

Special Issue on  
**Complementary and Alternative Therapies in Sports  
Medicine**

# CALL FOR PAPERS

Sports injuries often occur during sport, athletic activities, or training. In the 2016 Olympic Games, the marks of blood stasis on the back of an excellent swimmer gained everyone's attention. This therapeutic modality of traditional Chinese medicine, cupping, is used by many athletes and coaches.

In complementary and alternative medicine, many therapeutic skills, i.e. acupuncture, moxibustion, and massage, or more therapeutic modalities, i.e. vibrating foam roller, low-level laser therapy, cold water immersion, and Kinesiology tape, are applied on fatigued athletes. These applications may improve the recovery of the injured tissue or increase the fatigue recovery for athletes. In many cases, these applications should not be only focused on the effects on sports injuries, but also on the management of the primary cause of the injuries. It is also necessary to investigate the inefficient or even harmful effects of these applications.

The aim of this Special Issue is to determine the impact of complementary and alternative therapies on the care and management of sports injuries. In this Special Issue, we invite researchers to submit both original research and review articles on the usage of more therapeutic skills and therapeutic modalities in complementary and alternative therapy for sports injuries or athletic performances.

Potential topics include but are not limited to the following:

- ▶ The effects of acupuncture, moxibustion, cupping, and massage on sports injuries or athletic performances
- ▶ The new uses of complementary and alternative therapies or modalities, i.e. vibrating foam roller, low-level laser therapy, cold water immersion, and kinesiology tape for sports injuries or athletic performances
- ▶ Other complementary and alternative therapies or modalities for sports rehabilitation or sports medicine

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