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ENDURANCE: *Physiological Demands & Limitations*

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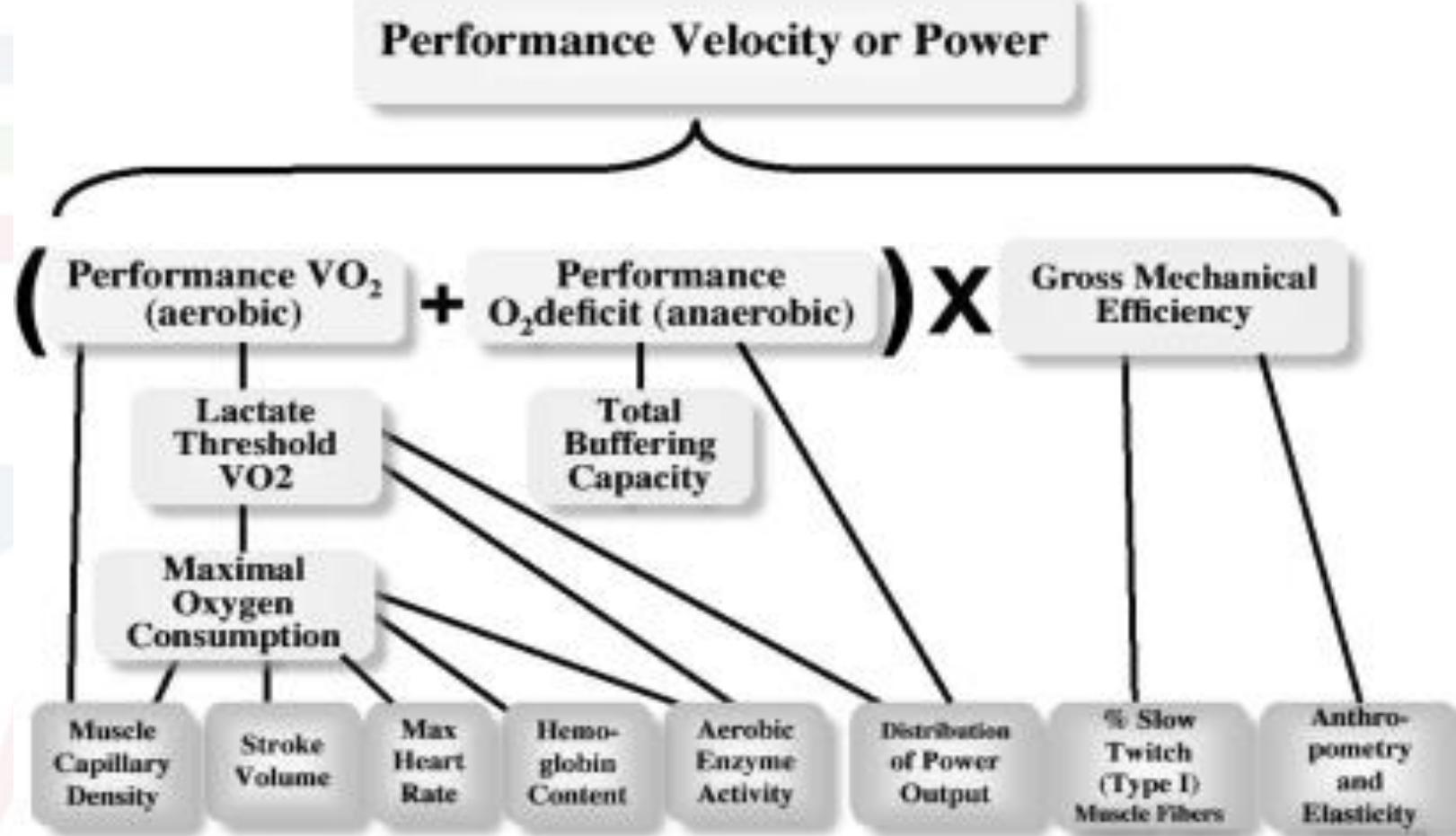


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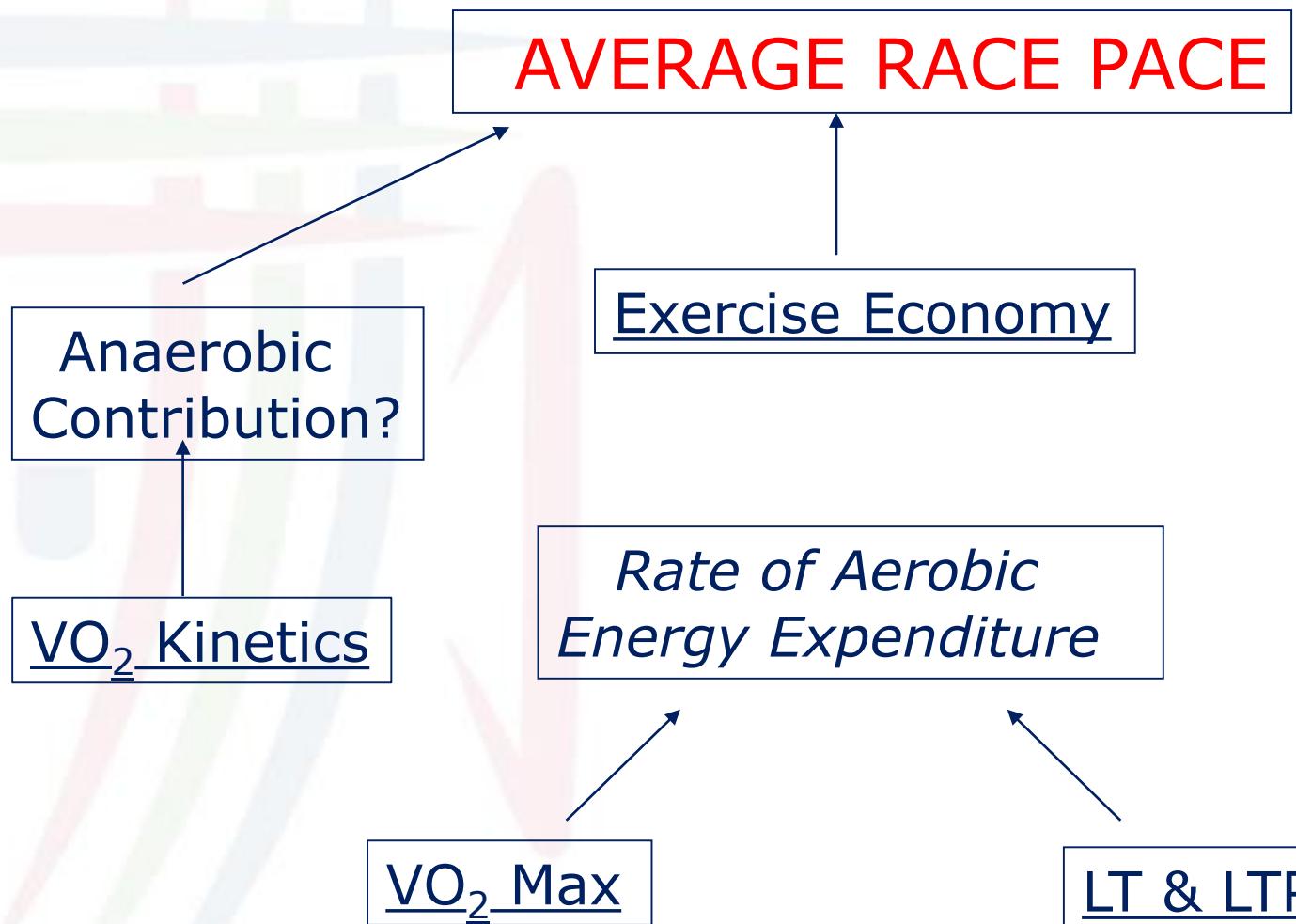
Physiological Determinants of Endurance Performance



MORPHOLOGICAL COMPONENTS

Joyner and Coyle, 2008

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Energetics of Running

Energy Systems Used in High-Intensity Running

Dawson and Duffield

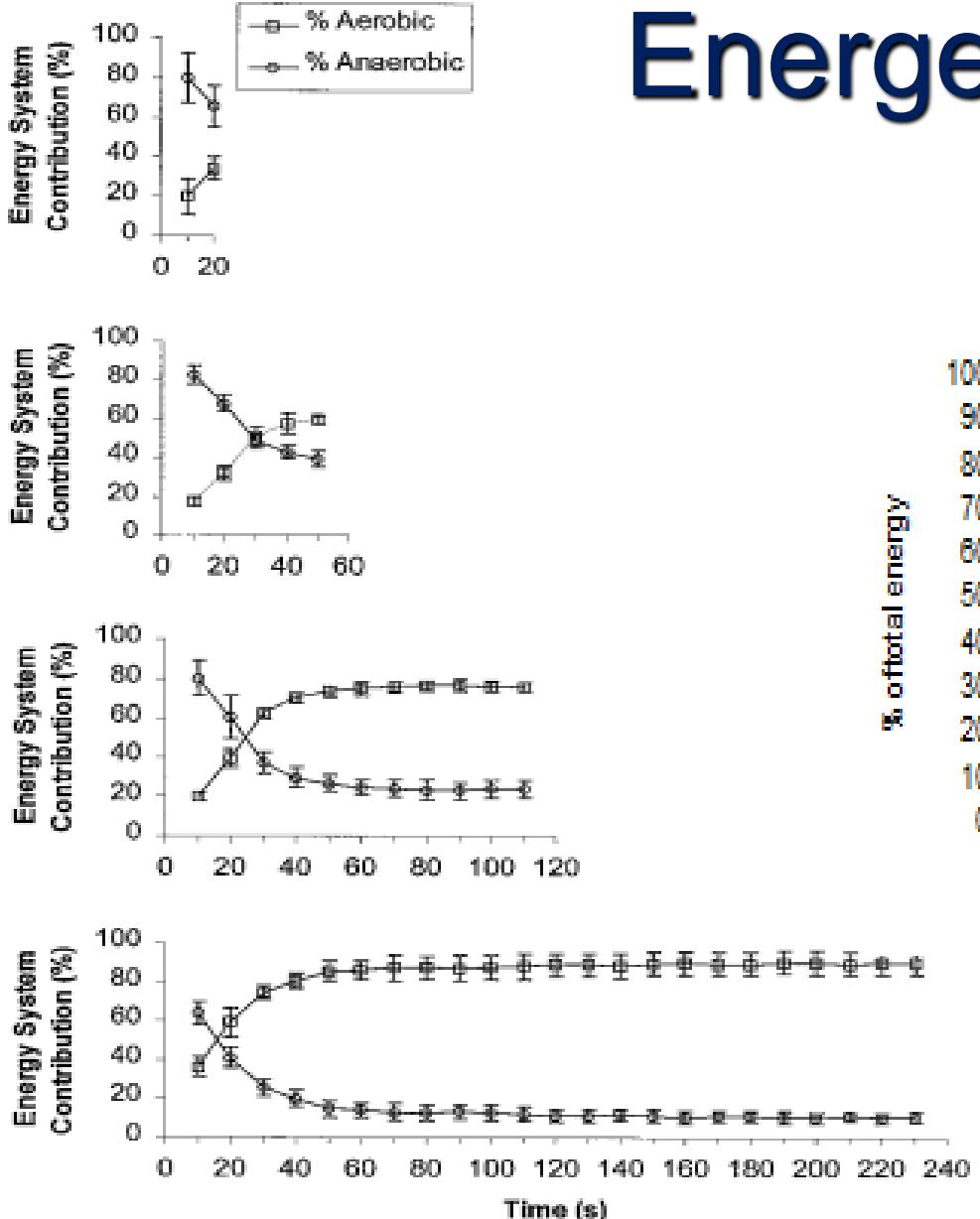
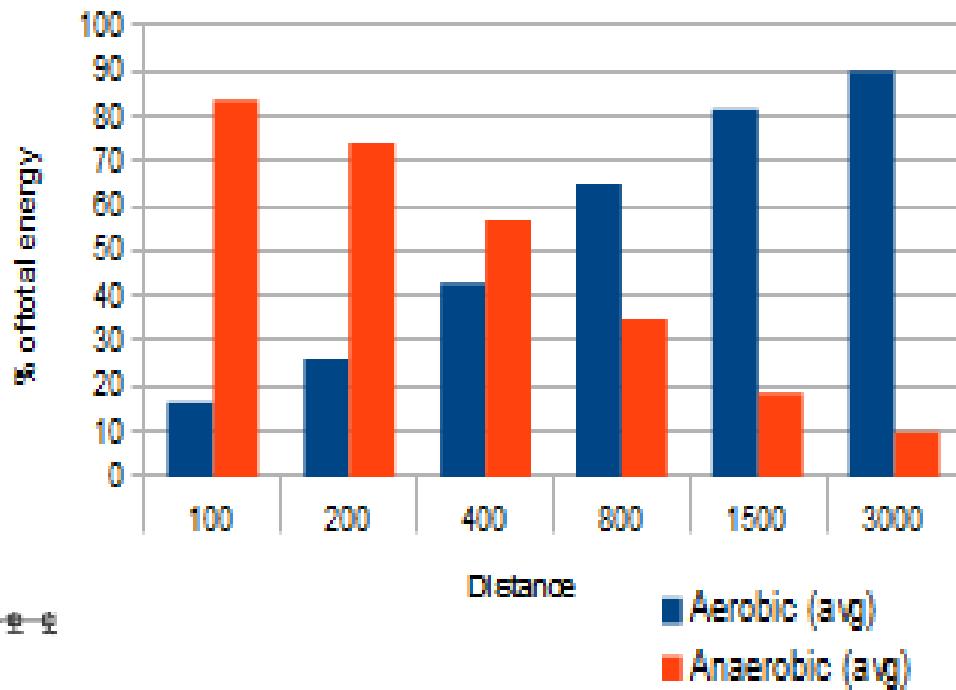
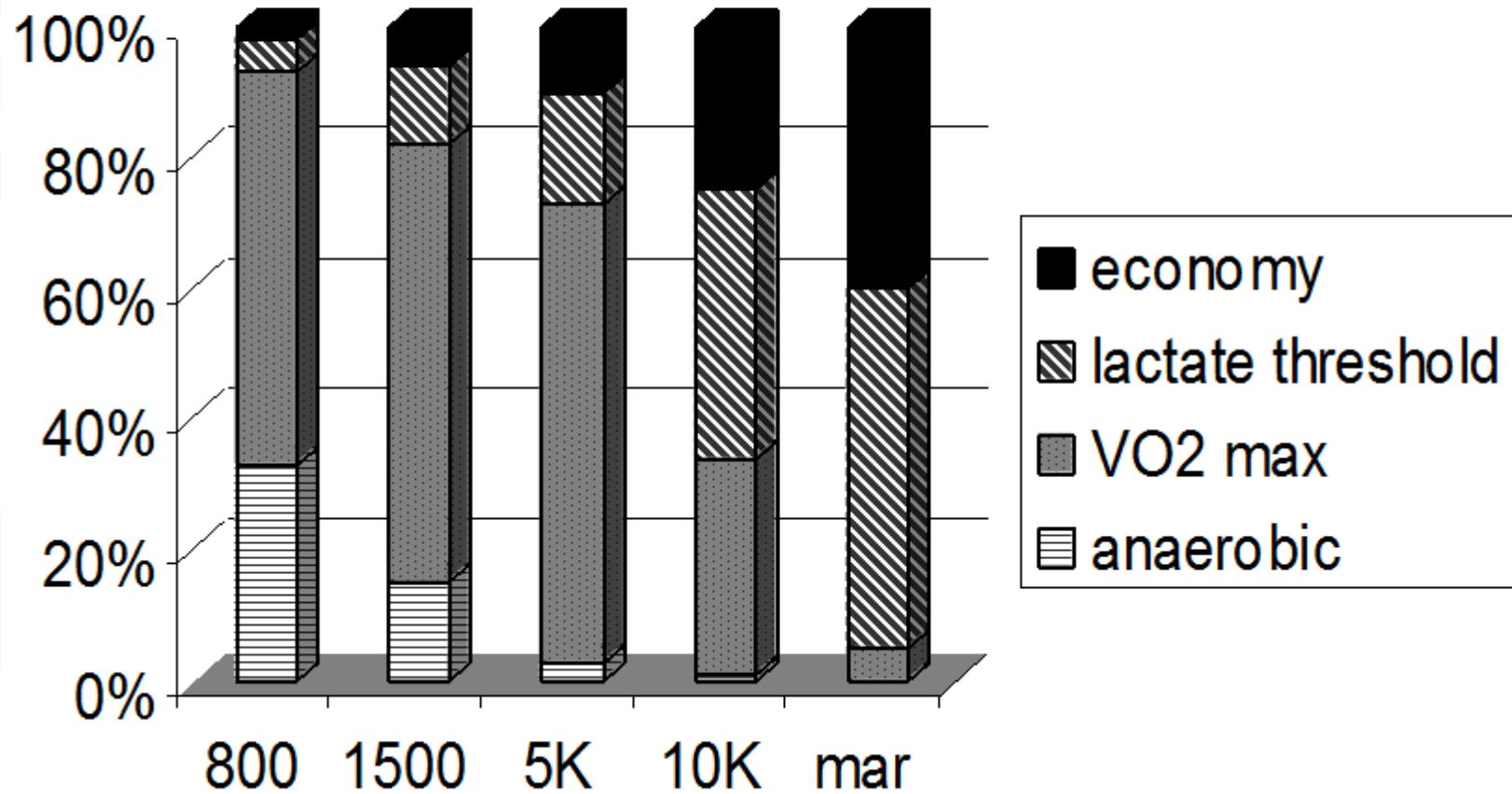


FIGURE 1—Energy system contribution in 10-s time intervals for the 200, 400, 800, and 1500 m. Data are mean values \pm SD.



