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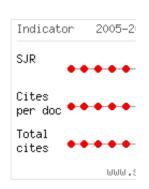
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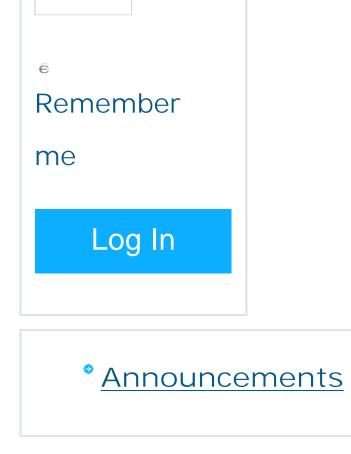




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Dance aerobic instructors' injuries in relation to external

risk factors, part II

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Abstract

Dance aerobic instructors guide, organize and entertain all aerobics classes suffering, thus, from a number of frequently appearing injuries. The purpose of this study was to examine the musculoskeletal injuries in professional female dance aerobic instructors in relation to factors external such as frequency of participation per day or week, intensity of exercise, the type of aerobic dance, the footwear or the equipment used generally. The sample constituted of 273 female aerobic instructors who were educated in public and state colleges of physical education and sports in Greece. The most important external factors that influence injury appearance were the excessive working hours per day and per week, the mixed and high intensity classes, the different dance aerobic styles, resilient floor and the the inadequate shoes. In conclusion, the present study, in order to eliminate the external injury factors, suggests that dance aerobic instructor should not work for more than three hours a day or more than six hours a week, not participate in a variety of different dance styles, use proper footwear and work on a wooden floor. Finally, further research is needed to monitor all innovations these and the incidence and nature of injuries that are associated with them and to inform instructors of injury prevention developments.

Key words: hours a day, intensity, dance style, equipment, dance aerobic instructors doi: 10.4100/jhse.2013.83.06

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