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MP	mean power	SBP	systolic blood pressure
MVC	maximal voluntary contraction	SO	slow twitch, oxidative muscle fibers
MVV	maximal voluntary ventilation	SR	sarcoplasmic reticulum
NAD	nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide	SSC	stretch shortening cycle
NE	norepinephrine	ST	slow-twitch muscle fibers
NK	natural killer	STPD	standard temperature and pressure, dry air
NKCA	natural killer cell activity	SV	stroke volume
NMJ	neuromuscular junction	T	temperature
NMS	neuromuscular spindle	$T_{amb}$	ambient temperature
NT	neurotransmitter	TC	total cholesterol
$O_2$	oxygen	$T_{co}$	core temperature
OBLA	onset of blood lactate accumulation	TEF	thermic effect of feeding
OI	osteogenic index	TEM	thermic effect of a meal
OP	oxidative phosphorylation	TE $\times$ HR	target exercise heart rate
OR	overreaching	TE $\times$ $\dot{V}O_2$	target exercise oxygen consumption
OTS	overtraining syndrome	TG	triglycerides
$P_A$	pressure in the alveoli	TLC	total lung capacity
$P_ACO_2$	partial pressure of carbon dioxide in the alveoli	TPR	total peripheral resistance
$P_AO_2$	partial pressure of oxygen in the alveoli	$T_{re}$	rectal temperature
$P_B$	barometric pressure	$T_{sk}$	skin temperature
$P_G$	partial pressure of a gas	$T_{tym}$	tympenic temperature
$P_i$	inorganic phosphate	URTI	upper respiratory tract infection
P	pressure	$\dot{V}_A$	alveolar ventilation
$PaCO_2$	partial pressure of carbon dioxide in arterial blood	$\dot{V}_D$	volume of dead space
$PaO_2$	partial pressure of oxygen in arterial blood	$\dot{V}_E$	volume of expired air
PC	phosphocreatine	$\dot{V}_G$	volume of a gas
$PCO_2$	partial pressure of carbon dioxide	$\dot{V}_I$	volume of inspired air
PFK	phosphofructokinase	$\dot{V}_T$	tidal volume
pH	hydrogen ion concentration	$\dot{V}$	volume per unit of time
$PN_2$	partial pressure of nitrogen	V	volume
PNF	proprioceptive neuromuscular facilitation	VAT	visceral abdominal tissue
PNS	peripheral nervous system	VC	vital capacity
$PO_2$	partial pressure of oxygen	$\dot{V}CO_2$	volume of carbon dioxide produced
PP	peak power	VEP	ventricular ejection period
pQCT	peripheral quantitative computed tomography	VFP	ventricular filling period
PRO	protein	LDL	very low density lipoprotein
$PvO_2$	partial pressure of oxygen in venous blood	$\dot{V}O_2$	volume of oxygen consumed
$PvCO_2$	partial pressure of carbon dioxide in venous blood	$\dot{V}O_{2max}$	maximal volume of oxygen consumed
$\dot{Q}$	cardiac output	$\dot{V}O_{2peak}$	peak volume of oxygen consumed
$R_a$	rate of appearance	$\dot{V}O_{2R}$	oxygen consumption reserve
$R_d$	rate of disappearance	VT	ventilatory threshold
R	resistance	$v\dot{V}O_{2max}$	velocity at maximal oxygen consumption
RBC	red blood cells	W/H	waist-to-hip ratio
RDA	recommended daily allowance	WBC	white blood cells
RED-S	relative energy deficiency in sport	WT	weight
RER	respiratory exchange ratio		
RH	relative humidity		
RHR	resting heart rate		
RM	repetition maximum		
RMR	resting metabolic rate		
RMT	respiratory muscle training		
ROM	range of motion		
RPE	rating of perceived exertion		
RPP	rate pressure product		
RQ	respiratory quotient		
RV	residual volume		
$SaO_2\%$	percent saturation of arterial blood with oxygen		
$SbO_2\%$	percent saturation of blood with oxygen		
$SvO_2\%$	percent saturation of venous blood with oxygen		

## Icon Identification Guide

Short-term, light to moderate submaximal aerobic exercise



Long-term, moderate to heavy submaximal aerobic exercise



Incremental aerobic to maximum exercise



Static exercise



Dynamic resistance exercise



Very short-term, high-intensity anaerobic exercise





# Dedication

*To our teachers and students,  
past, present, and future:  
sometimes one and the same.*



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# Preface

The fifth edition of *Exercise Physiology for Health, Fitness, and Performance* builds upon and expands the strength of the first four editions. The purpose of the current edition, however, remains unchanged. That is, the goal is to present exercise physiology concepts in a clear and comprehensive way that will allow students to apply fundamental principles of exercise physiology in the widest variety of possible work situations. The primary audience is kinesiology, exercise science, health, coaching, and physical education majors and minors, including students in teaching preparation programs and students in exercise and sport science tracts where the goal is to prepare for careers in fitness, rehabilitation, athletic training, or allied health professions.

