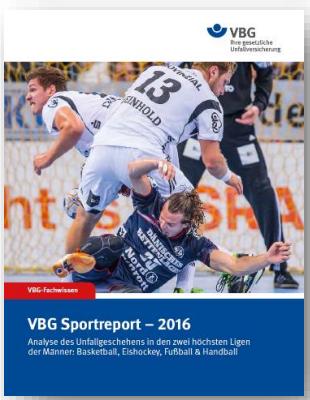


# Update VBG-Sportreport

Detailanalysen (Hot-Spots im  
Geschlechtervergleich) im Fokus

Hendrik Bloch  
VBG-Sportreferent





## RESEARCH ARTICLE

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### Collision with opponents—but not foul play—dominates injury mechanism in professional men's basketball

Leonard Achenbach<sup>1\*</sup>, Christian Klein<sup>3</sup>, Patrick Luig<sup>3</sup>, Hendrik Bloch<sup>3</sup>, Dominik Schneider<sup>4</sup> and Kai Fehske<sup>2</sup>

## Original research

### Contact — but not foul play — dominates injury mechanisms in men's professional handball: a video match analysis of 580 injuries

Patrick Luig,<sup>1</sup> Werner Krutsch,<sup>2</sup> Thomas Henke,<sup>3</sup> Christian Klein<sup>1</sup>,<sup>2</sup> Hendrik Bloch,<sup>1</sup> Petra Platen,<sup>4</sup> Leonard Achenbach<sup>1</sup>

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Nine typical injury patterns in German professional male football (soccer): a systematic visual video analysis of 345 match injuries  
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# Verletzungsmonitoring – Der VBG-Sportreport

1./2. Bundesliga Männer Basketball, Eishockey, Fußball & Handball



- Epidemiologische Betrachtung der beiden höchsten Männerligen im BB, EH, FB und HB (~ 3.000 Spieler, ~ 6.000 Verletzungen)
  - Gesamt-AU von ca. 87.000 Tage ( $\approx$ 240 Jahre)
  - Ätiologische Beschreibung von Unfallhergängen (>1.300 videoanalysierte Verletzungsszenen)
  - Identifizierung typischer Verletzungsmuster in allen 4 Sportarten
- Weltweit eine der größten Verletzungs-Studien aus dem Profi-Sport



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Verletzungen

**Return on Prevention- die finanziellen Folgen von Verletzungen im  
Profi-Fußball**

14:00-14:30 Uhr

Dr. Sören Dallmeyer, Deutsche Sporthochschule Köln

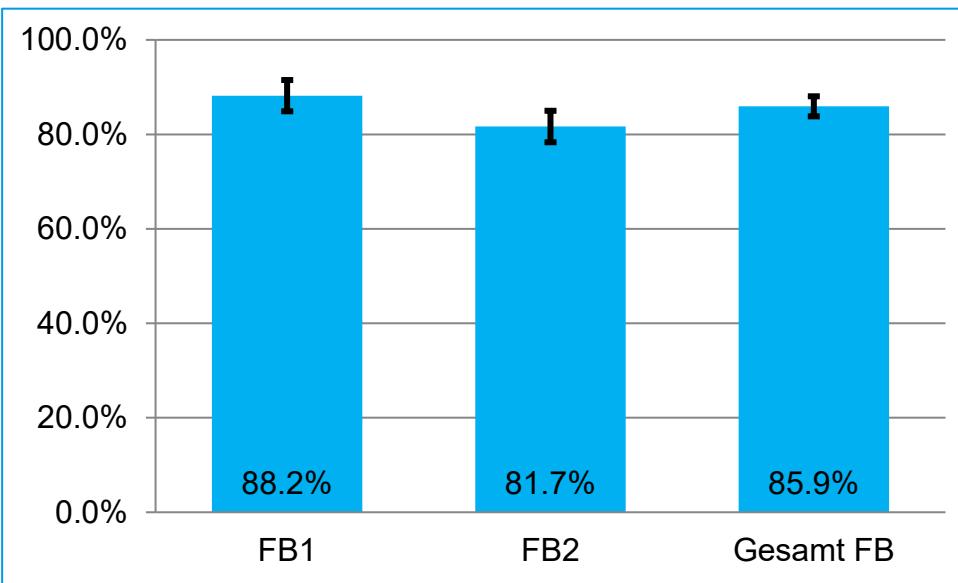
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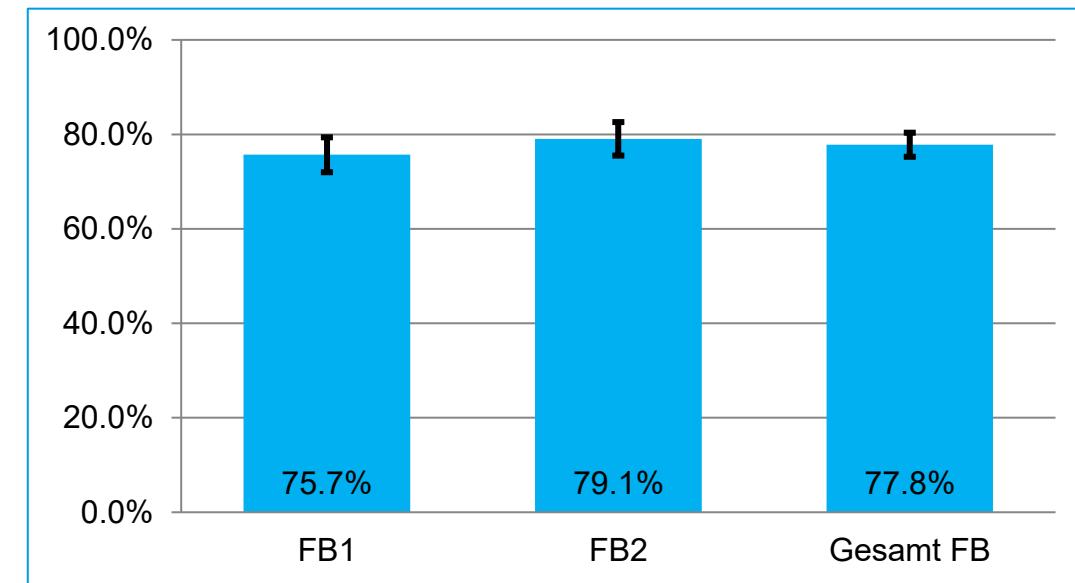
# Prävalenz nach Liga

Anteil (%) verletzter Spieler in den Saisons 2021/22 und 2022/23 [ $\pm 95\%$  Konfidenzintervall]

