# Supplementary Material

## List of abbreviations

\* significant (p<.05)

\*\* significant (p<.01)

\*\*\* significant (p<.001)

adv. advanced climbers

b boulderersc climbers

CCC concordance correlation coefficient

CF critical force

CI<sub>95%</sub> confidence interval 95%

corr. correlation

CV coefficient of variation

d days

diff. difference/differences

E endurance

EMG electromyography

ESE explosive strength endurance

ES explosive strength ER external rotation

f female

FCR flexor carpi radialis FDP flexor digitorum profundus

FLEX flexibility fR respiratory rate HR heart rate

ICC intraclass correlation coefficient

inter. intermediate climbers IR internal rotation LoA limits of agreement

m male

MD mean difference MMG mechanomyography MS maximum strength

MSE maximum strength endurance MVC maximum voluntary contraction nd no data regarding the correlation

ns non-significant

nv no values regarding the significance RCP respiratory compensation points RER respiratory exchange ratio RFD rate of force development

sc speed climbers
ME muscular endurance
VCO<sub>2</sub> carbon dioxide production
VE minute ventilation
VO<sub>2</sub> oxygen consumption

V<sub>T</sub> tidal volume

x/x/x shoulder flexion (°) / elbow flexion (°) / shoulder adduction or abduction (°)

no data reported

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**Supplementary Table 1.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on the repeated ascent of one boulder.

| repeated ascent of one boulder                  |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Object of measurement:                          | bouldering endurance   |  |
| measured value (unit)                           | time to failure (s)  |  |
| Reliability                                     | inter-session  |  |
|   | 2d elite m: r=0.99*, ns diff. betw. trails (34)                              |  |
| Validity  | <b>elite m:</b> linear corr. with intermit. finger hang time, r=0.87*** (34) |  |
| Additional data reported: training effects (35) |  |  |

**Supplementary Table 2.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on bouldering in a circuit.

| boulder in a circuit continuous (incremental) bouldering       |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| Object of measurement:   | bouldering endurance  |  |
| measured value (unit)  | time to failure (s) <sup>1</sup>  |  |
| , ,  | VE (L/min) <sup>2</sup>   |  |
|  | $VO_2$ , $VCO_2$ (ml/min/kg) <sup>3</sup>   |  |
|  | HR (bpm) <sup>4</sup>   |  |
|  | RER (#) <sup>5</sup>  |  |
|  | number of moves completed (#) <sup>6</sup>  |  |
|  | wall angle at point of failure $(^{\circ})^{7}$   |  |
| Validity   | lower grade-elite m: $r=0.89$ , $R^2=0.79$ (ns) <sup>7</sup> ; $r=-0.82$ at $90^{\circ*3}$ , $r=-0.84$ at $105^{\circ*3}$ ; $r=-0.43$ at $90^{\circ*4}$ , |  |
| -  | r=-0.78 at 105°*4, higher level c tended to achieve higher VE/ VO <sub>2</sub> ratio (hyperventilation) than  |  |
|  | lower level c and attained higher RER (ns) <sup>3,5</sup> (37)  |  |
| Additional data reported: prefatigued effect (36) <sup>6</sup> |   |  |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (26)                     |   |  |

**Supplementary Table 3.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on bouldering in a circuit.

| boulder traverse              |   |  |
|-------------------------------|---|--|
| hard   easy                   |   |  |
| half crimp   pinch   inclined | holds   horizontal holds  |  |
| Object of measurement:        | bouldering endurance  |  |
| measured value (unit)         | time to failure (s) <sup>1</sup>  |  |
|                               | number of moves completed (#) <sup>2</sup>  |  |
|                               | RER (#) <sup>3</sup>  |  |
|                               | HR (bpm) <sup>4</sup>   |  |
|                               | VO <sub>2</sub> (mo/min/kg) <sup>5</sup>  |  |
|                               | lactate <sub>pre, 3, 10, 20 min post</sub> (mmol/L) <sup>6</sup>                                |  |
| Validity                      | <b>elite-higher elite m:</b> higher on easy than on hard traverse** $^{1, 3}$ ; r=0.7* $^{6}$ ; |  |
|                               | hard traverse: $r=0.8-0.94*^{1}$ , easy traverse: $r=0.52-0.60*^{1}$ , corr. betw. $VO_2$       |  |
|                               | and duration of hard and easy traverse r=0.8-0.85* (38)   |  |
| Additional data reported:     | supplementation effects (39) <sup>2</sup> , hold type effects (38) <sup>1, 3-6</sup>            |  |

**Supplementary Table 4.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on treadwall climbing.

| treadwall climbing  |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| continuous   discontinuous  |   |  |
| consistent   incremental (increasing speed/increasing wall inclination) |   |  |
| Object of measurement:  | climbing endurance  |  |
| measured value (unit)   | HR (bpm) <sup>1</sup>   |  |
|   | VO2 (L/min) <sup>2</sup>  |  |
|   | RER (#) <sup>3</sup>  |  |
|   | $V_{\rm T}({ m L})^4$   |  |
|   | VE (L/min) <sup>5</sup>   |  |
|   | fR (brpm) <sup>6</sup>  |  |
|   | FDP oxygen saturation (%) <sup>7</sup>  |  |
| gas exchange threshold (s) <sup>8</sup>                                 |   |  |
|   | muscle oxygenation breakpoint (s) <sup>9</sup>  |  |
|   | lactate <sub>0, 1, 3 min post</sub> (mmol/L) <sup>10</sup>  |  |
|   | number of moves (#) <sup>11</sup>   |  |
|   | time to failure (s) <sup>12</sup>   |  |
|   | peak angle (°) <sup>13</sup>  |  |
| Reliability   | inter-session (2d)  |  |
| ·   | advelite m: r=0.99** (38) <sup>7, 10, 12</sup>  |  |
| Validity  | advhigher elite>interelite m/f *** (47)12   |  |
|   | inter. m: associated with highest self-reported RP grade**(45) <sup>2</sup>   |  |
|   | elite vs. adv. m: diff. in regression line slope**, regression line equations for elite (R <sup>2</sup> =0.83*) and adv.      |  |
|   | $(R^2=0.58^*)$ paralleled each other and diff. sig. only for the intercept (nv) $(42)^{1.2}$                                  |  |
|   | elite>inter. m: d=1.46***13, d=0.95*4, d=1.48***12; inter.>elite. d=0.25-0.55 (ns)6; interelite R <sup>2</sup> =0.70          |  |
|   | $(nv)^{13}$ , $R^2$ =0.66 $(nv)^{10}$ ; inter.~elite d=0.02 $(ns)^5$ , d=0.04 $(ns)^3$ ; corr. with impulse from intermittent |  |
|   | hangboard test $R^2$ =0.71 (nv) but not with max. strength $R^2$ =0.06 (nv) $^9$ (41)   |  |
|   | adv. m/f: r=0.59-0.66 (43) <sup>13</sup>  |  |
| Additional data reported:   | training effects (46) <sup>1, 12</sup> , (40) <sup>1, 10, 11</sup>  |  |
| No data on quality criteria   |   |  |

**Supplementary Table 5.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on top-rope and lead climbing.

| top-rope and lead climbing<br>lead one route then top-rope same or different route   |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| Object of measurement: measured value (unit)  climbing kinematics HR (bpm) <sup>1</sup> score on observer scale (#) <sup>2</sup> |  |  |
| Additional data reported: anxiety effects (49) <sup>1, 2</sup><br>No data on quality criteria reported: (28) <sup>2</sup>        |  |  |

**Supplementary Table 6.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on outdoor climbing.

| outdoor climbing       |   |
|------------------------|---|
| Object of measurement: | climbing endurance  |
| measured value (unit)  | VO <sub>2</sub> , VCO <sub>2</sub> (ml/min/kg) <sup>1</sup> |
|                        | VE (%) <sup>2</sup>   |
|                        | lactate <sub>3, 5, 8 min post</sub> mmol/L) <sup>3</sup>    |
|                        | climbing time (s) <sup>4</sup>                              |
| Validity               | elite <lower (48)<sup="" grade="" m*="">3, 4</lower>        |

**Supplementary Table 7.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on the rock over climbing test.

| rock over climbing test |   |  |
|-------------------------|---|--|
| Object of measurement:  | climbing ability  |  |
| measured value (unit)   | maximum height held for 2 s (cm)                                  |  |
| Reliability             | inter-session (7-14d)   |  |
|                         | lower grade-higher elite m/f: ICC=0.90 (50)                       |  |
| Validity                | m/f: lower grade < elite**, adv.** and inter.**,                  |  |
|                         | inter. <elite** adv**,="" adv.="" and="">lower grade**,</elite**> |  |
|                         | and inter.**, inter.>lower grade** (50)                           |  |

**Supplementary Table 8.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on bouldering.

| bouldering   | ·  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|
| 2-3 problems (in a competition)  |  |  |  |
|  | 6:6 min   5:5 min   4:3 min   4 min:-   -  |  |  |
| progressing level   -  |  |  |  |
| Object of measurement:   | bouldering level   |  |  |
| measured value (unit)  | number of attempts (#) <sup>1</sup>  |  |  |
| ` '  | number of attempts per top and zone (#) <sup>2</sup>   |  |  |
|  | number of grips (s) <sup>3</sup>   |  |  |
|  | attempt time (s) <sup>4</sup>  |  |  |
|  | recovery time (s) <sup>5</sup>   |  |  |
|  | climbing time (s) <sup>6</sup>   |  |  |
|  | viewing time $(s)^7$   |  |  |
|  | hand contact time (s) <sup>8</sup>   |  |  |
|  | reach time (s) <sup>9</sup>  |  |  |
|  | dynamic <sup>10</sup> and static time (s/s) <sup>11</sup>  |  |  |
|  | number of moves completed on best attempt (#) <sup>12</sup>  |  |  |
| Reliability  | intra-session  |  |  |
|  | no data m: CV=0.7% (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.4-1.9) <sup>4</sup> ; CV=1.1% (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.7-2.7) <sup>5</sup> ; CV=0.9% (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.6-2.3) <sup>6</sup> ; CV=0.9% |  |  |
|  | $(CI_{95\%}=0.6-2.3)^7; CV=2.0\% (CI_{95\%}=1.3-5.0)^8; CV=21.2\% (CI_{95\%}=14.1-68.1)^9; CV=3.2\% (CI_{95\%}=1.9-8.2)^{10};$   |  |  |
|  | $\text{CV=}3.3\% \ (\text{CI}_{95\%}=2.0-9.9)^{11} \ (51)$   |  |  |
| Validity   | <b>no data m:</b> corr. with group ranking and world championships ranking respectively r=0.01-0.03 (ns) <sup>7</sup> ;  |  |  |
|  | $ r = 0.36 - 0.50*^2; r = -0.440.47*^1; r = 0.10 - 0.12*^3; r = 0.35 - 0.39*^5; r = -0.360.39*^4; r = 0.29 - 0.33*^6 (52) $  |  |  |
|  | <b>no data:</b> pos. link with bouldering experience and results on most difficult problem, greater group mean on  |  |  |
|  | most difficult problem*, ns greater scores on other problems for subjects who had competed before (55) <sup>12</sup>   |  |  |
| <b>Additional data reported:</b> training effects (7) <sup>1</sup> , (53) <sup>1</sup> |  |  |  |
| No data on quality criteria  | reported: (54)   |  |  |

Supplementary Table 9. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on top-rope climbing.

