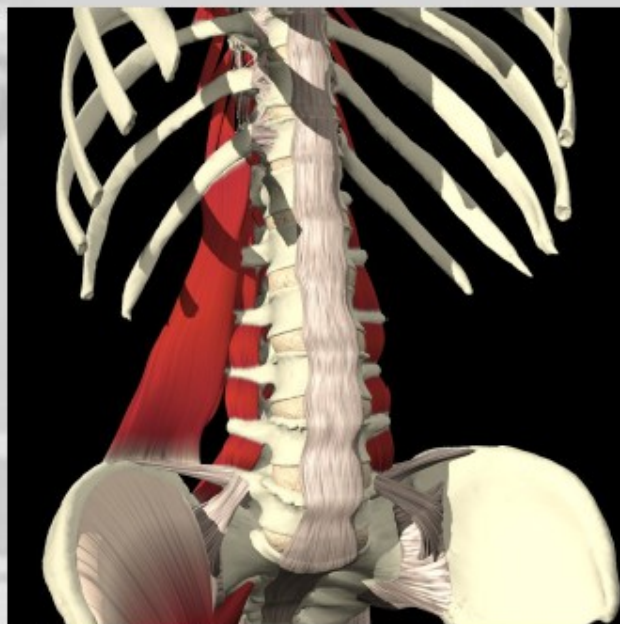
Local stabilizers „first order“ [lumbar area]

- diaphragm
- m. transversus abdominis
- mm. multifidi
- pelvic floor



Local stabilizers „second order“

- m. quadratus lumborum [medial portions]
- m. psoas major [posterior portions]
- m. latissimus dorsi
- m. obliquus internus u. externus abdominis



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Local stabilizers [lumbar area]

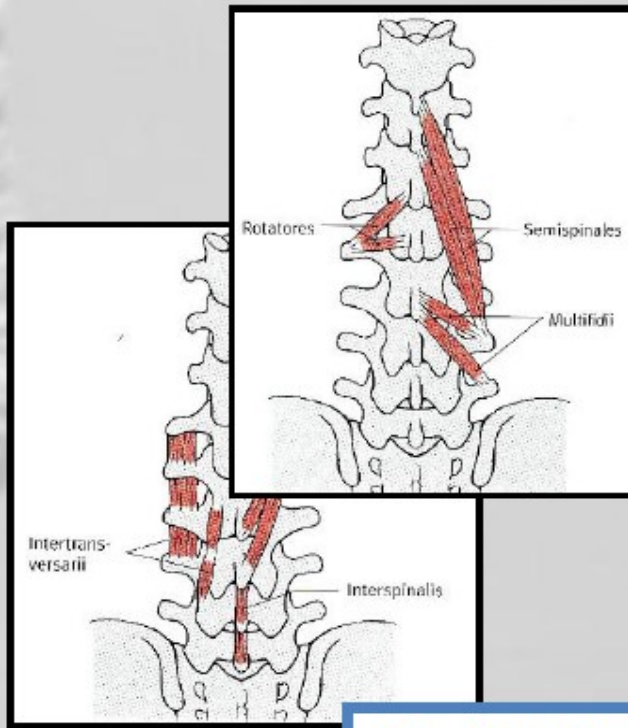


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Properties and abilities

- tonic contraction
- optimal compression of joint surfaces
- „feed-forward“ →

Lumbar stabilization

diaphragm

global muscles

local stabilizers

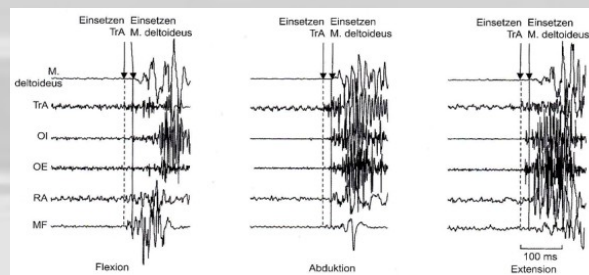
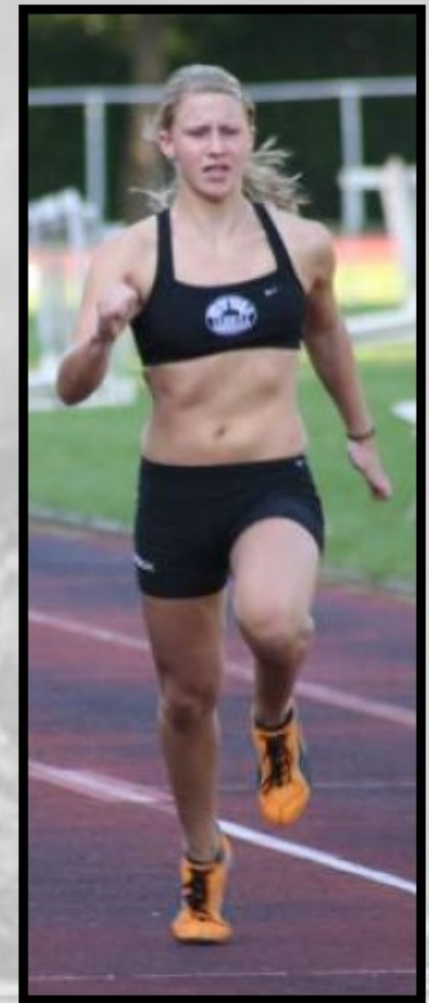
pelvic floor



Feed – forward – mechanism

Cresswell 1999, Hodges 1997 and 1999

“Transversus abdominis contracts in all quick movements of the trunk, upper extremities, and lower extremities, before the muscles producing the motion are activated.”



Feed – forward - mechanism

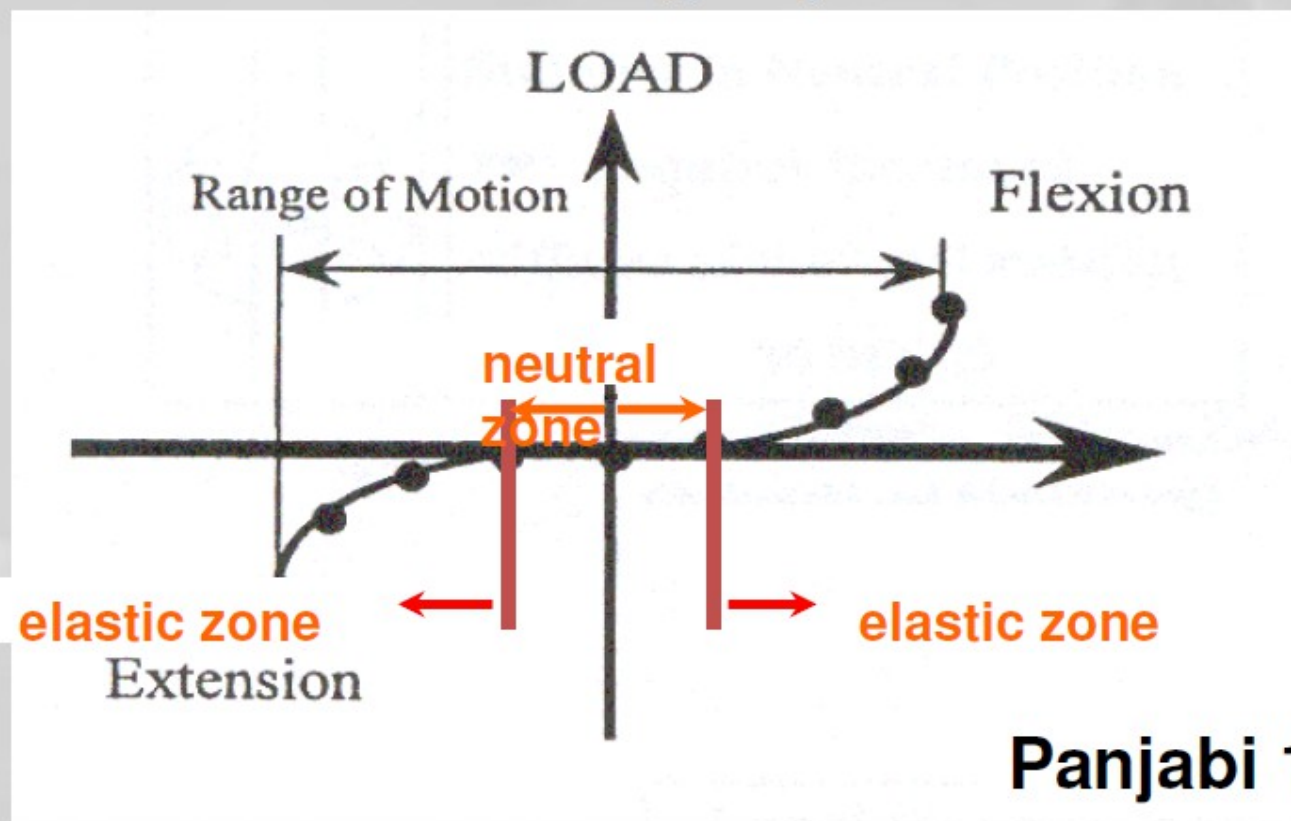
Moseley GL, Hodges PW, Gandevia SC :

