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ACCLIMATIZATION VERSUS TOLERANCE TO STRESS
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FOREWORD

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ABSTRACT

This volume is a continuation of the literature survey conducted to evaluate acclimatization versus tolerance to stress and contains a compilation of titles and abstracts dealing with altitude acclimatization as related to acute hypoxia, decompression, hypercapnia and hyperthermia. The bibliography is arranged alphabetically by authors' names.

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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 18,000 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.

II. ACUTE HYPOXIA

A

Abramson, D. I., H. Lanot, and J. E. Benjamin. Peripheral vascular response to acute anoxia, Arch. Intern. Med. 71:583 (1953).

Adolph, E. F., and P. A. Hoy. Postnatal development of diuresis in response to postnatal hypoxia. Red. Proc 14 (1ⁱ): (2 Mar. 1955). Exposure to an atmosphere with an oxygen partial pressure of 42 to 46 mm. Hg resulted within 2 minutes in anuria or oliguria in infant rats. Diuresis occurred 15 to 30 minutes after return to a normal atmosphere. Since the diuretic response to hypoxia was greater at five days of age than at two days of age, its development was seen to be postnatal.

Agostini, A. Alternating repolarization. Folia Cardiol. (Milan) 14(2):97-106 (30 Apr. 1955) Electrocardiographic changes of the ST segment and the T wave were observed in two dogs rendered anoxic by breathing a mixture containing 7-percent oxygen in nitrogen. The same phenomenon was noted following the intravenous administration of pitressin (vasopressin). This change in the ST segment and T wave was a reversible phenomenon and could be

reproduced many times in the same animal following the successive administration of pitressin. The phenomenon is often limited to a relatively circumscribed zone of the ventricle, most frequently in the region of the cardiac apex. A brief note is presented on the possible origins of the phenomenon, and the hypothesis is proposed that the change in repolarization is due to subendocardial insufficiency.

Altland, P. D., B. Highman, and J. Roshe. Effects of altitude on dogs with valvular heart disease: tolerance and pathologic effects of acute and chronic exposures. *A. M. A. Arch. Path.* 68:475-486 (Nov. 1956).

Altland, P. D., and E. Highman. Effect of repeated acute exposures on longevity in rats. *Amer. J. Physiol.* 168:345-351 (Feb. 1952).

Arnould, P., and M. Lamarchi. Modifications of the blood mass and the interstitial fluids during acute anoxia in the chloralosed dog. *Med. Aero. (Paris)* 7(4):522-528 (1952). Chloralosed dogs were subjected to acute anoxia by breathing a mixture of 10-percent oxygen and 90-percent nitrogen. During anoxia, part of the blood

plasma passed to the interstitial spaces and thus produced an increased hemoconcentration, but the total volume of extracellular fluid remained unchanged; the total blood cell volume remained constant. Oxyhemoglobin saturation was reduced from a normal 94.4 to 69.6 percent.

Asmussen, E., and H. Chiodi. Effect of hypoxemia on ventilation and circulation in man. *Amer. J. Physiol.* 132:426-436 (1941).

Astrom, A. Opinions on rescue from high altitudes. Meddelanden fran Flygoch Navalmedicinska Namden (Stockholm) 4(3):18-21. (1955).

The author discusses aeromedical problems arising from rapid drops in atmospheric pressure, i. e. during ascent and flight at altitude (15,000 to 20,000 meter). The primary effects include mechanical effects on the lungs, expansion of gas volume (enclosed in sinuses, middle ear, and intestines), gas bubble formation (causing bends, chokes, etc.). Overpressure equipment, i. e., vest, antigravity suits, capstan suits, full pressure suits) are outlined. Equipment designed to protect the pilot after explosive decompression should feature automatic actuating devices due to

the short time span of 11 to 15 seconds between decompression and black-out. A diagram shows variations in pulmonary gas pressure between 0 - to 20,000- meter altitude during air breathing and during 100 percent oxygen respiration. The following protective equipment design requirements for ejection at high altitudes are discussed; catapult equipment, face protection, tumbling after ejection, low temperatures at high altitude and on the ground, and pressure differential between the cockpit and the outside.

Aviado, D. M., J. Ling, and C. Schmidt. Effects of anoxia on pulmonary circulation: reflex pulmonary vasoconstriction. *Amer. J. Physiol.* 189(2):253-262 (May 1957). Anoxia in dogs caused by exposure to 5- or 10-percent oxygen produces increased pulmonary arterial pressure and blood flow but variable pulmonary vascular resistance. Four factors effect pulmonary vascular resistance; reflex pulmonary vasoconstriction, local pulmonary vasodilation, passive reduction in pulmonary vascular resistance, and release of epinephrine capable of stimulating the heart and constricting the lung vessels. The reflex pulmonary

vasoconstriction is mediated by the thoracic sympathetics and is activated by less severe anoxemia (reduction of arterial O₂ saturation by at least 10 percent) as compared to the other mechanisms, i. e., local and passive dilatation which require reduction of saturation of at least 30 percent.

