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now moving on yesterday on the programme we heard about the scientific study which suggests that there might be a link between hitting a football repeatedly and brain damage been particular dementia the Lincoln old players relate back some say they will football football's heavy 11 not plastic but there are questions now being raised about how players train and whether they should be advised to head the ball less than they do Gordon Taylor is chairman of the players union the professional footballers Association and joins us on the line I command you to go you said you take this seriously at the PFA would that mean in practice since the car and with Jeff Bastille said this could be a result of hacking we have done research with the for a miles Gibson neurosurgeon did Tanya ongoing research the felt that was better than going backwards but very difficult to get a really comprehensive research 1st job players in football against that

you are young man went in football a lot of the players in football because of the success rate again feel that was comprehensive and off since that time of course they have dementia has become an increasing problem but it's been the conclusion aspect of it which was a big issue when they play that game in America and what's called the a crime A traumatic and stressful are that they told us about pathology looking into brains and as a result sports like boxing rugby Union rugby League National Hunt racing it seemed brain damage and so they feel this is an area we should look at him for Wallace and deaths and that let's go and look at what you could do Gordon I'm sorry or you could do going forward now the really extreme thing would be to get rid of heading altogether but most people seem to be concentrating on whether the should be much less repetitive practising with of balls that some players had headed the ball thousands many thousands of times

Yes they happen on the one aspect of the game but seriously that of course there is problems latest early universe they had the youngsters do repetitive heading over very intense period and found the was some brain damage but 24 hours later that was or are you a thing the game needs to concentrate on a regular testing as he has done away with heart screening it needs to think about the long-term effects of had been and I think in the meantime is no bad thing the youngsters under the age of 10 not to be had in the war though that interview you would say to the very young very young players no need to use every like beach balls exactly that bearing in mind the not fully developed to make think it does help people to focus on now it seems today you're a phrase looking to undertake research as well a think it's about that a duty of care it's about health and safety but it's also not a game of very great benefits of sport and that's why

so many people still got into boxing and know they can even cricket when you see what happens with when the ball hits the helmet i-i-i i-i-i think it is about for have a duty of care to those youngsters coming into the game and making sure everything possible is done to protect them but the future just once since you seem to lose a job Yes take it seriously but don't spoil the sport don't ruin it III would say exactly that as Gordon Taylor chairman of the professional Footballers' Association PFA thank you very much