## Supplementary material

**Table S1.** Effect size between groups.

Measurement	Rugby (n = 16)	Controls (n = 16)	<i>p</i> -value (Cohen's <i>d</i> effect size)
Distance (cm) IRD	0.44 (0.13) *	0.44 (0.37-0.60) †	0.367 ‡ (0.00)
Thickness (cm)	0.11 (0.13)	0.44 (0.57 – 0.00)	0.507 + (0.60)
Right TrAb	0.41 (1.06–1.03) †	0.33 (0.07) *	0.011 ‡ (0.10)
Right IO	$0.93 \pm 0.07$ *	$0.80 \pm 0.12$ *	0.003 ** (1.32)
Right EO	$0.73 \pm 0.13$ *	0.64 ± 0.11 *	0.045 ** (0.74)
Right RA	1.19 ± 0.12 *	1.03 ± 0.11 *	0.001 ** (1.38)

Abbreviations: EO, external oblique; IO, internal oblique; IRD, interrecti distance; RA, rectus anterior; TrAb, transversus abdominis. \* Mean (standard deviation) was applied. \*\* Student's t-test for independent samples was performed. † Median (25th percentile, 75the percentile) was used. ‡ Mann-Whitney U test was utilized.