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# ANTHROPOMETRY, PHYSICAL FITNESS, AND COORDINATION IN YOUNG CYCLISTS OF DIFFERENT DISCIPLINES

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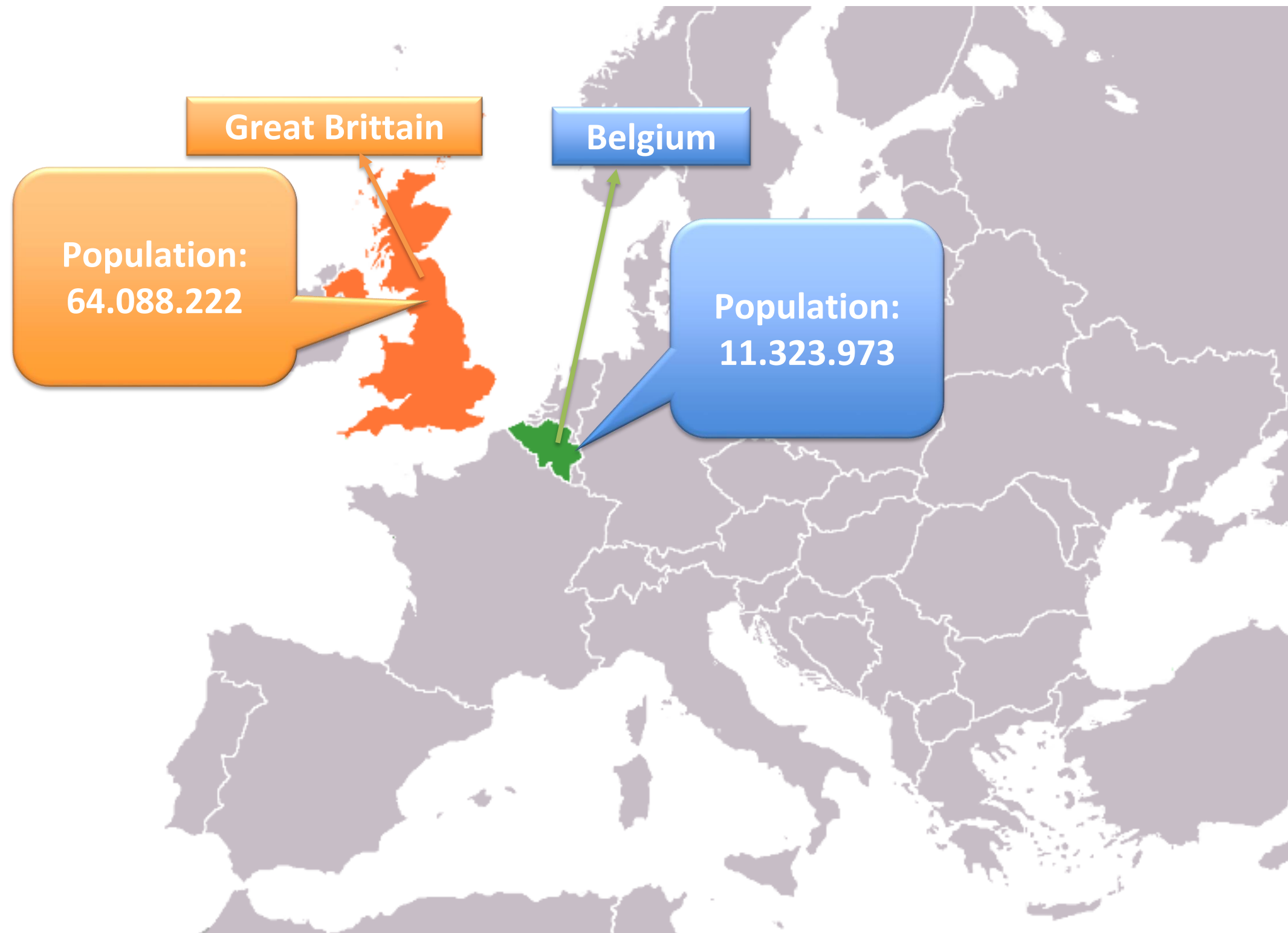






Novak et al. (2001); Lee et al. (2002); Foley et al. (1989)