“Deep and superficial fibers of the lumbar multifidus muscle are differently active during voluntary arm movements.”

Spine 2002;2:E29-E36



Model of stabilizing systems [lumbar area]

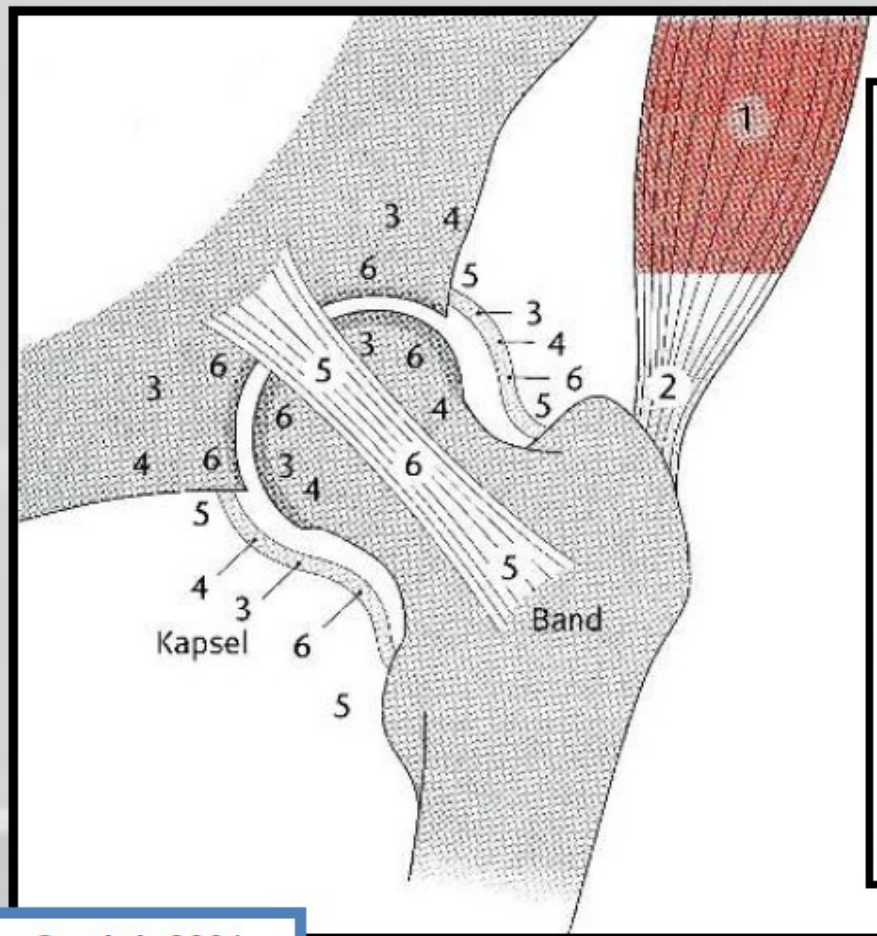


For 75%, the m. multifidus is the most important muscle for stabilization of the segment L4 - 5, during movement in the “neutral zone!”

Wilke 1995

This stabilizing system depends on the performance of the sensorimotoric system!

Sensors



- 1] muscles
- 2] tendons
- 3] joints
- 4] sensors for movement and acceleration
- 5] sensors for pain and injuries
- 6] sensors of the skin

Abb. Gottlob 2001

Sensorimotoric training



Labile und **unstable** training devices

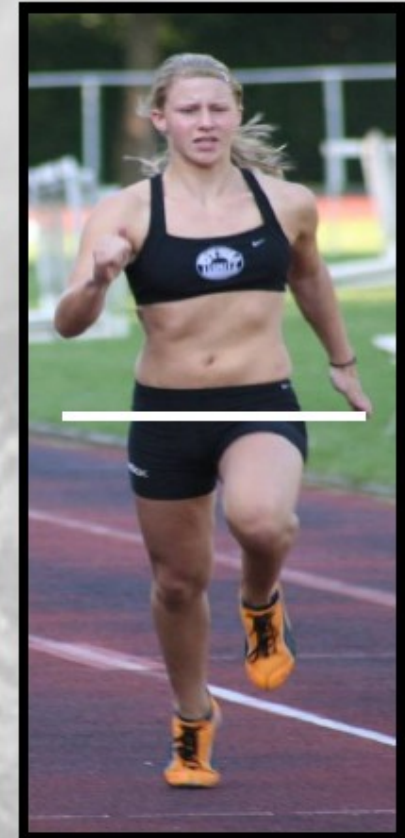
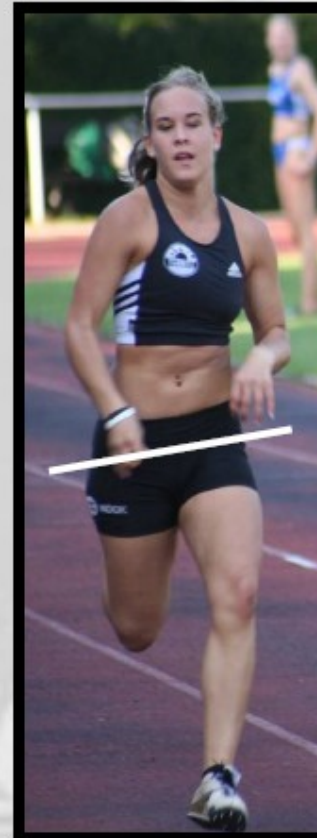
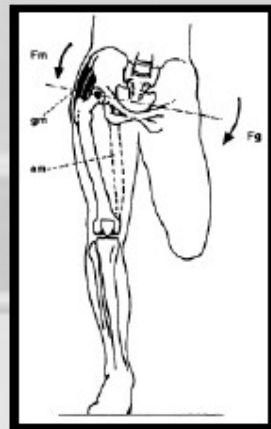
Unstable training devices

- high sensorimotoric activity based on
- fast, aggressive und unstable stimuli

Sensorimotoric training

Injury prevention and performance development:

- Hypertrophy and synchronous activity of the local stabilizers
- coordinated interaction



Chronic injuries or pain in the locomotor system means



- reduced information from the sensori-motoric system and
- reduced local stabilization
- reduced strength
- shear forces

Emergency programm/ paradoxic innervation The „global“ muscle system

- mainly takes the stabilizing control
- tries to limit painful movement
- hypertension
- coordinated interaction is disordered
- structural muscle shortening

Summary

Without sensorimotoric activity no motoric!

