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Injury Prevention Technologies in Sports

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ABSTRACT

Sports injuries are common among professional athletes, amateur players, and recreational participants. Sports injuries can affect any athlete and preventing injuries is important for long-term performance and health. Advances in modern technology have introduced innovative methods for identifying injury risks, monitoring athletes, and improving safety. Sports injury prevention technologies have become increasingly important in modern sports, transforming how athletes train, compete, and maintain their physical health. They involve the application of wearable devices, artificial intelligence (AI), motion sensors, biomechanical analysis, virtual reality (VR), smart protective equipment, and data analytics to reduce the likelihood and severity of injuries. These technologies are increasingly applied in professional sports, amateur athletics, rehabilitation centers, and sports medicine. As technological advancements continue, injury prevention systems are likely to become more accurate, accessible, and integrated into everyday sporting activities. By combining modern technologies with established injury prevention practices, the sports industry can create safer environments, protect athletes' health, and promote sustainable athletic performance. In this paper, we will explore how technology fits into injury prevention in modern sports.

KEYWORDS: *sports, sports industry, entertainment, injury, injury prevention technologies.*

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INTRODUCTION

Sports injuries are among the major challenges facing athletes, coaches, sports organizations, and healthcare professionals worldwide. Athletes are constantly exposed to physical stress, intense training, repetitive movements, collisions, and environmental conditions that increase the risk of injuries. Sports injuries can affect athletic performance, shorten professional careers, increase healthcare costs, and sometimes result in permanent disabilities. Consequently, injury prevention has become an essential aspect of modern sports science and sports medicine. Advances in technology have introduced innovative solutions that help athletes train safely, identify injury risks, monitor physical conditions, and improve recovery. These innovations are collectively known as *sports injury prevention technologies*. Sports injury prevention technologies are revolutionizing how athletes train and compete. These innovations focus on reducing injury risks and enhancing performance through various advanced tools and methodologies. They are increasingly integrated into sports programs, helping teams and athletes make informed decisions to minimize injury risks and enhance overall athletic performance [1].

INJURY PREVENTION TECHNOLOGIES

Traditionally, sports injury prevention depended primarily on physical examinations, coaching experience, proper warm-up exercises, protective equipment, and general fitness programs. Although these methods remain important, they may not identify subtle changes in an athlete's physical condition or movement patterns that could increase injury risk. Modern technologies provide additional information by continuously collecting and analyzing data related to athletes' movements, training loads, muscle activity, fatigue, and physical performance. For example, wearable devices can monitor an athlete's heart rate, acceleration, movement intensity, and workload during training sessions. Motion

capture systems can analyze running techniques, jumping mechanics, and body alignment to identify potentially harmful movement patterns. Artificial intelligence can examine large datasets to identify associations between training conditions and previous injuries. Smart equipment can also provide information about impacts, forces, and movement characteristics. The integration of these technologies allows coaches, trainers, physiotherapists, and sports medicine professionals to make better-informed decisions about training intensity, exercise selection, recovery periods, and return-to-play readiness [1].

Sports injury prevention technologies refer to the various technological tools, devices, systems, and scientific methods designed to reduce the likelihood, frequency, and severity of injuries during sports activities. They include wearable sensors, artificial intelligence (AI), machine learning, motion capture systems, biomechanical analysis, smart protective equipment, virtual reality (VR), augmented reality (AR), and advanced data analytics. These technologies enable sports professionals to identify potential injury risks before serious problems occur and develop preventive strategies tailored to individual athletes. Their growing adoption is transforming sports injury prevention from a largely reactive approach into a more proactive, personalized, and data-driven process. The excitement of competition brings plenty of rewards, but it also raises the risk of sports-related wounds and injuries. Figure 1 shows an athlete who injures himself [2], while Figure 2 shows how to prevent sports injury [3]. Common sports injuries include muscle strains, ligament tears, fractures, sprains, concussions, and overuse injuries. Some of these injuries are shown in Figure 3 [4], while Figure 4 shows how they are treated [4].

