

exist in places such as South America, Asia, Africa, and possibly Greece! And what was the score at Upton Park in 2003 anyway!

This text is certainly comprehensive in the areas it covers and easily read from the first whistle to the full 90 minutes. As stated, it covers every key facet of the game including players' anatomy, physiology, biomechanics and psychology, coaching and training methods, nutrition, injury prevention and rehabilitation, surfaces and equipment, match analysis, growth and development of younger players, and talent identification. The allocation of space given to each area perhaps fairly reflects the strengths and areas of interest of the contributors. If readers of this journal such as team doctors and physiotherapists are after detail on sports medicine and injuries in soccer, they will be disappointed particularly by the 10 page chapter on injury prevention and rehabilitation.

The value for many readers in this text perhaps lies in the knowledge and understanding they can gain in fields of the sports science professionals around them, rather than their own fields. An understanding of the psychology of injury, coaching, and skill acquisition is provided in some detail and will doubtless improve communication and understanding between team support staff. Other chapters such as those on nutrition and environmental issues provide excellent practical advice for team physicians planning team travel and season routines. I am not sure how the chapter on soccer hooliganism fits into the rest of its section covering coaching science—perhaps this is better in a sociological text.

As a medical professional actively working in soccer, I certainly found this text a useful read and it will retain a place on my bookshelf. It certainly improves my knowledge in the fields of the sports scientists who work with our teams and thus helps me converse from a position of understanding. And of course it will be of value to those undertaking the masters course in Liverpool. For a reference text for sports injuries and soccer, I suggest you look elsewhere.

Rating

● Presentation	13/20
● Comprehensiveness	13/20
● Readability	17/20
● Relevance	15/20
● Evidence basis	17/20
● Total	75/100

(PS: The score was Australia 3, England 1!)

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CALENDER OF EVENTS

UK Radiological Congress 2005 (UKRC 2005)

6–8 June 2005, Manchester, UK

The UK Radiological Congress (UKRC) meeting will encompass the medical, scientific, educational, and management issues that are of interest and relevance to all those involved in the diverse fields of radiological sciences and oncology.

The UKRC provides a forum in which to bring together clinicians, scientists, radiographers, technicians, and other professionals to present and discuss the latest developments and challenges in diagnostic imaging, radiotherapy, and allied radiological sciences.

Key subjects to be covered include: diagnostic radiology; ultrasound; nuclear medicine; interventional radiology; veterinary radiology; emerging technologies; image analysis; computer applications; PACS; radiobiology; radiological physics; management & audit; computed tomography; magnetic resonance; equipment development.

Expected attendance (conference and exhibition): 4000

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1st World Congress on Sports Injury Prevention

23–25 June 2005, Oslo, Norway

This congress will provide the world's leading sports medicine experts with an opportunity to present their work to an international audience made up of physicians, therapists, scientists, and coaches. The congress will present scientific information on sports injury epidemiology, risk factors, injury mechanisms and injury prevention methods with a multidisciplinary perspective. Panel discussions will conclude symposia in key areas providing recommendations to address the prevention issue in relation to particular injuries and sports.

Further details: Oslo Sports Trauma Research Centre and Department of Sports Medicine, University of Sport and Physical Education, Sognsveien 220, 0806 Oslo, Norway. Email: 2005congress@nih.no; website: www.ostrc.no

Osteosynthese International 2005

15–17 September 2005, Curiohaus, Hamburg

Congress-Chairman: Johannes M. Rueger, M.D., Professor and Chair
Topics:

- Innovations in intramedullary osteosynthesis
- New frontiers in osteoporosis and fracture treatment
- Current trauma research
- Special topic: Recent development in pelvic and acetabular fractures

Abstract submission deadline: 31 March 2005

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4th European Sports Medicine Congress

13–15 October 2005, Lemesos, Cyprus

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BASEM Conference 2005

10–12 November 2005, Edinburgh, Scotland

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BASEM Conference 2006

5–7 October 2006, Oxford, UK

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CORRECTIONS

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Young M A, Cook J L, Purdam C R, *et al.* Eccentric decline squat protocol offers superior results at 12 months compared with traditional eccentric protocol for patellar tendinopathy in volleyball players (*Br J Sports Med* 2005;**39**:102–5). The total percentage scores in the final line of figure 4A are incorrect; the correct totals are 6% and 94%. We apologise for this error.

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Kordi R, Dennick R G, Scammell B E. Developing learning outcomes for an ideal MSc course in sports and exercise medicine (*Br J Sports Med* 2005;**39**:20–3). In table 2 of this paper the Queen Mary University of London course has been listed as an MSc in sports medicine. The course actually concerns sport and exercise medicine, and also offers diploma and certificate level qualifications. We apologise for this error.