Pain reduces the flow of information from the sensors

„Feed – forward“ mechanism does not work at peak level!

..... paradoxical innervation/relieving posture

Methodological approach

- reduce pain
- reduce tension
- increase metabolism in the global muscle system
- sensorimotoric training

I. First, activate the „local“ stabilizers.

II. Second, the „global“ muscle system.

Remember: methodological approach

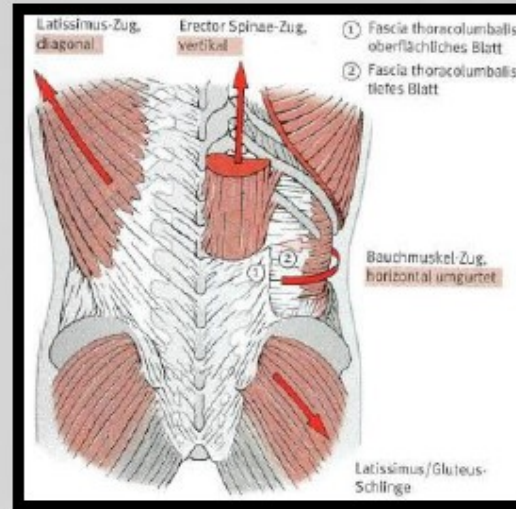
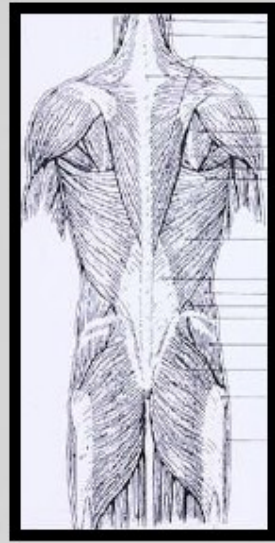
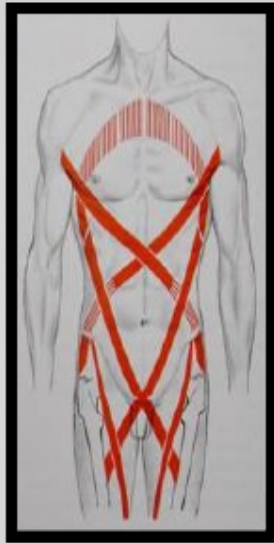
- high sensorimotoric activity based on
- fast, aggressive und unstable stimuli with and on unstable training devices and ...
- pain free
- open and closed kinetic chains

5 – steps program to develop Core Stability and Support Force

(Reiterer / Vock 2013)

- I. Activate the „local“ stabilizers.**
- II. Train the „global“ muscle system.**
- III. Use muscle chains**
- IV. Train the core muscles over time**
- V. Use the system in rotational and exzentric work**

Muscle chains



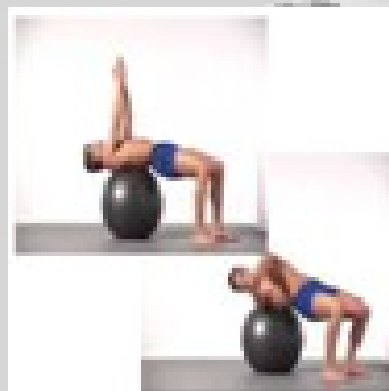
Muscle chains are groups of muscles which belong together (structurally and functionally) and which are involved in movements and allow all kind of movement in all directions -> They work together!!!

Anterior (ventral) Muscles Chains
Posterior (dorsal) Muscles Chains
Side (lateral) Muscles Chains

Flexion Chain
Extension Chain



Training of the muscle chains...



Training the core muscles over time

Is it enough trainings load to make 4 x 20 reps?
How long is a handball game? How long is a training?
Don't we use or need this muscles over the whole time?

Schmidtbleicher:

„Every core training which not last at a minimum of 30 minutes continous strenghtening is not enough load... “

Intermittend core stability training

Intermittierendes Rumpfkrafttraining

12 Übungen (Sätze):



SCHNURSPRINGEN (alternativ: Laufen / Steppen...)

Halteposition



Dynamik



Halteposition



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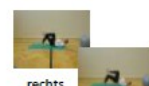
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Dynamik



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Halteposition



Dynamik



Wechsel nach 15"

Belastungsdosierung (Hauptteil oder Abschlussteil): 1 – 4 Durchgänge (Serien) 60"
Schnurspringen 30" Übung „halten“ 30" Übung „bewegen“ im
Vorbereitungsteil (oder im Nachwuchstraining) 40 – 20/20 oder 30 – 15/15 möglich!!!

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Rotation and exzentric work

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Kettlebell Swing:



Kettlebell Kniebeuge:



Kettlebell Drücken:



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Speed

Agility



Frequency

Quickness

Plyometrics

5 – steps program to develop Speed

Vock 2013

- I. Neuro – transmitting biochemical way**
- II. Speed under the aspect of coordination**
- III. Speed under the aspect of strenght**
- IV. Speed under the aspect of the tecnical training**
- V. Speed under the aspect of energetic**

Training of Speed

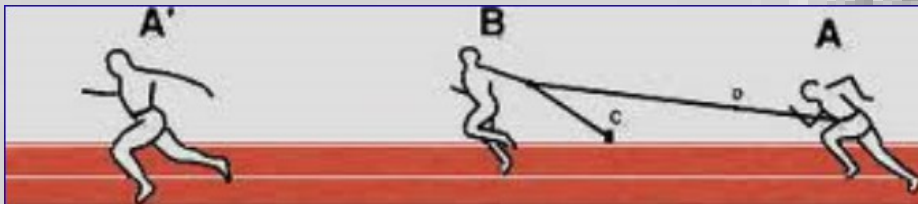
... the neuro – transmitting biochemical way

OVERSPEED

SUPRAMAXIMALSPEED

SUPRAMAXIMALFREQUENZ

„FASTER THAN IT'S POSSIBLE....



Training of Speed

... under the aspect of Coordination

„Agility or Quickness“

Coordination under TIME PRESSURE

Reaction – time Training
Agility drills
Frequency Training



GENERAL vs. SPECIFIC!!!!

For children and youth athletes the exercises could be general... **BUT**
at the high level sport the energetic-, spatial - temporal and dynamic- flow
must match the target motion!!!

Training of Speed

... under the aspect of Strength

Training with **really high load**



Training using the **stretch-shortening cycle** (Plyometrics)