Sports injury prevention is the coordinated effort to reduce avoidable injury risk while preserving the training stimulus athletes need to improve. It includes preparation, progressive loading, technique, recovery, equipment, playing conditions, communication, and timely clinical review. Prevention is therefore a system, not a single exercise, device, or score. Figure 5 shows an athlete practicing for improvement [5].

Major sports injury prevention technologies include the following [1,6,7]:

1. *Wearable Sensor Technologies*: Wearable technologies are among the most widely used innovations in modern sports injury prevention. They are often the most visible injury-prevention technology because they can capture training and match exposure at scale. These devices include smartwatches, fitness trackers, GPS trackers, accelerometers, gyroscopes, and specialized sensors embedded in clothing or sports equipment. They collect information about athletes' physical activities and physiological responses during training and competition. Coaches can use this information to understand an athlete's external workload and adjust training sessions when necessary. Figure 6 shows a typical sports wearable [8].
2. *Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning*: Artificial intelligence and machine learning are increasingly important in sports injury prevention. These technologies analyze large quantities of information to identify patterns, relationships, and potential risk factors that may not be easily recognized through conventional observation. AI systems can process data involving athletes' injury histories, training intensity, physical characteristics, recovery patterns, and biomechanical measurements. Machine learning algorithms can then estimate injury risk or identify unusual changes that deserve attention.
3. *Biomechanical Analysis Technologies*: Biomechanics involves the scientific study of human movement and the forces acting on the body. Biomechanical analysis technologies help sports professionals understand how athletes move and identify movement patterns that may contribute to injuries. These technologies include force plates, pressure sensors, high-speed cameras, motion analysis software, and three-dimensional motion capture systems. They can measure joint angles, landing forces, body alignment, balance, and movement coordination. Biomechanical analysis is particularly valuable in sports involving repeated jumping, running, throwing, and sudden changes in direction.
4. *Motion Capture Technologies*: Motion capture technology records and analyzes human movement using cameras, sensors, and specialized computer software. It provides detailed information about how different body segments move during sporting activities. In professional sports, motion capture systems can evaluate running mechanics, throwing techniques, joint movements, and posture. For example, a baseball pitcher may undergo motion analysis to examine shoulder and elbow movements during pitching. The findings can guide technical adjustments and conditioning programs intended to manage physical stress.
5. *Smart Protective Equipment*: Protective equipment plays an essential role in reducing the severity of sports injuries. Technological

advancements have improved the design and functionality of helmets, mouthguards, padding, footwear, and other protective devices. Smart helmets and instrumented mouthguards can incorporate sensors that measure head impacts during contact sports. These devices may provide useful information about impact exposure, helping sports organizations evaluate safety conditions and identify athletes who may need assessment.

6. *Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality*: Virtual reality (VR) and augmented reality (AR) are now being utilized not only for training simulations, but also for injury prevention. Virtual reality creates computer-generated environments in which athletes can practice movements and decision-making skills. Augmented reality overlays digital information onto the physical environment. These technologies can support training exercises involving coordination, balance, reaction time, and spatial awareness.
7. *Smart Footwear and Intelligent Clothing*: Smart footwear and intelligent clothing represent another category of sports injury prevention technologies. These products incorporate sensors and specialized materials that monitor movement, pressure distribution, and physical activity. Smart shoes may contain pressure sensors that measure how forces are distributed across the feet during walking, running, or jumping. This information can help identify unusual loading patterns and support footwear selection or technique adjustments. These technologies are particularly relevant to running, athletics, basketball, and other sports involving repetitive lower-limb movements. Figure 7 shows a typical sports footwear [5].
8. *Head Protection Technology*: Head protection technology is one of the most revolutionary fields fostering sports safety gadgets. The main concern in contact sports like football, rugby, and hockey is concussions. Conventional helmets also limit impact, and now sensor technology installed in helmets will even identify collisions, quantify impact, and report details in real time to medical personnel. This degree of athlete safety technology highlights the fact that the injuries will be identified immediately rather than always being ignored. Athletes are no longer at high risk of coming back into the field without having detected head injuries due to better injury prevention equipment that can be worn.

