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FOREWORD

This bibliography was compiled by members of the Life Sciences Department, Space and Information Systems Division, North American Aviation, Incorporated, Downey, Calif., under task No. 793002 and contract No. AF 41(609)-2335. The program was begun in May 1964 and completed in July 1965. The work was monitored by personnel in the Environmental Systems Branch, USAF School of Aerospace Medicine. The material was submitted for publication on 20 July 1967.

The bibliography is in two volumes. Section I, "Acclimatization and Chronic Hypoxia," is incorporated in this volume. The second volume contains bibliographic information related to "Acute Hypoxia," "Decompression," "Hypercapnia," and "Hyperthermia."

This report has been reviewed and is approved.


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ABSTRACT

This bibliography was prepared from the literature surveyed as part of the study to determine the effect of altitude acclimatization on various selected stresses. This volume contains a compilation of titles and abstracts on altitude acclimatization and the exposure to chronic hypoxia. The bibliography is arranged alphabetically by last names of authors.

INTRODUCTION

The physiological desirability of the composition of a space cabin atmosphere is usually assumed to bear a direct relationship to the closeness with which the given atmosphere approximates the earth's sea-level atmosphere. Deviations from this thesis have included suggestions of hypothermia for the reduction of metabolic rate, the substitution of other inert gases for nitrogen to reduce the potential for the bends, and finally an atmosphere equivalent to one which produces altitude acclimatization in mountain dwellers. This last consideration is of interest here.

From the early work of Mosso, Bert, Muller, Barcroft, Haldane, to the more recent work of Hurtado, Chiodi, Merino, Kellog, Dill, etc., evidence has accumulated to show that the body, through various physiological adaptations, produced over a period of time, is capable of carrying out normal activities at altitudes from 12,000 to 19,000 feet. Previously acclimatized crewmen operating in a cabin atmosphere equivalent to 12,000 to 15,000 feet of altitude should, therefore, show no decrement in normal performance. Of primary interest is the comparison between the tolerance of the acclimatized crewman to various other stresses imposed by the mission, either accidental or anticipated, and the tolerance of the unacclimatized crewman operating in a normal oxygen environment.

Stresses such as acute hypoxia, hypercapnia, decompression, hyperthermia, acceleration, and exercise could be expected to occur most commonly during space flight.

Experimental evidence indicates that acclimatization to altitude significantly increases tolerance to acute hypoxia and to decompression. The other stresses have not been thoroughly investigated. The purpose of the present study is to establish a relationship between the physiological changes of altitude acclimatization and tolerance to the above-listed stresses.

Preliminary to the formulation of an experimental program, attempts have been made to establish theoretical relationships between physiological changes of altitude acclimatization, changes produced by acute exposure to each stress, and changes produced by a prolonged exposure to each stress. The literature which was utilized in the establishment of these relationships is presented here in the form of an annotated bibliography.

I. ACCLIMATIZATION AND CHRONIC HYPOXIA

A

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Adam, J. M., et al. The effects of environmental stress: Measurements on artificially acclimatized men. *Med. Res. Counc. Spec. Rep. (London)* 298:39-74 (1960).

Adler, H. F. Abdominal symptoms at altitude. AF School of Aviation Medicine, Project No. 493, Report No. 1, Randolph AFB, Texas (16 June 1947).

Adlersberg, D., and O. Porges. Blood oxygen in high altitude. Klin. Wschr. 2:2209-2210 (16 Nov. 1923).

Adolph, E. F. General and specific characteristics of physiological adaptations. *Amer. J. Physiol.* 184:18 (1956).

Agadzhanian, N. A. Apparatus for registration of blood pressure in high altitudes. Voennomed. Zh. (Moscow) 10:87-89 (Oct. 1958).

Agadzhanian, N. A. Extinction of conditional electro-defensive motor reflexes in a rarefied atmosphere. Zhurnal Vysschei Nerundi Deiatel'nosti, 6(2):260-268 (Mar. -Apr. 1956). Dogs conditioned to defensive motor reflexes at the sound of a bell were subjected to decompression to altitudes of 6000 and 8000 meters. The extinction of the reflexes was studied and interpreted in Pavlovian terms. Conclusion: the mechanisms of extinction involved the weakening of cerebrocortical cells in acute hypoxia.

Agostino, B. A. d'. Thyroid iodine and muscular fat in animals raised at various altitudes. Arch. Sci. Biol. 35:583-591 (Nov. -Dec. 1951).

Albaum, H. G., and H. J. Chinn. Brain metabolism during acclimatization to high altitude. Amer. J. Physiol. 1:141-145 (July 1953). Acclimatization of rats to lowered barometric pressure (equivalent to 11,000, 18,000, and 22,000 feet) did not significantly alter the levels of the determined brain constituents. The following portions were determined: inorganic P, phosphocreatine, organic P, glycogen, lactic acid, adenylic acid, adenosine diphosphate, adenosine triphosphate, hexose diphosphate, glucose-1-phosphate, and diphosphopyridine nucleotides. The hemoglobin rose markedly in rats maintained at 18,000 and 22,000 feet.

Albaum, H. G., and H. H. Chinn. Enzyme studies in acclimatization to high altitude: I. Brain metabolism during altitude acclimatization. AF School of Aviation Medicine, Project No. 21-1201-0009, Report No. 1, Randolph AFB, Texas (May 1953).

Albaum, H.G., W.K. Noell, and H.J. Chinn. Enzyme studies in acclimatization to high altitude: II. Chemical changes in rabbit brain during anoxia. AF School of Aviation Medicine, Project No. 21-1201-0009, Report No. 2. Randolph AFB, Texas, (June 1953).

Albers, D. and A. Koch. Changes in electrocardiogram at high altitudes. Zeitschrift Kreislaufforsch. 33:142-153 (1 March 1941).

Alexeef, A.J. Effect of mountain climate on catalase of blood. Biochem. Z. 192:41-57 (1928).

Aliev, M.A. On the therapeutic properties of the mountain climate in hypertonia. AFSC, N65-17833. Foreign Technology Div., Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio (24 Nov. 1964). Renal form of hypertonia was produced in dogs by collapsing one or both kidneys with a rubber capsule. Under conditions of high altitude (1800 meters); hypertonia was recorded in the dogs in which unilateral renal ischemia had been produced. At altitudes of 2700 meters above sea level, a delaying effect was also observed. This retarding influence was verified at 3200 meters. Hypertonia did not develop in any of the dogs with one kidney collapsed. Collapsing both kidneys resulted in an increase in arterial pressure. Thus, the climate of high mountains, which constitutes a complex of atmospheric factors (sub-normal barometric pressure, intense sunlight, negative air ionization, moderate temperature) had a therapeutic effect on induced hypertonia.

It was noted that favorable therapy was not experienced during the cooler weather in the mountains (September to October).

Alifanov, V.N. Changes of motor conditioned reflexes in man in conditions of hypoxic hypoxia and low barometric pressure. Zh. Vyss. Nerv. Dejat. Pavlov, 11:28-33 (1961). The effects of hypoxic hypoxia low barometric pressure on the motor conditioned responses (CR's) of man were studied. The effect of hypoxia was achieved by keeping the subjects in a rarefied chamber (5,000 meters) for 30 minutes, while they breathed the air about them. The effect of low barometric pressure was achieved by "elevating" the subjects in a pressure chamber to an "altitude" of 10,000 meters for 20 to 25 minutes, while they breathed O_2 . The author finds that with good tolerance of moderate hypoxia there is no marked impairment of the active inhibitory processes. Stability of the latent CR's at the altitude suggests fairly strong processes of excitation and inhibition in the cerebral cortex. In these cases the signs of protective inhibitions are also absent, indicating fairly stable adaptation of the central nervous system's functions to hypoxia. The changes noted in conditioned activity resemble barometric pressure, especially with the deterioration of the condition of the subjects. Both of these unusual environment factors are able to provoke a general adaptation-compensation reaction of the body. There is also reason to believe that in both cases some

degree of O₂ deficiency develops, although the origin is different. In the former case, the O₂ deficiency is caused by a low partial pressure of O₂ in the inspired air; in the latter case some form of circulatory hypoxia may set in as a result of functional impairment of the cardiovascular and respiratory systems.

Alifanov, V.N. The effect of hypoxia and low barometric pressure on the motor and sensory chronaxie in man. Biull. Eksp. Biol. Med. 41(1): 29-32 (1956). Translation.

Allegretti, A. J. Blood pressure as affected by altitude. Med. Bull. Veterans Admin. 19:290-291 (Jan. 1943). The influence exerted by differences in altitude upon normal blood pressure in similar persons in similar circumstances is studied by the author, who was transferred from the facility at Hines, Ill., where the altitude is 650 feet, to the facility at Cheyenne, Wyo., which is 6105 feet above sea level (a difference of 5500 feet or well over a mile).

Altland, P. D., and B. Highman. Effects of high altitude on cholesterol-fed rabbits. Production of severe pulmonary atherosclerosis with calcification. Arch. Path. 70:340-357 (Sept. 1960). The occurrence after exposure to high altitude of fatty changes in the arterial

media of rats and non-lipid arteriosclerotic lesions in the aorta of dogs lends support to the theory that anoxemia may be a predisposing factor in the production of arteriosclerosis. Further study of the role of hypoxia in the production of arteriosclerosis is warranted. In this study, the effects of exposure to high altitude on the character and distribution of atherosclerotic lesions in cholesterol-fed rabbits has been studied.

Altukhov, G.V. Studies on higher nervous activity in men in the condition of a prolonged exposure to rarefied atmosphere, Zh. Vyss. Nerv. Dejat Pavlov, 11:582-592 (July-Aug. 1961).

Alzamora, R., and C. Monge. Electrocardiographic modifications in the Andean during his adaptation to sea level. An. Fac. Med. (Lima) 38(1):65-73 (1955). Electrocardiographic tracings of Andean natives living at Huancayo, Peru (10,170 feet), and at Morococha, Peru (14,900 feet), displayed changes primarily in the QRS, ST, and V waves during their adaptation to sea level (Lima, Peru, 500 feet). It is noted that the state of increased ventricular volume and hyperactivity which exists at high altitudes does not persist at sea level but is gradually modified.

Alzamora-Castro, V., G. Garrido-Lecca, and G. Battilana. Pulmonary edema of high altitude. *Amer. J. Cardiol.*, 7:769-778 (1961). Twenty-seven cases of pulmonary edema of high altitude are reported. The disease occurred at an altitude above 3000 meters (9900 feet). Pulmonary edema of high altitude was observed in persons with normal hearts and often in young subjects. It occurred during the first trip, or on one or more of several trips, made to the higher altitude. Several patients were symptom-free in previous and subsequent trips to the same altitude. The disease was often observed in normal subjects adapted to the altitude, going back to the high lands after spending varying lengths of time at sea level. Respiratory infections were an aggravating or precipitating factor. Pulmonary edema of high altitude was usually preceded by symptoms which, as a rule, appeared shortly after arrival at the high elevation. The knowledge of the premonitory symptoms is important to prevent death. The treatment of choice is oxygen or, when possible, descent to lower altitudes or sea level. The cause of pulmonary edema of high altitude is obscure and the various possible mechanisms are briefly discussed.

Alzamora-Castro, V. Possible influence of high altitude on determination of various cardiac malformations; preliminary report. *Revista Peruana Cardiol.* 1:189-198 (July-Sept. 1952).

Alzamora-Castro, V., G. Battilana, R. Abuzattas, and S. Siola. Patent

ductus arteriosus and high altitude. Amer. J. Cardiol. 5(6):761-763 (June 1960). Patent ductus arteriosus is often found in patients born at high altitudes. The effect becomes manifest at altitudes over 3000 meters and is most evident at altitudes of over 4000 meters. It is presumed that mechanical factors affecting the pulmonary circulation as well as the lower oxygen tension may influence persistent patency of the ductus arteriosus. High altitude does not appear to be an etiologic factor in coarctation of the aorta.

Amassian, V.E. Effect of hypoxia and ischemia on cortical, thalamic, and midbrain reticular neurons. Abstract in Fed. Proc., 16 (1 part 1):3 (Mar. 1957). Spontaneous electrical activity and activity evoked by cat's forepaw, thalamic, or cortical stimulation was observed in records from medial lemniscus, midbrain reticular formation, medial and ventroposterior thalamic nuclei, internal capsule, somatosensory areas I and II and pyramidal tract. Spontaneous (including burst) activity in the cortex and medial thalamus practically disappeared before or when the arterial oxygen saturation fell below 10 percent. Early evoked somatosensory cortical responses, pyramidal responses, and evoked activity in single cortical neurons persisted many seconds. Activities of individual reticular neurons markedly differed in susceptibility to hypoxia, the activity disappearing either when cortical spontaneous activity disappeared or later. The latency of evoked discharge usually increased prior to loss of response.

Thus, transmission of short-delay evoked discharges within the cortex and is less sensitive to hypoxia than is the subcortical mechanism which drives cortical "spontaneous" activity.

Anderson, L. L., M. L. Willcox, J. Silliman, and S. Blount. Pulmonary physiology of normal individuals living at an altitude of one mile. *J. Clin. Invest.* 32:490-496 (1953). There are few known studies of pulmonary functions of normal, acclimated individuals living at a median altitude (1 mile). Therefore, the establishment of "normal" values for the various tests used in measuring pulmonary function was undertaken. Furthermore, the establishment of the effect of this median altitude upon the results of the tests is necessary for proper interpretation. Unfortunately, few studies of pulmonary function have been done at sea-level in a manner with which to compare these results. A significant increase in resting minute ventilation is established for one-mile altitude, and minute ventilation is increased during exercise. The increase in ventilation lowers carbon dioxide content and tension in the peripheral arterial blood below values obtained at sea level.

Anthony, A., E. Ackerman, and G.K. Strother. Effects of altitude acclimatization on rat myoglobin; changes in myoglobin content of skeletal and cardiac muscles. *Amer. J. Physiol.*, 196(3):512-516 (Mar. 1959). Analyses were made of myoglobin content of rat skeletal and cardiac

muscle following continuous exposure to simulated altitudes of 18,000 feet for a 2- to 10-week period. Sixty rats were used. Acclimatization was associated with an increase in the myoglobin concentration of thigh, diaphragm, gastrocnemius, and heart muscles. Total myoglobin content, however, increased during acclimatization in cardiac muscle but not in the three skeletal muscles. This finding together with the body and muscle weight changes suggested that the increases in myoglobin concentration of skeletal muscles may be a reflection of a decreased muscle water content.

Apperly, F.L. Early blood changes during hyperventilation following residence at moderate altitudes. *Amer. J. Physiol.* 1:179-185 (April 1938).

Arellano, A. Cerebrospinal fluid at high altitudes; examination in case of Monge's disease. *Neuro-Psiquiat. Panam. Acta.* 2:113-135 (1941).

Arellano, A.P. Circulatory speed at high altitude. *Prensa Med. Argent.* 31:50-58 (5 Jan. 1944).

Arellano, A.P. Intracranial pressure and high altitude; clinical considerations, especially psychoneurologic, of high plateaus; preliminary report. *Revista Med. Exp. (Lima)* 3:188-215 (July 1944).

