Reviewer's report
Title: Effects of nine weeks isokinetic training on power, golf kinematics, and driver performance in pre-elite golfers.

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Reviewer: Scott Heinlein

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Page 17 - Line 364 - Please include in ( ) the value that lead to classification of "likely"
Page 18 - Line 734 - Please include in ( ) the value that lead to classification of "probable"
Page 20 - Line 415 - You mention that another study (16. Fletcher) showed that plyometric training showed similar improvements with respect to carry distance and CHS. Can this indicate that plyometrics might show the same benefits over isotonic (IT) training. I realize this is not a question in your study, but your manuscript raises the question by pointing out the Fletcher findings. It makes me question you supposition that the IK training was better because of neuromuscular recruitment being maximized through the range as the main benefit if IK, versus the fact that you trained the IK group faster than their self selected speeds, especially eccentrically. Your findings might simply be a training effect of speed of training, which could also be accomplished through plyometrics, which do not require expensive isokinetic equipment to perform.
Page 21 - Line 432 - Change to read "...which permitted the participants to self-select experimental group to allow..."
Page 21 - Line 434 - Variable need to be plural "variables"
page 21 - Line 435-436 - correct "regimes" to "regimens" and punctuation as follows: "adaptations; for example, the current study...pre-season training regimens. Both these variables..."
Page 22 - Line 463 - "its effects could translate...at impact" all needs to be deleted. This statement is pure speculation. Simply state what was actually proven. "...did not increase CHS, but did result in greater ball speed..."
Table 3 - Please add units to Height and Weight (I would assume CM and KG, but this needs to be in parenthesis after height and weight.
Table 3 - hcp - please spell this out. I do not know what this is a measure of (handicap)

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