APPLICATIONS OF INJURY PREVENTION TECHNOLOGIES IN SPORTS

Sports injury prevention technologies have applications across professional sports, amateur athletics, schools, fitness centers, and rehabilitation facilities. Their applications extend across wearable monitoring, artificial intelligence, biomechanical analysis, smart protective equipment, training load management, virtual reality, concussion assessment, rehabilitation, environmental monitoring, smart footwear, and team data analytics. These applications demonstrate that injury prevention technologies can be adapted to different sports, physical demands, and athlete populations. Common applications of sports injury technologies therefore include the following [1,9,10]:

- *Wearable Technology*: One of the most important applications of sports injury prevention technologies is the use of wearable devices to monitor athletes' physical conditions. Wearable technologies include smartwatches, fitness trackers, heart rate monitors, GPS sensors, accelerometers, and smart clothing. These devices collect information about movement, physical activity, training intensity, and physiological responses. For example, GPS tracking systems used in soccer, rugby, and American football measure running distance, acceleration, deceleration, and high-speed movements. Coaches can analyze these measurements to identify unusual increases in training workload that may contribute to injury risk.
- *Artificial Intelligence for Risk Prediction*: Artificial intelligence has become an increasingly valuable technology in sports injury prevention. AI systems use machine learning algorithms to analyze large amounts of information collected from athletes, including previous injuries, training workloads, physical performance, movement patterns, and recovery indicators. By identifying patterns associated with injuries, AI systems can help sports professionals recognize athletes who may require additional attention. AI technologies can also support personalized injury prevention strategies.
- *Biomechanical Analysis:* Biomechanical analysis is another major application of sports injury prevention technologies. Biomechanics examines how the human body moves and responds to physical forces during sporting activities. Motion capture systems, high-speed cameras, force plates, and three-dimensional movement analysis technologies allow sports scientists to evaluate athletes' movements in detail. These technologies

can identify potentially harmful movement patterns, including poor landing mechanics, excessive joint loading, and improper running techniques.

- *Smart Protective Equipment*: Smart protective equipment represents an important application of technology in reducing the severity of sports injuries. Traditional protective equipment, such as helmets, mouthguards, knee pads, and shoulder pads, provides physical protection against impacts and collisions. Modern smart protective equipment incorporates electronic sensors and advanced materials to improve monitoring and safety. These technologies are particularly relevant in American football, rugby, boxing, and ice hockey, where athletes frequently experience physical collisions.
- *Training Load Monitoring*: Excessive or poorly managed training workloads can contribute to sports injuries. Training load monitoring technologies help coaches understand the physical demands placed on athletes during practices and competitions. These technologies combine GPS tracking, accelerometers, heart rate monitoring, and performance analytics to measure external and internal training loads. External load refers to physical work performed, such as running distance, speed, and acceleration. Internal load refers to the athlete's physiological and perceived response to that work. Monitoring systems can help coaches compare current training demands with previous performance levels and adjust activities accordingly.
- *Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality Training*: Virtual reality and augmented reality technologies are increasingly being explored for injury prevention and safer athletic training. Virtual reality creates computer-generated environments in which athletes can practice specific skills and decision-making activities. Augmented reality overlays digital information onto the physical environment. In football and other contact sports, simulated training environments may allow athletes to practice recognizing plays and making decisions while reducing some physical demands.
- *Concussion Detection*: Concussions are serious injuries in contact sports, particularly American football, rugby, hockey, and boxing. Sports injury prevention technologies are increasingly used to support concussion monitoring and management. Instrumented mouthguards, video analysis systems, computerized cognitive assessments, and balance-testing technologies can provide additional information about impacts and neurological functioning. Nevertheless, concussion diagnosis requires appropriate clinical assessment, and athletes with suspected concussions should be removed from play and evaluated according to established medical protocols.
- *Injury Rehabilitation*: Sports injury prevention technologies also play an important role in rehabilitation and reducing the risk of reinjury. Athletes recovering from injuries require careful assessment before returning to competitive activities. Rehabilitation technologies include motion analysis systems, force plates, wearable sensors, computerized strength-testing equipment, and balance assessment devices. Digital rehabilitation platforms can also track exercise completion and provide feedback on movement quality. Technology-assisted assessments contribute to more informed return-to-sport decisions, although no single measurement can guarantee that an athlete will avoid reinjury.
- *Environmental Monitoring*: Environmental conditions can significantly affect athlete safety. High temperatures, humidity, poor air quality, and extreme weather conditions may increase the risk of heat-related illness and other health problems. Environmental monitoring technologies include weather stations, temperature sensors, humidity monitors, and wet-bulb globe temperature (WBGT) measurement systems. These technologies provide information that coaches and sports organizations can use to modify training schedules, increase rest periods, improve access to cooling facilities, and reduce exposure to dangerous environmental conditions. Some wearable devices also estimate physiological strain, although these estimates have limitations and should not replace established heat-safety procedures. Environmental monitoring is especially important in endurance sports, outdoor athletics, and competitions held in hot climates.
- *Smart Footwear:* Smart footwear technologies are used to study movement patterns and potentially reduce injury risks associated with running, jumping, and repetitive physical activity. Modern athletic footwear may incorporate pressure sensors, accelerometers, and other electronic components that collect information about foot movement, ground contact, and pressure distribution. However, footwear requirements vary among athletes, and no single shoe design prevents all injuries. Equipment selection should consider individual comfort, biomechanics, sporting demands, and relevant professional advice.