Arias-Stella, J., and M. Saldana. The terminal portion of the pulmonary arterial tree in people native to high altitudes. *Circulation* 28(5):915-925 (1963). Hemodynamic studies have disclosed that people born and living at high altitudes present a mild degree of pulmonary-arterial hypertension and increased vascular resistance. Since the small muscular branches of

the pulmonary arterial tree are primarily concerned in determining vascular resistances; a study of their characteristics is included. Two series of autopsies were investigated—one from Cerro de Pasco at 14,300 feet above sea level, and the other used as control, from Lima at sea level. Cases were arranged in two age groups: from 1 month to 2 years and from 6 to 76 years. Subjects of approximately matching ages were considered in both series. A more extensive muscularization of the peripheral pulmonary arterial branches at all ages, true hypertrophy of the proximal pulmonary arteries in adults, and evidence that some degree of vasoconstriction occurs in the distal arteries in younger ages were found in the high altitude series. The factors which probably give rise to these changes are discussed. It is believed that the results give an anatomical basis for understanding the genesis of high altitude pulmonary hypertension.

Arias-Stella, J., and H. Kruger. Pathology of high altitude pulmonary edema. *Arch. Path.* 76(2):147-157 (Aug. 1963). The pathological findings in two fatal cases of high-altitude pulmonary edema are described. The presence of alveolar and bronchiolar zonal edema accompanied by hyaline membranes was the most important lesion. In one case, recent thrombosis of the septal capillaries in both the small and medium-sized pulmonary arteries was another finding. The histochemical study of the hyaline membranes showed a structure similar to that found in the hyaline membrane disease of the newborn; and in the placental "fibrinoid." The possible

pathogenesis of the pulmonary edema and the significance of the presence of hyaline membranes are discussed.

Arias-Stella, J., and M. Saldana. The muscular pulmonary arteries in people native to high altitude. In Fifth Annual Conference on Research in Emphysema: Normal and Abnormal Pulmonary Circulation, Part 2, 1962. *Med. Thoracalis*; 19(5):484-493 (1962). A mild degree of pulmonary arterial hypertension, associated with increased vascular resistance, has been demonstrated in people born and living at high altitude. Since the small muscular branches of the pulmonary arterial tree are primarily concerned in determining vascular resistance, the study of their characteristics is necessary to understand the genesis and significance of high altitude pulmonary hypertension. Two autopsy series have been studied— one from people born and living from 11,300 to 14,300 feet above sea level, the other, used as control, from people born and living at sea level. The muscular pulmonary arteries were classified according to their topographic relation with the ramifications of the respiratory tree. Proximal arteries were defined as those located at the sides of terminal bronchioles; distal arteries as those situated at the level of alveolar ducts and alveolar septa. The ratio of the number of distal arteries to that of proximal arteries, the external diameter, the relation of internal to external diameter, the area of the media of proximal and distal arteries,

and the total area of transversal arterial muscle at distal level per proximal artery were determined. A greater number of peripheral pulmonary arterial branches provided with a muscular media and the existence of more arterial muscle at the distal level, from one month of age onward, have been found in high altitude subjects. The results give an anatomic basis to understanding the histogenics of high altitude pulmonary hypertension.

Arias-Stella, J., and S. Recovarren. Right ventricular hypertrophy in native children living at high altitude. *Amer. J. Path.* 41:54-64 (July 1962). The ratio of left and right ventricular weights (LVW/RVW Hermann-Wilson index) was investigated in 70 infants and children born and living at sea level and in 59 like subjects from high altitudes (12,225 to 14,300 feet). In both, the cases were divided into 4 groups according to age: newborn or stillborn, 1 day to 3 months, 4 to 23 months, and 2 to 10 years. It was shown that at sea level the Hermann-Wilson index attained values corresponding to those characteristics of adults, beginning at the fourth month of life. In the high altitude group the ratio indicated a persistent right ventricular predominance which is normally present at birth, and ordinarily gives way in due course at sea level to left ventricular dominance. The apparent right ventricular hypertrophy persisted from the fourth month of life up to the maximum age investigated (10 years).

Arkad'evskii, A.S., A.P. Bruzhes, and E.A. Mukhamedova. On disturbances of muscle coordination in high mountain conditions. Biofizika, 2(2):239-248. New York: Pergamon Press, 1957.

Coordination disturbances were found in 75 percent of 60 subjects investigated on the second day of a stay at 4200 meters altitude (after 3 to 15 days of previous adaption to 2,200 meters). On the fifth day, slight residual effects persisted in 18 subjects studied. The disturbances consisted of overshooting the range in simple flexing movements, uneven speed of movement, and absence of correction in complex movements (in drawing lines, circles, and writing). The latency of the simple motor response was increased in 91 percent, and the maximum rate of motion simultaneously reduced in 61 percent of the subjects. Symptoms of excitation and discoordination in the higher cortical centers included euphoria, faulty associations, emotional disturbances, etc. The symptoms are interpreted as resulting from inhibition of the motor analyzer through negative induction from the excited higher cortical centers.

Armand-Delille, P.F. Altitude sojourn and secondary infection. Bull. Acad. Nat. Med. (Paris) 121:579-580 (21-28 Oct. 1927).

Armstrong, H.G. and J.W. Heim. Effect of repeated daily exposures to anoxemia. J. Aviation Med. 9:92-96 (1938). It was previously shown that experimental animals exposed to an altitude pressure equivalent to 18,000 feet (1/2 atmosphere) for 4 hours daily exhibited an increasing tolerance to altitude for the first two weeks, followed by a progressively

decreasing tolerance. The latter was accompanied by an increasing mortality rate due in certain cases to respiratory failure and in others to a paralysis of the lower half of the body. It was concluded that the primary cause of death in these cases was either a degeneration change in the central nervous system, the adrenal cortex, or both, although no direct evidence was presented to support this theory.

Asmussen, E., and M. Nielsen. The cardiac output in rest and work at low- and high-oxygen pressures. Acta Physiol. Scand. (Stockholm) 35(1):73-83 (1955). Cardiac output during 12- to 100-percent oxygen breathing was determined by the dye injection method. During low-oxygen breathing, an increase of 10 to 20 percent in cardiac output at rest and at work was associated with an increase in pulse rate and a slight decrease in stroke volume. High oxygen breathing caused a decrease in pulse rate of 4 to 8 percent but had no effect on cardiac output.

Aste-Salazar, H., and A. Hurtado. Affinity of hemoglobin for oxygen at sea level and at high altitudes. Amer. J. Physiol. 142:733-743 (Dec. 1944). The position of the oxygen dissociation curve has been determined in arterial blood obtained from (1) 17 healthy adult men living at sea level (2) 12 Indians, native residents of Morococha (Peru), at an altitude of 4540 meters (14,890 ft.). The same determination has been repeated in 12 subjects of the first group within the first two hours after arrival at the high altitude, and in 8 men of the second group within the first

two hours after arrival at sea level. The results have been compared with those obtained in previous investigations.

Astrand, P. O. Heart rate during muscular work in man exposed to prolonged hypoxia. *J. Appl. Physiol.* 13(1):75-80 (1958).

Astrand, P. O. The respiratory activity in man exposed to prolonged hypoxia. *Acta Physiol. Scand.* (Stockholm). 30(40):342-367 (1954). Two healthy subjects were exposed to simulated altitude in a low-pressure chamber for 66 to 115 hours (3000 or 4000 meters). On one subject, determination of pulmonary ventilation and alveolar $p\text{CO}_2$ etc., were done prior to, during, and after the period of acclimatization to hypoxia. The experiments comprised rest conditions and periods of work of varying grades of severity. On both subjects, the respiratory response to CO_2 mixtures was tested. By breathing oxygen, the hypoxic "drive" from the chemoreceptors was blocked and the effect of ventilation was examined. The results indicated that (1) the hypoxic "drive" occurring during acclimatization remained constant and of the same values as that seen in acute hypoxia; (2) in breathing air or oxygen, the pulmonary ventilation at any work level during prolonged exposure exceeded that seen in comparable experiments during acute exposure to altitude; and (3) following the period of prolonged hypoxia, the respiration was much more sensitive to CO_2 than was the case prior to the exposure to altitude. The effect of $\text{CO}_2 + \text{O}_2$ was more

pronounced than that of CO₂ + air.

Astrom, A. On the action of combined carbon dioxide excess and oxygen deficiency in the regulation of breathing. Acta Physiol. Scand. 27(98):61p(1952). Anesthetized dogs were exposed to inhalations of air containing excessive carbon dioxide and being deficient in oxygen. Arterial pH and O₂ saturation could be varied at will with the aid of a pneumothorax and of artificial respiration with different compositions of gas. Alveolar pCO₂ and pO₂ were measured simultaneously. The respiratory behavior was studied with the chemo-reflex mechanism intact or with exclusion of chemo-reflex influences. Respiration was found to be stimulated by CO₂. The stimulating effect of O₂ deficiency was found to be inversely proportional to the arterial pH. Breathing was stimulated markedly by intravenous injection of sodium cyanide at a low pH. A theory on the action of combined CO₂ excess and O₂ deficiency is evolved and practical applications of the findings are suggested.

Atmer. Studies on illness due to altitude. Acta. Aerophysiol. 1(3).50-52 (1934).

Aviado, J. M., and C. F. Schmidt. Physiologic bases for the treatment of pulmonary edema. J. Chron. Dis. 9:495-509 (1959).

Axelrod, D. R., and R. F. Pitts. Effects of hypoxia on renal tubular function. J. Appl. Physiol. 4(7):593-601 (1952). Hypoxia was induced

in two dogs and in two young men by inhalation of nitrogen-air mixtures while the oxygen content of the blood was recorded. Moderate hypoxia increased urinary flow; severe hypoxia, on the other hand, produced oliguria. The results showed however, that both in the man and the dog the renal tubular mechanisms for secretion of para-aminohippurate and for absorption of glucose are highly resistant to moderate or severe anoxia.

Aykut, R., M. Terzioglu, and M. Bilge. Energy exchange under basal conditions at rest and during exercise at 1850 meters altitude. *Arch. Int. Physiol.* 68:285-298 (Mar. 1960).

Aykut, R., M. Terziogly, and F. Ozer. Variations of the erythrocyte osmotic resistance and of the blood bilirubin level at an altitude of 1850 meters, Minerva Med. (Turin), 47(53):10-13 (4 July 1956).

Ten subjects staying at Uludag, Turkey(1850 meters of altitude), showed an 8-percent increase in erythrocyte values over those obtained at sea level. An increase in erythrocyte fragility and in blood bilirubin content was also observed, along with a decrease in erythrocytic osmotic resistance. These changes are probably related to the altitude-induced acceleration of hemolytic processes and the stimulation of erythropoietic activity.

Ayres, P. J., R. Hunter, and E. Williams. Aldosterone excretion and potassium retention in subjects living at high altitudes. *Nature (London)*, 191(4763):78-80 (1 July 1961). Tests were made of a possible correlation between aldosterone and potassium levels in individuals subjected to a prolonged stay at altitudes above 15,000 feet. Urine samples were taken daily from 7 subjects (4 men and 3 women) during a 24-day stay at 14,300 feet on Mount Blanc. The results assume the validity of urinary aldosterone assay as an index of circulating aldosterone level. During ascent and at altitude circulating aldosterone and potassium initially tended to decrease, and after about 72 hours, to rise toward their sea level concentrations.

Ayzenberg, A. A., Y. S. Leschinskaya, and G. M. Robolotskaya. On the basic mechanisms compensating hypoxia in chronic circulatory insufficiency. AFSC N65-17791, Foreign Technology Div., Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Certain consistent relationships in the compensation of hypoxia in chronic circulatory insufficiency are reported. In the initial stages of decompensation, the utilization of oxygen rises in response to the decrease in blood arriving at the tissue. In a later stage, hypoxia is compensated at the expense of reduced affinity of hemoglobin for oxygen, and the adjustment of metabolism with intensification of anaerobic processes. In patients suffering from heart defects with latent circulation insufficiency, the amount of circulating blood is lower than normal: it increases as decompensation develops. In the third stage of decompensation, the ability of the tissues to consume oxygen is lowered, histotoxic hypoxia develops, and resynthesis of lactic acid in the liver is suppressed.

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Baciu, J., C. Oprisiu, and M. Dorostein. On the direct and reflex action of hypoxia in the nervous regulation of erythropoiesis.

Medical Review 5(1):73 (1961). This work was carried out on dogs.

Badger, D.W., and N. Pace. Blood volume changes in dogs exposed to altitude. *Physiologist* 5(3):101 (Aug. 1962). Changes in red cell mass, plasma, and total blood volumes were compared in intact and splenectomized dogs living at 12,470 feet. Similar measurements were made in splenectomized dogs, whose aortic and carotid chemoreceptors had been ablated (glomectomized) to prevent respiratory response to hypoxia. All groups showed increased red cell mass. The intact and the splenectomized dogs reached 145 percent at sea level values, the latter more slowly. The glomectomized-splenectomized dogs increased to 250 percent, hematocrit values as high as 86 percent being observed. Plasma volume decreased within a few days in all groups, the intact dogs fell to 90 percent of sea level and returned by 60 days, the splenectomized decreased to 70 percent and recovered by 240 days, while the glomectomized decreased to 50 percent and had not recovered by 500 days. The erythropoietic response to hypoxia is slow in splenectomized dogs, although the same degree of increase in red cell mass as in intact dogs occurs eventually. On the other hand, the glomectomized-splenectomized dogs showed a far greater erythropoietic response to hypoxia than the other groups. It is apparent that the chemoreceptors are not needed for the erythropoietic response, but that the spleen may play

a role in erythropoiesis. Further, in the absence of hypoxic hyperventilation mediated by the glomi, the erythropoietic response is enhanced, with or without the presence of the spleen. Finally, the early decrease in plasma volume may be accounted for, at least in part, by activation of left atrial stretch receptors by hypoxia-induced, increased pulmonary venous pressures, with resultant decrease in ADH secretion.

Bahler, H. Influence of mountain climate on blood coagulation and blood platelet count. Schweiz Med. Wschr. 66:460-461 (9 May 1936).

Baicenko, I. P. Lactic acid content of blood at altitude of 4200 meters. Arbeitsphysiol. 6:373-375 (1933).

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were considered due to early resorption of embryos. No significant effect of hypoxia was noted on implantation placentas, vascularization, or gestation time. Adverse effects of hypoxia were manifested primarily in resorption of fetuses when they had attained a critical size (about 7 mm.). The incidence of resorption is correlated directly with stress level, expressed as duration and intensity of hypoxia, and is considered to be contingent on the critically respiring mass of fetal tissue.

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Surprisingly, 6 weeks of acclimatization to an altitude of 14,000 feet were not sufficient to raise this performance level perceptibly. Immediately after return from the mountain, physical performance was improved above the controls. The maximal oxygen uptake was increased.

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embarrassment. Intermittent daily exposure to simulated altitudes of 15,000 to 18,000 feet for one and one-half hours preserved the hypoxic tolerance gained by the natural altitude acclimatization.

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alpha-ketoglutaric acid. Similar analyses were made on tissues of animals derived from each environment following periods of residence at the other experiment station. While differences were obtained, there was no uniform change, due, at least in part, to the large range of values found within groups. This variation in individual values may be attributed to the heterogeneity of the animals employed. It became evident, not only from tissue assays but also from mortality data, that the "downhill" stress may be as significant to a well-acclimatized altitude animal as the reverse change is for a "sea-level" animal. Manometric measurements on liver and kidney slices yielded lower QO_2 values for kidney from altitude guinea pigs compared to sea-level guinea pigs. No differences were observed with liver slices derived from comparable animals. Sea-level animals at altitude for six weeks were more resistant to *Salmonella typhimurium* infection than altitude animals similarly infected.

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associated with mice adapting to altitude could not be duplicated in animals given daily injection of 1 mg. cortisone acetate for two weeks prior to the assays. Nor was there a correlation between lowered blood sugar induced by 17 hours of inanition and reduced tissue citrate. This treatment, in contrast, was accompanied by elevated citric acid in all tissues.

