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Ni manàdjiyànàniḡ kakina Anishinàbeg ondaje kaye ogog kakina eniyagizidjig enigokamigàḡ Kanadàng eji ondàpinangig endàwàdjìn Odàwàng.

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Nigijeweninmànàniḡ ogog kà nìgàni sòngideyedjig; weshkad, nongom; kaye àyànikàdj.

We pay respect to the Algonquin people, who are the traditional guardians of this land. We acknowledge their longstanding relationship with this territory, which remains unceded. We pay respect to all Indigenous people in this region, from all nations across Canada, who call Ottawa home. We acknowledge the traditional knowledge keepers, both young and old. And we honour their courageous leaders: past, present, and future.

Listen to the [audio file](#) made by Joan Commanda Tenasco, an Anishinàbekwe from Kitigàn Zìbìng near Maniwaki, Quebec. She is a semi-retired Algonquin language teacher and continues to develop curriculum. She also works as a translator to ensure the continuous existence of the Anishinàbe language.



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'She dances with the earth, water, and sky' | Sculpture by Mohawk and Oneida artist David General



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**Thursday, October 1st**

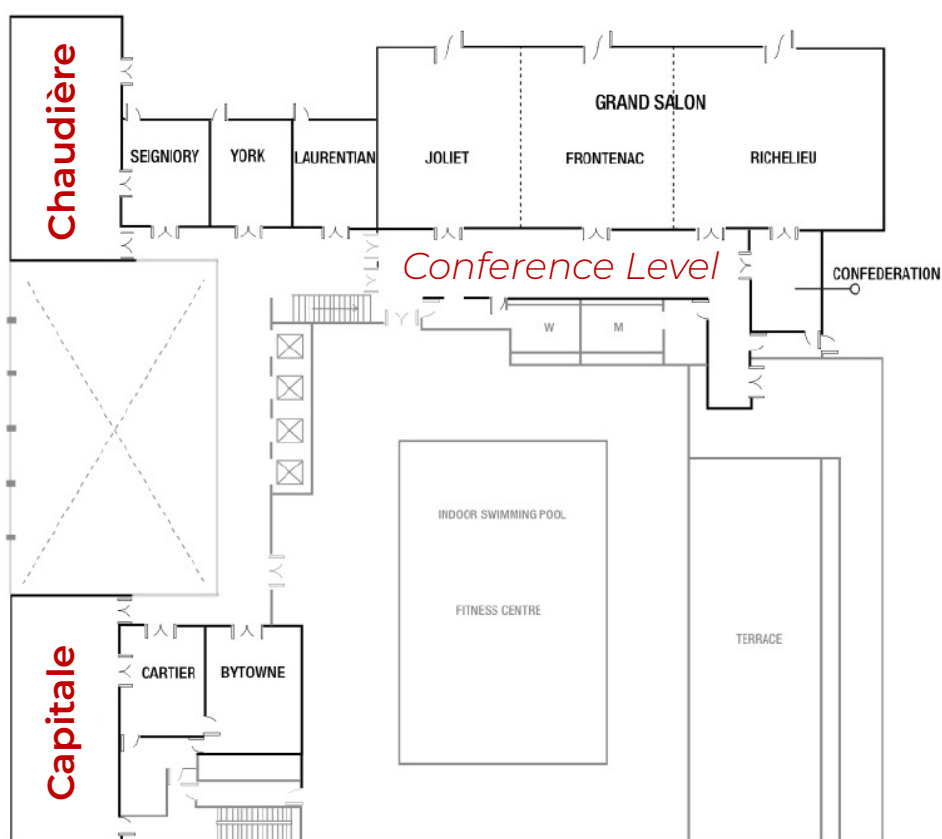
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Friday October 2nd

8:00-9:30AM	Motor Control/Learning Oral Session #1 Chaudière Room	Exercise Psychology Oral Session #1 Capitale Room	Sport Psychology Oral Session #1 Ballroom AB
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9:45-11:00AM	Motor Control/Learning Oral Session #2 Chaudière Room	Exercise Psychology Symposium #1 Ballroom AB	Sport Psychology Oral Session #2 Capitale Room
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2:45-3:00PM	Break		
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6:00-7:30PM	BIPOC Social		TBA
7:00PM-Late	Student Social at MacLaren's on Elgin Street		
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Saturday October 3rd