2021/22

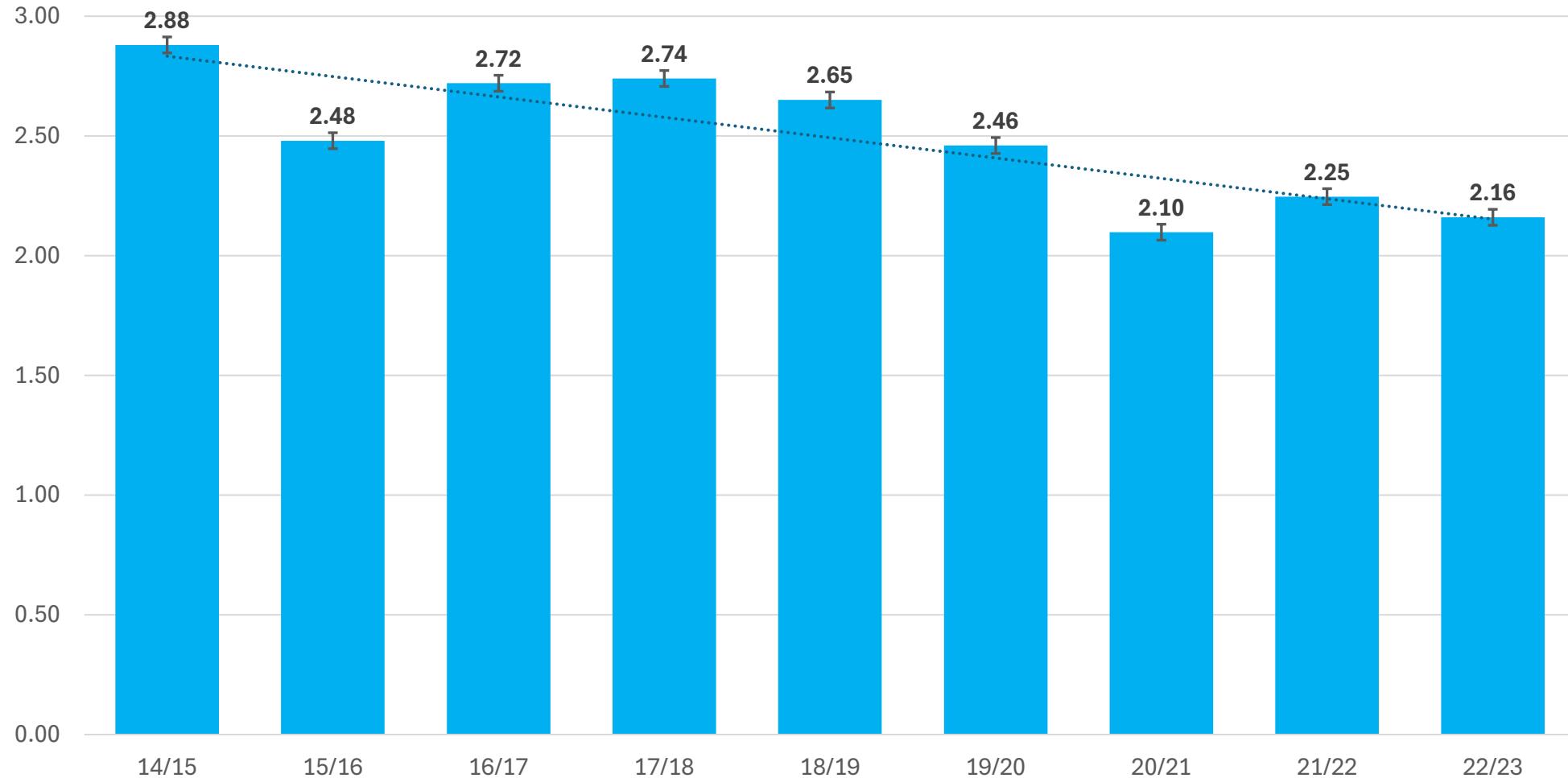


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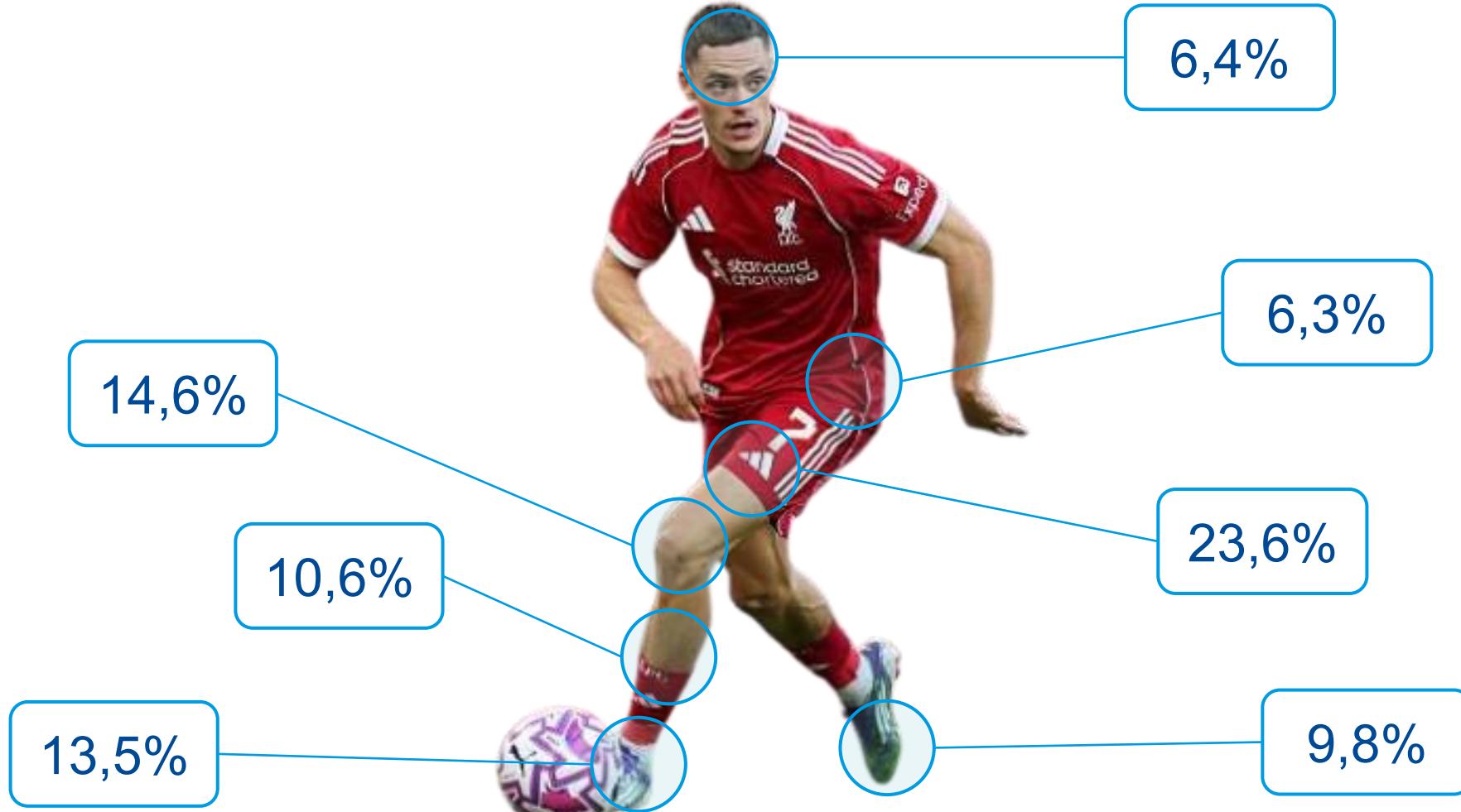
# Kumulative Saisoninzidenzen im Längsschnitt

Längsschnittbetrachtung über neun aufeinanderfolgende Saisons (n = 21.469 Verletzungen;  $\pm 95\% \text{ KI}$ )



