Special Issue

Vitamin D and Athletic Performance

Message from the Guest Editor

Insufficiency in Vitamin D is a serious problem in general internal medicine. Different disorders have been shown to be associated with Vitamin D deficiency. Certain populations, such as elderly people, are at an increased risk for osteoporosis and osteoporotic fractures, among other problems. In athletes, certain populations might be at a higher risk for Vitamin D deficiency. Little is known whether a supplementation in Vitamin D in athletes with deficiency in Vitamin D improves performance. The first idea of this Special Issue, "Vitamin D and Athletic Performance", is to gain more information on the prevalence of Vitamin D deficiency in different sport disciplines (e.g., indoor sports) and populations (e.g., master athletes). The second idea is to see whether a supplementation of Vitamin D in certain populations of athletes with a deficiency can improve athletic performance. Prof. Dr. med. Beat Knechtle

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