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6:30PM-12AM	Banquet Dinner & Dance		Ballroom AB



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Thursday

October 1st, 2026

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CPSA PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP #1 | 1:00 – 2:30PM | Capitale Room

Consulting with para sport populations

Clare Fewster, Christie Gialloreto, Sommer Christie

MOTOR CONTROL/LEARNING PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP | 2:30 – 4:30PM | Chaudière Room

National Motor Behaviour Day: Development of an activity-based knowledge translation toolkit for motor behaviour researchers

April Karlinsky, Sarah Kraeutner, Gerome Manson, Heather Neyedli, Tim Welsh

CPSA PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP #2 | 3:00 – 4:30PM | Capitale Room

Get in TOPE shape for consulting

Jason Boivin & Brendan Dinsdale

5:00 – 5:20PM | Ballroom AB

Conference opening remarks

YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD, MOTOR CONTROL/LEARNING | 5:25 – 5:55PM | Ballroom AB

“Imagine me and you, and you and me”: Motor imagery of joint action is shaped by assumed partner ability and challenged by cognitive demands

Molly Brillinger, *University of Toronto*

YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD, EXERCISE PSYCHOLOGY | 5:55 – 6:25PM | Ballroom AB

Examining the bidirectional between- and within-person associations between psychological stress and physical activity

Benjamin Hives, *Carleton University*

YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD, SPORT PSYCHOLOGY | 6:25 – 6:55PM | Ballroom AB

A[head] of the game: Lessons from disability sport for inclusive research design

Roxy O'Rourke, *York University & University of Toronto*

7:00 – 9:00PM | Ballroom C

Wine & Cheese Reception



SCAPPS CONFERENCE | OTTAWA

Friday

October 2nd, 2026

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MOTOR CONTROL/LEARNING ORAL PRESENTATION SESSION #1

Neural Mechanisms and Modulation Methods

8:00 – 9:30AM | Chaudière Room | Moderator: Romeo Chua (University of British Columbia)

8:00 – 8:15AM

Individualized low-intensity noisy vestibular stimulation can improve balance without vision

Cassie Chan¹, Sameeha Jafri¹, Leah Bent², Avril Mansfield¹, Jennifer L. Campos¹, Luc Tremblay¹

¹University of Toronto, ²University of Guelph

8:15 – 8:30AM

The influence of visual and vestibular input on body perception during body position localization

Jonathan Pitino, Gerome Manson

Queen's University

8:30 – 8:45AM

Body composition and sex differences influence lower-limb responses to transcutaneous spinal stimulation

Jermyl Allen Acuzar, Catrina Chebae, Aila Payrovelia, Evie Turner, Gerome Manson

Queen's University

8:45 – 9:00AM

Attenuation of cognitive fatigue effects on psychomotor performance following auricular tVNS: A sham-controlled pilot study

Kathleen J. Peters, Anthony N. Carlsen

University of Ottawa

9:00 – 9:15AM

Subcortical contributions to choice reaction time

Meaghan Lapierre, Dana Maslovat, Anthony N. Carlsen

University of Ottawa

9:15 – 9:30AM

Does acute aerobic exercise enhance sensorimotor adaptation retention and M1 excitability?

Zivar Beyraghi, Jean-François Lepage, Pierre-Michel Bernier

Université de Sherbrooke

Friday October 2nd, 2026

EXERCISE PSYCHOLOGY ORAL PRESENTATION SESSION #1

Supporting Physical Activity Across Contexts

8:00 – 9:30AM | Capitale Room | Moderator: Meghan McDonough (University of Calgary)

8:00 – 8:15AM

Towards building physical activity-based supportive care for cancer-related cognitive impairment: Qualitative insights from oncology patients and healthcare providers

Sitara Sharma, MacKenzie Aubin, Jennifer Brunet

University of Ottawa

8:15 – 8:30AM

From consensus to competence: Co-developing essential competencies for qualified exercise professionals working with persons experiencing disability

Alexandra J. Walters¹, Jennifer R. Tomasone², Amy E. Latimer-Cheung²

¹University of Alberta, ²Queen's University

8:30 – 8:45AM

A case study of trauma-informed physical activity at a fitness studio in Western Canada: Understanding participant experiences of the Moving Through Healing 6A Framework

Evan Bishop¹, Zita Dube-Lockhart², Toni Harris², Taha Thomure¹, Shivani Sivalingam¹

