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# Impact biomechanics in sports and exercise: Understanding the mechanical forces behind sports-related injuries

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**Abstract:** Sports mechanics is a thorough analysis of sports motions that lowers the chance of injury and promotes athletic ability. Sport and exercise biomechanics are a scientific field that studies the mechanics of human movement. The purpose of this study is to explore biomechanics to analyze the various mechanical forces that affect the human body during sports and exercise using the biomechanical model. This study aims to identify the underlying causes of injuries such as ligament tears. According to statistics from injury surveillance, collegiate players are more likely to sustain injuries after suffering sports-related injuries (SRI). A total of 550 players participated in this study. The players are divided into two groups: group A, which focuses on sports-related injuries, and group B, which focuses on healthy players. The data was analyzed using SPSS software. The result showed a significant relation between groups. The findings demonstrated ligament tears on both the primary leg and secondary leg during the LCT compared to Group B. Players with sports-related injuries can be more susceptible to lower limb injuries due to reduced ligament tearing during land-and-cut exercises. This study advances the understanding of the mechanical forces behind sports-related injuries, hence improving athlete safety and performance.

**Keywords:** biomechanics; sports related injuries (SRI); players; mechanical forces; statistical analysis

## 1. Introduction

The component of force and torque is the most important factor to comprehend in high-impact sports connected to biomechanical analysis by Encarnación-Martínez et al. [1]. Biomechanical pressures applied to the head can cause sport-related concussions (SRIs), which can cause a variety of momentary clinical symptoms, indications, and functional impairments [2]. A clinical examination for SRI consists of testing of neurologic, cognitive, vestibular, oculomotor, and postural function in addition to an evaluation of the patient's stated symptomology [3]. The sports medical community indeed faces a formidable task in reducing the risk of lower extremity (LE) injuries [4]. Parallel to this, collegiate football players who performed slowly cognitively had a sprain or strain that occurred throughout the season more than twice as frequently as those who responded quickly cognitively. Given that athletes must execute difficult movements in dynamic athletic contexts with high cognitive demands, excellent cognitive function is probably necessary for an athlete to prevent an LE injury [5]. The athlete is permitted to start a progressive increase in physical activity and mental strain once acute symptoms have subsided, provided that symptoms do not worsen [6]. Individualized, multidisciplinary care is advised; this may entail therapy or rehabilitation to address chronic clinical deficits in the vestibular, cervical, autonomic, and psychosocial domains. The dynamic alteration in susceptibility to injury is also a result of weariness. The musculoskeletal and neurological systems are affected by fatigue, which is a passing, exercise-induced decrease in baseline and pre-match physiological function [7]. The beginning of exhaustion may not inhibit performance when a task requires sub-maximal contraction, as in many athletic actions. However, weariness can cause the motor cortex to produce insufficient orders, which can affect joint stability when any part of the system is disturbed [8]. Among sports injuries, ankle sprains are among the most common, accounting for 49.3% of cases. However, although only about partially of patients seek professional assistance following their initial injury, ankle sprains are often written off as minor injuries. The lower extremities comprise a series of motions; therefore, any impact on the AJ will also damage the knee and hip joints [9]. Ankle sprains create damage to the MR in the joint capsule, which disrupts the impulse flow from the MR to the CNS. This leads to issues with posture, gait reflexes, joint position, and motion perception [10]. The possibility that cognition may have an impact on LE damage is further supported by new research showing a connection between the probability of ACL injuries and concussion history [11]. The study aims to improve athlete safety and performance by better understanding the damage mechanisms causing injuries such as ligament tears by analyzing the biomechanics of sports motions.

### The key contribution of this paper

- Sports biomechanics is thoroughly examined in this work, understanding movement mechanics and factors impacting the risk of injury is made easier by this analysis.
- The study shows how particular sports activities and movements contribute to these injuries by looking at the underlying causes of injuries, such as ligament tears.
- The study compares athletes with sports-related injuries (Group A) to healthy players (Group B), finding notable variations in the patterns of injuries, especially ligament tears sustained while performing land-and-cut exercises.
- According to the research, athletes who have experienced lower limb injuries in the past are more likely to sustain new ones, underscoring the need for focused interventions to reduce this risk.

## 2. Related work

Johnson et al. [12] examined ground response force factors between individual injury types as well as between runners in good health and those in injury. A total of 125 athletes with patellofemoral discomfort, tibial bone stress damage, planter fasciitis, Achilles' tendon damage, or iliotibial ligament disorder, as well as 65 healthy controls participated in an examined treadmill examination at a pace of their choosing. Their findings revealed that injured runners experienced significantly higher vertical load rates and stiffness, particularly in cases of plantar fasciitis and patellofemoral discomfort, offered better diagnostic insight for individual injuries compared to broader group assessments.

Dos Santos et al. [13] investigated the association between cutting biomechanics, non-contact ACL injury risk surrogates (KD and internal rotation moments), and performance metrics (completion time, ground contact time, and exit velocity) during 90° cutting. Higher COM velocities, propulsive forces, and shorter contact periods were linked to faster cutting performance in a cross-sectional study of 61 male athletes employing 3D motion and ground reaction force analysis. Increased KD angles and COM velocities were linked with greater peak KAM, and stepwise regression identified important variables of both performance and injury risk.