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nitrogen than controls. Administration of bacterial endotoxin to the hypoxic group decreased the urinary nitrogen to normal levels. Altitude-exposed mice were significantly more susceptible to endotoxin than normal mice. Glutamic-oxaloacetic and glutamic-pyruvic transaminases were lower in the livers of altitude-exposed mice than in normal animals. These enzymes were also lower four weeks after adrenalectomy.

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Results of the tests were as follows: general hypoxia induced abnormalities of color perception and aggravated existing abnormalities; the inhalation of O₂ improved color sensitivity under normal atmospheric conditions; pressure upon the eyeball induced anomaly of the red-green chromatic perception; and compression of the eyeball and inhalation of O₂ neutralized their mutually antagonistic effects.

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depression was slight or absent, and an enhancement was observed in some cases. The depressant actions of hypoxia and acidosis appeared to be counteracted, to some degree, by a compensatory mechanism. The state of ventricular excitability and A-V conduction at any instant seems to depend on the balance between two opposed mechanisms. The total refractory period of the ventricular myocardium was only slightly prolonged by hypoxia and respiratory acidosis, but more markedly by ammonium chloride administration. After termination of hypoxia, ventricular diastolic excitability returned readily to a normal level, whereas A-V conduction time remained lengthened for a much longer period. Refractoriness also was not very stable. The A-V conducting system appears less resistant to the depressant effect of hypoxia and acidosis than the ventricular myocardium.

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of 2050 meters and remained permanent residents of the location, disclosed certain deviations from the normal physiological and morphological characteristics. The average height was less than normal, but the weight was within the normal limits. The thoracic girth and the vital capacity were increased. The respiration rate was normal; however, the minute respiratory volume was increased. The pulse rate was lower than normal, and a small group developed a slight bradycardia. The electrocardiogram showed, in general, low amplitudes, with the exception of the T wave which in many instances was of greater amplitude than normal. The blood flow rate was low. In 40 percent of the cases the capillary resistance was low. The high pulmonary ventilation and the low blood flow rate may provide better oxygen saturation of the blood in the pulmonary circulation. However, it is possible that the tissue requirements for oxygen are lower at high altitudes.

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groups showed a considerable loss of weight which was regained upon return to normal environment. The rate of oxygen consumption was about the same in the experimental groups and controls.

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for *Tibialis anticus*. The results achieved by this method indicate a decrease in diffusion gradient of O_2 to the tissues by both an increase in number and a dilation of capillaries. Q_{O_2} values on liver slices using glycerophosphate as a substrate were 11.4 for acclimatized animals and 11.0 for control animals.

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cases, the administration of oxygen sufficed to reverse the E C G changes back to normal. Hypoxia is suggested as the primary cause for these changes, on the basis of previous clinical and experimental work and the information collected from these experiments. The importance of a possible species difference was suggested when attempts were made to correlate the results in rats, dogs, and humans.

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only 55-percent of the subjects; 50-percent oxygen produced no symptoms during the twenty-four hour period. Since oxygen tents or catheters rarely produce alveolar oxygen concentration higher than 50 percent, these forms of administering oxygen are completely safe. Breathing of 100-percent oxygen at high altitudes (low total atmospheric pressures) does not produce symptoms, indicating that the symptoms are due to high-oxygen tensions and not to elimination of nitrogen. The use of 100-percent oxygen for short periods is probably safe in all patients, but when oxygen must be given in excess of twelve hours the following rules should be followed. The oxygen concentration should be reduced to 60-percent unless this is insufficient to saturate the arterial blood, and when 100 percent oxygen must be administered, a careful check should be made for the symptoms most likely to occur as a result of the high tensions of oxygen.

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was stimulated by means of intravenous administration of ACTH in two groups of subjects, healthy native residents in Morococha, at an altitude of 4540 meters (14,900 feet). The response to this stimulation was determined by measuring the urinary excretion of 17-ketosteroids and 17-hydroxycorticoids and the fall in the circulating eosinophils. Well-defined differences were not found between the two groups.

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was observed in total pulmonary blood flow. This change was associated with a drop of arterial oxygen saturation down to 85 percent. No rise was seen in pulmonary artery pressure. Using the same procedures, bilateral hypoxia was induced by administering to both lungs, through separate airways of the bronchspirometer, the same low-oxygen mixture. A drop was observed in arterial blood oxygen saturation down to 64 percent. Mean pulmonary artery pressure rose significantly by 5 mm. Hg.

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The succinic dehydrogenase activity of the adrenals was elevated most in the altitude-cold. Oxygen storage was unaffected by thermal factors.

Criscuolo, D., R. T. Clark, and R. B. Mefferd. Effects of low-and high-iron supplementation on hypoxic rats. *Amer. J. Physiol.* 80(1):215-218 (Jan. 1955). Rats fed a low- or high-iron dietary supplement survived exposure to a simulated altitude of 20,000 feet for a period of six weeks equally well. A hemoglobin increase seen in the high-iron animals was thus apparently not indispensable for survival. Hematocrits and red cell counts were increased in the low-iron group, indicating that the hemopoietic response in these animals was unaffected. The myoglobin content of various tissue, and oxygen utilization, as reflected by succinic dehydrogenase activity, increased in both groups.

Crisler, G., E. J. Van Liere, and W. T. Booker. The effect of anoxemia on the digestive movements of the stomach. *Amer. J. Physiol.* 3:629-634 (Dec. 1932). Anoxemia of grades of 10 percent or less, in barbituized dogs, caused inhibition of gastric digestive motility as indicated constantly by a decreased amplitude of contraction and frequently by a fall in tone. The most plausible mechanism for the early inhibition seems to be a sensitization of the sympathetics by the

rise in blood pH that accompanies the initial hyperpnea and hyperventilation in anoxemia. These results are a partial reproduction of the clinical picture of gastrointestinal upsets during venous stasis as seen in cardiac disease. A possible explanation of the discrepancies in the two conditions is mentioned.

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produced a rise in actual pressure, bradycardia and an activation of the electrocardiograms. Similar changes were elicited by electrical stimulation of the sympathetic zone of the hypothalamus. It is suggested that the cerebrovascular supply may be regulated in part by "sympathetic" neurons in the hypothalamus responsive to hypoxia or hypercapnia.

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50 percent, heart failure did not result as long as the carotids were perfused with blood of normal pO_2 . Severe heart failure occurred when the blood in the carotid arteries was moderately hypoxic (pO_2 below 50, saturation below 80 percent) while the rest of the circulation was fully oxygenated.

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and Rutin which interfere with permeability are without any effect on the response.

Cuba, A., M. Copaira, E. de la Vega, and B. Pareja. Vitamin E in lambs at altitude. I. Tocopherolemia and blood picture in normal lambs. Rev. Fac. Med. Veterinaria, (Peru) 7-11: 178-184 (1952-1956). Twelve consecutive determinations were made of the blood picture and serum tocopherol in nine lambs at 4000 meters above sea level. The first determination was made between 24 and 48 hours after birth, and the others at intervals of 7, 15, and 30 days. At 60 days, it was observed that the highest values in the number of erythrocytes, hemoglobin, and packed erythrocytes volume coincided with the lowest levels of tocopherol. After 60 days, the hemotological variations tended toward the normal, reaching normal levels in 240 days. It is suggested that these findings constitute a physiological curve in lambs at altitude which is related to a hypotocopherolemic state.

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of lambs at 4000 meters above sea level were subjected to a vitamin E deficient diet 48 hours after birth for a period of 5 months, during which time the blood picture and blood tocopherol levels were periodically determined. After 90 days, a marked increase in the number of erythrocytes, hemoglobin, and packed erythrocyte volume was found which persisted until the end of the experiment at 150 days. Aside from polycythemia, the clinical manifestations of mountain sickness or vitamin E deficiency were not observed.

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Med. Klen. (Berlin)49(50):2001-2002 (10 Dec. 1954). This is a comment on a paper published under the above title by E. Hausund and H. Jungmann. The author takes the view that results of experiments using artificial climate chambers (not decompression or pressure chambers) are analogous to those obtained under natural environmental conditions. However, both environments are not to be considered identical in their effects on the human organism. In both cases, the reaction is to the total complex of environmental factors. The author states that he has observed vasomotor and circulatory reactions at altitude differences of 50 meters in the artificial climate chamber. The conflicting results reported by various researchers concerning the appearance of vagotonia during altitude ascent may be explained by the relatively rapid succession of phases and also by the fact that the "initial state of reactivity" of the individual determines the degree of systematic reaction to sudden environmental changes. This "reactivity-state" is not always evident because of the unreliability of testing methods used, and also because of the possible lack of synchronism between the circulatory responses and changes in the sympathetic tone.

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neuroses, and fifteen had sequelae of cranialtrauma. With regard to the chronology of oxygen desaturation and the morphology of the encephalographic tracing, the subjects could be grouped according to anoxia sensitivity. Group 0 showed no changes in the EEG until the oxygen content of the blood reached 55 percent. In Groups I, II, III, and IV, delta waves appeared at oxygen saturation of 60, 70, 80 and above 80 percent, respectively. Normal subjects show the best resistance to anoxia between 25 and 35 years. Neurovegetative maturity is not yet reached before the twenty-fifth year and resistance decreases after the fortieth year. Subjects below the age of 25 and above the age of 40 generally belong to Groups II, III, and IV.

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changes in the over-all oxygen consumption or in oral temperature resulted from the protracted exposures at the 8,000- and 10,000-foot levels.

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in mountaineering is related to the type of activity performed at different stages (approach march, acclimatization camp, base camp, higher camps, and return journey), to the nutritional status of the subject at the outset, and to the effect supplementation may have on performance. The diets used by the British Cho Oyo Expedition (1952), British Mount Everest Expedition (1953), and the Indian Mount Everest Expedition (1960) are analyzed.

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dissected into fast and slow components, interpreted as neurogenic and humoral, respectively, in accordance with the neurohumoral theory. In two subjects, an increased hyperpnea of exercise at altitude represented increases in both the neurogenic and humoral components, while in the third subject, only the humoral components were increased. Study of the composition of alveolar gas at the start and end of exercise indicated that pulmonary blood flow, as well as ventilation, undergoes immediate change at these times. Resting blood lactate concentrations and the increment produced by exercise were higher at altitude. Resting heart rate tended to increase throughout the altitude sojourn in these subjects. The increment in pulse rate produced by exercise fell progressively, as expected.

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gradient from atmosphere to tissues so that the tissues can function at near-normal oxygen tension in spite of the altitude. During ascent to high altitude, satisfactory acclimatization occurs up to an altitude of 23,000 feet, above which rapid deterioration takes place. The process of adequate acclimatization requires three to four weeks during which the mountaineer gradually ascends to an altitude of approximately 21,000 feet with frequent trips to lower altitude. Oxygen is a tremendous aid at high altitude and is effectively an "altitude reducer."

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Survey of Object Visualization. Other tests, tried only during the last experiment, gave the same results. Some of the tests showed no progress or equal progress for both groups, but there was no instance where the group submitted to mild anoxia (not receiving added oxygen at 10,000 feet) could display a better performance than the group receiving oxygen. On the contrary, the latter improved in a significant way from test to test in the majority of cases. All results seem to indicate that the relative deficit of oxygen, corresponding to an altitude of 10,000 feet, inhibits partly the normal functioning of the higher centers, especially the learning process.

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of between 1,000 and 2,000 feet is achieved following the high carbohydrate meal. Changes in the individual while approaching equilibrium, or a steady state, do not appreciably affect the degree of altitude gain. When subjects are permitted to choose the quantity and type of food they prefer, their altitude tolerance is decreased only to the extent of approximately 500 feet below that following the special high carbohydrate meal. The gain in altitude tolerance with the high carbohydrate diet appears to be due to the increased RQ — a higher production of CO₂ with a given oxygen consumption theoretically resulting in a proportionate rise in alveolar ventilation and pO₂. The determined sum of arterial pO₂ and pCO₂ was 76.4, 73.0, and 75.8 mm. Hg with the high carbohydrate, the high protein-fat meal, and the meal of choice respectively. When one hundred-percent oxygen is breathed, no benefit would be expected from a high carbohydrate diet.

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experienced by pilots, as indicated by the in-flight PA_{CO_2} , the corresponding small change in blood and urine components is insignificant. However, when the in-flight CO_2 indicates a greater degree of hyperventilation, blood and urinary variables are significantly changed. Thus, it is concluded that the method can detect hyperventilation at a level of concern.

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workers, the plasma volume of these subjects is reduced by about 13 percent, the total blood volume by about 8 percent, and there is no significant difference in the red cell volumes. It is suggested that the cause of the reduced plasma volume is the lower barometric pressure at this altitude. Furthermore, this plasma volume reduction may increase the oxygen carrying capacity per unit volume of the blood sufficiently to offset the existing relative anoxia at this altitude. Plasma volume reduction produced no observed increase in the volume of circulating red cells.

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the results of the Cape Town (sea-level) and Johannesburg (5740 feet) series are compared, the differences previously suspected by the author are confirmed. Comparison of the ml./kg. values shows that plasma volume is reduced by 9.7 percent at Johannesburg, the total blood volume is lower by 6.2 percent, and the red cell volume is essentially the same as at Capetown. The altitude difference appears to be responsible for these changes. It is suggested that the hemoconcentrations at a moderate altitude correct the associated relative anoxia. As a result, no increase in the red cell mass occurs.

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Caucasian control subjects studied under similar conditions in previous experiments. Differences between the thermal responses of the Indian subjects and of the same Caucasian controls were noted in the generally higher hand and foot temperatures, and the correspondingly lower rectal temperatures of the high altitude dwellers. The Indian subjects using coca did not display any measurable differences in their responses, with or without the drug. However, by observation, and by their own report, they did sleep longer and more comfortably when using coca.

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to 3200 meters in dogs which were provided with a stomach fistula and had their ureters excluded to the skin surface. The following conclusions were reached: urine volume increased with an increase in altitude; an increase in water intake resulted in an increase in urinary volume at 2000 meters, but at higher altitudes normalization or even a fall below normal was noted; and the amount of solids increased with altitude. However, without forced water intake, it was seen that values were lower than at near-sea levels, and changes in the urine formation process were the result of water equilibrium dynamics under conditions of high altitude, and were directed toward aqueous homeostasis of the organism.

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not exhibit this lung change. There was no relation between the rate of decompression from the normal to low barometric pressures and the incidence or extent of congestive atelectasis. A direct relationship between the level of decompression (300 to 900 mm. Hg) and the incidence and extent of atelectasis was formed, and it was concluded that the absolute rarefaction of air was the prime cause of congestive atelectasis formation. An increase of intra-pulmonary pressure maintained in animals at low barometric pressures prevented lung formation. The results of experiments by Hanson and Sjostrand in the formation of lung atelectasis under the influence of different factors decreasing lung capacity at ground level are confirmed. A discussion follows on the possible mechanism responsible for the lung atelectasis formation under the influence of low barometric pressure.

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expiratory and inspiratory pressures at different lung volumes; relaxation pressures at different lung volumes; and, vital capacities, tidal air, and inspiratory and expiratory reserves at different lung pressures. This paper presents a series of curves derived from measurements of subjects who were exposed to the following respiratory situations: pressure breathing; artificial respiration; pneumothorax; and breathing at altitude. In accordance with the experimental conditions, the respective diagrams show the boundaries of the following: air regions, maximum expiratory and inspiratory (vital) capacities, residual air pressures, and pulmonary blood pressures.

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after return to the plain. Where altitude acclimatization was incomplete, excessive training and accumulated fatigue caused a marked increase in reticulocytes, a decrease of lymphocytes, and again, a slight shift to the left. Where training was lacking and acclimatization had not been completed, a conspicuous increase of reticulocytes and a distinct shift to the left, but no incidence of leukocytosis were observed.