¹University of Toronto, ²Action Potential Fitness

8:45 – 9:00AM

“You got to fill up your own cup before you help someone else”: How self-compassion shapes fitness professionals’ social support provision in adult physical activity

Bobbie-Ann P. Craig¹, Meghan H. McDonough¹, Sarah J. Kenny¹, S. Nicole Culos-Reed¹, Amber D. Mosewich²

¹University of Calgary, ²University of Alberta

9:00 – 9:15AM

Believability and fitness inspiration online: An exploration of behavioural beliefs and outcome expectations

Elaine M. Ori¹, Sean R. Locke²

¹Mount Royal University, ²Brock University

9:15 – 9:30AM

Discussant: Meghan McDonough

University of Calgary

Friday October 2nd, 2026

SPORT PSYCHOLOGY ORAL PRESENTATION SESSION #1

Coaching in Sport

8:00 – 9:30AM | Ballroom AB | Moderator: Gordon Bloom (McGill University)

8:00 – 8:15AM

Trust in the coach-athlete dyad: From a personal construct psychology perspective

Madeline Schmidt, Stuart Wilson, Jean Côté

Queen's University

8:15 – 8:30AM

Creating value through case studies: Coaches' engagement with an AI-generated composite vignette on creativity

François Rodrigue¹, Isabelle Fortin-Delisle¹, Liam McCarthy²

¹Université du Québec en Outaouais, ²Leeds Beckett University

8:30 – 8:45AM

Creating value through mentorship: Supporting women coaches' development in sport

Rabia Ozturk Kizilkaya, Diane Culver, Siobhan Rourke

University of Ottawa

8:45 – 9:00AM

Mental health resources for NextGen athletes: Exploring athletes' and coaches' perceptions regarding barriers and facilitators to help-seeking

Lara Pomerleau-Fontaine, Véronique Boudreault, Juliette Maurin, Sophie Brassard

Université de Sherbrooke

9:00 – 9:15AM

You have to understand me first: How Black university athletes interpret coaches' behaviours within coach-athlete relationships

Jonathan Hood¹, Madeline Kwan²

¹St. Francis Xavier University, ²Dalhousie University

9:15 – 9:30AM

A global examination of the career and learning experiences of Special Olympics coaches

Madison Fraser¹, Danielle Alexander-Urquhart², Majidullah Shaikh¹, Fiona Murray³, Jeff Lahart³, Gordon Bloom⁴, Diane Culver⁵, Bettina Callary¹

¹Cape Breton University, ²Université de Montréal, ³Special Olympics International,

⁴McGill University, ⁵University of Ottawa

Friday October 2nd, 2026

MOTOR CONTROL/LEARNING ORAL PRESENTATION SESSION #2

Reward-Based Decision-Making | Fatigue and Postural Control

9:45 – 11:00AM | Chaudière Room | Moderator: Cheryl Glazebrook (University of Manitoba)

9:45 – 10:00AM

Reward-penalty asymmetries in MEG-based movement decisions

Sara Thompson¹, Heather Neyedli², Timothy Welsh¹

¹University of Toronto, ²Dalhousie University

10:00 – 10:15AM

Brain mechanical properties relate to deliberation expressed via online movement

Truc Ngo, Jan Calalo, Nicholas Muscara, Seth Sullivan, John Buggeln, Matthew Short, Nicholas Pyontek, Mary Kramer, Curtis Johnson, Joshua Cashaback

University of Delaware

10:15 – 10:30AM

Tradeoffs between instrumental utility and social rewards shape preferences for costly cooperation

Mikayla Lalli¹, Nour Al Afif¹, Jiaqiao Tang¹, Michael M. Croteau¹, Rakshith Lokesh², Scott Rathwell³, Joshua G.A. Cashaback⁴, Michael J. Carter¹

¹McMaster University, ²Northeastern University, ³University of Lethbridge, ⁴University of Delaware

10:30 – 10:45AM

The effect of auditory and visual cognitive load and visual biofeedback on postural control

Haley Ong, Lucas Michaud, Yves Lajoie

University of Ottawa

10:45 – 11:00AM

Neuromuscular responses to ankle fatigue suggest compensatory postural control during challenging backward leaning