### top-rope climbing

one route at different angles | attempt challenging route (success – next harder one; failure – easier one) | one route multiple times until failure | one progressively harder route until failure |1-3 routes with/without preview, normal pace or as fast as possible

|                 |  | preview, normal pace or as fast as possible  |  |  |
|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
| Object of       | climbing endurance/level/speed   | climbing kinematics  | climbing dynamics  |  |
| measurement:    | VO <sub>2</sub> , VCO <sub>2</sub> (ml/kg/min) <sup>1</sup>  | number and duration of stops (#) <sup>11</sup>   | vertical rection force under foot (N/kg·s) <sup>16</sup>       |  |
| measured        | $RER (\#)^2$   | exploratory and performative movements (#) <sup>12</sup>   |  |  |
| value (unit)    | HR (bpm) <sup>3</sup>  | score on observer scale (#) <sup>13</sup>  |  |  |
|                 | highest hold reached (on hardest route attempted) (#) <sup>4</sup>   | jerk of hip trajectory and hip orientation (#) <sup>14</sup>   |  |  |
|                 | time to failure (s) <sup>5</sup>   | geometric entropy of the hips (#) <sup>15</sup>  |  |  |
|                 | climbing time per route (s) <sup>6</sup>   |  |  |  |
|                 | number of arm movements (#) <sup>7</sup>   |  |  |  |
|                 | lactate10 min post (mmol/L) <sup>8</sup>   |  |  |  |
|                 | climbed distance (m) <sup>9</sup>  |  |  |  |
|                 | oxygen cost (ml) <sup>10</sup>   |  |  |  |
| Reliability     | inter-session (2d)   | inter-session (2d)   | -  |  |
|                 | <b>lower grade m/f:</b> ICC <sub>(2, 1)</sub> =0.97 (nv) (59) <sup>4</sup>   | <b>inter. no data:</b> diff. betw. sessions $(F_{(1.05,7.348)}=5.18*, \eta_P^2=0.428)$                                 |  |  |
|                 | <b>interadv. m/f:</b> diff. betw. trials $d=0.69^{*7}$ , $r=0.10$ (ns) <sup>5</sup> ,  | $(68)^{14}$  |  |  |
|                 | $r=0.48 \text{ (ns)}^8 \text{ (62)}$   | intra-session  |  |  |
|                 |  | inter. no data: trial-to-trial changes according to practice route   |  |  |
|                 |  | $(69)^{15}$  |  |  |
|                 |  | inter-rater  |  |  |
|                 |  | <b>inter. f:</b> $r=0.88*(70)^{13}$  |  |  |
| Validity        | elite>interadv. no data*7; elite <interadv.*10; elite="" th="" vs.<=""><th>inter. no data: corr. betw. normalized jerk of hip trajectory and</th><th>f: lower grade lower vertical loading on foot holds and higher</th></interadv.*10;> | inter. no data: corr. betw. normalized jerk of hip trajectory and  | f: lower grade lower vertical loading on foot holds and higher |  |
| -               | <b>interadv.:</b> sig. diff.* <sup>2-3, 8</sup> , ns diff. <sup>1</sup> (75)   | normalized jerk of hip orientation r=0.99*** (68)  | physiological responses than interadv. corresponding to lower  |  |
|                 | inter. m/f: ns diff. betw. m and f (24) <sup>6</sup>   |  | HR and RER; ns age effect (71) <sup>1-3, 16</sup>              |  |
| Additional data | <b>reported:</b> training effects $(56, 57, 59, 60)^4$ , $(62)^{5, 9}$ , $(70)^{13}$ ; reco  | overy effects (61) <sup>3,5,7,8</sup> , (65) <sup>9</sup> ; preview effects (67) <sup>11,12</sup> ; route effects (69) | $8)^{14,15}$ , $(69)^{15}$ , $(71)^{16}$                       |  |

No data on quality criteria reported: (58, 63, 64)

Supplementary Table 10. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on lead climbing.

| lead climbing     |  |  |   |
|-------------------|--|--|---|
| 1-2 routes OS   a | scend and descend 5 routes   (simulated) competition   |  |   |
| Object of         | climbing endurance/level   | climbing kinematics  | climbing dynamics   |
| measurement:      | climbing time (s) <sup>1</sup>   | score on observer scale (#) <sup>6</sup>   | impulse (Ns) <sup>10</sup>                                      |
| measured          | number of moves completed/ highest hold reached (#) or   | climbing pace (m/s) <sup>7</sup>   | ratio tangential to normal force (#) <sup>11</sup>              |
| value (unit)      | $(\%)^2$   | geometric entropy (#) <sup>8</sup>   | smoothness factor (#) <sup>12</sup>                             |
|                   | HR (bpm) <sup>3</sup>  | contact time (s) <sup>9</sup>  | maximal and force (N) <sup>13</sup>                             |
|                   | lactate <sub>post</sub> (mmol/L) <sup>4</sup>  |  | hausdorff dimension (#) <sup>14</sup>                           |
|                   | mean difficulty (#) <sup>5</sup>   |  |   |
| Reliability       | inter-session (7-14d)  | inter-session (4wk)  | •   |
|                   | lower grade-elite m/f: corr. betw. two climbing routes   | interadv. m/f: total scores r=0.92 (nv), sub-scores (upper and                   |   |
|                   | r=0.81 (nv) (measured similar climbing abilities) $(6, 47)^2$  | lower part of the wall) $r=0.71-0.91$ (nv) $(2, 74)^6$                           |   |
|                   |  |  |   |
|                   |  | inter-rater  |   |
|                   |  | interadv. m/f: reliability betw. observer scores r>0.81                          |   |
|                   |  | $(CI_{95\%}=0.61-0.80) (2,74)^6$   |   |
| Validity          | <b>lower grade-elite m/f:</b> $r^2=0.59***(6,3)^2$   | m/f: interadv. sig. diff. betw. successful and unsuccessful c** <sup>7-8</sup> ; | inter. m/f: hausdorff dimension proved to represent and replace |
|                   | <b>lower grade-higher elite m:</b> r=0.45*; lactate recovery   | interadv. >50% variation in OS grades explained by scores on                     | all other mechanical parameters (2, 77) <sup>10-14</sup>        |
|                   | indicator $\xi$ r=0.69***(3, 73) <sup>4</sup>  | observer scale, geometric entropy only explained small percentages               |   |
|                   | <b>elite m:</b> correlation with route rating $\rho$ =-0.75, df=17***  | of variation and climbing pace explained 52% (2, 74) <sup>6, 8</sup>             |   |
|                   | $(3,76)^2$   |  |   |
| Additional data   | <b>reported:</b> training effects (72) <sup>1-4</sup> , (7) <sup>2</sup> ; anxiety effects (49) <sup>6</sup> |  |   |
| No data on qual   | ity criteria reported: (75) <sup>-</sup>   |  |   |

**Supplementary Table 11.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on one speed climbing run.

| 1 speed climbing run                            |                   |  |
|---|-------------------|--|
| Object of measurement:                          | climbing ability  |  |
| measured value (unit)                           | climbing time (s) |  |
| Additional data reported: training effects (33) |                   |  |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (79)      |                   |  |

**Supplementary Table 12.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on the speed climbing start.

| speed climbing start |   |
|----------------------|---|
| Object of            | climbing dynamics                                     |
| measurement:         | impulse (N) <sup>1</sup>                              |
| measured value       | direction of impulse (#) <sup>2</sup>                 |
| (unit)               |   |
| Validity             | elite-higher elite no data: linear corr. with         |
|                      | experience, diff. foot positions changed direction of |
|                      | impulse by up to 30° in a plane parallel to wall (nd) |
|                      | $(78)^2$  |

Supplementary Table 13. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on the dead hang.

open crimp | half crimp | slope grip | pinch grip | self-chosen grip | metal bar | ice axis | - 6 | 8 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 14 | 15 | 19 | 20 | 23 | 25 | 30 | 40 | - mm shoulder width | self-chosen grip width | -

|   | self-chosen grip width   –   | T  | T  | T   |
|---|--|--|--|---|
| Object of<br>measurement:<br>measured<br>value (unit) | finger isometric ME:<br>time to failure (s) <sup>1</sup><br>minimum edge depth 40s-hang (mm) <sup>2</sup><br>lactate (mmol/L) <sup>3</sup><br>blood pressure (mmHg) <sup>4</sup><br>muscle oxygen saturation (%) <sup>5</sup>  | <b>finger isometric intermittent ME:</b> number of repetitions (#) <sup>6</sup>  | <b>finger isometric MS:</b> weight held for 3, 5 or 7s (kg) <sup>7</sup>   | finger isometric ME /MS:<br>dead hang on small<br>edges time to failure<br>(s) <sup>8</sup><br>one-arm dead hang<br>time to failure (s) <sup>9</sup>                                    |
| Reliability   | inter-session  7d advelite m/f: ICC=0.89 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.60-0.97) <sup>1</sup> , ICC=1.00 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =1.00-1.00) <sup>2</sup> (81)  7d elite-higher elite m/f: ICC=0.91 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.41-0.99) <sup>1</sup> , ICC=0.99 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.89-1.00) <sup>2</sup> (81)  1d lower grade-elite m/f: ICC=0.88 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.835-0.915), inacceptable variation for lower grade f (>30%) (14) <sup>1</sup> 7d elite no data: ICC=0.86 (CI <sub>96%</sub> =0.56-0.96) - one measurement, ICC=0.92 (CI <sub>96%</sub> =0.72-0.98) - mean; CV=12.8% (82) <sup>1</sup> 7d elite m: ICC=0.13-0.73, advelite: CV=23.4-29.9% (83) <sup>1</sup>   | inter-session (2d) inter-elite m: ns diff., elite ICC=0.97 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.36-0.96) (78) <sup>6</sup> elite m: ns diff.; r=0.86* (34) <sup>6</sup>           | inter-session (7d) advelite m/f: ICC=0.99 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.89-1.00) (2) <sup>7</sup> 7d elite-higher elite m/f: ICC=0.99 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.98-1.00) (81) <sup>7</sup> adv elite m: CV=22.0-29.9% (83) <sup>7</sup> elite no data ICC=0.93 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.77-0.98) - one measurement, ICC=0.96 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.87-0.99) - mean; CV=7.8% (82) <sup>7</sup> | -   |
| Validity  | advelite m/f: $r=0.62^{**}$ ( $CI_{95\%}=0.72-0.83$ ) (81) <sup>1</sup> elite-higher elite m/f: $r=0.77^{***}$ ( $CI_{95\%}=0.47-0.91$ ) (81) <sup>1</sup> lower grade-elite m/f: performed well in differentiating (14) <sup>1</sup> lower grade-higher elite m: $r=0.87$ (nv), f: $r=0.87$ (nv) (84) <sup>1</sup> interadv. m/f: $r=0.26$ (ns) (62) <sup>1</sup> no data m/f: ns age group differences (54) <sup>1</sup> elitehigher elite. m: $R=0.52^{*}$ (87) <sup>1</sup> advelite m: $r=0.53^{*}-0.57$ (ns) (83) <sup>1</sup> lower grade-elite m: $r=0.83^{*}$ (85) <sup>1</sup> elite m/f: best c performed best in initial test, $r=0.62^{***}$ (91) <sup>1</sup> advelite m/f: $r=0.57^{**}$ ( $CI_{95\%}=-0.80^{*}-0.20$ ) (81) <sup>2</sup> elite-higher elite m/f: $r=0.57^{**}$ ( $CI_{95\%}=-0.89^{*}-0.89^{*}-0.40$ ) (81) <sup>2</sup> no data m: $r=0.87^{*}$ (27) <sup>3</sup> | no data m/f: proved to be empirically and statistically relevant to performance in at least one of the competition disciplines of sport climbing (32) <sup>6</sup> | advelite m/f: r=0.58** (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.21-0.80) (81) <sup>7</sup> elite-higher elite m/f: r=0.84*** (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.61-0.94) <sup>7</sup> differentiates higher elite m: CV=25,39% (87) <sup>7</sup> advelite m: r=0.7*** (83) <sup>7</sup> elite m/f: best c best in initial test (91) <sup>7</sup>   | no data m/f: proved<br>to be empirically and<br>statistically relevant to<br>performance in at<br>least one of the<br>competition<br>disciplines of sport<br>climbing (32) <sup>9</sup> |