To address knee joint injuries in sprinters, Huifeng et al. [14] examined the knee flexion movements using a three-dimensional simulation model. It was discovered that meniscus and medial collateral ligament injuries were more common than lateral collateral ligament injuries using motion analysis and three-dimensional image registration. The study showed that knee joint injuries can be efficiently reduced and sprinters' injury management can be enhanced by using a biomechanics-based foot strength curve detection approach.

Zadeh et al. [15] suggested determining whether tracking athletes' mechanical loads and functional capacities with wearable technology can improve injury management. Conducted on 54 army ROTC cadets using Zephyr Bio-Harness technology found that a high body mass index (BMI) in conjunction with high mechanical stresses elevated the risk of damage. The results showed how crucial it was to progressively increase mechanical stresses during training to avoid injuries, and they showed that wearable technology can successfully identify individuals who were at risk for focused intervention.

Kalkhoven et al. [16] investigated the connections between particular training load metrics and the mechanisms that give rise to sports injuries. They looked at training load metrics that were internal and external, with a special emphasis on how they relate to load-response pathways that were mechanical and psycho-physiological. The results point to serious difficulties in measuring mechanical loads, highlighting the need for better metrics to precisely evaluate tissue damage and advance knowledge of injury risk.

Simon et al. [17] suggested that mechanical stress affects the early onset of enthesitis in humans. Using PD and GS imaging, the BEAT evaluated ethereal alterations in competitive badminton players earlier than and after a 60-minute intense training meeting. The findings demonstrated a substantial rise in PD scores following training, demonstrating that mechanical stress causes quick inflammatory reactions in entheseal structures and bolstering the theory of mechano inflammation in disorders linked to enthesitis.

To determine risk variables associated with ground-reaction force and spatiotemporal individuality in entertaining runners and assess the potential impact of shoe cushioning on the link between biomechanics and wound risk recommended by Malisoux et al. [18]. Greater step length and shorter contact time were found to enhance injury risk in a case-control study including 848 runners who were assessed on a treadmill wearing shoes with different levels of cushioning. In soft shoes, but not in hard shoes, a lower duty factor was associated with an increased risk.

Wang et al. [19] suggested tendon mechanobiology and explored the function of the matricellular protein SPARC, emphasizing its vital role in tendon development and injury response. The employed Sparc mice discovered that a lack of SPARC resulted in decreased collagen production under load, increased risk of tendon rupture, and delayed tendon growth. SPARC plays a critical role in tendon health and adaptation, as evidenced by the additional links between tendon and ligament damage and functional imaging and clinical data.

Bates et al. [20] recommended supporting knee abduction angles as a therapeutically valuable metric for calculating ACL strain and forecasting the likelihood of injury. ACL strain and knee abduction angles in cadaveric simulations were compared, and the results were correlated with information from 205 high school athletes. ACL injuries were predicted with 78% sensitivity and 83% specificity when larger knee abduction angles were present. Injuries were more common in athletes with higher estimated ACL strains.

To establish risk factors, the abstract emphasizes self-organization and high-order variables in its difficult systems to sports wound predictions suggested by Fonseca et al. [21]. In addition to outlining the core ideas of self-organization and complexity science, it presented a four-step synergetics approach for injury prediction based on athletes' dynamic behavior. The paradigm sought to improve injury prediction and provide sports experts with useful information.

Artificial intelligence technologies might help to facilitate healthcare decisions at both the therapeutics and diagnostics levels. The quantum detector for athletic biomechanics and prevented injuries provided in the Zhang [22]. For instance, one of the most critical components of avoiding and minimizing harm in motion was predicted sports injuries.

The purpose of Zhang and Fan [23] was to investigated the field of physical activity biomechanics in the country in terms of key advancements, hot areas of study, cooperation with other fields in physical education, and future developments employed text analysis and natural language processing techniques to evaluate descriptions presented in Chinese publications. Over 1400 research article abstracts were chosen and reviewed, with an emphasis on particular terms, importance, word-cloud evaluation, co-occurrence, and analysis of networks.

Zhao [24] was examined sports biomechanics for injury prevention and rehabilitation, including fundamental ideas, important principles, application in practice, and future possibilities. Sports biomechanics hold an important future in sports medicine. The research examined the definition and evolution of sports biomechanics, highlighting its importance in improved performance in sports, reducing injuries, and aiding recovery.

## 3. Methodology

Impact biomechanics in sports and exercise, understanding the mechanical forces of sports-related injuries, particularly ligament tear is shown in **Figure 1**. Two groups of 550 players were created: Group A included 275 athletes with sports-related injuries (SRI), and Group B included 275 athletes with healthy players (HP). The athletes completed a Land-and-cut task, and statistical techniques such as

ANOVA, Pearson correlation coefficients, and Chi-square tests were used to assess the biomechanical data. The results showed a strong correlation between the groups and identified important biomechanical elements that raise the possibility of ligament tears during sports-related activities.