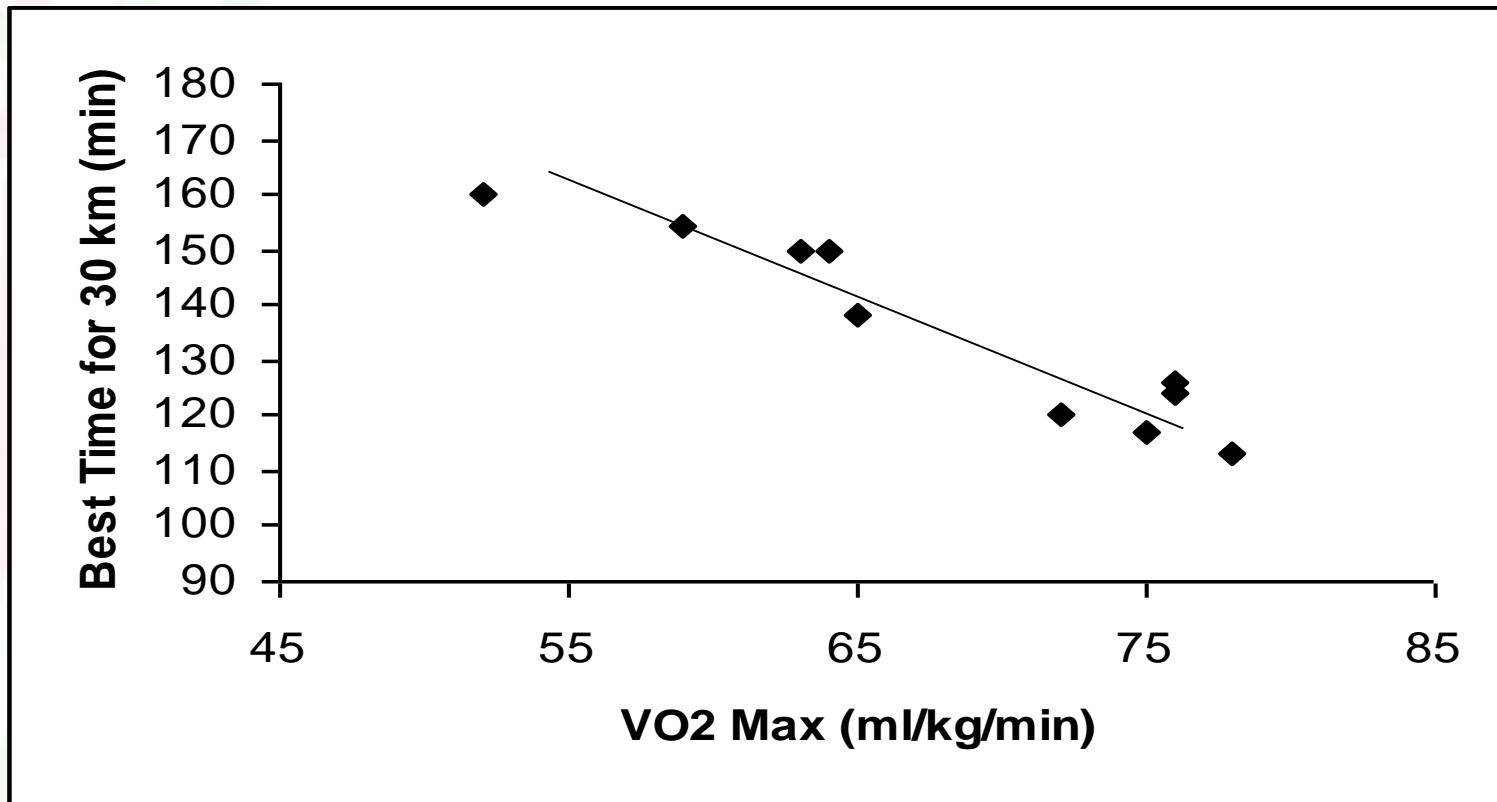
Physiology of Running



Maximal Oxygen Uptake

- The maximal rate at which ATP can be re-synthesised aerobically
- Strong correlations between VO_2 max and endurance performance in heterogeneous groups
- Elite runners tend to have high VO_2 max values (70-85 ml/kg/min in men, 60-75 ml/kg/min in women)

VO_2 Max and Performance



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(From: Karlsson & Saltin, 1971)



How to Improve VO₂ Max?

The Fick Equation: VO₂ = (HR x SV) x a-vO₂ difference

VO₂ max limited by the maximal cardiac output

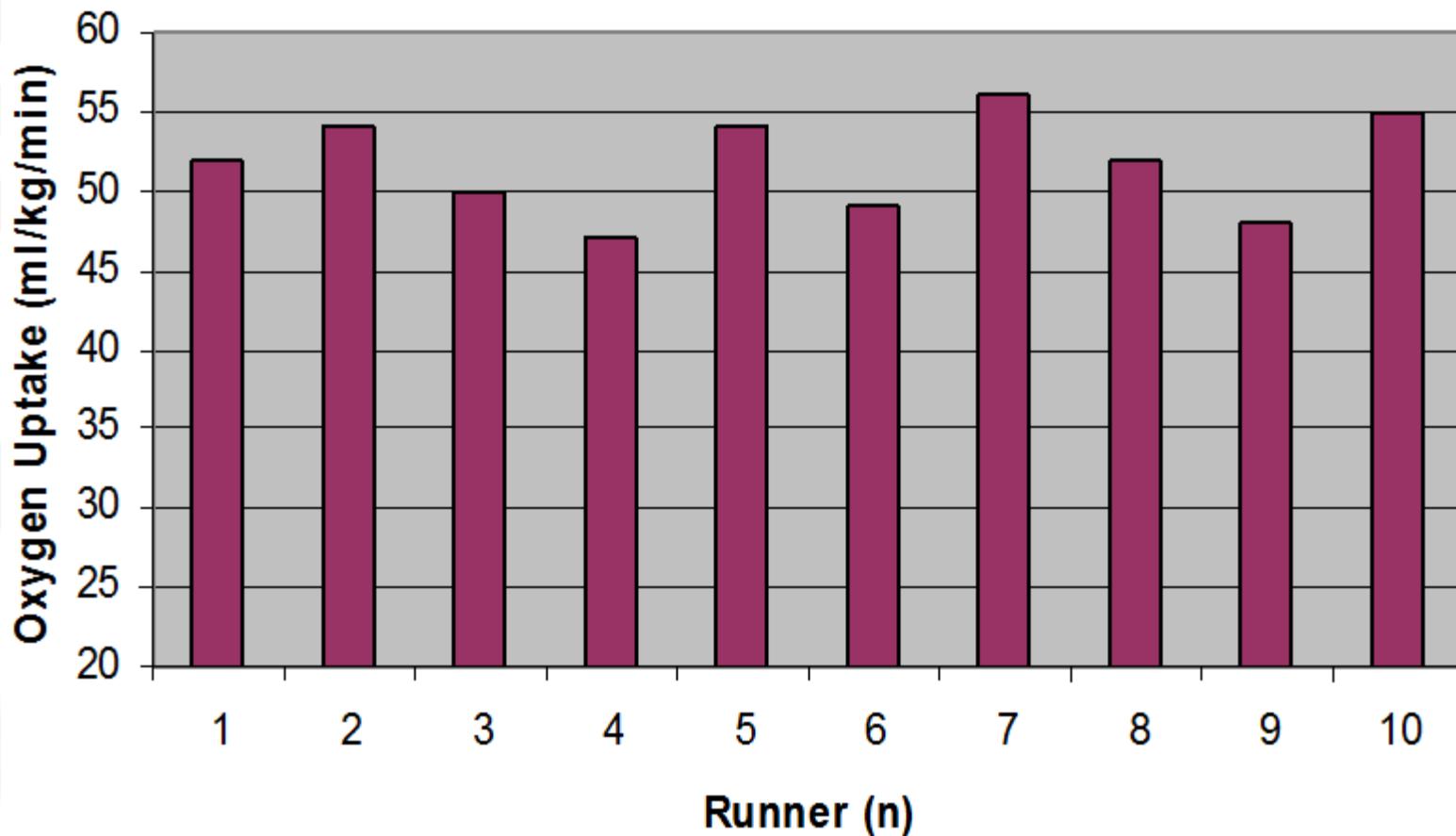
Therefore, training at near-maximal HR is considered to be an effective way to enhance VO₂ max

An example session is 5 x 3 min hard effort with 2-3 min recovery

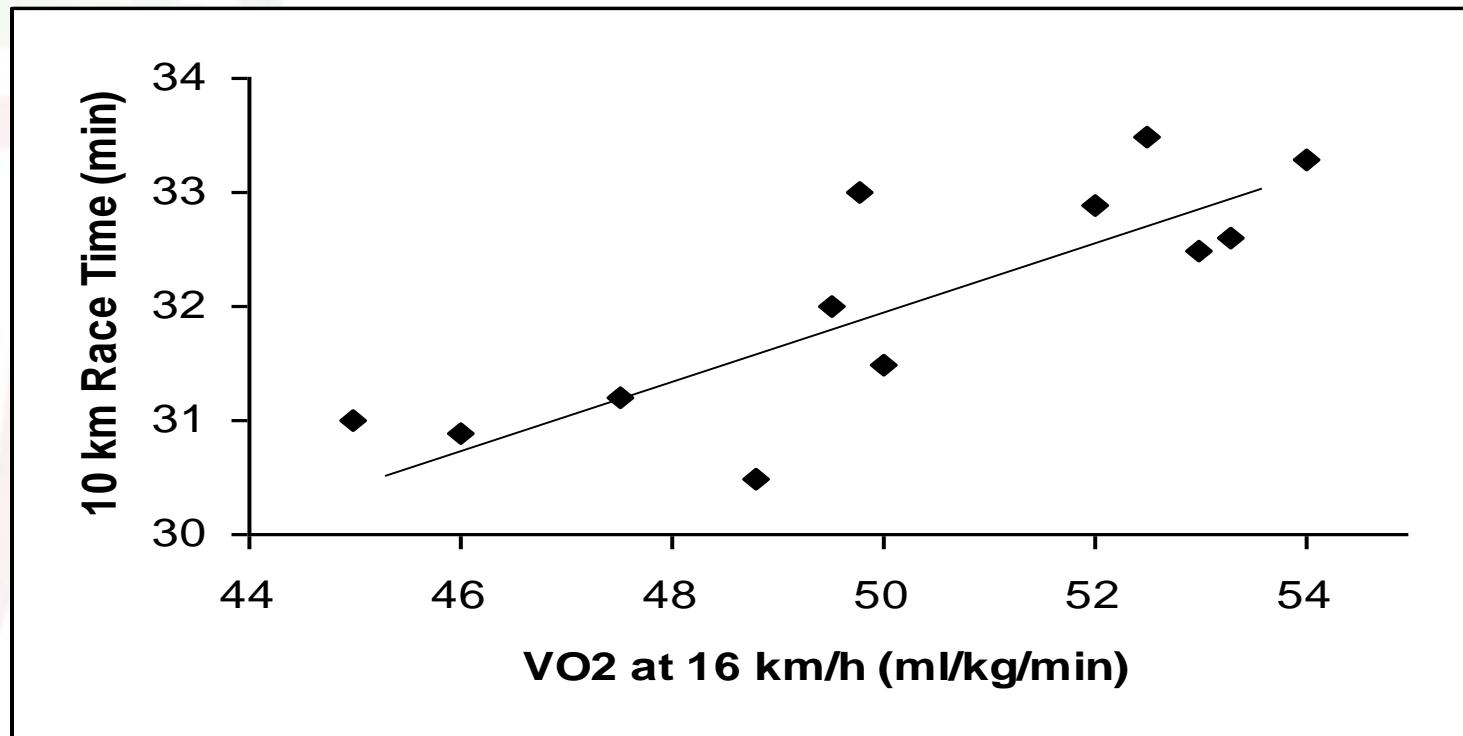
Running Economy

- The oxygen cost of running at sub-maximal speeds (ml/kg/min or ml/kg/km)
- Significant inter-individual variability
- Influenced by anthropometric, physiological, biomechanical, and technical factors
- Generally better in longer distance specialists