**Additional data reported:** training effects (86, 89)<sup>1</sup>, (90)<sup>1,5</sup>, (34, 103)<sup>6</sup>, (82, 88, 91)<sup>7</sup>, (33)<sup>9</sup>; rest condition effects (86)<sup>1</sup>, grip type effects (80)<sup>1</sup> **No data on quality criteria reported:** (63, 64, 92)<sup>5</sup>, (15)<sup>6</sup>, (93)<sup>7</sup>, (25)<sup>8</sup>, (62)<sup>7</sup>, (31)<sup>5</sup>

Supplementary Table 14. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on the bent arm hang.

| bent arm hang:      |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
| open crimp   half o | crimp   jug   metal bar   –  |  |  |  |
| 25   40   45   – mm |  |  |  |  |
| shoulder width   b  | iacromial width + 2 fists   -  |  |  |  |
| Object of           | upper limb + finger isometric ME/MS:   |  |  |  |
| measurement:        | time to failure (s) $^{\bar{1}}$   |  |  |  |
| measured value      | one arm bent arm hang time to failure (s) <sup>2</sup>   |  |  |  |
| (unit)              | one arm bent arm hang max. weight held for 3 s (%) <sup>3</sup>  |  |  |  |
| Reliability         | inter-session  |  |  |  |
| •                   | 2d lower grade-elite m/f: ICC= $0.89 (CI_{95\%} = 0.85 - 0.93) (81)^1$   |  |  |  |
|                     | 7d advelite m/f: $r=0.97-0.99 \text{ (nv) } (15)^3$  |  |  |  |
| Validity            | <b>inter-elite:</b> m: r=0.23 (ns), <b>f</b> : r=0.3 (ns) (94) <sup>1</sup>  |  |  |  |
| ·                   | lower grade-elite m/f: performed well in differentiating performance levels (14) <sup>1</sup>  |  |  |  |
|                     | <b>lower grade-higher elite: m:</b> $r=0.70 (nv)$ , <b>f:</b> $r=0.80 (nv) (84)^1$   |  |  |  |
|                     | nc and lower grade-adv. m; ns diff. (98) <sup>1</sup>  |  |  |  |
|                     | nc-cinter. f* (97)   |  |  |  |
|                     | elite>inter.* and nc m* (3) <sup>1</sup>   |  |  |  |
|                     | elite>nc m*** (96) <sup>1</sup>  |  |  |  |
|                     | lower grade-adv. m: r=0.71***; f: r=0.72*** (95) <sup>1</sup>  |  |  |  |
|                     | interhigher elite m: r=0.69*** (99) <sup>1</sup>   |  |  |  |
|                     | no data m/f: older>younger participants** <sup>1</sup> , ns age group differences <sup>2</sup> (2, 54)   |  |  |  |
|                     | lower grade-adv. m/f: $r^2 = 0.59***(2, 6)^1$  |  |  |  |
|                     | no data no data m/f:: proved to be empirically and statistically relevant to performance in at least one of the competition disciplines of sport climbing (2) <sup>1</sup> |  |  |  |
|                     | <b>lower grade-adv. m/f:</b> lacked differentiation $(14)^2$   |  |  |  |
|                     | <b>advelite m/f: b</b> $r > 0.8$ (nv), <b>c:</b> $r = 0.65$ (nv), <b>sc:</b> $r > 0.7$ (nv) $(15)^3$   |  |  |  |
| Additional data 1   | reported: training effects (46) <sup>1</sup>   |  |  |  |
| No data on qualit   | ty criteria reported: (30, 63, 64) <sup>1</sup> , (31) <sup>-</sup>  |  |  |  |
| Diagnostics litera  | ture: reliability: high level of standardization; r=0.82-0.91 (nv) for participants aged 11-19 yrs.; validity: no correlation betw. hangtime and half time of 70%          |  |  |  |
| MVC MS in peop      | le aged 11-50 (181)  |  |  |  |
|                     |  |  |  |  |

Supplementary Table 15. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria and further information on the pull-up.

### pull-up

normal¹/explosive²/one handed horizontal³/two finger⁴/added weight⁵/isometric6

50cm apart/shoulder width/1.5 x biacromial breadth/ no data

jug/rung (10, 14, 18, 22, 23, 30, 80 mm)/bar (25, 40 mm)/ no data

half crimp/ open crimp/jug/ pinch/ open grip/ preferred grip/ no data

| Object of measurement: measured value (unit) | upper limb concentric ES <sup>2</sup> power <sub>highest mean and peak</sub> (W) <sup>a</sup> velocity <sub>highest mean and peak</sub> (m/s) <sup>b</sup> force production (N) <sup>c</sup>   | upper limb ESE¹ number of repetitions in 20 s (#) <sup>d</sup> | upper limb concentric-eccentric ME¹ number of repetitions (#)° maximum power (W)f maximum force (N)g EMG (mV)h  | upper limb + finger<br>concentric-eccentric<br>MSE <sup>3, 4</sup> | upper limb +<br>finger isometric<br>MS <sup>5</sup><br>1RM (kg) <sup>j</sup>                           | upper limb isometric ES and upper limb + finger MS <sup>6</sup> RFD 50, 100, 150, 200, 250 ms/start to peak (N/s) <sup>k</sup> time to reach 25, 50, 75, 95, 100% of maximum strength (s) <sup>l</sup> peak force (N) <sup>m</sup> average force (N) <sup>n</sup>  |
|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| Reliability                                  | inter-session (same day)<br>advhigher elite m:<br>ICC=0.84-0.95 (CV=2.75%-6.62%) <sup>2b</sup> ; ICC=0.98-0.99<br>(CV=1.00%-6.18%) <sup>2c</sup> (100)   | -  | inter-session  Id lower grade-elite.: ICC=0.97 (CI <sub>95%=</sub> 0.92-0.99), inacceptable variation in lower grade f (>30%) (14) <sup>1e</sup> 7d advelite m: CV=21.04-21.68 (83) <sup>1e</sup> intra-session interadv. m: R=0.96-0.99 (nv) (102) <sup>1e</sup>   | -  | inter-session<br>7d advelite m:<br>CV=7.7 (83) <sup>5j</sup>   | intra-session same day interelite m: ICC:0.88-0.99, inter adv.: CV=16.9-31.3%, elite: CV≤10% for RFD <sub>100</sub> and 250 ms from onset (53) <sup>6k</sup> 5 wks advelite m: RFD <sub>absolute</sub> : CV=8.11%, RFD <sub>100</sub> : CV=0.83%, F <sub>max-avg</sub> (1500 ms): CV=4.72% (53) <sup>6k</sup>  |
| Validity                                     | inter-adv. m/f: b>c* (101) <sup>2b</sup> advhigher elite m: sig. diff. betw. b and c for power <sub>max</sub> **, slope <sub>force-velocity</sub> *, velocity <sub>max</sub> *, power* and betw. b and sc. for P <sub>max</sub> *, velocity <sub>max</sub> **, and power** (100) | -  | interlower grade. m; nc-inter.: ns diff.  (3) <sup>1e</sup> lower grade-elite. m/f: strong construct validity (no differentiation betw. inter. and adv.) (nv) (14) <sup>1e</sup> nc-inter. f: ns diff. (97) <sup>1e</sup> interadv.: m: r=0.71***; f: r=0.72*** (ns)  (95) <sup>1e</sup> ; m: r=0.08 (ns); f: r=0.08 (ns) (94) <sup>1e</sup> no data m/f: older>younger** (54) <sup>1e</sup> advelite m: ns diff. (87) <sup>1e</sup> ; r=0.53-0.57*  (83) <sup>1e</sup> | -  | elite m: >beginners: from study (nv) (104), (30) <sup>5j</sup> advelite m: ns diff. (87) <sup>5j</sup> | interadv. m: ns diff., elite>inter. and adv.**, elite>inter. at RFD <sub>100</sub> * and RFD <sub>150</sub> *, >adv. at RFD <sub>50</sub> * and RFD <sub>100</sub> * (103) <sup>6k</sup> interelite. m: ns diff. (103) <sup>6l</sup> elite>inter. m*** and adv.***, ns diff. betw. inter. and adv. (103) <sup>6m</sup> interelite m: r=0.77****6m, r=0.61***6k, r=0.73**6n (85) inter-adv. m: ns corr. to performance (85) <sup>6m</sup> interadv. m/f: b>c* (101) <sup>6k,n,m</sup> |

Additional data reported: blood flow restriction effects  $(105)^{2n-b}$ ; hold type effect  $(106)^{1e-h}$ ,  $(101)^{6k, n, m}$ ,  $(102)^{1e}$ ; supplementation effects  $(46)^{1e}$ ;  $(102)^{1e}$ , training effects  $(189)^{6k, 1, m}$ ,  $(7)^{6k, n}$ ,  $(53)^{6k, m, n}$ ; chalk and prefatigue effects  $(102)^{1e}$ 

No data on quality criteria reported: (33)<sup>1d</sup>, (31)<sup>4i</sup>

Diagnostics literature: reliability: inter-rater: r=0.93-0.99 (nv); very high level of standardization; r=0.87-0.97 (nv) (181)

Supplementary Table 16. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on pinching a dynamometer.

