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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this study is to compare speed, agility and power between forwards and

backlines among rugby players. A total forty subject (N=40) from Uitm Pahang Rugby

Players, were selected through purposive sampling. The study was using an expost facto

design to conduct this study. The study compared of the result of post-test of 30 meters sprint

speed test, Illinois agility test and standing long jump test. All subject will perform only two

trials for each test. They will perform for speed in the first day. The next day, they will

perform a power and agility test. This study used an independent sample T-test for data

analysis. There is significant difference of hypotheses testing for the 30 meter sprint speed

test which is forward (M=0.520, SD=0.411) and backline (M=0.484, SD=0.215);

t(40)=3.503, (p=0.00). Hypotheses testing for Illinois agility test which is forward (M=18.33,

SD=0.828) and backline (M=16.55, SD=0.634); t(40)=7.640, (p=0.000). The last hypotheses

testing for standing long jump test which is forward (M=1.923, SD=0.486) and backline

(M=2.449, SD=0.208); t (40)=-4.448, (p=0.000). To conclude, this finding suggest that

backlines have greater fitness component in term of speed, agility and power than forwards.

KEYWORDS: Rugby player, Speed, Power, Agility, Forwards, Backlines

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