As with other textbooks in the field, a great deal of information is presented. Most of the information has been summarized and conceptualized based on extensive research findings. However, we have occasionally included specific research studies to illustrate certain points, believing that students need to develop an appreciation for research and the constancy of change that research precipitates. **Focus on Research** boxes, including some that are labeled as **Clinically Relevant**, are integrated into the text to help students understand how research informs our understanding of exercise physiology and how research findings can be applied in the field. Our definition of the designation “Clinically Relevant” is used in the broadest sense to refer to a variety of situations that students of exercise physiology might find themselves in during an internship situation or eventual employment. All Focus on Research boxes highlight important classic or recent basic and applied studies in exercise physiology, as well as relevant experimental design considerations.

All chapters are thoroughly referenced, and a complete list of references is provided at the end of each chapter. These references should prove to be a useful resource for students to explore topics in more detail for laboratory reports or term projects. The extensive referencing also reinforces the point that our knowledge in exercise physiology is based on a foundation of rigorous research.

The body of knowledge in exercise physiology is extensive and growing every day. Each individual faculty member must determine what is essential for his or her students. To this end, we have tried to allow for choice and flexibility, particularly in the organization of the content of the book.

## A Unique Integrative Approach

The intent of this textbook is to present the body of knowledge based on the traditions of exercise physiology but in a way that is not bound by those traditions. Instead of proceeding from a unit on basic science, through units of applied science, to a final unit of special populations or situations (which can lead to the false sense that scientific theories and applications can and should be separated), we have chosen a completely integrative approach to make the link between basic theories and applied concepts both strong and logical.

## Flexible Organization

The text begins with an introductory chapter: The Warm-Up. This chapter is intended to prepare students for the chapters that follow. It explains the text's organization, provides an overview of exercise physiology, and establishes the basic terminology and concepts that will be covered in each unit. Paying close attention to this chapter will help the student when studying the ensuing chapters.

Four major units follow: Metabolic System, Cardiovascular-Respiratory System, Neuromuscular-Skeletal System, and Neuroendocrine-Immune System. Although the units are presented in this order, each unit can stand alone and has been written in such a way that it may be taught before or after each of the other three with the assumption that Chapter 1 (The Warm-Up) will always precede whichever unit the faculty member decides to present first. **Figure 1.1** depicts the circular integration of the units reinforcing the basic concepts that all of the systems of the body respond to exercise in an integrated way and that the order of presentation can logically begin with any unit. Unit openers and graphics throughout the text reinforce this concept.

## Consistent Sequence of Presentation

To lay a solid pedagogical foundation, the chapters in each unit follow a consistent sequence of presentation: basic anatomy and physiology, the measurement and meaning of variables important to understanding exercise physiology, exercise responses, training principles and adaptations, and special applications, problems, and considerations.



## Basic Sciences

It is assumed that the students using this text will have had a basic course in anatomy, physiology, chemistry, and math. However, sufficient information is presented in the basic chapters to provide a background for what follows if this is not the case. For those students with a broad background, the basic chapters can serve as a review; for those students who do not need this review, the basic chapters can be de-emphasized.

## Measurement

Inclusion of the measurement sections serves two purposes—to identify how the variables most frequently used in exercise physiology are obtained and to contrast criterion or laboratory test results with field test results. Criterion or laboratory results are essential for accurate determination and understanding of the exercise responses and training adaptations, but field test results are often the only items available to professionals in school or health club settings.

## Exercise Responses and Training Adaptations

The chapters or sections on exercise responses and training adaptations present the definitive and core information for exercise physiology. Exercise response chapters are organized by exercise modality and intensity. Specifically, physiological responses to the following six categories of exercise (based on the duration, intensity, and type of muscle contraction) are presented when sufficient data are available: (1) short-term, light to moderate submaximal aerobic exercise; (2) long-term, moderate to heavy submaximal aerobic exercise; (3) incremental aerobic exercise to maximum; (4) static exercise; (5) dynamic resistance exercise; and (6) very short-term, high-intensity anaerobic exercise. Training principles for the prescription of exercise training programs are presented for each physical fitness component: aerobic and anaerobic metabolism, body composition, cardiovascular endurance, muscular strength and endurance, flexibility, and balance. These principles are followed by the training adaptations that will result from a well-prescribed training program.