| pinch a dynamometer               |   |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|
| 0/90, -   90, 90/0   -/0/-        | 0/90, -   90, 90/0   -/0/-   -  |  |  |
| sitting   standing   -            |   |  |  |
| I/II   I/III   I/II-III   I/II-IN | /   I/II-V   –  |  |  |
| unilateral (both sides/dor        | minant only)   -  |  |  |
| Object of                         | pinch / pincer isometric MS   |  |  |
| measurement:                      | maximum force applied to the device (N) or (kg)   |  |  |
| measured value (unit)             |   |  |  |
| Reliability                       | inter-session (8wk)   |  |  |
|                                   | inter-adv. m/f: CV=24-30% (107)   |  |  |
|                                   | intra-session   |  |  |
|                                   | interelite m: r=0.99 (CI <sub>95%=</sub> 0.98-0.99) - one measurement, r>0.99 (CI <sub>95%=</sub> 0.99-0.99) - mean (108) |  |  |
| Validity                          | inter-adv. m/f: CCC=0.99 (CI <sub>95%</sub> :0.99-0.99) (107)   |  |  |
|                                   | inter-adv. m: r=0.54-0.56*; c >nc* (109)  |  |  |
|                                   | inter-higher elite m/f: r=0.442* (110)  |  |  |
|                                   | nc-lower grade: ns diff. (97)   |  |  |
|                                   | <b>lower grade m:</b> sig. higher scores in better c* (3)   |  |  |
|                                   | <b>lower grade-adv.: m:</b> r=0.59***; <b>f:</b> r=0.22 (ns) (95)   |  |  |
|                                   | lower grade-adv. m/f: r²=0.59*** (63)   |  |  |
|                                   | <b>interelite: m:</b> r=0.27 (ns), <b>f:</b> r=0.41 (ns) (94)   |  |  |
|                                   | ~inter.: m>f*** (24)  |  |  |
|                                   | ~inter.: corr. betw. top-roped climbing time and test ratios m: r= -0.937***, f: r= -0.774** (24)                         |  |  |
| Additional data reporte           | ed: training effects (107)  |  |  |
| No data on quality crite          | eria reported: (102)  |  |  |

Supplementary Table 17. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on gripping a dynamometer.

### grip a hand grip dynamometer

opposing thumb grip

-/90/- | 0/90/- | 0/90/45 | -/90/15 | 0/0/- | 0/0/slightly adducted forearm medially rotated | hand supinated | forearm supported or not

sitting | standing

as strong and fast as possible | maintain 80 or 50% of MVC | 1 MVC (2, 3, 5s) | 3, 10 or 20 intermittent MVCs (5:5s or x:3s)

| Object of<br>measurement:<br>measured<br>value (unit) | hand isometric MS maximum force (kg and N) <sup>1</sup> mean maximum force (kg) <sup>2</sup>   | hand isometric ES<br>RFD (N/s) <sup>3</sup>                       | hand isometric MS + ES<br>maximum force (N) <sup>4</sup><br>RFD <sub>95 %, 500, 100, 200 ms</sub> (Ns) <sup>5</sup>  | hand isometric ME oxidative capacity in dominant forearm flexor: half time recovery of tissue saturation index (s) <sup>6</sup> time to failure (s) <sup>7</sup> MMG (Hz) <sup>8</sup> EMG (Hz) <sup>9</sup> variation coefficient (#) <sup>10</sup>  | hand intermittent isometric MSE fatigue index (# and %) <sup>11</sup> maximum force (N) <sup>12</sup>  |
|---|--|---|--|---|--|
| Reliability   | intra-session lower grade-elite: ICC=0.97 (117) <sup>1</sup> lower grade-elite no data: ICC<0.97 (4) <sup>1</sup> inter. and elite m/f: ns diff. betw. ri and le hand (113) <sup>1</sup> inter-session 2d elite m: ICC=0.975 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.84-0.99) (80) <sup>1</sup> same day adv. f/m: ICC=0.912*** (112) <sup>1</sup> 7d advelite m: CV=33.0 (83) <sup>1</sup> intra-tester lower grade m/f: ICC=0.88 (118) <sup>1</sup>  | inter-session<br>7d advelite m:<br>CV=24.7-30.9 (83) <sup>3</sup> | inter-session no data lower grade-elite m: RFD <sub>200ms</sub> highly reliable, CV=11.78% while for other RFD CV>14% (115) <sup>5</sup> 4 wks elite-higher elite m: ICC= 0.83-0.98, CV=4-6% (119) <sup>5</sup> intra-session lower grade-elite m: ICC=0.94- 0.99, CV=9.81-22.96% (115) <sup>5</sup> | inter-session 7d advelite m: CV=33.0 (83) <sup>7</sup>  | inter-session (7d)<br>lower grade-elite no data:<br>ICC=0.93, CV=3.2% (4) <sup>12</sup>  |
| Validity  | lower grade-elite m/f: sig. correlation with performance (nd), ns diff. betw. lower grade and adv. (117)¹ lower grade-higher elite m/f: correlation with climbing volume and experience (nd) (84)¹ no data m: higher than nc*(111)¹ elite m: higher than nc* (120)¹ interadv. m>nc*, ns correlation with climbing experience (109)¹ nc-lower grade ns diff. in f (97)¹, and in m (3)¹ no data m/f: m>f***, ns corr. with climbing time (R=0.11) (121)¹ advelite m/f: ns correlation (122)¹ elite-higher elite m: ns correlation (38)¹ inter-adv. m: r=0.56***; f: r=0.60*** (95)¹ lower grade-adv.: m: R=0.53 (nv), f: R=0.72 (nv) (123)¹ nc <inter. (124)¹="" (125)²="" (94)¹<="" (nd)="" (ns)="" (ns),="" diff.="" f:="" interelite:="" m="" m:="" nc-adv.="" ns="" r="-0.1-0.14" td=""><td>-</td><td>lower gradeelite m: diff. betw.<br/>grip types (nv)***; elite&gt;adv and<br/>lower grade (nd)<sup>5</sup> (115)</td><td>interadv. m: inversely associated with performance** <math>(\beta=-0.659, \text{CI}_{95\%}=-0.946-0.232) (45)^6</math> elite m&gt;nc*<math>^{7.8.9}</math>, elite<nc <math="" first="" throughout="">20\text{s}^{*10} (120) no data m&gt;nc*<math>^{7}</math>, no data<nc <math="" first="" throughout="">20\text{s}^{*10} (111) lower grade- elite m/f: <math>r^2=0.59^{***}</math> (6)<math>^7</math></nc></nc></td><td>lower grade-elite no data: eff. of expertise*** (<math>\eta^2</math>=0.42, 1-<math>\beta</math>=0.99), diff. betw. all levels* (4)<sup>11</sup> interadv. m/f: r=-0.60** (62)<sup>11</sup></td></inter.> | -   | lower gradeelite m: diff. betw.<br>grip types (nv)***; elite>adv and<br>lower grade (nd) <sup>5</sup> (115)  | interadv. m: inversely associated with performance** $(\beta=-0.659, \text{CI}_{95\%}=-0.946-0.232) (45)^6$ elite m>nc* $^{7.8.9}$ , elite <nc <math="" first="" throughout="">20\text{s}^{*10} (120) no data m&gt;nc*<math>^{7}</math>, no data<nc <math="" first="" throughout="">20\text{s}^{*10} (111) lower grade- elite m/f: <math>r^2=0.59^{***}</math> (6)<math>^7</math></nc></nc> | lower grade-elite no data: eff. of expertise*** ( $\eta^2$ =0.42, 1- $\beta$ =0.99), diff. betw. all levels* (4) <sup>11</sup> interadv. m/f: r=-0.60** (62) <sup>11</sup> |

| <b>inter.<elite b="" f<="" m=""> (nd) (113)<sup>1</sup></elite></b>   |  |
|---|--|
| advelite m/f: ns diff. betw. semi-finalists and finalists,  |  |
| <b>f:</b> finalists <semi-finalists (nv),="" <b="" semi-finalists="">m&gt;f (nv) (126)<sup>1</sup></semi-finalists> |  |
| lower grade-elite no data: ns tendency with expertise*  |  |
| $(4)^1$   |  |
| adv. m>nc* (96) <sup>1</sup>  |  |
| interelite m: R=0.56-0.57** (73) <sup>1</sup>   |  |
| <b>advelite m/f:</b> ns diff. (47) <sup>1</sup>   |  |
| lower grade <inter. (3)<sup="" m*="">1</inter.>   |  |
| interadv.* and elite-higher elite>nc m***, inter-   |  |
| <b>higher elite m:</b> r=0.35* (99) <sup>1</sup>  |  |
| <b>inter.:</b> $m > f^{***}$ , corr. with climbing time $m$ : $r = -0.96^{***}$ ,                                   |  |
| <b>f:</b> $r =88***(24)^1$  |  |
| interelite m: ns correlation (85) <sup>1</sup>  |  |
| lower grade-elite m/f: $r^2=0.59****(6)^1$  |  |
| <b>interadv. m:</b> ns diff. (98) <sup>1</sup>  |  |
| <b>no data m:</b> ns diff. (48) <sup>1</sup>  |  |

Additional data reported: training effects (34, 80, 112)<sup>1</sup>, (56, 57)<sup>2</sup>, (119)<sup>4,5</sup>; recovery effects (65, 127)<sup>1</sup>; climbing effects (61, 73, 113)<sup>1</sup>; fatigue effects (128)<sup>1</sup>, supplementation effects (46)<sup>1</sup> No data on quality criteria reported: (75, 114,116, 122, 129)<sup>1</sup>

**Diagnostics literature:** maximum hand grip force: reliability: very high inter-rater reliability and level of standardization; r= 0.89-0.96 (nv); validity: construct and content validity can be considered as given, high correlation betw. different tests, no specialized age group or gender (97)

Supplementary Table 18. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on applying force on a hold.