Running Economy at 16 km/h

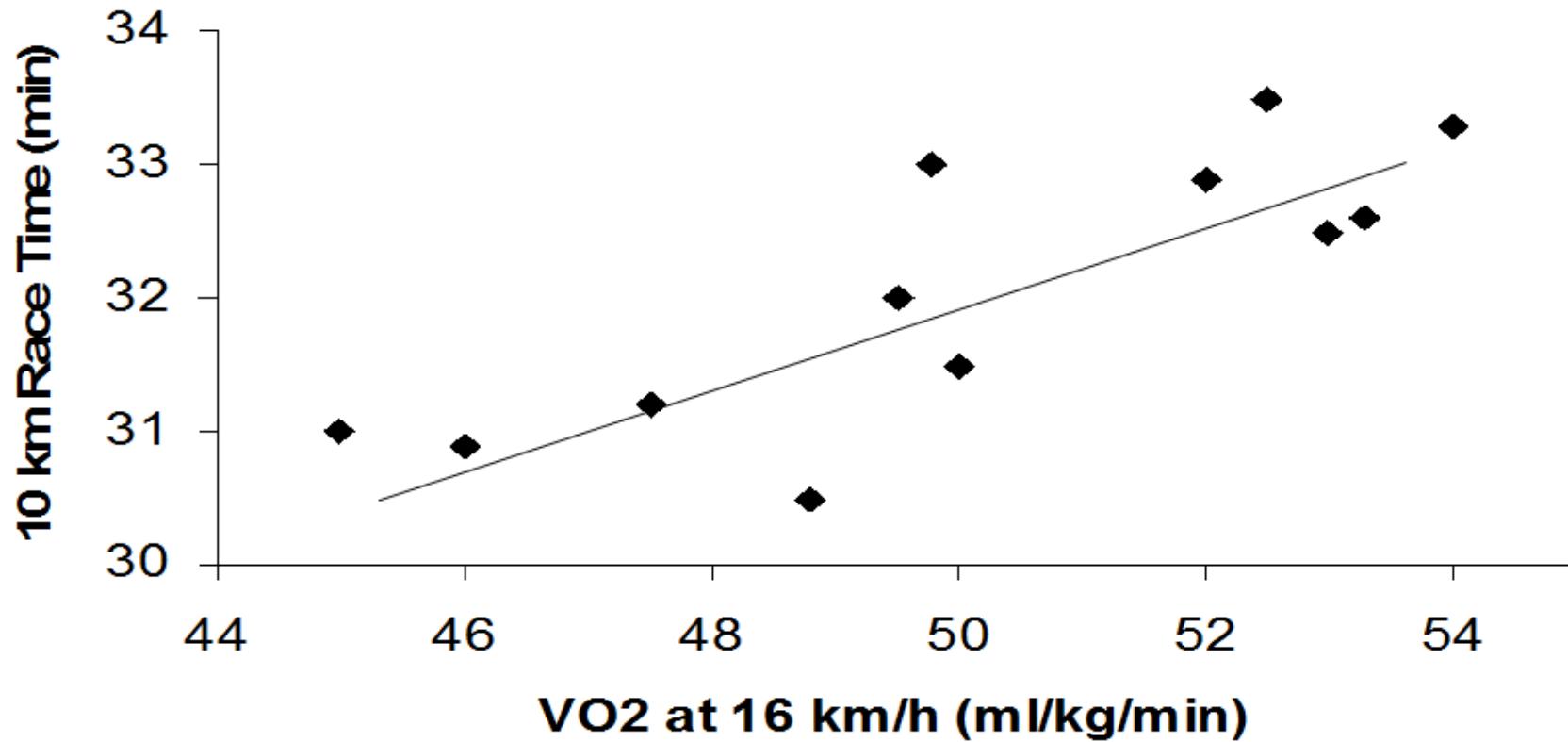


Running Economy and Performance



(From: Conley and Krahenbuhl, 1980)

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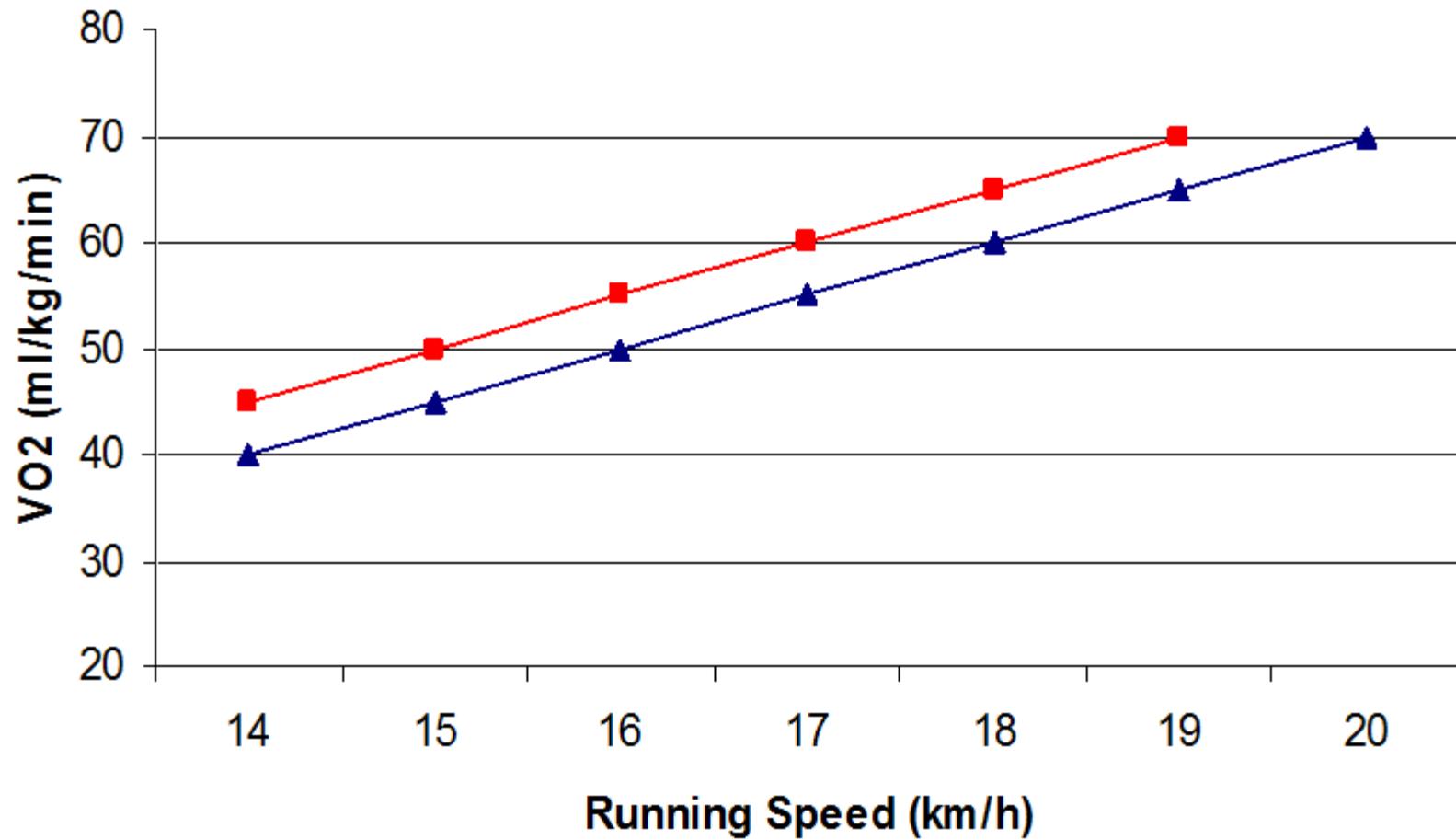


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Running Velocity at VO₂ Max

- The interaction of VO₂ max and running economy
- Provides 'functional expression' of VO₂ max in units of km/h
- Helps explain difference in performance in athletes with similar VO₂ max
- Enables accurate prediction of race performance

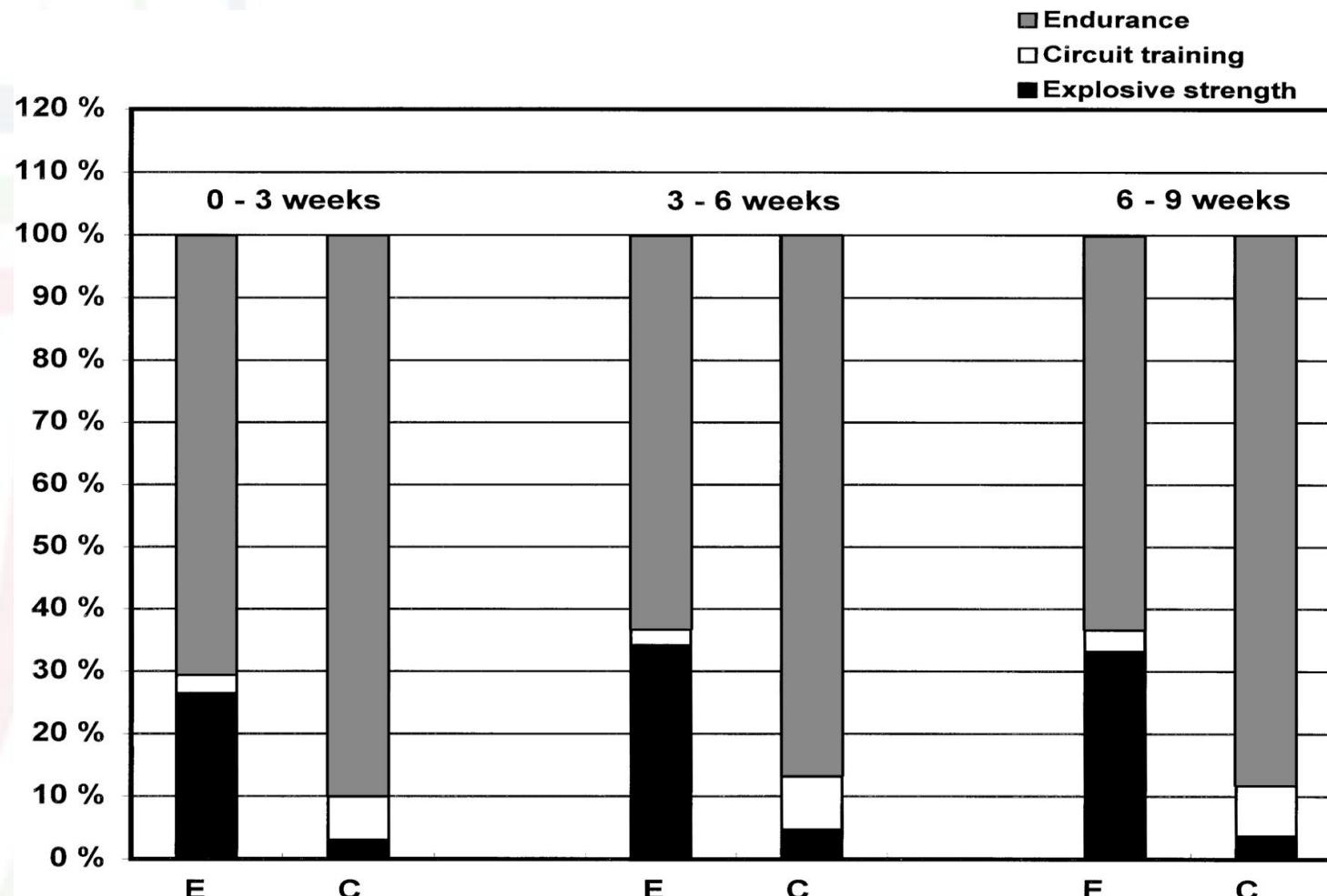
Running Velocity at VO₂ Max



How to Improve Economy?

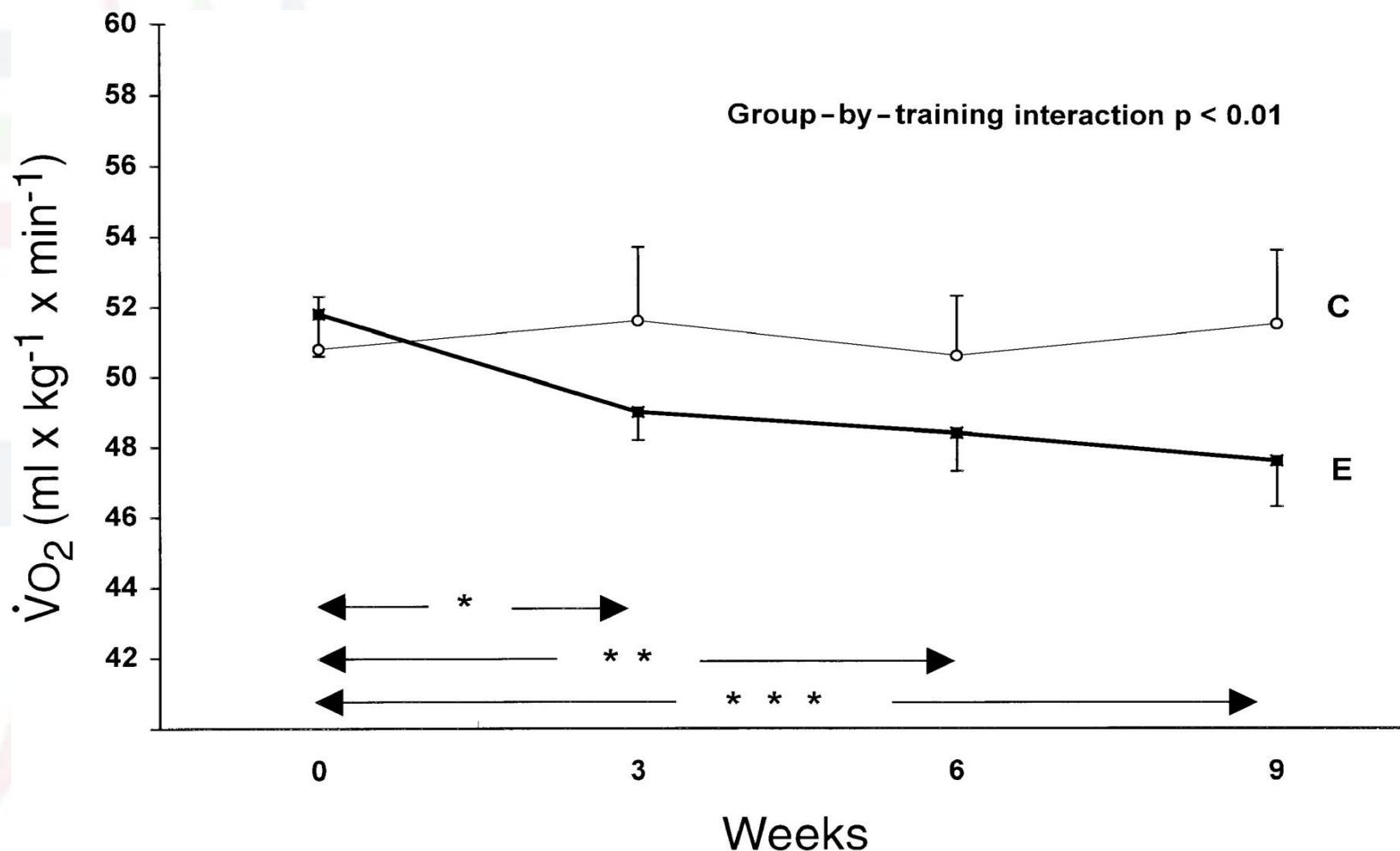
- Economy is related to anthropometrical, physiological and biomechanical factors
- Optimal training is unclear but economy is known to improve over many years
- It is possible that accumulating a high volume of endurance training over many years is necessary to 'hone' economy
- Consistent (high-volume?) training over many years seems to be key
- There is some evidence that altitude training and certain types of strength training might also benefit economy

Relative volumes of different training in experimental (E) and control (C) groups during 9-wk explosive-type strength and endurance training

