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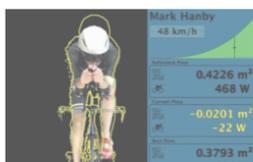
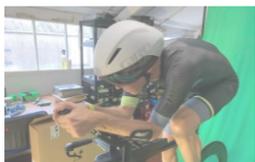
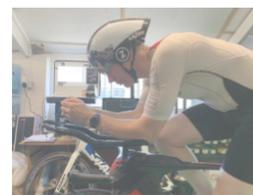
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COMBINING TRAINING & NUTRITION FOR BETTER
FITNESS AND PERFORMANCE

Combining Training & Nutrition for better fitness & Performance



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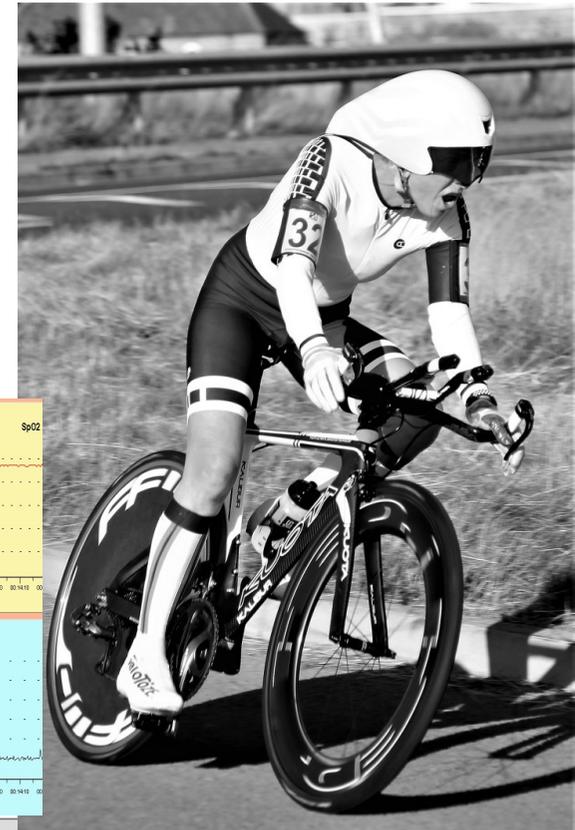
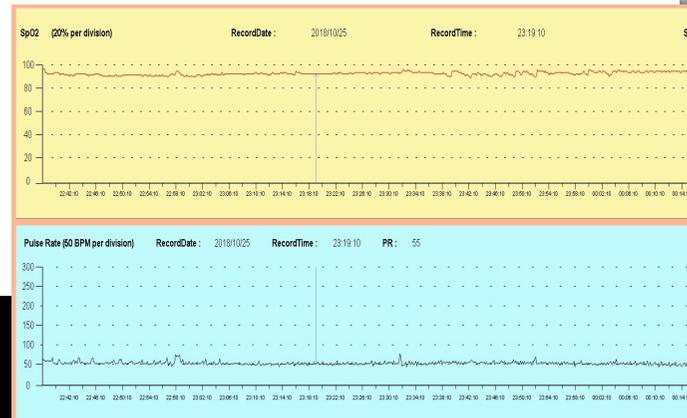
HOW have I learned?

Coaching, full-time”

Industry connections”



Trying things...”



Innovation”

Testing athletes”



Hunches...



Reading...

Integrative Biology of Exercise

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Exercise represents a major challenge to whole-body homeostasis provoking widespread perturbations in numerous cells, tissues, and organs that are caused by or are a response to the increased metabolic activity of contracting skeletal muscles. To meet this challenge, multiple integrated and often redundant responses operate to blunt the homeostatic threats generated by exercise-induced increases in muscle energy and oxygen demand. The application of molecular techniques to exercise biology has provided greater understanding of the multiplicity and complexity of cellular networks involved in exercise responses, and recent discoveries offer perspectives on the mechanisms by which muscle “communicates” with other organs and mediates the beneficial effects of exercise on health and performance.

Introduction
 Superior locomotive ability was once essential for human survival and a fundamental reason that *Homo sapiens* evolved and prospered. Physical activity was obligatory for evading predators and food procurement. Evolutionary theory describes the mechanism of natural selection as “survival of the fittest,” the underlying supposition being that the “fit,” as opposed to the “unfit,” had a greater likelihood of survival. Modern day humans run faster, jump higher, and are stronger than at any time in history. Yet exercise, particularly when undertaken to an individual’s maximum, is a complex process involving the synchronized and integrated activation of multiple tissues and organs at the cellular and systemic level. Though the reductionist approach of dissecting biological systems into their constituent parts has been valuable in explaining the basis of many biochemical processes, for exercise biologists, this approach has severe limitations: the integrative biology of exercise is extremely complex and can be neither explained nor predicted by studying the individual components of various entities.

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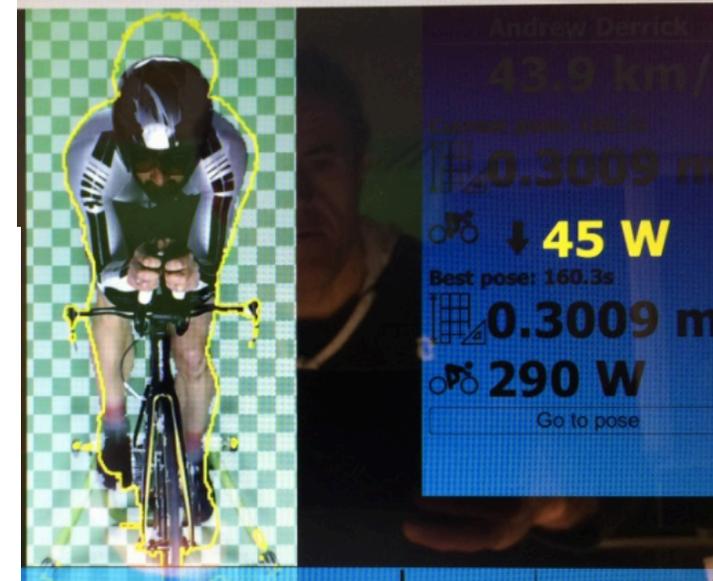
...an awful lot of reading”

Writing & talking “the walk”

Pro friends...