### apply force on hold

1 MVC as fast and hard as possible <sup>1</sup>| maintain 20-25, 40, 50, 60, 80 % of MVC <sup>2</sup>| intermittent 40, 60, 70, 80, 100 % of MVC (5:3, 5:5, 7:3, 6:4, 8:2, 10:10, 18:12 s) <sup>3</sup> | 100 % MVC for 2, 3-6, 30 s <sup>4</sup> 90/90/20 | 90/90/30 | 90/90/60 | 90/90/45 | 90/90/0 | 90/90/- | 180/0/- | 170-180/sb/- | -/50/130 | preferred angle

slope crimp | half crimp | open crimp | pinch | jug | sloper

2.8 | 4.3 | 5.8 | 7.3 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 20 | 22 | 23 mm

4 fingers | III-IV | II-III

unilateral both arms tested | left side only | right side only | dominant side only | bilateral sitting | crouching | standing | hanging | leaning over

| 0 ,  | ng   standing   hanging   leaning o  | over  |   |  |   |
|--|--|---|---|--|---|
|  | elbow not supported  | T   |   |  | _   |
| Object of measurement: measured value (unit) | finger isometric ES+MS maximum force (N) <sup>a</sup> RFD <sub>95</sub> %, 50, 100, 200 ms (N/s) <sup>b</sup>  | finger isometric (intermittent) ME time to failure (s) <sup>c</sup> number of repetitions (#) <sup>d</sup> force time integral (Ns) <sup>c</sup> critical force (%) <sup>f</sup> blood pressure <sub>30 s post</sub> (mmHg) <sup>g</sup> blood flow (ml/min) <sup>h</sup> lactate <sub>1,3,5,7,min post</sub> (mmol/L) <sup>i</sup> oxidative capacity index (%) <sup>j</sup> muscle blood volume (#) <sup>k</sup> time to half recovery (s) <sup>l</sup> muscle oxygenation (changes) and oxidative capacity in FDP and FCR (%) <sup>m</sup> EMG (Hz) <sup>n</sup> fatigue index (#) <sup>o</sup> VO2 (L/kg) <sup>p</sup> RER (#) <sup>q</sup> | finger isometric (intermittent) MSE/CF maximum force (N) <sup>r</sup> number of repetitions (#) <sup>s</sup> EMG (Hz) <sup>t</sup> fatigue index (# or %) <sup>u</sup> critical force (N) <sup>v</sup> impulse above critical force (kg·s) <sup>w</sup> | finger isometric (intermittent) MS maximum force /weight held (kg or N) <sup>x</sup> maximum force applied/weight held for 2-5 s (kg or N) <sup>y</sup> number of repetitions (#) <sup>z</sup> EMG (Hz) <sup>aa</sup>  | finger+wrist<br>concentric-<br>eccentric MS<br>maximum<br>force (N) <sup>ab</sup> |
| Reliability                                  | inter-session 7-14 d ne-elite no data: CV=0.56-0.94*** (∏²=0.31-0.92), r>0.80 (nv): dominant hand³-b5%, 200ms, both hands¹-50.100.200 ms, r<0.60 (nv): non-dominant hand¹-200 ms, 0.60 <r<0.80 (130)="" (140)¹-10,="" (140)¹-7d="" (nv)="" advelite="" cv="2.90-4.33%;" data:="" elite="" icc="0.94-0.99,&lt;/th" inter-adv.="" interadv.="" intra-session="" m:="" nc="" no="" other="" variables=""><th>sustained intra-session lower level-adv. m: CV=0.5% (141)<sup>2e, 1, m</sup> elite m: ICC=0.85-0.92 (138)<sup>2c, e, i, p, q</sup> intermittent intra-session elite m: ICC=0.85-0.92 (138)<sup>3c, e, i, p, q</sup> inter-session 7d advelite m: ICC=0.89<sup>3c</sup>, ICC=0.91<sup>3e</sup>, ICC=0.85<sup>3d</sup> (130) 3 sessions in 4 wks interelite m/f: ICC=0.29-0.69, CV=8.3-41.8% (110)<sup>3m</sup> 7d lower grade-adv. m/f: CV&lt;2.5% (142)<sup>3c, e, n</sup> 4 sessions in 4 wks with at least 1 day in betw. advelite m: 1 visit is a reliable measure (nd) (93)<sup>3f</sup></th><th>sustained inter-session 7d advelite m: ICC=0.92- 0.94 (130)<sup>4r</sup> intra-session elite m: ICC=0.85-0.92 (138)<sup>4r</sup>,  intermittent inter-session no data no data: ICC=0.96 (9)<sup>3v</sup>, ICC=0.87 (132)<sup>3w</sup></th><th>sustained inter-session 6-7d lower grade-higher elite m/f: r=0.88-0.97 (nv) (136)<sup>4x</sup> Id interadv. m: r=0.98-0.99*** (143)<sup>4x</sup> 7d advelite m: ICC=0.88 (130)<sup>4x</sup> 2d inter-higher elite m/f: ICC&gt;0.91 (144)<sup>4x</sup> 3 sessions in 4 wks lower grade-adv. m/f: CV&lt;2.5% (142)<sup>4x</sup> same day nc-adv. m: ICC=0.92**, CV=2.2 % (163)<sup>4x</sup> inter-adv. m: CV=0.5% by Fryer et al. 2014 (145), (141)<sup>4x</sup> intra-session lower grade-higher elite m/f: r=0.88-0.94 (nv) (136)<sup>4x</sup> lower grade-elite m/f: ICC=0.97-0.98 (92)<sup>4y</sup> interadv. m/f: R=0.92-0.95 (nv) (CI<sub>95%</sub>=0.891-0.975), ns diff. betw. trails (146)<sup>4x</sup> no data: Cronbach's alpha=0.99 (nv) (110)<sup>4x</sup></th><th>-</th></r<0.80> | sustained intra-session lower level-adv. m: CV=0.5% (141) <sup>2e, 1, m</sup> elite m: ICC=0.85-0.92 (138) <sup>2c, e, i, p, q</sup> intermittent intra-session elite m: ICC=0.85-0.92 (138) <sup>3c, e, i, p, q</sup> inter-session 7d advelite m: ICC=0.89 <sup>3c</sup> , ICC=0.91 <sup>3e</sup> , ICC=0.85 <sup>3d</sup> (130) 3 sessions in 4 wks interelite m/f: ICC=0.29-0.69, CV=8.3-41.8% (110) <sup>3m</sup> 7d lower grade-adv. m/f: CV<2.5% (142) <sup>3c, e, n</sup> 4 sessions in 4 wks with at least 1 day in betw. advelite m: 1 visit is a reliable measure (nd) (93) <sup>3f</sup>  | sustained inter-session 7d advelite m: ICC=0.92- 0.94 (130) <sup>4r</sup> intra-session elite m: ICC=0.85-0.92 (138) <sup>4r</sup> ,  intermittent inter-session no data no data: ICC=0.96 (9) <sup>3v</sup> , ICC=0.87 (132) <sup>3w</sup>             | sustained inter-session 6-7d lower grade-higher elite m/f: r=0.88-0.97 (nv) (136) <sup>4x</sup> Id interadv. m: r=0.98-0.99*** (143) <sup>4x</sup> 7d advelite m: ICC=0.88 (130) <sup>4x</sup> 2d inter-higher elite m/f: ICC>0.91 (144) <sup>4x</sup> 3 sessions in 4 wks lower grade-adv. m/f: CV<2.5% (142) <sup>4x</sup> same day nc-adv. m: ICC=0.92**, CV=2.2 % (163) <sup>4x</sup> inter-adv. m: CV=0.5% by Fryer et al. 2014 (145), (141) <sup>4x</sup> intra-session lower grade-higher elite m/f: r=0.88-0.94 (nv) (136) <sup>4x</sup> lower grade-elite m/f: ICC=0.97-0.98 (92) <sup>4y</sup> interadv. m/f: R=0.92-0.95 (nv) (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.891-0.975), ns diff. betw. trails (146) <sup>4x</sup> no data: Cronbach's alpha=0.99 (nv) (110) <sup>4x</sup> | -   |

| advelite>nc*, m>f* (147)²c* lower level-adv. m: ns diff.²c*, betwgroup diff. for FDP and FCR**ex*²m, **2³ (141) lower grade-inter. m: ns diff.²to rowers or leg trained athletes (148)²c.²c* interadvnc* (109)²c* nc-no data m: ns diff. (48)²c.²c* interadv. m: R²-0.56 (nv)²c.c.m*, d=0.94*c, d=1.47**8²². d=0.44 (ns)²m (41) interelite no data: ns diff. betw. b and c²m, bc.c (ns)²c, (149) elite m: r=0.72** (138)²c* elite-higher elite m: r=0.26 (ns)²c, r=0.02 (ns)²c, higher elite-elite*²c* (156) (ns)²c, r=0.09-0.19 (ns)³c, r=0.27 (ns)³c, r=0.06 (ns)³d. (156) adv. m: R²=0.43 (nv)²c.c.m*, d=0.51 (ns)³c, d=0.07-0.33 (ns)³m (41) elite-higher elite m: ns diff.³c.c.or, r=0.09-0.19 (ns)³c, r=0.27 (ns)³c, r=0.06 (ns)³d. (156) adv. m: c>b and nc*³c.c and b>nc*³3 (150) interadv. m: downyemation, ns diff.³c.m (nconyemation), ns diff.³c.m (nconyematio |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| leg trained athletes and among climbers (148) <sup>3c</sup> intermittent   | lite m: ns correlation (38) <sup>4x</sup> r=0.63* (173) <sup>4x</sup> : R²=0.30 (nv) (41) <sup>4x</sup> v. <elite (134)<sup="" f*,="" r²="0.16*-0.53**">4x elite m/f: r=0.42-0.50 (nv) (144)<sup>4y</sup> inter. m&gt;rowers** and aerobically leg s*** (148)<sup>4x</sup> inter.&gt;lower grade*, nc-lower grade: ns o data: b&gt;c* (149)<sup>4x</sup> elite m: r=0.60*** (99)<sup>4x</sup> ***, m&gt;f***, r²=0.84** (147)<sup>4x</sup> r=0.26*; f: r=0.19 (ns) (95)<sup>4x</sup> elite m/f: r=0.39* (110)<sup>4x</sup> : r=0.71 (nv) (2)<sup>4x</sup></elite> | advelite m: concentric wrist flexion: r=0.57*** (133) <sup>4ab</sup> |

Additional data reported: training effects (90)<sup>2c, j</sup>, (7)<sup>3c, 4x</sup>; blood flow restriction effects (105)<sup>3c</sup>; recovery effects (151)<sup>3c, e, h, j, 4x</sup>; fatigue effects (152)<sup>4x</sup>, (2)<sup>2e, g, c, j, k</sup>, (153)<sup>4x</sup>; arm position effects (130)<sup>1a,b, 4r</sup>, (187)<sup>4y</sup>; side of measurement effects (109)<sup>2c</sup>; hold type effects (136)<sup>4x</sup>, (143)<sup>4x</sup>, (143)<sup>4x</sup>, (199)<sup>3a</sup>; injury effects (154)<sup>4x</sup>

No data on quality criteria reported: (106, 1135 151)<sup>4x</sup>, (30)<sup>3c</sup>, (132)<sup>3v</sup>, (155)<sup>2c, e, m</sup>

Diagnostics literature/other studies: excellent test-retest reliability (nd), small within-subject test-retest variation, CV=6.8%, small change in test-retest group mean (typical error 15.3N, 5.5%), test-retest corr. (r=0.91, ICC=0.94\*\* (173)<sup>3v</sup>

Supplementary Table 19. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the power-slap test.