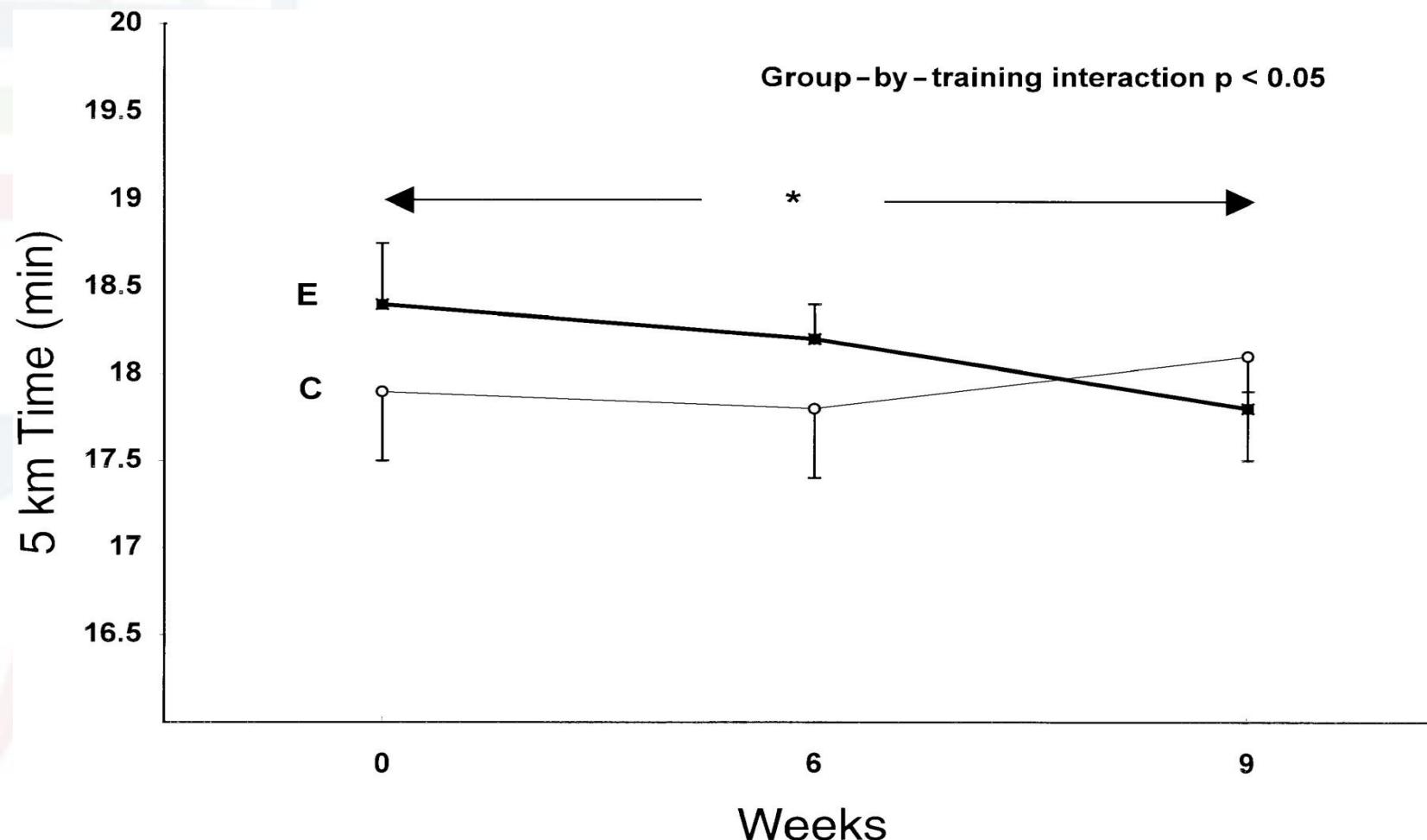


Paavolainen, L. et al. J Appl Physiol 86: 1527-1533 1999

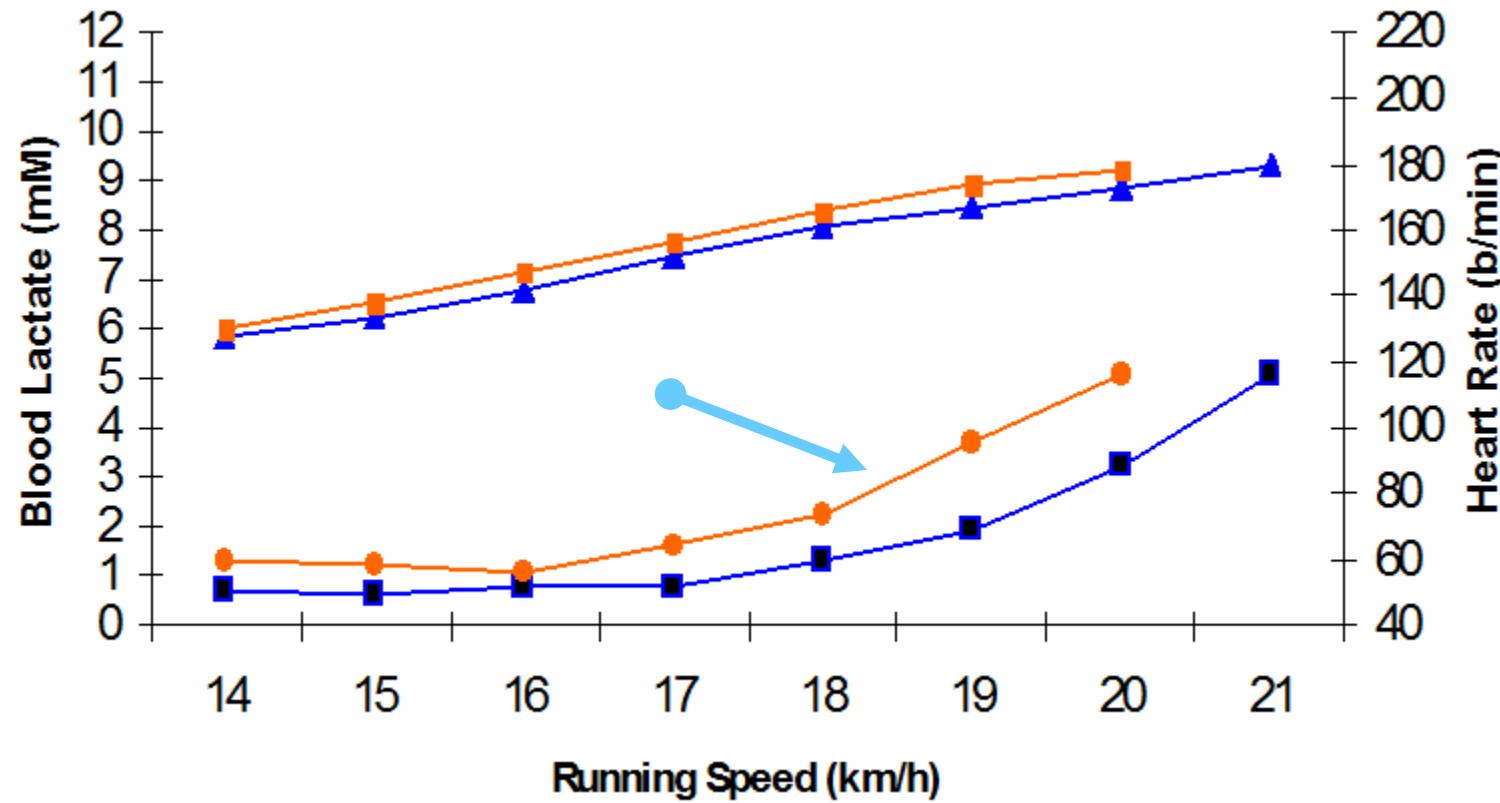
Changes in running economy in explosive training and control conditions



Changes in 5 km performance in explosive training and control conditions

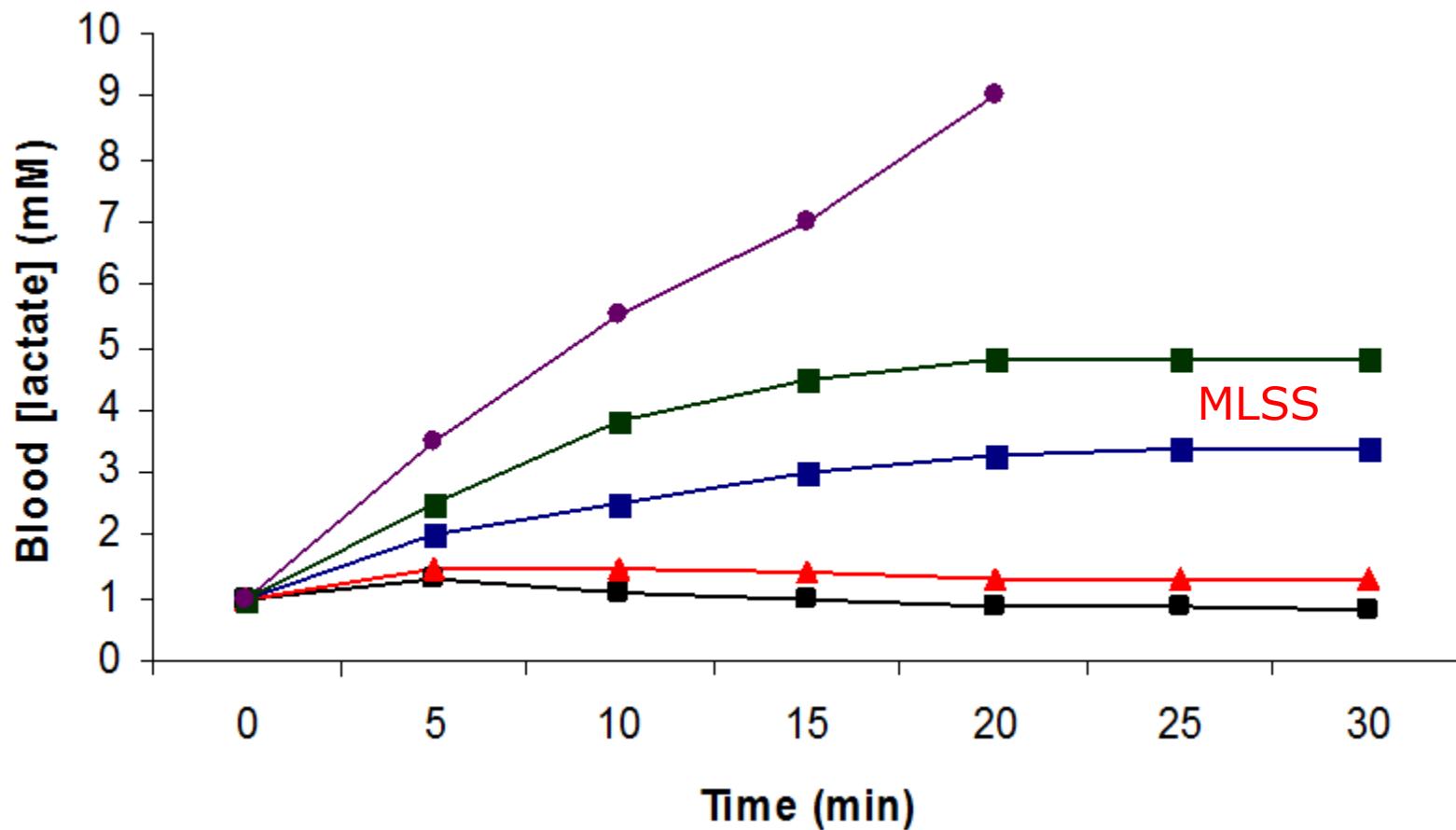


Blood Lactate and HR Response to Incremental Exercise



Blood lactate values are quite sensitive to improved endurance fitness

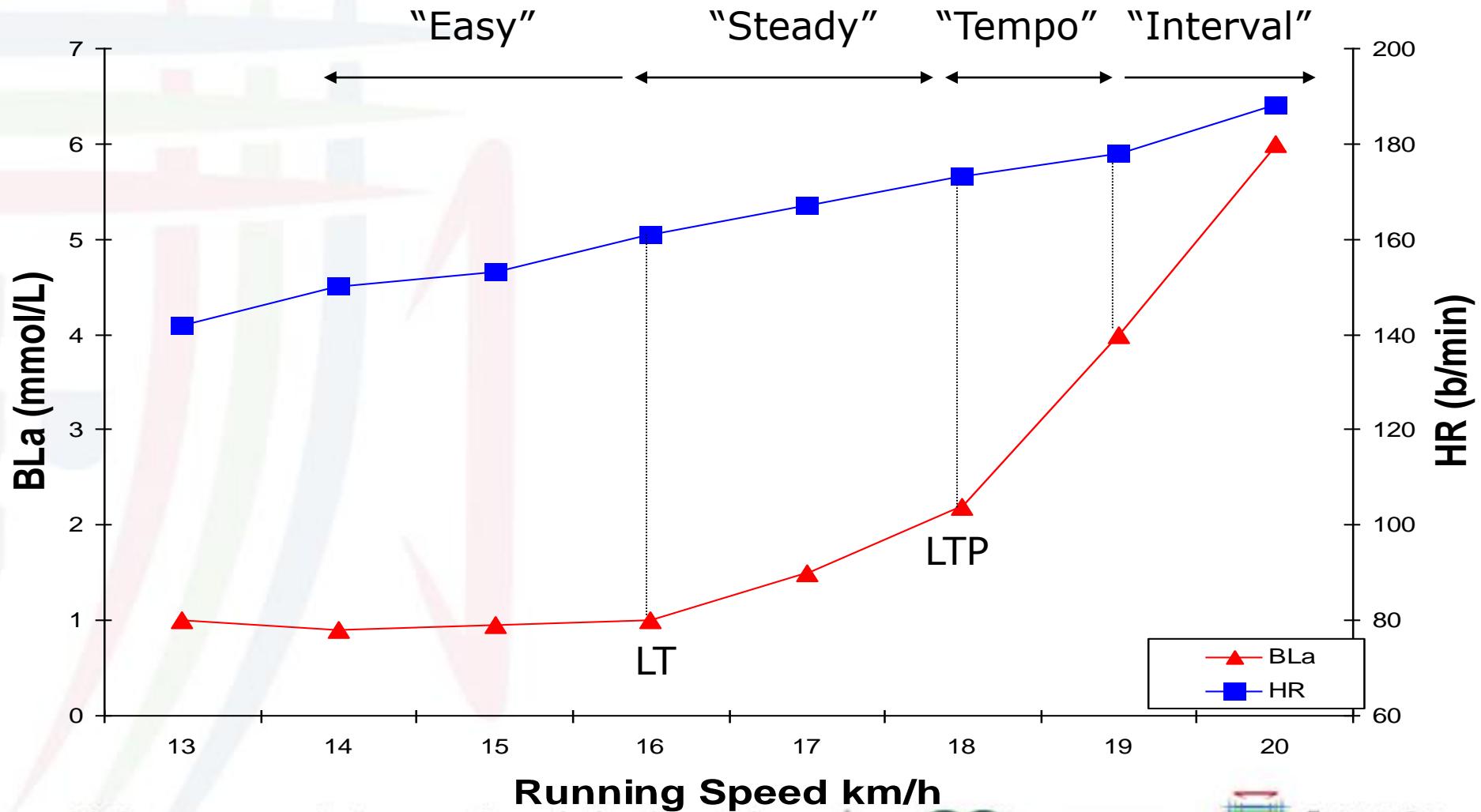
Maximal Lactate Steady State



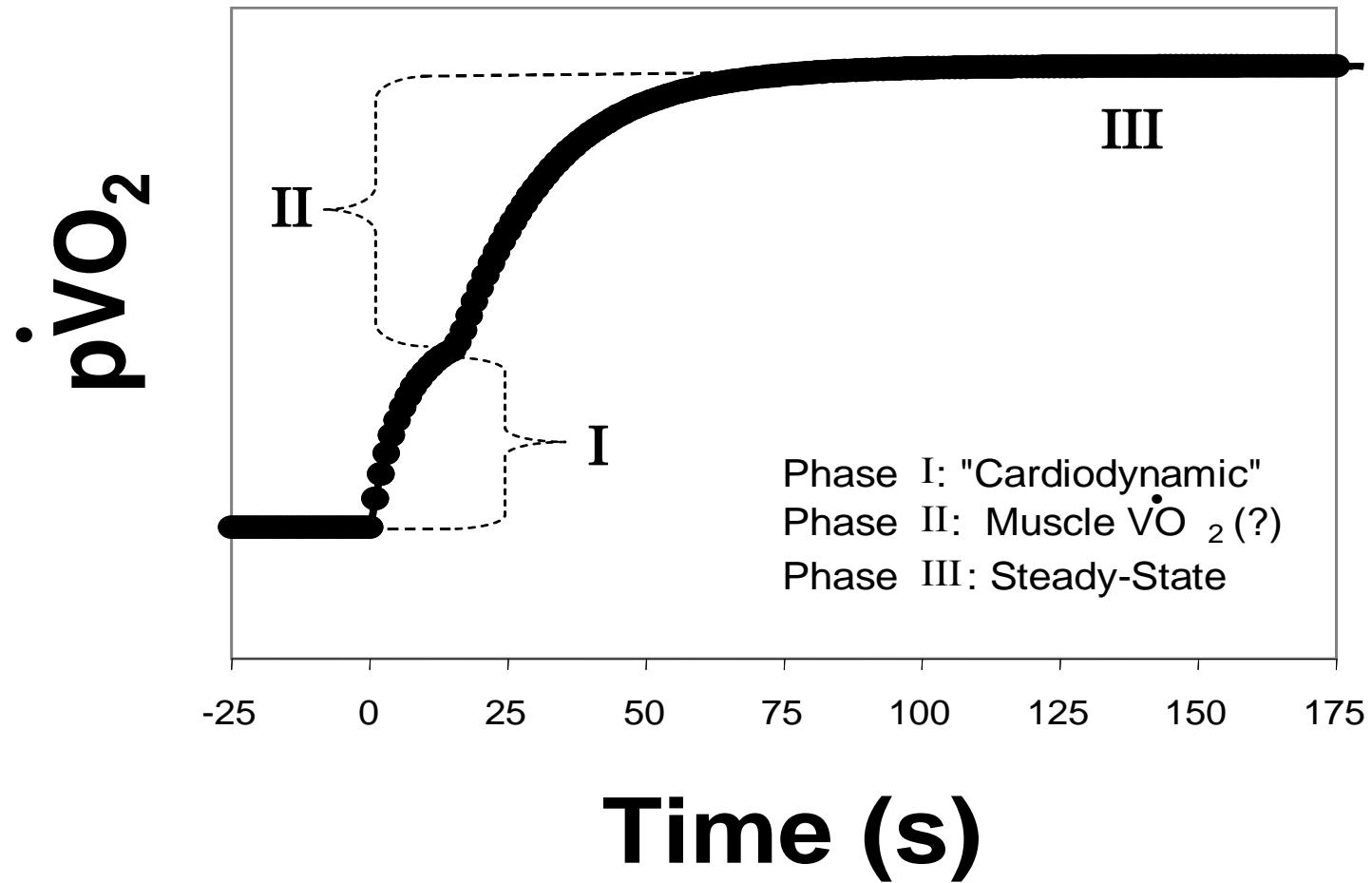
How to Improve LT and LTP?