Aviado, D. M., et al. Effects of anoxia on pressure, resistance, and blood (P³²) volume of pulmonary vessels. Amer. J. Physiol. 169(2):460-470 (1952). The factors interacting in the regulation of the pulmonary circulation under conditions of anoxia (5- to 10-percent oxygen) were studied in dogs. Anoxia produced a rise in pulmonary arterial pressure which can be explained as the result of the increased pulmonary blood flow brought about by carotid and aortic chemo-reflexes through the liberation of epinephrine. Dilatation of pulmonary vessels can be seen when the lung is perfused with oxygen-deficient blood. During anoxia there is an increase (demonstrated by P³²) in the blood content of the lung.

Balke, G. Human tolerance. In Brown, J. H. U. (ed). Physiology of man in space, pp. 149-171. New York and London: Academic Press, 1963. This study covers the tolerance of the "average" individual for various space flight stresses. It is presumed that the subject has used all potential training and conditioning facilities for achieving the maximum level of adaption for psychophysiological stresses, including: gravitational forces (acceleration, deceleration, and weightlessness), hyperventilation, high altitude (pressure suit, normal air breathing, 100 percent oxygen, and oxygen under pressure), dysbarism (decompression sickness), hypercapnia, temperature extremes, and physical work (functional limitations, metabolic limitations, and environmental effects on work capacity).

Barer, A. S., and E. V. Iakaleva. Changes in the concentration of sodium and potassium ions in the human urine and saliva during "ascents" in a barochamber to 5000 and 6000-meter altitudes. Buill. Ysk. Biol. Med. 53(1):63-65 (Jan. 1962). Salivary and urinary sodium and potassium concentrations were studied by flame

photometry in 26 and 24 subjects at simulated altitudes of 5000 (30 minutes) and 6000 meters (15 minutes) respectively. Samples of urine and saliva were obtained before, during, and after the stay in the barochamber. Regular shifts were seen in the Na and K concentration and the Na/K ratio. The concentration of K-ions had a tendency to rise, while that of Na dropped. With repeated ascents the shifts became smoother.

Barker, J. N. Role of hemoglobin affinity and concentration in determining hypoxic tolerance during infancy, hypoxia, hyperoxia, and irradiation. Amer. J. Physiol. (1957).

Bartlett, R. G., and R. A. Hectz. "Subclinical" respiratory disease and altitude tolerance in the rat. Aerospace Med. 34(1): 18-20 (Jan. 1963). Rats with "subclinical" respiratory disease (pneumonia) were exposed to a simulated altitude of 33,500 feet with appropriate controls. Altitude tolerance, as indicated by survival at altitude, was significantly less in "sick" animals than in controls.

Bassi, M., and A. Bernelli. Preliminary studies on the metabolism of vacuolated cells following hypoxia. Experientia (Basel) 11(3):105-106 (1955). Vacuolated liver cells were produced in adult albino rats by exposing the animals to an atmosphere of 97-percent nitrogen and 3-percent oxygen for 2 hours. Analysis of liver slices indicated that the respiratory quotient, labile phosphorus, and total high energy phosphate bonds were decreased in vacuolated (hypoxic) tissues. Water content, oxygen uptake, and octanoic-oxidase and succinic oxidase activities remained unchanged.

Bauer, L. H. Note on limits of high altitude. *J. Aviation Med.* 4:15-18 (Mar. 1933).

Bauer, R. O., and J. T. Gouryis. Lethality of simulated altitude for rabbits, normal and pretreated with tetraethylpyrophosphate of dibenamine. In Bauer, R. O., et al. (ed.). The effects of drug-induced alterations, pp. 44-49 Report No. 52-222, Wright Air Development Center. Aero Medical Lab., Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio (June 1952). Albino rabbits were exposed

successively to increasing simulated altitudes (25,000 to 40,000 feet). At each altitude, the animals were held for five minutes, then returned to ground level before renewed ascent. Chamber temperatures were recorded before, during, and after exposures. It was observed that environmental temperatures affected altitude tolerance considerably (25°C. representing the optimum temperature with regard to altitude tolerance). Preliminary treatment with adrenergic blocking agents, i. e., dibenamine, or with cholinergic potentiation drugs, i. e., tetraethylpyrophosphate, reduced altitude tolerance significantly.

