

ADJUSTING THE TRAINING PROCESS IN JUDO ACCORDING TO PHYSICAL AND FUNCTIONAL PARAMETERS

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ABSTRACT

Research background and hypothesis. The specificity of the technical performance in judo demands from athletes to perform fast and powerful actions at a high level, therefore, much importance is given to the development of aerobic capacity and supporting motor system, in particular, strength of the hand-grip function.

Research aim was to study the judoka's hand-grip strength and lung vital capacity indices in the aspect of age and weight categories and find out the relation between those two factors as well as the most characteristic age period of motor development.

Research methods. The studies were carried out in the preparatory periods of 2009–2011 training cycles. The subjects were 2000 male judokas in 8 different weight categories. The measurements were made using a dynamometer and dry spirometer. The obtained results were statistically processed by SPSS 19, using ANOVA test.

Research results. Research results showed that the judoka's hand-grip and lung vital capacity average indices increased in each higher age and weight category, but this increase was not regular. The most obvious period of motor development at which increase in results was most noticeable was 13–15 years of age. The increase in the hand-grip strength and lung vital capacity in the age and weight categories were inversely proportional, and we found a correlation between them.

Discussion and conclusion. We suggest that there is a close relationship between motor system and the muscles participating in respiration.

Keywords: hand grip, lung vital capacity, data dynamics, practical use.

INTRODUCTION

Training judo athletes' motor skills and developing anthropometric qualities is different from those of untrained persons and representatives of other kinds of sports (Marchocka, 1992; Jagiełło, Kalina, 2007). These differences are mainly caused by the specific nature of training and skills developed in training sessions and due to the morphological changes in their bodies.

The judoka develops certain specific motor characteristics/skills at the very initial stage of training-learning process when the body is influenced by various exercises intended for general and special development (Zubitashvili, 2010).

In the judoka training process the greatest attention is paid to the development of fast and powerful motor skills, which implies synchronic

development of strength and respiratory capacities. According to D. Chitashvili et al. (2010) from bio motor abilities, the development of hand grip strength is the priority; and aerobic capacity indicators are the increase in lung vital capacity.

Hand muscles, hand grip muscles in particular, participate in all manipulative activities realized by the cranial part of the body; thus they have a significant role in habitual, ordinary or specific professional work as well as in sport activities or in sport testing, talent selection or prognostic criteria. According to M. Dopsaj et al. (2007) and D. Leyk et al. (2007), hand grip strength is not always the same, along with gender and age it also depends on the specificity of the type of sports.

According to I. Banovic (2001), it is well known that persons under the experiment with more strength in hand muscles are more successful in wrestling because having strong hands they can block the opponent's offensive actions, control the space between themselves and the rival and manage to take more favorable positions for the realization of their own attack.

In judo, besides hand grip strength much attention is paid to the rational use of it in practice, in particular the correct hand-grip in order to take a favorable fighting position. According to J. Pedro (2001), judo is impossible without using stances and grips correctly. In addition, during all time of wrestling judoka has to fight continuously for taking the advantageous position for hand-grip.

It has been stated that the development of hand grip strength and aerobic capacity do not differ between elite and non-elite judokas (Franchini et al., 2005), but it is also obvious that their values are directly related to the quality of body working ability, being one of the most important conditions for success (Chitashvili, 2005). Despite the above described studies providing useful information, we still do not come across such complex problem resolution approaches which would be able to establish judokas' physical abilities and functional capacities (in our case, hand-grip strength and lung vital capacity) in the aspect of age and weight categories. This fact determined our goal.

Research aim was to study judoka's hand-grip strength and lung vital capacity indices in the aspect of age and weight categories and find out the relations between these two factors as well as the most characteristic age period of motor development.

The tasks of the research. Aiming at achieving this goal we have to solve the following tasks:

1. Establish the average indices of hand grip strength and lung vital, capacity compare them by age and weight categories and determine the age when the greatest results are observed.
2. Determine of possible correlations between the data.