Development



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PEAK PERFORMANCE

Latest research and best practice for endurance athletes

SPORTS PSYCHOLOGY
A PERFECT STORY
 THE UPS AND DOWNS OF PERFECTIONISM

MONITORING TRAINING LOAD
FINGER OF THE PULS
 NEW THINKING ON HEART RATE VARIABILITY FOR MONITORING PERFORMANCE

FUELLING ON THE MOVE
SPIT OR SWALLOW
 DOES CARBOHYDRATE MOUTH RINSING REALLY WORK?

TRAINING AND RECOVERY
ICE, ICE BABY
 WHEN AND WHEN NOT TO



1990 (2nd Ironman race)

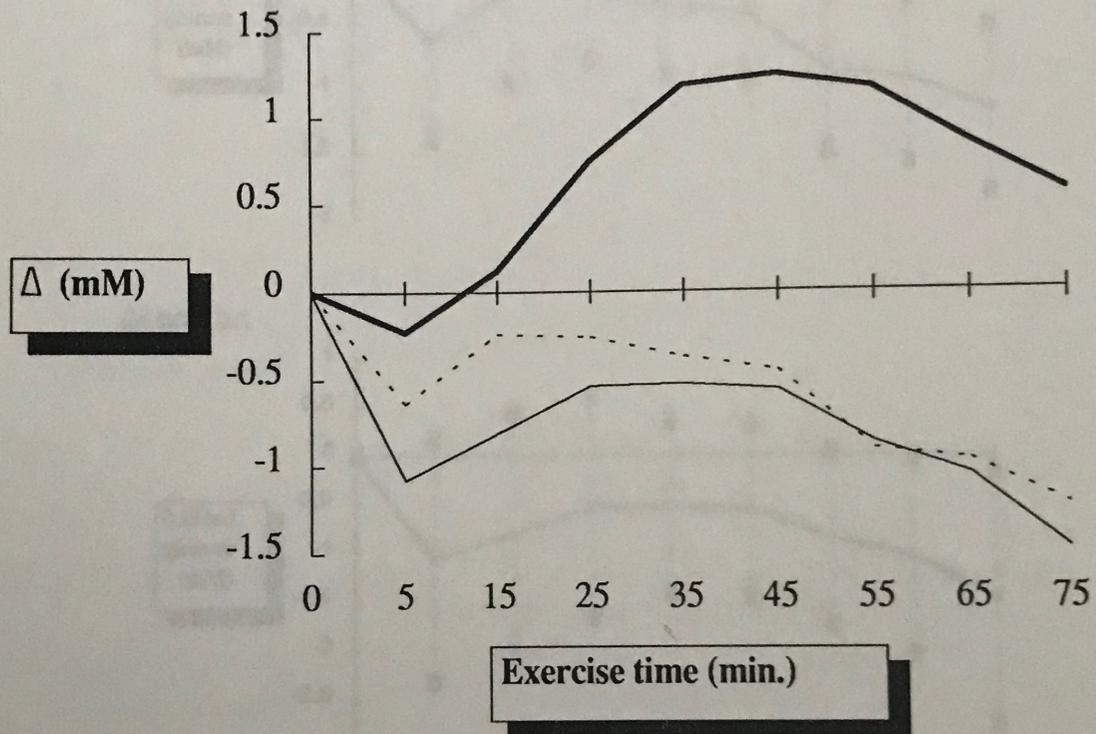
Saturday 7th July 1990

THE 220 MAGAZINE
MARATHON TRIATHLON



2018 (Sprint Tri)

FIGURE 9 Mean changes in blood glucose (Δ mM) from resting levels during subsequent endurance cycling in three different dietary conditions. (N=5)



1991

**(Degree Research
into glucose polymers)**

PLA - placebo (---); BRK - breakfast (—); CHO - glucose polymer feeding (—).



2019

**(Product innovation
work for Science in
Sport NPD)**

TRAINING

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The most effective training sessions for endurance?

Zone 1 (Z1/Z2) 55% to 80% of max heart rate

Approx 40% to 60% of Peak Power

This predominates in all phases of the year



The Road to Gold: Training and Peaking Characteristics in the Year Prior to a Gold Medal Endurance Performance

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Abstract

Purpose: To describe training variations across the annual cycle in Olympic and World Champion endurance athletes, and determine whether these athletes used tapering strategies in line with recommendations in the literature.

Methods: Eleven elite XC skiers and biathletes (4 male; 28±1 yr, 85±5 mL·min⁻¹·kg⁻¹ $\dot{V}O_{2max}$, 7 female, 25±4 yr, 73±3 mL·min⁻¹·kg⁻¹ $\dot{V}O_{2max}$) reported one year of day-to-day training leading up to the most successful competition of their career. Training data were divided into periodization and peaking phases and distributed into training forms, intensity zones and endurance activity forms.

Results: Athletes trained ~800 h/500 sessions·year⁻¹, including ~500 h·year⁻¹ of sport-specific training. Ninety-four percent of all training was executed as aerobic endurance training. Of this, ~90% was low intensity training (LIT, below the first lactate threshold) and 10% high intensity training (HIT, above the first lactate threshold) by time. Categorically, 23% of training sessions were characterized as HIT with primary portions executed at or above the first lactate turn point. Training volume and specificity distribution conformed to a traditional periodization model, but absolute volume of HIT remained low throughout the year. HIT intensity remained unchanged from pre-peaking to peaking period, but there was a 32±15% (P<0.05) increase in HIT volume during the peaking period to peaking phase.

BRIEF REVIEW

International Journal of Sports Physiology and Performance, 2010, 5, 276-291
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What is Best Practice for Training Intensity and Duration Distribution in Endurance Athletes?

Stephen Seiler

Successful endurance training involves the manipulation of training intensity, duration, and frequency, with the implicit goals of maximizing performance, minimizing risk of negative training outcomes, and timing peak fitness and performances to be achieved when they matter most. Numerous descriptive studies of the training characteristics of nationally or internationally competitive endurance athletes training 10 to 13 times per week seem to converge on a typical intensity distribution in which about 80% of training sessions are performed at low intensity (2 mM blood lactate), with about 20% dominated by periods of high-intensity work, such as interval training at approx. 90% $\dot{V}O_{2max}$. Endurance athletes tend to self-organize toward a high-intensity training distribution that is similar to that of elite athletes who perform at the highest level.

