Core stability

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Muscle active contraction stability core stability core stability







Marshall(2005) : global stability system local stability system Akuthota(2004) : global muscle local muscle **Neumann(2002) : intrinsic muscular stabilizer** extrinic muscular stabilizer Arokoski(2001) : deep local stabilizing muscle – multifidus, transverse abdominis global muscle –

prime mover,



multifidus, transverse abdominis는 global muscle





- **Abdomial muscle** = rectus abdominis, external oblique, internal oblique, transverse abdominis
- **Rectus abdominis** = iliopsoas trunk flexion prime mover
- **External oblique & internal oblique** = trunk "primary axial rotators"
- **Transverse abdominis** = corset muscle
- **Erector spinae** = spinalis, longissimus, iliocostalis
- Multifidus = dynamic spinal extensor
- **Psoas major** = vertical stabilizer
- **Quadratus lumborum** = hip hiker



Superior view









"feedforward postural response" "anticipatory mechanism" 3 major parts of core stability Muscle performance **CARDIO PULMONARY ENDURENCE** FUNCTIONAL ACTIVITY Core stability







Lumbar spine stability & postural control

Muscle movement <u>perturbation</u>

activation



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Anticipatory Mechanisms



Mean time of onset of EMG activity of each of the trunk muscles relative to that of the prime mover for all subjects for movement in each direction.





Trunk muscle 20-40msec (recruitment)

stability Reaching (postural stability)

Transverse abdominis & multifidus co-contraction Stance postural control erector spinae, abdominals, gluteus medius, iliopsoas muscle "synergistic relationship"







Core muscles



Twenty-nine muscles make up your body's core. Some of the major muscles include those in your back (multifidus, erector spinae) and your abdomen (external oblique, transversus abdominis, rectus (ab. 10 minis). Your core muscles work in harmony to provide stability to your body and protect you (core stability). Your core muscles work in harmony to provide stability to your body and protect you (ab. 10 minis). Your core muscles work in harmony to provide stability to your body and protect you (core stability). Your core muscles work in harmony to provide stability to your body and protect you (core stability). Your core muscles work in harmony to provide stability to your body and protect you (core stability). Your core muscles work in harmony to provide stability to your body and protect you (core stability). Your core muscles work in harmony to provide stability to your body and protect you (core stability). Your core muscles work in harmony to provide stability to your body and protect you (core stability). Your core muscles work in harmony to provide stability to your body and protect you (core stability). Your core muscles work in harmony to provide stability to your body and protect you (core stability). Your core muscles work in harmony to provide stability to your body and protect you



Core stabilization
 Kinesthetic training

Spinal stabiliation exercise

Functional activities

Core exercises: Beyond your average abs routine

A well-balanced core exercise routine focuses on more than your abs. Gain a better understanding of the role your body's core muscles play and how to strengthen them.

Did you know that your core is where all movement in your body originates? Core exercises are an important part of overall fitness training that, except for the occasional sit-up or crunch, are often neglected.

To get your core muscles in better shape, it's important to understand what by bydy's core is and how you can strengthen it.

Core exercises: Beyond your average abs routine

Understanding your core

Your body's core — the area around your trunk and pelvis — is where your center of gravity is located. A strong core gives you:

- Increased protection and "bracing" for your back
- Controlled movement
- A more stable center of gravity
- A more stable platform for sports movements

When you have good core stability, the muscles in your pelvis, lower back, hips and abdomen work in harmony. They provide support to your spine for just about any activity.

A weak core can make you susceptible to poor posture, lower back pain of conuscle injuries. Strong core muscles provide the brace of support of support of support of support such pain and injury.

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Core muscles

Focus on your core

Sefore you start to exercise your body's core, locate your deepest abdominal muscle the transversus abdominis — by coughing once. The muscle you feel contracting is your transversus abdominis.

With each exercise, breathe freely and deeply and avoid holding your breath. Coordinate your breathing with the ctivation of your transversus abdominis to get the maximum benefit.