- *Data Analytics*: Sports organizations increasingly use data analytics platforms to manage injury prevention programs across entire teams. These systems combine information from medical records, training sessions, performance assessments, wearable sensors, and athlete-reported wellness questionnaires. By examining these datasets, sports scientists can identify trends in injury occurrence, training exposure, and recovery patterns. Data analytics also enables sports organizations to evaluate whether particular injury prevention programs are associated with improved outcomes. Successful implementation requires reliable data collection, appropriate privacy protections, and collaboration among coaches, medical personnel, and performance specialists.

BENEFITS

The applications of sports injury prevention technologies offer several important benefits.

Their benefits include early identification of injury risks, reduction of preventable injuries, improved athletic performance, personalized training, better fatigue management, more effective rehabilitation, and potentially lower healthcare costs. Other benefits of sports injury technologies therefore include the following [1,10]:

- *Reduction in Costs*: Sports injuries can create substantial financial burdens for athletes, sports organizations, healthcare providers, and families. Medical examinations, surgery, rehabilitation, medication, and extended periods away from competition may involve significant expenses. Sports injury prevention technologies have the potential to reduce some of these costs by supporting earlier intervention and reducing preventable injuries.
- *Reduction in Injuries*: Sports injury prevention technologies can help reduce the frequency and severity of sports-related injuries when incorporated into effective prevention programs. Technologies such as biomechanical analysis systems, smart protective equipment, and wearable monitoring devices provide information that supports safer athletic activities. By improving movement techniques, monitoring physical stress, and supporting the proper use of protective equipment, these technologies can contribute to reducing preventable injuries.
- *Improved Athletic Performance*: Another important benefit of sports injury prevention technologies is their contribution to improved athletic performance. Injury prevention and athletic performance are closely related because athletes must maintain physical fitness and avoid unnecessary injuries to perform consistently. Wearable devices and motion analysis systems provide valuable information about movement efficiency, muscle coordination, speed, endurance, and training intensity. By promoting efficient movement and appropriate training loads, sports injury prevention technologies help athletes improve performance while managing physical risks.
- *Personalized Training:* Sports injury prevention technologies make it possible to develop personalized training programs based on individual athletes' physical characteristics, abilities, and injury histories. Athletes differ in age, strength, flexibility, fitness levels, training experience, and susceptibility to certain injuries. Therefore, a training program suitable for one athlete may not be appropriate for another. Artificial intelligence, wearable sensors, and data analytics can help evaluate individual training responses and identify areas requiring improvement. Coaches can then adjust exercise intensity, training duration, recovery periods, and conditioning activities according to each athlete's needs. Personalized training programs can improve safety, reduce unnecessary physical stress, and support more effective athletic development.
- *Effective Rehabilitation*: Sports injury prevention technologies also provide important benefits during rehabilitation and recovery. Athletes recovering from injuries require carefully structured rehabilitation programs to restore strength, mobility, balance, and physical confidence. Motion capture systems, wearable sensors, and digital rehabilitation platforms can help monitor recovery progress and assess movement quality. Virtual reality and interactive rehabilitation systems may also improve motivation by making rehabilitation exercises more engaging. These technologies support more objective monitoring of rehabilitation progress and can help healthcare professionals make informed decisions about the athlete's readiness to resume sporting activities.
- *Longer Athletic Careers*: Sports injury prevention technologies can contribute to longer athletic careers by helping athletes maintain physical health and avoid repeated injuries. Repeated injuries can affect an athlete's performance, confidence, mobility, and ability to continue participating in sports. Serious injuries may even result in premature retirement. Through