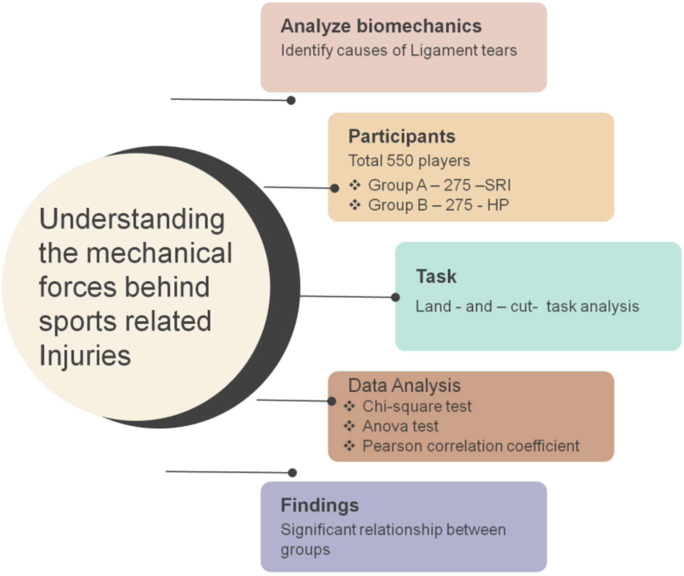

**Figure 1.** Overall flow.

### 3.1. Data collection

550 athletes participated in this study, with 275 SRI players (Group A) suffering from sports-related issues and 275 players healthy players (Group B) being healthy, as shown in **Figure 2**. Pre-assessment surveys on demographics and injury histories were used to gather data. Biomechanical evaluations utilizing 3D motion capture, force plate analysis, muscle strength testing, and ligament laxity testing during land-and-cut activities were then conducted. Group A had a higher risk of lower limb injuries during land-and-cut jobs in comparison to Group B.

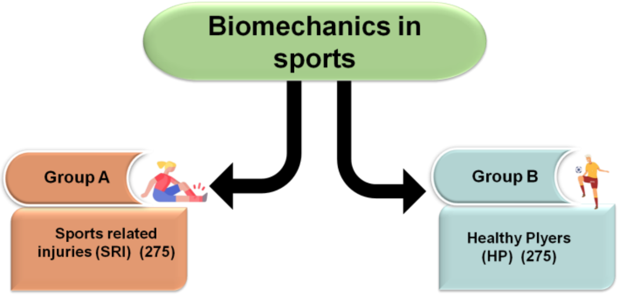

**Figure 2.** SRI and Healthy players.

550 participants, half were injured (Group A) and the other half were healthy (Group B). The data in **Table 1** shows that most of the participants are male (67%) and between the ages of 21 and 23 (45%). Players with injuries and healthy players have similar age distributions, with the healthy group having a slightly higher percentage of younger players (18–20 years old). In both groups, soccer is the most popular sport; however, wounded players are more likely to play the game than

players in the healthy group, which may indicate that soccer has greater injury rates. The majority of participants had between four and six years of experience, with wounded players making up a slightly higher percentage of this group than their healthy parts. Age, experience level, and the kind of sport may have an impact on injury rates, according to this research.

**Table 1.** Participant demographics and sport-related attributes by group.

| **Characteristic** | **Group A (sports Injured Players)** | **Group B (Healthy Players)** | **Total** |
|---|---|---|---|
| Number of Participants | 275 | 275 | 550 |
| Gender | | | |
| Male | 180 | 190 (67%) | 370 |
| Female | 95 | 85 (45%) | 180 |
| Age (years) | | | |
| 18–20 | 90 | 100 (34%) | 190 |
| 21–23 | 130 | 120 (45%) | 250 |
| 24–26 | 55 | 55 (20%) | 110 |
| Sport Type | | | |
| Soccer | 110 | 100 (36%) | 210 |
| Basketball | 80 | 90 (33%) | 170 |
| Volleyball | 50 | 55 (20%) | 105 |
| Track & Field | 35 | 30 (11%) | 65 |
| Years of Experience | | | |
| 1–3 years | 85 | 100 (36%) | 185 |
| 4–6 years | 140 | 130 (47%) | 270 |
| 7+ years | 50 | 45 (16%) | 95 |

### Data collection process

Before accomplishing biomechanical evaluations, pre-evaluation surveys had been administered to gather demographic information (e.g., age, gender, sport kind, and stage of experience) and specific harm histories, including the frequency, type, and healing time of preceding injuries. Biomechanical evaluations have been performed in a controlled laboratory surroundings. 3-D motion captured technology with [specific system/model] became used to tune and examine the athletes' movements during land-and-reduce responsibilities, specializing in decrease limb kinematics. Force plate evaluation into performed to measure ground response forces throughout landing to assess the effect on the athletes' joints and muscular tissues. Muscle strength turned into measured using dynamometers, and ligament laxity become assessed through manual strain trying out of the knee and ankle joints, with skilled clinicians performing these assessments to make sure consistency. The assessment protocols have been designed to reflect real-world sports activities actions, particularly concentrated on excessive-danger moves consisting of reducing and landing, which can be known to boom the probability of decrease limb accidents.