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Review

Training for intense exercise performance: high-intensity or high-volume training?

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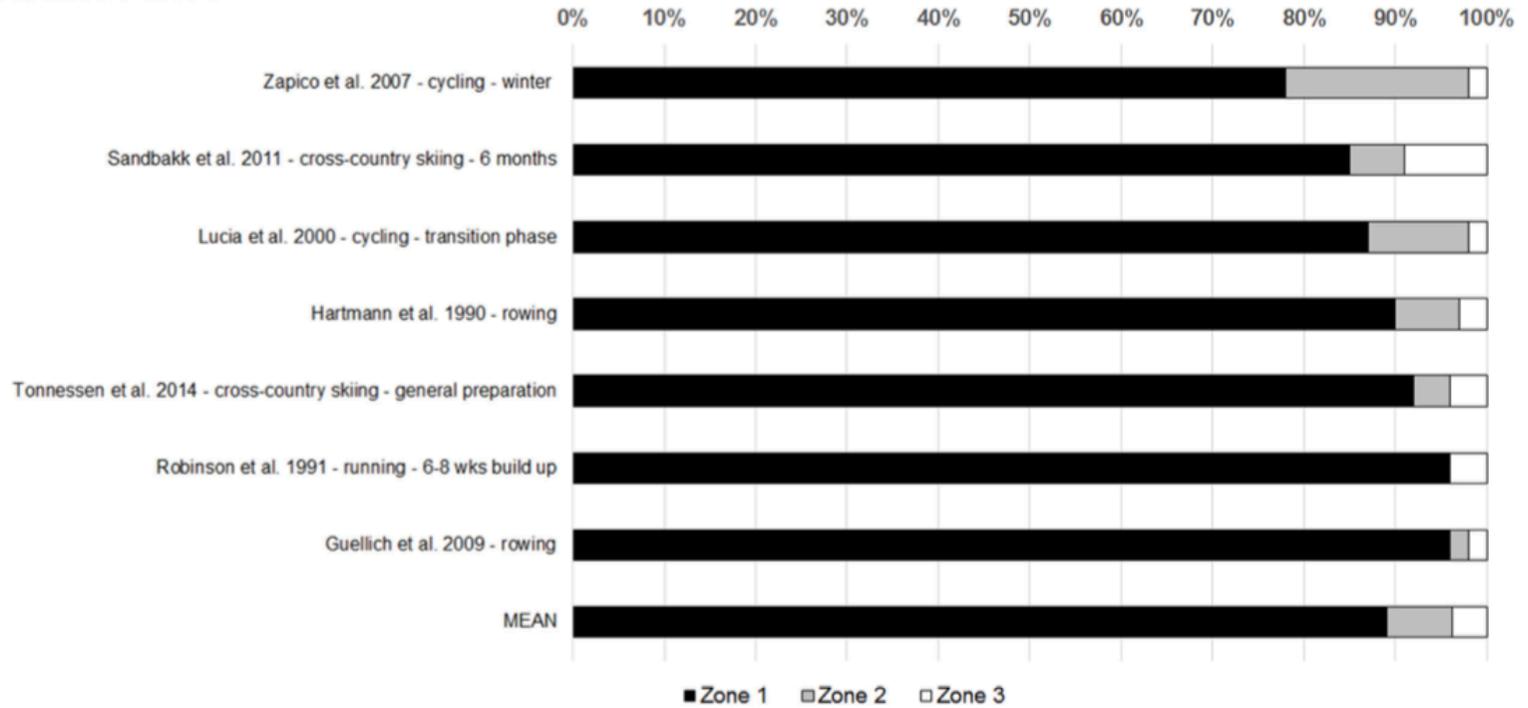
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Performance in intense exercise events, such as Olympic triathlon, swimming, kayak, track running and track cycling, is largely determined by aerobic energy supply. A short-term (~75% of near maximal effort) improvement with training is generally attributed to an increase in aerobic capacity. A short-term (~75% of near maximal effort) improvement with training is generally attributed to an increase in aerobic capacity. A short-term (~75% of near maximal effort) improvement with training is generally attributed to an increase in aerobic capacity.