RESEARCH METHODS

The subjects. The research was conducted during three identical preparation periods (2009–2011) of the training cycle for male judokas aged 8–20 years, training at 10 different sports schools of Georgia.

Experiment included the 2000 judokas from the total number of persons (2314) who were selected at random. They were in 8 different weight categories (20–30, 31–40, 41–50, 51–60, 61–70, 71–80, 81–90 and 91–100 kg). The sum of weight categories at all ages made 50. Each of them consisted of 40 judokas.

Distribution of judokas in the experiment by age and weight categories is provided in Table 1.

Measures. The hand-grip strength was measured in the dominating hand using the 90 kg scale dynamometer (# 13968). The persons under the experiment were given a task to squeeze the dynamometer with maximum capacity and show the maximal ability of hand grip.

Lung vital capacity was determined by dry spirometer (TY 64-1-2267-77). The persons under the experiment were given a task to exhale into the spirometer with their maximum capacity after taking a deep breath. The data from the persons under the experiment were obtained after finishing the first part of the exercise in standing position. Three attempts for each device were allowed, the best result was recorded.

The aforementioned research methods made it possible to study the indices of the judokas' hand-grip strength and the lung vital capacity by age and weight categories perfectly and to create the necessary numeral standards for identification of their athletic ability.

Statistics. Statistical analysis of the data was carried out by using the software package SPSS 19 for Windows. The ANOVA test was used to determine the effect of age (8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 years) and weight (20–30; 31–40; 41–50; 51–60; 61–70; 71–80; 81–90 and 91–100 kg) on hand grip strength and lung vital capacity. Descriptive data were presented as means, SD, Standard Error, Max and Min. The

Table 1. Cross tabulation of age and weight categories

Count		Weight categories								Total
		20-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61-70	71-80	81-90	91-100	
Age	8	40	40	40	0	0	0	0	0	120
	9	40	40	40	0	0	0	0	0	120
	10	40	40	40	0	0	0	0	0	120
	11	0	40	40	40	0	0	0	0	120
	12	0	40	40	40	0	0	0	0	120
	13	0	40	40	40	40	0	0	0	160
	14	0	0	40	40	40	40	0	0	160
	15	0	0	0	40	40	40	40	0	160
	16	0	0	0	40	40	40	40	40	200
	17	0	0	0	40	40	40	40	40	200
	18	0	0	0	40	40	40	40	40	200
	19	0	0	0	0	40	40	40	40	160
	20	0	0	0	0	40	40	40	40	160
Total		120	240	280	320	320	280	240	200	2000

Note: The Judokas were involved in the learning-training process by the program approved by the National Federation of Judo of Georgia in 2008, in accordance with the admitted worldwide KIU program which serves harmonious development and professional formation to judokas (Hence, certainty can be said that the training by aforementioned program in comparison with development of other characteristics does not cause any special increase in either the strength of hand-grip or lung vital capacity).

level of significance was set at $p < 0.05$ (For detail sample size distribution see Tables 2 and 3).

In order to evaluate the relationship between the above mentioned variables, Pearson's coefficient of Bivariate correlation was calculated, test of significance was two tailed method (Table 4).

RESEARCH RESULTS

The indices of judokas' hand-grip strength (kg) and the lung vital capacity (Liters) by age and weight categories are provided in the Tables 2 and 3.

The obtained data are reported in Figures 1 and 2, reflecting the mean values of hand-grip strength and the lung vital capacity considering the age and weight categories.

In order to determine the possible correlation between the received data, as it was mentioned in "Statistics", Pearson's coefficient of Bivariate correlation was used. The data displayed in Table 4, indicate the reliable correlative affect on each other of the weight category, hand-grip strength and lung vital capacity increases.

DISCUSSION

The data obtained show that the average indices of strength of hand-grip and lung vital capacity increase with age and weight category of judokas (see Figures 1 and 2). Even in case of the same weight category, the greater the age of a judoka is, the higher the results are, though the results do not

increase equally that would give the possibility to determine the stage of motor development.