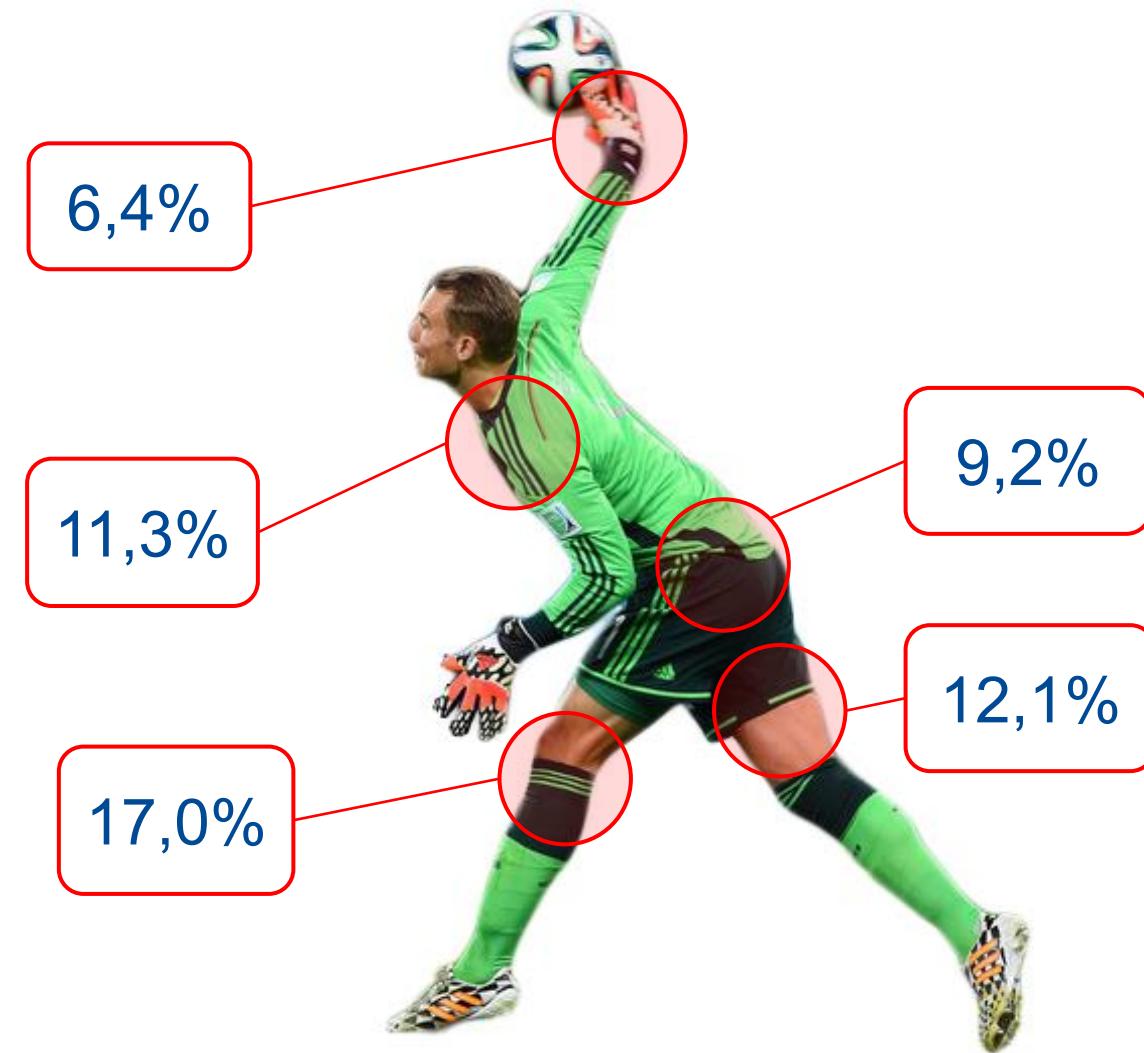
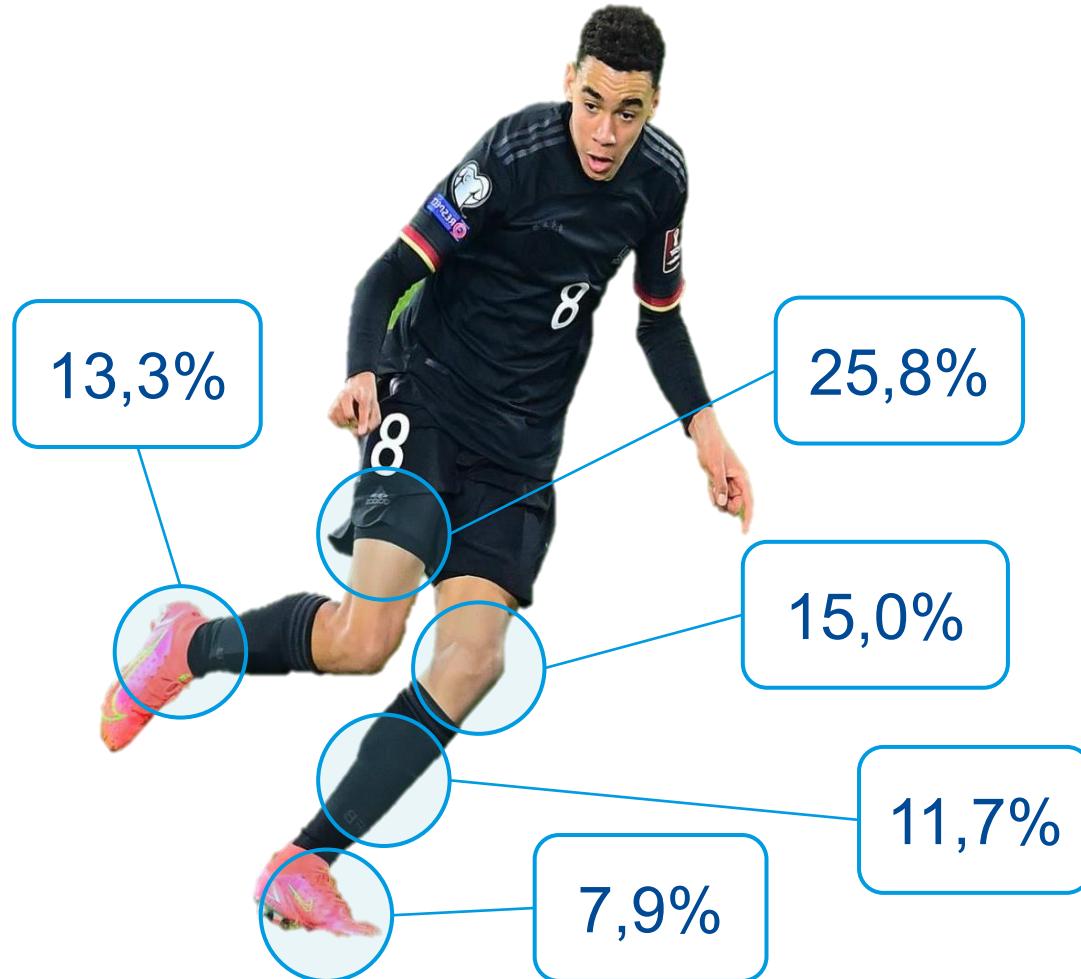
# Verletzte Körperregionen

Bundesliga und 2. Bundesliga 2014 - 2023, n = 21.469 Verletzungen



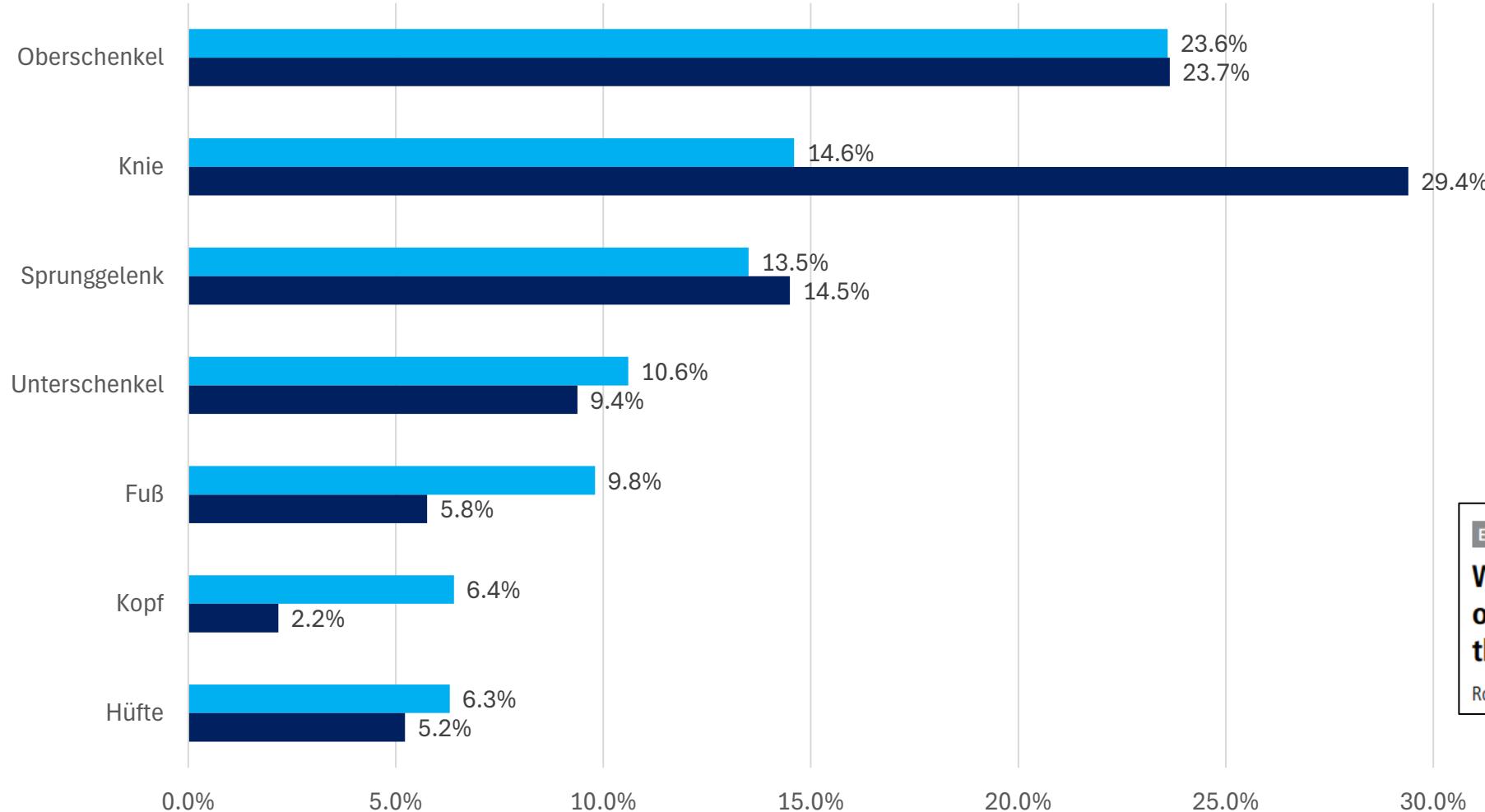
# Verletzte Körperregionen im Fußball – Feldspieler vs. Torwart