Lucas Michaud, Martin Bilodeau

University of Ottawa

Friday October 2nd, 2026

EXERCISE PSYCHOLOGY SYMPOSIUM #1

“The Explanations for Why You Do Certain Things”: Theories, Stories, Steps, and Perspectives of Authentic Qualitative Research with Indigenous Peoples

9:45 – 11:00AM | Ballroom AB | *Moderator: Heather Foulds (University of Saskatchewan)*

9:45-10:00AM

“It’s just easier to show people than tell them”: Centring Indigenous qualitative research methods

Leah Ferguson

Métis Nation (Saskatchewan) and University of Saskatchewan

10:00 – 10:15AM

“Métis people always tell a story”: Engaging Métis community in health research

Shara Johnson

University of Saskatchewan

10:15 – 10:30AM

“I didn’t feel pressured to just hurry up and get the words out”: Actualizing steps in thematic analysis

Shaunda Kracher

Métis Nation (Saskatchewan) and University of Saskatchewan

10:30 – 10:45AM

“We do feel like we are overlooked”: The importance of community perspectives in thematic analysis

Kiley Grona

Métis Nation (Saskatchewan) and University of Saskatchewan

10:45 – 11:00AM

Discussant: Heather Foulds

University of Saskatchewan

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SPORT PSYCHOLOGY ORAL PRESENTATION SESSION #2

Program Evaluation and Multi-study Appraisals

9:45 – 11:00AM | Capitale Room | Moderator: Corliss Bean (Brock University)

9:45 – 10:00AM

Evaluating mental health literacy and resilience programming in elite youth hockey

Majidullah Shaikh¹, Ramond Phipps², Katie O'Connell²

¹Knowledge in Motion Consulting, ²Movember Foundation

10:00 – 10:15AM

Advancing athlete maltreatment research in sport: Insights from a multi-study program

Michael Jorgensen¹, Sasha Gollish¹, Isabella Tremonte¹, David Brown¹, Roxy O'Rourke¹, Delaney Thibodeau¹, Avery Hinchcliffe¹, Amy Nesbitt¹, Tara-Leigh McHugh², Catherine Sabiston¹

¹University of Toronto, ²University of Calgary

10:15 – 10:30AM

Evaluating the acceptability and feasibility of the More Than Sport – Youth (MTS-Y) program in youth soccer academy athletes

Cassidy L. Brooks¹, Meredith Schertzinger¹, Colin D. McLaren², Katrien Fransen³, Brenda Bruner¹, Mark W. Bruner¹

¹Nipissing University, ²Cape Breton University, ³KU Leuven

10:30 – 10:45AM

From strategy to practice: Evaluating the first year of implementation of a national sport organization's mental health strategy

Mikaela Papich¹, Natalie Durand-Bush¹, Marie-Josée Bellemare², Janet Petras², Robert B. Shaw³

¹University of Ottawa, ²Tennis Canada, ³Peer Program, Spinal Cord Injury BC

10:45 – 11:00AM

Advancing research in sport psychology through family partnership – a process evaluation

Alessia Capone¹, Alexandra Walters², Heather Gainforth³, Kelly Arbour-Nicitopoulos¹

¹University of Toronto, ²University of Alberta, ³University of British Columbia

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Keynote Presentation

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Enacting Indigenous health resurgence

Tricia McGuire-Adams

University of Toronto

AGM Lunch

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Interdisciplinary Forum

1:30 – 2:45PM | Ballroom AB

Interdisciplinarity as "value-added" in a specialized academic world

David J. Hancock¹, Timothy Welsh², Luc Tremblay², Nicola J. Hodges³, Joe Baker², Heather Neyedli⁴, Bradley W. Young⁵, Rouwen Cañal-Bruland⁶ & Catherine M. Sabiston²

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Friday October 2nd, 2026

MOTOR CONTROL/LEARNING ORAL PRESENTATION SESSION #3

Reaching, Aiming & Sensorimotor Feedback

3:00 – 4:30PM | Chaudière Room | Moderator: Timothy Welsh (University of Toronto)

3:00 – 3:15PM

Pre-movement beta activity reflects feedback gain modulation during reaching under uncertainty

Dominique Delisle-Godin, Pierre-Michel Bernier

Université de Sherbrooke

3:15 – 3:30PM

Precision isn't always optimization: Dissociating the roles of visual and reward feedback in optimal aiming

Samantha Manieri, Heather Neyedli, Kevin Leblanc

Dalhousie University

3:30 – 3:45PM

The presence of visual context exerts differential effects on movements to visual and somatosensory targets