- Sports-related injuries (SRI)

The phrase sports activities-associated accidents (SRI) refer to a wide kind of bodily conditions that persist after athletic sports, from MS and traces to extra extreme situations such as fractures, dislocations, and LE. These injuries, that can critically affect an athlete's general fitness and performance, are regularly as a result of either persistent overuse or unexpected trauma. Common types encompass tendinitis, dislocations, muscle traces, fractures, tendon tears, and concussions. Appropriate schooling, conditioning, and defensive tools are examples of effective preventative techniques that lessen the danger. Early detection and remedy are vital for optimizing long-term outcomes and selling full healing.

- Healthy players (HP)

Healthy athletes are those who take part in bodily sports and sports however do not currently have any neurological, visual, or physical situations that could impair their overall fitness or capability to perform. These athletes are not constrained by lengthy-term ailments or injuries to be able to compete and practice to the pleasant of their abilities. Usually, ordinary clinical tests are achieved to assess their fitness and make sure that they meet the bodily and intellectual necessities important for secure sports activities participation. Peak overall performance, harm prevention, and long-term athletic fulfillment all depend on maintaining a baseline of remarkable health.

### 3.2. Task: Land-and-Cut

Impact biomechanics in exercise and sports: Recognizing the mechanical factors that cause sports-related injuries is to conduct a thorough investigation into the biomechanical factors behind sports-related injuries, with a focus on injuries to the lower limbs, namely ligament tears. The primary objectives of this research are to: first, identify and quantify the specific biomechanical risk factors linked to high-stress movements, like Land-and-Cut Tasks (LCTs), which are common in many sports; and second, compare the injury susceptibility and mechanical responses between athletes who have previously sustained sports-related injuries and players who are in good health; third, provide actionable insights that can improve injury prevention and rehabilitation programs, thereby informing strategies to reduce injury occurrence and improve recovery; fourth, improving biomechanical models that predict injury risk, which helps to clarify the mechanical forces involved; and, finally, promoting athlete safety and performance by converting these findings into useful recommendations for safer training methods and performance optimization. By revealing how past injuries may impact future injury risk. By advancing the field of sports biomechanics, this all-encompassing strategy hopes to enhance competition and training sportsmanship and safety.

### 3.3. Statistical analysis

Initially, descriptive statistics (mean ± SD) were calculated for each LE biomechanical, taking into account the group (Group A vs. Group B). LE biomechanics were compared between groups using both more complex machine learning techniques and conventional analysis of variance (ANOVA) models, in line with new statistical techniques for categorizing past concussion experiences within a comparable sports group. Using distinct univariate ANOVA tests, group differences

(Group A vs. Group B) were specifically assessed in LE biomechanics. Chi-square tests were also used to assess categorical data about group differences. For each dependent measure of interest, $\text{Cohen}'\text{s}\,d$ effect sizes $(0.2 = \text{small}, 0.6 = \text{moderate}, \text{and } 1.2 = \text{large})$ were provided, and a target $\alpha$ level of $p < 0.05$ was established for all ANOVA testing. The direction and intensity of the linear link between continuous variables within each group were determined using Pearson's correlation coefficient.

By employing this method, the SRI and healthy players that are most useful in differentiating between the athletes in our group who have experienced prior concussions and the healthy controls can be determined. A set of biomechanical scans be identified that are most responsive to SRI history in athletes based on this data. Recently, this statistical process was used to evaluate SRI results.

## 4. Results

There was no statistically significant difference between the groups according to the biomechanics performance of ANOVA models (**Table 2**). In comparison to Group A (SRI), Group B (Healthy Players) showed the best biomechanical performance, according to the findings of the Chi-Square test (**Table 3**). The links between Group A and Group B and biomechanical factors are made clearer by Pearson's correlation coefficients shown in **Table 4**.