In L. W. Wołkow's (1998) study concerning the aforementioned motor development stage three levels of children and young people's particular growth of physical capacities are identified: 8 – to 9 years, 10 – to 12 years and 13 – to 14 years of age.

According to the results obtained by W. Jagiełło et al. (2007), the most effective period for motor development of young male judokas is 14–15 years of age. Instead, in our data we observed one especially distinguished level of motor development. Its range is relatively wide, and it covers 13–15 years of age, which should be conditioned by the tested persons' involvement in sports, particularly in judo and as a result of prolonged phase of motor development, which is clearly seen in Figures 1 and 2. The same figures show that hand-grip strength and lung vital capacity increase almost equally with age and weight category. Besides visual effects noticed in figures, the reliability of this fact is also proved by the data in Table 4, where the correlation accuracy between them is over 95%.

CONCLUSIONS AND PERSPECTIVES

Even at the level of the age and weight categories there is a close relation between motor system and respiratory muscles, and it is desirable to take this fact into account in planning the learning-training process in order to facilitate the creation of equal

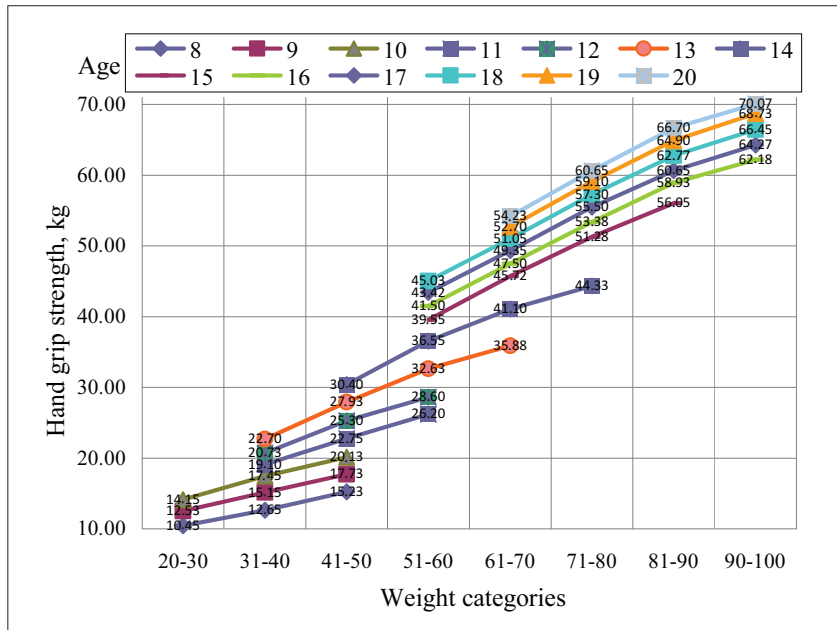


Figure 1. The mean value of hand grip strength in different age and weight categories of judokas

