Reviewer’s report

Title: Anthropometric, physiological characteristics and rugby-specific game skills of schoolboy players of different age categories and playing standards

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Reviewer: Shannon Siegel

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The author revised the paper very well. The discussion is much tighter, and reads more smoothly. All of my concerns and suggestions were addressed and corrected or justified.

My only (very) minor suggestions:
On the comment that was unclear to authors, now line 8 of Ms, players attributes needs to be possessive, so: players'

Line 50, ...the above cited studies largely assume (it currently reads studies assumes)

For the description of the 5-0-5 test, a comment identifying it as a speed and agility shuttle run or somewsuch is adequate.

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