

**Doctoral position available at the Department of  
Biomechanics in Sports, Technical University of Munich**

**Muscle-tendon interaction in stretch-shortening cycles:  
Influence of serial elastic components and stretch-induced force enhancement**

In a DFG funded interuniversity project together with the University of Stuttgart (Prof. T. Siebert) and the Ruhr-University Bochum (Prof. D. Hahn), we are interested in “Contractile, elastic, and neural mechanisms of muscular performance enhancement during stretch-shortening-cycles”. The aim of this research project is to provide a holistic analysis of contractile, biomechanical, and neuromechanical factors contributing to the increased performance during stretch-shortening cycles.

**Research at the Technical University of Munich**

The experiments on human *m. triceps surae* are designed to transfer the findings from the fiber experiments to the level of the *in vivo* muscle-tendon-complex. Main focus in the **TUM** laboratory is to analyze the interaction between the contractile and series elastic elements of *in vivo* human triceps surae muscle action during and after stretch-shortening cycles.

**Position at the TUM**

- **3 year PhD candidate (65% research assistant position)**
- **Membership at the local faculty graduate school**
- **Aimed project start January 2018**

We are looking for highly motivated and enthusiastic PhD students with an excellent MSc. or diploma degree in the fields of kinesiology, biomechanics or sports science.

Candidates must have **methodological skills** in

- **Ultrasound imaging (muscle tendon complex)**
- **Dynamometric measures (isokinetic strength tests)**
- **Electromyography**
- **electrical muscle stimulation**
- **Data processing in MATLAB**

With your electronic application, please submit:

- 1) Motivation letter for the position (max 2 pages)**
- 2) Up-to-date vita in English including relevant documents (e.g. certificates, diploma, references)**

Please submit your e-application materials with the subject line “SSC TUM” to [biomechanik.sp@tum.de](mailto:biomechanik.sp@tum.de) by no later than **20<sup>th</sup> of October, 2017**.

***TUM is an equal opportunity employer. Therefore, women are especially encouraged to apply. Disabled persons with equivalent qualifications will be preferentially employed.***