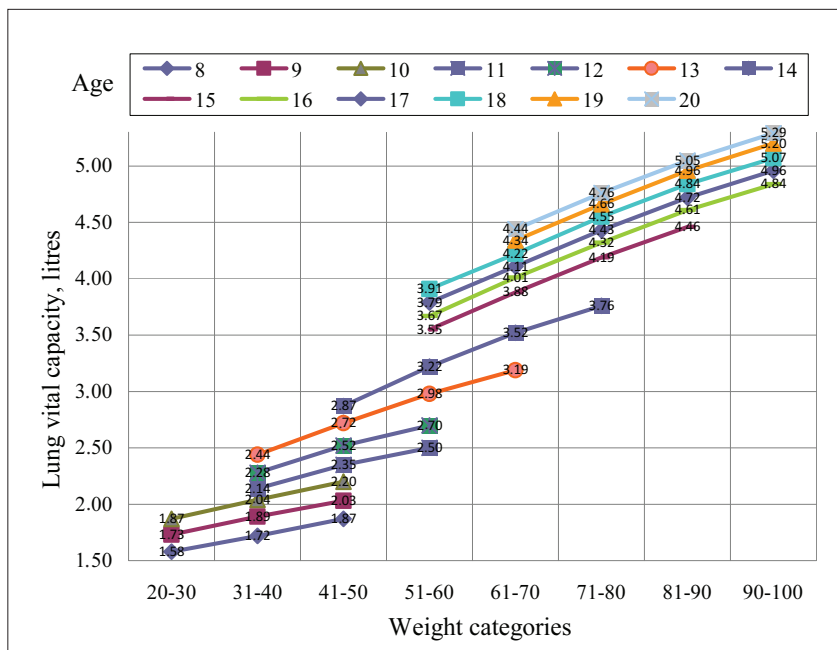


Figure 2. The mean value of lung vital capacity in different age and weight categories of judokas

preconditions for the physical and functional development of the body.

The research results will find their application in practical activities, if we compare the individual judokas' results with those obtained by us.

It has become possible to determine the rate of future physical and functional development for judokas of different age and weight categories in advance, being an important precondition for the regulation of learning-training process.

Based on the results of the research, promising judokas, training in different regions of Georgia were revealed, their data were passed over to the

leading coaches, and they were recommended for individual training because of their high athletic abilities.

Further research should continue to identify the mean, maximum and minimum growth rates of cognitive processes as well. It would probably make it even easier to manage judoka's training which involves the development of physical, functional and cognitive abilities at each period of age.

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Table 2. Descriptive data of hand grip considering age and weight categories of judokas

Age	N	Weight of judokas, kg		Weight categories (kg)/minimum and maximum for 'weight of judokas'											
		Mean	Std. Deviation	20-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61-70	71-80	81-90	91-100	Hand grip strength, kg			
				Mean								Std. Deviation	Std. Error	Minimum	Maximum
8	40	25.35	2.547	10.45								2.572	0.407	6	15
8	40	34.28	2.075		12.65							3.034	0.48	7	18
8	40	44.3	2.115			15.23						3.69	0.583	8	22
9	40	25.18	3.054	12.53								2.611	0.413	8	17
9	40	34.18	2.183		15.15							2.905	0.459	9	20
9	40	44.88	2.388			17.73						4.006	0.633	10	25
10	40	24.65	3.06	14.15								2.914	0.461	9	19
10	40	34.67	2.712		17.45							3.396	0.537	11	23
10	40	45.6	2.845			20.13						4.127	0.653	13	28
11	40	35.45	2.81		19.1							3.35	0.53	13	25
11	40	45.4	2.96			22.75						5.237	0.828	15	31
11	40	54.58	2.581				26.2					5.205	0.823	18	34
12	40	36.08	2.759		20.73							3.457	0.547	14	27
12	40	44.2	2.377			25.3						5.175	0.818	17	33
12	40	55.15	2.527				28.6					5.606	0.886	20	37
13	40	34.33	2.536		22.7							3.299	0.522	16	29
13	40	46.32	2.712			27.93						4.526	0.716	20	36
13	40	54	2.449				32.63					5.873	0.929	23	41
13	40	66.28	2.65					35.88				5.501	0.87	26	47
14	40	45.38	2.844			30.4						5.372	0.849	22	38
14	40	56.38	2.192				36.55					5.657	0.894	27	45
14	40	64.25	2.307					41.1				5.606	0.886	31	52
14	40	76.07	2.358						44.33			7.109	1.124	32	57
15	40	56.15	3.167				39.55					6.243	0.987	29	49
15	40	65.4	2.509					45.72				5.853	0.925	35	56
15	40	74.25	2.436						51.28			8.003	1.265	39	63
15	40	85.45	2.736							56.05		7.916	1.252	43	69
16	40	54.27	2.522				41.5					6.106	0.965	31	51
16	40	66.6	2.725					47.5				4.466	0.706	37	58
16	40	75.15	2.597						53.38			6.927	1.095	42	66
16	40	86.02	2.796							58.93		7.627	1.206	46	72
16	40	95.05	2.736								62.18	8.048	1.272	50	76
17	40	55.75	2.447				43.42					5.813	0.919	34	53
17	40	67.62	2.261					49.35				4.594	0.726	39	60
17	40	75.95	2.791						55.5			7.042	1.113	44	69
17	40	85.68	2.777							60.65		8.502	1.344	48	74
17	40	95.65	2.527								64.27	8.286	1.31	52	78
18	40	56.33	2.117				45.03					5.673	0.897	36	54
18	40	66.58	2.659					51.05				5.233	0.827	41	62
18	40	75.62	2.761						57.3			8.156	1.29	46	71
18	40	85.88	2.503							62.77		8.094	1.28	51	77
18	40	95.57	2.438								66.45	7.449	1.178	54	80
19	40	66.43	2.716					52.7				5.18	0.819	42	64
19	40	75.3	2.633						59.1			7.725	1.221	47	73
19	40	85.1	2.458							64.9		8.351	1.32	53	79
19	40	96.37	2.404								68.73	7.261	1.148	56	82
20	40	66.95	2.32					54.23				5.299	0.838	43	65
20	40	75.58	2.48						60.65			7.181	1.135	48	74
20	40	86.55	2.396							66.7		7.819	1.236	54	80
20	40	95.43	2.395								70.07	6.746	1.067	58	84