## Special Applications

The special applications chapters always relate the unit topic to health-related fitness and then deal with such diverse topics as altitude and thermoregulation (Cardiovascular-Respiratory Unit); making weight and eating disorders (Metabolic Unit); muscle fatigue and soreness (Neuromuscular-Skeletal Unit); and Overreaching/Overtraining Syndrome (Neuroendocrine Immune Unit). **Focus on Application** and **Focus on Application—Clinically Relevant** boxes emphasize how research and underlying exercise physiology principles are relevant to the practitioner.

## Complete Integration of Age Groups and Sexes

A major departure from tradition in the organization of this text is the complete integration of information relevant to all age groups and both sexes. In the past, there was good reason to describe evidence and derive concepts based on information from male college students and elite male athletes. These were the samples of the population most involved in physical activity and sport, and they were the groups most frequently studied. As more women, children, and older adults began participating in sport and fitness programs, information became available on these groups. Chapters on females, children/adolescents, and the elderly were often added to the back of an exercise physiology text as supplemental material. However, most physical education, kinesiology, exercise science, and allied health professionals will be dealing with both male and female children and adolescents in school settings, average middle-aged adults in health clubs or fitness centers, older adults in special programs, and both sexes of all ages in allied health settings. Very few will be dealing strictly with college-aged students, and fewer still will work with elite athletes. This does not mean that information based on young adult males has been excluded or even de-emphasized. However, it does mean that it is time to move coverage of the groups that make up most of the population from the back of the book and integrate information about males and females at various ages throughout the text. That being said, these sections are typically stand-alone, allowing the faculty member to give the individual students freedom to select a population they are primarily interested in learning about.

## Pedagogical Considerations

This text incorporates multiple pedagogical techniques to support student learning. These techniques include a list of learning objectives at the beginning of each chapter as well as a chapter summary, review questions, and references at the end of each chapter. Another pedagogical aid is the use of a running glossary. Terms are presented in definition boxes as they are introduced and are colored in bold type and defined in the text where they first appear to emphasize the context in which they are used. A glossary is included in the back matter of the book for easy reference. Additional important technical terms with which students should be familiar are italicized in the text to emphasize their importance. Because so many are used, a list of commonly used symbols and abbreviations with their meanings is printed on the front endpapers of the text for quick and easy reference. Each chapter contains a multitude of tables, charts, diagrams, and photographs to underscore the pedagogy, to aid in the organization of material, and to enhance the visual



appeal of the text. Figure and table numbers are highlighted in color in the text to identify the relevant textual material instantly.

## Unique Color Coding

A unique aspect of the graphs is color coding, which allows for quick recognition of the condition represented. Because it is so critical to recognize the differences among exercise responses to different types of exercise, we use a specific background color for each category of exercise. Further, we differentiate the responses to an acute bout of exercise from training adaptations that occur as a result of a consistent training program with a specific background color. For exercise response patterns, each of the six exercise categories has its own shaded representative color and accompanying icon. A key to these colors and icons is included in **Table 1.2**. Population comparisons (male-female, children/adolescents-adults, trained-untrained) are also color coded on graphs where applicable.

## Active Learning

Throughout the text, **Check Your Comprehension** and **Check Your Comprehension-Case Study** boxes engage the student in active learning beyond just reading. The number of these has been expanded for this edition at faculty request. In some instances, the boxes require students to work through problems that address their understanding of the material. In other instances, students are asked to interpret a set of circumstances or deduce an answer based on previously presented information. Scattered throughout the text and occasionally used in Check Your Comprehension boxes are equations and problems used to calculate specific variables in exercise physiology. Examples using all equations are included in discrete sections in the text. Individual faculty members can determine how best to use or not use these portions of the text to fit their individual situations and student needs. Each chapter ends with a set of essay review questions.

## Appendices

Appendix A provides information on the metric system, units, symbols, and conversion both with and between the metric and English systems. Appendix B offers supplementary material, consisting of three parts that deal with aspects of oxygen consumption calculation. Appendix C provides answers to the Check Your Comprehension/Check Your Comprehension-Case Study boxes that appear throughout the text.

## Online Resources

A comprehensive set of ancillary materials designed to facilitate classroom preparation and ease the transition into a new text is available to students and instructors using *Exercise Physiology for Health, Fitness, and Performance*, Fifth Edition.