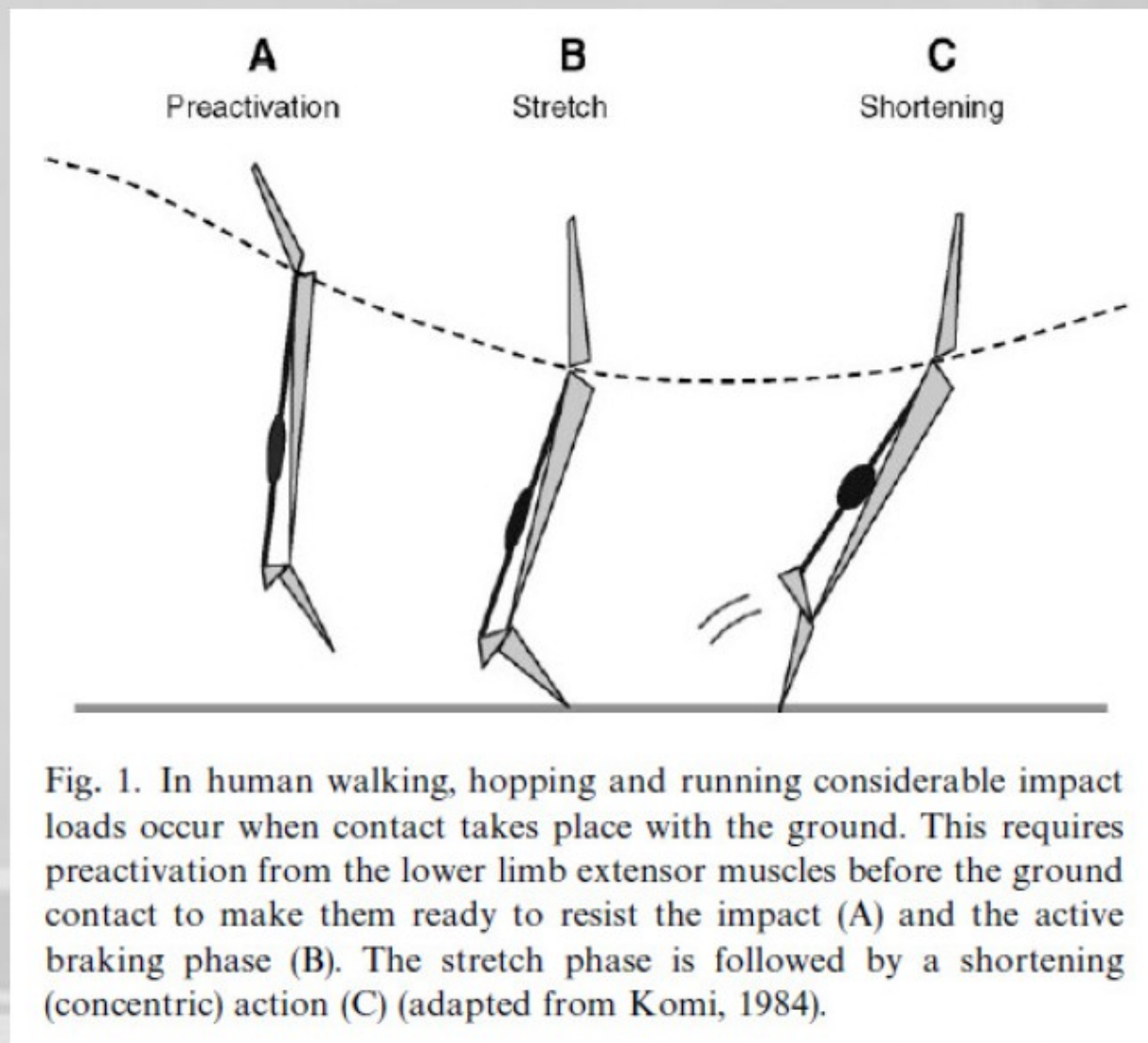
*Plyometrics can be defined as any movement that utilizes the Stretch-Shortening Cycle (SSC). This employs the energy storage capabilities and stimulation of the stretch reflex to facilitate a maximal increase in muscle recruitment over a minimal amount of time -> **INTRAMUSCULAR COORDINATION***



Explosive Training with light weight (also called plyometrics...)

-> **INTER-MUSCULAR COORDINATION**

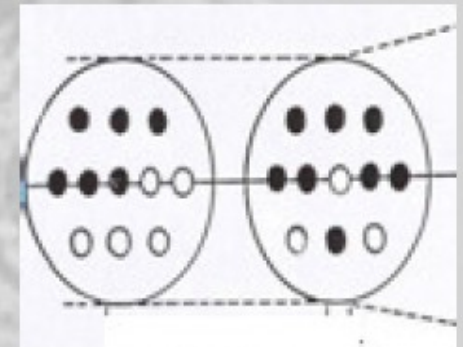
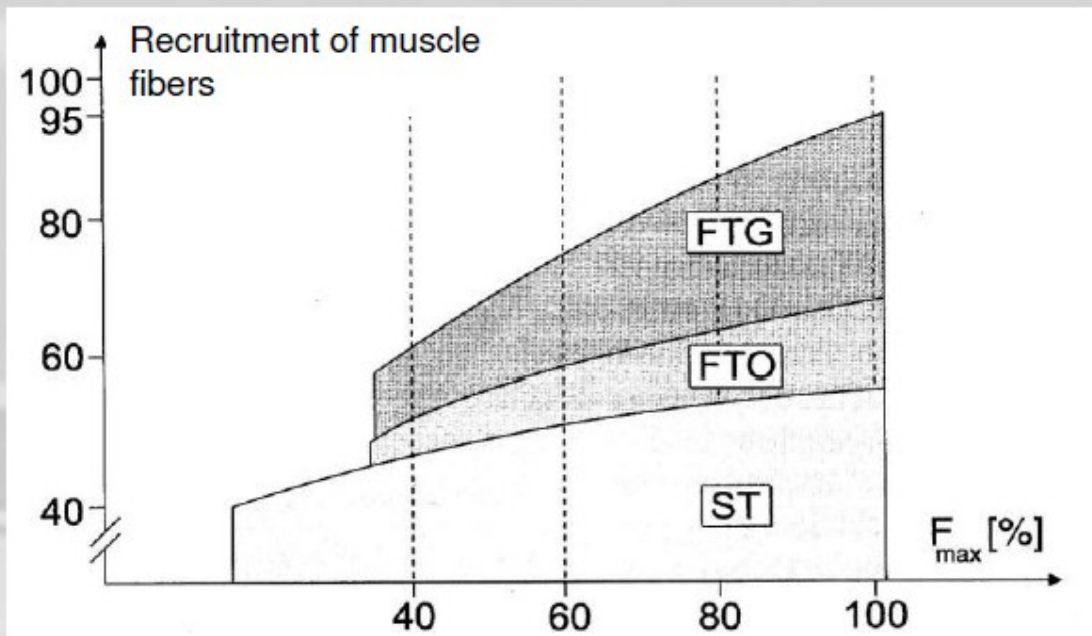
STRETCH - SHORTENING CYCLE



INTRA - vs. INTER-MUSCULAR COORDINATION

Intramuscular Coordination means that all fibers in the muscle contract and relax in sync, then you are producing more muscle power, without your muscle necessarily being very big. Basically, good intra-muscular coordination means that you are moving your muscles efficiently and you can get a higher and faster strenght output.

Intermuscular coordination is the coordination between the contraction of the active muscle and the relaxation of the antagonist work.



Training of Speed

... under the aspect of technical training

REACTION

ANTICIPATION

DECISSION

ACTION

ACCELERATION

...



... under the aspect of endurance

Speed endurance

- > without strenght (frequenzy or agility training over a longer period)
- > with strenght (running, cycling, jumping,...)

The accumulation of blood lactate disturbs the excitation contraction coupling and cross-bridge formation. In other words, the muscle's mechanical properties are disturbed. The result? A decrease in force production, peak force and velocity.

Speed endurance Training can improve the clearance rate of lactate and reduce early lactate formation

SHORT or SPRINT INTERVAL TRAINING!!!