- The blood [lactate] reflects the balance between muscle lactate production and lactate clearance
- A good volume of decent quality training is necessary to increase muscle mitochondrial density – which should reduce lactate production at any given exercise intensity
- Sustained 'tempo' exercise at and above the LTP might help to stimulate adaptation of the body's ability to 'clear' lactate
- Regulating the intensity of continuous endurance exercise is very important in optimising the training effect

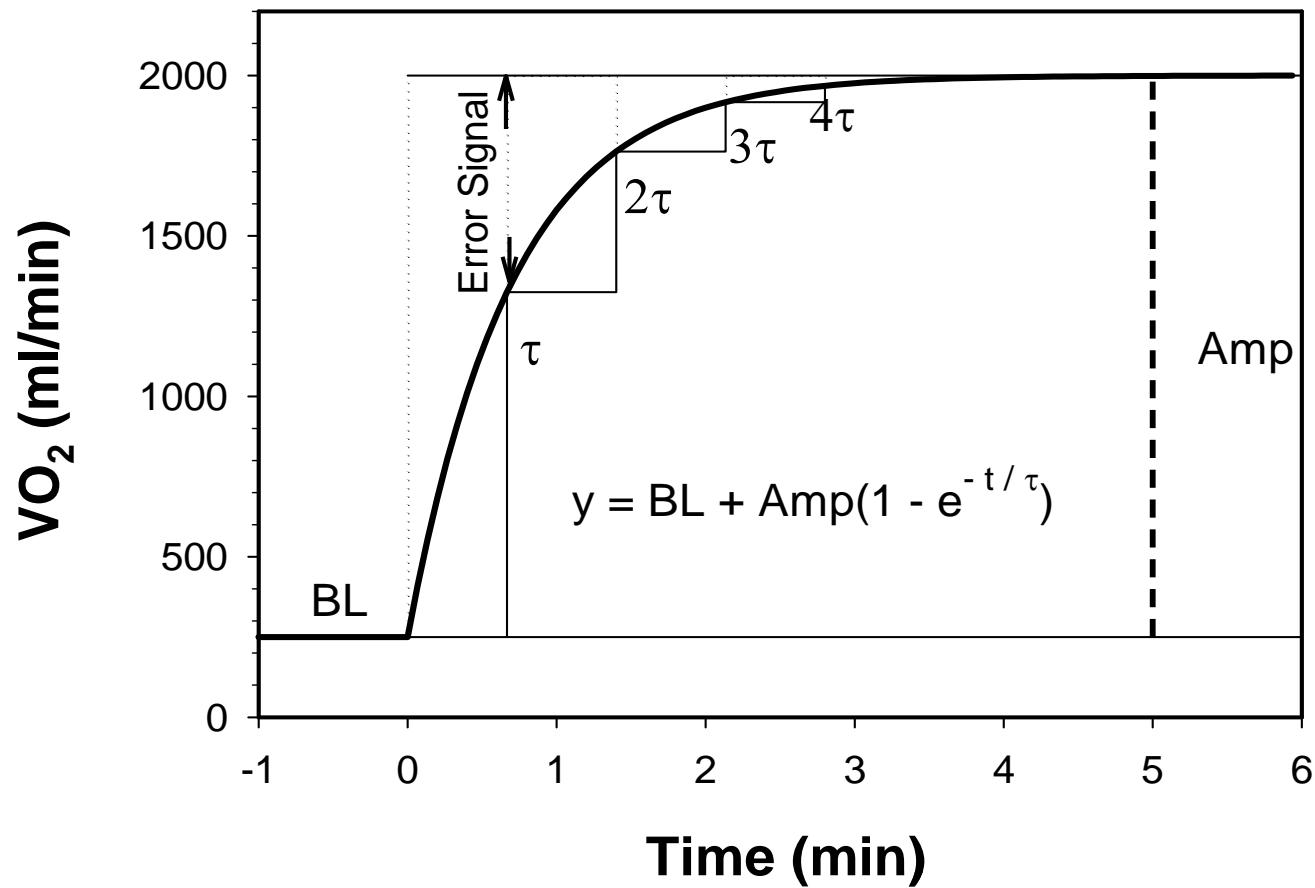
Training Zones



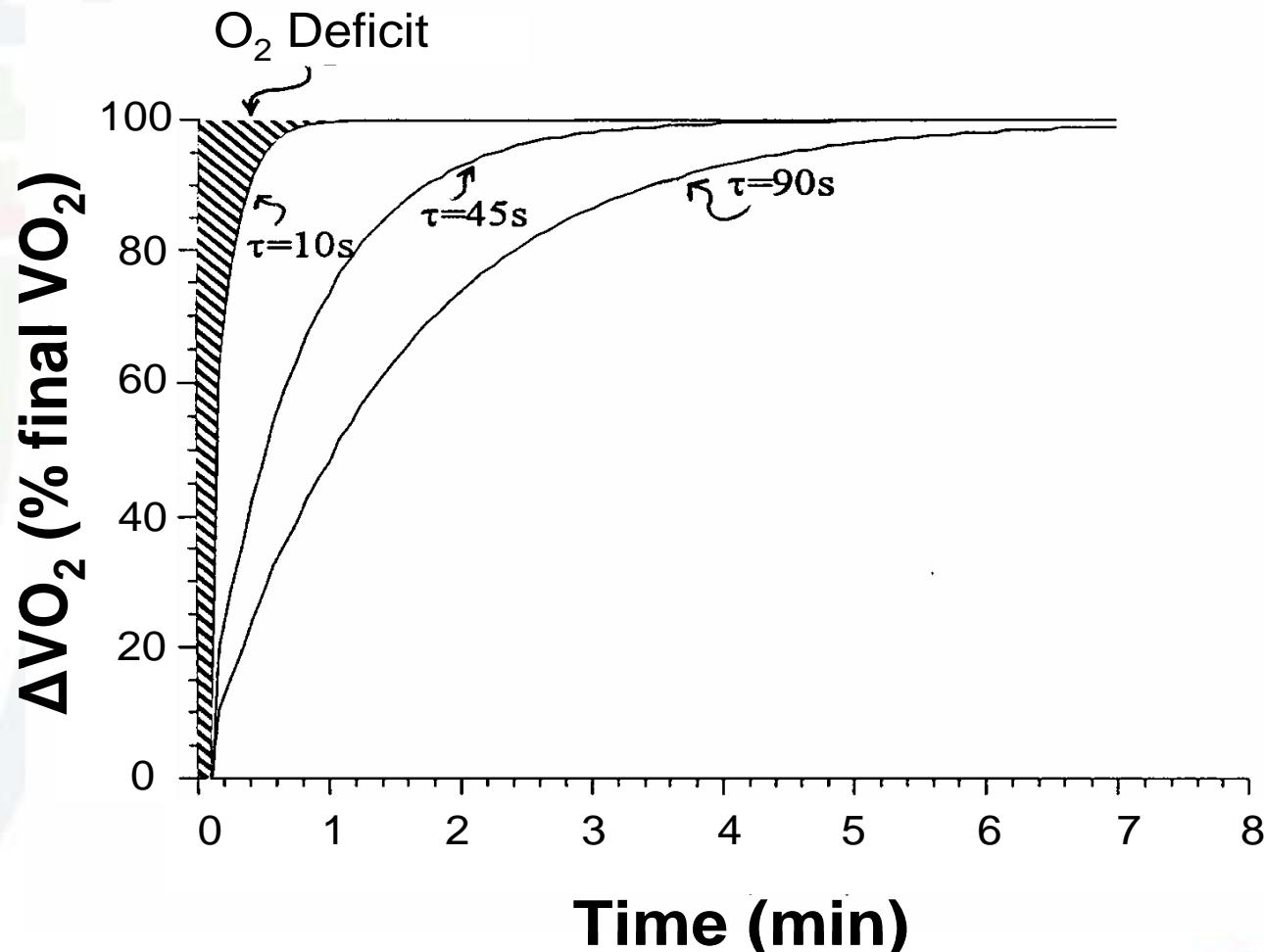
$\dot{V}O_2$ Kinetics



Time Constant

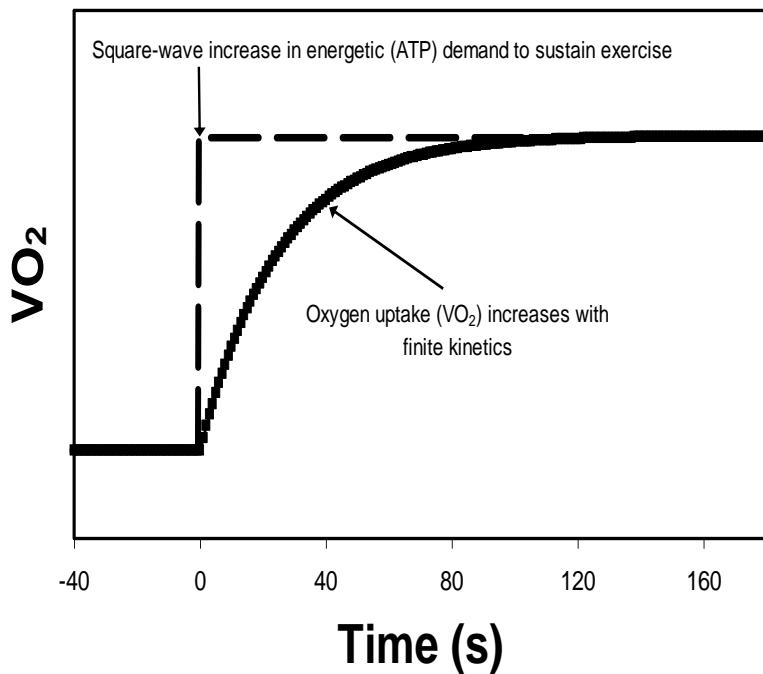


O₂ Deficit



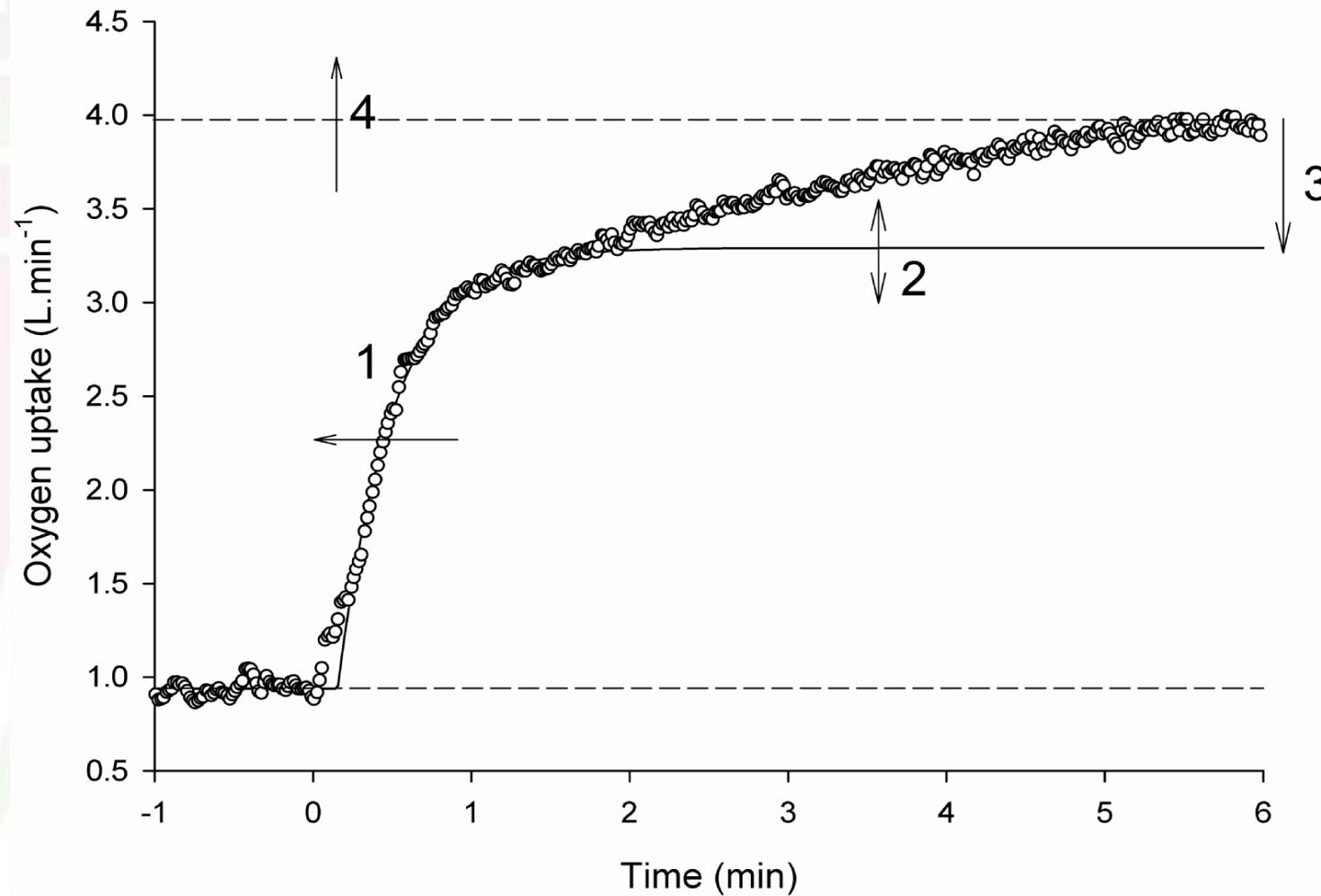
O_2 Deficit and Fatigue

$$O_2 \text{ Deficit} = MRT \times \text{Amplitude}$$



- A LARGER O_2 deficit means:
- greater PCr breakdown
- greater ADP and Pi accumulation
- greater H^+ and lactate accumulation
- greater rate of glycogen degradation