Beard, E. J., I. D. Alexander, and T. W. Howell. Effects of various degrees of hypoxia on pulmonary and systemic hemodynamics in narcotized dogs. *J. Aviation Med.* 23(6):569-576, 625 (1952). Heart rate, respiratory rate, and femoral and pulmonary arterial pressures were studied in narcotized dogs breathing various oxygen-deficient gas mixtures. Inhaling a mixture of 8.5-percent oxygen in nitrogen for 30 minutes produced an increase in both systolic and diastolic systemic arterial pressures but no concomitant changes in the pulmonary arterial pressure. All

animals showed an increase in heart rate but no significant changes were noted in respiratory rate. When 5.8-percent oxygen in nitrogen was inhaled for short periods, pulse rate, respiratory rate, and arterial pressure gradually increased during the first five minutes. All animals survived for a ten-minute exposure without complications. Following sudden anoxia (produced by inhaling 99.6-percent nitrogen), pulse rate, respiratory rate, and femoral systolic and diastolic pressures increased and reached their maximums after one minute.

Benzil, G. Effect of vitamin B₁₂ on the resistance to experimental hypoxia and on relative hepatosis. 11 Farmaco (Pavia) 16(3):144-151 (Mar. 1961). Mice given intraperitoneal injection of vitamin B₁₂, decompressed to 200 mm./Hg in 10 minutes, and kept at that level for 45 minutes., exhibited the same convulsive symptoms and fatal outcome as the controls. Histopathological examinations demonstrated that vitamin B₁₂ was capable of decreasing the intensity of hypoxic hepatic steatosis. Quantitative chemical determinations of total hepatic lipids showed a

statistically important decrease in the lipid content of treated animals in comparison with the controls.

Berg, W. E., and S. F. Cook. Carbon dioxide production of humans at sea level and at low barometric pressures. *Amer. J. Physiol.* 147:217 (1946). The carbon dioxide elimination of humans, either under basal or non-basal conditions, is significantly decreased at a simulated altitude of 30,000 feet as compared with sea level values. Two methods of measuring the carbon dioxide elimination were used. One method involved collection of the expired gases in Douglas bags, the analysis being made at sea level with the Haldane gas analyzer. The second method employed a thermal conductivity analyzer for carbon dioxide in oxygen; the analyses and volume measurements were made directly at altitude. The average decreases of carbon dioxide elimination of basal and non-basal subjects at altitude were 5.4 and 8.6 percent respectively.

Berger, E. Y., M. Galdston, and S. A. Herwitz. Effect of anoxic anoxia on human kidney. *J. Clin. Invest.* 28:643 (1949).

Binet, L., D. Guing, and M. V. Strumya. Blood coagulation and anoxia.

J. Physiol. (Paris) 48(3):393-395 (May-June 1956). Blood coagulation time was studied in the blood of anesthetized dogs breathing a 3.4-percent oxygen mixture for 40 minutes. Hypocapnic anoxic anoxia produced a moderate, but significant, acceleration of blood coagulation.

Blockley, W. V. Correlation of experimental and analytical data to define civil oxygen protection requirements above 40,000 feet. Aerospace Med. 33:1291-1297 (Nov. 1962).

Boi, Y. Studies on respiration and circulation in the cat: I. The influence of an acute anoxemia on respiration and circulation. J. Physiol. 55:43-49 (May 1921).

Boon, D. J., and S. F. Marotta. Environmental stresses and femoral arterial blood flow. J. Appl. Physiol. 19(3):472-478 (May 1964). Femoral arterial blood flow and related cardiopulmonary parameters were ascertained in 95 anesthetized dogs during exposure to heat, cold, altitude, hypoxia for two different time periods, and various combinations of these environments. Cold (1°C.) and

decompression (17,300 feet) without hypoxia at room temperature (24°C) each depressed arterial blood flow significantly and equally, while the combination of decompression and cold caused a significant depression in flow which was less than either acting alone. Heat (38°C.) alone produced slight increases in arterial pressure and heart rate; however, heat in combination with altitude depressed the flow less than did altitude alone. Hypoxia ($pO_2=75$ mm. Hg), whether from decompression or breathing 10 percent O_2 at ground level, increased blood flow while depressing femoral vascular resistance in all animals in cold, hot, or room temperatures. The greatest hypoxic increases in blood flow were noted immediately after decompression both at 24 and 38°C. While the smallest increase was noted with hypoxic exposure during the second period at a cold simulated altitude.

Brognoli, C., and B. Boles Carenini. On the possibility of influencing the alterations of the blind spot and of angioscotomata caused by anoxia of drugs (sic). Riv. Med. Aero (Roma) 15(2):274-286 (1952). The enlargement of the blind spot and of angioscotomata as induced by anoxia could be reduced by vasodilating drugs (amyl nitrite and

nicotinic acid). Parametric studies of normal subjects inhaling a mixture of low oxygen content revealed that generally the dilatation of both the blind spot and the angioscotoma is more or less proportional to the decrease of oxygen supply. In the majority of cases, amyl nitrite, administered in a state of anoxia, restricted the area of the blind spot while it enlarged that of the angioscotoma. In the majority of cases, nicotinic acid increased both the blind spot and the angioscotoma.

