To highlight an important area of research in the field of physical medicine and rehabilitation and in sports medicine, The American Journal of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (AJPM&R) is calling for papers for a new section on Para Sport and Paralympic Sport.

The practice of sport enhances functional capacity and health and contributes to participation in social activities. As a consequence, sport activities have always been part of rehabilitation programs all over the world. Furthermore, Paralympic Sport has provided an opportunity for persons with disabilities to compete at the highest level possible.

More research is needed to understand the benefits of sports training and participation on various health condition and types of impairments and disabilities, the optimal type of sport and training prescription, and the effects on psychosocial outcomes. Further, studies are needed to explore the physiological determinants of sports performance in athletes with disabilities, the adaptations to long-term exercise training, and the nature of injuries resulting from overuse or trauma. New and effective therapeutic and rehabilitative interventions are needed for this population.

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