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**HPER 3970 SPORTS NUTRITION**  
**LAB #2: FLUID BALANCE AND REPLACEMENT**

**Purpose**

Today's demonstration laboratory is intended to provide examples of the thermoregulatory responses to exercise and, more importantly, the calculation of sweat rate based on acute body weight changes.

Two volunteers will exercise for 30 minutes. One volunteer will exercise in a hot/humid environment and will be allowed to ingest fluids ad-libitum. The other volunteer will exercise in a thermoneutral environment and will be restricted from fluid consumption.

We will measure internal (core) temperature, heart rate, and plasma volume changes. We will then compare the responses between the individuals.

**Volunteer #1 (Thermoneutral Environment):**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Temperature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relative Humidity: \_\_\_\_\_ Workload: \_\_\_\_\_  
Exercise Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-Exercise Body Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Pre-Exercise Hematocrit: \_\_\_\_\_  
Post-Exercise Body Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Post-Exercise Hematocrit: \_\_\_\_\_  
 $\Delta$  Plasma Volume (%): \_\_\_\_\_

Heart Rate (BASE): \_\_\_\_\_ Heart Rate (20 min): \_\_\_\_\_  
Heart Rate (10 min): \_\_\_\_\_ Heart Rate (30 min): \_\_\_\_\_

Core Temperature (BASE): \_\_\_\_\_ Core Temperature (20 min): \_\_\_\_\_  
Core Temperature (10 min): \_\_\_\_\_ Core Temperature (30 min): \_\_\_\_\_

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**Volunteer #2 (Hot/Humid Environment):**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Temperature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relative Humidity: \_\_\_\_\_ Workload: \_\_\_\_\_  
Exercise Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-Exercise Body Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Pre-Exercise Hematocrit: \_\_\_\_\_  
Post-Exercise Body Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Post-Exercise Hematocrit: \_\_\_\_\_  
 $\Delta$  Plasma Volume (%): \_\_\_\_\_

Heart Rate (BASE): \_\_\_\_\_ Heart Rate (20 min): \_\_\_\_\_  
Heart Rate (10 min): \_\_\_\_\_ Heart Rate (30 min): \_\_\_\_\_

Core Temperature (BASE): \_\_\_\_\_ Core Temperature (20 min): \_\_\_\_\_  
Core Temperature (10 min): \_\_\_\_\_ Core Temperature (30 min): \_\_\_\_\_

Fluid Ingestion:

B#1 Pre-Ex. Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ B#1 Post-Ex. Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ B#1 Diff: \_\_\_\_\_  
B#2 Pre-Ex. Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ B#2 Post-Ex. Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ B#2 Diff: \_\_\_\_\_  
B#3 Pre-Ex. Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ B#3 Post-Ex. Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ B#3 Diff: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Fluid Consumed: \_\_\_\_\_

## Calculations/Questions

### Volunteer #1 (Thermoneutral Environment):

Sweat Rate Calculation:

C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
Body Weight (kg)		$\Delta$ BW (g) (C-D)	Drink Volume (mL)	Urine Volume (mL)	Sweat Loss (mL) (E+F-G)	Exercise Time (min)	Sweat Rate (mL/min) (H/I)
Pre-EX	Post-EX						
			N/A	N/A			

1. Based on the data collected, calculate the following:

$\Delta$  BW (g) (Column E): \_\_\_\_\_

Sweat Loss (mL) (Column H): \_\_\_\_\_

Sweat Rate (mL/min) (Column J): \_\_\_\_\_

Sweat Rate (mL/hour): \_\_\_\_\_

Recommended Fluid Intake (mL/hour) to stay euhydrated (this exercise): \_\_\_\_\_

How much fluid should this person drink over  
65 minutes of exercise to remain euhydrated: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Based on the data collected, calculate the following:

% change in HR from **10-30 minutes**: \_\_\_\_\_

% change in core temperature from **BASE to 30 min**: \_\_\_\_\_

*Hint: % change = ((Final Value – Initial Value) / Initial Value) × 100*

**Volunteer #2 (Hot/Humid Environment):**

Sweat Rate Calculation:

C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
Body Weight (kg)		$\Delta$ BW (g) (C-D)	Drink Volume (mL)	Urine Volume (mL)	Sweat Loss (mL) (E+F-G)	Exercise Time (min)	Sweat Rate (mL/min) (H/I)
Pre-EX	Post-EX						
			N/A	N/A			

1. Based on the data collected, calculate the following:

$\Delta$  BW (g) (Column E): \_\_\_\_\_

Sweat Loss (mL) (Column H): \_\_\_\_\_

Sweat Rate (mL/min) (Column J): \_\_\_\_\_

Sweat Rate (mL/hour): \_\_\_\_\_

Recommended Fluid Intake (mL/hour) to stay euhydrated (this exercise): \_\_\_\_\_

How much fluid should this person drink over  
65 minutes of exercise to remain euhydrated: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Based on the data collected, calculate the following:

% change in HR from **10-30 minutes**: \_\_\_\_\_

% change in core temperature from **BASE to 30 min**: \_\_\_\_\_

*Hint: % change = ((Final Value – Initial Value) / Initial Value) × 100*