

interventions is especially commendable and helpful. If the authors let themselves down anywhere, it is in the promotion of a few clinical conditions "dear to their hearts". Sportsman's hernias, obturator nerve entrapments, sinus tarsi syndrome or cuboid syndrome, for instance, are promoted as definite clinical entities, where some international experience would certainly cast doubt on their mere existence! Most of the areas of controversy, however, are quite well discussed through the book. The issue of the treatment of Achilles tendon rupture, however, where surgery is presented as a "no-brainer" in the athlete, may come back to haunt the authors as emerging evidence showing the effectiveness of an accelerated conservative programme is published.

Certain chapters in the book exceeded my expectations. The section on hand and wrist injuries, for instance, is dealt with exceptionally well for a topic that in the past has been a "poor relation" in other texts. The section on biomechanics was also well handled. Detailed biomechanical science has been put into concise simple language for the clinician, which can be used in the treatment of many of the common injuries we see.

I was pleased to see an expansion of the management of medical problems in the book. The difficulty in such a text is paying due attention to important topics and unfortunately cardiology was brief in its review. I thought the sections on asthma and diabetes, the tired athlete and gastrointestinal symptoms during exercise, were well handled in the space available. The chapter on headache earlier in the book was also excellent. Environmental issues regarding exercise in the heat, the cold and at altitude were well presented as one would expect from such fine authors of these chapters.

The emphasis on rehabilitation and treatment protocols is a major strength. The digital video disk with synopses of the different injuries and treatment options is excellent and a real boost to clinical practice. The practice pearls are a good idea and are great take-away messages for the practising clinician.

Overall, it is an excellent publication and an absolute must for clinicians wanting to treat athletes. As much as it irks a Kiwi like myself to compliment two Aussies on a "damn fine job", I will have to relent this time and say well done on what should be a best-seller in sports medicine.

Rating

• Presentation	18/20
• Comprehension	19/20
• Readability	20/20
• Relevance	18/20
• Evidence base	15/20
• Total	90/100

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

III International Congress: People, Sport and Health

19–21 April 2007, Saint-Petersburg, Russia

The congress will be carried out under the auspices of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe, under the patronage of the European Union and the International Olympic Committee at cooperation with governmental, scientific and leading social organisations.

Further details: Email: sport-health@home.ru; website: sport-health.ru

Amsterdam Foot and Ankle Course 2007

21–22 June 2007, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Further details: www.anklecourse.com

German Congress of Orthopedics and Trauma Surgery

- 71st Annual Meeting of the German Society of Trauma Surgery (DGU)
- 93rd Annual Conference of the German Society of Orthopedic Surgery (DGOOC)
- 48th Annual Conference of the Professional Association of Orthopedic Specialists (BVO)

24–27 October 2007, Messe/ICC Berlin, Germany

Further details: website: www.orthopaedie-unfallchirurgie.de; Email: info@intercongress.de

17th Annual Meeting of the International Association for Dance Medicine & Science (IADMS)

25–29 October 2007, Canberra and Melbourne, Australia

Co-hosted by three of Australia's elite institutions—The Australian Ballet School, Australian Dance Council (Ausdance) and the Australian Sports Commission—IADMS works to improve dancers' health, well being and performance through the encouragement and promotion of dance medicine and science. Outstanding international researchers, practitioners and educators will offer insight into the latest developments in dance medicine and science. Activities of relevance to dancers, dance teachers and health professionals will include presentations and movement sessions on topics such as:

- Training efficiency
- Nutrition
- Dance wellness programmes
- Psychology
- Scientific research
- Practitioner wisdom
- Injury prevention, treatment and rehabilitation
- Surgical and non-surgical interventions

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Further details: Call for papers: www.worldcongresslbp.com; Information: info@worldcongresslbp.com

The sixth international conference on Sport, Leisure and Ergonomics

14–16 November 2007, Burton Manor, Burton, Wirral, Cheshire, UK

Further details: Congress Secretariat: Tel: 0151 231 4249; Email: G.Atkinson@ljamu.ac.uk

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15–17 November 2007, Madrid, Spain

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