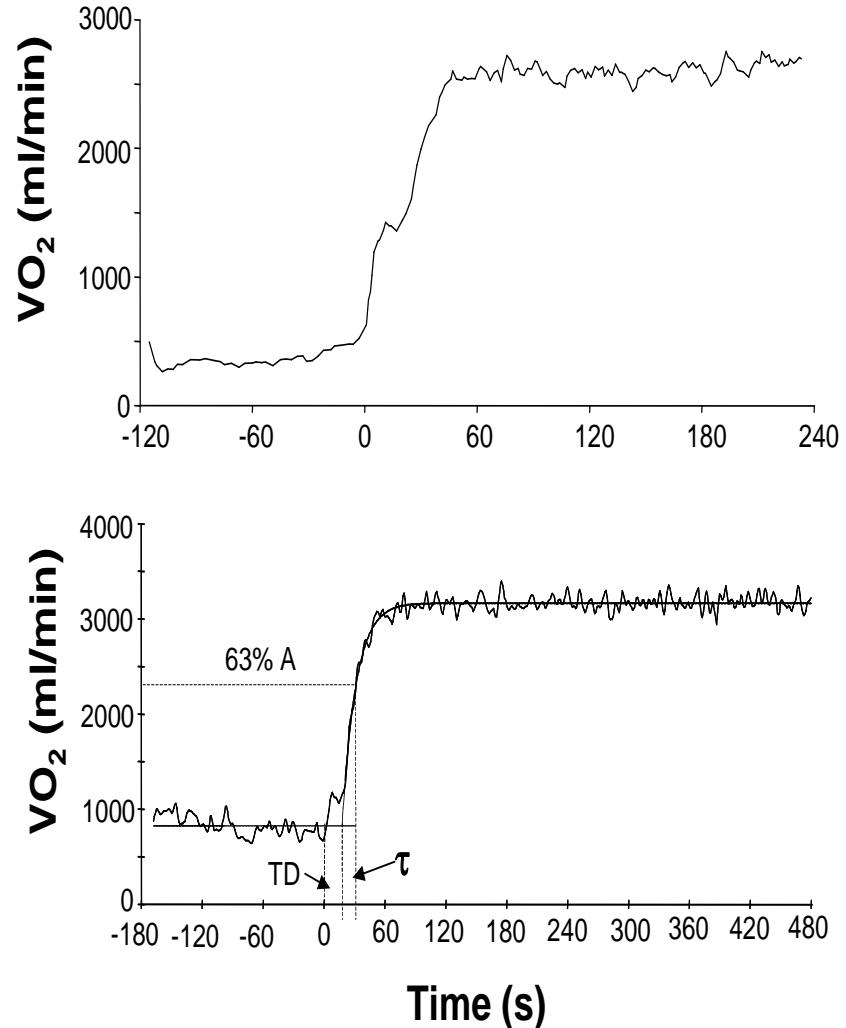
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Training



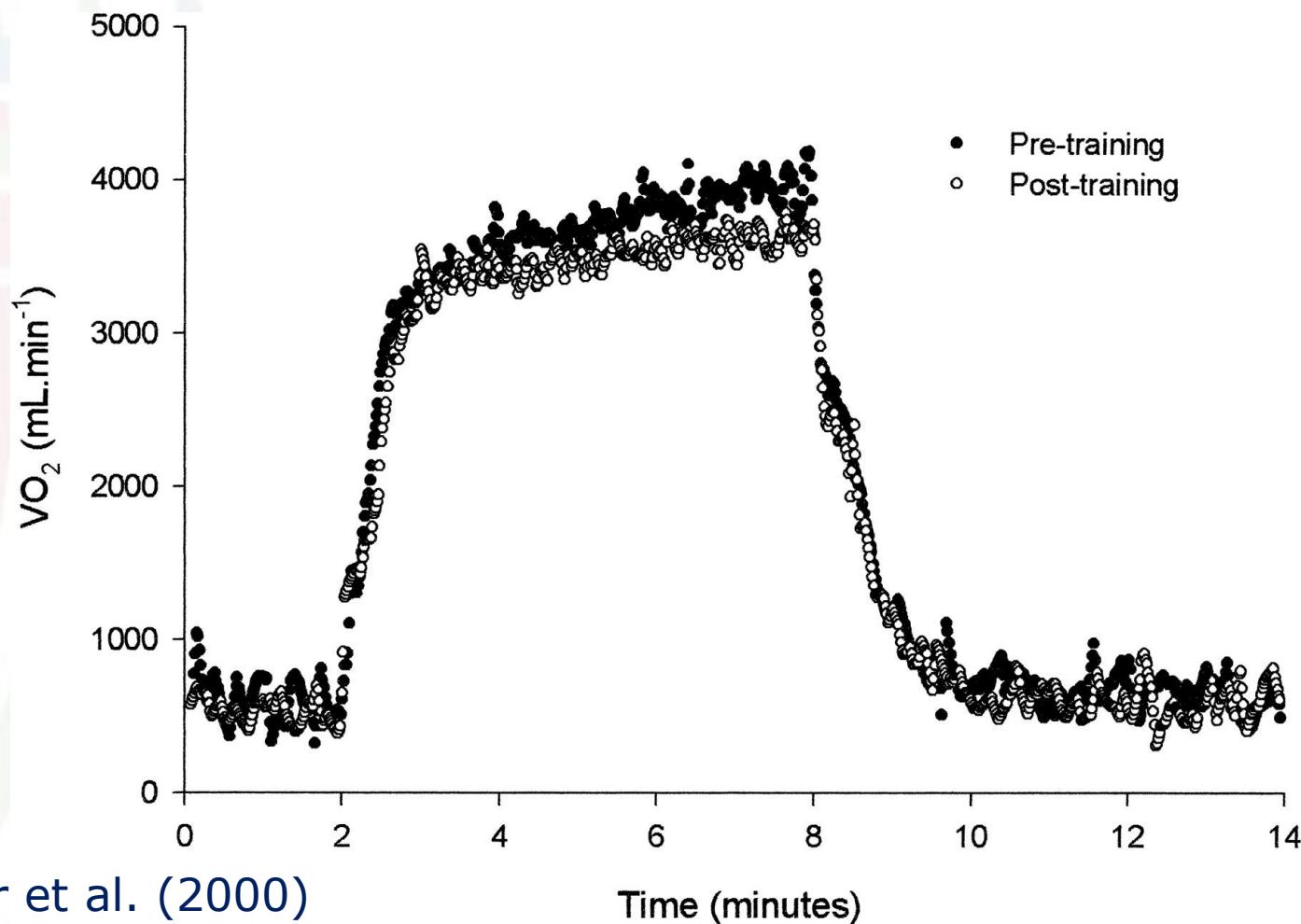
• Vo_2 kinetics are very fast in elite endurance athletes



Jones and Koppo (2005)

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Acute endurance training enhances Vo_2 kinetics



Carter et al. (2000)

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Low-intensity or high-intensity training?

Med Sci Sports Exerc. 2006 Mar;38(3):504-12.

**Influence of continuous and interval training
on oxygen uptake on-kinetics.**

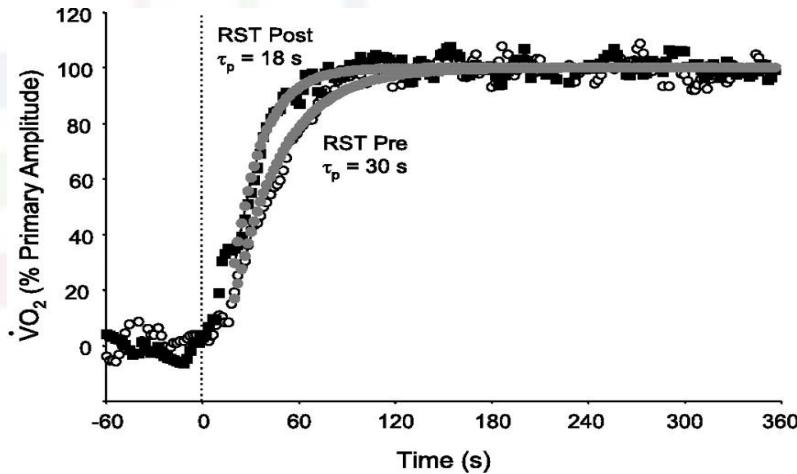
Berger NJ, Tolfrey K, Williams AG, Jones AM.

A continuous training group that completed three to four sessions per week of 30-min duration at 60% VO₂peak (LO); an interval training group that completed three to four sessions per week involving 20 x 1-min exercise bouts at 90% VO₂peak

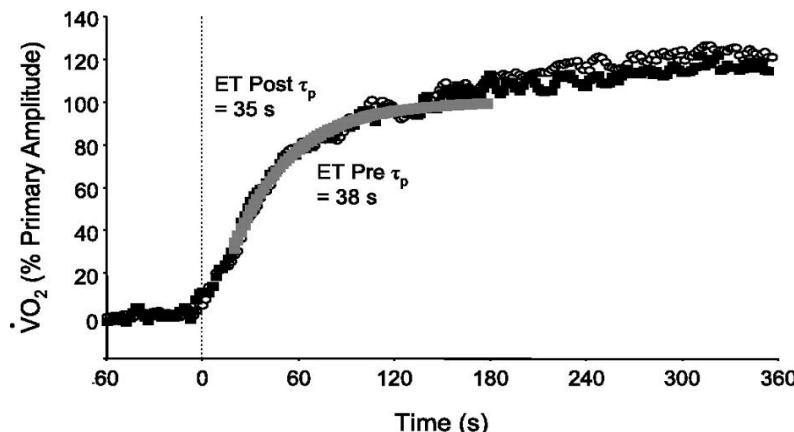
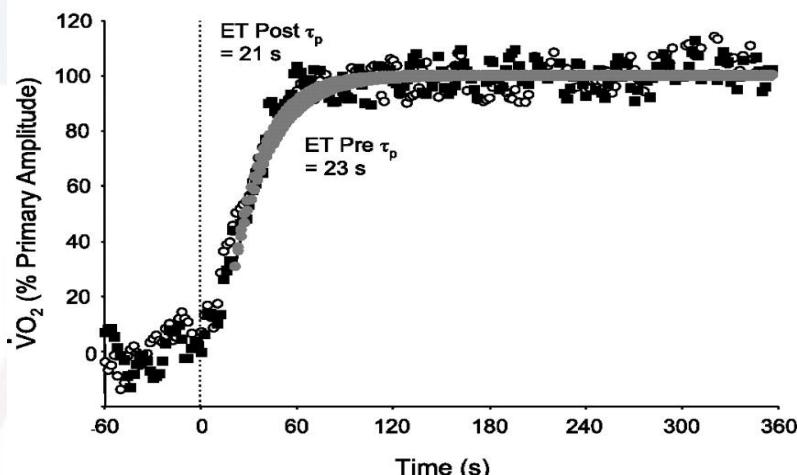
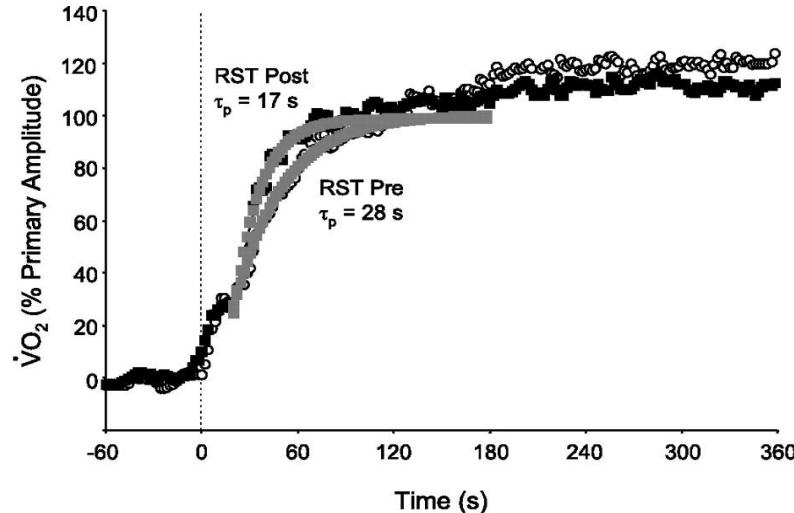
Continuous and interval training were similarly effective in reducing the amplitude of the VO₂ slow component

Repeated sprint training also effective in improving $\dot{V}O_2$ kinetics

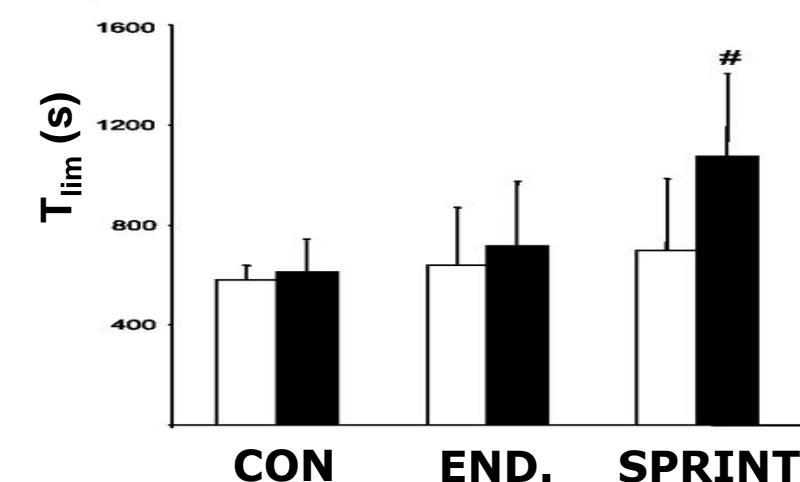
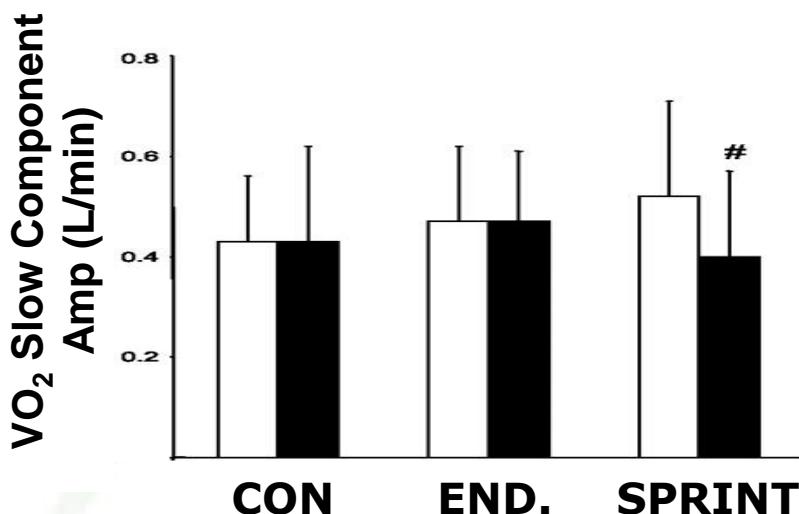
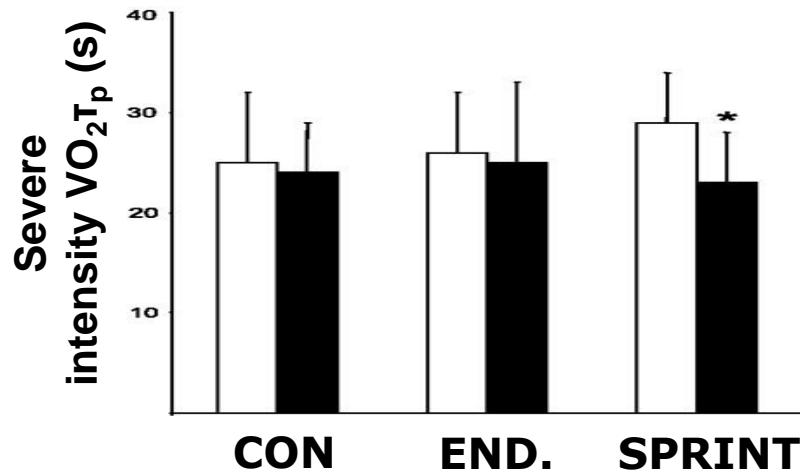
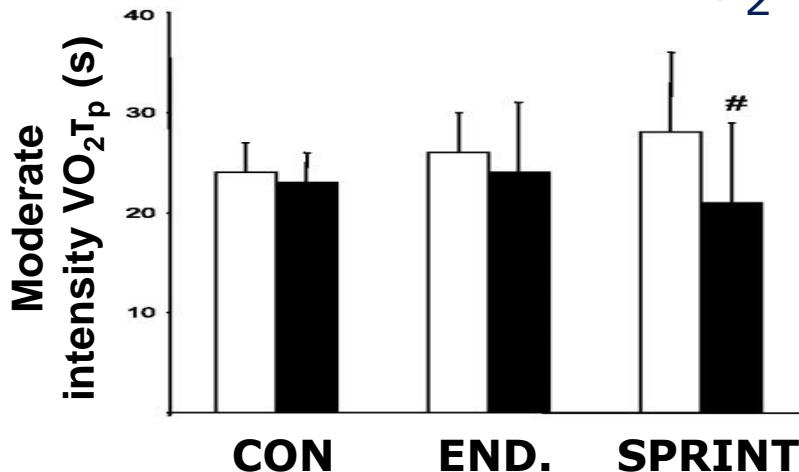
Moderate



