

University of Zurich Sports Labour Markets

Choose **one** paper from **each part** of the reading list and be prepared to summarise and discuss. Formal presentations are not required.

1. Player Effort and Productivity

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B. Buraimo, B. Frick, M. Hickfang and R. Simmons (2015). The economics of long-term contracts in the footballers' labour market. *Scottish Journal of Political Economy*, 62, 8-24.

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B. Hill (2014). The heat is on: Tournament structure, peer effects and performance. *Journal of Sports Economics*, 15, 315-337.

W.-J. Jane (2015). Peer effects and individual performances: Evidence from swimming competitions. *Journal of Sports Economics*, 16, 531-539.

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C. Depken (2000). Wage disparity and team performance: The case of Major League Baseball. *Economics Letters*, 67, 87-92.

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