VBG-Sportreport 2021, n = 2.435 Verletzungen



# Verletzte Körperregionen und Ausfallzeiten

Bundesliga und 2. Bundesliga 2014 - 2023, n = 21.469 Verletzungen



■ Anzahl  
■ Burden

## Editorial

**Why we should focus on the burden of injuries and illnesses, not just their incidence**

Roald Bahr,<sup>1,2</sup> Benjamin Clarsen,<sup>1</sup> Jan Ekstrand<sup>3</sup>

# Verletzungen im deutschen Frauenfußball

Analyse des Verletzungsgeschehens der Frauen-Bundesliga und 2. Frauen-Bundesliga in der Saison 2023/24



FLYERALARM  
FRAUEN-  
BUNDESLIGA



FRAUEN-  
BUNDESLIGA



- **21 Mannschaften**
- **551 Spielerinnen**
  - FFB1: 227 Spielerinnen
  - FFB2: 269 Spielerinnen
- **362 Verletzungen**
- **11.877 Ausfalltage**

Bayern München (M)

VfL Wolfsburg (P)

Eintracht Frankfurt

TSG Hoffenheim

SGS Essen

Werder Bremen

Bayer 04 Leverkusen

SC Freiburg

1. FC Köln

RB Leipzig (N)

1. FC Nürnberg (N)

MSV Duisburg

Hamburger SV (N)

1. FFC Turbine Potsdam (A)

SC Sand

SV Meppen (A)

Carl Zeiss Jena

FC Ingolstadt 04

SG Andernach

FSV Gütersloh 2009

Eintracht Frankfurt II

SV Weinberg (N)

Bor. Mönchengladbach (N)

Bayern München II

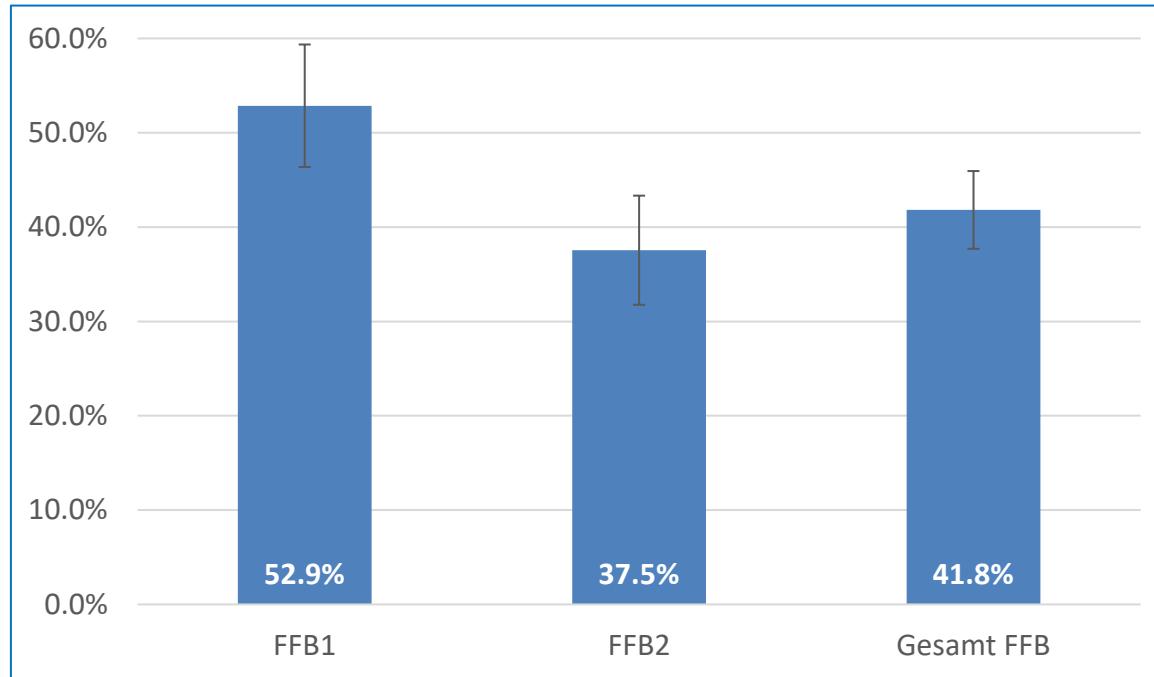
TSG Hoffenheim II

VfL Wolfsburg II

Huber et al. 2025

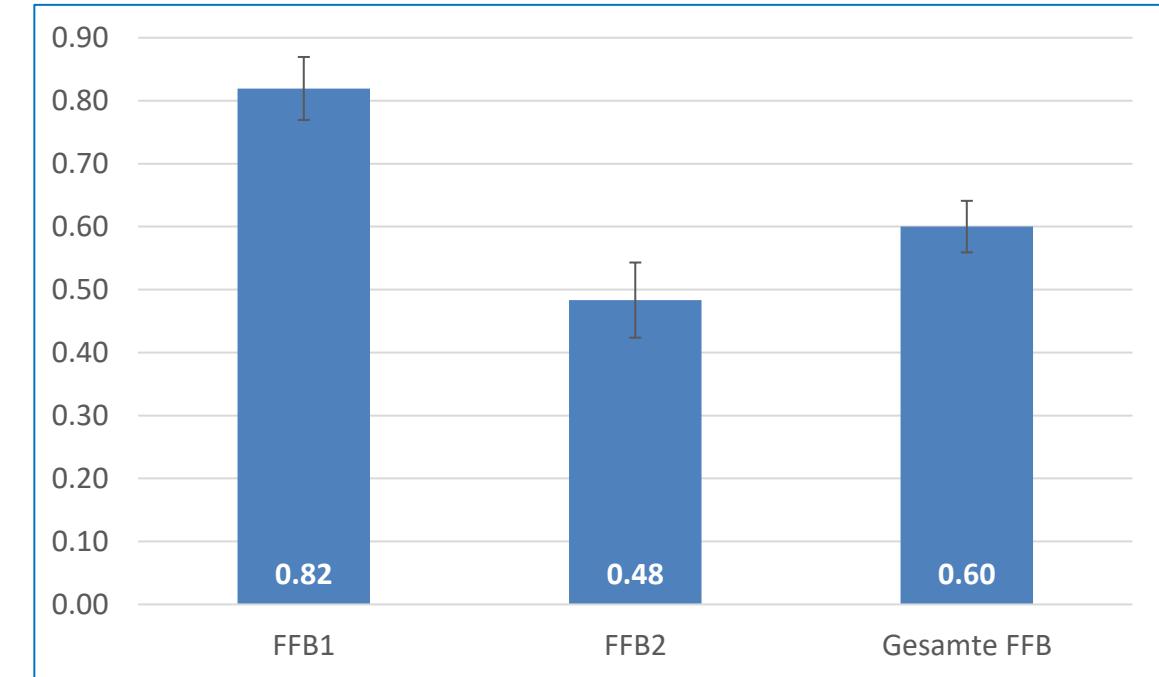
# Prävalenz und kumulative Saisoninzidenzen nach Liga

Anteil (%) verletzter Spielerinnen und Anzahl Verletzungen pro Spielerin in der Saison 2023/24 [ $\pm$  95 % Konfidenzintervall]