ENDURANCE

Interval Training

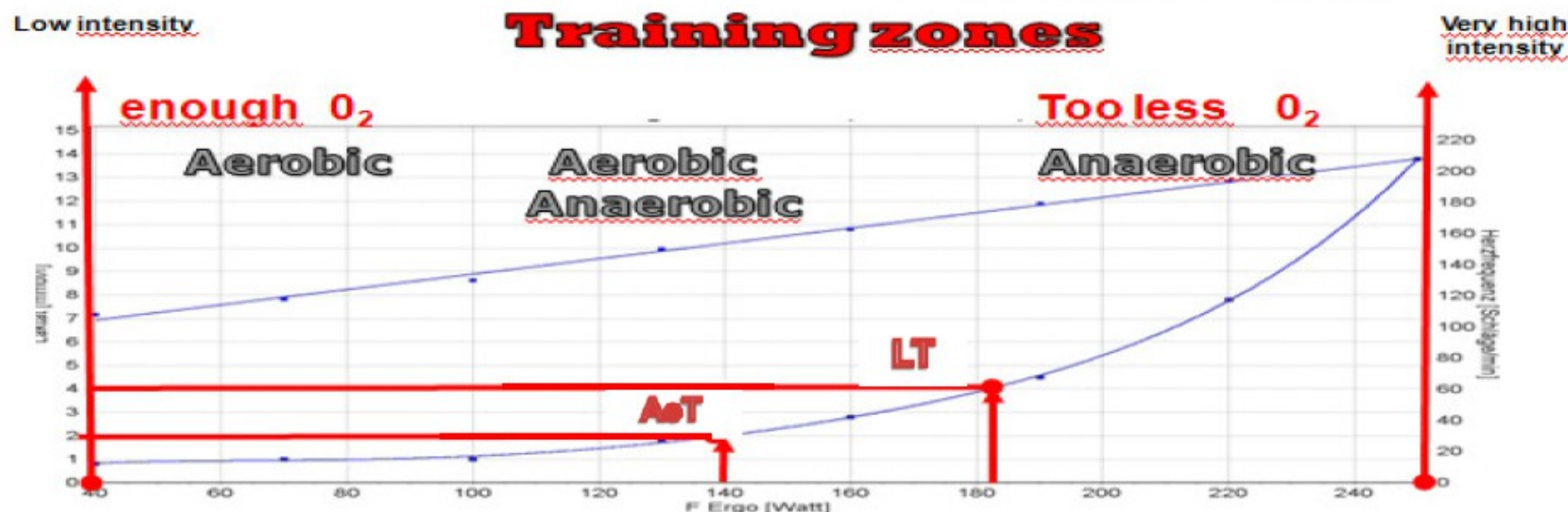
Aerobic conditioning

Short Interval Training

High Intensity Training



The base of the methodology in endurance training are the different energy delivering systems.



Regeneration	Aerobic Conditioning / Capacity			Specific endurance
A0	A1	A2	A3	A4
60 % HRMax	65-75 %	75-85 %	85-90 %	> 90 %
50-55 % VO2max	55-75 %	75-85 %	85-100 %	100 %



The methodology...



High Volume Training for Aerobic
Conditioning (continous methods)

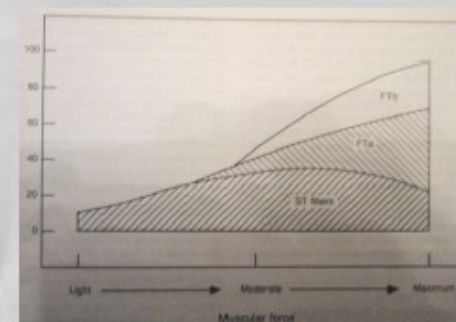
VS.

Interval Training



Advantages of Interval Training

- Training is more of the power structure of the sports game
- Sparing of muscle glycogen stores!
- More effective and shorter recovery times
- Activation of fast and medium fast muscle fibers

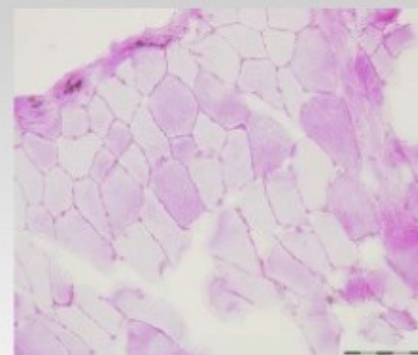
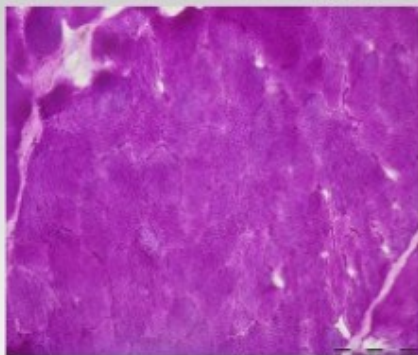


- Development of VO2max as high-performance determining parameter!
- Counteracting the monotony of training
- Protection of the passive structures (joints) by active muscle contraction in faster running

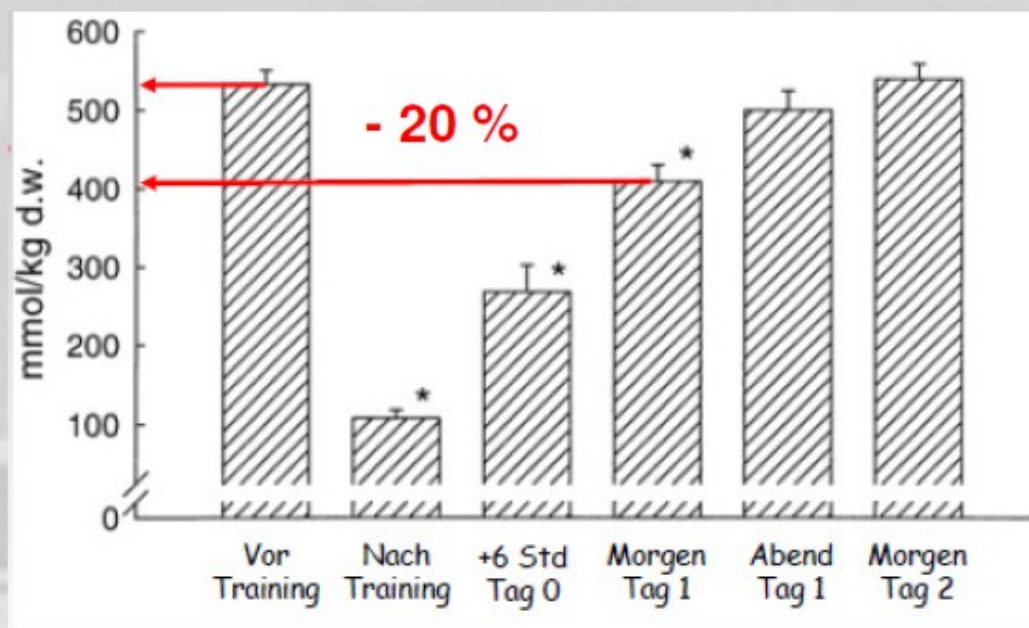


Commodification / more effective!

