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The authors Juliane Mueller, Tilman Engel, Stephan Kopinski, Frank Mayer and Steffen Müller submit their work entitled “**Neuromuscular trunk activation patterns in healthy and back pain patients during one-handed lifting**” as an original article (basic study). The paper is an invited paper (**ID: 03511895**).

All authors have made substantial contributions to (1) the conception and design of the study/ and analysis and interpretation of data as well as drafting of the article and revised it. Each of the authors has read and concurs with the content in the final manuscript. The material within has not been and will not be submitted for publication elsewhere except as an abstract. There is no conflict of interest.

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