### For Students

- Crossword puzzles using key terms and definitions. Answers are accessible.
- Quiz bank of multiple choice questions intended to assist in studying the material or for self-testing. Answers are accessible.
- Worksheets that include true/false questions (with space for correcting false statements), fill-in tables, figure labeling, matching, and calculations to assist in studying or for self-testing. Worksheet answers are also available to students.
- Laboratory manual
- Online animations

### For Faculty

- E-book
- Image bank of all figures in the text
- PowerPoint lecture outlines
- Brownstone test generator
- Laboratory manual
- Answers to in-text chapter review questions



# User's Guide

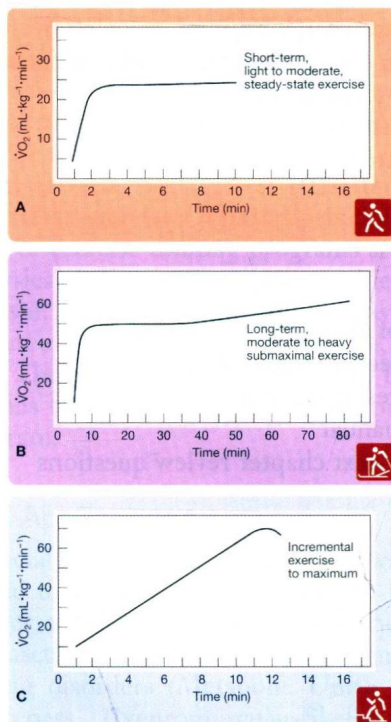
**This User's Guide explains the key features found in the fifth edition of *Exercise Physiology for Health, Fitness, and Performance*.**

Get the most out of your learning and study time so you can master exercise physiology principles and move on to career success!

## Commonly Used Symbols and Abbreviations

You can find this useful resource just inside the front cover of the text.

## Commonly Used Symbols and Abbreviations

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**FIGURE 4.4** Oxygen Consumption Responses to Various Exercises.

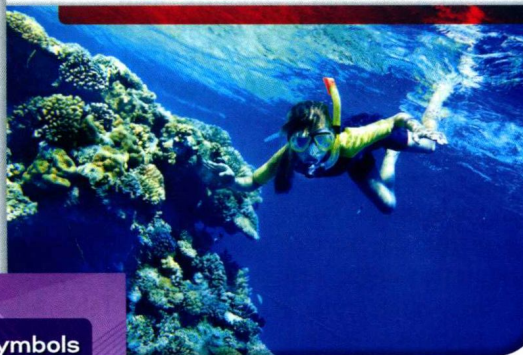
A. Short-term, light to moderate, submaximal aerobic exercise.

B. Long-term, moderate to heavy, submaximal dynamic aerobic exercise.

C. Incremental aerobic exercise to maximum.

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## Respiration



## OBJECTIVES

After studying the chapter, you should be able to:

- Distinguish among and explain the component variables of pulmonary ventilation, external respiration, and internal respiration.
- Identify the conductive and respiratory zones of the respiratory system and compare the functions of the two zones.
- Explain the mechanics of breathing.
- Differentiate between pulmonary circulation and bronchial circulation.
- Describe static and dynamic lung volumes.
- Distinguish between the conditions under which respiratory measures are collected and reported.
- Calculate minute and alveolar ventilation, the partial pressure of a gas in a mixture, the amount of oxygen carried per deciliter of blood, and the arteriovenous oxygen difference.
- Explain how respiration is regulated at rest and during exercise.
- Explain how oxygen and carbon dioxide are transported in the circulatory system and how oxygen is released to the tissues.
- Explain the role of respiration in acid-base balance.







**These are the learning objectives that you need to meet after reading the chapter.**

## Data Graphs

Each chapter contains a multitude of graphs, tables, charts, and diagrams that clarify and enhance points made in the text.

## Icons and Color Coding

**Color tints and bold icons within figures and figure legends help you quickly distinguish the exercise response to six different categories of exercise.**

Exercise Category	Color	Icon
Short-term, light to moderate submaximal aerobic	Yellow	
Long-term, moderate to heavy submaximal aerobic	Pink	
Incremental aerobic to maximum	Light Blue	
Static	Light Blue	
Dynamic resistance	Yellow	
Very short-term, high-intensity anaerobic	Orange	



## Focus on Research Boxes

Classic, illustrative, and cutting-edge research studies are presented to help you develop an appreciation for how research affects changing practices in the field.

## Clinically Relevant Boxes

Specially identified boxes highlight clinical information, situations, or case studies that you may experience during an internship or future employment.

## Focus on Application Boxes

These features apply basic concepts, principles, or research findings to relevant practical situations, concerns, or recommendations.

mitochondria for the production of ATP. Thus, any of the following systems may limit  $\dot{V}O_{2\max}$ :

1. The respiratory system, because of inadequate ventilation, oxygen diffusion limitations, or an inability to maintain the gradient for the diffusion of  $O_2$  ( $a-vO_{2\text{diff}}$ ).
2. The cardiovascular system, because of inadequate blood flow ( $Q$ ) or oxygen-carrying capacity (Hb).
3. The metabolic functions within skeletal muscle, such as an inability to produce additional ATP because of limited number of mitochondria, limited enzyme levels or activity, or limited substrates.