Decrease in carbohydrate stores



Recovery of carbohydrate stores



To train the aerobic conditioning

- Short Interval - Training

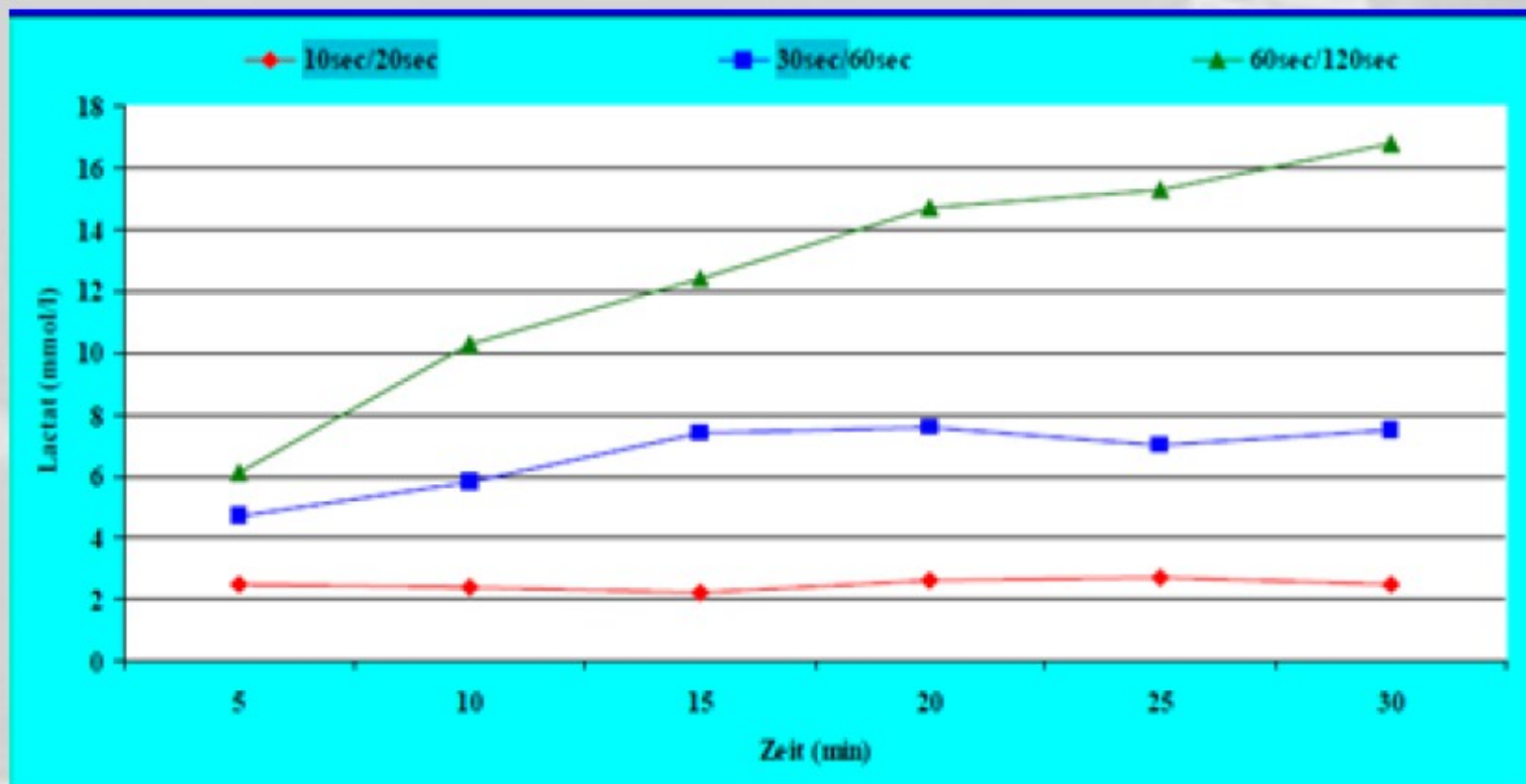
To train the anaerobic capacity and to increase the VO2max

- High Intensity - Training

- Sprint Interval - Training

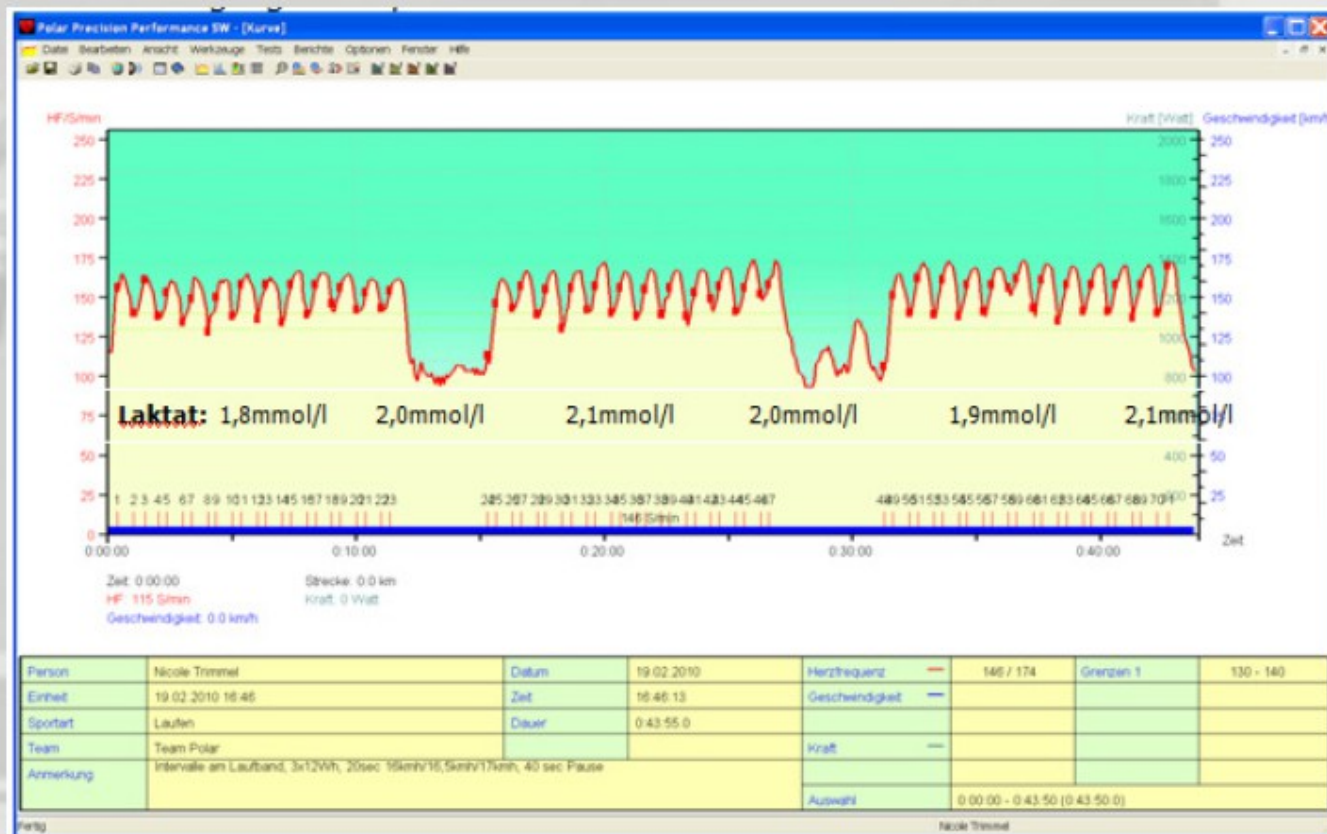
Short – Interval - training

Influence of different exercise – break regimes at the same intensity (100% vVO₂max) on the lactate concentration



Planning short interval training

The training concept "short interval training" is about the special needs of a Speed oriented endurance training using short runs (between 50 - 120m) completed several times quickly and adequate breaks between the runs to prevent a lactate accumulation!



For example

3 x 12 x 100m

100m – 20sec

Break 40 sec

Seriesbreak 5 min

Planning short interval training

normativa of short interval

(depending on performance and training period)

- Stimulus duration: between 50 - 120m (10 - 25 sec)
- Stimulus intensity: $v\dot{V}O_{2max}$ by 100% or between 70 - 85% V_{max}
- Stimulus volume: 2 - 5 series, each with 5-10 reps (20 - 60 runs)
- Stimulus density: breaks between 0.30 to 2 min (VO_2 max: 50%)
- Stimulus frequency: 1 - 2 times a week



High Intensity Training...



A new way...?