Tejiri Inikori, Jonathan Pitino, Sadiya Abdulrabba, Gerome Manson

Queen's University

3:45 – 4:00PM

Go before you Fitts('s Law): Investigating the influence of target size and movement amplitude on reaching under uncertainty

Natalie Harris¹, Gerome Manson¹, Heather Neyedli²

¹Queen's University, ²Dalhousie University

4:00 – 4:15PM

Attention does not follow the moving hand in older adults: Evidence from actual and imagined reaching

Noah Britt¹, James Lyons¹, Sarah N. Kraeutner², Nicola J. Hodges³

¹McMaster University, ²University of British Columbia - Okanagan, ³University of British Columbia

4:15 – 4:30PM

Metacognitive evaluations modulate trial-to-trial error correction

Gabriela Oancea, Luc Tremblay

University of Toronto

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EXERCISE PSYCHOLOGY ORAL PRESENTATION SESSION #2

Body, Self, & Physical Activity

3:00 – 4:30PM | Capitale Room | Moderator: Katie Gunnell (Carleton University)

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Embodying self-compassion: An evaluation of an intervention with kinesiology students

Danielle Cormier, Paula M. Mazur, Jimena E. Lopez Lamas, Emily Noton, Sara Sereda, Amber D. Mosewich

University of Alberta

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Appearance and fitness-related self-consciousness during physical activity: A daily diary study of within-person coupling

Zach Staffell, Katarina Huellemann, Eva Pila

Western University

3:30 – 3:45PM

Beyond mean levels: Exploring within-person variability in physical self-conscious emotions and physical activity in daily life

Kelsey Sick¹, Eva Pila¹, Catherine M. Sabiston²

¹Western University, ²University of Toronto

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Tests of objectification theory constructs within inactive women's exercise experiences

Samantha J. Adler, Ruby Kagan, MacLean Press, Eva Pila

Western University

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Do perceptions of identity matter for physical activity? Evidence from samples of undergraduate students in Canada and South Korea

Heejun Lim

Queen's University

4:15 – 4:30PM

Discussant: Katie Gunnell

Carleton University

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SPORT PSYCHOLOGY ORAL PRESENTATION SESSION #3

Groups & Leadership

3:00 – 4:30PM | Ballroom AB | Moderator: Todd Lougheed (University of Windsor)

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At the edge of choice: What we can learn from experts about the antecedents, phenomenology, and consequences of group decision-making in mountaineering

Anna Elisabeth Bergauer¹, Svenja A. Wolf², Andrea Schittenhelm¹, Vanessa Wergin³

¹Technical University of Munich, ²German Association of Sport Psychology, ³University of Queensland

3:15 – 3:30PM

Towards a sport-specific understanding of negative athlete leadership: Findings from round 1 of a Delphi study

Mason Sheppard, Todd Lougheed, Krista Munroe-Chandler, Samantha Pinto

University of Windsor

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A narrative inquiry of Colombian adult swimmers' collective sense of community

Catalina Belalcázar¹, Bettina Callary², Bradley W. Young¹

¹University of Ottawa, ²Cape Breton University

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United in joy and misery?! The experience of collective emotions predicts members' team identification and commitment

Katharine Stewart¹, Stefanie Atkinson¹, Kieran McBride¹, Kyra McKinnon¹, Gabe Suessenbacher-Fu², Hannah LaBreche¹, Desmond McEwan¹

¹University of British Columbia, ²University of Victoria

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The prospective relationships between teamwork and athlete thriving

Svenja A. Wolf¹, Vanessa Wergin², Talia Aronson³

¹University of Alberta, ²University of Queensland, ³Florida State University

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You've done this before! An experimental study examining the effects of self-efficacy enhancing messaging on university students' intentions to increase activity and decrease sitting

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Bailey Gitzel, Kate Jarotski, Ava Radics, Kevin S. Spink

University of Saskatchewan

Exploring participant experiences in a self-led Nordic walking program for adults with Parkinson's disease: A qualitative study

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Effects of combined cognitive-physical warm-ups on pre-exercise psychological and affective states in older adults

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Stories of success from inclusive municipal recreation programs

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Janet Lawson¹, Meredith Wing², Taryn Barry³, Amy Latimer-Cheung⁴

¹University of Manitoba, ²University of Ottawa, ³Active Abilities Canada, ⁴Queen's University

