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## RESUMEN

Distintas investigaciones han puesto de manifiesto la importancia del sueño para la recuperación, el rendimiento y la salud de los deportistas. Debido a que cada deporte tiene características particulares en cuanto a demandas de entrenamiento y competencia, este trabajo se propone revisar las publicaciones de los últimos 10 años que han incluido estudios sobre sueño en jugadores de rugby. Para ello se utilizaron las bases de datos PubMed, Scielo, Redalyc, y Google Académico, de las que se seleccionaron 23 artículos que cumplieron con los criterios de inclusión (publicaciones en inglés o español, entre los años 2012 y 2022, que incluyan alguna de las siguientes palabras clave: “sueño”, “patrones de sueño” o “hábitos de sueño” y “rugby”). La mayoría de los estudios se realizaron con jugadores de rugby profesional adultos, mientras que sólo 4 consideraron población adolescente. A partir de los resultados, se observa que las características del sueño varían en función de la edad, las cargas de entrenamiento, los viajes de larga distancia, y los horarios de entrenamientos y competencias. Este trabajo aporta información relevante para considerar la importancia del sueño en el rugby, así como para el diseño y la implementación de estrategias para su mejora.

## Palabras clave

Sueño - Rugby - Revisión sistemática

## ABSTRACT

### SLEEP CHARACTERISTICS IN RUGBY PLAYERS:

### A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW

Different investigations have highlighted the importance of sleep for the recovery, performance and health of athletes. Due to the fact that each sport has particular characteristics in terms of training and competition demands, this work intends to review the publications of the last 10 years that have included studies on sleep in rugby players. For this, the PubMed, Scielo, Redalyc, and Google Scholar databases were used, from which 23 articles were selected that met the inclusion criteria (publications in English or Spanish, between the years 2012 and 2022, that include some of the the following keywords: “sleep”, “sleep patterns” or “sleep habits” and “rugby”). Most of the studies were carried out with adult professional rugby players, while only 4 considered the adolescent population. From the results,

it is observed that the characteristics of sleep vary according to age, training loads, long-distance travel, and training and competition schedules. This work provides relevant information to consider the importance of sleep in rugby, as well as for the design and implementation of strategies for its improvement.

## Keywords

Sleep - Rugby - Systematic review

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