### **BMX**

- 40 – 45 sec
- Curvy and hilly trail



### **Road**

- 3h – 6h
- Flat and hilly roads



### **Cyclo-cross**

- 40min – 60min
- Winter and meadowland surfaces



### **Track**

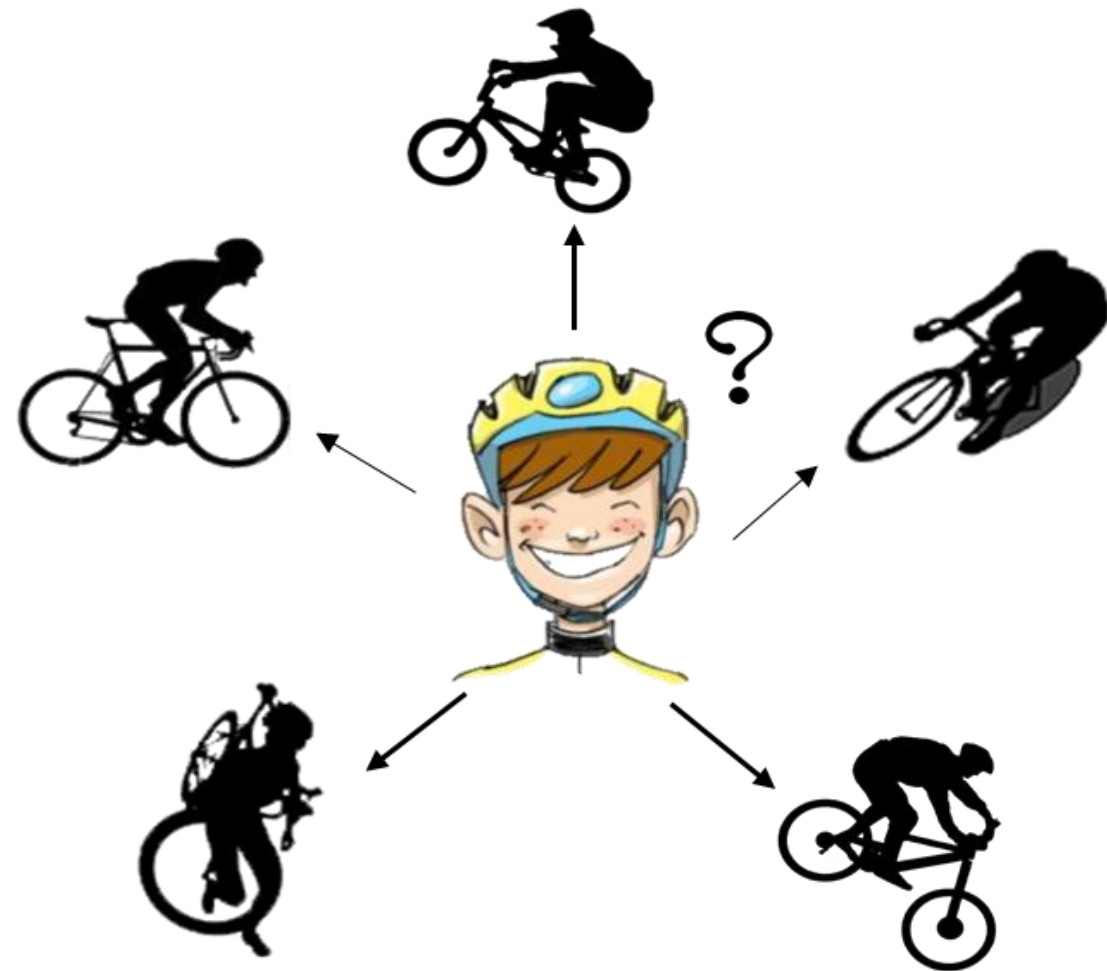
- 10sec – 1h
- Indoor



### **MTB**

- 1h30 – 1h45 ...
- Mountain landscape





1. Talent detection:

Reference values for young and adolescent cycling athletes

2. Talent orientation:

Defining the differentiating characteristics between the five disciplines

# Population

332 male competitive cyclists

Sport discipline	Age group 7 – 11.99 yrs	Age group 12 – 16.99 yrs
Average age (yrs)	10.19 ± 1.21	14.14 ± 1.30
BMX	33	16
Road	16	73
Road + Cyclo-cross	43	64
Road + track	11	54
MTB	15	7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>214</b>
Reference population	815	