| power-slap test               |   |   |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
|                               | 1   reach and slap with both hands 2   reach and hold with one hand 3                                       |   |
| one time   10 times with 10 s |   |   |
|                               |   | unnon limb concentuic ECE   |
| Object of measurement:        | upper limb concentric ES  | upper limb concentric ESE   |
| measured value (unit)         | maximum height slapped (cm) <sup>a</sup>  | fatigue index (#) <sup>d</sup>                                    |
|                               | maximum height slapped relative to arm span (%) <sup>b</sup>  |   |
|                               | highest rung reached and held for 2s (#) <sup>c</sup>   |   |
| Reliability                   | inter-session:  | -   |
|                               | 2-7d and $>7d$ ICC=0.95-0.98 (14, 158) <sup>1a</sup>  |   |
|                               | - ICC=0.98 (112) <sup>la</sup>  |   |
|                               | $7d \text{ ICC}=0.98 (157)^{2a}$  |   |
|                               |   |   |
|                               | intra session:  |   |
|                               | ICC=0.98 (157) <sup>2a</sup>  |   |
| Validity                      | <b>lower grade-elite no data:</b> correlation to rel. upper limb power r=0.70**, b>c*** (157) <sup>2a</sup> | lower grade-elite no data: eff. of expertise***                   |
| ·                             | no data m/f: older>younger** (54) <sup>la</sup>   | $(\eta^2=0.69, 1-\beta=0.99)$ , diff. betw. lower grade and other |
|                               | no data m/f: proved to be empirically and statistically relevant to performance in at least one of the      | levels (nd)* (4) <sup>2d</sup>                                    |
|                               | competition disciplines of sport climbing (32) <sup>la, b</sup>   |   |
|                               | elite>interadv. f: sig. associated performance* (134) <sup>la</sup>   |   |
|                               | lower grade-elite m/f: r=0.69-0.73 (nd) (14) <sup>1a</sup>  |   |
|                               | lower grade-elite m/f: r=0.69-0.73***, elite> inter.** and lower grade***, adv.>inter. (le***) and          |   |
|                               | lower grade*** (158)¹a  |   |
| Additional data reported:     | training effects (53) <sup>3c</sup> , (112) <sup>1a</sup> , effect of grip width (158) <sup>1a</sup>        |   |
| No data on quality criteria   |   |   |

**Supplementary Table 20.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the medicine ball throw.

| medicine ball throw<br>lying <sup>1</sup> /sitting <sup>2</sup>                          |   |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| Object of measurement:   | upper limb ES   |  |  |
| measured value (unit)  | maximum distance (cm)   |  |  |
| Reliability  | inter-session (same day)  |  |  |
|  | adv. f/m: ICC=0.96*** (112) <sup>2</sup>                              |  |  |
| Additional data reported: training effects (112)   |   |  |  |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (31)   |   |  |  |
| Diagnostics literature: standing, high level of standardization, inter-rater reliability |   |  |  |
| r=0.90 (nv), correlation with judgement of an expert r=0.46 (nv) and sig. correlation    |   |  |  |
| with self-evaluation and spor  | with self-evaluation and sport grade(in children aged 6-11, nd) (181) |  |  |

**Supplementary Table 21.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the bicep strength test.

| biceps strength (no further explanation) |                             |  |
|--|-----------------------------|--|
| Object of measurement:                   | biceps MS                   |  |
| measured value (unit)                    | maximum force (N)           |  |
| Validity                                 | inter-adv. m: r=0.45***, f: |  |
|  | r=0.29 (ns) (95)            |  |

**Supplementary Table 22.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the shoulder strength test.

| shoulder strength test                              |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| internal and external rotation                      | extensions   |  |
| <b>Object of measurement:</b> measured value (unit) | shoulder concentric-eccentric MS   | shoulder concentric MS<br>maximum force (kg) <sup>1</sup><br>work out-put (J) <sup>2</sup> |
| Validity  | nc-no data m/f: c conventional work<br>ratios <nc; c="" ecc<br="" functional="" of="" ratio="" work="">ER:con IR<nc; c="" ecc<br="" functional="" of="" ration="" work="">IR:con ER&gt;nc. (160)</nc;></nc;> | lower grade-elite m/f: r <sup>2</sup> =0.59*** (6)   |

**Supplementary Table 23.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the elbow strength tests.

| elbow strength tests                        | elbow strength tests              |  |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| internal and external rotation   extensions |                                   |  |
| Object of                                   | elbow concentric MS               |  |
| measurement:                                | maximum force (kg)                |  |
| measured value (unit)                       |                                   |  |
| Validity                                    | interelite m/f: r=0.44-0.63 (159) |  |

**Supplementary Table 24.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on push-ups.

| push ups   |                             |  |  |
|--|-----------------------------|--|--|
| as many as possible in 15 s  | as many as possible in 15 s |  |  |
| Object of measurement:   | upper limb ESE              |  |  |
| measured value (unit)  | -                           |  |  |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (29)   |                             |  |  |
| Diagnostics literature: push up, lie down, clap behind back, upper limb and core ME, number of repetitions (#):      |                             |  |  |
| reliability: high level of standardization, inter-rater: r=0.86-0.98(nv) (r=0.84-0.95, nv (172)); inter-session      |                             |  |  |
| r=0.69-0.79 (nv) (r=0.71-0.99, nv (172)), validity: expert ratings for test items=1.31-2.5, criteria validity proven |                             |  |  |
| (97)   |                             |  |  |

**Supplementary Table 25.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on campus board performance.

| campus board performance<br>laddering   single reaches with feet footholds |                |  |
|--|----------------|--|
| Object of measurement:   | upper limb ESE |  |
| measured value (unit) number of repetitions (#)                            |                |  |
| Additional data reported: training effects (39, 53)                        |                |  |

**Supplementary Table 26.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the arm jump test.

| arm jump test with countermovement <sup>1</sup>   without countermovement <sup>2</sup> reach and hold with both hands |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Object of measurement:<br>measured value (unit)   | upper limb (eccentric)-concentric ES<br>impulse from onset to contact loss (ns) <sup>a</sup><br>maximum force (N) <sup>b</sup> |  |
| Reliability   | inter-session (2d)<br>high to very high (nd) (161) <sup>1a, 1b, 2a, 2b</sup>   |  |

**Supplementary Table 27.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the bench press.

| bench press<br>1RM                                    |  |
|---|--|
| Object of<br>measurement:<br>measured value<br>(unit) | velocity (m/s) <sup>1</sup> maximum force (N) <sup>2</sup>                       |
| Validity  | lower grade-elite no data:<br>performance no effect on velocity (4) <sup>1</sup> |

**Supplementary Table 28.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the pull down.

| pull down  |            |  |
|--|------------|--|
| Object of measurement: upper limb concentric-eccentric MSE |            |  |
| measured value (unit)                                      | 12 RM (kg) |  |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (64, 65)             |            |  |

**Supplementary Table 29.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the traction test.

| traction test  |                                |   |
|--|--------------------------------|---|
| Object of measurement:                                     | upper limb concentric ES       | upper limb concentric-eccentric ME          |
| measured value (unit)                                      | mean power (W) <sup>1</sup>    | mean power (W) <sup>2</sup>                 |
|  |                                | number of cycles completed (#) <sup>3</sup> |
| Validity   | higher elite m: possible       | -   |
|  | statistical correlation with   |   |
|  | performance (105) <sup>1</sup> |   |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (139) <sup>2,3</sup> |                                |   |

**Supplementary Table 30.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on rowing ergometry.

| rowing ergometry   |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| rowing ergometry rowing machine <sup>1</sup>   climbing hold attached to rowing ergometer <sup>2</sup> |   |   |
| Object of measurement:<br>measured value (unit)  | upper limb concentric-eccentric E peak power (W) <sup>a</sup> time to failure (s) <sup>b</sup> maximum VO2 (ml/min/kg) <sup>c</sup> HR (bpm) <sup>d</sup> lactate (mmol/L) <sup>e</sup> RER (#) <sup>f</sup> RCP (%) <sup>g</sup> | upper limb concentric MS 1 RM (kg) <sup>h</sup> EMG (Hz) <sup>i</sup>   |
| Reliability  | -   | inter-session (2d)<br>interadv.: ICC=0.79-0.85 (p≤0.01) (163) <sup>2h</sup>   |
| Validity   | <b>advelite m:</b> r=.85 <sup>1c</sup> , corr. (nd)** <sup>1a</sup> (162)   | interadv. m>nc**2h, r=0.72-0.73*2h, **2i (flexor digitorum superficialis), interadv. ns diff. from nc <sup>2i</sup> (posterior deltoid) (163) |

**Supplementary Table 31.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on arm crank ergometry.

| arm crank ergon   | netry   |  |
|---|---|--|
| consistent   incren   | consistent   incremental  |  |
| Object of   | upper limb concentric-eccentric endurance   |  |
| measurement:  | maximum and average power (W) <sup>1</sup>  |  |
| measured value  | maximum force $(N)^2$   |  |
| (unit)  | maximum VO <sub>2</sub> (ml/kg/min) <sup>3</sup>  |  |
|   | time to failure (s) <sup>4</sup>  |  |
|   | RCP <sub>1,2</sub> (ml/min/kg) <sup>5</sup>   |  |
|   | HR (bpm) <sup>6</sup>   |  |
|   | expiratory ventilation (%) <sup>7</sup>   |  |
| Validity  | <b>inter-adv. m:</b> r=0.56***, <b>f:</b> r=0.20-0.28 (ns) (95) <sup>1</sup>  |  |
|   | nc <inter-adv. adv.="" data*3,="" diff.3,="" interadv.="" no="" ns="">inter.*4 and nc***4, internc ns diff.4,</inter-adv.>        |  |
|   | adv.>nc for RCP <sub>1</sub> *;advinter. or inter. vs. nc, ns diff. regarding performance for RCP <sub>2</sub> <sup>5</sup> (165) |  |
|   | <b>nc-no data m:</b> ns diff. $(48)^{3,6,7}$  |  |
| Additional data reported: individual differences (30) <sup>2</sup>  |   |  |
| Diagnostics literature: intra-rater reliability: ICC=0.82; inter-session: ICC=0.76; validity: correlation with VO2max |   |  |
| on bicycle ergometer ICC=0.64 (182) <sup>1</sup>  |   |  |

**Supplementary Table 32.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the shoulder flexibility test.

| shoulder flexibility test   |                                     |  |
|---|-------------------------------------|--|
| raise rod overhead and behind back with straight arms <sup>1</sup>  |                                     |  |
| Object of measurement: shoulders active dynamic FLEX <sup>1</sup>   |                                     |  |
| measured value (unit)   | minimum distance between hands (cm) |  |
| Validity interelite f: ns diff. (134)   |                                     |  |
| Diagnostics literature: scaled rod over the head, measure of shoulder FLEX: reliability: inter-rater: r=0.91-0.98 |                                     |  |
| (ny): intra-session: r=0.88-0.98 (ny): validity: valid for all age groups (nd) (183)                              |                                     |  |

**Supplementary Table 33.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the shoulder abduction and flexion test.

| shoulder abduction and flexion         |   |
|--|---|
| maximum range of abduction and flexion |   |
| Object of measurement:                 | shoulders active static FLEX <sup>2</sup>         |
| measured value (unit)                  | maximum range of motion (°)                       |
| Validity                               | <b>lower grade-adv. m/f:</b> $r^2$ =0.02 (ns) (6) |

