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Un(der)explored Avenues in Motor Development Research

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Message from the Guest Editors

Motor competence (MC) and its development in children and adolescents has attracted a considerable increase in interest from scholars as well as from health and policy workers in the past decade. The dominant focus in this research area is on interrelationships between actual and perceived motor competence, physical fitness, physical activity, and other aspects of health in typically developing children and adolescents. This Special Issue is devoted to individual and environmental factors that are still underrepresented in the current body of literature. At the level of individual factors, studies on MC and its development in the early years, in aging adults, in elderly, as well as in clinical samples (e.g., children and adults with severe physical impairments or those suffering from chronic diseases) are welcomed. From an environmental perspective, research on long-term sustainable interventions (in naturalistic settings) and/or research with a focus on different movement contexts (e.g., aquatic skill competence) are examples we are seeking for this Special Issue on un(der)explored avenues in motor developmental research.