Core exercises strengthen abs and other core muscles

Squat and reach

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Plank

Advanced exercise Reverse crunch

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Advanced exercise: Reverse crunch

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Abdominal sit-back

Cough and hold to activate your transversus abdominis, then slowly lean backward until you feel your abdominal muscles kick in. Remember to keep breathing through the exercise.

Bridge

Hold this position for three deep breaths before returning to the start position. Besides your core muscles, you'll feel the muscles along your backside — the gluteals and hamstrings — contract to keep you in place.

Bridge with heel dig

Dig your heels into the ball for traction and to engage the muscles along the back of your thighs (hamstrings).

Hold for three deep breaths before returning to the bridge position

Abdominal ball raise

Lie on your back on the floor and rest your legs on top of the ball. Your legs should be about hip-distance apart. Cough and hold to activate your transversus abdominis muscle.

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Abdominal ball rotation

Before you reach the floor, use your core muscles to pull your legs back to the start position. Keep your shoulders on the floor throughout this exercise. Repeat on your left side.

Side exercise

Protect your neck by resting your head on your hand. If this places too much strain on your neck, straighten your arm along the floor and rest your head directly on it. This removes any pressure on the side of your neck.

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The core, or trunk, of your body is your center of gravity

Strong core muscles abdominal, back and pelvis provide support to your spine for everything from alking, lifting and standing to sitting.

 Weak core muscles may lead to poor osture, lower back pain and injury.

This exercise works many of your core muscles in combination.

 Lie on your back with your knees bent
 (A). Keep your back in a neutral position not overly arched and not pressed into the floor. Avoid tilting your hips up.

 Cough to activate your transversus abdominis. Holding the contraction in your abdominal muscles, raise your hips off the floor (B).

Single-leg abdominal press

Lie on your back with your knees bent and your back in a neutral position (A).
Cough and hold to activate your transversus abdominis.

Raise your right leg off the floor — so that your knee and hip are bent at 90degree angles — and rest your right hand on top of your right knee (B).

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Single-leg abdominal press variations

To work your core muscles more completely, vary your routine:

Opposite hand on opposite knee. Push your right hand against your left knee while pulling your knee toward your hand (A).

Hand on outside of knee.
Place your left hand along the side of your left knee (B).

Double-leg abdominal press

Raise your legs off the floor one at a time and rest your hands on top of your knees (B).

This is an advanced version of the single-leg abdominal press.

Lie on your back with your knees bent and your back in a neutral position (A).

Double-leg abdominal press variations

To work your muscles more completely, try these variations

Opposite hands on opposite knees. Place each hand on the opposite knee, toward the inside of your knee (A).

Hands on outside of knees.
Place your hands along the sides of your knees (B).

Segmental rotation

Keeping your shoulders on the floor, let your knees fall slowly to the left (A).
Go only as far as is comfortable — you should feel no pain, only a stretch.

Use your trunk muscles to pull your legs back up to the start position.Repeat the exercise to the right (B).

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Proper crunch

Lie on your back and place your feet on a wall with a 90-degree bend at your knees and hips. Cough and hold to activate your transversus abdominis.

Modified plank

Squeeze your core muscles. Create resistance by pressing your elbows and your knees toward one another. Neither should move from their positions on the

Modified plank variations

Starting from the modified plank position, concentrate on contracting your core muscles. Raise your right arm off the floor and hold for three deep breaths (A). Repeat with your left arm.

 Next lift each leg, in turn, from the modified plank start position (B). Hold for three breaths before returning to the start position.

Superman

Tighten your core muscles.
Raise one arm a few inches off
the floor (A). Hold for three deep
breaths, and return your arm to
its starting position. Repeat with
your other arm.

Now try the exercise lifting first one leg then the other (B).
You need only raise your arms and legs a few inches to begin strengthening your lower back.

Side planks challenge your stability and work the muscles along the side of your body.

Starting on your left side, raise yourself onto your left forearm. Tighten your core muscles to keep your shoulders, hips and knees in alignment (A). Align your left shoulder directly above your left elbow. Rest your right arm along the side of your body.

For an added challenge, balance on your left hand, raise your hips off the floor and extend your right hand toward the ceiling (B). Hold for three deep breaths, relax and switch sides.