78% der Spielerinnen

Huber et al. 2025, Hallen et al. 2024



1,5 Verletzungen pro Spielerin



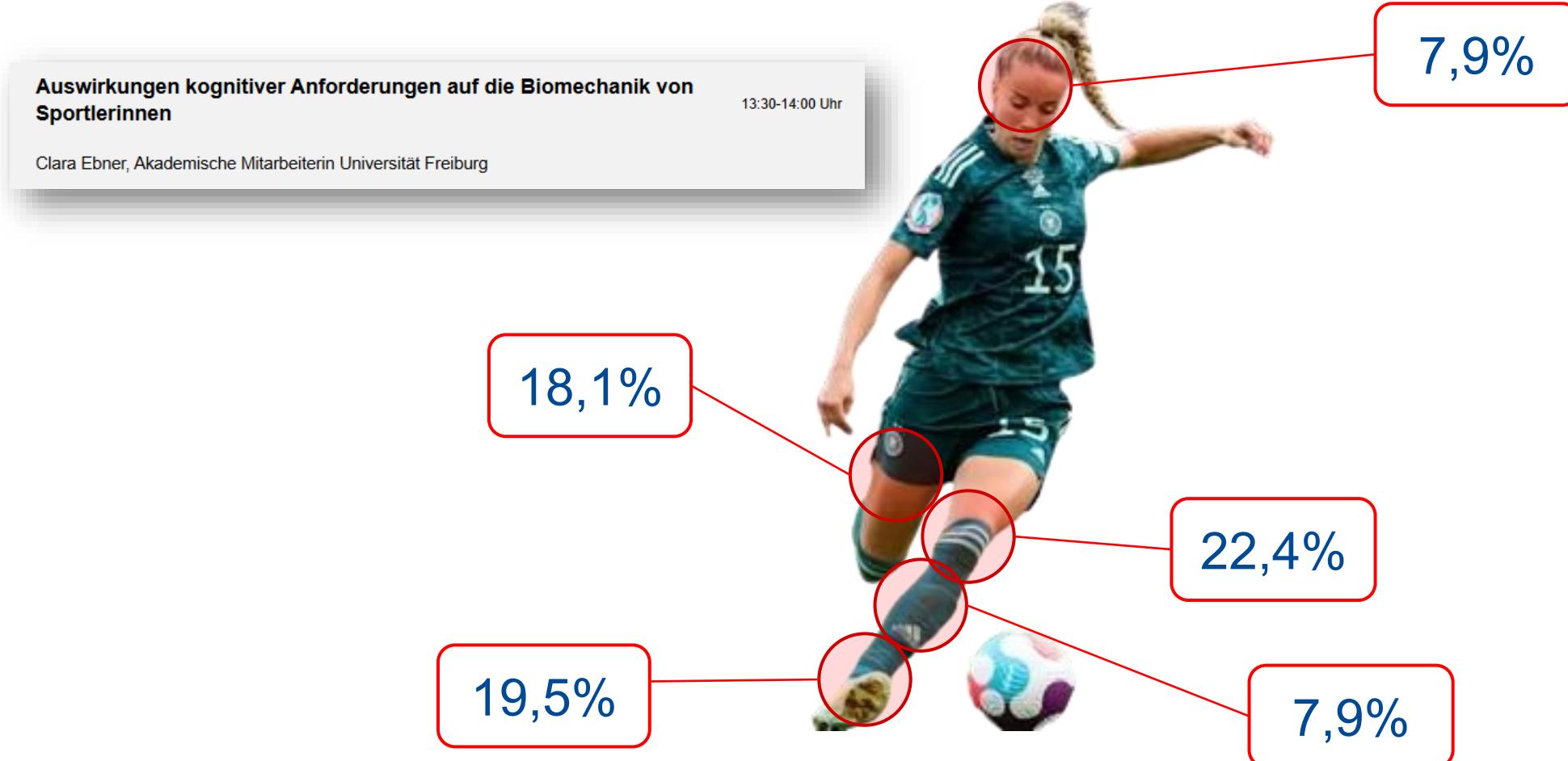
# Verletzte Körperregionen

Anteil (%) am Verletzungsgeschehen in der Saison 2023/24 der Frauen-Bundesliga und 2. Frauen-Bundesliga

Auswirkungen kognitiver Anforderungen auf die Biomechanik von Sportlerinnen

13:30-14:00 Uhr

Clara Ebner, Akademische Mitarbeiterin Universität Freiburg



Huber et al. 2025

# Verletzte Körperregionen

Anteil (%) am Verletzungsgeschehen in den Saisons 2018/19 bis 2021/22 der UEFA Women's Champions League

Original research



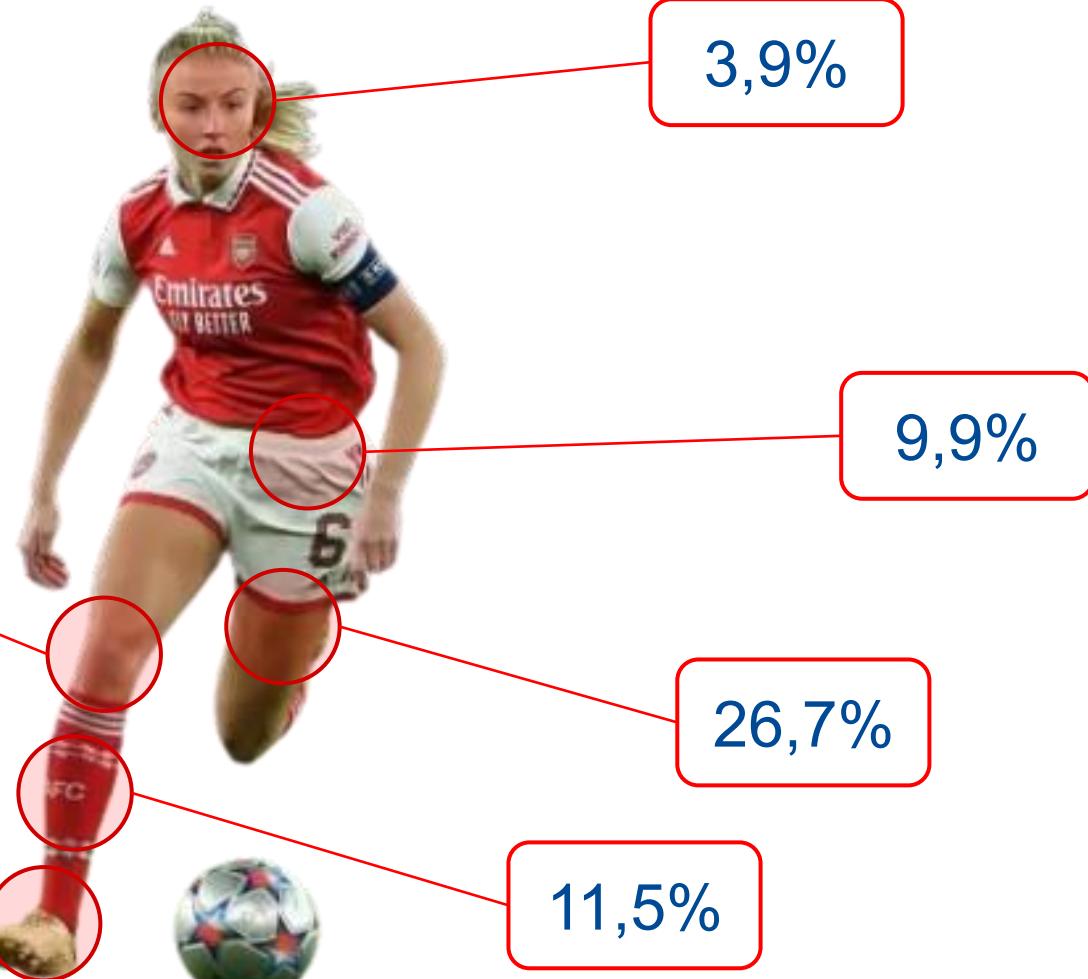
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UEFA Women's Elite Club Injury Study: a prospective study on 1527 injuries over four consecutive seasons 2018/2019 to 2021/2022 reveals thigh muscle injuries to be most common and ACL injuries most burdensome

Anna Hallén <sup>1,2</sup>, Rita Tomás, <sup>3,4</sup> Jan Ekstrand <sup>5</sup>, <sup>1,5</sup> Håkan Bengtsson <sup>6</sup>, <sup>1,5</sup>  
Elke Van den Steen, <sup>6</sup> Martin Hägglund <sup>1,2</sup>, Markus Waldén <sup>1,5</sup>

13,7%

17,7%



Hallen et al. 2024

# Ausfallzeiten der häufigsten Verletzungsarten

Frauen-Bundesliga und 2. Frauen-Bundesliga 2023/24, n = 362 Verletzungen, Ausfallzeiten in Tagen

Verletzungsart	Mittelwert ( $\pm$ SD)	Median	Min.	Max.
VKB-Ruptur	$392,8 \pm 179,8$	322,0	222,0	786,0
Meniskusruptur	$305,3 \pm 420,4$	124,0	6,0	786,0
Kollateralbandruptur Knie	$101,6 \pm 107,0$	64,0	39,0	317,0
Muskelbündelriss	$42,1 \pm 10,3$	44,0	24,0	57,0
Muskelfaserriss	$32,5 \pm 19,1$	31,0	8,0	81,0
Muskelzerrung	$16,1 \pm 17,3$	10,0	4,0	90,0
Kollateralbandruptur Sprunggelenk	$31,6 \pm 33,3$	30,0	2,0	109,0
Gehirnerschütterung	$12,7 \pm 9,2$	9,0	3,0	30,0

Huber et al. 2025

# **Hot-Spot Vordere Kreuzbandruptur**

## **A Higher Thigh Muscle Injury Incidence in Professional Male Soccer Players Returning to Play After Anterior Cruciate Ligament Reconstruction: Analysis of 110 Cases From the UEFA Elite Club Injury Study**

Francesco Della Villa, MD <sup>†,\*</sup>, Håkan Bengtsson, PT <sup>‡,§</sup>, Martin Hägglund, PT, PhD <sup>ID †,¶</sup>,  
Romain Seil, MD <sup>ID ¶</sup>, Eric Hamrin Senorski, PT, PhD <sup>ID #,\*\*</sup>, Jan Ekstrand, MD, PhD <sup>‡,§</sup>, and  
Markus Waldén, MD, PhD <sup>ID †,§</sup>

Players with ACLR had **a 60% higher thigh muscle injury incidence (RR, 1.6 [95% CI, 1.3-2.0])** within 2 years after RTP compared with players without ACL injuries.