**Supplementary Table 34.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the lower limb strength test.

| lower limb strength test<br>flexion and extension |   |
|---|---|
| Object of measurement:<br>measured value (unit)   | lower limb concentric MS<br>maximum force (lbs)       |
| Validity  | lower grade-elite m/f:<br>r <sup>2</sup> =0.59*** (6) |

**Supplementary Table 35.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the jump with high foot.

| jump with high foot                             |  |
|---|--|
| Object of measurement:<br>measured value (unit) | lower limb concentric ES<br>jump height (cm)                   |
| Reliability                                     | intra-session<br>advelite m/f: r=0.76-0.92 (nv) (15)           |
|   | inter-session (7d) advelite m/f: inacceptable reliability (15) |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (32)      |  |

**Supplementary Table 36.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the counter movement jump.

| counter movement jump                           |  |
|---|--|
| Object of measurement:<br>measured value (unit) | lower limb eccentric-concentric ES vertical jump height (cm) <sup>a</sup> power during the jump (W) <sup>b</sup>   |
| Validity  | no data m/f: proved to be empirically and statistically relevant to performance in at least one of the competition disciplines of sport climbing (32) <sup>a</sup> interelite f: ns diff. (134) <sup>a</sup> advelite m/f: ns diff. (47) <sup>a</sup> elite-higher elite m: cor. with climbing time r=-0.79 <sup>a</sup> 0.75 <sup>b</sup> (nv) (79) |

**Supplementary Table 37.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the squat jump.

|                                     | 1 0 1   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| squat jump                          |   |
| hands on hips 1 arm swing allowed 2 |   |
| Object of measurement:              | lower limb concentric ES  |
| measured value (unit)               | vertical jump height (cm)   |
| Validity                            | <b>advelite m/f:</b> ns diff. (47) <sup>1</sup>   |
| -                                   | <b>no data m/f:</b> proved to be empirically and statistically relevant to performance in |
|                                     | at least one of the competition disciplines of sport climbing (32) <sup>1</sup>           |
|                                     | <b>interelite:</b> m: $r=0.23$ (ns), <b>f:</b> $r=0.33$ (ns) $(94)^2$                     |

**Supplementary Table 38.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the standing long jump.

| standing long jump   |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| Object of measurement:   | lower limb eccentric-concentric ES   |  |
| measured value (unit)  | distance jumped (cm) or (m)  |  |
| Additional data reported: training effects (33)  |  |  |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (31)   |  |  |
| <b>Diagnostics literature:</b> reliability: very high level of standardization, inter-rater: r=0.86-0.99 (nv) (0.88-0.94, nv (172)), |  |  |
| inter-session: r=0.52-0.92 (n  | y) (0.65-0.96 ny (172)) criteria validity proven expert ratings on test items=1.31-2.5 (181) |  |

**Supplementary Table 39.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the vertical jump.

| vertical jump  |                                     |  |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| Object of measurement:   | lower limb ES (contraction unclear) |  |
| measured value (unit)  | vertical jump height (cm)           |  |
| Validity   | no data m/f: older>younger** (50)   |  |
| Additional data reported: -  |                                     |  |
| No data on quality criteria reported: -  |                                     |  |
| <b>Diagnostics literature:</b> jump and reach test: reliability: very high level of          |                                     |  |
| standardization, inter-rater: r>0.72 (nv) (r=0.87-0.97, nv (172); inter-session: r=0.87 (nv) |                                     |  |
| (r=0.60-0.98, ny (172); validity; valid for subjects older than 6 (m and f) (nd) (181)       |                                     |  |

**Supplementary Table 40.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on one legged squats.

| one legged squat  |                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|
| Object of measurement:  | lower limb concentric-eccentric ME |
| measured value (unit)   | number of repetitions (#)          |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (113)   |                                    |
| <b>Diagnostics literature:</b> reliability: inter-rater r=0.90-0.96 (nv) for ages 10-18 (185) |                                    |

**Supplementary Table 41.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on treadmill running.

| treadmill running   |  |
|---|--|
| incremental increase in speed 1   incremental increase in elevation 2                       |  |
| Object of measurement:  | lower limb endurance   |
| measured value (unit)   | time to failure (s) <sup>a</sup>   |
|   | slope (%) <sup>b</sup>   |
|   | velocity (km/h) <sup>c</sup>   |
|   | peak HR (bpm) <sup>d</sup>   |
|   | maximum VO <sub>2</sub> (L/min) or (ml/min/kg) <sup>e</sup>  |
|   | VT (L) <sup>f</sup>  |
|   | VE (L/min) <sup>g</sup>  |
|   | RER (#) <sup>h</sup>   |
|   | RCP (%) <sup>i</sup>   |
|   | fR (brpm) <sup>j</sup>   |
|   | lactate (mmol/L) <sup>k</sup>  |
| Validity  | <b>interadv. m:</b> ns association with performance (41) <sup>2e</sup>   |
|   | advelite m: ns corr. with performance 1e, corr. to weekly training   |
|   | hours (r=80**) <sup>le</sup> , ns corr. with performance la, c, d, h, i, k (162)                                   |
|   | <b>inter-adv. m:</b> r=0.28**; <b>f:</b> r=0.17 (ns) (95) <sup>2e</sup>  |
|   | <b>interadv. m:</b> $d=0.43 \text{ (ns)}^{2a}, d=0.24 \text{ (ns)}^{2b}, d=1.23**^{2d}, d=0.23 \text{ (ns)}^{2d},$ |
|   | $d=0.17 \text{ (ns)}^{2f}, d=0.39 \text{ (ns)}^{2h}, d=0.55 \text{ (ns)}^{2j}, \text{ inter>adv.}^{**2d} (41)$     |
| Additional data reported: no reliable intensity indicators (nd) (162, 164) <sup>ld, k</sup> |  |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (37) <sup>la, d, e, g</sup>                           |  |
| <b>Diagnostics literature:</b> reliability: r= 0.75-0.99 (186) <sup>e, k</sup>              |  |

**Supplementary Table 42.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on cycle ergometry.

| cycle ergometry  |   |
|--|---|
| discontinuous incremental <sup>1</sup>   consistent (Wingate test) <sup>2</sup>  |   |
| Object of measurement:   | lower limb E  |
| measured value (unit)  | HR (bpm) <sup>a</sup>   |
|  | fR (brpm) <sup>b</sup>  |
|  | $V_T(L)^c$  |
|  | VO <sub>2</sub> and VCO <sub>2</sub> (ml/min/kg) <sup>d</sup>       |
|  | RER (#) <sup>e</sup>  |
|  | velocity (m/min) <sup>f</sup>                                       |
|  | lactate (mmol/L) <sup>g</sup>                                       |
|  | mean and peak power (W)h  |
|  | power decline (%) <sup>i</sup>                                      |
| Validity   | lower grade-elite m/f: r <sup>2</sup> =0.59*** (6) <sup>2h, i</sup> |
| <b>No data on quality criteria reported:</b> (42) <sup>la-g</sup> , (48) <sup>c, d</sup> , (167) <sup>a, d, e</sup> , (168) <sup>d</sup> |   |

**Supplementary Table 43.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the sit and reach test.

| sit and reach   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| both legs straight 1 one leg straight, one bent with foot on floor (back saver sit and reach) 2                                 |  |  |
| Object of measurement:  | low back + hamstrings active static FLEX   |  |
| measured value (unit)   | furthest distance reached (cm)   |  |
| Reliability   | inter-session (7-14d)  |  |
|   | lower grade-elite m/f: ICC=0.97 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.92-0.99), MD=-0.03 (LoA=-2.59-2.53) (169) <sup>1</sup> |  |
| Validity  | m/f: elite>lower grade-adv. (nv); ns corr. (nv) (169) <sup>1</sup>   |  |
|   | advelite m/f: ns diff. $(47)^1$  |  |
|   | <b>nc-inter. m:</b> ns diff. (3) <sup>1</sup>  |  |
|   | <b>nc-inter. f:</b> ns diff. (97) <sup>1</sup>   |  |
|   | <b>interadv. m:</b> m: r=0.42**, f: r=0.17 (ns) (95) <sup>1</sup>  |  |
| Additional data reported: training effects (114) <sup>2</sup>   |  |  |
| <b>Diagnostics literature</b> : reliability: r>0.86-0.97 (nv), r>0.86 (nv); validity(aged 18-35): hamstrings (m: r=0.75, nv; f: |  |  |
| r=0.66), nv, lower back (m: r   | $=0.40$ , nv; :f r=0.25, nv) $(183)^1$   |  |

**Supplementary Table 44.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the lateral foot reach.

| lateral foot reach     |   |
|------------------------|---|
| Object of measurement: | hip active static FLEX                                    |
| measured value (unit)  | distance betw. foot and start foothold (cm)               |
| Reliability            | inter-session (7-14d):                                    |
|                        | lower grade-elite m/f: ICC=0.93 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.83- |
|                        | 0.97), MD=-0.46 (LoA=-0.55-3.63) (169)                    |
| Validity               | <b>lower grade-elite m/f:</b> r=0.24 (ns)-0.30*; ns diff. |
|                        | betw. ability groups (169)                                |

**Supplementary Table 45.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the Grant foot raise.

|                        | without lateral hip movement <sup>1</sup> <sup>a</sup>   arms fully extended at 90° <sup>b</sup>                |
|------------------------|---|
| Object of measurement: | hip active static FLEX  |
| measured value (unit)  | distance betw. ground and foot (cm)   |
| Reliability            | inter-session (7-14d):  |
|                        | lower grade-elite m/f: ICC=0.90 (CI95%=0.90-0.96), MD=-0.80 (LoA=-6.60-5.01) <sup>1</sup> , ICC=0.93            |
|                        | $(CL_{95\%}=0.84-0.97), MD=-0.82(LoA=-6.87-5.28)^2(169)$  |
| Validity               | lower grade-inter. m: ns diff. (13) <sup>la</sup>   |
|                        | nc-inter. f: ns diff. (14, 97) <sup>la</sup>  |
|                        | inter< lower grade m/f* $^{1a,2a}$ ; higher ability c>lower grade-adv. (nv) $^{1a,2a}$ ; lower grade-elite m/f: |
|                        | $r=0.20-0.23 \text{ (ns)}^{1a}, r=0.31-0.34^{*2a} \text{ (169)}$  |
|                        | advhigher elite m: ns corr. (nd) (170) <sup>2a</sup>  |
|                        | inter-higher elite m/f: r=0.250 (ns) (110) <sup>2a</sup>  |
|                        | <b>inter-adv. m:</b> r=0.07, (ns) <b>f:</b> r=0.24, (ns) (95) <sup>-b</sup>                                     |