Bruner, H. On the stress limits of the human organism. Zeitschrift fur Flugwissenschaften (Braunschweig) 4(3-4):150-156 (Mar. - Apr. 1956). Aviation medicine must establish a qualitative evaluation of the sum total of flight stresses in which any shift would be reflected as a corresponding shift in the physiological index of reactions to stress. The selected indices must permit the establishment of physiological tolerance limits. The combination of measures of physiological tolerance limits and of environment stresses would allow the setting up of norms for complex stresses, duration of work, and work efficiency still within the limits of physiological tolerance. However, an objective method must first

be established for evaluating the individual capacity to see whether he is optionally trained and acclimatized to flight stresses. At present, aviation medicine is relatively well oriented on the amount of physical work in flight, the physiological thresholds, compensatory reactions, and critical thresholds to different flight stresses. Parallels are drawn with research along similar lines on stresses in the mining industry.

Bunge, J. Experimental studies on relation between high altitude convulsions and air temperatures. Luftfahrtmedizin 6:127 (1942)

Bures, J., and O. Buresdva. The anoxic terminal depolarization as an indicator of vulnerability of the cerebral cortex in anoxia and ischemia. Pfluger. Arch. Ges. Physiol. (Berlin). 264(4):325-334 (1957). The electrical polarity of the cerebral cortex surface (in rats about 20 millivolt positive) declines rapidly after a few minutes of total brain anoxia or ischemia. The latency of terminal depolarization approaches the latency of irreversible anoxic damage to the cerebral cortex. In hypothermic animals, terminal depolarization is delayed considerably. In the normothermic rat,

cortical polarity drops to zero after 15 minutes of ischemia. In the hypothermic animal, a residual polarity is still present at that time. Terminal depolarization is a new criterion for cortical survival time and is closer to revival time than other commonly employed criteria, e.g., loss of spontaneous electrical activity.

Bures, J. The influence of anoxia and asphyxia on the spreading EEG depression. Cesk. Fysiol. 6(4):467-471 (Nov. 1957). Young rats were subjected to the anoxic state or exposed to asphyxia for 45 to 75 seconds. Potentials were measured at various points on the cortex. During asphyxia, 45 seconds was the shortest time exposure that could maintain the widening depression; at this time, period negativity decreased within the first 15 seconds but then returned to normal. Above 45 seconds, widening of the depression increased with continuing exposure. Above 75 seconds, paroxysmal activity was observed. During anoxia, polarity dropped off to one-half of its original value, and the potential was depressed. In both asphyxia and anoxia there was an inhibition of oxidative processes.

C

Cahn, J., and M. Herold. Cardiac metabolism in anoxia. C. R. Soc. Biol. (Paris) 159(12):2133-2136 (1956). Anoxia produced by tracheal obstruction in rabbits and dogs resulted in a marked increase in cardiac debt and a lesser increase in femoral artery pressure followed by a decline to zero. Auriculo-ventricular dissociation and disturbances of the S-T interval, associated with bradycardia, were observed in some cases at near zero arterial pressure level. Anoxia produced an increase in blood glucose and lactate, a clearance in pyruvate (particularly at the terminal stage), 100-percent increase in the coefficient of extraction, 820 percent increase in the cardiac consumption of glucose, a regressive decrease in the coefficient of extraction and cardiac consumption of pyruvate myocardial production of lactate accompanied by a negative coefficient of extraction, and no significant change in myocardial glycogen.

Carenini, B. B. Studies on the behavior of the stereoscopic reuse (by means of the Wirt test) in conditions of a modified oxygen supply to visual apparatus. Riv. Med. Aero. (Roma) 18(3):754-770

(July-Sep. 1955). Wirt's test was used to evaluate the stereoscopic vision of 50 normal subjects between 18 and 36 years of age under hypoxic conditions. Hypoxia induced by breathing a mixture of 14.5 percent oxygen in nitrogen (a simulated altitude of 3,000 meters or 10,000 feet), did not reduce the initial values of the stereotest; on the contrary, it produced an increased value in 10 out of 50 subjects. Hypoxia induced by mixtures of 19.7 percent and 7.35 percent oxygen in nitrogen (altitudes of 6,000 and 8,000 meters or 19,000 and 26,500 feet), caused a decrease in stereoscopic acuity of about one half in all subjects, the others showing no significant change. The administration of pure oxygen at atmospheric pressure normalized stereotest values in subjects with initial normal stereoscopic acuity. The mechanism of action of hypoxia and hyperoxia in stereoscopic acuity is briefly discussed.