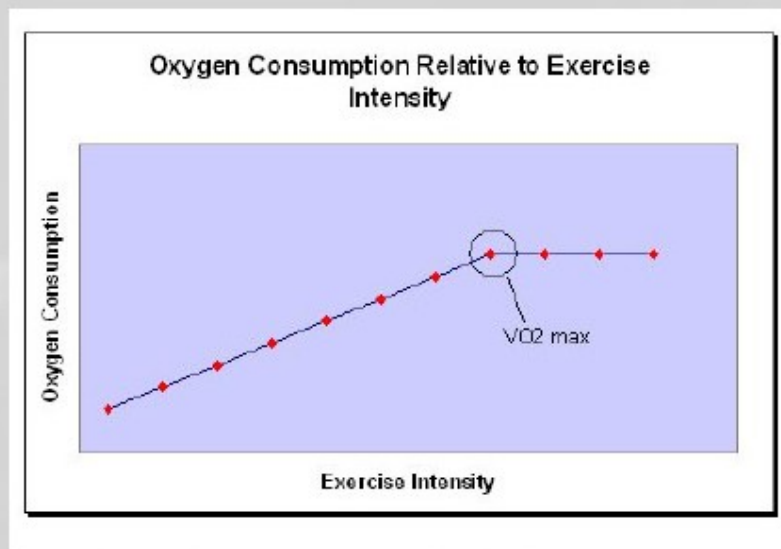
In **1960**, the pioneer Swedish physiologist Per Oløf Astrand developed long interval training at a velocity between the critical velocity and $v\text{VO}_2\text{max}$ (90 to 95% $v\text{VO}_2\text{max}$) . These 3 minutes run at about 90 to 92% of $v\text{VO}_2\text{max}$ elicited VO_2max in the last repetitions, despite the complete rest in between. Astrand et al. considered that this was one of the best forms of interval training to improve VO_2max since all cardiorespiratory parameters were at their maximum.

The importance of VO₂max

VO₂ max has been defined as:

"the highest rate of oxygen consumption attainable during maximal or exhaustive exercise".

As exercise intensity increases so does oxygen consumption. However, a point is reached where exercise intensity can continue to increase **without** the associated rise in oxygen consumption.

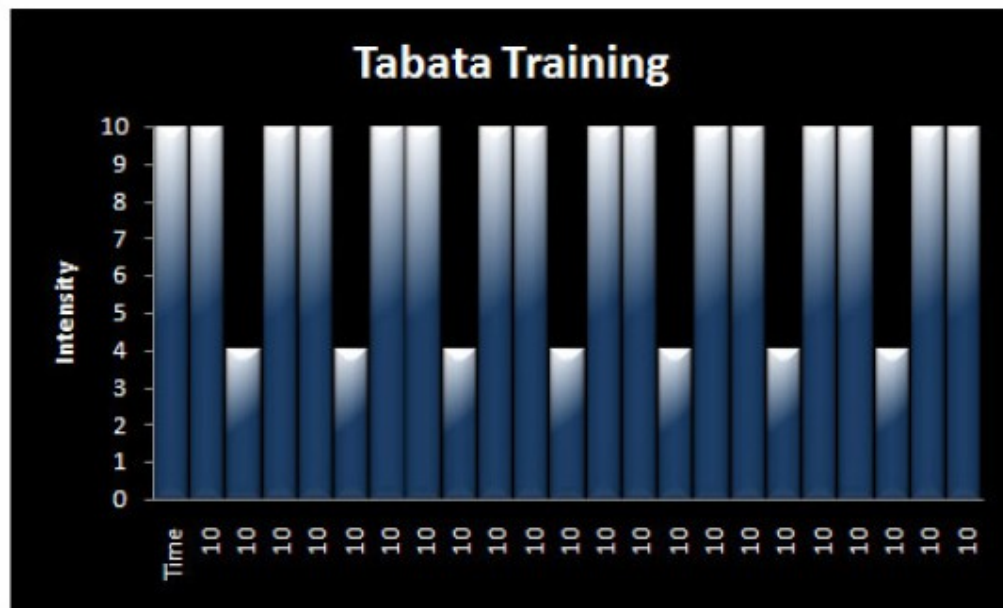


J Physiol. 2008 January 1; 586(Pt 1): 25–34.
Published online 2007 November 15.

VO_{2,max}: what do we know, and what do we still need to know?

What we know is that you can train the VO₂ max or the performance at the VO₂ max and there's a relation between the VO₂ max and the performances in the game!

High Intensity Training



Sprint Phases	Rest Phases	Number of Sets
20 Seconds	10 Seconds	8

**Results after 5 weeks:
significant increase**

- **Vo2max (6,5%)**
- **performance at
aerobic treshold (+14%)**
- **performance at
lactate treshold (+28%)**

Tabata I, Nishimura K, Kouzaki M, Hirai Y, Ogita F, Miyachi M, Yamamoto K (1997). Effects of moderate-intensity endurance and high-intensity intermittent training on anaerobic capacity and VO2max. Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise, 28, 1327-1330

Micro shock cycles

Norwegian soccer team - 2. Division – 10 days of H.I.T

1st. Groupe:

4 x 4 min Intervals – Dribblingpassing

90-95% maximum heart rate (MHR)

active break: 3 min

– 60-70% MHR

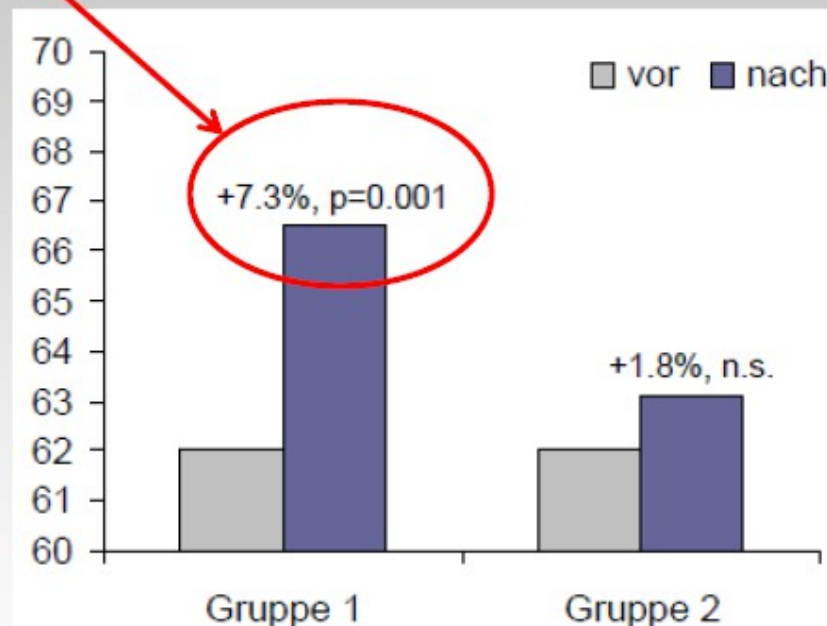
2nd Groupe:

28 min – continuous training

70-75 % MHR

(Stolen et al. 2005)