**Supplementary Table 46.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the climbing specific foot raise.

| climbing specific foot raise | climbing specific foot raise   |  |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| with rotation (shoulders max | with rotation (shoulders max break parallelism to wall)   without rotation (shoulders remain parallel to wall) |  |
| Object of measurement:       | hip active static FLEX   |  |
| measured value (unit)        | distance betw. foothold and foot (cm) <sup>a</sup>   |  |
|                              | knee position - knee height (cm, %) <sup>b</sup>   |  |
| Reliability                  | inter-session:   |  |
|                              | 7-14d lower grade-elite m/f: ICC=0.89 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.76-0.96), MD=-1.39 (LoA=-13.88-11.11)              |  |
|                              | $(169)^{1a}$   |  |
|                              | 7d advelite m/f: r=0.95-0.99 (nv) (15) <sup>2b</sup>   |  |
| Validity                     | elite>lower grade m/f* and inter.**; lower grade-elite: r=0.53-0.55* (1169) <sup>la</sup>                      |  |
|                              | lower grade-elite m/f: $r=0.55*^{1a}$ ; ns diff. $(14)^{1a, 2a}$   |  |
|                              | <b>no data:</b> empirically and statistically relevant to performance in at least one of the                   |  |
|                              | competition disciplines of sport climbing in m and f (32) <sup>2a, 2b</sup>                                    |  |
|                              | <b>advelite:</b> corr. with <b>b</b> and <b>c</b> (r=0.88-0.95, nv), ns corr. with <b>sc</b> $(15)^{2b}$       |  |

**Supplementary Table 47.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the hip abduction test.

| hip abduction with external rotation and hip flexion        |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Object of measurement: hip active static FLEX               |                             |
| measured value (unit)                                       | maximum range of motion (°) |
| Validity lower grade-elite m/f: r <sup>2</sup> =0.02*** (6) |                             |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (131)                 |                             |

**Supplementary Table 48.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the Draga test.

| Draga test                                    |                                   |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Object of measurement: hip active static FLEX |                                   |
| measured value (unit)                         | distance betw. foot and calcaneal |
|   | tuberosity (cm)                   |
| Validity                                      | advhigher elite m: ns corr. (nd)  |
|   | (170)                             |

**Supplementary Table 49.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the hip slide test.

| hip slide test         |                                  |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Object of measurement: | hip active static FLEX           |
| measured value (unit)  | distance betw. wall and hip (mm) |
| Validity               | inter-elite f: ns diff. (134)    |

**Supplementary Table 50.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the foot loading flexibility test.

| foot loading flexibility test |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Object of measurement:        | hip active static FLEX/climbing ability  |
| measured value (unit)         | distance betw. start and end foothold (cm)   |
| Reliability                   | inter-session (7-14d):   |
|                               | lower grade-elite m/f: ICC=0.96 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.89-0.98), MD=-0.12 (LoA=-4.57-4.82) (169)              |
| Validity                      | elite>lower grade-adv. m/f: sig. diff. betw. groups $(F_{(3,42)}=8.38)***$ : elite>lower grade***, inter.*** |
|                               | and adv. (ns), adv. > lower grade and inter.**; ns diff. betw. lower grade and inter.; lower grade-          |
|                               | elite m/f: r=0.56-0.65* (169)  |

**Supplementary Table 51.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the asymmetry in reach test.

| asymmetry in reach test                         |  |
|---|--|
| Object of measurement:<br>measured value (unit) | hip active static FLEX/climbing ability maximum reach (cm) <sup>1</sup> symmetry index (#) <sup>2</sup>  |
| Reliability                                     | intra-session:<br><b>no data m/f:</b> ICC=0.990-0.997 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.99-0.99); CV=1.31-2.53% <sup>1</sup> ;<br>ICC=0.89 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.77-0.95), CV=35.20% <sup>2</sup> (113)            |
|   | inter-session (no data):<br><b>no data m/f:</b> ICC=0.95-0.96 ( CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.88-0.98), (CV=4.96-5.37%) <sup>1</sup> ;<br>ICC=0.87 (CI <sub>95%</sub> =0.72-0.94, CV=41.98%) <sup>2</sup> (113) |

**Supplementary Table 52.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on froggies.

| froggies   |  |
|--|--|
| Object of measurement: hip passive static FLEX                     |  |
| measured value (unit) distance betw. wall and pubic symphysis (cm) |  |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (5, 30)                      |  |

**Supplementary Table 53.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the straddle test.

| varaes and annis, data on qu  | anty criteria, and further information on the straudic test.                             |  |
|---|--|--|
| straddle test<br>standing <sup>1</sup> , sitting <sup>2</sup> , or lying <sup>3</sup>                 |  |  |
| Object of measurement:  | hip + lower limb passive static FLEX   |  |
| measured value (unit)   | distance betw. ground and pubic symphysis <sup>a</sup> /ri medial calcaneus <sup>b</sup> |  |
|   | distance betw. feet <sup>c</sup>   |  |
|   | angle betw. legs <sup>d</sup>  |  |
| Validity  | <b>advelite m:</b> r=-0.48* <sup>1a</sup> , r= -0.41* <sup>2c</sup> (170)                |  |
|   | <b>inter-elite f:</b> ns diff. (134) <sup>1b</sup>                                       |  |
|   | <b>nc-inter. m:</b> adv. sig. better than other groups* (3) <sup>3c</sup>                |  |
|   | <b>nc -inter. f:</b> ns diff. (97) <sup>3c</sup>   |  |
|   | <b>interadv. m:</b> r=0.57***, <b>f:</b> r=0.16 (ns) (95)                                |  |
| <b>Diagnostics literature:</b> reliability: inter-rater: r=0.73-0.81 (nv); inter-session (aged 6-18): |  |  |
| r=0.73-0.97 (nv); validity: higher values standing compared to lying (172) <sup>3c, 3d</sup>          |  |  |

**Supplementary Table 54.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the hip flexion and rotation test.

| hip flexion and rotation                    |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Object of measurement:                      | hip active FLEX   |
| measured value (unit)                       | maximum angle (°) |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (131) |                   |

**Supplementary Table 55.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the leg flexion test.

| leg flexion test                            |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| Object of measurement:                      | lower limb active FLEX |
| measured value (unit)                       | maximum angle (°)      |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (131) |                        |

**Supplementary Table 56.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the super man.

| super man                                       |                              |
|---|------------------------------|
| Object of measurement:                          | core concentric-eccentric MS |
| measured value (unit)                           | distance between feet and    |
|   | fingertips (cm)              |
| Reliability                                     | inter-session (3-10 d)       |
| -   | advelite m/f: ICC=0.87 (86)  |
| Additional data reported: training effects (86) |                              |

**Supplementary Table 57.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on momentum absorption.

| momentum absorption    |   |
|------------------------|---|
| Object of measurement: | core concentric MS  |
| measured value (unit)  | angle at first back sing (°)  |
| Validity               | <b>no data m/f:</b> r=01 – .31 (15)                                     |
| -                      | advelite m/f: corr. with climbing- (r=0.74, nv) and boulder performance |
|                        | (r=0.65, nv) (15)   |

Supplementary Table 58. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the core rotation test.

| core rotation test                              |                            |
|---|----------------------------|
| Object of measurement:                          | core concentric MS         |
| measured value (unit)                           | mean force held for 3s (N) |
| Additional data reported: training effects (86) |                            |

Supplementary Table 59. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the body lock off.

| body lock off                                   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Object of measurement:                          | core isometric ME           |
| measured value (unit)                           | time to failure (s)         |
| Reliability                                     | inter-session (3-10 d)      |
| •   | advelite m/f: ICC=0.79 (86) |
| Additional data reported: training effects (86) |                             |

Supplementary Table 60. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the plank.

| plank                  |                                      |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Object of measurement: | core isometric ME                    |
| measured value (unit)  | time to failure (s)                  |
| Validity               | lower grade-elite m/f: ns diff. (14) |

Supplementary Table 61. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the Sorensen test.

| Sorensen test   |   |
|---|---|
| Object of measurement:  | core isometric ME                       |
| measured value (unit)   | time to failure (s)                     |
| Validity  | adv. m and nc: ns diff. (96)            |
| •   | lower grade-elite no data: ns diff. (4) |
| <b>Diagnostics literature:</b> reliability: intra-tester ICC=0.79-0.80, inter-rater ICC=0.78; |   |
| inter-session ICC=0.59 for patients with chronic back pain; validity: sig. corr. with         |   |
| decrease in EMG of various core muscles (r=0.47-0.71, nv) (187)                               |   |

Supplementary Table 62. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the Kraus Weber test battery.

| Kraus Weber test battery |                              |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Object of measurement:   | core isometric ME            |
| measured value (unit)    | test score (#)               |
| Validity                 | adv. m and nc: ns diff. (96) |

Supplementary Table 63. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on sit-ups.

| sit-ups   |                              |
|---|------------------------------|
| Object of measurement:  | core concentric-eccentric ME |
| measured value (unit)   | -                            |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (31)  |                              |
| <b>Diagnostics literature:</b> reliability: very high level of standardization: inter-session r=0.78-0.88 (nv), |                              |
| expert rating on test item core ME=1.75-2.17; validity: high construct and criteria validity (181)              |                              |

Supplementary Table 64. Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on curl-ups.

|   | 1                                  |
|---|------------------------------------|
| curl-ups                                    |                                    |
| Object of measurement:                      | core concentric-eccentric ME       |
| measured value (unit)                       | number of repetitions (#)          |
| Validity                                    | <b>nc-inter. f:</b> ns diff. (97)  |
| -   | lower grade-inter. m: ns diff. (2) |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (114) |                                    |

 $\textbf{Diagnostics literature:} \ \text{reliability: high level of standardization; inter-rater ICC=} 0.85, \ r=0.76***, \ inter-session$ ICC=0.98, r=0.98\*\*\*; validity: corr. with sit up r=0.67\*\*\*, corr. with strength measurements r=0.38\*; corr. with measurements from measurement chair r=0.71 (nv) (m), r=0.52 (nv) (f) (187)

**Supplementary Table 65.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on fishing kicks.

| fishing kicks                              |                              |
|--|------------------------------|
| Object of measurement:                     | core concentric-eccentric ME |
| measured value (unit)                      | number of repetitions (#)    |
| Reliability                                | inter-session (3-10 d)       |
|  | advelite m/f: ICC=0.91 (86)  |
| Validity                                   | no data m/f: r=4212 (15)     |
| No data on quality criteria reported: (15) |                              |
| Training effects: (86)                     |                              |

**Supplementary Table 66.** Implementation variations, objects of measurement, measured values and units, data on quality criteria, and further information on the Sorensen test.

| leg-raise  |   |
|--|---|
| lying   weight on forearms   hanging   |   |
| Object of measurement:   | core + lower leg iso. ME                                  |
| measured value (unit)  | time to failure (s)                                       |
| Validity   | lower grade-elite m/f: ns diff. (14)                      |
|  | <b>inter-adv. m:</b> r=0.45**; <b>f:</b> r=0.30 (ns) (95) |
|  | adv. m and nc: ns diff. (96)                              |
| <b>Diagnostics literature:</b> lying, number of repetitions (#): reliability: inter-rater: r>0.72 (nv); inter- |   |
| session reliability r=0.71 (nv); validity: corr. with strength/SE: m (r=0.72, nv), f (r=0.64, nv) (185)        |   |