Gynecologic cancer survivors' experiences of a 12-week yoga program: An exploratory qualitative study reveals potential mechanisms of action

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Adrienne Kamerman¹, Jenson Price², Jennifer Brunet³

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¹Carleton University, ²University of Ottawa

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McGill University

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¹University of Toronto, ²Athabasca University

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¹University of Ottawa, ²University of Manitoba

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University of Ottawa

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¹University of Alberta, ²University of Saskatchewan

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Western University

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Colin McLaren¹, Mark Bruner²

¹Cape Breton University, ²Nipissing University

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It takes time: Autistic traits predict motor encoding after extended practice

Cheryl M. Glazebrook, Elena M. Broeckelmann
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Knowledge of human and algorithm learning rates is required to shape human performance during coadaptation

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Jeremy J. Thomas, Yoyo Luk, Hyosub E. Kim
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Queer women's experiences in a group-based physical activity intervention

Megan Sutton¹, Jade Bailey², Seairra Němeček¹, Eva Pila¹

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"It's like putting frosting on a cake of shit.": Exploring how exercise is experienced and discussed in the r/depression subreddit

Jérôme Sayer, Jason Dellatolla, Lindsay R. Duncan

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"Gym days are good days": Quality participation and exercise maintenance among people with disabilities

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Katarina Huellemann, Eva Pila

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Smile for the camera! Developing emotional intelligence through photo-elicitation

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Critical realist exploration of athletic identity across three successive adult age cohorts using elaborative think-aloud interviews

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Using logbooks to bring attention to self-talk and improve performance in golfers

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Dalhousie University

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Caroline Hummell, Corliss Bean

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Perfectionism and excellencism in two samples of collegiate athletes: Associations with athlete engagement and burnout

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Excellencism, basic psychological needs, and the functioning of high school students in extracurricular sporting activities and in school

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High standards or perfectionistic standards? A meta-analytic adjustment of the relationship between perfectionism and achievement goals

Giovanni Andrade, Philippe Pétrin-Pomerleau, Thomas L. D. Boivin, Patrick Gaudreau

University of Ottawa

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Patrick Gaudreau, Thomas L. D. Boivin, Marie Pier Grégoire-Gaul

University of Ottawa

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Youth engagement in identifying physical activity priorities for children and youth with disabilities in Canada

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Revisiting the contributions of cohesion in exercise contexts: A state-of-the-art review

Zakry Walsh, Mark Eys

Wilfrid Laurier University

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Strategies for implementing an intersectional lens in disability physical activity research and/or knowledge mobilization: A scoping review

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State embodied movement: Introducing a novel construct and testing a momentary instrument

Eva Pila, Samantha Adler, Rachel Calogero

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Identifying the conceptual attributes of physical activity maintenance among adults with physical disability: 6-month results

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Promoting physical activity across the life course: A group-mediated precision medicine approach

Mark Beauchamp

University of British Columbia



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Active movements enhance sensitivity to visual feedback delays: An EEG study

Dhruvi Mehta, Jean-François Lepage, Pierre-Michel Bernier

University of Sherbrooke

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Effects of the vergence-accommodation conflict on online movement control in virtual reality: Disparity matching predicts mean endpoint error but not distance scaling

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Translating laboratory-based fatigue measures to the field: Subjective, physiological, and performance indicators of fatigue during commercial shrimp fishing

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Hand function rehabilitation using augmented reality: Assessing perceptions of feasibility and meaningfulness among individuals with cervical spinal cord injury

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Effect of virtual batting practice on visual-search strategies in baseball batters

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Making the invisible visible

Jenson Price

Trent University

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Reflections from attempts at disrupting dis/ableism

Jennifer R. Tomasone

Queen's University

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Nathan Fawaz

University of Alberta

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University of Alberta

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Moments of rest: Exploring how psychological resting experiences relate to recovery, stress, and positive sport engagement among Canadian university athletes

Stuart G. Wilson, Kaitlin N. Fortier, Adam Doyle, Luc J. Martin, Jean Côté

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The conditional status of ADHD in sport: A critical realist multiple-case study of ADHD in organized youth team sport

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"Women shouldn't be dancing": An interpretative phenomenological analysis of women's experiences in the cultural sport of bhangra

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Explaining mental health and psychological skill needs in adolescent competitive dance through mixed methods integration

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