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to deficiency of oxygen and intensifying the utilization of oxygen by the tissues, is of adaptational significance. Hypoxemia during intensive and prolonged motor activity in trained athletes was not the result of inadequacy of external respiration. Any compensatory increase of pulmonary ventilation during motor activity was very feeble and voluntary intensification of respiration did not eliminate the hypoxemia. Circulatory functional readjustment would appear to be the basis of the adaptation to deficiency of oxygen in athletes. Adaptation to hypoxemia with simultaneous hypercapnia constitutes an important feature of prolonged and intensive motor training.

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$$\frac{\text{Weight X 100,000}}{\text{Height X (diameter)}^2} = 113.83,$$

determined by the same authors in pounds and inches, is found to be

the same, when converted into kilograms and centimeters, as the constant for the 480 persons examined in Bogota. The formula in kilograms and centimeters is

$$\frac{\text{Weight X } 100,000}{\text{Height X (Diameter)}^2} = 2.47.$$

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to the composite criterion. These areas, labeled emotional composure, social compatibility, and task motivation, were based on peer and supervisor ratings and yielded high multiple correlations (median $R = 0.88$) with the overall criterion for different station groups and for military and civilian personnel. Attitude measures revealed a general decline in work satisfaction, social relationships, and group accomplishment. Maintenance of group harmony and efficiency would appear to be a difficult but not impossible task in extremely isolated groups. Attitude measurements of group cooperation and achievement related consistently to an independent criterion of group effectiveness.

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of peripheral plasma 17-hydroxycorticosterone concentration at the end of 3 hours. In a second experiment, five of eight subjects exhibited an increase at the end of a 2-hour exposure.

Halhuber, M. J. Climatic and circulation on high mountains.

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reached a maximum, 1-1/2 to 2 hours after arrival at the summit and decreased after 3 hours. Upon descent, vagotonia was again noted, accompanied by fatigue. Similar experiments performed in a decompression chamber produced the second phase effect, but not the first. Of particular interest in the mountain experiment was the result obtained from a hyperthyroid subject, who showed no first but a strong second phase, and from two hypothyroid subjects, who showed a marked first but no second phase. One of the hypothyroid subjects, when given thyroid extract, eventually showed a small second phase. Further investigations of these effects would appear to be valuable in the study of circulatory disturbances. *

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subjects were returned to the first (sic) mixture. In the control sub-
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the absolute altitude reached. It is characteristic of the immediate response (predominantly sympathetic) to rapid ascent in a decompression chamber. In contrast, rapid ascents to mountains on an elevator elicit a vagotonic reaction followed by altitude amphotonia with the sympathetic predominating. This second phase is similar to the period of altitude adaptation (7 to 8 days) characterized by polyglobulia, increased hemolysis and erythropoiesis, and hemoconcentration. Decrease of hemoglobin in presence of erythrocytosis is due to ultraviolet rays interfering with the incorporation of iron within the hemoglobin molecule. Mountain therapy of different anemias is discussed.

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lymphocytes the greater the decline in efficiency of performance as measured by decline in the fatigue ratio ($r = -0.441$; $P < 0.01$). The patients show a rise in lymphocytes correlated with the fatigue ratio ($r = +0.381$) but this is not significant ($P \geq 0.05$). The difference in value between patients and controls is, however, statistically significant. In the normal group the stress is shown to increase the output of 17-ketosteroids as it lowers the lymphocyte count. The patients show anomalous changes in these variables.

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was a marked difference in heart weight between the two partners when adrenalectomy was carried out in one partner (smaller in the adrenalectomized partner, more conspicuous when the nonadrenalectomized partner breathed an oxygen-deficient gas mixture). The livers of hypoxic partners when united with unexposed adrenalectomized partners showed a slightly fatty infiltration. Removal of the thymus had no appreciable effect. The adrenalectomized partner breathing ambient air in most instances died first when hypoxia was imposed on the co-partner. This suggests that the normal output of hypertrophied adrenal becomes critically insufficient for the adrenalectomized partner when the hypoxic partner has an increased demand for adrenal cortical steroids.

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60 mm.Hg, a decrease in arterial oxygen tension from 100 to 94 mm. Hg produced a statistically significant increase in steady-state ventilation during moderate exercise. In addition, temporary block of the sympathetic innervation to the carotid and aortic bodies in one subject resulted in a diminution of work hyperpnea. This suggests that increased sympathetic tone during exercise, by reducing blood flow through the chemoreceptor, might result in increased neural discharge and, hence, increased ventilation even though arterial oxygen tension is the same as at rest. Thus, activity of the chemoreceptors was modified by sympathetic control of their blood supply, and may be an important determinant of the ventilatory response to exercise. Since work hyperpnea is enhanced by even mild hypoxia, this ventilatory response may be sufficient to initiate respiratory acclimatization to altitudes so low that resting ventilation on acute exposure is unaffected.

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particular case. The index of tissue oxygenation is taken as the mean capillary oxygen pressure, a theoretical value proposed by Barcroft which, together with tissue blood flow, determines the oxygen available to the tissues. Although the charts are principally used to analyze adaptation to high-altitude anoxia, they may be used with equal facility in the evaluation of adaptation to many other types of oxygen deficiency seen clinically. If the charts were drawn to larger scale on cross-sectional paper, many rapid theoretical analyses of acclimatization could be made, using the mean capillary oxygen pressure as a measure of the success or failure of the adaptation.

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circulating blood which enables the delivery of more oxygen per unit of time to tissues. These changes allow heavy work by acclimatized men at altitudes that cause rapid loss of consciousness in unadapted subjects. Symptoms of oxygen lack and acapnia can be avoided in an unacclimatized subject by controlled voluntary hyperventilation. Personal experiences in mountain climbing and low pressure chamber ascents are included.

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environment, or "chronic mountain sickness". The varied symptoms indicating a loss of acclimatization include a considerable increase in circulative blood volume due to an elevated cell component, a decrease in plasma volume, erythropoietic hyperactivity, marked right heart hypertrophy, elevated cardiac output, accentuated pulmonary hypertension and low peripheral blood pressure, increased blood hypoxia, absence of the hyperventilation observed in normal acclimatized subjects, and decreased sensitivity of the respiratory center to CO₂ stimulation.

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rebound phenomenon was frequently present within forty-eight hours.

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Positive tests for the sickle cell trait were obtained in seven cases.

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not sufficient even to compensate for the respiratory alkalosis. It seems reasonable to suppose that there might be an adaptation to prolonged hypocapnia originally stimulated and maintained by the persistent hypoxic stimulation of the chemoreceptors. This supposition would place the changes in altitude acclimatization at the opposite end of the same spectrum as the changes in chronic hypercapnia, as discussed by Schafer, but does not suggest the adaptive mechanism involved. One might speculate that the adequate stimulus produced by CO_2 inhalation may be effective pH in some region which is readily penetrated by CO_2 and less readily by other acids and which tends to change its acid-base characteristics, perhaps by active transport across its limiting membranes in such a way as to restore its own pH to normal within a few days (i. e. faster than the kidney restores the pH of the blood) despite continued depression of pCO_2 .

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invitro polarograph. Control studies showed that the pump itself and hyperventilation had no effect on the A-aDO₂. The average values of A-aDO₂, 8.6, 23.4 and 168.5 mm. Hg at sea level (the three values refer to the respective three levels of oxygenation, the last figure corresponds to a shunt of about 12 percent of cardiac output) agreed well with previous data. The corresponding average values of A-aDO₂ at altitude were 3.3, 17.0 and 58.0 mm. Hg (corresponding to a shunt of about 4 percent). The A-aDO₂ breathing air was lower at altitude than when breathing an equivalent oxygen tension at sea level. The most dramatic effect consisted in a threefold decrease of the A-aDO₂ with 100 percent at altitude, indicating a decrease in true veno-arterial shunt flow.

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Kyazen, I. M., On the potential adaptive-compensatory function of the organism in hypoxia. AFSC N65-17773 Foreign Technology Div., Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Pilots of supersonic craft are under physical and emotional strain that affects their respiratory rate (often resulting in hypoxia), cardiac rate, and other physiological parameters. The strain leads to a decrease of the subject's performance capacity. A study of the neural and glandular systems of the intestinal tract indicates that a prophylactic approach is necessary to prevent exhaustion of the central nervous and humoral systems mechanisms. Normalization of the metabolic processes can be achieved by the use of an adequate diet supplemented by vitamins, such as thiamine, citrin, and ascorbic and para-aminobenzoic acids. In certain cases, the use of pharmaceutical agents is advisable.

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was altered by 80-percent O₂, the internal jugular venous hypercapnia was due to diminished hemoglobin reduction. The hypoxic hyperventilation of 8-percent O₂ breathing was associated with a 5-mm. Hg fall in cerebral venous pCO₂, due to increased rate of brain blood flow. Therefore, it is possible that, despite a fixed arterial pCO₂, the chemoreflex respiratory response to hypoxia is, in part, counteracted by a fall in central stimulus level, brought about by hypoxic cerebral vasodilatation.

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alveolar ventilation, and an increase in heart rate. An ambient oxygen concentration drop to seven percent produced a sudden increase in blood pressure with a simultaneous decrease in cardiac rate. At this concentration, the oxygen saturation of the blood remained normal, but an increase in the red count was noted. Dogs under anesthesia, or with decortication, did not show the same degree of response. Thus, the conclusion may be drawn that a disturbance of the body function by the control of the nervous system, by the exclusion of cerebral cortex, decreased the reflex action which plays the basic role in the adaptive mechanism to hypoxia.

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Subjects breathed oxygen in the closed circuit recording gasometer system. Residual and tissue nitrogen was collected and then

analyzed with a Lilly-Anderson nitrogen meter. The nitrogen elimination of each subject was the same at both altitudes when the volumes were expressed at ambient pressure, body temperature, dry. Nitrogen elimination was proportional to the barometric pressure when the volumes were expressed at standard temperature and pressure, dry. The agreement of the results with gas laws indicates that the method could be employed by the Air Force in evaluating methods for the prevention of decompression sickness in aviators.

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Altitude (meters)	Standing	At Rest (prone position)
1000 - 2000	70 - 88	60 - 78
2000 - 3000	74 - 88	72 - 88
3000 - 4000	80 - 96	76 - 84

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hypoxia adaptation in terminal conditions. It was found that adaptation
to hypoxia is governed, primarily, by the hormonal effect of insulin.
Experimental administration of hormonal preparations proved to
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Altitude stresses in subjects with impaired cardiorespiratory functions:

I. Control studies on normal subjects. School of Aviation Med., AD 95-149, Randolph AFB, Texas (Apr. 1952). Observations were made on the physiological response of 10 young healthy men who were subjected to simulated altitudes of 10,000 and 18,000 feet in a low pressure chamber while lying supine on a ballistocardiograph. The total effective peripheral vascular

resistance was markedly decreased at simulated altitudes up to 18,000 feet. The response of the left ventricle was not significantly altered by a 10-minute exposure at 10,000 feet, but increased by about 50 percent after a 5-minute exposure at 18,000 feet. Administration of oxygen at the higher altitude caused an almost immediate return of both to ground-level values. Sudden exposure to ambient air at 18,000 feet increased both pulse rate and stroke volume, the former reaching a maximum in 10 minutes, but the latter continuing to increase with increasing exposure time. Increased stroke volume was responsible for the increase of cardiac output at high altitudes.

Marbarger, J.P., et al. Gaseous nitrogen elimination at ground level and simulated altitude and the occurrence of decompression sickness. School of Aviation Med., AD 95-149, Randolph AFB, Texas. Nitrogen elimination and amount of oxygen used were estimated during 2 hours of breathing oxygen in 33 subjects resting at ground level and at simulated altitudes of 8,000, 12,000, 18,000, and 22,000 feet. It amounted to 3598, 2580, 2148, 1774, and 1603 cc (standard temperature/pressure, dry) respectively. The incidence of bends at 38,000-foot simulated altitude after preoxygenation at these altitudes was compared to that without oxygen prebreathing. The results indicated that fewer descents were necessary after denitrogenation at ground level or any altitude

than were necessary without denitrogenation. The data obtained confirmed the results of others in that at simulated altitude, less supplied oxygen was used with denitrogenation than at ground level.

Margaria, R., P. Cerretelli, and U. Bordonì. The regulation of pulmonary ventilation in acclimatization to altitude. Rev. Med. Aero. (Paris) 2: (Dec. 1961). It is evident from these experiments that the behavior of the acclimatized subject (as described in Figure 1(a) of the process of acclimatization) is assumed to consist of an acidosis induced by the urinary excretion of alkali, since this takes place during the hypoxic state. We may then expect that the behavior of the acclimatized man may be described by a curve made up by the first part of Figure 1(a), and which is shifted to higher values, ending somewhere in the middle with a curve which is the same as the second part of the curve in Figure 1(b).

Margaria, R., P. Cerretelli, and U. Bordonì. Regulation of pulmonary ventilation in acclimatization to altitude. Aerospace Med. 33:799-801 (July-Dec. 1962). The differential response to oxygen administration of the subject acclimatized to hypoxia appears to be associated with changes in the acid-base balance elicited by acclimatization. The decrease of the alkali reserve of the acclimatized subjects seems to be

responsible for the difference. This hypothesis is substantiated by the experimental finding that reduction of the alkali reserve, induced by NH_4Cl , produced in the acute hypoxic subject the same response to O_2 administration as in the acclimatized one. Hyperventilation of the acclimatized subject appears, therefore, to be sustained by the hypoxic stimulus. When the stimulus is removed, hyperventilation subsides and the hypoventilation which ensues involves a tendency to an acidotic condition which maintains a high level of ventilation.

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Marpegan, H. S. Adaptation of young, healthy men to altitude (3450 meters above sea level). Dia Med. (supp.) 4:45-52 (19 June 1947).

Marshak, M. Ye. N65-17784 AFSC Foreign Technology Div., Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. When the oxygen content in the inspired air is lowered considerably, as in cases of hypoxia, the amount of oxygen used by the organism is smaller than its requirement, so that an oxygen deficiency develops and is aggravated as the hypoxia continues. By experimentation, it was shown that during the first few minutes after application of a tourniquet in the second phase of ischemia in the extremity, the muscle temperature dropped not only as a result of blood supply stoppage but also as a result of a conditioned reflex increase in the tone of the muscle and contraction of the vessels. Further, it was shown that after ligation of a branch of the coronary artery, the oxygen partial pressure drops very sharply in the ischemized zone of the myocardium. This suggests that oxygen therapy in myocardial infarct consists chiefly in elimination of the myocardial oxygen insufficiency in the zone bordering the zone of total ischemia.

Martcorena Pimentel, E. Probable effect of high altitude in the determination of the persistence of the ductus arteriosus: observations on

3000 school children at altitude. Rev. Med. Peruana (Lima) 26(323-324):421-430 (Nov. -Dec. 1955). Four cases of patent ductus arteriosus were found in Andean natives residing between 3000 and 3500 meters of altitude (0.47 percent of the population); three cases in persons between 4000 and 4500 meters (1.02 percent), and two cases at 4500 to 5000 meters (1.10 percent). All persons were between 12 and 16 years of age. The etiological role of high altitude for this abnormality is noted with reference to (1) anoxemia caused by low barometric pressure; (2) increase in pulmonary artery pressure; and (3) hypotension of the systemic circulation.

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flying, that exposures of less than an hour to altitudes above 15,000 feet may produce permanent brain damage in the unacclimatized man. With acclimatization, cellular changes affecting oxygen utilization give protection, but serious signs of impaired functions, e. g. , disturbances of vision, partial paralysis, and other signs of nervous failure, have not been infrequent on mountains when men are driving their muscles to the limit, showing that the danger point had been reached.