# Procedure



## Anthropometry:

Body length, sitting height, body weight and BMI



## Physical tests:

Standing broad jump, sit and reach, endurance shuttle run, *plank position*, and *30m sprint*



## Motor coordination tests (KTK):

Jumping sideways, moving sideways, and balance beam

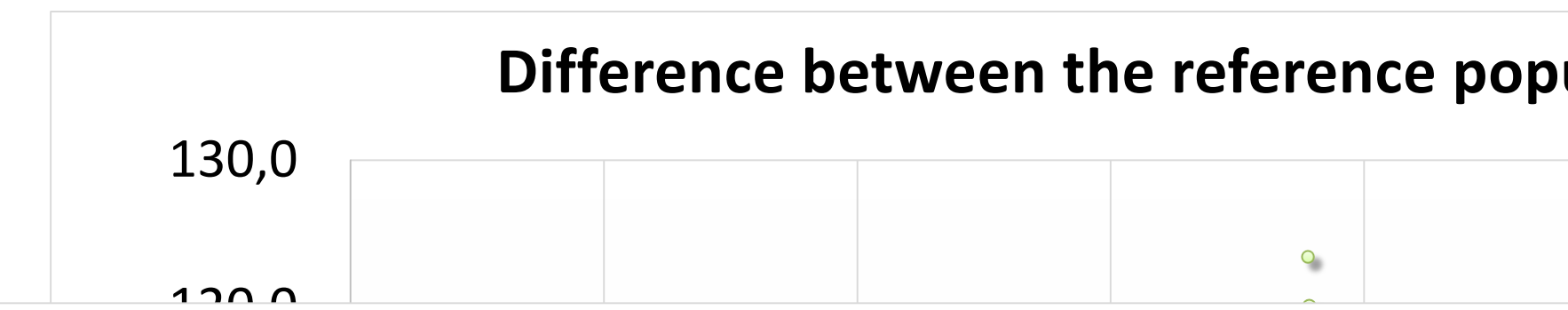


## Cycling specific test:

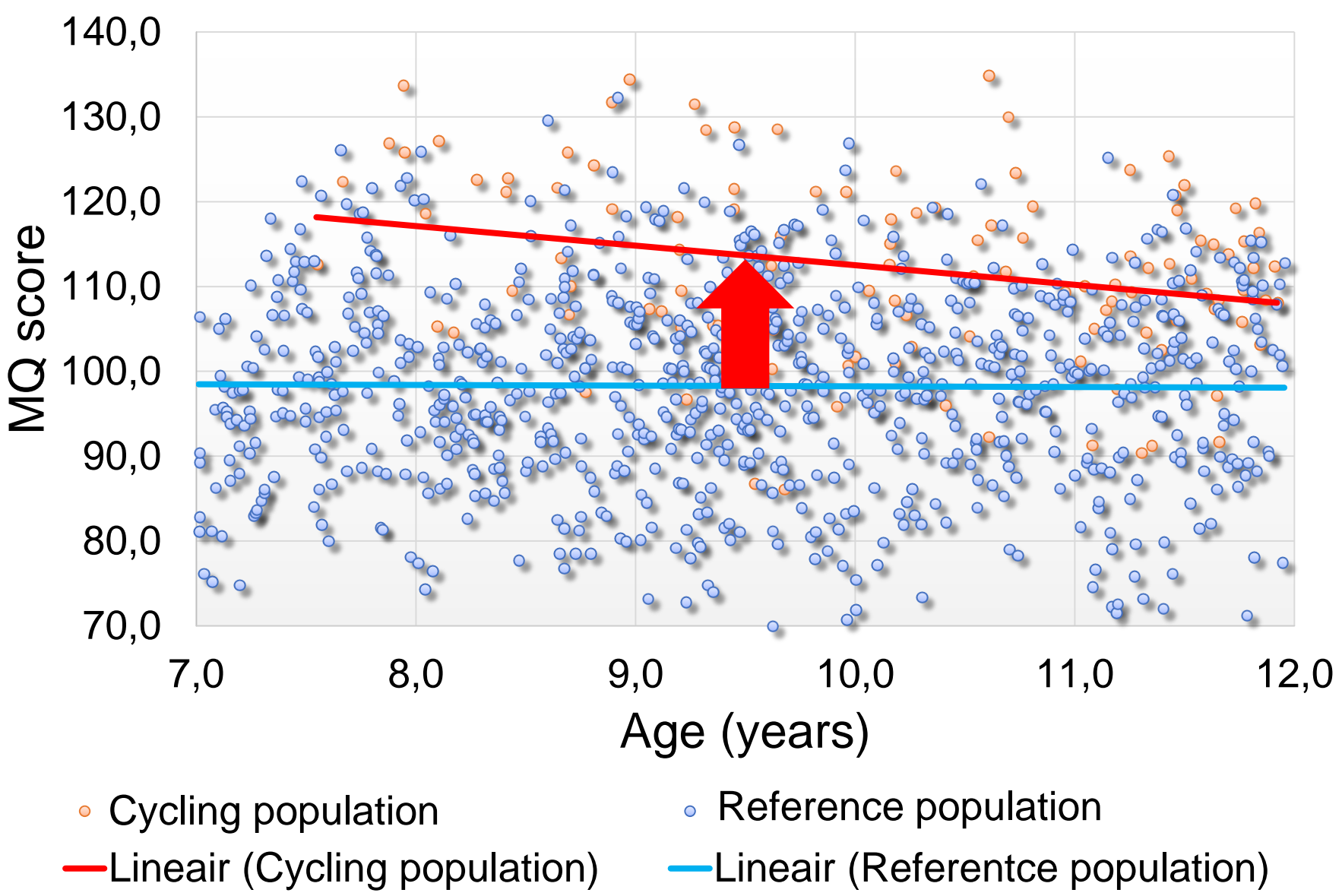