Evidence suggests that each of these systems may limit  $\dot{V}O_{2\max}$  in certain conditions (Bergh et al., 2000). For example, a reduction in the partial pressure of oxygen ( $PO_2$ ) at altitude or with asthma causes a reduction in  $\dot{V}O_{2\max}$ . Medications (such as beta-blockers) that limit cardiac output also cause a decrease in  $\dot{V}O_{2\max}$ , as does a reduction in hemoglobin associated with anemia. Certain diseases in which muscle enzymes involved in metabolism are deficient can also result in reduced  $\dot{V}O_{2\max}$ .

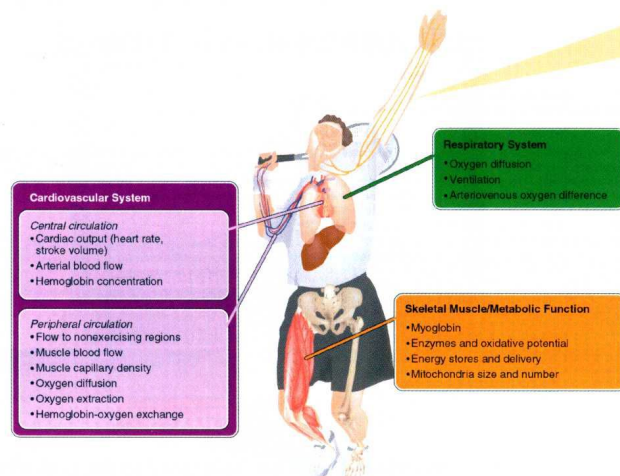
Although factors in each of these systems may limit  $\dot{V}O_{2\max}$ , the question remains: What limits  $\dot{V}O_{2\max}$  in healthy humans performing maximal exercise? This question has energized exercise physiologists for decades, beginning with the work of A. V. Hill in the 1920s, and it continues to engender lively debate among physiologists today (Bassett and Howley, 2000; Bergh et al., 2000; Elliott et al., 2015; Ferretti, 2014; Grassi, 2000; Hale, 2008; Rowland, 2013; Saltin, 1985).

Current research suggests that maximal oxygen uptake is limited by the ability of the cardiorespiratory system to deliver oxygen to the muscle, rather than the ability of the muscle mitochondria to utilize oxygen (Bergh et al., 2000; Elliott et al., 2015; Hale, 2008; Rowell, 1993; Saltin, 1985). Specifically, cardiac output appears to be the limiting factor in  $\dot{V}O_{2\max}$  (Bergh et al., 2000; di Prampero, 2003; Saltin, 1985).

Research evidence suggests that oxygen uptake is not limited by pulmonary ventilation in normal, healthy athletes without exercise-induced arterial hypoxemia (Chapter 10). Generally, the functional capacity of the respiratory system is believed to exceed the demands of maximal exercise (Rowell, 1993). The only respiratory or cardiovascular variable likely to impose a limitation on oxygen transport is  $a-vO_{2\text{diff}}$ .

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**Figure 9.9** earlier schematically depicted factors that control the rate and depth of ventilation. It would be logical to assume that changes in the arterial  $PO_2$  and  $PCO_2$  occur during exercise and have the primary role in control. However, this is not what happens. Neither  $PO_2$  nor  $PCO_2$  changes enough, especially early in exercise or at low to moderate to heavy intensities in untrained individuals, to play a major role in ventilatory control during exercise. Exactly which factor is most important is not known precisely. Changes may take place in the sensitivity of the medullary respiratory control centers themselves during exercise. Neural messages from the motor cortex, muscle proprioceptors, and hypothalamic sympathetic nervous system activity, as well as increases in the hydrogen ion and potassium ion concentrations, all appear to have a role during exercise (Eldridge, 1994; West, 2005).



**FIGURE 12.10** Possible Limitations to Maximal Oxygen Consumption.  
Source: Modified from Rowell (1993).

330 Cardiovascular-Respiratory System Unit

### FOCUS ON RESEARCH Clinically Relevant Live High, Train Low

**T**his study was designed to test the hypothesis that acclimation to living at moderate altitude (2,500 m, 8,260 ft) combined with training at low altitude (1,250 m, 4,125 ft) (high-low condition) would improve sea-level (5,000 m, 3.1 mi) performance in strength, well-conditioned athletes more than

only 6% compared with the sea-level group, whereas that of the high-altitude training group was reduced by 18.5%. Both groups that lived at moderate altitude significantly increased red blood cell mass by 9% and  $\dot{V}O_{2\max}$  by 5%, while the sea-level group showed neither response. Arteriovenous oxygen

altitude training is possible if athletes live at moderate altitude but train at lower levels that permit maintaining a high training intensity.

Source: Levine, B. D., & J. Stray-Gundersen. "Living high—training low": Effect of moderate-altitude acclimatization with low-altitude training on performance. *Journal of Applied Physiology*. 83(1):102–112 (1997).