Severe



Enhanced exercise tolerance correlated with improved VO_2 kinetics



Warm-Up/Priming

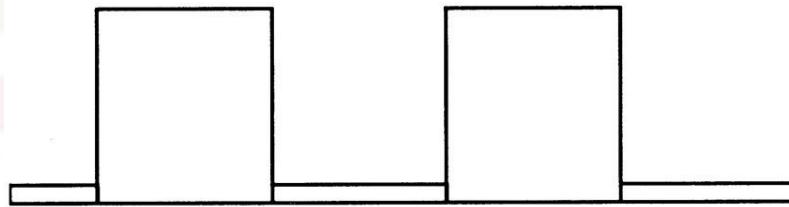


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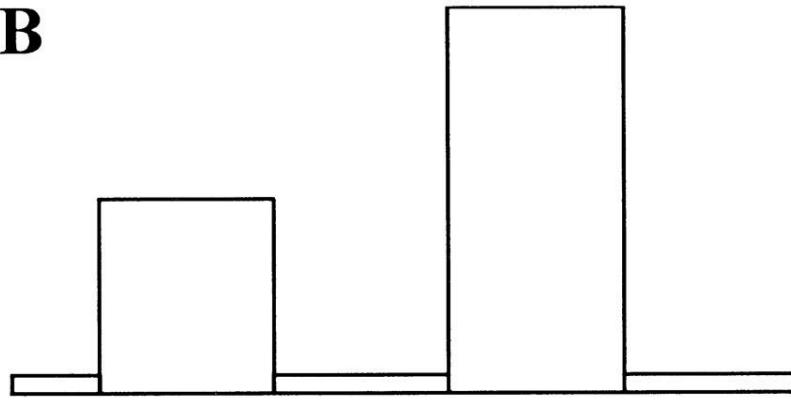
“Priming” Exercise

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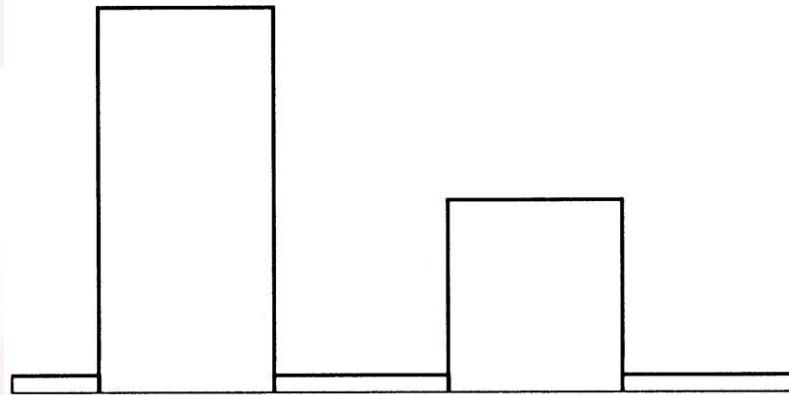
80% LT/80% LT

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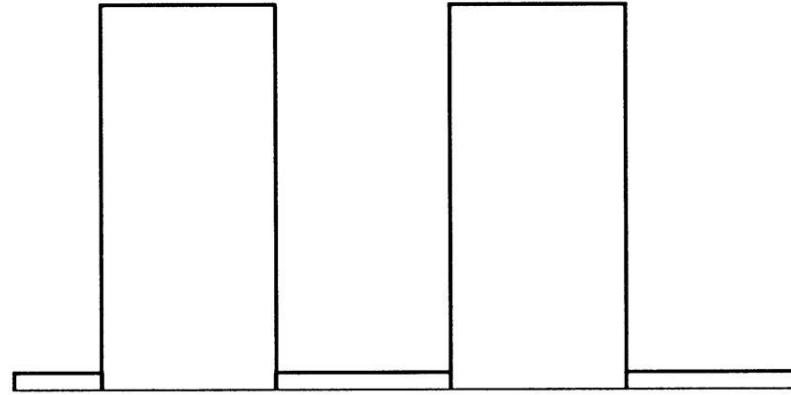
80% LT/50% Δ

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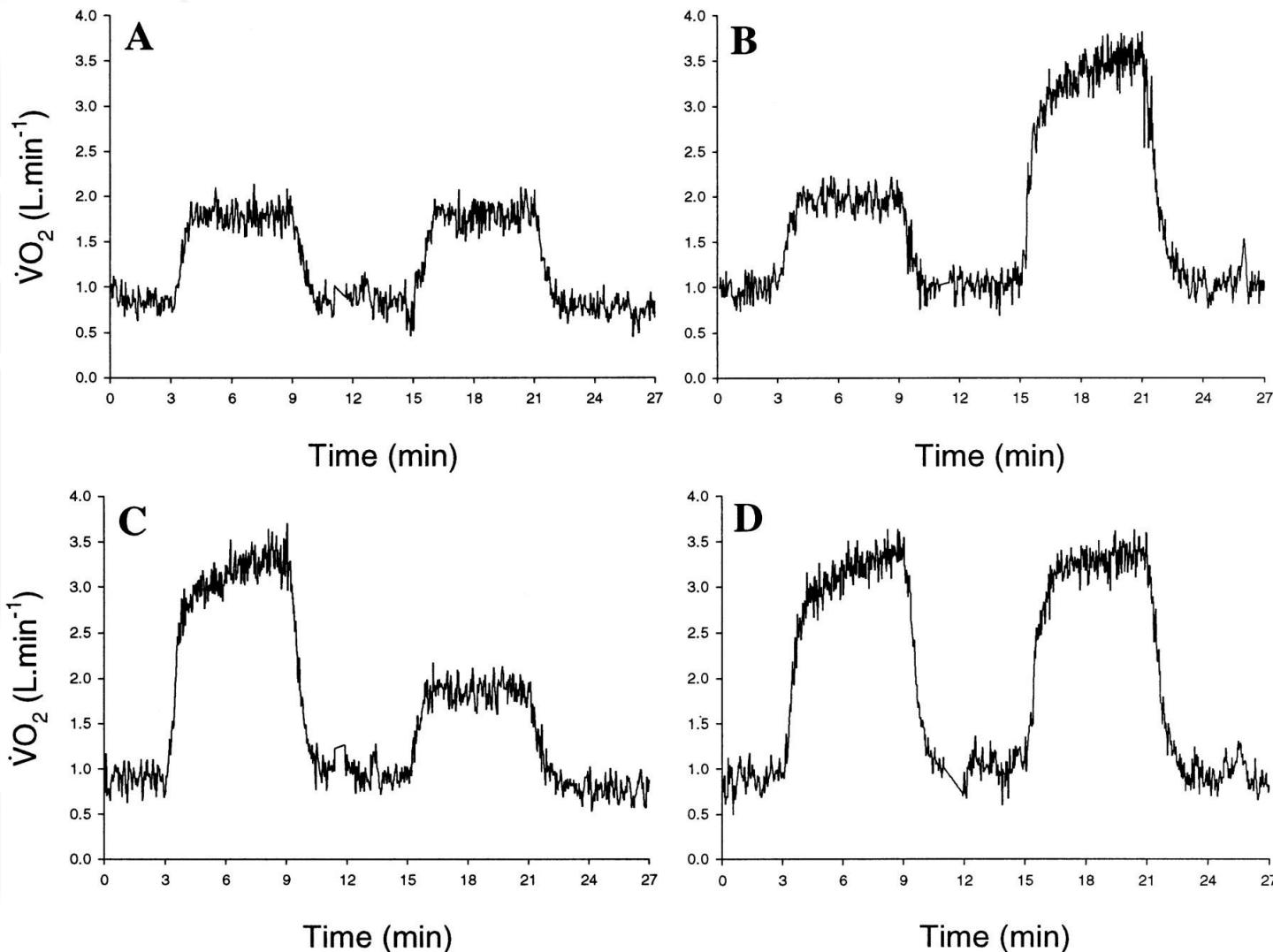


50% Δ/80% LT

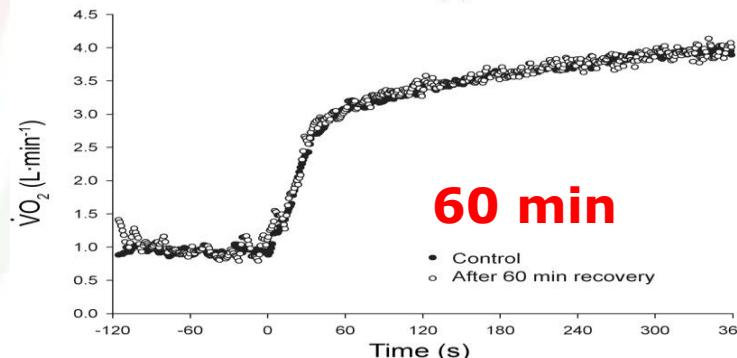
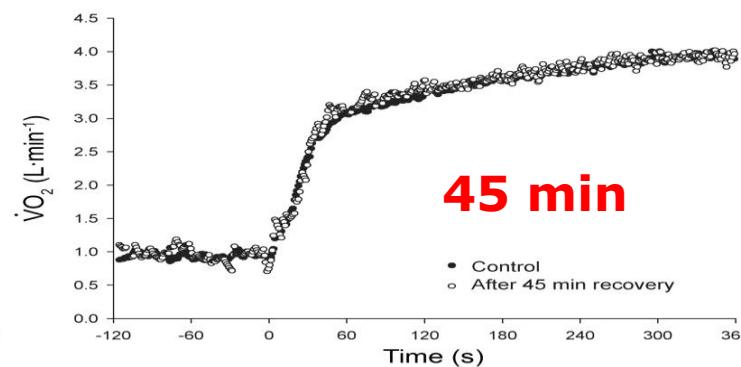
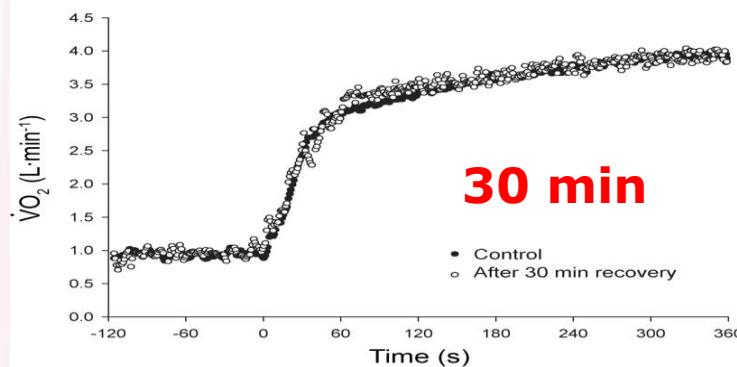
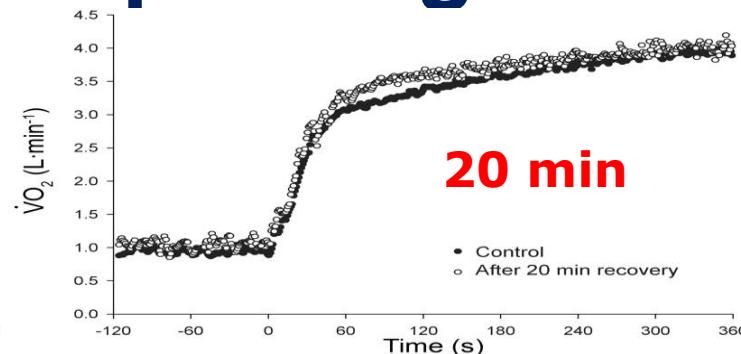
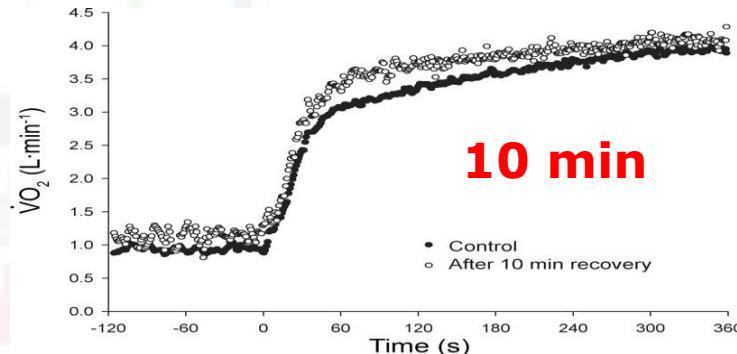
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50% Δ/50% Δ



Time course of the priming effect

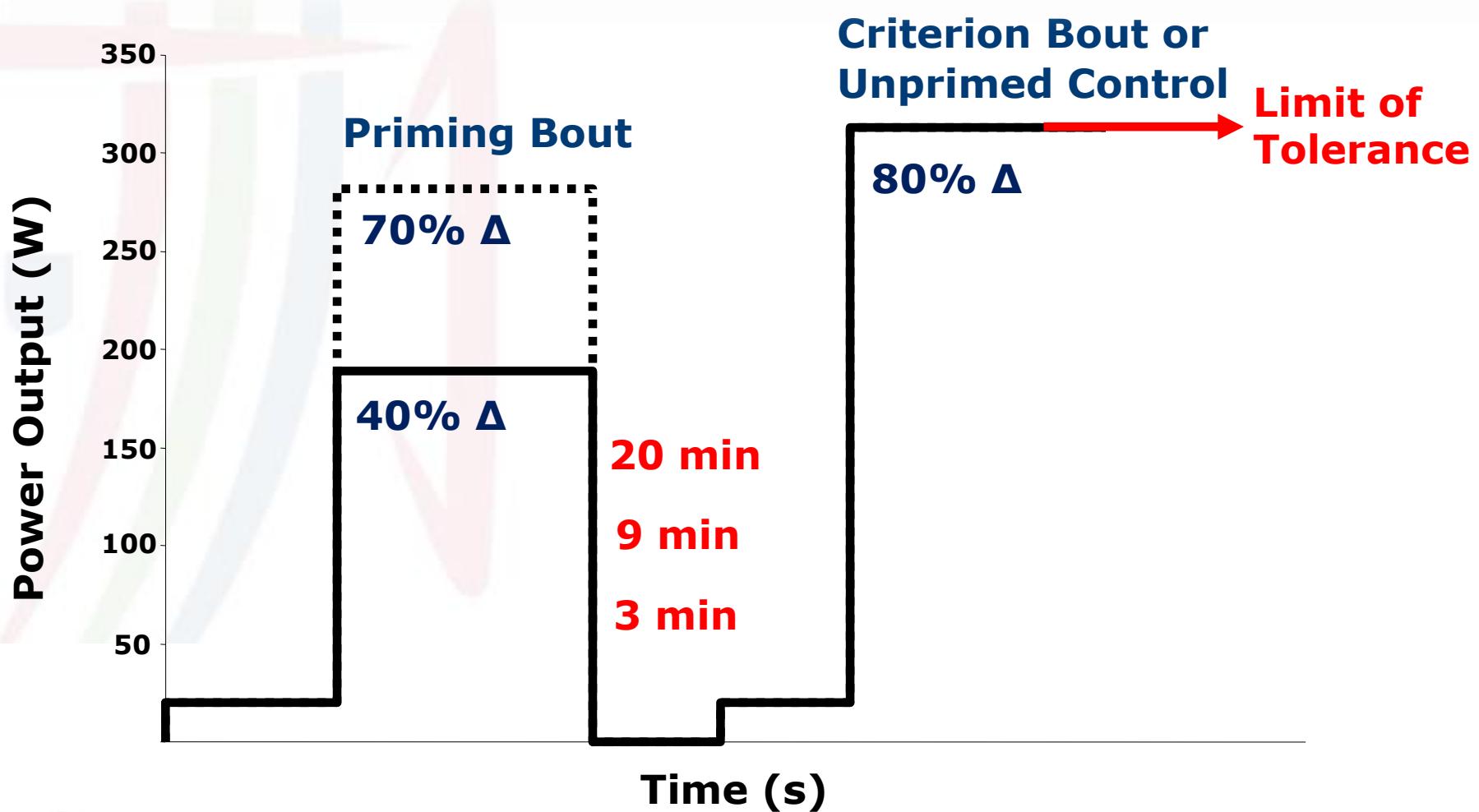


Optimizing the “priming” effect: influence of prior exercise intensity and recovery duration on O₂ uptake kinetics and severe-intensity exercise tolerance