Players with ACLR had **a doubled thigh muscle injury incidence (RR, 2.0 [95% CI, 1.4-2.9])** in the 2 years after RTP compared with 2 years before their ACL injury.

**Einsatz der funktionellen Diagnostik zur Belastungsfreigabe**

13:00-13:30 Uhr

Dr. Hauke Dewitz und Dr. Burak Yildirim, ORTHO SPORTS LAB Pulheim

Della Villa et al. 2025

**Ärztliche Diagnostik, Therapie und Rehabilitation von  
Muskelverletzungen im Profi-Fußball**

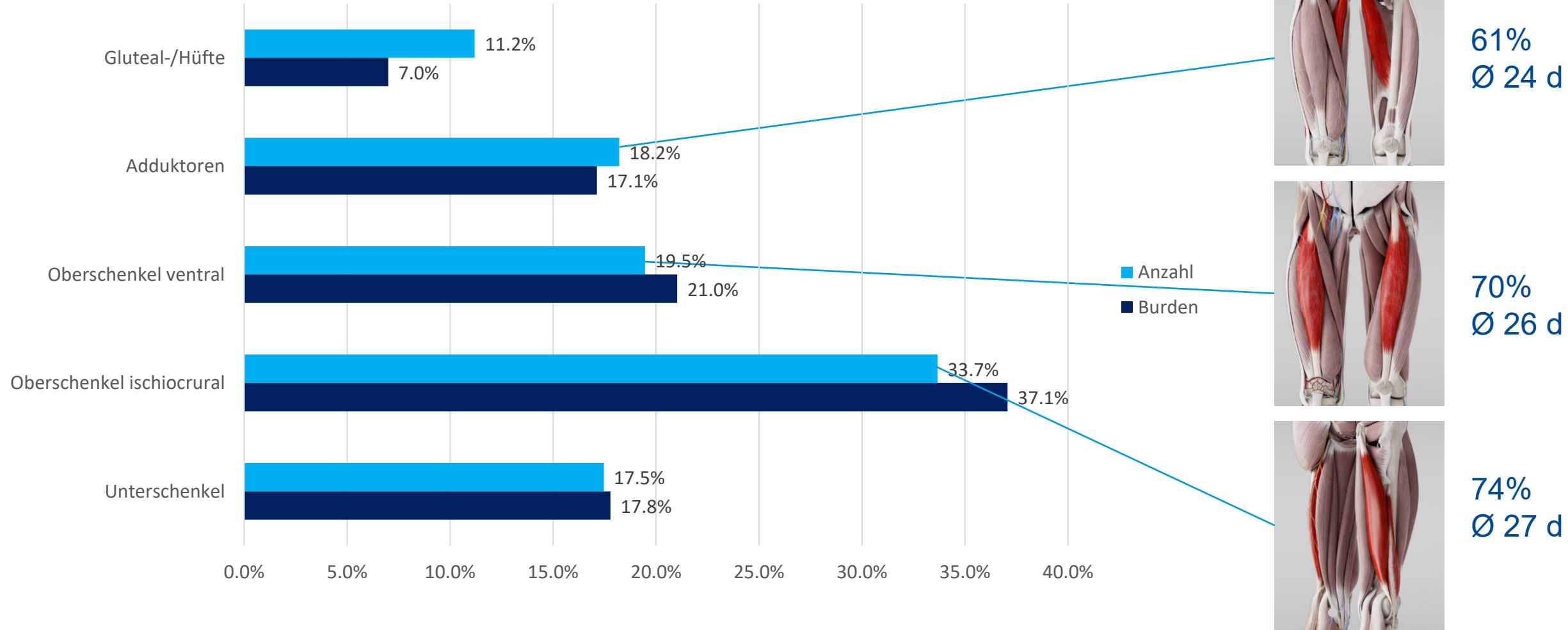
09:45-10:15 Uhr

Dr. Ralf Doyscher, Orthopädie Zentrum Theresie München

# Hot-Spot-Muskelverletzungen

# Muskelverletzungen nach betroffenen Muskelgruppen

Anteil (%) Verletzungen und Arbeitsunfähigkeit, Saisons 2021/22 und 2022/23, n = 1.197 Verletzungen

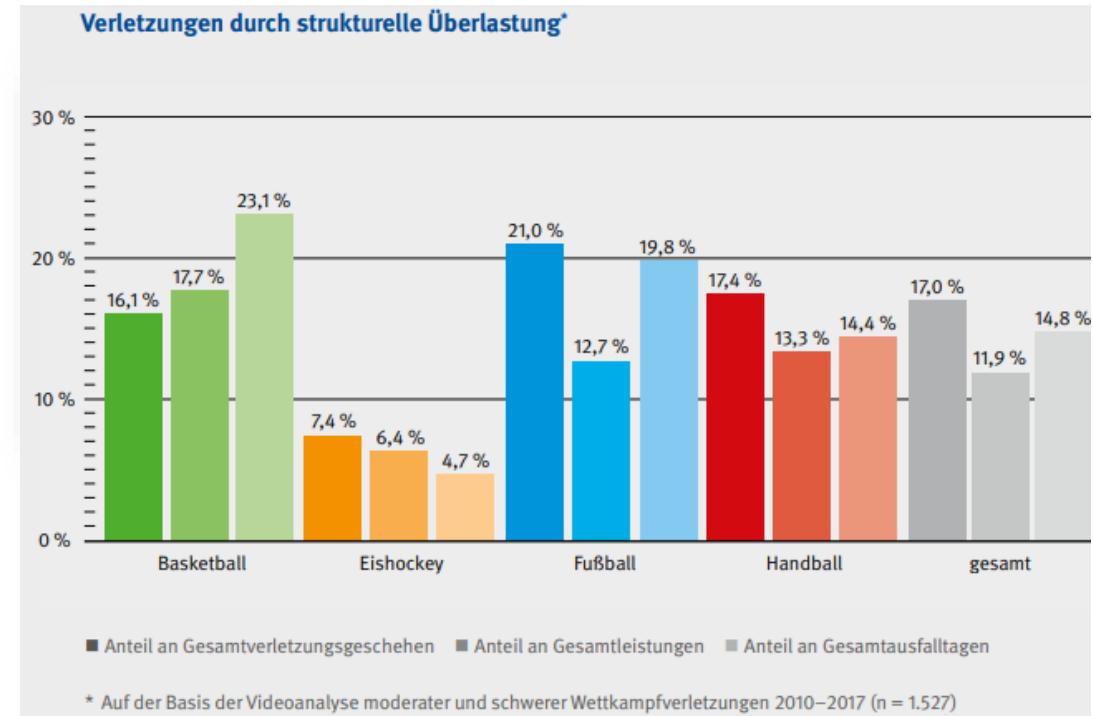


# Muskelverletzungen im Frauenfußball

Deutschland vs. UEFA Women's Champions League



- 24% aller Verletzungen
- 29% Quadrizeps
- 22% Hamstrings
- 43,5% Overuse



Monitoring im Profifußball – mögliche Strategien & Konsequenzen

10:15-10:45 Uhr

Alexander Mouhcine, Head of Performance Borussia Mönchengladbach

Regenerationschance Atmung

14:30-15:00 Uhr

Thorsten Ribbecke, Leiter DOSB Athletiktrainerausbildung

# Wie entstehen Verletzungen der Hamstrings?

# HAMSTRING INJURY PATTERNS IN FOOTBALL



Reference: Gronwald et al. BJSM 2022

Designed by @YLM SportScience and @G\_Ron\_Woods

52 cases of acute non-contact and indirect contact match hamstring injuries of the two highest divisions in German male football were analyzed (ie, time loss of >7 days).