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Div., Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Observations of hypertonic patients are reported. Gas composition of the blood hemoglobin content, erythrocyte count, diameter, volume, and thickness and number of reticulocytes were measured. The oxygen index to hemoglobin capacity was calculated. It was observed that a drop in the oxygen capacity of the hemoglobin accompanied the increase in its amount, and that a subsequent drop in the amount of hemoglobin was accompanied by a rise in its oxygen capacity. Variability observed in the indices of hemoglobin-oxygen capacity and the variation of the erythrocyte composition of the blood represent compensatory mechanisms of the organism.

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- McFarland, R. A., F. J. W. Roughton, M. H. Halperin, and J. I. Niven. The effects of carbon monoxide and altitude on visual thresholds. *Aviation Med.* 15:381-394 (Dec. 1944).
- McFarland, R., and D. B. Dill. Comparative study of effects of reduced oxygen pressure on man during acclimatization. *J. Aviation Med.* 9:18-44 (Mar. 1938).
- McGinty, D. A., and R. Gesell. On the chemical regulation of respiration: II. A quantitative study of the accumulation of lactic acid in the isolated brain during anaerobic conditions and the role of lactic acid as a continuous regulator of respiration. *Amer. J. Physiol.* 75:70-83 (1962).

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Mefferd, R. B.: High altitude research J. A. M. A. 156(6):626-627 (9 Oct. 1954). This letter briefly summarized a review contained in the 1952-1953 Annual Report of the Medical Research Council of Great Britain concerning the preparations made for Sir John Hunt's conquest of Mt. Everest in 1953. Experience on earlier expeditions had indicated that direct ascent to high altitude would have deleterious effects (incapacitating exhaustion, diarrhea, upper respiratory infections), and it was, therefore, recommended that members of the 1953 expedition should spend a month in the Himalayas to become acclimatized and to pass through the stage of initial infections before beginning the ascent of the mountain. While climbers wore

their masks for part of each day on the approach march, trial ascents were made with both open and closed circuit oxygen sets. They also learned to sleep comfortably wearing a light BOAC mask and breathing one liter of O₂ per minute. A flow rate of two liters of O₂ per minute was found adequate for descent and for the second man on the rope during ascent, but four liters were needed by the leader while cutting steps or making tracks. Work rate was not significantly improved by the use of oxygen up to 22,000 feet, but above this altitude the improvement in climbing rate became increasingly evident. At all altitudes above 18,000 feet, endurance was greatly enhanced. Breathing was easy, there was less sense of effort, and fatigue at the end of the day was markedly diminished. More prolonged exertion was possible in a day with the help of oxygen than without it. Oxygen at night induced warmth and sleep and provided recovery from fatigue. Provisions for food rations, protective clothing, and equipment are also described.

Mefferd R. B., and H. B. Hale. Effects of altitude, cold, and heat on metabolic interrelationships in rats. School of Aviation Med., AD 149 556, Randolph AFB, Texas, (1957). Adult male Wistar rats were exposed for three months either to simulated altitude or to hot or cold environments, and comparisons were made during the final

month, these comparisons included body weight, food and water intake, and the 24-hour fasting urine volume and the excretion of sodium, potassium, phosphate, magnesium, calcium, urea, uric acid, creatinine, taurine, histidine, glycine, alanine, valine, aspartic acid, glutamic acid, methionine, and serine. Correlational analyses showed that many of the above listed variables remained constant in the different environments regardless of the extent of quantitative changes. Intergroup changes in the variable relationships noted in certain of these environments may indicate either an incomplete acclimatization or an environmentally specific adaptation.

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strain were exposed to sinusoidal or random vibration at varying simulated altitudes. Using mortality as the index of tolerance, exposure of animals to simulated vibration and altitudes less than 10,000 feet results in incidences of mortality which did not differ from that observed for vibration at sea level. Above 10,000 feet, mortality percentage increased as a function of altitude. The increased mortality resulting from simultaneous exposure to the combined environments may be attributed to the effects of reduced partial pressures of oxygen. Exposure of restrained rats to the combined environments of random vibration and an altitude of 18,000 feet resulted in interaction with regard to mortality. Pulmonary hemorrhage was found in those animals succumbing to the combined environments.

Mei-Lai. Change in the dynamics of the formation of electric reactions of the visual analyzer in the presence of hypoxia. Foreign Tech. Div., AD 286 102 Air Force Systems Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

Meneses Hoyos, J. Cardiac output in persons acclimated to the altitude of Mexico City (2240 meters above sea level) is not appreciably higher than that of inhabitants of lower levels. Med. Rev. Mex. 37(780): 429-444 Sept. 1957. Normal values for blood circulation were

determined in inhabitants of Mexico City (7345 feet altitude). Results showed that the characteristics of blood circulation were the same as those found in persons living at sea level, with minor differences in erythrocyte number, hematocrit, hemoglobin concentration, and total volume of circulating blood. These differences, although slight, were enough to explain altitude acclimatization. Cardiac output did not appear to increase in inhabitants of Mexico City.

Meranda, A., and A. Rcita. Measurements of heat of native and long-time residents: preliminary report. An. Fac. Med. (Lima) 26:49-58 (1944).

Merayo, F.M., and J. Ruiz-Gijon. A study of post-hypoxic paradox effect. Presented at thirty-fourth Annual Meeting of the Aerospace Medical Association, Los Angeles, California, 29 April - 2 May 1963. Investigators are not in agreement on the etiology of the post-hypoxic effects provoked by inhalation of O₂. Many authors relate the respiratory inhibition to the decrease of the alveolar pCO₂ produced by hyperventilation. The French authors attribute the preponderance of the effect to O₂ in the production of this apnea. The evidence presented contradicts the findings of investigators who

consider it to be the result of hypocapnia. Three types of experiments were performed: on normal animals, on animals which had carotid sinuses destroyed, and on animals which had been given a mixture of N₂ and CO₂ in variable proportions (from 3 to 10 percent) during the anoxic phase.

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Merckie, H., and E. Opitz. Blood vessels of pia mater in rabbits adapted to altitude. Arch. Ges. Physiol. 251:117-122 (1949).

Merckie, H., and M. Schneider. Capillary changes of the brain during adaptation. Arch. Ges. Physiol. 251:49-55 (1949).

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and fourth day after the injection. The constancy of this finding and the absence of response in another group of 13 men who received plasma from sea-level residents gives some significance to the data obtained.

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Merino, C.F. Mechanism of polycythemia. *Gac. Med. (Lima)* 1:69-70 (Dec. 1944).

Merino, C.F. Studies on blood formation and destruction in the polycythemia of high altitude. *Blood* 5:1-31 (1950). Studies of blood formation and destruction in the polycythemia of high altitude have been carried out. Three different groups of subjects were studied: (1) Healthy adult male subjects from sea level who, after being studied at this level, were

taken to an altitude of 4540 meters (Morococha) where they developed a marked polycythemic process. When these subjects returned to sea level, the mechanisms of recuperation of the hematologic equilibrium were studied. (2) Normal adult subjects, native of high altitude, chronically polycythemic due to their permanent residence in Morococha, who were first studied in their native town and then brought to sea level where they were observed during five weeks. (3) Subjects, residents of high altitude (Morococha), who had lost their adaptation i. e., who had developed chronic altitude sickness or Soroche (Monge's malady).

Meschia, G. Oxygen dissociation curves of the bloods of adult and fetal sheep at high altitudes. *Jour. Exper. Physiol* 46 (2): 156-160 (April 1961). The O₂ dissociation curves of the blood of adult and fetal sheep living at an altitude of 14,000 feet in Morococha, Peru, were prepared at plasma hydrogen-ion concentrations in the physiological range. A comparison with oxygen-dissociation curves of the blood of sea-level sheep and their fetuses showed no significant difference between the two groups of animals.

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the cell-plasma ratio being lower in the capillaries and small vessels than in the larger arteries and veins. The overall cell percentage (body hematocrit) is determined from the direct measurement of both red cell volume and plasma volume, and from this the body-venous hematocrit ratio (BH/VH ratio) is calculated. In normal adult residents at sea level, the BH/VH ratio averages 0.91.

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Michal, C., et al. Metabolic changes in heart muscle during anoxia.

Amer. J. Physiol. 197 (6) 1147-1151 (1959). The studies reported deal with the effects of varying periods of complete myocardial anoxia on the concentrations of reduced and oxidized diphosphopyridine nucleotide, reduced and oxidized triphosphopyridine nucleotide, glycogen, adenosine triphosphate, hexose monophosphate, phosphocreatine and inorganic

phosphorus in heart muscles. Oxygen lack leads to rapid dephosphorylation of high energy phosphate components and to the formation of inorganic phosphorus. The decline of adenosine triphosphate in heart muscle was more rapid than the diminution in the Q_{O_2} of heart muscle slices as reported in earlier works. There was considerable glycogenolysis. The rate of glycogen breakdown did not appear to depend upon the amount present in heart muscle until very low levels were reached. Prior to the onset of anoxia, most of the diphosphopyridine nucleotide was in its oxidized form. The oxidized diphosphopyridine nucleotide and reduced triphosphopyridine nucleotide decreased with time, while reduced diphosphopyridine nucleotide increased. The total concentration of diphosphopyridine nucleotides in heart muscle diminished.

Michel, C. C., and J. S. Milledge. Respiratory regulation in man during acclimatization to high altitude. *J. Physiol. (London)* 168:631-643 (Oct. 1963). Respiratory response to combinations of hypoxia and hypercapnia was studied in four healthy male subjects at sea level during and after acclimatization at 19,600 feet. Responses were compared by using the equation of Lloyd, et al., which related pulmonary ventilation to the alveolar pO_2 and alveolar pCO_2 . It was found that the parameters related to hypoxia were slightly affected by several months

at high altitude, while the parameters of the hypercapnic response were conspicuously changed.

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Michel, T. E., R. W. Langevin, and C. F. Gell. Effect of continuous human exposures to oxygen tension of 418 mm. Hg for 168 hours. Aerospace Med. 31:138 (1960). An investigation was carried out which indicated that the inhalation of oxygen at a partial pressure of 418 mm. Hg for a period of 7 days was without marked effect on the general appearance, activity, and physical well-being of six healthy men. The following signs of pulmonary irritation which occurred during these studies indicate that the limits of human tolerance to higher-than-normal oxygen concentration may have been approached; substantial tightness, decrease in vital capacity in two subjects, and the occurrence of an area of probable atelectasis in one subject.

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Technology Div., Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Patients suffering from atherosclerotic myocardiosclerosis were studied; their external respiration indices, gas content of the arterial and venous blood, oxyhemoglobin dissociation, and carbonic acid fixation were determined. Increase in respiratory frequency indicated that the external respiratory apparatus was operating under stress, and decrease in depth and reserve of respiration and the respiratory coefficient indicated its relative inadequacy. Carbon dioxide in the venous and arterial blood increased when pneumosclerosis was present. A decrease was noted in persons with circulatory insufficiency and myocardiosclerosis. An upward and left shift of the oxyhemoglobin dissociation curve was noted for a patient suffering from manifest pneumosclerosis, pulmonary emphysema, and pulmonary cardiac insufficiency. A shift right and downward indicated, in some cases, circulatory insufficiency.

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Mountaineers find that as altitude increases, the air, being less dense, offers less resistance to breathing. It would, therefore, seem logical to expect a corresponding reduction in MBC with increased pressure.

With pressures of 2, 3 and 4 atmospheres, mean decreases in MBC from sea level value were found to be 27.3 ± 1.6 , 41.1 ± 2.3 and 48.2 ± 1.9 percent respectively.

Milledge, J. S. Electrocardiographic changes at high altitude. *Brit. Heart J.*, 25(3):291-298 (May 1963). Serial electrocardiograms were taken during the 1960-1961 Himalayan Scientific and Mountaineering Expedition on climbers who spent approximately 5 months at 19,000 feet. There was a shift of direction of the QRS and T vectors to the right in the frontal plane. In the precordial leads, there was a shift to the left of the transitional zone of the QRS-complex and inversion of the T wave spreading across from right to left (from VI-2 to V4-5), i. e., a backward shift of the QRS and T vector in the sagittal plane. Oxygen breathing did not reverse these changes except in the first oxygen experiment. A decrease was observed in the amplitude of the QRS voltage which was reversed by oxygen breathing. The cardiogram at altitude showed unmistakable signs of right ventricular overload, but the most significant finding was that the cardiograms of men at altitudes as high as 24,400 feet showed little evidence of the severe physiological stress under which they were working. Included are representative electrocardiograms and tables.

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Miranda, A., and A. Rotta. Measurements of the heart of native and long time residents: preliminary report. Am Fac. Med. (Lima) 26:49-58 (1944).

Mirrakhimov, M. M. Data on acclimatization to the mountain country of Kirgiz. AFSC N65-17189, Foreign Technology Div., Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Adaptation to high altitudes (1500 to 1800 meters) in the Kirgizia region for a long period of time led to changes in certain functions of the organism, such as those of the cardiovascular system, which became adjusted to more efficient utilization of oxygen. The gas exchange level became lower. The hemoglobin concentration was higher, although the red blood count remained normal. Pulse rate,

arterial pressure, and blood flow rate decreased. Venous pressure, capillary permeability, and pulmonary circulation showed an increase. A general depression in body function level was evident. Under such circumstances, the minute cardiac volume, an indicator of hemodynamic activity, remained normal.

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Mito, A. Studies on right ventricular overloading during induced anoxia with the use of double lumen catheter. Japanese Circ. J. 27(1): 47-50 (1963). A double lumen catheter was employed to examine the hemodynamics of the right heart. Also the factors which cause pulmonary hypertension in anoxia were determined. The relationship between the heart sound and the intersecting point of the ventricular and arterial pressure curves was as follows. the second sound and the closing point of the pressure curve coincided well; the first sound did not coincide well with the opening point of the curve. Differences were probably due to interference of sounds due to blood flow, myocardial vibration, etc. When the pulmonary artery pressure rises (including induced anoxia) the effective expulsion time of the right ventricie shortens, and the

ventricle is forced to expel a certain amount of blood within a short time. In cases with no obstruction in blood flow, the pressure difference between the systolic right ventricular and pulmonary pressures decreases as the mean pulmonary arterial pressure rises. Thus, the right ventricle is placed in a state of an increased pressure load. When the state becomes more severe, the possible occurrence of right ventricular insufficiency can be predicted.

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Moffatt, D.S. The effect of hypoxia on guinea-pig bone marrow.

J. Physiol. 127(2): 48P-49P (July 1961). Seventy-five guinea pigs were exposed to a simulated altitude of 14,000 feet at room temperature for 5 days (primary hypoxia) taken out for 5 days (rebound), and resubmitted for an additional 5 days (secondary hypoxia). Five animals per day were sacrificed and their bone marrow analyzed by Yoffey's

quantitative technique. There was an overall rising tendency in the total nucleated cell count during primary and secondary hypoxia and a falling tendency during rebound. Marrow lymphocytes fell throughout primary hypoxia but rose again during rebound and secondary hypoxia to nearly 100 percent above the control level. Granulocytes in the blood and bone marrow showed no changes. The blood showed varying degrees of polycythemia throughout an experiment, with peaks during the hypoxic phases. It is concluded that the lymphocyte plays an important role in erythroid hyperplasia.

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Urinary excretion of steroids was studied in men born at 10,000 feet and living at 14,900 feet, and in men born and living at sea level. No differences were found between the groups in urinary excretion of steroids, cortisol catabolism, or the effect of inhibition of endogenous ACTH by Dexamethasone administration on urinary steroid excretion.