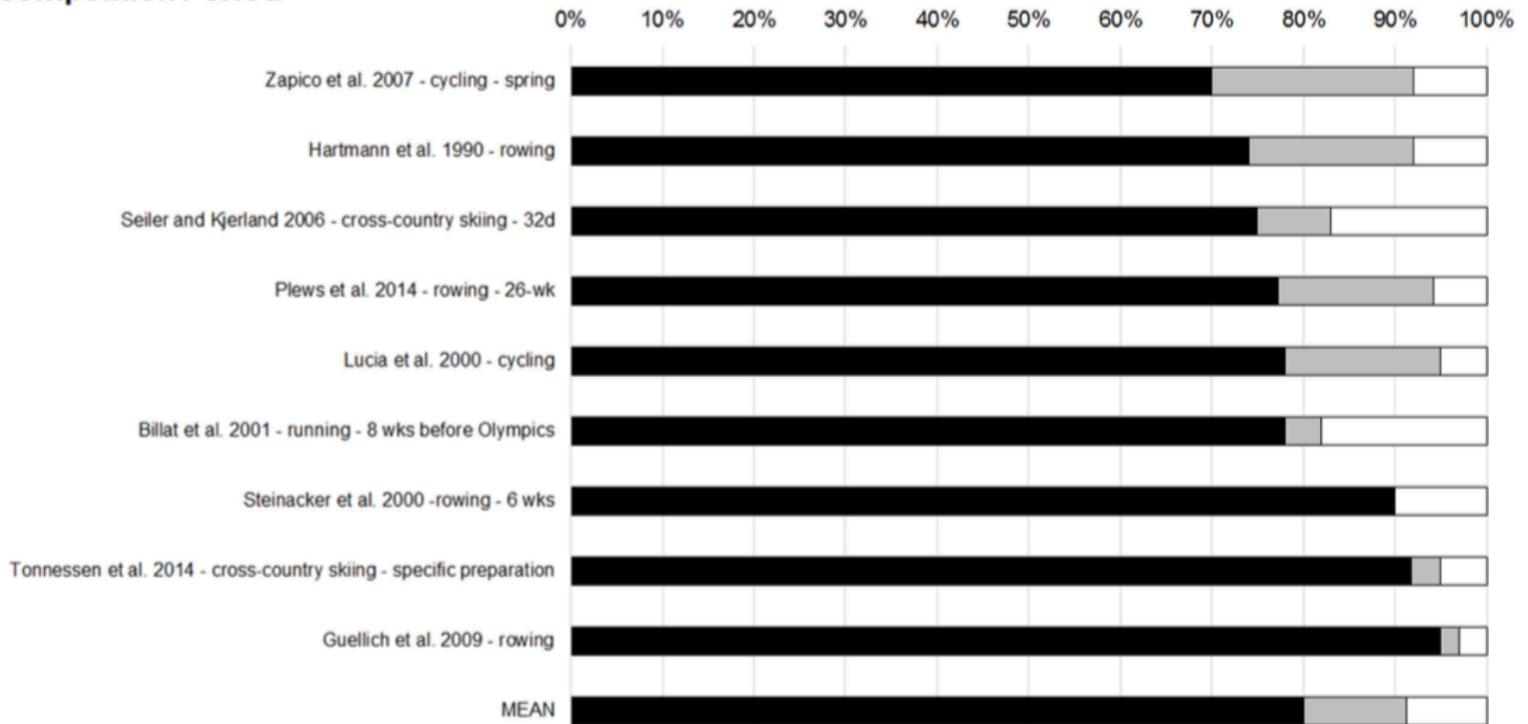
Performance of 2-4% in well-trained athletes. The high-volume training is less discussed, but its should not be downplayed, as high-volume induces important metabolic adaptations. While high-intensity training show considerable molecular events that signal for these adaptations. A polarized approach to training, has been suggested as an optimal distribution for elite athletes who perform at the highest level.

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A Preparation Period



B Pre-competition Period



BENCHMARKING

Measure effectiveness of training

Start with a very low effort warm up <80–100w for 5 minutes.

Start the test at 100 watts for 3 minutes to get a stable HR.

Increase 25 watts every 3 minutes getting stable HR.

Go to around 85% HR or 70–75% PPO... then cool down.

ANALYSIS: Compare to previous data to see if you are absorbing, tired or lacking training time.

ADJUST: training, diet, frequency, recovery etc “accordingly”.

Training efforts that are truly going to make you “better”?