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Interaction of prior exercise intensity and subsequent recovery duration

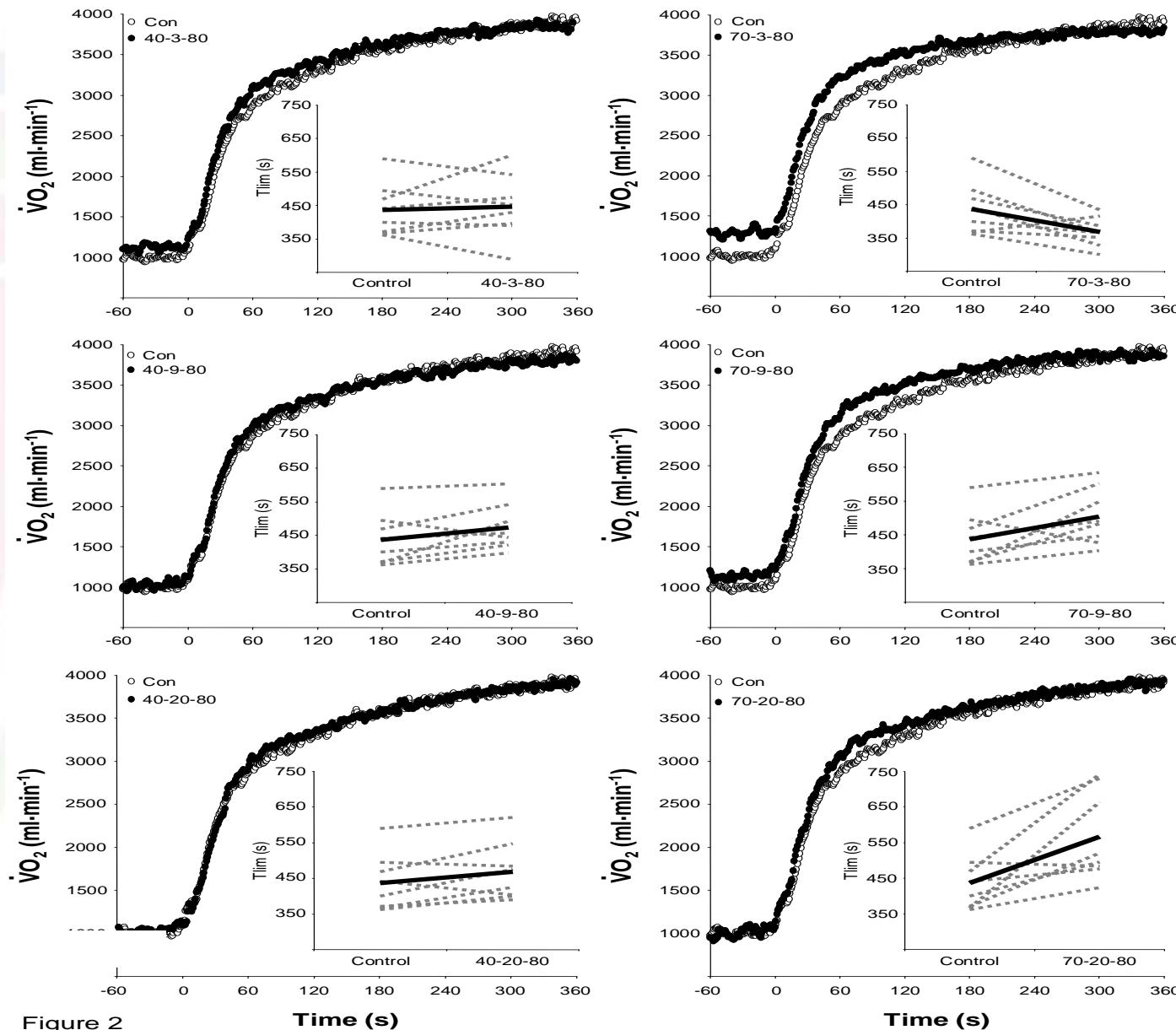
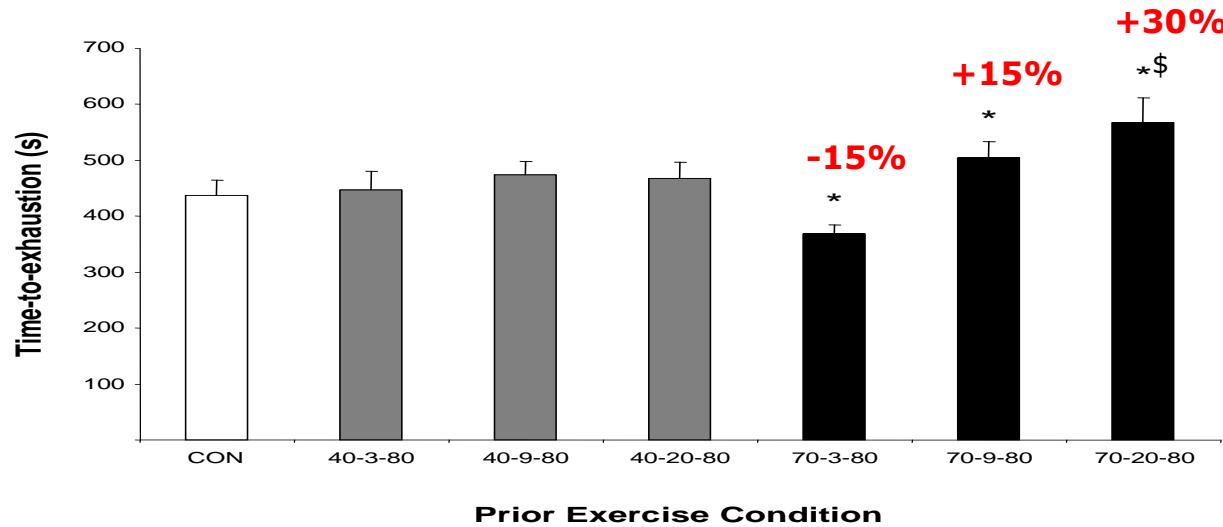


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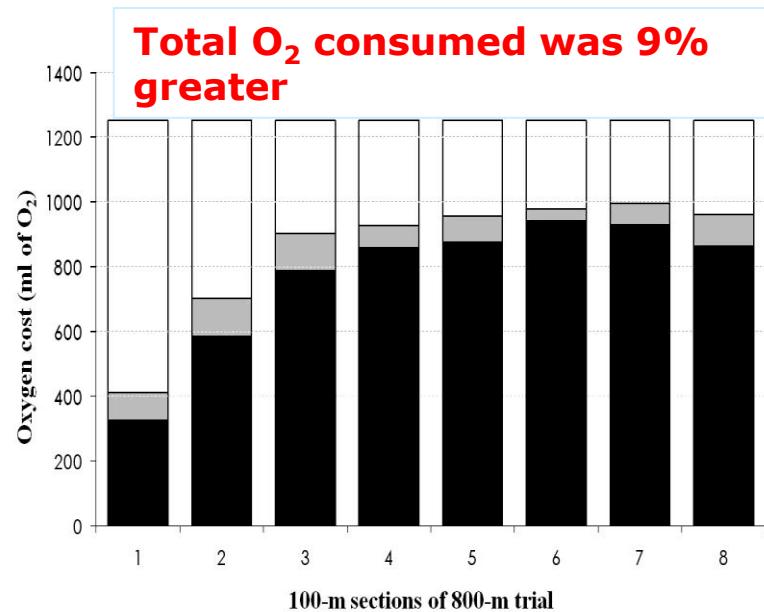
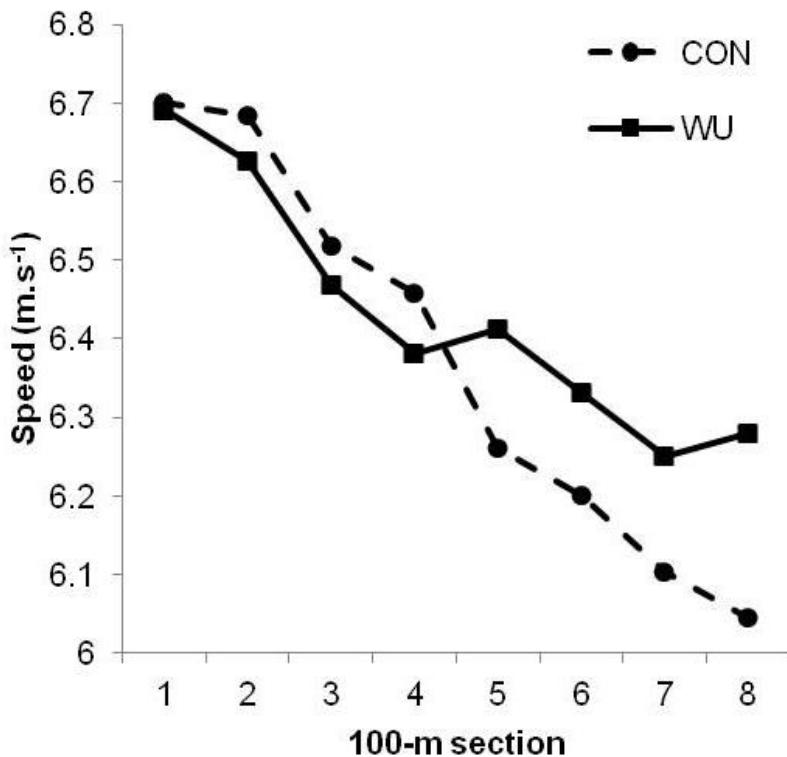
Optimal 'warm-up' enhances performance



Pre-exercise blood [lactate] of ~ 3 mM appears to be optimal

Prior *high-intensity* exercise coupled with *sufficient* recovery optimizes the balance between preserving the effects of prior exercise on VO_2 kinetics and providing sufficient time for muscle homeostasis to be restored.

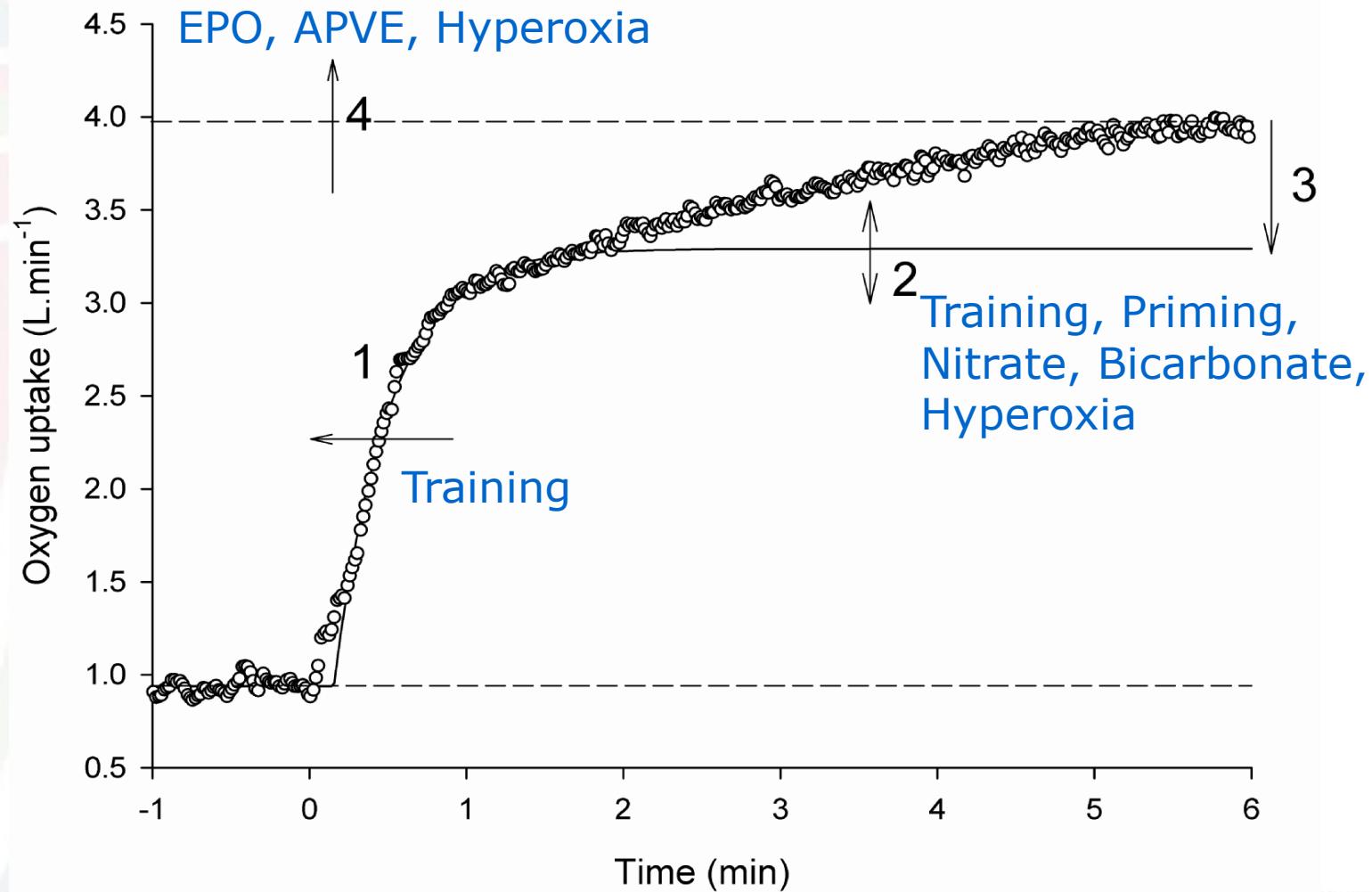
Prior high-intensity exercise improves 800-m running performance



Ingham et al., 2013, IJSPP

"In elite middle-distance athletes, 800-m time-trial performance was significantly faster following HWU (HWU, 124.5 ± 8.3 vs. CON, 125.7 ± 8.7 s, $P < 0.05$)."

Effects of interventions on Vo_2 kinetics and performance during high-intensity exercise





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