**Table 2.** Variations in group performance in biomechanics.

| Variable | Mean (SRI) | Mean (Healthy Players) | MD (95% CI) | $P -$ Value | Effect size |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| vGRF (BF) | 2.56 ± 0.38 | 2.38 ± 0.33 | −0.18 (−0.41, 0.04) | 0.110 | 0.52 |
| AD (deg) | 15.1 ± 7.2 | 17.2 ± 9.1 | 2.1 (−3.2, 7.3) | 0.438 | 0.25 |
| KF (deg) | 54.1 ± 8.3 | 60.2 ± 8.9 | 6.1 (0.6, 11.7) | 0.031 | 0.71 |
| KA (deg) | 6.9 ± 4.5 | 8.1 ± 6.5 | 1.1 (−2.4, 4.8) | 0.512 | −0.21 |
| KEM (Nm kg-1) | 1.85 ± 0.51 | 2.19 ± 0.69 | 0.34 (−0.73, 0.05) | 0.082 | −0.56 |
| KAM (Nm kg-1) | 0.50 ± 0.27 | 0.49 ± 0.23 | −0.01 (−0.17, 0.15) | 0.901 | 0.04 |
| Hip Flexion (deg) | 32.0 ± 6.0 | 34.5 ± 5.5 | 2.5 (−1.0, 6.0) | 0.160 | 0.40 |
| Hip Abduction (deg) | 15.5 ± 4.2 | 17.0 ± 5.0 | 1.5 (−2.0, 5.0) | 0.210 | 0.33 |
| Vertical Jump Height (cm) | 50.2 ± 8.7 | 52.5 ± 9.1 | 2.3 (−3.0, 7.6) | 0.410 | 0.25 |
| Running Speed (m/s) | 5.2 ± 0.8 | 5.5 ± 0.7 | 0.3 (−0.2, 0.8) | 0.220 | 0.35 |
| Hip Adduction (deg) | 12.3 ± 4.1 | 13.8 ± 4.3 | 1.5 (−1.5, 4.5) | 0.300 | 0.37 |
| Shin Angle (deg) | 7.4 ± 2.8 | 8.1 ± 3.0 | 0.7 (−1.2, 2.6) | 0.480 | 0.29 |
| Foot Strike Pattern | 60.0 ± 15.5 | 55.0 ± 16.2 | −5.0 (−15.0, 5.0) | 0.320 | −0.30 |

**Table 3.** Chi-square analysis outcomes for biomechanical variables in categories.

| Variable | Category | Count (SRI) | Count (Healthy Players) | Chi-Square ($\chi^2$) | *p*-value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| vGRF | Low (≤10 degrees) | 85 | 75 | 2.50 | 0.287 |
| | Medium (11–20 degrees) | 125 | 120 | - | - |
| | High (>20 degrees) | 80 | 90 | - | - |

**Table 3.** (*Continued*).

| **Variable** | **Category** | **Count (SRI)** | **Count (Healthy Players)** | **Chi-Square ($\chi^2$)** | ***p*-value** |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Foot Strike Pattern | Forefoot | 90 | 110 | 4.32 | 0.115 |
| | Midfoot | 105 | 95 | - | - |
| | Heel Strike | 80 | 70 | - | - |
| AD | Low (≤10 degrees) | 60 | 55 | 2.10 | 0.350 |
| | Medium (11–20 degrees) | 140 | 130 | - | - |
| | High (>20 degrees) | 75 | 90 | - | - |
| KF | Low (≤50 degrees) | 80 | 70 | 1.75 | 0.417 |
| | Medium (51–60 degrees) | 145 | 150 | - | - |
| | High (>60 degrees) | 50 | 55 | - | - |
| KA | Low (≤5 degrees) | 70 | 65 | 0.87 | 0.650 |
| | Medium (6–10 degrees) | 150 | 140 | - | - |
| | High (>10 degrees) | 55 | 70 | - | - |
| KEM | Low (≤1.5 Nm kg−1) | 85 | 80 | 1.22 | 0.540 |
| | Medium (1.51–2.0 Nm kg−1) | 140 | 130 | - | - |
| | High (>2.0 Nm kg−1) | 50 | 65 | - | - |
| KAM | Low (≤0.4 Nm kg−1) | 60 | 55 | 1.95 | 0.374 |
| | Medium (0.41–0.6 Nm kg−1) | 150 | 140 | - | - |
| | High (>0.6 Nm kg−1) | 65 | 80 | - | - |
| Hip Flexion Category | Low (≤30 degrees) | 50 | 55 | 1.58 | 0.457 |
| | Medium (31–35 degrees) | 160 | 150 | - | - |
| | High (>35 degrees) | 65 | 70 | - | - |
| Hip Abduction Category | Low (≤15 degrees) | 70 | 65 | 0.98 | 0.611 |
| | Medium (16–20 degrees) | 140 | 135 | - | - |
| | High (>20 degrees) | 65 | 75 | | |
| Vertical Jump Height Category | Low (≤50 cm) | 75 | 70 | 1.30 | 0.521 |
| | Medium (51–60 cm) | 155 | 150 | - | - |
| | High (>60 cm) | 45 | 55 | - | - |
| Running Speed Category | Slow (≤5 m/s) | 65 | 60 | 0.88 | 0.644 |
| | Moderate (5.1–6 m/s) | 155 | 150 | - | - |
| | Fast (>6 m/s) | 55 | 65 | - | - |
| Hip Adduction Category | Low (≤12 degrees) | 75 | 70 | 1.42 | 0.491 |
| | Medium (13–15 degrees) | 150 | 140 | - | - |
| | High (>15 degrees) | 50 | 65 | - | - |
| Shin Angle Category | Low (≤7 degrees) | 60 | 55 | 1.10 | 0.575 |
| | Medium (8–10 degrees) | 140 | 135 | - | - |
| | High (>10 degrees) | 75 | 85 | - | - |