**Zone 1 HR // O.G.E. = 60% to 80% PPO @ 50-65 rpm
e.g. 3 x [8 minutes OGE+ 1-2 minutes spinning RI]**

**Zone 2 // Intervals = 70% to 80% PPO @ 85-95 rpm
e.g. 6 x [5 minutes @75% PPO + 3 minutes RI]**

**Zone 3 // HIIT = >75% PPO @ 85-120 rpm
e.g. 4 x [4 minutes @ 80% PPO + 4 minutes RI]**

TECHNOLOGY

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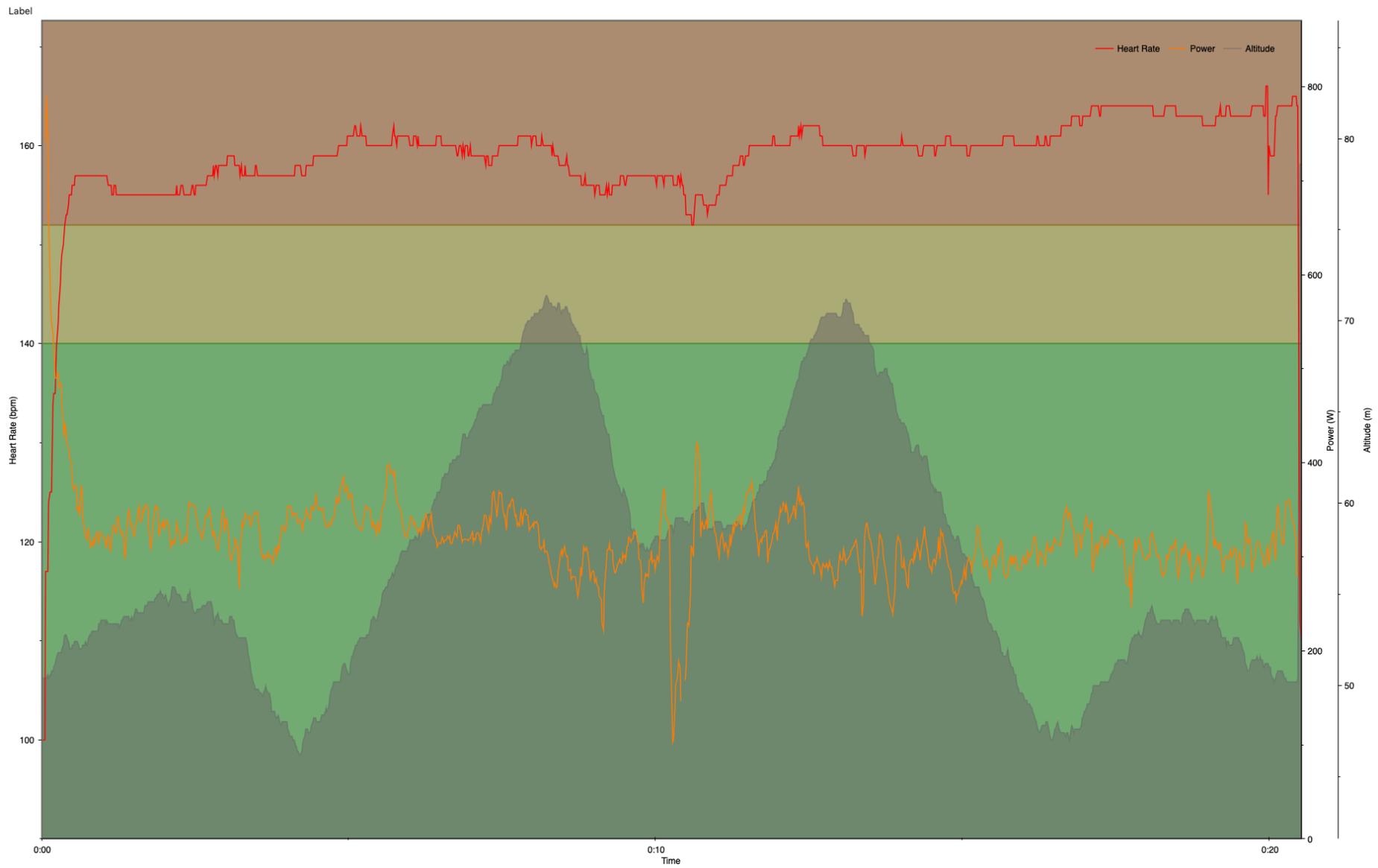
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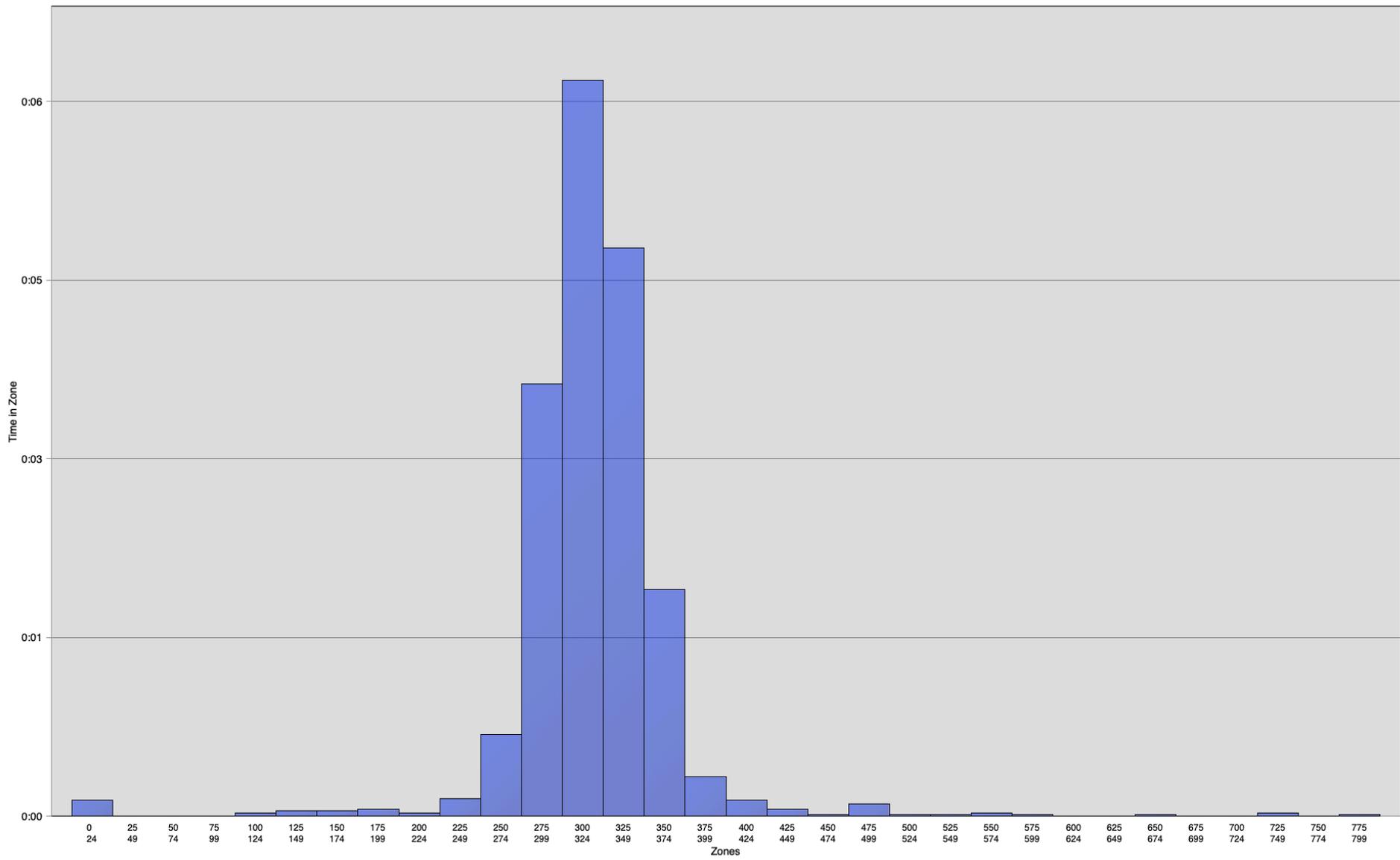