Cassin, S. Cerebral enzyme changes and tolerance to anoxia during maturation in the rabbit. *Amer. Physiol.* 201(3):440-442 (Sept. 1961). Rabbits varying in age from less than 24 hours to adulthood were studied. Newborn rabbits tolerate 30 to 35 minutes of anoxia. Adult rabbits withstand anoxia for 3 to 5 minutes.

Succinic dehydrogenase and cytochrome oxidase activities were very low at birth, but gradually increased for 15 to 18 days postnatally. Between 15 to 18 days, a critical period was reached in the development of these enzymes—adult levels of activity were attained. At this critical period the tolerance of the developing rabbit to anoxia becomes as poor as that of the adult. The increase in oxidative activity is in agreement with the hypothesis that metabolism of the mammal is transformed from predominantly anaerobic at birth to aerobic with maturation.

Cheyamol, J. Lipoxidase and hypoxia. Therapie 18:341-362 (Mar. - Apr. 1963).

Creutzfeldt, O., A. Kasamatsu, and A. Vaz-Ferreira. Activity changes of individual cortical neurons in acute anoxia and their relation to the EEG in cats. Pfluger. Arch. Ges. Physiol. (Berlin) 263(6):647-667 (1957). The electrical discharges of single cortical neurons were compared with the electroencephalogram (EEG) of cats during N₂ breathing for 50 to 60 seconds. After 10 to 20 seconds of N₂ breathing, the frequency of neuronal discharges and the frequency and amplitude of the fast beta-waves of the EEG were increased, while the 10/second wave of the EEG disappeared.

Neuronal discharges were decreased abruptly 10 to 20 seconds later, in correlation with alpha activation of the EEG. Discharges then ceased in half the neurons, while the remainder continued to discharge in irregular bursts corresponding to slow gamma-waves. All activity disappeared in the neurons 20 to 40 seconds after initiation of N₂ breathing, and in the EEG after 25 to 45 seconds. Recovery was complete 2 to 3 minutes after initiation of air breathing. Anoxic muscular convulsions were not reflected in either the EEG or in the activity of single neurons.

Creutzfeldt, O., A. Vaz-Ferriera, and A. Kasamatsu. The behavior of single cortical neurons under conditions of anoxia. Electroenceph. Clin. Neurophysiol. (Amsterdam) 7(4):662 (Nov. 1955). The action potentials of 40 single neurons of the sensory-motor cortex were recorded with micropipettes and their behavior was studied when the animal was given pure nitrogen through the trachea for 1 minute. The survival time of the neurons was 20 to 50 seconds (average 33 seconds), that of the electroencephalogram about 36 seconds. The recovery time of the cortical neurons (the reappearance of the first discharges after resumption of respiration with

fresh air) ranged between 10 and 120 seconds, normalization of the discharges usually occurring after 2 to 3 minutes.

D

Debias, D. A. Hormonal factors in the rats' tolerance to altitude.

Amer. J. Physiol. 203:818-820 (Nov. 1962).

Debias, D. A., and K. E. Paschkis. Hormonal and nervous factors in the rat's tolerance to reduced barometric pressure. School of Aviation Med., Report No. 60-58, AF Aerospace Med Center, Brooks AFB, Texas (May 1960). A study was made of the effects of neuropharmacologic agents on the tolerance of adrenalectomized rats to a barometric pressure of 249 mm. Hg (equivalent to an altitude of 27,000 feet) for a period of 6 hours. Dibenamine, antrenyl, pendiomide, ditaltrate, thorazine, and amphetamine did not improve tolerance. The survival time of adrenalectomized-thyroidectomized rats was significantly increased (from 2.7 to 5.7 hours) by a dose of cortisol sodium succinate which failed to prolong survival of the adrenalectomized animal.

DeCorral, J. M., and A. Salces. Effect of anoxia on urinary secretion.

Rev. Esp. Fisiol. 11(1):1-34 (Mar. 1955). Thirteen dogs rendered anoxic by breathing a mixture of 10 percent O₂ in N₂ exhibited no

changes in renal function. When 5 percent O₂ was used, urinary excretion increased but diminished with prolonged exposure to anoxia. During anoxic diuresis, the tubular reabsorption of water decreased in all animals and glomerular filtration increased in some and remained constant in others. Oliguria induced by prolonged anoxia coincided with a gradual increase in glomerular filtration. During diuresis in dogs, whereas water reabsorption remained decreased in some and returned to normal in others, a decrease in urinary volume was noted, but urinary concentration and density remained the same. Anoxia decreases tubular reabsorption of water and may even increase glomerular filtration, both changes causing anoxic diuresis which ceases when anoxia is prolonged. No changes were observed in blood chlorides, non-protein-nitrogen, or creatinine, nor were albumin, cylinders, or abnormal cells found in the urine.