continuous monitoring, personalized conditioning, movement analysis, and effective rehabilitation, sports injury prevention technologies can support healthier long-term participation. By reducing unnecessary physical strain and supporting appropriate recovery, these technologies may help athletes remain competitive for longer periods.

- *Improved Decision-making*: Sports injury prevention technologies provide valuable data that can improve decision-making among coaches, athletic trainers, physiotherapists, and sports medicine professionals. Traditional decisions about training intensity and athlete readiness have sometimes depended heavily on observation and personal experience. Modern technologies provide additional objective measurements that can complement professional judgment. Data-driven decision-making supports more consistent training management, although technology should complement rather than replace professional expertise.
- *Enhanced Safety*: Contact sports such as football, rugby, hockey, and boxing expose athletes to physical impacts that may cause serious injuries. Sports injury prevention technologies can improve safety by providing additional information about impacts, movement patterns, and protective equipment performance. Smart helmets and impact sensors can record certain characteristics of collisions, including acceleration and impact frequency.
- *Improved Sports Research*: Sports injury prevention technologies generate valuable information that can support scientific research and the development of more effective injury prevention strategies. Researchers can analyze movement patterns, training loads, injury histories, and physical performance measurements across different sports and populations. Artificial intelligence and large-scale data analytics can also assist researchers in identifying relationships that may not be obvious through traditional analysis.
- *Increased Participation*: Sports injury prevention technologies may also encourage greater participation in sports by improving safety and confidence. Fear of injury can discourage individuals from participating in physically demanding activities, particularly those with previous injuries or limited athletic experience. Technologies that provide movement feedback, personalized training recommendations, and recovery monitoring may help participants develop confidence in their physical abilities. By contributing to safer sporting environments, injury prevention technologies can encourage individuals of different ages and abilities to participate in physical activities.

CHALLENGES

In spite of their numerous benefits, sports injury prevention technologies face several challenges that limit their effectiveness, accessibility, reliability, and widespread adoption. These challenges include high costs, technological limitations, privacy concerns, ethical concerns, accuracy problems, lack of standardization, limited predictive accuracy, technical complexity, integration, and resistance to technological change. Other challenges of sports injury technologies therefore include the following [1,10]:

- *High Cost*: One of the major challenges of sports injury prevention technologies is their high cost. Advanced monitoring systems, wearable devices, biomechanical analysis equipment, and AI-powered platforms often require substantial financial investments. Professional sports organizations may have sufficient resources to purchase and maintain these technologies, but smaller sports clubs, schools, amateur teams, and individual athletes may find them unaffordable. Consequently, athletes in less financially developed sports environments may not benefit from the same level of technological protection available to professional athletes.
- *Ethical Concerns*: The use of sports injury prevention technologies raises important ethical and legal questions. Organizations must determine who owns athletes' physiological information, who may access it, and how it should be used. Continuous monitoring may create conflicts between athlete welfare and organizational interests, especially when teams use performance data to influence employment decisions. There are also concerns about accountability when technological recommendations contribute to harmful decisions. Clear ethical guidelines, informed consent, transparent decision-making, and appropriate regulatory oversight are necessary to address these challenges.
- *Data Privacy*: Sports injury prevention technologies collect large amounts of personal information about athletes, including physiological measurements, movement patterns, training activities, and sometimes medical histories. Protecting this sensitive information presents significant challenges. Unauthorized

