Referent body weight values in over ground walking, over ground jogging, treadmill jogging, and elliptical exercise – no conflict of interests

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OBJECTIVES

- Evaluate average percentage body weight (APBW) values and weight-bearing distribution percentages (WBDP) between four common sports activities in a referent adult population
- Suggest clinical implications

PARTICIPANTS

- *Seventy-five asymptomatic volunteers
- Mean age = 33.5 (19-72) years SD=15.1
- Mean weight (kg) = 70.7 (43-113) SD=14.1

INTERVENTIONS

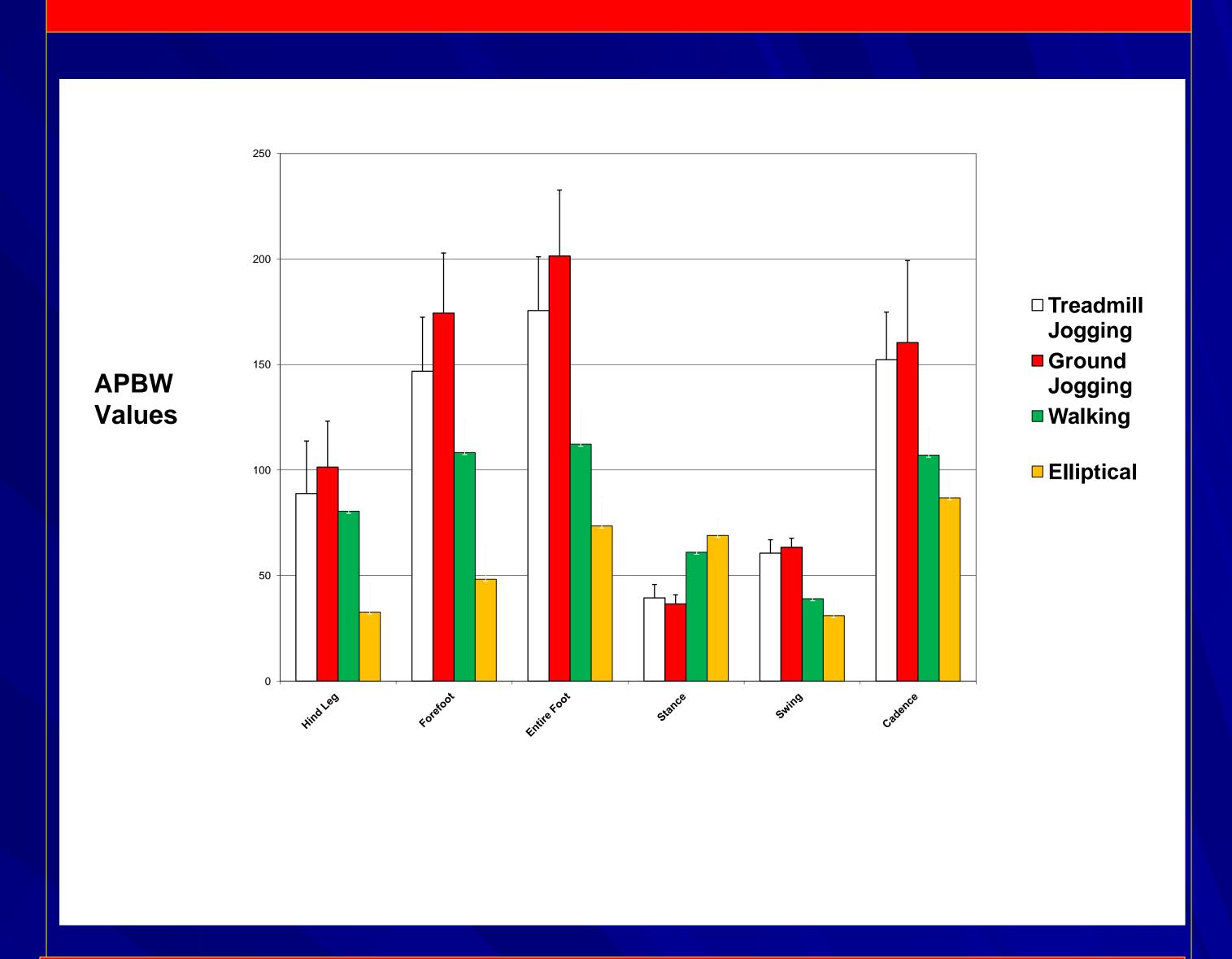
Four tests were conducted....

- 1. Overground walking (OGW) over a 20m distance
- 2. Overground jogging (OGJ) over a 20m distance
- 3. Treadmill jogging (TJ) at a constant speed Of 8.5 km/hr for a 15-second interval
- 4. Elliptical exercise (EE) for a 20 second period at a resistance and incline level of 10, and a steady pace within the range of 70-95 steps/min.

MAIN OUTCOME MEASURE

Smartstep™ weight-bearing gait analysis system

RESULTS



CONCLUSIONS

- 1.EE significantly reduces weight-bearing as compared to other common functional and sporting activities
- 2. These findings may assist the rehabilitation team when considering returning individuals back to early activity following certain bony or soft tissue pathologies or lower-limb surgical procedures
- 3. This information is also useful from a repetitive loading standpoint (to prevent overuse injury) or for exercise recommendations for those at greater risk for exacerbating chronic joint pathology