Table 3. Descriptive data of lung vital capacity considering age and weight categories of judokas

Age	N	Weight of judokas, kg		Weight categories (kg) / minimum and maximum for 'weight of judokas'												
		Mean	Std. Deviation	20-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61-70	71-80	81-90	91-100	Lung vital capacity, litres				
												Mean				
8	40	25.35	2.547	1.58									0.219	0.035	1.1	2
8	40	34.28	2.075		1.72								0.223	0.035	1.2	2.1
8	40	44.3	2.115			1.87							0.221	0.035	1.4	2.3
9	40	25.18	3.054	1.73									0.205	0.032	1.3	2.1
9	40	34.18	2.183		1.89								0.253	0.04	1.4	2.3
9	40	44.88	2.388			2.03							0.236	0.037	1.6	2.5
10	40	24.65	3.06	1.87									0.263	0.042	1.5	2.3
10	40	34.67	2.712		2.04								0.31	0.049	1.5	2.5
10	40	45.6	2.845			2.2							0.283	0.045	1.7	2.7
11	40	35.45	2.81		2.14								0.295	0.047	1.7	2.6
11	40	45.4	2.96			2.35							0.326	0.052	1.8	2.9
11	40	54.58	2.581				2.5						0.358	0.057	1.9	3.1
12	40	36.08	2.759		2.28								0.304	0.048	1.8	2.8
12	40	44.2	2.377			2.52							0.31	0.049	1.9	3
12	40	55.15	2.527				2.7						0.317	0.05	2.1	3.3
13	40	34.33	2.536		2.44								0.299	0.047	1.9	2.9
13	40	46.32	2.712			2.72							0.347	0.055	2.1	3.3
13	40	54	2.449				2.98						0.321	0.051	2.3	3.6
13	40	66.28	2.65					3.19					0.421	0.067	2.5	3.9
14	40	45.38	2.844		2.87								0.352	0.056	2.2	3.5
14	40	56.38	2.192				3.22						0.321	0.051	2.6	3.9
14	40	64.25	2.307					3.52					0.543	0.086	2.7	4.4
14	40	76.07	2.358						3.76				0.59	0.093	2.8	4.8
15	40	56.15	3.167				3.55						0.416	0.066	2.8	4.3
15	40	65.4	2.509					3.88					0.564	0.089	2.9	4.7
15	40	74.25	2.436						4.19				0.574	0.091	3.2	5.2
15	40	85.45	2.736							4.46			0.596	0.094	3.4	5.5
16	40	54.27	2.522				3.67						0.529	0.084	2.9	4.5
16	40	66.6	2.725					4.01					0.503	0.08	3	4.9
16	40	75.15	2.597						4.32				0.578	0.091	3.3	5.3
16	40	86.02	2.796							4.61			0.621	0.098	3.5	5.6
16	40	95.05	2.736								4.84		0.777	0.123	3.7	6.1
17	40	55.75	2.447				3.79						0.504	0.08	3	4.6
17	40	67.62	2.261					4.11					0.462	0.073	3.1	5.1
17	40	75.95	2.791						4.43				0.548	0.087	3.4	5.4
17	40	85.68	2.777							4.72			0.614	0.097	3.6	5.8
17	40	95.65	2.527								4.96		0.75	0.119	3.8	6.2
18	40	56.33	2.117				3.91						0.457	0.072	3.1	4.7
18	40	66.58	2.659					4.22					0.453	0.072	3.2	5.2
18	40	75.62	2.761						4.55				0.612	0.097	3.5	5.6
18	40	85.88	2.503							4.84			0.632	0.1	3.7	6
18	40	95.57	2.438								5.07		0.724	0.114	3.9	6.3
19	40	66.43	2.716					4.34					0.375	0.059	3.3	5.3
19	40	75.3	2.633						4.66				0.585	0.093	3.6	5.7
19	40	85.1	2.458							4.96			0.8	0.126	3.8	6.2
19	40	96.37	2.404								5.2		0.671	0.106	4	6.4
20	40	66.95	2.32					4.44					0.392	0.062	3.4	5.4
20	40	75.58	2.48						4.76				0.552	0.087	3.7	5.8
20	40	86.55	2.396							5.05			0.648	0.102	3.9	6.3
20	40	95.43	2.395								5.29		0.644	0.102	4.1	6.5