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Monge, C. C., et al. A description of the circulatory dynamics in the heart and lungs of people at sea level and at high altitude by means of the dye dilution technique. Acta Physiol. Lat. Amer. 5(4):198-210 (1955). The circulatory dynamics of the heart and lungs of subjects living at high altitude (14,900 feet) and at sea level were determined by the dye dilution technique. Values for circulation time, cardiac output, intrathoracic blood volume (calculated by Hamilton formula), lung blood volume, and lung blood volume, compared with total blood volume, were increased slightly in 10 male Peruvian natives living at high altitude, over values obtained from 20 male and 20 female subjects living at sea level.

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of the response of the airways depended on the degree of hypoxemia or hypercapnia. Elevation of blood pressure in perfused carotid sinuses caused a small but significant dilation of the trachea, although there was no significant change in total lung resistance. A decrease in pressure caused a tracheal constriction. The responses were abolished by tying the glossopharyngeal nerves or by cooling the vagosympathetic nerves. The effects are believed to be due to carotid sinus baroreceptors.

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Observations made in the ventricular activation process indicate variations in cardiac position, and an incipient development of right ventricular hypertrophy. Studies of the ventricular repolarization process revealed early response to anoxemia and right ventricular overloading. Comparisons with the electrocardiographs of some of the Morocochan natives show that one year of residence at high altitude was not sufficient for complete cardiac acclimatization.

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rate did not show significant difference from the data obtained at sea level. The changes occurring in the heart and pulmonary circulation in men living permanently at high altitude are not quite comparable with those changes described in temporary residents at high altitudes, nor with those experimentally obtained by acute hypoxia. The augmented pulmonary vascular resistance in the high-altitude dweller is related to the anatomic changes in the small pulmonary arteries and arterioles which have been described by other investigators. Functional factors such as vasoconstriction, hypervolemia and polycythemia do not play an important role in the mechanism of the pulmonary hypertension at high altitudes. The role of the pulmonary hypertension in the complex mechanism of acclimatization to life at high altitude is not well understood. Apparently pulmonary hypertension would not accomplish a useful part in this mechanism. If is possible, however, that pulmonary hypertension, in association with other factors such as hyperventilation and an extensive capillary bed of the lungs, plays a role in improving the arterial oxygenation in men living at high altitudes.

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NH_4Cl /day for 5 days prior to the experiment (acidosis) which increased the threshold to 164 mm. while the ingestion of 15 to 30 gm. NaHCO_3 /day for 5 days (alkalosis) decreased the threshold to 107 mm. NH_4Cl could be expected to counteract the effects of altitude on alveolar O_2 tension and pH; the threshold, however, changed in the direction of increased altitude. These factors were discounted as threshold determinants. It is suggested that the threshold is determined by the CO_2 at the bicarbonate level to which the subject is acclimatized.

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that of healthy adults at sea level. When predicted values are based on the formula of Harris and Benedict, the BMR is higher in the high-altitude resident. However, when ideal weight is substituted for actual weight in this formula, the results agree with the standards of Boothby et al. The coefficients of correlation calculated with the data obtained show that the lean body mass or its components are the best standards of reference to predict the BMR. Among the body fluids, total body water proved to be the best standard of reference. Of course, lean body mass is just 0.73 of total body water. The higher oxygen consumption per kilogram of lean body mass, cell mass, or cell solids, found in high-altitude residents seems to be one of the many mechanisms developed by the body in its process of adaptation to low-oxygen tensions. Formulas have been developed to predict BMR from surface area and body composition and to predict body composition from BMR and creatinine excretion.

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were similar in the two groups with the exception of the extracellular fluid, which was greater in those in the high-altitude group ($P < 0.01$). Neither racial characteristics nor altitude appear to be factors generally affecting body composition. In individuals having adequate caloric intake, body composition seems to be principally influenced by physical activity. In fact, physical inactivity appeared to produce a loss of active tissue and its replacement by fat.

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Indicators observed were oxygen and carbon dioxide contents of the arterial blood and the pH. Experiments were made with dogs that had been anesthetized by intravenous injection of sodium thiopental. It was concluded that under the conditions of mild hypoxia and circulatory hypoxia, the interoceptive reflexes from the chemoreceptors of the peripheral vessels are intensified, caused by an increase in the excitability of the peripheral end of the interoceptive analyzer.

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Disturbances to the vascular structure and function should be regarded as one of the essential signs of hypoxidosis and the autoallergia that accompanies it. Study of vascular tissue permeability in persons with manifest hypoxia and vascular dystonia indicated a considerable increase in the amount of fluid escaping from the vascular stream, as well as an increase in the albumin content. This circumstance is of essential importance both in the exacerbation of the manifestations of hypoxidosis, and in the development of subsequent autosensitization due to native proteins sweated from the vascular stream.

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was almost halved. Total lipid and cholesterol contents of the liver decreased. The glycogen content of the brain decreased by 25 to 30 percent and by a factor of 4 in the liver. The rate of glycogen renewal was also sharply altered. The specific activity of the cerebral glycogen was reduced by a factor of 1.8 and hepatic glycogen by 2.6. The radioactivity of the cerebral glycogen per gram of tissue decreased by a factor of almost 11.

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in the estimation. It is concluded that anoxia affects higher mental activity which in turn causes an instability in absolute orientation.

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Pugh, L. G. C. E. Blood volume and hemoglobin concentration at altitudes above 18,000 feet (5500 meters). *J. Physiol.* 170:344-354 (Mar. 1964). Blood volume, hematocrit, and hemoglobin concentration were followed in six subjects during prolonged acclimatization at varying altitudes up to 19,000 feet. After 18 weeks at heights ranging from

13,000 to 19,000 feet, blood volume was lower than at sea level in four out of six subjects, the mean reduction being 9 percent. During further periods of 3 to 6 weeks, and 9 to 14 weeks, at (or above) 19,000 feet, blood volume rose slowly, the final mean value being 9 percent above the sea level control value. The fall in blood volume was associated with a reduction in plasma volume which amounted to 27 percent. Plasma volume subsequently rose slowly, but the final mean value was still 19 percent below sea level control value. Red cell volume and total hemoglobin rose progressively, reaching mean values of 49 percent above the sea-level control value. Hemoglobin concentration rose by 30 percent in the first 18 weeks, and 8 percent during the following 9 to 14 weeks. According to data collected on eight expeditions to the Himalaya and Karakoram, hemoglobin concentrations in plainsmen living at 18,000 feet and above do not reach the values (22.9 g./100 ml.) reported in Andean natives living at 17,500 feet. The mean value for eight parties was 20.19 g./100 ml. It was concluded that change in plasma volume is a major factor in the regulation of hemoglobin concentration under these conditions.

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Pugh, L. G. C. E. Cardiac output in muscular exercise at 5,800 meters (19,000 feet). *J. Appl. Physiol.* 19(3):441-447 (May 1964). Cardiac output during muscular exercise was estimated by the acetylene technique for four members of the Himalayan Scientific and Mountaineering Expedition of 1960-1961 at sea level and 5,800 meters (19,000 feet). The output for a given work intensity of 5,800 meters was comparable with the output for the same work intensity at sea level, but the maximum output was reduced, the mean value being 16 liters per minute, compared with 23 liters per minute at sea level. Heart rates during light and moderate exercise were higher than the rates observed for the same work intensity at sea level. The maximum heart rate during exercise was limited to 130 to 150 beats per minute compared with 180 to 196 beats per minute at sea level. The stroke volume at altitude was lower than at sea level pressure, and heart rate for a given work intensity was reduced, but the maximum heart rate increased. Indirect evidence suggested that maximum cardiac output increased, but probably not to the sea level values, because of the increased hemoglobin and lowered heart rate.

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been observed in the ventilation curves of persons acclimatized to altitude. However, in acute exposures where the alveolar pO_2 is reduced to 50 to 60 mm. Hg, hyperventilation responses are completely inhibited for at least one hour. This inhibition is the result of the pH rise due to the decreased oxyhemoglobin saturation. If the alveolar pO_2 in acute exposure falls below 50 to 60 mm. Hg, immediate hyperventilation occurs. Exposures of more than one hour at 9500 feet result in a lowering of the pCO_2 exponentially with time; final levels are reached after 3 or 4 days. After respiratory acclimatizations to 9500 feet, the respiratory system becomes more sensitive to carbon dioxide. This response was tested by breathing various carbon dioxide mixtures and analyzing the alveolar air after breath holding. Data are presented which show the reduction of breath-holding time during acclimatization to various altitudes. The various findings emphasize that a large part of the respiratory acclimatization to high altitudes is an adaptation to a lowered carbon dioxide tension.

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activity disappeared with a 10-minute exposure to altitude; in another

the disturbances disappeared only when the subject was brought down to

an altitude of 1000 meters. Under conditions equivalent to a 7000-meter

altitude, disturbances in the activity of conditioned reflexes were more

pronounced. After a short exposure, two dogs began to show symptoms

of diffuse inhibition, which lasted only a short time and gradually

disappeared with the descent to normal pressure. Under the influence of prolonged hypoxia and conditions of actual high-mountain altitudes, disturbances in the conditioned reflex activity of the dogs began to appear at considerably lower air rarefaction (2200 meters) and persisted for two days. At an actual mountain altitude of 4250 meters, the disturbances were of a profounder character and persisted throughout the entire period of sojourn on the mountain at that altitude. Following the descent to sea level, the disturbances in the conditioned reflex activity of three out of four dogs completely disappeared, pointing to the fact that the disturbances were due to hypoxia and not to any extraneous factor.

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and transhydrogenase activity in heart and muscle from animals adapted to high altitude. The higher activity in muscle at altitude was due solely to increase in ratio of red to white portions. Both groups showed the pigmented portion twice as active as the white one. In liver, neither the DPNH-oxidase system nor the transhydrogenase was significantly changed in their activity on a fresh-weight basis. Nevertheless, the DPNH-oxidase is higher at altitude when the activity is expressed per gram of nitrogen. The reduced form of triphosphopyridine nucleotide oxidase activity was not appreciably changed in any of the tissues. It was concluded that adaptation to high altitude is associated with apparent changes in the magnitude of the electron transport pathway. Increased activity in skeletal muscle is probably related to the tissue pigment content.

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in CO_2 elimination. (2) Period of tissue washout - during a one-hour exposure to the same altitude, ventilation gradually decreased and at the same time the alveolar pCO_2 dropped. This behavior represented a compromise between the hypoxic stimulus and a hypocapnic inhibition. The alveolar exchange ratio fell until it almost reached a steady CO_2 exchange. Upon return to ground level, without the anoxic stimulus, ventilation was less in the first five minutes than the original ground level value. Tests carried out at 12,000, 16,000, 18,000, and 20,000 feet proved that higher altitudes induce greater ventilation, and the higher the initial use in alveolar exchange ratio, the greater the decrease in pCO_2 . (3) Period of base exertion - during prolonged acclimatization to altitude, the blood buffer base (excess of fixed base over fixed acid in the blood) was reduced by selective excretion of fixed base and retention of fixed acid by the kidneys. (4) Regulation of tissue capillary pO_2 in acclimatization - the blood flow and hemoglobin concentration increased, raising the venous pO_2 and minimizing the drop of oxygen pressure between the arterial blood and the tissues.

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of fed rats of the second filial generation (F_2) born and maintained at altitude. In the P animals after short-term (twenty-four and seventy-two hour) exposure, liver, heart, muscle, and diaphragm glycogen was markedly decreased in the fed animals as compared with the fed sea-level controls, and markedly increased in the fasted hypoxic animals as compared with the fasted sea-level controls. After long-term exposure of fed P animals, liver, heart, muscle, and diaphragm glycogen was the same as in fed controls after two and six months at altitude, and became markedly lower than in the controls after 10 months. In the F_2 rats, liver and muscle glycogen was markedly decreased when compared with the controls; in contrast, cardiac glycogen content was significantly higher in F_2 rats than in the controls. Changes were not observed in kidney glycogen. Hyperglycemia was observed in all P rats after twenty-four hours, and hypoglycemia after seventy-two hours at altitude. In the long-term experiments, glycemia was the same in experimental (P and F_2) and controls rats.

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to sea-level values. Increased pulmonary vascular resistance was ascribed to structural changes in the small pulmonary arteries and arterioles. Pulmonary hypertension was greater in children than in adults (high altitudes), and greater in children under 5 years of age than in those 6 to 14. In the young group, pulmonary pressures were similar to those of newborn at sea level, which signifies that at high altitudes, in contrast with sea level, there is a delay in the evolution of pulmonary pressures with aging. The slow evolution agrees with the regression of right ventricular hypertrophy at high altitudes as demonstrated by anatomic, electrocardiographic, and vectorcardiographic studies. Pulmonary hypertension can be considered a form of primary pulmonary hypertension. The role of pulmonary hypertension in the high incidence of patent ductus arteriosus at high altitude is discussed.

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pulmonary ventilation and blood circulation. The erythrocytes discharged from the reservoirs into the active circulation have a tendency to degenerate faster than the normal cells. Products of their disintegration act as stimuli for an increase in the hematopoiesis. The red cell count and the hemoglobin concentration rise gradually with a simultaneous normalization of pulmonary ventilation and blood flow rate. The increase in the total erythrocyte oxygenating surface area results in a certain shift of tissue mechanisms.

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subjects was chromatographed in ethanol-ammonia and butanol-acetic acid. An increase in the number of spots and a distribution shift from weak to stronger spots were observed in chromatograms from anoxic subjects. It is concluded that anoxia causes a general increase in the excretion of substances which can be detected by the charcoal absorption method.

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hypoxia and heat at 120°F for 15 or 45 minutes. The blood ACTH titer of one control subject was estimated to be 2.0 milliunits, that of one subject exposed to heat for 45 minutes was 0.75 milliunits, and that of the remaining 54 subjects was less than 0.5 milliunits per 100 ml. The mean 17-hydroxycorticosterone concentration in plasma of control subjects was 10.8 mg. and the mean concentration of corticosterone-like compounds was 5 mg. per 100 ml. The differences between the control and the experimental groups were not highly significant. It is concluded that the stresses employed did not appreciably activate the pituitary-adrenal system of these subjects.

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especially in sleep, when the cortical functions are inhibited. During a later expedition some of the test subjects were administered sodium amytal as an inhibitor of the cortical function of the cerebrum; under normal conditions this has no effect on the respiratory system, but at 2200 meters most of the tested individuals manifested a tendency towards periodic breathing.

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tissues of the altitude animals, indicating a larger number of cells per-gram of tissue, with a constant amount of succinoxidase activity per cell. Antimycin A titer, which varies little with altitude, and cytochrome c oxidase, which is increased in some tissues of altitude guinea pigs, indicates that altitude acclimation may be aided by increases in key reactions of enzyme series, avoiding the necessity for changes at all of the steps of the series. Altitude animals have increased glycolysis and adenosinetriphosphatase capacities and accumulate higher levels of high-energy phosphate. Animals moved from one altitude to the other show changes in enzyme concentrations indicative of acclimatization.

Tarassenko, V. M. Use of carbon dioxide at lowered barometric pressures *Amer. Rev. Soviet Med.* 2; 119-125 (Dec. 1944), and *Klin. Med.* (10-11) 19:39-47 (1941).

Telcharov, L. M., N. Nikolov, and St. Chernayev. Changes in the nervous system at an altitude of 2000 meters AFSC 65-17820. Foreign Technology Div., Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. At an altitude of 2000 meters, changes in the functional state of the human organism were observed in non-acclimatized subjects. The brain cortex activity was stimulated and the impulses were radiated to the

centers of the autonomic nervous system, which caused an increase in neurovascular activity. The respiratory system was not affected to a significant degree, because the nervous system had sufficient power to maintain the necessary adjustment. However, a prolonged stay at high altitude could produce a permanent stress assuming pathological dimensions on the nervous system.