access, cybersecurity attacks, and improper data sharing may expose athletes to privacy violations. Athletes may also feel uncomfortable when their physical conditions are continuously monitored. Establishing effective cybersecurity systems, transparent data management policies, informed consent procedures, and appropriate legal safeguards is essential for protecting athletes' privacy and maintaining trust.

- *Accuracy*: Another significant challenge is ensuring the accuracy and reliability of information collected by sports injury prevention technologies. Wearable sensors, motion tracking devices, and monitoring systems depend on accurate measurements to identify injury risks. However, environmental conditions, sensor placement, equipment calibration, and individual differences among athletes can affect data quality. Therefore, continuous testing, validation, and calibration are essential for improving technological reliability.
- *Lack of Standardization*: The absence of universally accepted standards presents another challenge in sports injury prevention technologies. Different manufacturers develop devices using different measurement methods, algorithms, software platforms, and reporting systems. Consequently, information generated by one technology may not be directly comparable with information produced by another. The lack of standardized injury risk indicators also complicates scientific research and technology evaluation. Establishing common measurement standards, validation procedures, and reporting guidelines would improve consistency, interoperability, and confidence in these technologies.
- *Resistance to Change*: Resistance to change can limit the implementation of sports injury prevention technologies. Some athletes and coaches prefer traditional training methods and may question the usefulness of digital monitoring systems. Others may view continuous technological surveillance as intrusive or distracting. Experienced coaches may also be reluctant to rely on algorithmic recommendations that appear to contradict their professional judgment. Additionally, athletes may fear that monitoring information could negatively affect their playing opportunities or professional careers. Overcoming these concerns requires education, transparency, stakeholder participation, and clear demonstrations of how technology can support rather than replace human expertise.
- *Integration:* Integrating injury prevention technologies into existing training programs, medical services, and sports management systems can be challenging. Sports organizations often use different software applications for performance analysis, athlete monitoring, rehabilitation, and medical record management. These systems may not communicate effectively with one another, resulting in fragmented information and inefficient decision-making. Successful integration requires compatible platforms, reliable communication networks, coordinated workflows, and collaboration among coaches, medical professionals, and technology providers.
- *Overdependence*: Excessive dependence on technological systems may weaken the role of human observation, communication, and professional judgment in injury prevention. Coaches and medical professionals may become overly confident in digital assessments while overlooking athletes' subjective experiences, such as pain, discomfort, emotional stress, or unusual fatigue. Effective prevention therefore requires combining technological information with clinical assessment, athlete feedback, coaching expertise, and evidence-based training practices.
- *Real-Time Monitoring*: Real-time injury prevention technologies are intended to provide immediate feedback about athletes' movements, physical workloads, and physiological conditions. However, processing large volumes of information quickly and accurately can be difficult. Delays in data transmission, sensor interference, and computational limitations may reduce the usefulness of real-time feedback. In fast-moving sports such as football, basketball, rugby, and hockey, potentially dangerous situations may develop within seconds. Monitoring systems may identify excessive workload or abnormal movement patterns, but they cannot necessarily prevent sudden collisions or unpredictable accidents. Improving processing speed, sensor reliability, and practical alert systems remains an important technological challenge.

FUTURE OF INJURY PREVENTION TECHNOLOGIES IN SPORTS

The future of sports injury prevention technologies is promising, with advances in artificial intelligence, wearable sensors, biomechanics, robotics, virtual reality, digital twins, and personalized sports medicine offering new possibilities for protecting athletes. It will be characterized by intelligent monitoring systems, personalized training programs,

predictive analytics, and increasingly automated injury prevention strategies. It is expected to involve greater integration of artificial intelligence, advanced sensors, computer vision, and robotics. Artificial intelligence is expected to play a central role in the future of sports injury prevention. AI systems can analyze large volumes of information. Future AI technologies will become increasingly sophisticated in providing individualized injury risk assessments. The integration of wearable technologies with AI and cloud-based analytics will also support continuous monitoring and personalized injury prevention recommendations.