## RESULTS

Stretch-related  
hamstring injuries  
Braking or stopping

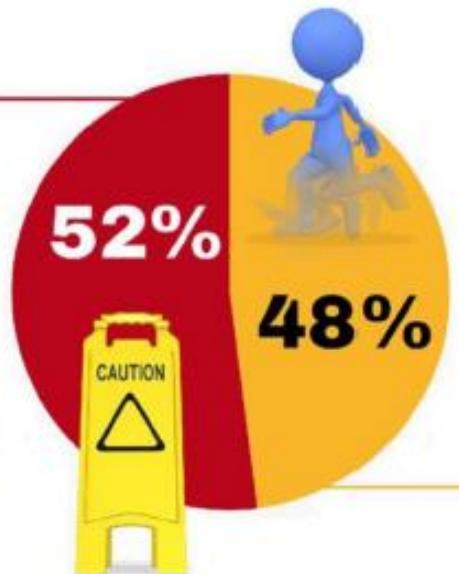
Lunging  
(59%)



Kicking  
(30%)



Landing  
(7%)



Sprint-related  
hamstring injuries  
Acceleration phase (56%) and  
high-speed running phase (40%)



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The kinematic analysis of stretch-related injuries revealed a change of movement involving knee flexion to knee extension and a knee angle of <45° when the injury occurred in all closed and open chain movements.

Biceps femoris was the most affected muscle (79%) of all included cases.

Original research

Hamstring injury patterns in professional male football (soccer): a systematic video analysis of 52 cases

Thomas Gronwald ,<sup>1</sup> Christian Klein ,<sup>2</sup> Tim Hoenig ,<sup>3</sup> Micha Pietzonka ,<sup>2</sup> Hendrik Bloch ,<sup>2</sup> Pascal Edouard ,<sup>4,5</sup> Karsten Hollander ,<sup>1</sup>

### What are the findings?

- The three typical reported injury patterns for hamstring injuries were (1) sprint-related injuries, (2) stretch-related closed-chain injuries while lunging and (3) stretch-related open-chain injuries while kicking.
- All sprint-related hamstring injuries occurred during linear acceleration and high-speed running phases.
- All stretch-related hamstring injuries were characterised by a change of movement from knee flexion to knee extension with a knee angle of <45° at the assumed injury frame.

Gronwald & Klein et al. 2022

## Injury-inciting circumstances of sudden-onset hamstring injuries: video analyses of 63 match injuries in male professional football players in the Qatar Stars League (2013–2020)

Robin Vermeulen ,<sup>1,2</sup> Nicol van Dyk ,<sup>1,3,4</sup> Rod Whiteley ,<sup>1</sup>  
Karim Chamari ,<sup>1,5</sup> Warren Gregson ,<sup>6,7</sup> Lorenzo Lolli ,<sup>6,7</sup> Roald Bahr ,<sup>1,8</sup>  
Johannes L Tol,<sup>1,2</sup> Andreas Serner 

### HOW THIS STUDY MIGHT AFFECT RESEARCH, PRACTICE OR POLICY

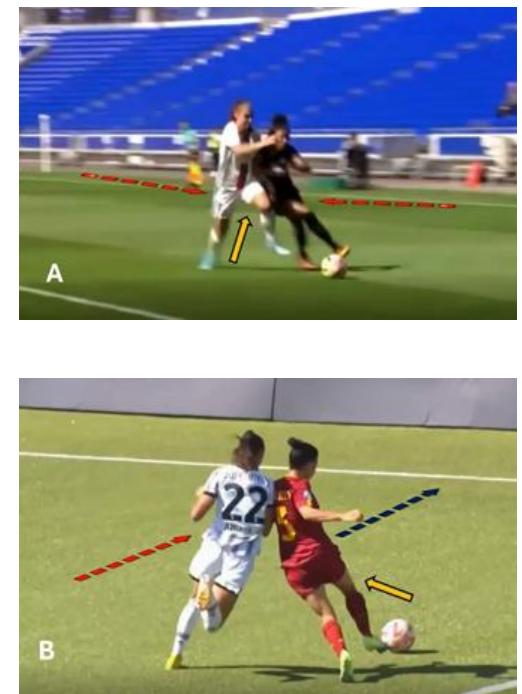
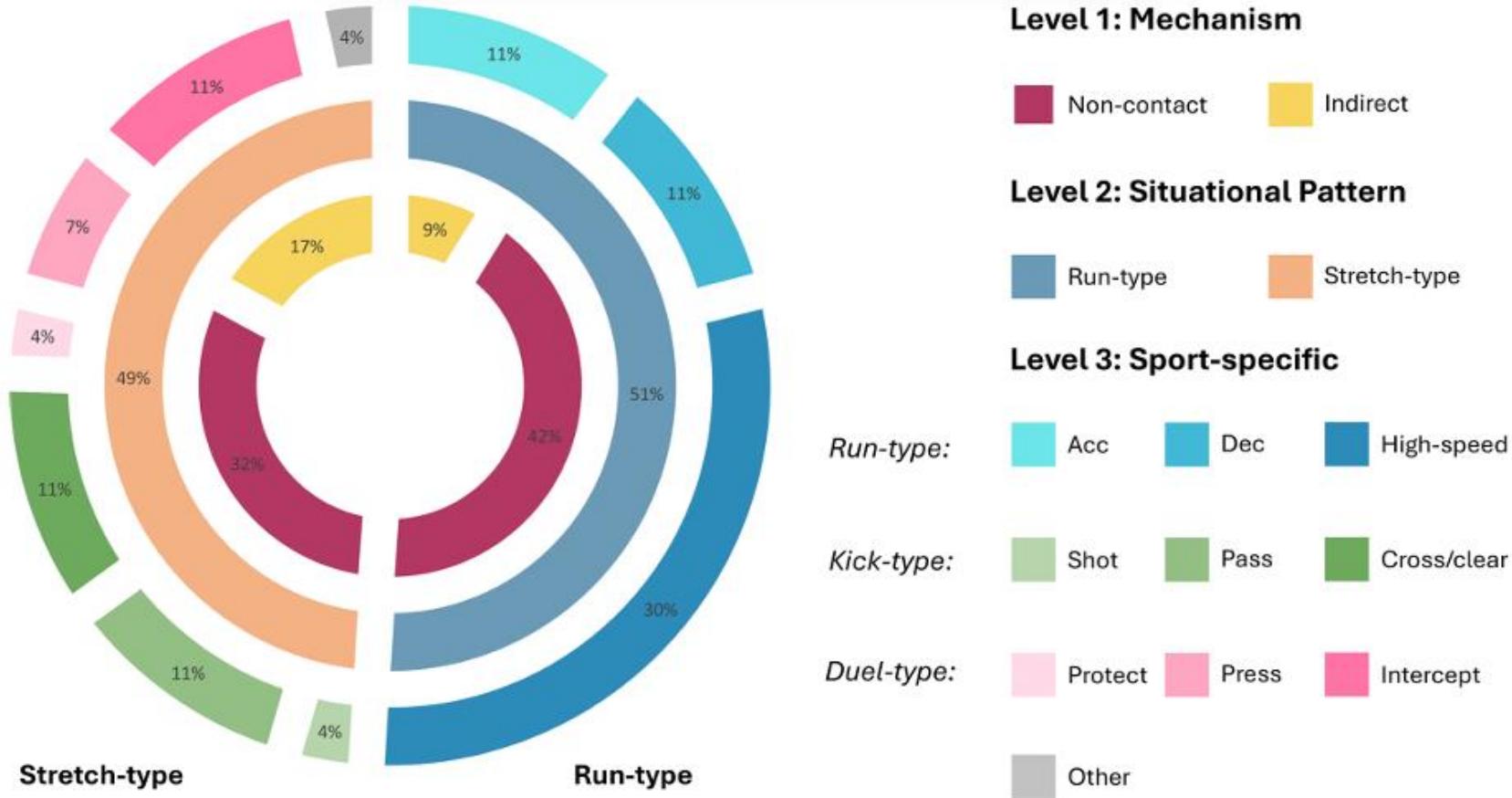
- ⇒ Research and application of prevention and rehabilitation strategies may need to consider injury mechanisms beyond high-speed running, especially short accelerations.
- ⇒ The complexity of movements inherent in sport such as football is highlighted as a potential risk factor for injury.
- ⇒ Introducing sport-specific elements, such as playing situations, indirect contact and unexpected changes to demands for performance may benefit injury prevention programmes in the future.