*Maximal cadence test*

# 1. Talent detection

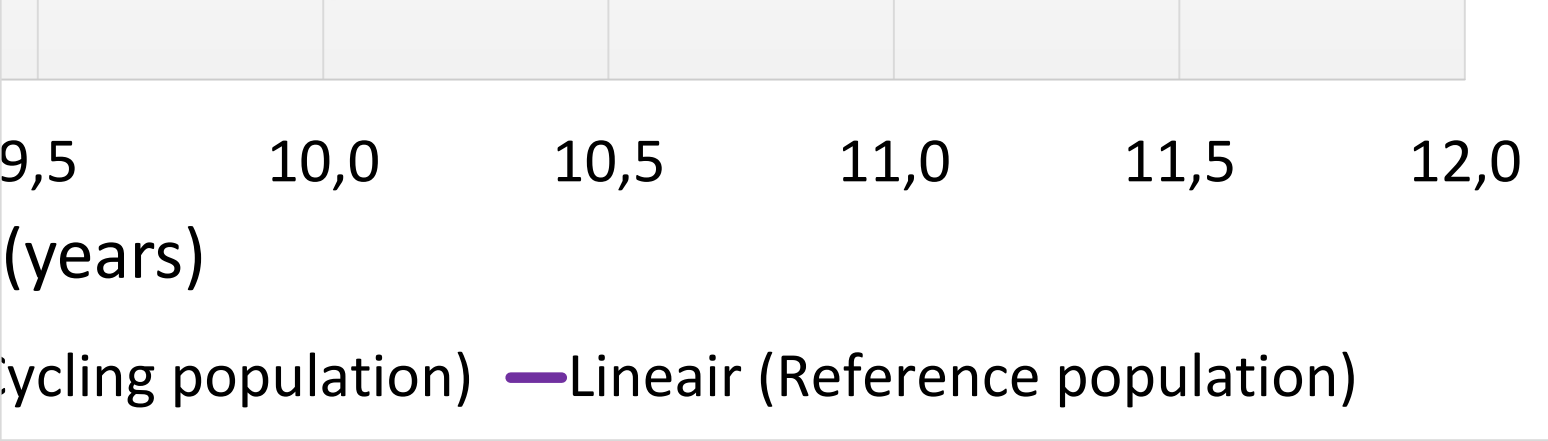
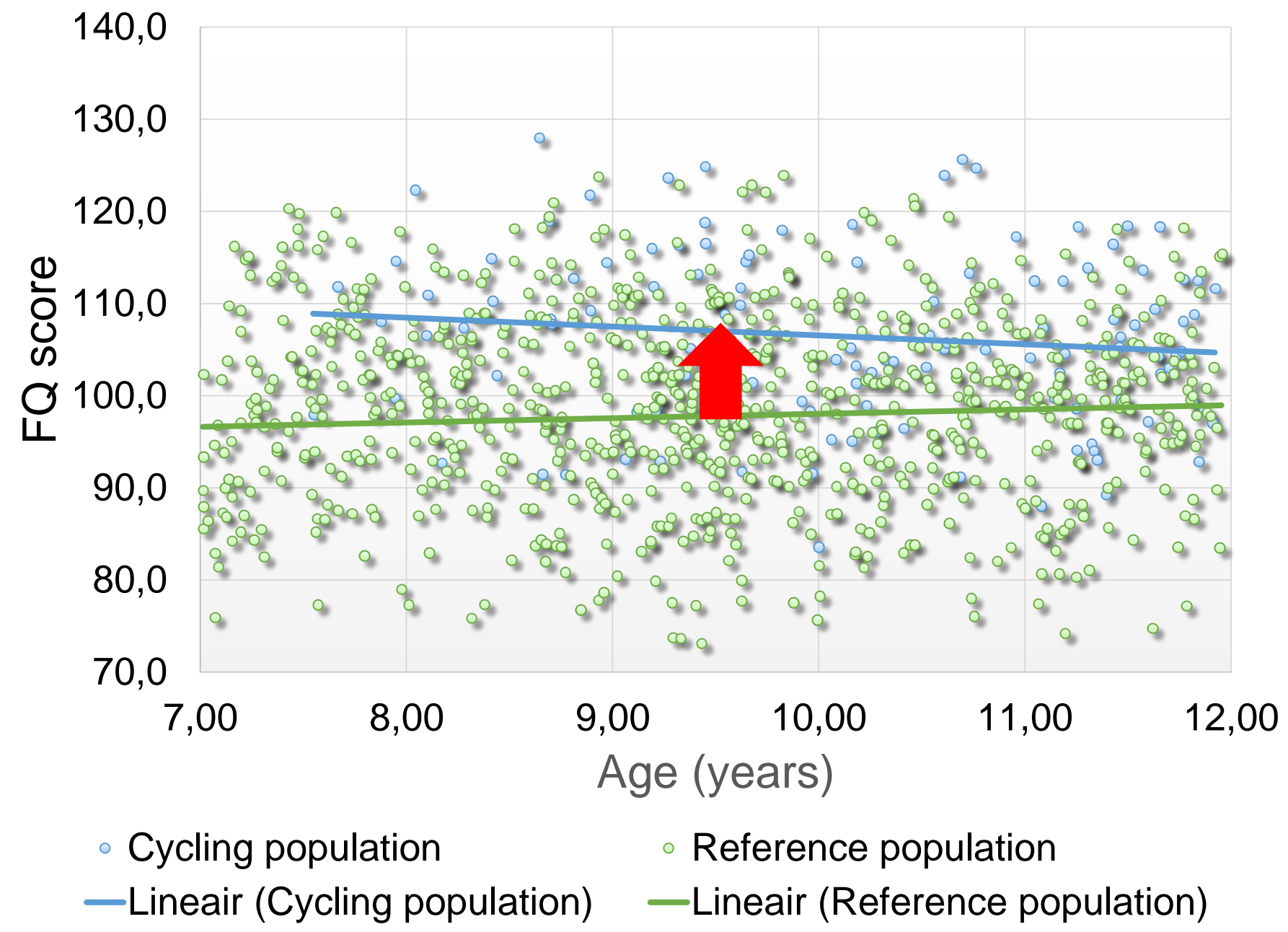
Difference between the reference population