Decorral, J. M., and A. Salces. Effect of anoxia on saline diuresis and phlorhizin polyuria. Rev. Esp. Fiziol. 11(1):35-48 (Mar. 1955). Phlorhizin-induced glycosuria and polyuria were not modified in dogs rendered anoxic by breathing a mixture of five-percent oxygen

in nitrogen. The decrease of diuresis in these animals may be attributed to decreased glomerular filtration rather than to anoxia. In saline-induced diuresis, an increase was noted in glomerular filtration simultaneously with a decrease in tubular reabsorption of water. No changes in polyuria were noted when the animals were exposed to anoxia. In both groups of polyuric animals, rebreathing of environmental air following anoxia gradually re-established the pre-anoxic diuretic and glomerular filtration rates.

Defrancis, P. The spleen and the maximum tolerable altitude (ceiling level) in monkeys. Riv. Med. Aero. (Roma) 18(3):655-681 (July-Sept. 1955). Monkeys were decompressed at a rate of 333 meters per minute to various altitudes until a simulated altitude of 10,033 meters was reached. The maximum tolerable altitude (ceiling level) was determined as the time when the animal did not respond to stimulation (bell sound and slight electroshock). The persistence of consciousness for 30 minutes at 7000 meters was observed as the maximum tolerance to anoxia. With one exception, monkeys, showed a marked decrease of their ceiling level after splenectomy, a decrease not observed following simple laparotomy. The spleen

appears to have a specific and important function, hormonal in nature, indispensable in overcoming hypoxic deficiency.

Dimacco, G. Age and resistance to hypoxia. Riv. Med. Aero. (Roma) 19(2):311-315 (Apr. -June 1956). Adult guinea pigs of about 300 grams weight were more resistant to hypoxia (simulated altitude of 270 mm. Hg) than older animals weighing over 500 grams. These findings may be considered as an expression of the gradual decrease in the limitations of organic adaptation involving both central and peripheral processes.

Dimaria, G., A. Spina, and M. Deddatu. Studies on experimental hypoxia: III. Effect of adenosine-triphosphate (ATP) on the myocardial fiber of guinea pigs subjected to chronic experimental hypoxia and tuberculin poisoning. G. Med. Fisiol. (Roma) 6(2):165-182 (1957). Adenosine triphosphate injected intramuscularly in guinea pigs subjected to chronic hypoxia was capable of notably limiting cardiac hypertrophy and degenerative lesions and also caused regression in the changes of the terminal phase of the electrocardiogram taken during the experiments.

Drabkin, O. L. Liver regeneration and cytochrome c metabolism:

Influence of anoxia and of injection of cytochrome c. J. Biol.

Chem. 171:409-417 (1947).

E

Eckman, M., and A. L. Barach. The effect on the vital capacity of a swift ascent to a simulated altitude of 36,000 feet. J. Aviation Med. 13:36-42 (1942).

Emerson, G. A., and E. J. Van Liere. Adrenin content of adrenals of cats subjected to anoxia. Proc. Soc. Exper. Biol. Med. 38:500-503 (1938).

Engel, G. L., et al. Syncopal reactions during simulated exposure to high altitude in decompression chamber. War. Med. 4:475-489 (1943).

F

Ferguson, F. P., D. Smith, and J. Barry. Hypokalemia in adrenalectomized dogs during acute decompression stress. *Endocrinology* 60(6):761-767 (June 1957). Unanesthetized, bilaterally adrenalectomized dogs maintained on cortisone, desoxycorticosterone acetate, or in a state of moderate adrenal insufficiency were exposed to a simulated altitude of 30,000 feet. Plasma K concentration had decreased by the end of the first 30 minutes and remained so for the duration of decompression. This effect is similar to that observed in intact dogs under the same conditions. Plasma Na remained unchanged (as it was in intact dogs) during the exposure. The adrenal glands do not mediate the hypokalemic response to high altitude.

Ferguson, F.P., D. C. Smith, and J. Q. Barry. The response of plasma potassium to acute decompression stress in adrenalectomized dogs. *School of Aviation Med.*, AD 122 154, Randolph AFB Tex. (Nov. 1956). Bilaterally adrenalectomized dogs maintained on cortisone or desoxycorticosterone acetate, or animals in moderate adrenal insufficiency were decompressed to a simulated altitude of 30,000 feet for 90 minutes (three 30-minute periods). Plasma

potassium concentration consistently showed a marked decrease by the end of the first 30 minutes and remained depressed for the duration of decompression. This response is similar to that observed in intact dogs and indicates that (in this species) the hypokalemia of acute decompression stress is not mediated by the adrenal glands. As in intact dogs, plasma sodium concentration remained unchanged during decompression. In adrenalectomized animals decompression failed to produce the increase in hematocrit and the eosinopenia observed in intact dogs.