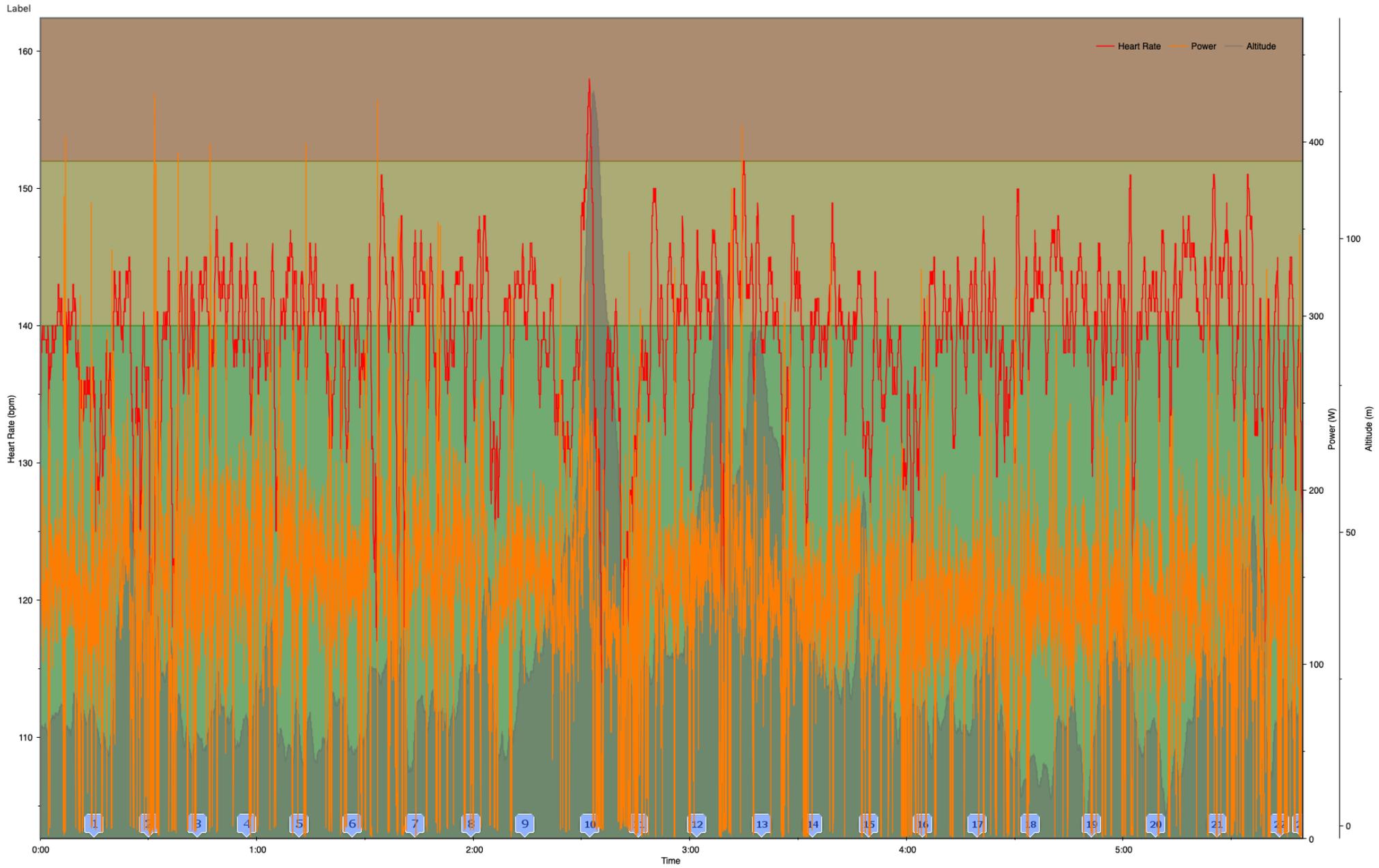
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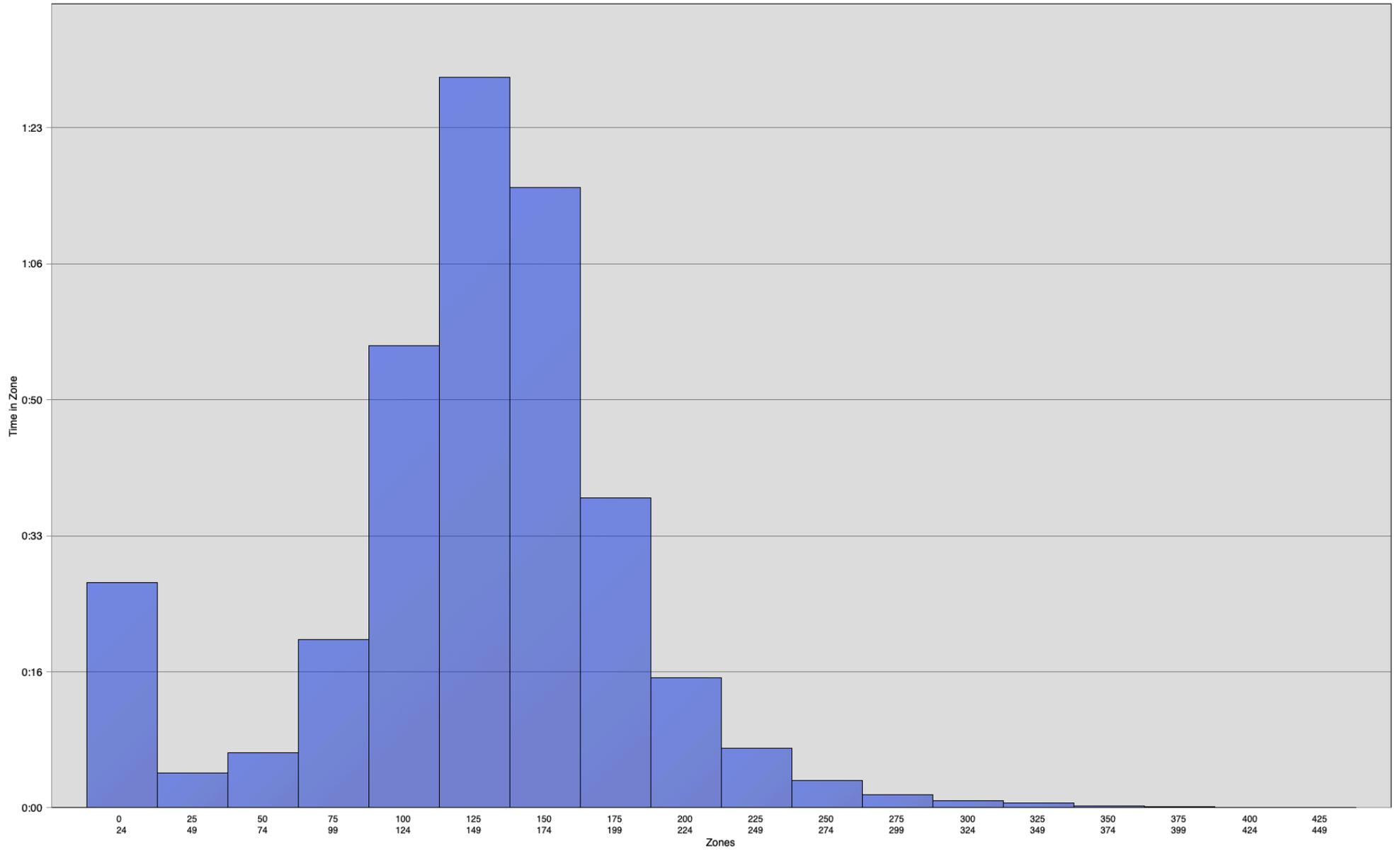
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Race Simulation...