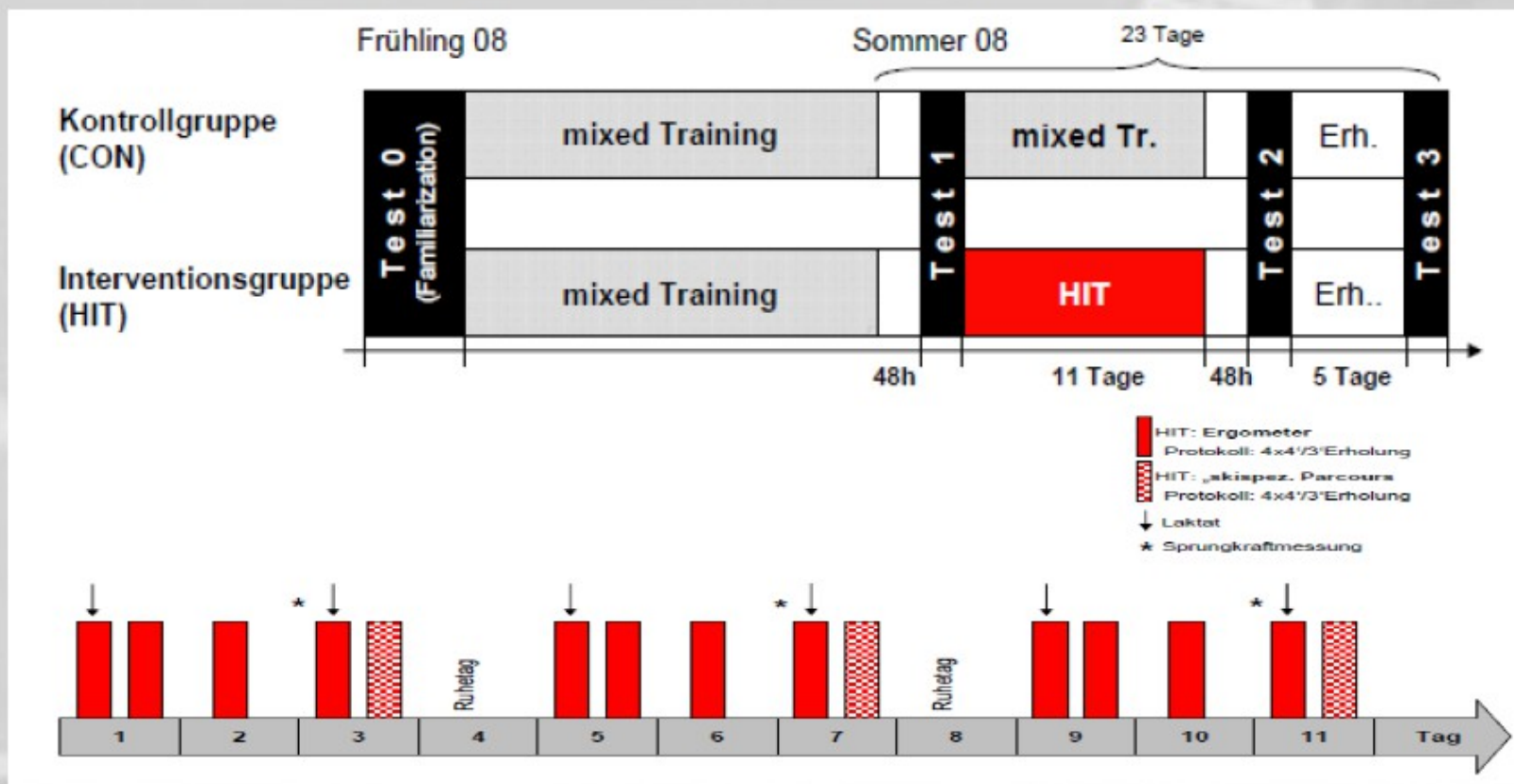
Effekt auf $VO_2\max$



Block training periodization in alpine skiing: effects of 11-day HIT on VO₂max and performance.

Breil FA, Weber SN, Koller S, Hoppeler H, Vogt M

Eur J Appl Physiol. 2010 Aug;109(6):1077-86. Epub 2010 Apr 4.



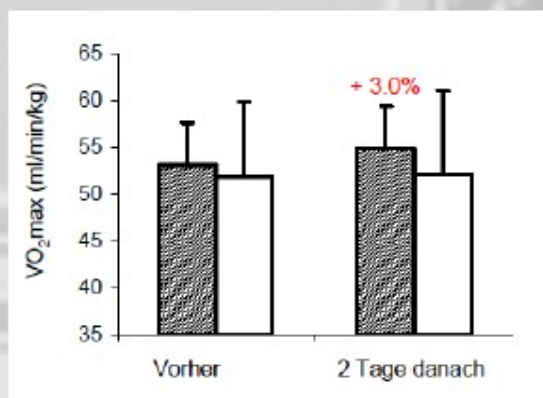
Results

	HIT	CON
Maximum performance	+4.4% **	+2.0%
Performance at AeT (2)	+9.6% **	+1.0%
Maximum jump height	-0.1%	+4.0%

11 days of HIGH INTENSITY TRAINING leads to increased growth in endurance performance

BloodVolume	+10.2 % **	+3.4%
Stroke Volume	+9.3% **	+8.1%

VO₂ max



Conclusions for the training process

In recent years numerous studies have shown, the success of various High Intensity Training methods:

- 4 x 4 min continuous loads
- 4 x (8 x 15 " / 15") intervals
- 4 x (8 x 20 " / 10") intervals
- 4 x (4 x 30 " / 30") intervals

Improvement in

10 - 12 days (shock cycles / rhythm as 1 - 2 - 0)
or by 2 – H.I. Training times / week for 8 weeks

by **6 - 7% increase in VO2max**

Improvements in the aerobic and anaerobic threshold

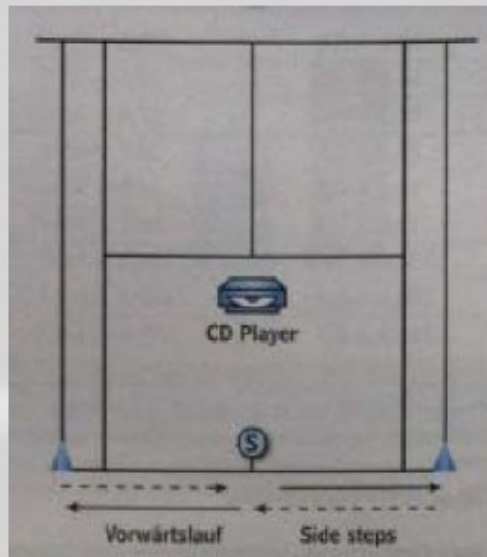
Variation in play mode (Minigames - Attack / Defense) Parcours vs.
General training (running, ergometer)

Studies (Stolen et al., 2005) showed theres also a receipt of
performance at on time training a week

Sprint Interval Training

Zimek, et al. (2011) Leistungssport: Sprint Interval Training more effective than High Intensity Training in sports games

running paths



HIT		IST	
3 x 90 s level _{max} *, 3 min aktives Traben (70% of HF _{max})	1. Serie	10 x 5 s all-out 15 s Pause	1:1 Spiel
1:1 Spiel			
3 x 90 s level _{max} *, 3 min aktives Traben (70% of HF _{max})	2. Serie	10 x 5 s all-out 15 s Pause	1:1 Spiel
1:1 Spiel			
3 x 90 s level _{max} *, 3 min aktives Traben (70% of HF _{max})	3. Serie	10 x 5 s all-out 15 s Pause	1:1 Spiel
1:1 Spiel			

Results:

Variable	Gruppe	Pre-Test	Post-Test
VO _{2peak} (ml/kg/min)	IST	55,6 ± 5,0	58,6 ± 2,9 ^{a,b}
	HIT	56,3 ± 4,0	59,1 ± 2,9 ^{a,b}
	KON	57,3 ± 4,0	57,4 ± 3,8
v _{1,44} (km/h)	IST	13,4 ± 2,1	14,2 ± 0,9
	HIT	13,3 ± 0,6	13,8 ± 1,0
	KON	12,9 ± 1,1	13,1 ± 1,3
HF _{max} (S/min)	IST	196,6 ± 10,4	194,8 ± 11,7
	HIT	188,9 ± 6,6	187,3 ± 8,6
	KON	194,9 ± 8,7	191,8 ± 5,6



Arrangement of H.I.T. during the year



Technology-oriented basic endurance training (with ball) all year!

Preparation / training camp:

10 days shock cycle H.I.T

or receipt of 2 - Training times / week

In Combination with Technique - tactical training or strength training (functional)!

In the season:

1 x H.I.T (in small game variation)

1 - 2 x short intervals (possible before / after training)

In Combination with Technique - tactical training or strength training (functional)!



Additional Training

(Functional) strength training and muscle building (in preparation) and maximum / explosive strength training (in season)

- Performance enhancement and injury prevention
- Stabilization of the joint systems
- Adaptation of the connective tissue
- Development of speed or quick / explosive strength
- Development of motion (full range of motion)



Sling muscle training (asymmetric)
Sensorimotoric activity training
Coordination training
Shoulder stabilization training ...



Regenerative measures (increasing importance of Kryotherapy!)

Nutritional measures

Sport psychological measures ...

Thank you for ATTENTION



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