As technological innovation continues, sports injury prevention systems are likely to become more sophisticated, accessible, and integrated into everyday athletic activities. However, injury prediction remains scientifically challenging because injuries arise from multiple interacting factors. Future systems will require rigorous validation to demonstrate that their predictions are accurate, reliable, and useful across different sports and athlete populations. Future technologies will make it easier to develop individualized injury prevention programs based on each athlete's needs. As these technologies become more affordable and portable, their use may expand beyond professional sports organizations to schools, universities, community sports programs, and recreational fitness centers. However, technological innovation alone cannot eliminate sports injuries. Effective prevention will continue to require sound coaching practices, appropriate training loads, adequate recovery, medical supervision, and scientifically validated interventions [1].

CONCLUSION

Sports injury prevention technologies are transforming the way athletes, coaches, trainers, and healthcare professionals approach sports safety. As these technologies develop, their greatest contribution will depend on rigorous scientific validation, affordability, responsible data management, and successful integration into established injury prevention practices. However, technology alone cannot eliminate all sports injuries. Technology cannot guarantee that an athlete will stay injury-free. It can make sports injury prevention more measurable, timely, and repeatable, but it cannot remove uncertainty from sport. Its greatest value lies in supporting evidence-based training, appropriate medical supervision, effective recovery strategies, and responsible decision-making. Ultimately, the goal of sports injury prevention technologies is not merely to improve athletic performance but also to protect athletes' health, promote long-term physical well-being, and extend opportunities for safe participation in sports**.** As technology continues to advance, its responsible application alongside evidence-based training, appropriate protective measures, and professional healthcare guidance will play an increasingly important role in creating a safer and more sustainable sporting environment. More information about injury prevention technologies in sports can be found in the books in [11-17].

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Figure 1 An athlete who injures himself [2].



Figure 2 How to prevent sports injury [3].



Figure 3 Common sports injuries [4].

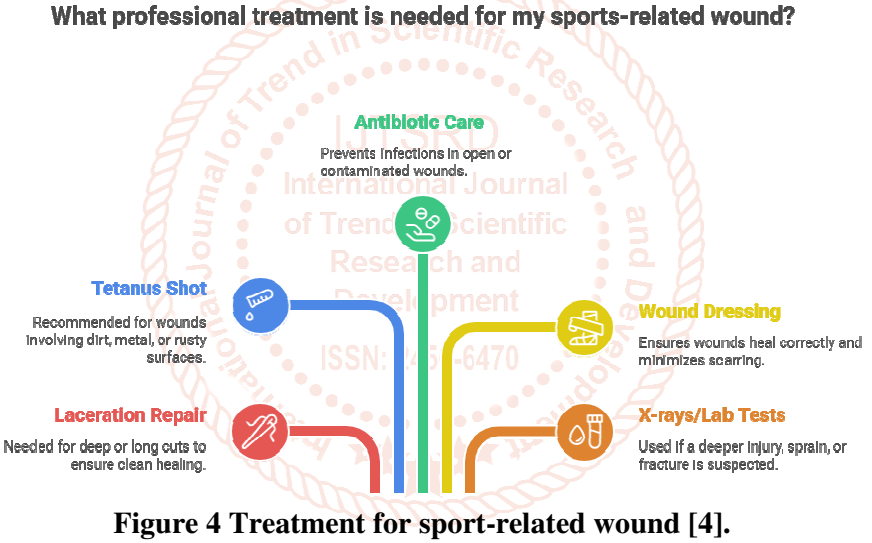


Figure 4 Treatment for sport-related wound [4].



Figure 5 An athlete practicing for improvement [5].



Figure 6 A typical sports wearable [8].



Figure 7 A typical sports footwear [5].