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Integrity in sport

Sport has the power to unite. We rightly celebrate the ideals of shared struggle, athletes pushing each other to develop, grow and strive for excellence. *Citius, Altius, Fortius* proclaims the Olympic motto, but we must also ask: “Faster, Higher, Stronger for whom?” The uncomfortable fact is that sport also divides. My research focuses on the ethics of how sport groups athletes into categories like age, ability, weight and sex. While categorization can be a powerful tool to increase fairness by “leveling the playing field”, the ways we categorize can also reduce fair equality of opportunity by creating barriers to inclusion or create unsafe environments especially for members of marginalized or vulnerable groups within society. Through my research I seek to amplify diverse voices questioning sport’s status quo to generating new knowledge that can inform integrity-based decision making that bridges the divides between the core principles of inclusion, fairness and safety.