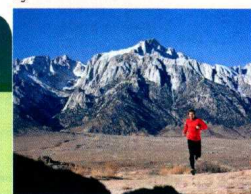
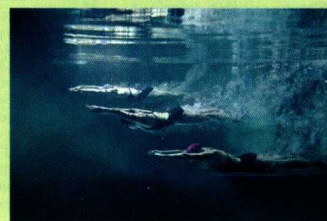
### FOCUS ON APPLICATION Clinically Relevant Decreased $PCO_2$ and Drowning

**T**he decrement in  $PCO_2$  with hyperventilation can have serious consequences. Many people know that hyperventilating can extend breath-holding time but erroneously believe it does so because more oxygen is taken in. They are unaware that it is not  $O_2$ , but  $CO_2$  levels that are changing (being blown off) and that respiration is more sensitive to  $PCO_2$  changes than to  $PO_2$  changes. Craig (1976) summarized 58 cases of loss of consciousness during underwater swimming and diving following hyperventilation. Of these 58 cases, 23 (40%) ended as fatalities, with most occurring in guarded pools. Because an individual continues patterned motor activity (swimming) for a short time after loss of consciousness caused by a lack of oxygen to the brain, these life-threatening cases are difficult for a lifeguard to detect quickly. Beginning swimmers frustrated by trying to coordinate their

arms, legs, and breathing who simply put their head in the water and try to go as far as possible without breathing are also vulnerable. As a result of these findings, it is recommended

that underwater swimming be limited to one length of a standard 25-yd or 25-m pool.

Source: Craig (1976).



ended. The altitude should be at least 2,100 and 2,500 m (~6,700–8,200 ft) but in 3,000 m (~9,800 ft) while training should be at ≤1,250 m (~4,100 ft or less). If circumferential exposure should be greater than 12 hr·d<sup>-1</sup>, preferably 16 hr·d<sup>-1</sup>. Training should last at least 3–4 weeks. Training intensity must be maintained as if were not involved.

time to return from altitude training prior to competition for peak performance remains to be seen. Conventional wisdom includes several time to performance expectations: (1) return in initial improvement; (2) days 3–14, decrease in performance and reduced training capability; (3) a high plateau in performance; and (4) possible benefits. Even given the overlap, the best timing may ultimately depend upon responses. Athletes who exhibit a high level of acclimatization or mechanical limitations may need a period of sea-level training; athletes with a faster than normal RBC mass may need to compete as soon upon return from altitude. Individual variation to altitude training is not yet fully

## Body System Responses to Exercise

Consistently formatted diagrams clearly show how each body system responds to exercise in an integrated fashion and how those responses are interdependent.



## Check Your Comprehension Boxes

These engaging mini-quizzes challenge you to work through problems, interpret circumstances, analyze information, or deduce answers to reinforce your learning as you move through each chapter.

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Once %BF has been determined, body weight at any selected fat percentage can be calculated using the following sequence of formulas. The first formula simply determines the amount of fat-free weight an individual currently has ( $WT_1$ ).

$$7.4 \quad \text{fat-free weight} = \text{current body weight (lb or kg)} \times \left( \frac{100\% - \text{percent body fat}}{100} \right)$$

or

$$FFW = WT_1 \times \left( \frac{100\% - \%BF}{100} \right)$$

The second formula calculates the desired weight ( $WT_2$ ).

$$7.5 \quad \text{body weight at the selected percent of body fat (lb or kg)} = \left[ 100 \times FFW / (\text{lb or kg}) \right] \times \left( \frac{100\% - \text{selected \%BF}}{100} \right)$$

or

$$WT_2 = \frac{100 \times FFW}{100\% - \%BF}$$

The third formula calculates the amount of weight to be gained or lost.

$$7.6 \quad \text{weight to gain or lose (lb or kg)} = \text{body weight at selected \%BF} - \text{current body weight}$$

or

$$\Delta WT = WT_2 - WT_1$$

### EXAMPLE

For example, an individual who currently weighs 150 lb at a body fat of 25% wishes to reduce her body fat to 17%. Equation 7.4 is used to calculate her current fat-free weight.

$$FFW = 150 \text{ lb} \times \left( \frac{100\% - 25\%}{100} \right) = 112.50 \text{ lb}$$

Her current fat-free weight and selected %BF are then substituted into Equation 7.5 to obtain her weight goal.

$$WT_2 = \frac{100 \times 112.50 \text{ lb}}{100\% - 17\%} = 135.54 \text{ lb}$$

Comparing her current weight to her goal weight in Equation 7.6, we get

$$\Delta WT = 135.5 \text{ lb} - 150 \text{ lb} = -14.5 \text{ lb}$$

This means that to be 17% BF, this individual must reduce her current weight by 14.5 lb. Of course, these calculations assume that in the process of losing weight, muscle mass is maintained. This assumption is not always true.

