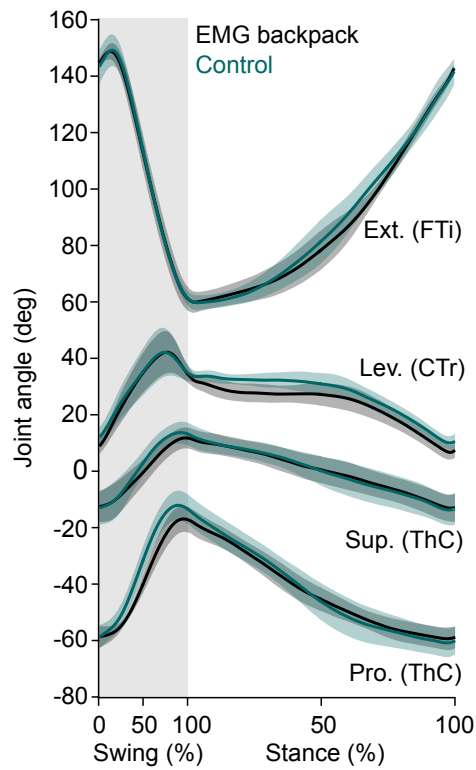


**Table S1. Kinematic parameters for level walking with and without the EMG backpack**

Kinematic parameter	control	EMG backpack
Pro. swing (deg)	-33.0±4.9	-38.6±2.8 [-12]
Pro. stance (deg)	-42.8±6.1	-42.9±3.8 [<1]
Sup. swing (deg)	1.8±5.3	-0.2±5.1 [-8]
Sup. stance (deg)	-0.3±5.2	-0.1±4.6 [1]
Lev. swing (deg)	31.8±7.1	30.9±6.5 [-3]
Lev. stance (deg)	27.1±2.8	23.6±3.7 [-11]
Ext. swing (deg)	110.5±4.0	110.2±5.5 [<1]
Ext. stance (deg)	88.2±4.7	86.8±3.5 [-2]

Values are means±s.d. of animal means (control, 5 animals, 10 steps per animal; EMG backpack, same animals, 18-33 steps per animal). Values in brackets indicate differences from level walking as a percentage of the range of the parameter (peak-to-peak amplitude of the parameter's mean time course) during the step cycle of control steps. Angles are net values averaged over each phase of the step cycle. Pro., protraction angle; Sup., supination angle; Lev., levation angle; Ext., extension angle. See Fig. 1B for angle conventions.



**Fig. S1. Effects of the EMG backpack on hind leg kinematics.** Joint angles of the hind leg during level walking normalized to swing and stance duration. Lines and error bands show means and 95% confidence intervals of animal means. Black lines show data with EMG backpack attached and electrodes implanted (5 animals, 18-33 steps per animal; same as black lines in Fig. 2H). Green lines show control data recorded from the same animals prior to backpack attachment and electrode implantation (5 animals, 10 steps per animal).