Table 4. Correlations of weight, hand grip strength and lung vital capacity

		Weight category	Hand grip	Lung vital capacity
Weight category	Pearson Correlation	1	0.934(**)	0.902(**)
	Sig. (2-tailed)		0.000	0.000
	N	2000	2000	2000
Hand grip	Pearson Correlation	0.934(**)	1	0.976(**)
	Sig. (2-tailed)	0.000		0.000
	N	2000	2000	2000
Lung vital capacity	Pearson Correlation	0.902(**)	0.976(**)	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	0.000	0.000	
	N	2000	2000	2000

Note. ** – correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

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DZIUDO TRENIRUOTĖS VYKSMO REGULIAVIMAS PAGAL FIZINIUS IR FUNKCINIUS RODIKLIUS

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SANTRAUKA

Tyrimo pagrindimas ir hipotezė. Dziudo technikos specifika reikalauja, kad būtų atliekami labai meistriški, greitai ir galingi judesiai, todėl labai svarbu ugdyti sportininkų aerobinį pajėgumą bei judamąją sistemą, ypač plaštakų jėgą.

Tikslas: ištirti dziudo imtynininkų plaštakų jėgą, plaučių gyvybinį pajėgumą amžiaus bei svorio kategorijų požiūriu ir nustatyti tinkamiausią amžių šioms savybėms ugdyti.

Metodai. Tyrimai buvo atliekami per pratybas 2009–2011 m. ciklo metu. Tirta 2000 vyrų – 8-ių svorio kategorijų dziudo imtynininkų. Matavimai buvo atliekami dinamometru ir spirometru. Gauti rezultatai apdoroti SPSS 19 statistine programa taikant dispersinės analizės metodą.

Rezultatai. Vidutiniai plaštakų jėgos ir plaučių gyvybinio pajėgumo rodikliai su amžiumi ir kintant svorio kategorijai didėjo, tačiau nereguliariai. Geriausias judamojo aparato augimo laikotarpis yra 13–15 metų amžius – tada pasiekiami geriausių sportinių rezultatų. Aptiktas koreliacinis ryšys tarp plaštakų jėgos ir plaučių gyvybinio pajėgumo rodiklių.

Aptarimas ir išvados. Tarp sportininko judamosios sistemos ir raumenų, dalyvaujančių kvėpavimo procese, yra glaudus ryšys.

Raktažodžiai: plaštakos jėga, plaučių gyvybinis tūris, duomenų kaitumas, praktinė vetrė.

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