Ferguson, F. P., and D. C. Smith. Effects of acute decompression stress upon plasma and urinary potassium in adrenalectomized dogs. Abstract in Fed. Proc. 15(1¹):62 (Mar. 1956). In 17 experiments upon cortisone-maintained bilaterally adrenalectomized dogs, plasma K concentration decreased by an average of 19.7 percent during 90 minutes exposure to 30,000 feet; in 16 experiments upon desoxycorticosterone acetate-maintained dogs, plasma K decreased by an average of 15.5 percent under the same conditions. Urinary excretion of potassium increased during hypoxia in both series of experiments. Exposure of cortisone-maintained dogs to severe

hypoxia resulted in an increase in plasma K concentration similar to that observed in intact animals under comparable conditions.

The presence of the adrenal glands in dogs is not essential for the changes in plasma and urinary K observed during acute decompression stress.

Ferraloco, G. Experiments on carbohydrate metabolism at very high altitude. Arch. Sci. Biol. 13:109-126 (Jan. 1929).

Freeman, W. G., G. Pincus, and E. D. Glover. The excretion of neutral urinary steroids in stress. Endocrinology 35:215 (1944).

G

Gastaut, H., R. Naquet, and H. Regis. The comparative effects of anoxia on the electrical cortical activity and the reticular activity. C. R. Soc. Biol. (Paris) 151(12):2141-2144 (18 Dec. 1957).

Electroencephalographic recordings were made on cats under anoxia, with injections of strychnine, and under anoxia and strychnine combined. Anoxia produces a decrease in activity starting in the cortex, and then progressing into the sub-cortical structures. Strychnine given after anoxia is started provokes an hypersynchronous discharge from the bulbar reticular formation which diminishes during further anoxia. Upon reoxygenation the discharge reappears in increased amplitude and frequency only to return to normal within a few minutes.

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at high altitude. Subjects include physics of the atmosphere, anoxia, aeroembolism, oxygen equipment in aviation, temperature variants and clothing, noxious gases, pressurized equipment, explosive decompression, and expansion of free gases in the intestinal tract, middle ear, and paranasal sinuses at altitude.

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may have been a contributory cause. Prolonged hypoxia in the newborn and the adult favors the production of atelectasis and pulmonary edema but is not sufficient alone to produce hyaline membranes. The direct introduction into the lung of fresh blood plasma without clotting inhibitors does not produce hyaline membranes. Additional factors, possibly both intrinsic and extrinsic, seem to be necessary.

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the effects of anoxia (6 hours at a simulated altitude of 30,000 feet) on the capacity of rats one day after exposure to learn and reverse a position habit in a single T maze with a 23-1/2 hour water deprivation as a drive. A statistically insignificant increase was observed in the number of trials required for learning and the number of errors made by experimental animals. Microscopic examination of the brains of anoxic animals revealed a statistically insignificant decrease in mean cortical cell concentration (lamina II of area 10), but no distinguishing necrosis. Anoxia had no effect on weight change, alterations in the daily water intake, or group running time. Turning preferences prior to training had no effect on learning in experimental animals.

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are recognizable roentgenographically. Not all these effects need be present in an individual to justify the diagnosis. Aseptic necrosis with osteoarthritis may occur without medullary calcification. Joint changes are more frequently present than changes in the long bones. The recognition of these bone changes is of paramount interest in time of war, as the incidence of symptoms of decompression illness associated with high-altitude flights is on the increase.

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IV, HYPERCAPNIA

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and inhalation of O₂ or of mixtures of 20- or 40-percent CO₂ in O₂ have been investigated in the dog. Severe hypercapnia, whether brought about by diffusion respiration or by inhalation of CO₂ in O₂, results in a marked decrease in plasma volume, an irregular increase in extracellular fluid (thiocyanate space), substantial increase in red cell count and volume, and O₂ capacity of venous blood. There is no consistent change in either the white or differential count.

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normocapnia and hypercapnia. Sudden increases of the CO_2 content of the inspired air often produced acute myocardial failure. With hypercapnia, there was a tendency for a higher K loss from the myocardial cell than with hypocapnia and normocapnia. No changes in Na concentration were found. A major metabolic influence on plasma pH was apparent only in the terminal stage of myocardial failure, while at other times the pH was mainly dependent on respiratory factors. In general, sudden variations of O_2 or CO_2 content of the inspired air were most effective in causing a change of HLP function. Such variations produced severe disturbances in the heart rhythm. This may be due to changes in the intracellular ionic milieu of the myocardium. In contrast the HLP appears to have a good adaptability to fairly wide variations in plasma pH, provided that such variations take place slowly.