### CHECK YOUR COMPREHENSION 1

- From the following information, calculate  $M_{\text{fat}}$ .  
Subject name: Phyllis Elizabeth Major  
Sex: F Age: 18  
Weight with bathing suit: 112.5 lb \_\_\_\_ kg  
Weight of bathing suit: 0.5 lb \_\_\_\_ kg  
Nude weight ( $M_{\text{n}}$ ): 112.0 lb \_\_\_\_ kg ( $M_{\text{n}}$ )  
Residual volume = 1.2774 L
  - Underwater weighing trials in kg  
Select the representative weight.  
a. Highest obtained weight if obtained more than twice  
b. Second-highest obtained weight if observed more than once  
c. Third-highest obtained weight
- | Trial                           | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4      | 5      |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Weight                          | 7.8    | 8.25   | 8.3    | 8.35   | 8.275  |
| Tare weight*                    | 7.06   | 7.06   | 7.06   | 7.06   | 7.06   |
| Water temperature               | 35°C   | 35°C   | 35°C   | 35°C   | 35°C   |
| Water density ( $D_w$ )         | 0.9941 | 0.9941 | 0.9941 | 0.9941 | 0.9941 |
| Underwater weight ( $M_u$ )     |        |        |        |        |        |
| = selected weight - tare weight |        |        |        |        |        |
| $M_{\text{fat}}$                |        |        |        |        |        |
- \*Tare weight equals the weight of the apparatus without the subject in it.
- From the information presented and calculated in 1 and 2, use Equation 7.1 to calculate  $D$ . Equation 7.2 to calculate %BF.  
Phyllis would like to be 19% BF. Use Equation 7.5, and 7.6 to determine whether she needs gain or lose weight to achieve this goal, and how much.  
Check your answer in Appendix C.

Now read the Check Your Comprehension answer the problems given. The data are presented as they would be recorded during an actual experiment. You will need to do some conversions and analysis to determine the correct  $M_{\text{fat}}$  and  $M_{\text{fat}}$ . As you do each calculation, review the reasons for each step to ensure you understand the underlying principles.

When the measuring technique is properly performed, the error of %BF determined by densitometry is approximately  $\pm 2.7\%$  for adults. This error is primarily due to variations in the composition of body fat (Lohman, 1981). The error is always less for the individual being tested closely matched to the equation on which the equation was developed (He Stolarczyk, 1996).

### Densitometry: Children and Adolescent and the Older Adult

The previous section outlined the basic underlying hydrostatic weighing (densitometry) has challenged these assumptions with regard to children and adolescents (Lohman et al., 1984).

## Clear and Accurate Artwork

Detailed anatomic illustrations and practice-related photos place key concepts in context.

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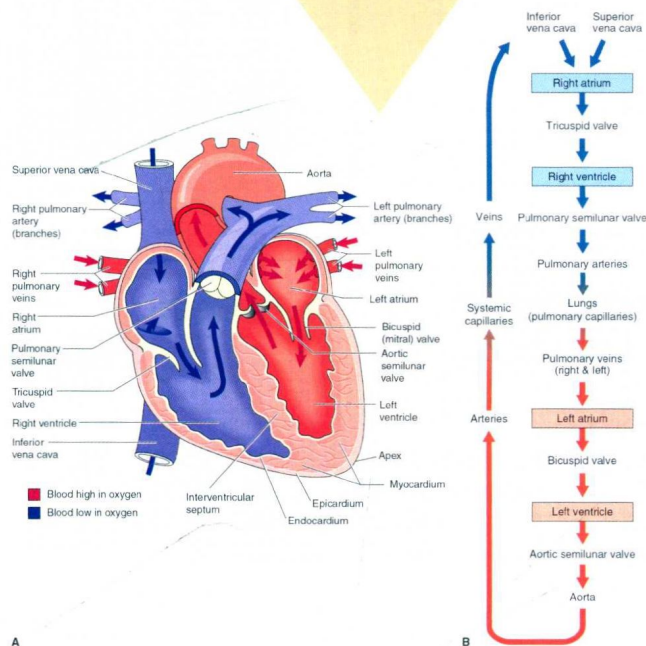


FIGURE 11.2 Blood Flow through the Heart. A. Schematic of the heart. B. Summary of blood flow through the heart.

different from skeletal muscle cells. Both are striated in appearance because they contain the contractile proteins actin and myosin. The primary difference between cardiac and skeletal muscle cells is that cardiac muscle cells are highly interconnected, that is, the cell membranes of adjacent cardiac cells are structurally and functionally linked by **intercalated discs** (Figure 11.3). The intercalated discs contain specialized intracellular junctions (gap junctions) that allow the electrical activity in one myocyte to pass to adjacent myocytes. Thus, the individual cells of the myocardium function collectively: when one cell is stimulated electrically, the stimulation spreads from cell to cell

over the entire area. This electrical coupling allows the myocardium to function as a single coordinated unit or a functional **syncytium**. Each of the two functional syncytia, the atrial and ventricular, contracts as a unit.

