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The statement "... two branches of sports medicine (underwater medicine and aviation medicine)" refers to the academic syllabus in sports medicine. Those areas are, for example, covered in the textbook, *Science and Medicine in Sports*, and is also included in the curricula of the Sports Medicine Training Programme of both Australia and Singapore.<sup>(1,2)</sup>

Sports medicine is a broad term that includes even nonclinical areas like the sports sciences. The term 'sports medicine' as used in the commentary was not meant to delineate specialty and subspecialty areas in medicine.

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