Power based simulations to teach you to sustain your desired effort (or not) e.g. 190w x 5.5h.

Use varying courses and each years data to make your race day pace judgement more refined e.g. +/- 15w.

Use the data from MAX TEST to estimate pace as well as previous race power and HR data.

You must also feed/supplement at race levels if you are to sustain the effort

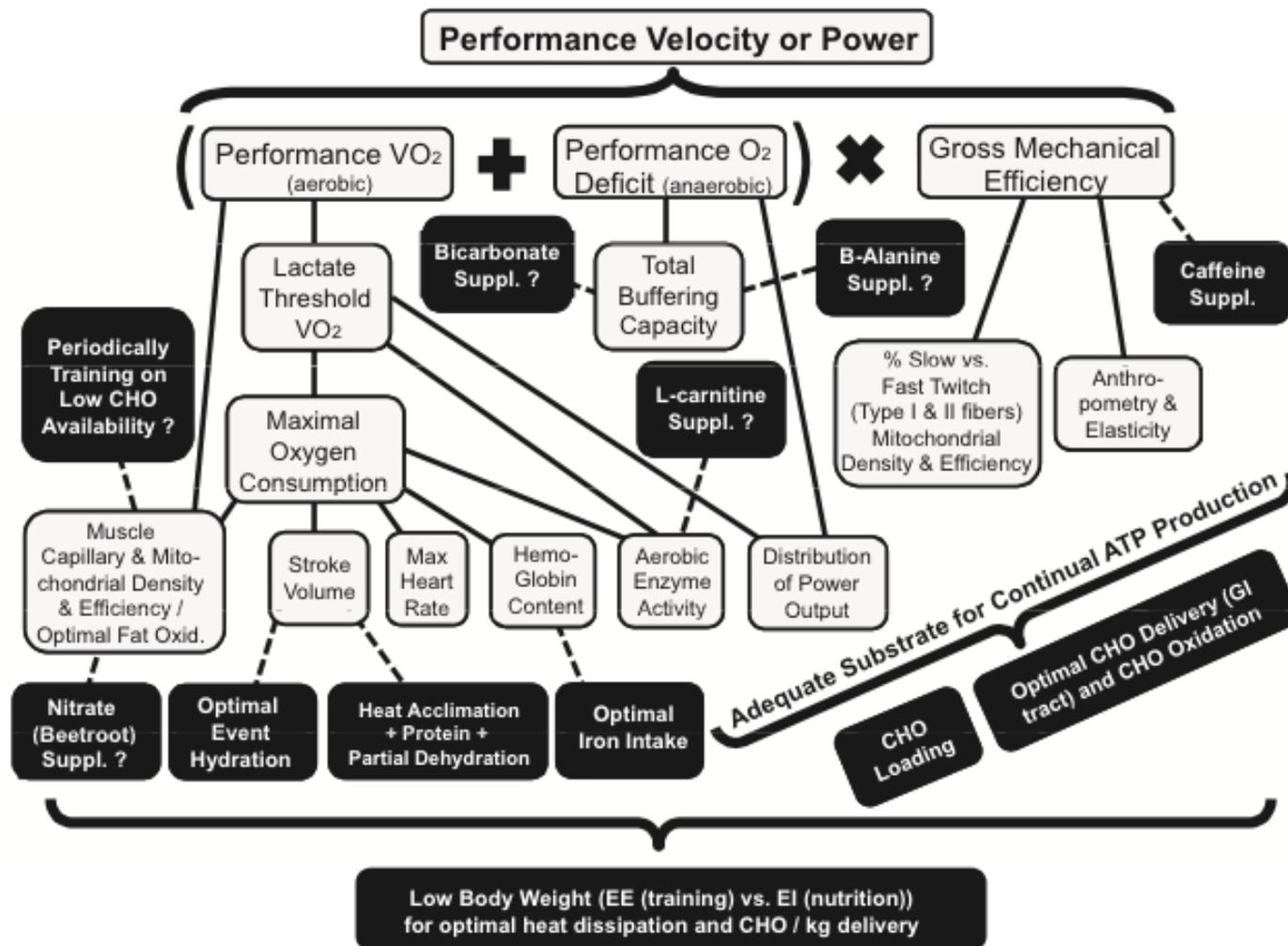
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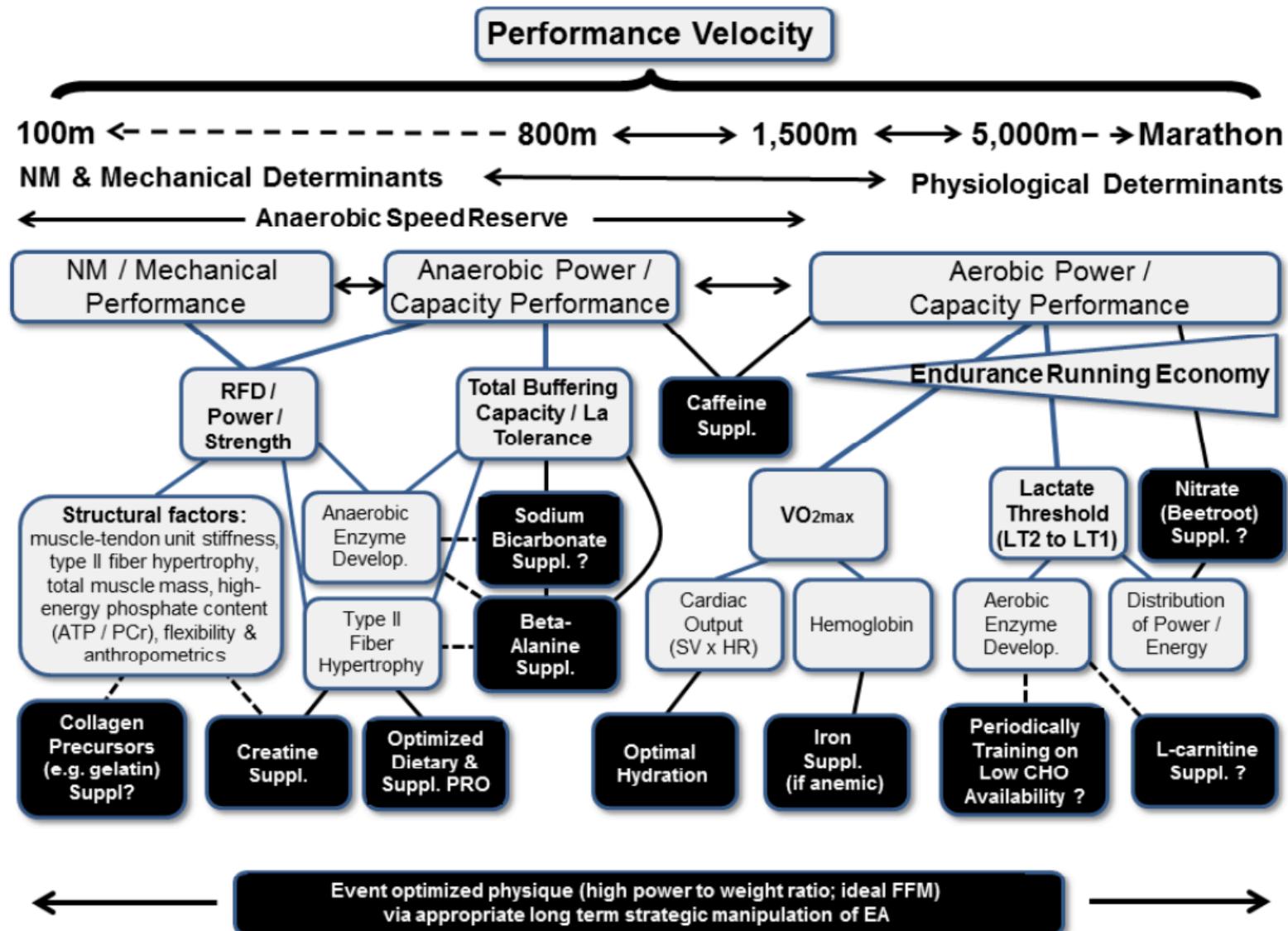
OPTIMISING NUTRITION