Motor coordination



Physical tests

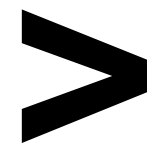




## 2. Talent orientation

	7 – 11.99 yrs MANCOVA Maturity offset F	12 – 16.99 yrs MANCOVA Maturity offset F
<b>Anthropometry</b>	<b>1.334</b>	<b>1.667*</b>
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )		3.062*
<b>Physical performance</b>	<b>1.691*</b>	<b>2.095***</b>
Standing Broad Jump (cm)	4.510**	11.043***
30m Sprint Time at 5m (s)		3.712**
30m Sprint Time at 10m (s)	3.083*	4.984**
30m Sprint Time at 20m (s)	2.673*	3.935**
30m Sprint Time at 30m (s)	3.921**	4.681**
<b>Motor coordination</b>	<b>0.978</b>	<b>2.888**</b>
Jumping Sideways (N)		3.698**
Balance Beam (N)		2.968*
<b>Cycling specific test</b>	<b>1.751</b>	<b>2.506*</b>
Maximal cadence test (N)		2.506*

## 7 – 11.99 yrs cyclists



Standing broad jump

30 m sprint (10, 30m)



# 12 – 16.99 yrs cyclists



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(BMI)



Standing broad jump



30 m sprint

Jumping sideways



Balance beam



Maximal cadence test



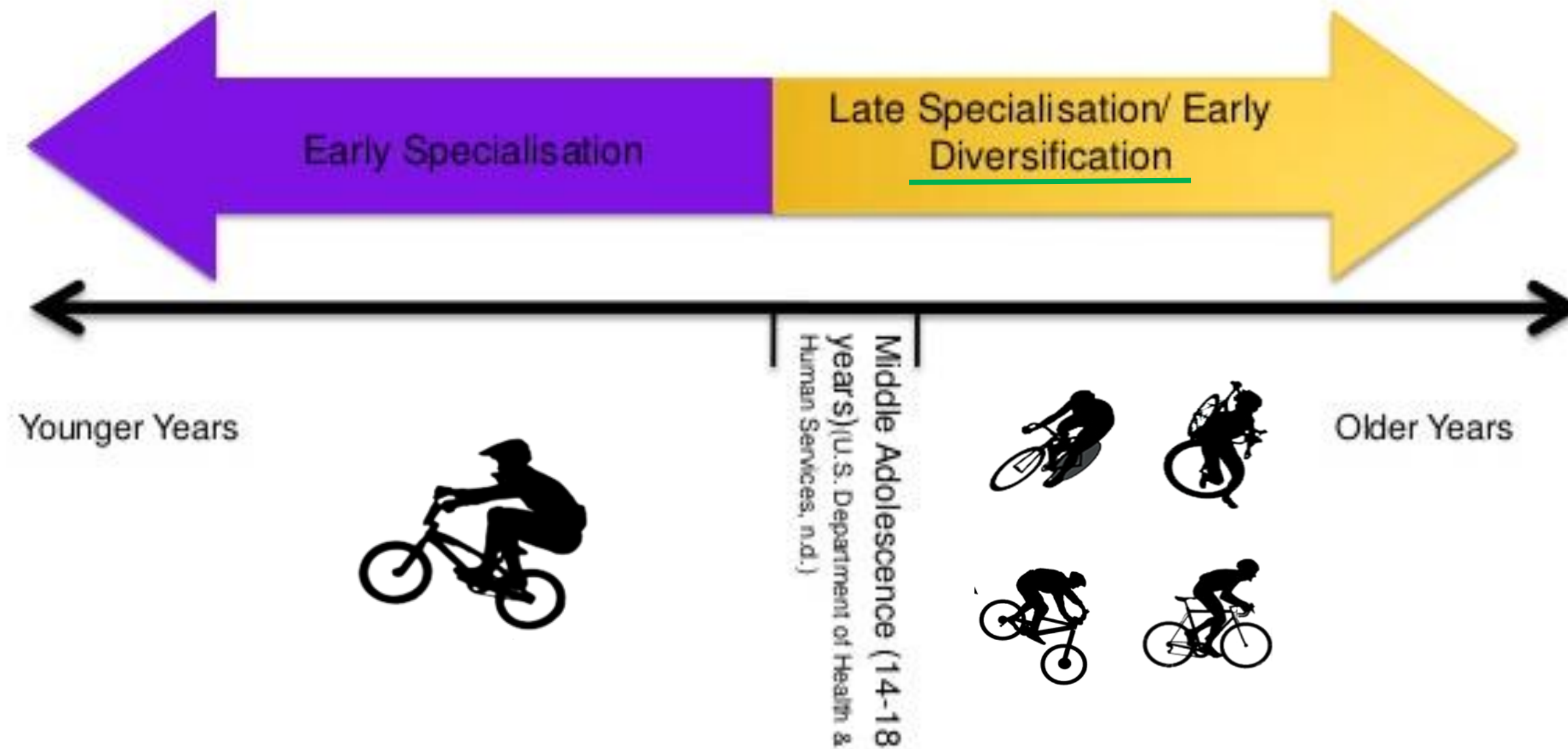
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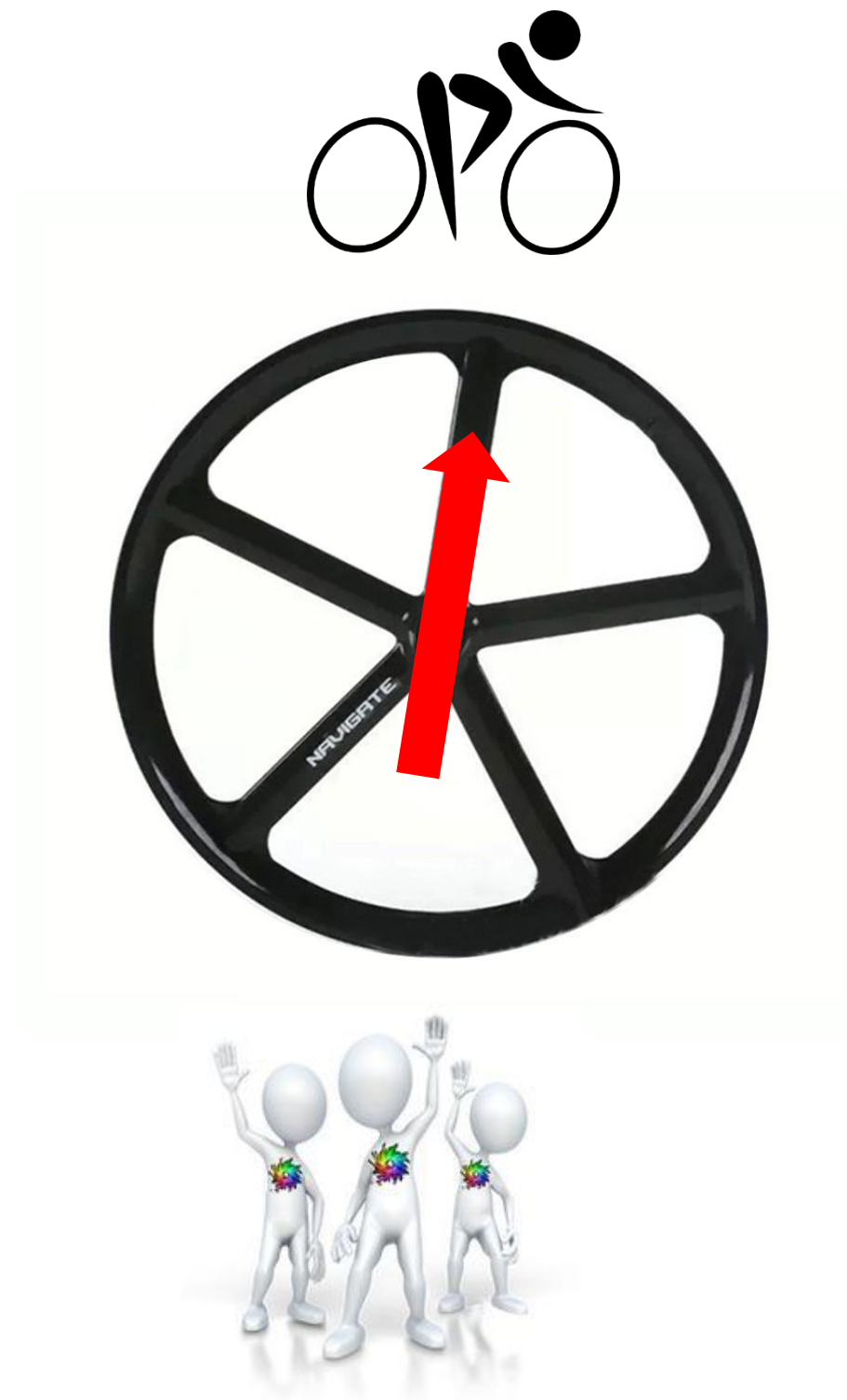
Balance beam