**Table 4.** Pearson's correlation coefficient.

| Variable | vGRF (BF) | AD | KF | KD | KEM | KAM | HF | HA | VJH | RS | HAD | SA | FSP |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| vGRF (BF) | 1.00 | 0.05 | 0.12 | 0.03 | −0.09 | 0.07 | 0.00 | 0.01 | −0.03 | −0.02 | −0.01 | 0.01 | −0.02 |
| AD | 0.05 | 1.00 | −0.02 | 0.07 | −0.01 | −0.03 | 0.01 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.01 |
| KF | 0.12 | −0.02 | 1.00 | −0.02 | 0.01 | −0.04 | −0.03 | 0.02 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 0.01 | −0.01 | 0.02 |
| KD | 0.03 | 0.07 | −0.02 | 1.00 | 0.01 | −0.03 | −0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 1.00 | 0.03 | 0.03 | |
| KEM | −0.09 | −0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 1.00 | −0.01 | −0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.03 | −0.01 | −0.01 | 2.00 |
| KAM | 0.07 | −0.03 | −0.04 | −0.03 | −0.01 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | −0.01 | −0.01 | −0.01 | 1.00 | −0.02 |
| HF | 0.00 | 0.01 | −0.03 | −0.02 | −0.01 | 0.01 | 1.00 | 0.01 | −0.03 | −0.02 | −0.01 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| HA | 0.01 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.01 |
| VJH | −0.03 | 0.02 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 0.01 | −0.01 | −0.03 | 0.02 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 0.01 | −0.01 | 0.02 |
| RS | −0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 1.00 | 0.03 | −0.01 | −0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 1.00 | 0.03 | −0.01 | 0.03 |
| HAD | −0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.03 | −0.01 | −0.01 | −0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 1.00 | −0.01 | −0.01 |
| SA | 0.01 | 0.00 | −0.01 | −0.01 | −0.01 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | −0.01 | −0.01 | −0.01 | 1.00 | −0.02 |
| FSP | −0.02 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 2.00 | −0.02 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.03 | −0.01 | −0.02 | 1.00 |

## 4.1. ANOVAs test

The Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) test is a useful tool for analyzing group performance variations in biomechanics, multiple groups can be evaluated at once using this statistical method shown in **Table 2**, identifying significant changes in biomechanical measures between groups.

Vertical Ground Reaction Force (vGRF): The healthy players' mean vGRF was 2.38 ± 0.33 BW, and the SRI group's mean vGRF was 2.56 ± 0.38 BW. The moderate effect size of 0.52 and MD of −0.18 (95% CI: −0.41, 0.04) did not meet statistical significance ($p = 0.110$).

Ankle Dorsiflexion: The mean dorsiflexion of the SRI group was 15.1 ± 7.2 degrees, whereas the healthy players' dorsiflexion was 17.2 ± 9.1 degrees. With a tiny effect size of 0.25, the mean difference was 2.1 degrees (95% CI: −3.2, 7.3), not statistically significant ($p = 0.438$).

Knee Flexion: The mean knee flexion of the SRI group was 54.1 ± 8.3 degrees, while that of the healthy athletes was 60.2 ± 8.9 degrees. With a substantial effect size of 0.71, the mean of 6.1 degrees (95% CI: 0.6, 11.7) was statistically significant ($p = 0.031$).

Knee Abduction: 8.1 ± 6.5 degrees was the mean knee abduction among players in good health and 6.9 ± 4.5 degrees for the SRI group. The 1.1-degree mean difference (95% CI: −2.4, 4.8) had a negligible negative effect size of −0.21 and was not statistically significant ($p = 0.512$).

Knee Extensor Moment: The mean knee extensor moment for the SRI group was 1.85 ± 0.51 N m·kg−1, whereas the mean value for the healthy players was 2.19 ± 0.69 N m·kg−1. With a moderate negative impact size of -0.56, the mean of 0.34 (95% CI: −0.73, 0.05) was not statistically significant ($p = 0.082$).

Knee abduction moment: 95% Confidence Interval (CI): −0.17 to 0.15; mean difference: −0.01 Nm/kg. There is no discernible change, according to the p-value of 0.901. The effect size (0.04) points to a very small impact.

Hip Abduction: Compared to players in good health, the SRI group's mean hip abduction was 15.5 ± 4.2 degrees, while it was 17.0 ± 5.0 degrees for them. With a moderate effect size of 0.33, the mean difference was 1.5 degrees ($95\%\ CI: -2.0, 5.0$), not significant ($p = 0.210$).

Hip flexion: With a 95% confidence interval of -1.0 to 6.0, the mean difference is 2.5 degrees. According to the p-value of 0.160, there is no statistically significant difference. A minor to moderate influence is indicated by the effect size of 0.40.

Vertical leap Height: The mean vertical leap height of the SRI group was 50.2 ± 8.7 cm, whereas the healthy players' jump height was 52.5 ± 9.1 cm. With a tiny effect size of 0.25, the mean change of 2.3 cm (95% CI: −3.0, 7.6) was not statistically significant ($p = 0.410$).

Running Speed: Healthy players had a mean running speed of 5.5 ± 0.7 m/s, but the SRI group had a mean of 5.2 ± 0.8 m/s. A modest effect size of 0.35 was associated with the mean of 0.3 m/s ($95\%\ CI: -0.2, 0.8$), which was not significant ($p = 0.220$).