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50-percent O_2 for 30 minutes was associated with a slight-to-moderate increase in ventilation without a significant change in arterial pCO_2 . After acclimatization to CO_2 oxygen breathing was associated with little change in ventilation but with a rise in arterial pCO_2 .

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To test the role of a rapid fall in CO₂ tension and rise in pH in cardiac arrest, dogs were hyperventilated with 100 percent O₂ after the plasma potassium level normally occurring during extended CO₂ breathing (8 to 9 mM. /l.) was thought to have been reached by KCl administration during 30 minutes of hypercapnia. Cardiac arrest or fibrillation was observed in these animals at a potassium level of as low as 8.4 mM. /l. Previously it had been found that return to air breathing after 30 minutes of high CO₂ breathing, with potassium presumably remaining at a low level, did not produce arrest or fibrillation. Thus it appears that while neither a hypercapnic increase in plasma potassium nor a rapid fall in CO₂ tension is sufficient alone to produce cardiac arrest or fibrillation, the two in combination are responsible for the cardiac damage occurring during hypercapnia.

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Hg pressure for 2 hours. The flight profile for the second 48-hour flight was the same except that the partial pressure suit was not worn, thus reducing the heat load. The third and final flight was made under more or less optimum conditions, that is, the carbon dioxide was constantly absorbed throughout the entire flight; a comfortable "shirt-tail" attire was worn and the poor acceptance diet was replaced by foods which the subject liked.

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periods of exposure and recovery. The increase was indicated by a decrease of adrenal cholesterol and a significant eosinopenia and lymphopenia. Adrenal ascorbic acid content was reduced in normal rats during exposure to CO₂ but returned to the initial level during recovery. In guinea pigs, adrenal cortical activity was found to be increased only during the 28 to 42 day period of exposure to 1.5-percent CO₂ as shown by a significant eosinopenia and lymphopenia as well as a decrease of the adrenal cholesterol content. In both rats and guinea pigs, blood sugar remained at a normal level, apparently at the expense of liver and muscle glycogen stores. Glycogen returned to pre-exposure levels during the recovery period while muscle glycogen remained at a lower level.

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(4.8 kilometers) per hour on a level treadmill. Each group was subjected to a different daily routine involving one 50-minute exposure or two 100-minute exposures. The induction and assessment of acclimatization may be more satisfactorily accomplished when men are required to work in the heat for a continuous period which is sufficiently long to permit the establishment of thermal equilibrium. This result was only achieved in exposures longer than 50 minutes in the present experiment. A daily exposure of 100 minutes was the most economic way to develop full acclimatization.

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transients, time of onset of facial sweating ranged from 2 to 7 minutes but occurred when T_T was $37.3 \pm 0.08^\circ\text{C}$. However, in five exposures, facial sweating began while T_T was decreasing. Data indicate T_R and T_E represent a mean base temperature during thermal strain while T_T varies markedly with the thermal environment. Changes in hypothalamic temperature can only be nominal until their relation to T_T and T_R are more precisely known.

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Accumulation of heat in the blood of the large arteries and veins and heat transfer from the large arteries and veins to the surrounding tissue were taken into account. The venous streams were collected together at the heart before flowing into the capillaries of the lung.

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other days in the heat or in the control environments. Blood flow of the forearm during walking was much greater in the hot environment than in the cool environment but relatively less on the third-and fourth-day in the hot environment than on other days in the hot environment. Peripheral vascular responses to walking in the heat were most intense on the third and fourth day in the hot environment when the men showed the greatest subjective improvement with walking in the heat. However, these effects did not persist, suggesting that other factors also contributed to the improved circulatory responses with acclimatization to heat.

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Human tolerance for short exposures to heat. 6570th Aerospace Medical Research Lab., AD 410 729, Aerospace Medical Div., Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. The development of very high speed fighter aircraft creates the problem of excessive cockpit temperature, particularly in fast sweeps at low altitude. The heat comes from three sources, namely, solar radiation transmitted through the Pleugler bubble canopy, friction of the air passing over the surface of the fuselage, and the ram pressure heat. For example, the last named phenomenon may cause a temperature rise above OAT of 29, 45, and 64°F. at speeds of 400, 500 and 600 m. p. h. respectively. If another 10 to 15°F. effective temperature is added by solar radiation, cabin temperature in excess of 150°F. may be expected even when ambient temperature is between 90 and 100°F. Since the duration of exposure to these high temperatures is expected to be short (15 to 30 minutes at a maximum), steady states of human heat balance are not required. The biophysical problem is to determine points on a duration-intensity curve which are tolerable for Air Force personnel. In selecting these points, it must be assumed that pilots are not heat acclimatized and that they represent a range of constitutional and fitness types.

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