# Talent detection



# Talent orientation



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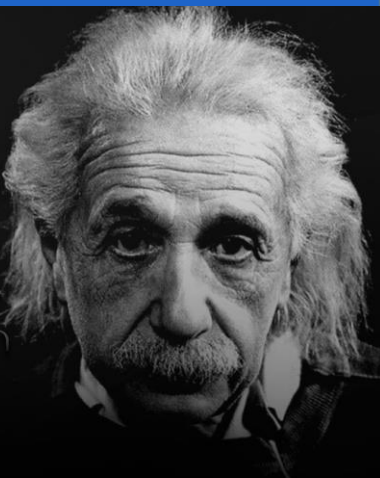
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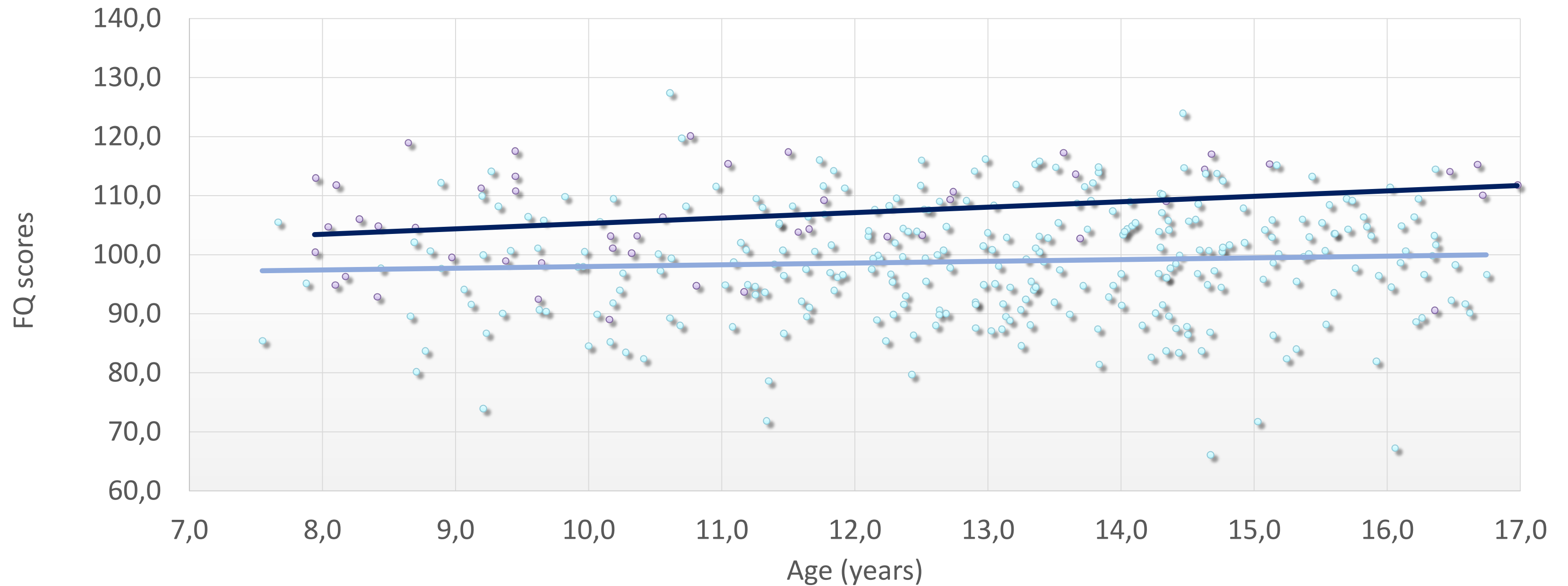
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I have no special talent.  
I am only passionately curious.  
-Albert Einstein





## Physical results for the BMX and other cycling disciplines



● BMX  
population

● Mean cycling  
population

— Linear (BMX  
population)

— Linear (Mean cycling  
population)

## Motor coordination results for the BMX and other cycling disciplines