**Table 2** Player action(s) in 63 sudden-onset hamstring injuries

	N	% of category	% of all injuries
<b>Running (linear) (n=41, 66%)</b>			
Acceleration	24	59%	38%
At speed	10	24%	16%
Deceleration	2	5%	3%
Unclear	5	12%	8%
<b>Running (curved) (n=13, 21%)</b>			
Acceleration	7	54%	11%
At speed	2	15%	3%
Deceleration	2	15%	3%
Unclear	2	15%	3%
Turning from injured leg	6	46%	10%
Turning towards injured leg	7	54%	11%
Unclear	0	0%	0%
<b>Running speed (n=54, 86%)</b>			
Fast	18	33%	29%
Moderate	33	61%	52%
Slow	2	4%	3%
Unclear	1	2%	2%
<b>Running distance (in metres) (n=54, 86%)</b>			
0–10	24	44%	38%
10–20	8	15%	13%
20–30	14	26%	22%
30–40	5	9%	8%
40–50	2	4%	3%
>50	1	2%	2%

# Systematic video analysis of 57 hamstring injuries in women's football (soccer): injury mechanisms, situational patterns and biomechanics

Alessandro Pellegrini ,<sup>1</sup> Alice Ranzini,<sup>1</sup> Fabio Esposito,<sup>1</sup> Francesco Della Villa ,<sup>2</sup>  
Matteo Zago ,<sup>1</sup>



**Figure 3** Classification of hamstring injury mechanisms (level 1, inner circle), situational patterns (level 2, middle circle) and sport-specific for football (level 3, outer circle).

## A comparative video analysis of hamstring injuries mechanism and situational pattern in men's and women's football (soccer)

Francesco Della Villa<sup>1</sup> | Matthew Buckthorpe<sup>1,2</sup> | Alessandro Pellegrini<sup>3</sup>  | Alice Ranzini<sup>3</sup> | Fabio Esposito<sup>3</sup> | Christian Crescenzo<sup>1</sup> | Gianni Nanni<sup>4</sup> | Matteo Zago<sup>3</sup> 

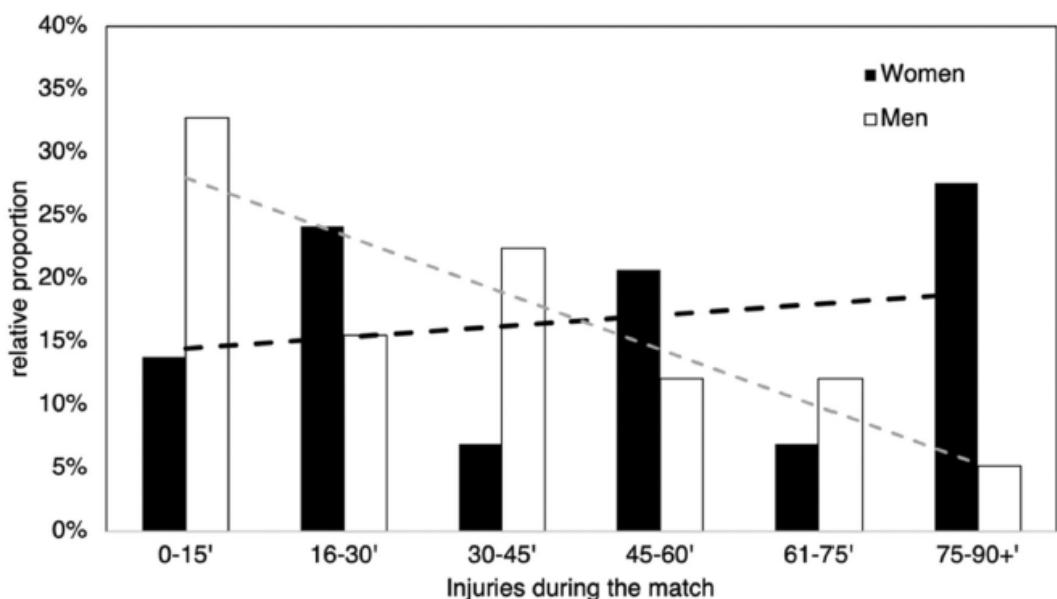


FIGURE 3 Top, seasonal distribution. Bottom: time distribution during the match for female (left) and male (right) players. Black (grey) dashed lines indicate the linear trend of women's (men's) injuries.

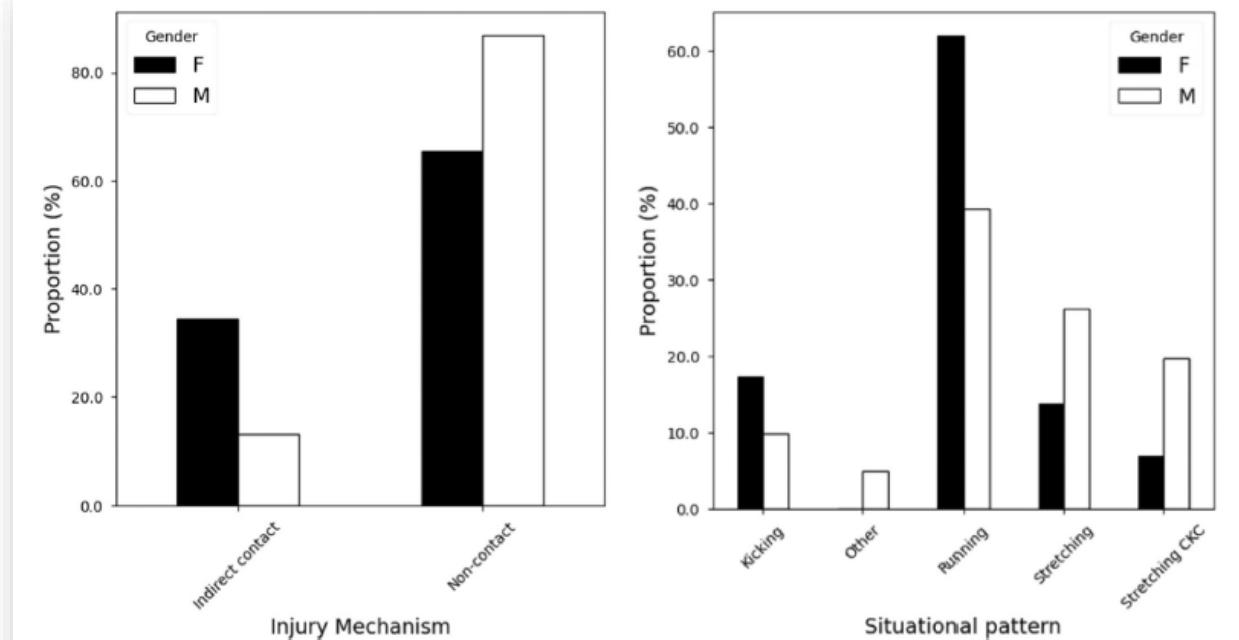


FIGURE 1 Bar charts with normalised proportions for female (black) and male (white) players: injury mechanism (left), situational pattern (right).

Della Villa et al. 2024

# Wie entstehen Verletzungen der ventralen Oberschenkelmuskulatur?

**Table 1: Illustration of three typical injury patterns for moderate and severe anterior thigh muscle injuries in professional male football**



# Wie entstehen Verletzungen des M. adductor longus?



**Figure 2** Examples of the four categories of player actions at the time of injury: (A) change of direction, (B) kicking, (C) reaching, (D) jumping. These four players injured their right adductor longus.

## Mechanisms of acute adductor longus injuries in male football players: a systematic visual video analysis

Andreas Serner,<sup>1,2</sup> Andrea Britt Mosler,<sup>1,3</sup> Johannes L Tol,<sup>1,4</sup> Roald Bahr,<sup>1,5</sup> Adam Weir<sup>1,6</sup>

### What are the findings?

- ▶ Acute adductor longus injury situations vary greatly. Player actions can be categorised into **change of direction, kicking, reaching and jumping**.
- ▶ Kicking and jumping injury actions follow an **open chain movement**, typically involving a rapid change of movement from hip extension to hip flexion, and hip abduction to adduction, with the hip externally rotated.
- ▶ Change of direction and reaching **injury actions follow a closed chain movement**, typically involving a combination of hip extension and hip abduction of the injured leg with the hip externally rotated.

# Take home!

## #Injury Hot-Spots

Knie, Oberschenkel und Sprunggelenk im Fokus! Geschlechts- und positionsspezifische Unterschiede.

## #Hot-Spot Concussion

♀ > ♂, RTP-Guidelines ♀ > ♂

## #Hot-Spot vorderes Kreuzband

Ansteigender Trend, spätere operative Versorgung und längere Ausfallzeiten bei Frauen, ♀ ♂ >30% Second-Injury-Rate

## #Hot-Spot Muskelverletzungen

wiederkehrende Verletzungsmuster → Prävention & Rehabilitation muss auf die Anforderungen des Spiels vorbereiten.

## #Verletzungs-Monitoring

Betrachtung des Verletzungsgeschehens im eigenen Setting nötig.

# Vielen Dank für Ihre Aufmerksamkeit.



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