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- ◆ Author(s)
- ◆ Affiliation(s), city, state and country
- ◆ Keywords
- ◆ Introduction
- ◆ Methods
- ◆ Results
- ◆ Discussion
- ◆ Conclusion
- ◆ References
- ◆ Acknowledgement

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Formal aspects of the paper

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- ◆ Title: Arial 12 pt, capital letters, bold, centred, single spaced, 12 pt spaced after, max. 2 lines
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- ◆ References: Arial 10 pt, lower case, single spaced, left justified, layout according to 'Sports Biomechanics', 3 pt spacing
- ◆ Acknowledgement: Arial 10 pt, single spaced, left justified

Aspects of the contents

Your paper should have the following structure: An INTRODUCTION indicating the significance and purpose of the research and citing the primary literature sources. A description of the METHODS of data collection, data analysis and research design. A section RESULTS presents the findings of the research verbally or in form of tables and graphs, respectively. The section DISCUSSION should interpret and discuss the results and compare them with previous findings. The 'Results' and 'Discussion' sections may be combined if desired in the interests of saving space. A CONCLUSION should include reference to implications and applications of the work due to the major goal of the ISBS to bridge the gap between sports biomechanics and practitioners in teaching, coaching, training and rehabilitation of participants in sports. Your conclusion should highlight the benefits of the study for practitioners. If your study is an advancement of methods of analysis or the development of new equipment then it should be indicated clearly how this could lead to assisting practitioners. An alphabetical list of REFERENCES should conform to the guidelines of the journal 'Sports Biomechanics'. The updated author instructions of Sports Biomechanics can be found at <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/rspb> > Resources > Instructions & Forms.