

Muscle-tendon stresses and elastic energy storage during locomotion in the horse Andrew A. Biewener *
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The maximum value of the AT strain energy during the stance phase is the total amount of elastic energy stored. Tendon energy recoil during the propulsion phase of walking ...

In vertebrates, elastic energy is typically stored in long tendons and ligaments. In arthropods, the largest group of invertebrates, the locations of springs appear to be more diverse. ... Indirect evidence for a reduction of muscle work requirements via storage of elastic energy comes from measurements of flight efficiency in wasps, mosquitos ...

However, specific tendons, for example, the equine superficial digital flexor tendon (SDFT) and the human Achilles tendon, have additional functional specializations to allow energy storage [1]. They act like highly adapted elastic springs that stretch and store energy, which they can then return to the system through elastic recoil, to improve ...

Since there are many muscles in the body, each tendon differs in its function and therefore its mechanical properties. For example, the Young's modulus of the human patellar tendon is 660 ± 266 MPa (mean \pm standard deviation), whereas the tibialis anterior tendon is about 1200 MPa. Aging also significantly affects the mechanical properties of tendons: Young's modulus of ...

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Elastic energy savings; Muscle-tendon elasticity Muscle and tendon energy storage refers to strain energy that is stored and elastically recovered within a muscle-tendon complex during each contractile cycle of a muscle.

Individual knee extension force, patellar tendon stiffness, stress, strain, Young's modulus, hysteresis, and energy storage capacity, were obtained with combined dynamometry, ultrasonography ...

o Energy-Storage Loading (plyometric loading) o Return to Activity/Sport Interventions o Patient education o Prolonged isometric contractions of moderate intensity (40-70%) with tendon in shortened range throughout entirety of rehab o Progressive muscle-tendon loading program o Correction of kinetic chain deficits

Here, we test the idea that tendons reduce the rate of energy absorption by skeletal muscle during energy-dissipating activities. If tendons store energy rapidly and release it more slowly to do ...

Introduction. The role of the Achilles tendon (AT) in elastic energy storage with subsequent return during stance phase is well established 1 - 7. Recovery of elastic energy imparted to the AT is potentially influenced

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by AT morphology in three ways: (1) material properties of the tendon, (2) cross-sectional area of the tendon, and (3) the moment arm of the ...

Elastic strain energy that is stored and released from long, distal tendons such as the Achilles during locomotion allows for muscle power amplification as well as for reduction of the locomotor energy cost: as distal tendons perform mechanical work during recoil, plantar flexor muscle fibres can work over smaller length ranges, at slower shortening speeds, and at lower ...

Tendon and ligament compliance allows elastic energy to be stored and returned to offset energy fluctuations of the body's center of mass during locomotion, conserving muscle work and reducing the metabolic energy cost of locomotor movement. Tendon architecture greatly affects the storage and recovery of elastic strain energy, with long, thin ...

Energy storage and transmission occur with the loading of muscle, tendon, and bone and result in locomotion, whereas these same tissues dissipate energy to constrain motion and protect the body ...

Shorter heels are linked with greater elastic energy storage in the Achilles tendon Article Open access 30 April 2021. Mechanical properties of muscles and tendon structures in middle-aged and ...

A morphometric analysis of the digital muscles provides an estimate of maximal in vivo tendon stresses and suggests that the muscle-tendon unit of the digital flexor is designed to function as an elastic energy storage element whereas that of the digital extensor is not.

Muscle and tendon energy storage represents the strain energy that is stored within a muscle-tendon complex as a muscle and tendon are stretched by the force developed by the muscle when it contracts. This energy may be subsequently recovered elastically when the muscle relaxes.

Highly Irritable Tendons A highly irritable tendon is defined as the clinical situation in which pain is significantly and sometimes dramatically increased for several days or weeks after even subtle progressions of energy-storage load. The patellar tendon that is highly irritable may require the use of bilateral loading exercises early in the ...

Elastic energy storage in tendons in the legs, feet, and wings of many animals is an important mechanism that saves substantial quantities of muscular energy during loco-motion.^{1,2} Elastic recoil, primarily by the tendons, converts most of the ...

Energy Storage. Tendon can play a significant role in efficient locomotion. When tendon is stretched it stores potential energy that can be recovered as work as the tendon is released. The characteristics of tendon allow 80-95% of this energy to be recovered. Wallabies use elastic storage in the ankle flexors during hopping . When the foot ...

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Allometry of muscle, tendon, and elastic energy storage capacity in mammals Am J Physiol. 1994 Mar;266(3 Pt 2):R1022-31. doi: 10.1152/ajpregu.1994.266.3.R1022. ... Consequently, the capacity for elastic energy storage scales with positive allometry in these tendons but is isometric in the digital extensors, which probably do not function as ...

The crucial last stage of rehabilitation is the initiation and execution of "energy storage" tendon exercises. These exercises include deformation of the tendon with jumping and hopping based exercises. These exercises help the tendon to regain its capacity to absorb and then release energy via the stretch-shortening cycle, that happens ...

Similarly, no significant difference in tendon energy storage or energy return was detected between groups. In contrast, hysteresis was lower in the patellar tendon of ski jumpers (-33%) and runners (-30%) compared to controls, with a similar trend for the Achilles tendon (significant interaction effect and large effect sizes $i^2 = 0.2$).

The differences in material properties between mature flexor and extensor tendons are correlated with their physiological functions, i.e., the flexor is much better suited to act as an effective biological spring than is the extensor. We investigated the possibility that tendons that normally experience relatively high stresses and function as springs during locomotion, ...

Tendon and muscle stresses increased more steeply with changes of gait and during galloping, than during trotting. Calculations of elastic strain energy storage based on tendon stress showed similar patterns of increase with change of speed and gait, with the greatest contribution to elastic savings by the DDF tendons of the forelimb and hindlimb.

The capacity for energy storage in tendon is very high, because it has a high modulus and can undergo relatively large strains. The modulus of elasticity in tendon is somewhat variable, with reported values from mechanical testing that range from about 500 MPa to nearly 2000 MPa for tendons from adult animals (Matson et al., 2012).

Our results provide support for the relationship between short Achilles tendon moment arms and increased elastic energy storage, providing an empirical mechanical ...

The elastic strain energy recoil of the AT during the propulsion phase of walking and running is a well-known mechanism within the muscle-tendon unit, which increases the efficiency of muscle ...

Tendons store energy when they stretch and quickly release it when they contract again. There are several techniques we can use to increase energy storage. The most important is to first move in ...

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