Hip Adduction: Compared to healthy players, the SRI group's mean hip adduction was 12.3 ± 4.1 degrees, while healthy players were 13.8 ± 4.3 degrees. With a moderate effect size of 0.37, the mean difference of 1.5 degrees (95% CI: −1.5, 4.5) was not statistically significant ($p = 0.300$).

Shin Angle: For the SRI group, the mean shin angle was 7.4 ± 2.8 degrees, while for the healthy athletes, it was 8.1 ± 3.0 degrees. With a small effect size of 0.29, the mean difference of 0.7 degrees (95% CI: −1.2, 2.6) was not statistically significant ($p = 0.480$).

Foot Strike Pattern: With a mean of 60.0 ± 15.5%, the SRI group outperformed the healthy players with a mean of 55.0 ± 16.2%. The −5.0% mean difference (95% CI: −15.0, 5.0) had a tiny negative effect size of −0.30 and was not statistically significant ($p = 0.320$).

The results showed that there were clear disparities between the healthy players in Group B and the SRI in Group A, who had sports-related injuries. In comparison to Group B (60.2 ± 8.9 degrees), for example, Group A showed lower knee flexion angles (54.1 ± 8.3 degrees), with a significant mean difference of 6.1 degrees ($p = 0.031$). In addition, although these differences were not statistically significant, Group A exhibited slightly fewer hip flexion angles and lower knee extensor moments. Based on their altered biomechanical patterns compared to Group B, our results suggest that participants in Group A may be more vulnerable to lower limb injuries, including ligament tears, during land-and-cut tasks.

## 4.2. Chi-Square test

The Chi-Square test identifies biomechanical variations as random or underlying patterns linked to injury risks or performance disparities, providing insights into biomechanical traits affecting injury outcomes as shown in **Table 3**.

Several insights can be gained by comparing the biomechanical traits of athletes who have sustained sports-related injuries (SRI) to those who are healthy. Foot strike pattern ($\chi^2 = 4.32, p = 0.115$), AD ($\chi^2 = 2.10, p = 0.350$), KF ($\chi^2 = 1.75, p = 0.417$), KA ($\chi^2 = 0.87, p = 0.650$), knee extensor moment ($\chi^2 = 1.22, p =$

$0.540)$, knee abduction moment $(\chi^2 = 1.95, p = 0.374)$, hipflexion $(\chi^2 = 1.58, p = 0.457)$, hipabduction $(\chi^2 = 0.98, p = 0.611)$, verticaljump height $(\chi^2 = 1.30, p = 0.521)$, runningspeed $(\chi^2 = 0.88, p = 0.644)$, hipadduction $(\chi^2 = 1.42, p = 0.491)$, and shin angle $(\chi^2 = 1.10, p = 0.575)$. There was no significant difference observed in the Vertical Ground Reaction Force (vGRF) either $(\chi^2 = 2.50, p = 0.287)$. Overall, these results show that the two groups' biomechanical differences in the parameters under study are not very different from one another.

The data revealed that during the LCT in athletes with sports-related injuries (Group A), ligament tears occurred in both the primary and secondary legs. While the majority of biomechanical variables (such as foot strike pattern and knee flexion category) did not show statistically significant differences according to the Chi-Square tests, the trends that were observed point to a possible relationship between a few biomechanical factors and the incidence of ligament tears in Group A as different to healthy players (Group B).

## 4.3. Pearson's correlation coefficient

Pearson's correlation coefficient is a statistical test, shown in **Table 4**, tool used to assess the linear relationship between two continuous variables, such as joint angles and performance metrics in biomechanics research.

Pearson correlation coefficients between biomechanical factors are shown in **Table 4**, where weak to moderate correlations that may have an impact on sports injuries are revealed. For instance, a negative correlation ($r = −0.10$) between the vertical ground reaction force (vGRF) and foot striking pattern raises the possibility that particular foot strike patterns may affect the risk of injury. Low relationships between vertical jump height and shin angle ($r = −0.01$) and hip flexion ($r = −0.03$) suggest that these variables have little influence on injury processes and jump performance. The importance of hip mechanics in sports is highlighted by the marginally positive association ($r = 0.05$) between running speed and hip abduction. Weak correlations between knee variables indicate complicated interactions influencing joint stability and injury risk, such as the one between knee flexion and abduction ($r = −0.02$).

Ligament tears occurred in both the primary and secondary legs of athletes in Group A (sports-related injuries) during the LCT, but no such injuries were seen in athletes in Group B (healthy players). According to the correlation matrix, vertical jump height exhibited little associations with other variables, however, vGRF (BF) had a tiny positive correlation with knee flexion, indicating that larger ground reaction forces were somewhat connected with increased knee flexion. Furthermore, it was indicated that lower knee extensor moments were associated with stronger ground reaction forces by a negative association between knee extensor moment and vGRF (BF). These associations point to plausible biomechanical variables that could affect the likelihood of ligament rips occurring during dynamic movements.