Tenney, S. M., H. Rahn, R. C. Strond, and J. C. Methoefer. Adaption to high altitude: changes in lung volumes during the first seven days at Mt. Evans, Colorado. *J. Appl. Physiol.* 5(10):607-613 (1953). The lung volumes of four subjects during a 7-day stay at 14,250 feet have been studied and the following trends observed. The vital capacity decreased during the first 3 days, then progressively increased in all subjects. The residual volume increased the first day, then fell during the next 4 days and had leveled off by the end of the week so that three subjects were above control values, and one subject was just at sea-level value. The total capacities were high initially, but by the end of the week two subjects had total volumes above those at sea level and two had volumes below sea level. The expiratory reserve volume increased progressively in all subjects over the first 6 days. Breathing oxygen in all four subjects and continuous positive pressure breathing in

two subjects failed to increase the vital capacity. Certain implications of the lung volume changes, particularly in pulmonary blood volumes changes, are discussed.

Tenney, S. M. Physiological adaptations to life at high altitude. *Mod. Conc. Cardio. Dis.* 31:713-8 (Mar. 1962). In response to the stress of hypoxia, man living at a high altitude makes use of a number of physiological processes which may be considered as adaptations. These processes can be described as serving to minimize the various partial pressure drops which oxygen undergoes in its passage from mouth to cell. The effectiveness may be judged from the fully acclimatized state to high altitude, where the partial pressure of oxygen in the venous blood is only slightly lower than at sea level, yet the inspired air may have a partial pressure of oxygen lower than is normally present at sea level. In addition to the contribution such observations provide toward a fuller understanding of the biology of man, the intrinsic mechanisms serve to elucidate many aspects of cardiorespiratory disease.

Terman, J. W., and J. L. Newton. Changes in alveolar and arterial gas tensions as related to altitude and age. *J. Appl. Physiol.* 19(1):21-24 (1964). In the summer of 1962 at the White Mountain Research Station,

the early phases of altitude acclimatization were studied in six of the surviving eight members of the 1935 expedition to the Chilean Andes; they were from 58 to 71 years of age. Alveolar and arterial $p\text{CO}_2$ and $p\text{CO}_2$ were determined for each man a few hours after arrival at 3,093 meters and at 3,800 and 4,343 meters over the next few days. The effects of age were superimposed on the classical responses to high altitude. The arterial and alveolar $p\text{CO}_2$ values showed no significant gradient; the alveolar $p\text{CO}_2$ was found to be lower for a given altitude than 27 years before. For example, their average alveolar $p\text{CO}_2$ at 4,700 meters in 1935 was 27.7 mm. Hg as opposed to 25.1 mm. Hg at 4,343 meters in 1962. The case of Hall was exceptional: His alveolar CO_2 ranged from 21 to 24 mm. Hg regardless of altitude for his sojourn of 22 days. In 1935, these six men had a mean A-a. PO_2 gradient of +3.0 mm. Hg at 4,700 meters, while in 1962 the gradient over the three altitudes was +12.4 mm. Hg. It is probable these findings can be partially explained by age changes in the pulmonary ventilation-perfusion ratio.

Terzioglu, M. N., F. Ozer, and A. Songar. Studies in blood physiology at mid-altitude: I. Variation in blood morphology at Uladag (1850 m.) Arch. Int. Physiol. (Paris) 60(3):233-252 (1952). The progress of

erythropoiesis and related processes was observed on 11 subjects over a period of 10 days at Uladag (Turkey) (elevation 1850 meters, atmospheric pressure 610-617 mm. Hg.). The erythrocyte count increased 10.9 percent and the hemoglobin concentration 8.6 percent within 10 days. Only very slight deviations of the blood color index from normal were observed. The percentage of total red cell volume rose during the first 3 days. The erythrocytes diametric decreased initially, but returned to normal at the end of the 10-day period. At the beginning, the resistance of the erythrocytes to hypotonic solutions was below normal; the resistance increased, however, after a few days of altitude exposure. Upon return to sea level, hemoglobin concentration, hematocrit value, and corpuscular volume returned to normal within 8 to 10 days, while the mean corpuscular surface area remained high. The osmotic resistance of the erythrocytes increased still further. The physiological mechanism of the observed changes is discussed.

Terzioglu, M. N., N. Pekoz, and F. Ozer. Studies in blood physiology at mid-altitudes: II. The gaseous content and acid-base equilibrium of blood at Uladag (1850 m.). Arch. Int. Physiol. (Paris) 60(3):252-265 (1952). O₂ and CO₂ contents, O₂ capacity, alkali reserve, and pH

values of venous blood were measured on 2 female and 8 male students during a 10-day stay at Uladag, Turkey (1850 meters altitude). The venous O_2 content decreased 32.3 percent within 10 days, while the O_2 capacity remained unchanged. There was a marked decrease in the O_2 saturation of venous blood while erythropoietic changes were in progress, a fact that suggests a correlation between erythropoiesis and anoxemia. The blood pH remained unaltered, but the alkali reserve decreased from the beginning of the stay. All values returned to normal within 8 to 10 days after return to sea level. A physiological interpretation of the data is attempted.

Terzioglu, M., F. Oeger, and N. Gokhas. Plasma and erythrocyte level of human blood bicarbonate and chloride ions at an altitude of 1950 meters. *Minerva Med. (Turin)* 47(53):14-16 (4 July 1956). No significant changes were observed in the distribution of cellular and plasma bicarbonate in subjects staying at Uludag, Turkey (1850 meters of altitude) for 11 days. The plasma chloride ion remained unchanged, but erythrocyte chloride content increased by 7.4 and 5.4 percent in two experimental periods. During the first few days at altitude, plasma water content decreased, but cellular content

increased. Total blood values for bicarbonate and chloride ions showed a decrease by 7 and 5.3 percent of the bicarbonate values, and an increase of 2.9 and 1.9 percent of the chloride values in two experimental periods. On the basis of these results, the decrease in alkaline reserve at altitudes cannot be explained in terms of the redistribution of alkaline ions between blood and tissue as a result of increased loss of carbon dioxide from the alveolar surface.

Terzioglu, M, and A. Tuna. Variations in blood volume at 1.85-km altitude. *J. Appl. Physiol.* 6(7):417-422 (Jan. 1954). To investigate the hematological variations at mid-altitude, blood volumes of seven experimental subjects before, twice during, and after a 10-day sojourn at Uladag, Turkey (1850 meters). The plasma volume remained practically unchanged during the period at mid-altitude. Nine to ten days after descent to sea level, the plasma volume increased to 6.9 percent over the initial value, indicating a hemodilution. Total blood volume had increased 7.5 percent by the end of the 10-day period at mid-altitude. This increase occurred at about the same time as other hematological variations previously observed, and was mainly due to an increase in the total blood volume. The total blood volume was greater than the pre-expedition value, but less than the

final mid-altitude value. This relatively high blood volume resulted chiefly from the increase in plasma volume, since the total cell volume was practically normal. By the end of the 10-day period at mid-altitude, total blood volume and total cell volume was 10.2 and 17.8 percent respectively above preexpedition values. On return to sea level, the total amount of circulating hemoglobin remained at mid-altitude values, while the cell volume decreased.

Terzioglu, M., and R. Aykut. Variation in basal metabolic rate at 18.5 Km. altitude. *J. Appl. Physiol.* 7(3):329-332 (Mar. 1959). The basal metabolic rates of 12 experimental subjects (20 to 23 years of age) were determined at various periods during a sojourn of 12 days at (Uladag) (1850 meters). These values have been compared with those obtained at sea level (Istanbul) prior to ascent and following the descent from mid-altitude. The basal metabolic rate of each subject was expressed both as cal/24 hour and $\text{cal}/\text{M}^2/\text{hr}$. Both values were definitely increased on the fifth to the sixth day of the test at Uladag and remained at practically the same level during the remainder of the experimental period on the mountain. On return to sea level, the basal metabolic rate was reduced to normal in all subjects within various periods of time following the descent from mid-altitude.

Terzioglu, M., F. Ozer, and N. Gokhan. Variations in gaseous content and acid-base equilibrium of arterial blood at 1.85 km. altitude. *J. Appl. Physiol.* 6;7:423-428 (Jan. 1954). O₂ and CO₂ contents, O₂ capacity, pH, alkali reserve, and lactic acid amount of arterial blood in seven healthy male subjects (21 to 29 years of age) were determined during a period of 10 days at Uludag (1850 meters). These values are compared with those obtained at sea level prior to ascent and following descent from the mountain. From the values for O₂ content and O₂ capacity, the percentage O₂ saturation was computed. By the end of the expedition to Uludag, O₂ capacity had increased 10.1 percent over sea level value. Hemoglobin concentration increased about the same magnitude. These findings confirm the authors' previous results regarding the onset of erythropoiesis at mid-altitude. The mean percentage O₂ saturation in arterial blood was diminished about three percent below the sea level average during both data collection periods at Uludag. From the O₂ dissociation curve of Bock et al, this diminution corresponded to a reduction of about 24 mm. Hg in pO₂. This finding as well as the augmented lactic acid content at mid-altitude was interpreted as indicating a state of partial anoxia in the tissue and as offering

sufficient evidence of an accelerating effect on erythropoiesis by H⁺ ions accumulated in the bone marrow.

Terzioglu, M. Influence of chemoreceptor denervation and subsequent discontinuous anoxia on erythropoiesis and acid-base equilibrium in the rabbit. *Amer. Jour. Physiol.* 182(1):100-104 (July 1955). Changes in erythropoietic response and acid-base equilibrium under hypoxia were studied in rabbits after denervation of the carotid and aortic areas. Intermittent exposure to environmental pressures of 400-410 mm. Hg produced an intense polycythemia with increases in erythrocyte count and hemoglobin concentration continuing for 150 hours after exposure. Reticulocyte counts, elevated initially by denervation, remained at a high level for 50 hours after exposure. Unilaterally denervated animals showed an increased erythropoiesis midway between the response of bilaterally denervated animals and that of controls. Inhalation by denervated animals of an 8.5 to 10.5 percent O₂ mixture for short periods caused the percentage of O₂ saturation in arterial blood to fall to levels existing in venous blood. A rise in blood pH occurring with an increase in CO₂ content was attributed to decreased oxygen saturation and the subsequent presence in the blood of greater amounts of reduced hemoglobin.

Theilen, E. O., D. E. Gregg, and A. Rotta. Exercise and cardiac work response at high altitude. *Circulation*. 12(3):383-390 (Sept. 1955).

Theilen, E. O., M. H. Paul, and D. E. Gregg. Cardiac output determinations with the cuvette densitometer: techniques for blood of reduced oxygen saturation. *Amer. J. Physiol.* 179:679 (1954). The response to treadmill exercise of the left ventricle of natives of the regions of Marococha, Peru (elevation 14,900 feet), was studied. In both groups the external work of the left ventricle was affected by a combination of a large increase in cardiac output and a mild increase in systemic blood pressure. Stroke volume and stroke work were only mildly elevated since the heart rate was concurrently greatly increased. As a result, the increase in work of the left ventricle was largely accomplished by an increase in heart rate and to a lesser extent by an increase in stroke work. For comparable amounts of external work, the ventricle of the high-altitude native performing at high altitude responded with considerably greater effort than did the left ventricle of the low-altitude native performing at sea level. Some of the data may have approximated the maximum effort of which the normal left ventricle was capable.

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Thilenius, O.G. Response of pulmonary circulation of resting, unanesthetized dogs to acute hypoxia. Amer. J. Physiol. 206:867-874: (Apr. 1964). In nearly all of 54 experiments with 5 dogs, there were striking responses to hypoxia (breathing 6 to 15 percent O_2), consisting of a marked rise (up to 12 percent) in pulmonary artery pressure (PAP), in cardiac output (Q) up to 200 percent, and a significant fall in left-atrium pressure (LAP). In some animals these changes were not maintained throughout hypoxia. The pulmonary vascular resistance (PVR) was usually the first to return toward normal, followed by PAP, while Q remained elevated. The time sequence of these events varied in different animals. Effects of the same magnitude as in hypoxia accompanied restlessness caused by stress, but fluctuating markedly, were of shorter duration, and could largely be eliminated by providing quiet surroundings and avoiding prolonged experiments. It was concluded that active vasoconstriction occurs in the pulmonary vascular bed during acute hypoxia in the intact unanesthetized dog. Normal values for PAP, Q, and PVR for resting, waking dogs are also reported.

Thomas, P. K. , et al. Influence of hypoxia on the thermal homeostasis man. Lovelace Foundation for Med. Education and Research, AD288685, Albuquerque, N. Mex. The influence of induced hypoxia on core and shell-temperatures, metabolic rate, perspiration and other related cardiopulmonary parameters was studied in six healthy subjects under neutral, cold, and warm environmental conditions. In all three environmental conditions (with room mean skin temperatures air breathing) are not different from those in similar environmental conditions with hypoxia. It is concluded that a hypoxic level of tracheal $O_2 = 65$ mm. Hg does not appreciably influence mean skin temperatures in a neutral, cold, or warm environment. Rectal temperatures during hypoxia are not different from that during room air breathing in neutral and cold environments. However, this is not true in a warm environment, where rectal temperatures are significantly higher during hypoxia than during room air breathing. The mechanism of this phenomenon cannot be explained on the basis of thermal balance alone. No great influence of hypoxia on shivering or perspiration can be detected under the experimental conditions. The synergistic actions of hypoxia and thermal stresses on total ventilation and heart rate are demonstrated.

Thorn, G. W., et al. The role of the adrenal cortex in anoxia: the effect of repeated daily exposures to reduced oxygen pressure. *Amer. J. Physiol.* 137:606 (1942). Armstrong and Heim first called attention to changes which occurred in the adrenal glands of rabbits exposed repeatedly to low pressure. In their experiments young male rabbits were exposed in a decompression chamber to a pressure equivalent to an 18,000-foot altitude for 4 hours daily, 5 days each week. This experiment was an attempt to confirm the findings of Armstrong and Heim with respect to the changes in the adrenal glands of exposed animals and has, in addition, extended the studies to include observation in other physiological and biochemical changes which occurred in animals subjected to repeated daily exposures to reduced oxygen pressures.

Thorn, G. W., M. Clinton, B. M. Davis, and R. A. Lewis. Effect of adrenal cortical hormone therapy on altitude tolerance. *Endocrinology* 36:381-390 (1 June 1945). Treatment with a concentrated adrenal cortical extract in oil increased significantly the survival rate of normal rats exposed to a standardized acute altitude tolerance test. The mechanism accomplishing this improvement is not known.

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Thorner, M. W. The effects of altitude chamber anoxia upon the human electroencephalogram. AF School of Aviation Med. Project No. 119, Report No. 1 (Feb. 1943).

Timiras, P. S., R. Hill, A. A. Krum, and A. W. Lis. Carbohydrate metabolism in fed and fasted rats exposed to an altitude of 12,470 feet. *Amer. J. Physiol.* 193(2):415-424 (May 1958). Blood sugar levels and the glycogen content of liver, heart, skeletal muscle, diaphragm, and kidney of both fed and fasted sea-level control rats were compared with those of fed and fasted rats (P) born at sea level and then exposed to an altitude of 12,470 feet for various periods of time, and with those of fed rats of the second filial generation (F_2) born and maintained at altitude. In the P animals after short-term (24 and 72 hours) exposure, liver heart, muscle, and diaphragm glycogen was markedly decreased in the fed animals as compared with the fed sea-level controls, and markedly increased in the fasted hypoxic animals as compared with the fasted sea-level controls.