Stellingwerff (2014) Diet & supplementation can plug various areas of fatigue
 Note: the correct place to supplement/target diet depends on the fatigue cause



Nutrients can tweak genes/results

Stellingwerff et al (2018)



Nutrients can tweak training gains

FASTED ZONE 1

Some fasted sessions help lean-burn ability but do compromise quality and the session must be controlled Z1

e.g. 2h protein 20g before, midway and after

QUALITY POWER SESSION

Use carbohydrate drinks in or just prior to training

Caffeine 1h before? (race day responder @ 2–3mg/kg?)

CARB DELIVERY TRAINING

Use carbohydrate drinks, gels, bars, real food

e.g. 40g–100g/hour or 0.5 to 1.5g/kg/hr

Also look to supplement with protein and fats if ultra endurance

Nutrients can improve results

CARB LOADING

Use carbohydrate drinks, gels, bars, real food to elevate glycogen for 3–5 days. e.g. 6–10g/kg per day

Also look to supplement water to aid the 2:1 storage ratio

FUELLING & HYDRATION

The greater the duration/heat challenge the more hydration and fuelling is a priority. Water: 400–600ml/hr. Carbs: 40–80g/hr

QUALITY EFFORT

Use caffeine 1h before or mid way through event.
e.g. 3mg/kg 1h before or 50mg gels (1/hr for 5h)

Are you a responder or not?

Nutrients - YAWYEAD

PROTEIN

Regular protein intake helps “adaptation” – it’s building blocks
e.g. quality protein foods, between main meals during travel.

QUALITY FATS

Essential fatty acids (EFA) via fish, nuts, oils – these help
“adaptation” to fat burning, satiate and are important blocks
e.g. in quality protein foods, drizzled on salad etc, supplement?

BLOOD PROFILING

Assessment of nutrient status is vital – no one can “look” inside.
e.g. testing for Vitamin D, B12, Hbn, Testosterone and others to
ensure RBC, immune and health optimisation (fortheedge.co.uk)

Summary

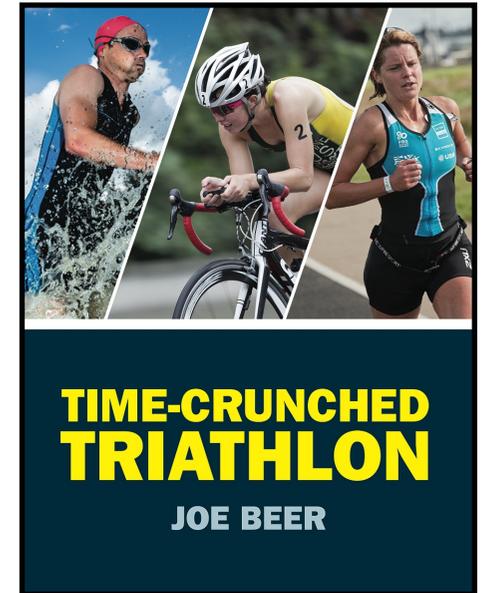
- > The best indoor power **TESTS**: RAMP MAX + SUBMAX
- > Most effective **TRAINING** sessions for endurance are Z1
- > **TRAINING** intervals for “faster” are quite simple to devise
- > **RACING** better is about a **plan**: when to **pace**/when to **race**
 - > OCP **TECHNOLOGY** can help pedal skill sessions
 - > Optimise **NUTRITION** with simple feeding and diet

Take-aways

- Training <80% must be a central habit.
- Hard work, pacing & “resistance” sessions must be planned
- Nutrition timing and type impacts significantly
- Benchmarking is better than time-trial efforts
- Testing race pace for speed is vital “simulation”
- Blood profiling is not a “hack”, its vital

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Tri Camp 2020

Training Programme including “

6-Lanes of swimming 50m pool every session

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End of camp meal with awards.

RESORT includes: On-site Supermarket, Spa, Restaurants, bars, On-site wifi, Internet Cafe, Bike Hire and Technical Assistance Bike workshop “