## 4.4. Discussion

There were 59 (44%) NCI, 59 (44%) ICI, and 16 (12%) DCI. Oftentimes, players were upset right before getting hurt. For players who sustained NCI or ICI, four primaries situational patterns were found. Among these four situational patterns, knee valgus loading (*n* = 83%, 81%) was the most common injury pattern (86%, 86%, 67%, and 50%, respectively). The first half of the matches accounted for 62% of the injuries ($p < 0.01$) [25].

Article presents a unique framework for injury prevention called Biomechanically-Informed Training (BIT), which combines behavior modification research, biomechanics, and simulation based on physics. BIT tackles biomechanical mechanisms to lower the risk of musculoskeletal injuries. The effectiveness of BIT in preventing knee and ACL injuries is supported by experimental data from two trials [26].

Strengthen a male-oriented basketball group's athletic ability. Male basketball players should develop their isokinetic muscular strength at a speed of 60/s. Regular training can help to improve isokinetic muscular strength. Men's squads for basketball should prioritize iso-kinetic muscular strength training at 180°/s. To accomplish an equal development of movement frequency, it is necessary to strengthen the musculature on one side in particularly [27].

Sixteen studies were considered in the qualitative evaluation. Approaches using MFR implemented or self-applied for enhanced strength, speed, ROM, and adaptability have no agreement on the duration of their practicality, owing to difficulties in determining the optimum load of utilized anxiety, the temperature stage, and viscoelastic characteristics during the fascia's deep discharge. However, enhancements in oxygenation, piezoelectric rearrangement, and fascial tension normalization were observed following MFR [28].

The outcomes of that literature review were: (1) The technical established of athletic footwear and target demographics typically impact the performance of runners and injury risk; (2) Thickness of 15–20 mm, the toughness of Asker C50–C55 of the heel, the layout of both medial or adjacent the heel explodes of 15°, the bent carbon platter, and the 3D displayed heel cup might be advantageous for maximized achievement and decrease running-related injuries; (3) the latest version of studies and techniques [29].

## 5. Conclusion

This study located that athlete with sports activities-related accidents (SRI) exhibited drastically less knee flexion compared to their healthy opposite numbers. Specifically, athletes in Group A, who had sustained accidents, demonstrated decreased knee flexion at some stage in Land-and-Cut Tasks (LCT), which became related to a higher chance of ligament tears. These findings recommend that decreased knee flexion is a critical issue within the accelerated hazard of sports accidents. The evaluation, carried out using SPSS software program, underscores the complexity of sports injuries and highlights the crucial role of knee flexion in damage prevention. The study reveals that strengthening preventive measures associated with knee flexion should enhance athlete performance and safety. In precis, the research indicates that targeted rehabilitation techniques and biomechanical changes, specializing in improving knee flexion, may also successfully reduce the hazard of injury and improve sports activities overall performance. This study contributes treasured insights into the mechanical forces at the back of sports activities-related injuries, helping the improvement of more effective injury prevention techniques.

## Limitations and future scope

There are several study limitations to take into account. First off, the sample is restricted to collegiate athletes, which might not accurately represent all age groups or degrees of athletic experience. This could have an impact on how broadly applicable the results are. Furthermore, because of differences in the quality of data collection, the study depends on certain biomechanical models and injury monitoring data, which could introduce biases or inaccuracies. The variety of sports actions may not be fully covered by the land-and-cut task focus, which narrows the spectrum of biomechanical forces examined. Moreover, the study's cross-sectional design does not take into consideration how injuries evolve or how long-term alterations in biomechanics can occur.

Future research could enhance the generalizability of results by incorporating a more diverse sample, including different age groups and athletic levels. A more thorough grasp of biomechanics and its relationship to various injury types would result from extending the analysis to a wider range of sports movements and activities. Studies with a long-term focus that monitor biomechanical alterations and injury results may provide important new information about how injuries develop and how to prevent them. Furthermore, incorporating cutting-edge technologies like wearable sensors and motion capture devices may enhance data accuracy and allow for real-time biomechanical analysis.

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## Abbreviations

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| Non-contact injuries | NCI |
| Indirect contact injuries | ICI |
| Direct contact injuries | DCI |
| Mean difference | MD |
| Peak vertical ground reaction force | vGEF |
| Knee Abduction Moment | KAM |

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| Lower extremity | LE |
| Land-and-cut tasks | LCT |
| Mechanoreceptors | MR |
| Central nervous system | CNS |
| Ankle Dorsiflexion | AD |
| Knee Flexion | KF |
| Knee Abduction | KD |
| Mean difference | MD |
| Spinous process | SP |
| Kinematic data | KD |
| Upper thoracic | UT |
| Lumbar spine | LS |
| Ankle joint | AJ |
| Mild sprains | Ms |
| Ligament Injuries | LI |
| Power Doppler | PD |
| Gray Scale | GS |
| SPARC | SPARC |
| Knee extensor moment | KEM |
| Hip Flexion | HF |
| Hip Abduction | HA |
| Vertical Jump Height | VJH |
| Running Speed | RS |
| Hip Adduction | HAD |
| Shin Angle | SA |
| Foot Strike Pattern | FSP |

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