In fed P animals after long-term exposure, liver, heart, muscle, and diaphragm glycogen was the same as in fed controls after 2 and 6 months at altitude, and became markedly lower than in the controls after 10 months. In the F_2 rats, liver and muscle glycogen was markedly decreased when compared with the controls; in contrast, cardiac glycogen was significantly higher in F_2 rats than in the controls. Changes were not observed in kidney glycogen. Hyperglycemia was observed in all P rats after 24 hours, and hypoglycemia after 72 hours at altitude. In the long-term experiments, glycemia was the same in experimental (P and F_2) and control rats.

Timaras, P. S., N. G. Pace, and C. A. Hwang. Plasma and urine 17-hydroxycorticoid and 17-ketosteroids level in man during acclimatization to high altitude. *Fed. Proc.* 16:340 (1957).

Timiras, P. S., A. Krum, and N. Pace. Body and organ weights during acclimatization to an altitude of 12,470 feet. *Amer. J. Physiol.* 191(3):598-604 (Dec. 1957). Body and organ weights of rats kept at sea level were compared with those of rats (P) born at sea level and then exposed to 12,470 feet and with those of rats of the second filial generation (F_2) born and kept at 12,470 feet for periods up to 10 months. Body weight for the F_2 rats was lower the first day of age than in either the sea-level or P rats. Weight gain dropped in

the P rats at 72 hours, became normal at 1 week to 6 months and dropped again after 7 to 10 months. Weight gain in the F₂ rats dropped from normal after 5 days and always remained smaller than in the sea-level or P rats. Cardiac hypertrophy in the P rats occurred after 10 months of exposure, and hemoglobin values increased after 2 months. A 40-percent increase of adrenal weight was accompanied by thymic and lymphatic atrophy, but these changes did not occur in the F₂ rats.

Timiras, P. S. et al. Endocrine responses during adaptation to moderately high altitude. Abstract in Fed. Proc. 15(1, part 1):187 (Mar. 1956). Studies of various organs were made in rats exposed for various periods of time at the 12,500 foot level of the White Mountain Research Station, California (P animals), in rats of the second generation born at the station (F₂ animals), and in rats remaining in the parent colony on the Berkeley campus (sea level controls). After one to three days of exposure, adrenocortical activity was simulated as indicated by a 40- to 50-percent increase in adrenal weight; a loss of adrenal ascorbic acid (after 1 day's exposure), and a 60- to 80-percent decrease in weights of thymus, spleen, and lymph nodes. No changes in weights could be observed in hypophysis, testes, and thyroid. The glands were significantly enlarged after

three days of exposure. After a two-month exposure, the Panimals showed a significant enlargement of the hypophysis and thyroid as well as of the adrenals even when other criteria (e. g. , growth, reproduction, blood hemoglobin and hematocrit) indicated adaptation to the new environment. Testes and preputial glands remained unchanged. On the other hand, in the F_2 animals born at high altitude, endocrine weights appeared to be similar to those of sea level controls.

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Torres, E. D. Cardiovascular response to effort in Andes. Med. Depor. Trab. 10:590-594 and 598-600 (Feb. 1947).

Trapani, I. L. , and D. H. Campbell. Passive antibody decay in rabbits under cold or altitude stress. J. Appl. Physiol. 14(3):424-426 (May 1959). Rabbits maintained at an environmental temperature of 15°C (5°F) for 10 weeks exhibit an increase in the decay of passively administered antibody. Rabbits acclimatized at an

altitude of 12,470 feet for 30 days show little or no change in passive antibody decay. Protein turnover in these groups of animals is discussed.

Trebrukait, E. Readaptation of the rat with high altitude polycythemia to sea level. Acta Physiol. Scand. 57(4):419-430 (Apr. 1963). Rats were submitted to hypoxia corresponding to 6000 meters altitude for 40 to 50 days. The total amount of hemoglobin, blood volume, and relative blood values (hemoglobin concentration and hematocrit) had been studied in hypoxia and after transfer to normal oxygen pressure. Total hemoglobin increased during hypoxia by 150 to 200 percent, relative blood values by 100 percent, and blood volume by 25 to 50 percent, indicating the increase of oxygen capacity of the blood and the volume of the circulatory system. Thirty days after transfer to normal oxygen pressure, total hemoglobin, blood volume, and relative blood values had returned to normal. Thereafter, relative blood values showed a transient decrease, but not the total hemoglobin. Thus the blood volume increased again. Problems in connection with the homeostatic regulation of erythropoiesis are discussed. The body weight decreased during hypoxia by about 15 percent. After the period of hypoxia the rate of increase in body weight was faster than that of animals of the same order and body weight.

Tribukait, B. Arterial HbO₂ saturation and alveolar CO₂ and O₂ pressure in rats in altitudes of 2 to 7000 M. Acta Physiol. Scand. 58:90-8 (May 1963)

Tyurin, A. M. Value of oxyhemometric determination of blood flow rate and oxidation level in appraising acclimatization to high-mountain conditions. AFSC No. 65-17821, Foreign Technology Div. Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Clinical examinations of a group of Soviet skiers training for the Olympic games at an altitude of 1500 to 2000 meters disclosed the following physiological changes: pulse rate was decreased, blood pressure was lowered, hemoglobin content values were lower than normal, blood flow rate was increased, oxygenating process was more intensive, and fatigue-recovery time was shortened.

Tschirren, B., and K. Wiesinger. Temporal course of consensual pupillary reflex during ascent to high mountains. Helvet. Physiol. Acta Pharmacol. 6:554-559 (1948).

Tsyurul'nikov, A. N. Changes in circulation and blood O₂ saturation during acclimatization of man to mountain conditions. Bull Exp. Biol. Med. 52:903-907 (Feb. 1962). Acclimatization of the cardiovascular system was observed in a group of highly trained alpinists

during ascent to Peak Pobedy (7439-meters altitude). Fourteen days were spent at the 7000-meter altitude without O₂ apparatus. At high altitude (6200-meters) the pulse rate reached 89.4 beats per minute on the first day; it decreased on the third day to 85 beats and in some cases to 70 beats. At the 7100 meter altitude, the pulse rate after 4 days of acclimatization averaged 108 beats per minute and in some individuals was as low as 90 beats per minute. Systolic arterial pressure showed no change, while the diastolic pressure occasionally was decreased. Function tests at high altitude indicated a favorable response of the cardiovascular system to acclimatization. Oxyhemometric measurements were taken before, during, and after holding breath. Average time of breath holding ranged between 3 and 4 minutes. Acclimatization permitted O₂ saturation of blood to fall to lower levels before resumption of breathing and reduced the restorative period. It is concluded that trained and acclimatized mountain climbers are capable of considerable physical exertion at high altitudes without any untoward shifts in the cardiovascular respiratory systems.

Tuba, J., and O. Rorcher-Mayr. Studies regarding control and promotion of altitude training at Obergurgl. Wien. Klin. Wschr. 66:919-921 (Dec. 1954). Comparative studies were undertaken on acclimatized (trained and untrained) subjects and acclimatized natives at the

Obergurgl Alpine Research Station (2000 meters) for the medical control and promotion of mountain training. It was shown that athletic proteinuria was frequently encountered in trained but unacclimatized subjects after exertion, except in the morning hours. An increased morning urobilinogenuria and proteinuria was observed in a significant number of untrained and unacclimatized subjects. It was concluded that athletic albuminuria unaccompanied by an increase in the total lymphocyte count may be explained not only by lack of physical training or exertion, but also by insufficient acclimatization to altitude, as substantiated by frequent albuminuria in physical education students. A comparison of diurnal variations in the leukocyte profiles showed a significant evening rise in the unacclimatized subjects. The lymphocyte-leukocyte profiles showed a significant evening rise in the unacclimatized subjects. The lymphocyte-leukocyte count remains on the same level (but slightly higher) for the acclimatized natives. The choline citrate and calcium citrate diet supplement, tested in connection with research on acceleration of acclimatization to altitude, lowered the diastolic blood pressure through peripheral vasodilation.

Turanov, V. V. On the problem of adaptation of adult human organism to oxygen insufficiency. AFSC N 65-17775, Foreign Technology Div.,

Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Experiments were conducted on the same individuals, both in the decompression chamber and at high altitude. At moderate elevation (below 3000 meters), the first response to hypoxia was that of the respiratory system. The minute respiratory volume was increased by the increase in the tidal volume; respiratory rate and cardiac rate remained normal at higher elevations (above 3000 meters); the pulse rate increased; the red blood count and hemoglobin concentration showed higher values than normal. At the 3000-meter altitude the response was due to the activity of the cerebral cortex. The electrocardiogram showed a decrease in the T-P interval, and an increase in the R-wave magnitude. The drop in the oxygen tension of the peripheral blood was not sufficiently compensated by the increase of the red count and hemoglobin content. As a result, the subject experienced discomfort. During sleep or under anesthesia, the activity of the adaptive mechanisms was retarded.

Tupusbekov, B. T. Mechanisms employed by the organism to adapt to high-altitude conditions. AFSC N 65-17818, Foreign Technology Div., Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. The first phase of adaptation to hypoxia is nervous stimulation of hemodynamics and respiration. During the second phase the specific (oxygen deficiency) and nonspecific

(pressure, temperature, humidity, and illumination) stimuli are differentiated, resulting in the adjustment of organic functions. The third phase combines the further development and improvement of functions with structural changes, which could be passed on to the next generation. Unlike experimental conditions of simulated constant pressures, the natural conditions vary from day to day. Therefore, the natural process of adaptation to high altitudes proceeds unevenly under the effect of specific and nonspecific factors.

Tynybekov, A. T. Arterial pressure norms for native inhabitants of the mountainous regions of Kirgizia. AFSC N 65-17835, Foreign Technology Div., Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Comparative studies of blood pressure values of inhabitants of the lowlands and of the Kirgizia mountains disclosed that blood pressure levels were lower in the residents of the Kirgizia highlands than in the inhabitants of Leningrad or Moscow, as far as individuals under 29 years of age were concerned. Older persons, however, did not show such variations.

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Ullman, E.A. Renal water and cation excretion at moderate altitude. Abstract in J. Physiol. (London) 120(4):58p-59p (1953). Water and metabolism were studied in one healthy subject during 12 days in London, 29 days on the Jungfrauoch (11,340 feet: barometric pressure approximately 500 mm. Hg) and a further 14 days in London. No symptoms of altitude sickness were experienced at any time.

Voluntary or anoxic hyperventilation of short duration at sea level leads to an immediate increase in renal sodium, potassium, and water output, a markedly accelerated water diuresis, a rise in urinary pH, and a fall in the excretion of ammonia and titratable acid. During the first two days on the Jungfrauoch, water, sodium, and potassium excretion were strongly depressed. On the third day, a sodium diuresis began, which lasted for three days. The daily sodium balance became negative (mean, 42 milliequivalents per day) and water and weight were lost in spite of a high caloric intake. From the sixth to the twenty-ninth day no further significant disturbance of water

balance occurred. After the sixth day on the Jungfrauoch, renal potassium excretion increased progressively. The findings suggest a possible increase in adrenocortical activity at altitude. The stimulus for the initial inhibition of water and fixed base excretion cannot be attributed to anoxia or alkalosis but was probably due to some non-specific factor connected with change of environment, perhaps, acting through release of antidiuretic hormone from the posterior pituitary. This theory is supported by the same sequence of events occurring on return to sea level.

Ullrick, W. C., W. V. Whitehorn, B. B. Brennan, and J. G. Krone.

Tissue respiration of rats acclimatized to low barometric pressures.

J. Appl. Physiol. 9(1):49-52 (July 1956). The tissue respiration rate of rats acclimatized to a simulated altitude of 18,000 feet for an average of 11.2 weeks was determined by the Warburg technique under 100-percent oxygen. Acclimatized animals showed increases in hemoglobin values and heart-body weight ratios, but no significant alterations from normal in growth rate, total metabolic rate, and rectal temperatures. No significant changes were observed in the tissue respiration rates of brain, small intestine, diaphragm, liver, skeletal muscle, atrium, and ventricle. Adrenal-body weight ratios were unchanged, but increased adrenocortical activity was suggested

by a significant increase in adrenal oxygen consumption. The respiration rate of kidney slices was reduced. It is concluded that a generalized adaptation of cellular metabolism to high altitude does not occur but that changes may be demonstrated in tissues specifically involved in the adaptation process.

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noted which were absent in a more rapid rate of ascent. With continued flight at 15,000 feet for two hours, compensatory mechanisms were noted. With a slowing of flight speed and increasing voltage of T waves, U waves developed in slightly less than one-half the cases, becoming more prominent with increasing anoxia. All changes noted were reversed by administration of oxygen. Support is given to the theory that myocardial anoxia is a contributing factor in the production of the signs and symptoms of coronary artery disease. It is suggested that the earlier use of oxygen is indicated for all flying personnel at altitudes as low as 5000 feet in order to provide a physiologically normal individual. However, for practicability, at the present time, 7500 feet would be a minimum level above which oxygen should be required.

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to hypoxia, mainly of the vascular system, though increase in left ventricular diastolic pressure and constriction of pulmonary veins may have to be considered. With administration of oxygen, or removal to a lower altitude, the condition improves within a few hours and recovery follows in a few days. The condition may be confused with pneumonia, and the death of some mountaineers, previously attributed to fulminating pneumonia, was probably due to pulmonary edema.

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related to this reflex, then any positive g exposure during reentry maneuvers might have serious consequences. It is possible also for a pilot to misinterpret a phosphene sensation during maneuvers at high positive g's as an external object, unless he is familiar with entopic effects. Respiratory function and pulmonary circulation were studied in 38 adults (age 17 to 34 years) and 32 children (age 1 to 14 years), natives and inhabitants of the Peruvian Andes (above 14,000 feet), and compared with data obtained from 25 adults living near sea level. Apart from the common clinical methods (X-ray picture of thorax, electrocardiogram, vectorcardiogram, etc.), right cardiac catheterization was employed. The principal differences observed in the altitude-acclimatized adults as compared to the lowland adults, were a moderate pulmonary hypertension, moderate increases in pulmonary vascular resistance, and in the work of the right heart. Therefore, the effects of chronic hypoxia are not comparable to those of acute hypoxia. Relations between arterioles, vasoconstriction, hypervolemia, and polycythemia are discussed, as well as the possible role of pulmonary hypertension in the high incidence of persistent ductus arteriosus at altitude.

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was found in the muscle of the high-altitude natives as compared with sea-level residents. The enzyme systems (DPNH-oxidase, TPNH-cytochrome c reductase, and transhydrogenase) similarly showed a significantly higher activity in altitude residents. It is concluded that the respiratory capacity of the muscle was apparently higher in high-altitude natives than in sea-level natives. The enhanced enzymatic activity was probably related to the higher-pigment content of the skeletal muscles. Results on myoglobin determination in several other muscles from certain sea-level patients are discussed.

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detail. Right ventricular hypertrophy and marked changes in the peripheral pulmonary arterial branches were present, both anomalies of the type found in people native to high altitude. Related preterminal arteriolar channels, directly connecting medium- and small-size pulmonary arteries with the alveolar capillaries, were also noted. There were no cardiovascular lesions to suggest cardiac insufficiency. In both cases, the cause of death was severe pulmonary edema with hyaline membranes. Further studies on the pathogenesis of high altitude pulmonary edema are needed to determine the mechanisms which lead to accumulation of edemic fluid in the pulmonary alveoli and the production of hyaline membranes.

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