**Intercalated Discs** The junction between adjacent cardiac muscle cells that forms a mechanical and electrical connection between cells.

**Syncytium** A group of cells of the myocardium that function collectively as a unit.

## Example Boxes

These highlighted equations enable you to visualize working out problems and calculate specific variables in exercise physiology.

## Definition Boxes

Important terms are boldfaced in the text where they first appear to emphasize the context in which they are used. Definitions are provided in a callout box to create an on-the-spot glossary.



## Chapter Review Questions

Essay-style questions help you build your critical-thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making skills.

## Chapter Summaries

Concise copy points review the chapter's core content.

## Online Animations and Other Resources

Icons throughout the text direct readers to useful resources that are available online.

## References and Suggested Readings

Key published articles are identified for further in-depth exploration and can be used as a source of additional information for laboratory reports and class papers.

blood concentrations would allow researchers to draw more meaningful conclusions regarding the influence of IL-6 on muscle size structure (Mitchell et al., 2013).

### SUMMARY

1. The nervous system and hormonal system both help maintain homeostasis and respond to the stress of exercise. These systems interact and overlap in multiple ways.

as the number of cardiac cycles per minute, expressed as beats per minute ( $\text{b} \cdot \text{min}^{-1}$ ).  
See animation, Cardiac Cycle, at <http://thePoint.lww.com/Plowman5e>.

### CHECK YOUR COMPREHENSION 1

What heart valves are open during the VFP?  
Where is the blood flowing from and to?  
What heart valves are open during the ICP?  
Where is the blood flowing from and to?  
What heart valves are open during the VEP?  
Where is the blood flowing from and to?

5. The neuroendocrine system and the immune system overlap considerably. Hormonal control of the immune response is mediated primarily by the action of epinephrine and cortisol.
6. A sustained mismatch between exercise training stress and inadequate recovery can lead to training maladaptation. Maladaptation occurs over a continuum. The least serious is functional overreaching (FOR). FOR refers to short-term performance decrement (days to weeks) and is often done intentionally during a shock microcycle of periodization. Non-functional overreaching (NFOR) is more severe with a performance decrement that lasts from weeks to months and usually is accompanied by severe signs and symptoms. The overtraining syndrome (OTS) is the most serious stage of the continuum with the greatest disruption and a performance recovery that takes months to years.
7. Although no single marker has been identified to predict NFOR or OTS, it is important to monitor training load, performance, and mood state and ensure adequate rest/recovery and nutrition in an attempt to prevent maladaptation. The primary treatment is rest.
8. Severe exercise training is associated with immu-

### REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Define homeostasis, and identify the role of the nervous system and hormonal system in maintaining homeostasis.
2. Why are the nervous system and the endocrine system often referred to collectively as the neuroendocrine system?
3. What role does the autonomic nervous system play in maintaining blood pressure?

$$EF = \frac{SV}{EDV} \times 100$$

### EXAMPLE

Calculate the ejection fraction for the previous example.

$$EF = \left[ \frac{70 \text{ mL}}{140 \text{ mL}} \right] \times 100 = 50\%$$

9. What is the role of exercise training for cancer survivors?
10. Describe the role and benefits of physical activity for an individual infected with HIV.

For further review and study tools, visit <http://thePoint.lww.com/Plowman5e>.

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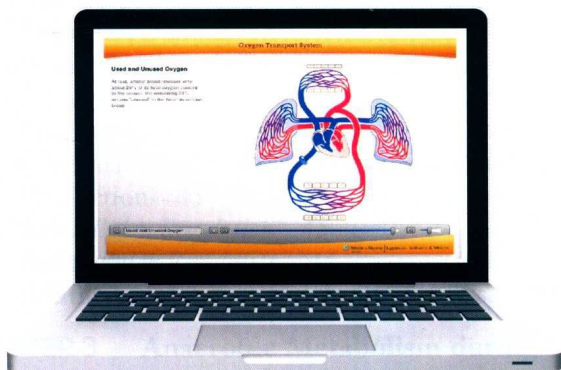
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- Calculations
- Laboratory Manual
- Answers to Crossword Puzzles, Quiz Bank Questions, and all Worksheets

## Faculty Resource Center

- Laboratory Manual
- E-book
- Image bank of all figures in text
- PowerPoint lecture outlines
- Brownstone test generator
- Answers to in-text chapter review questions



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