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THE COMPOSITION OF HUMAN SWEAT

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WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO VARIATION DUE TO ETHNIC ORIGIN, ACCLIMATIZATION STATUS AND OTHER FACTORS

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ABSTRACT

Recent research indicates that active transport of sodium in the secretory segment of the sweat gland, followed by the diffusion of water and other solutes into the lumen, forms a sweat precursor fluid. This precursor is modified as it passes through the duct by the reabsorption of sodium producing a more dilute solution. The sweat which is finally expelled at the skin surface however, can vary widely in composition from person to person. Previous work has shown that concentrations can be affected by dietary intake, skin temperature, sweat rate, duration of sweating and methods of sweat collection. Limited information, based on comparable techniques, is available on sweat composition of different ethnic groups.

For this study, standard methods for obtaining total body (excluding the head) sweat samples have been used. Results from tests in England, Sharjha, Israel, Nigeria, New Guinea and India have been presented. The ethnic groups studied included both sexes, different age groups and people at various levels of acclimatization.

Distinct ethnic differences were found in sweat electrolyte composition. The Indian army groups had the highest sodium/potassium ratios, but most tropical indigenes had much lower values than the British groups. Examination of urine electrolyte excretion rates indicated that many of the differences were due to dietary intake.

Females were found to have lower sweat sodium/potassium ratios than males. This difference was found to be independent of sweat rates and urine sodium/potassium ratios.

Changes in sweat composition during sweating episodes were examined before and after acclimatization. Increasing sodium concentrations and decreasing sweat rates have been attributed to hydration of the skin. Flatter regression slopes for sweat sodium/potassium ratio on time and on cumulative sweat volume after acclimatization suggest that fatigue of the motabolic process for sweat production may also be involved.

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INTRODUCTION

Many studies have been made on the chemical composition of human sweat. The results of these studies have been well documented but when one reads about the subject, the problem of describing the nature of sweat becomes evident. Reported sweat rates and composition vary from one study to the next and often it cannot be said whether this variation is due to differences in the people secreting the sweat, the method of simulating sweating activity, collection techniques or other factors which may affect the process of sweat production.

The purpose of this study has been to determine whether or not differences in sweat electrolyte concentrations exist between groups of people from differing ethnic origins and environmental backgrounds and to examine why these differences should occur. By using the results obtained from a standardized thermoregulatory function test, the dependence of these concentrations upon acclimatization, sex, diet, skin temperature, sweat rates and the duration of sweating have been investigated.

Thermoregulation

Like other mammals, man must maintain his deep body temperature within narrow limits to continue functioning. To prevent overheating, he must dissipate the heat produced by metabolism or gained from the environment. In ambient temperatures several degrees lower than that of the body this is not a problem and the core temperature is usually maintained by controlling the convective and radiant heat losses from the body surface. These losses are dependent upon the difference between the body surface temperature and the environmental temperature. If metabolic heat production or the ambient temperature is increased, the required heat loss is adjusted by raising the temperature of the exposed surface and increasing the heat flow to the environment. This is done by increasing

the cutaneous blood flow to warm the skin, or removing insulation in the form of clothing. Increased air movement over the body also facilitates the removal of heat by convection.

These means of temperature regulation are effective, however, only as long as the environmental temperature is adequately lower than the body temperature (Collins & Weiner, 1962). As ambient temperature increases, the rate of convective and radiant heat losses decrease, so metabolic heat production must be reduced to prevent body temperature from rising to unacceptable levels. Under these conditions, heat can still be taken up by the evaporation of water on the skin surface. Although some evaporative heat dissipation always occurs from water lost by respiration or diffusion through the skin, this represents only about 12 W/m^2 , or one fifth of the metabolic heat production in a resting man. By utilizing sweat glands to produce a watery secretion on the skin, man can increase evaporative heat dissipation to 420 W/m^2 in a hot dry environment (Robinson, 1962). Provided that an adequate drinking supply is available to maintain body water content, activity in hot conditions is limited by the amount of sweat that can be provided and evaporated on the body surface.

Sweat Glands

Eccrine sweat glands, numbering 2 - 3 million on the human body according to Kuno (1956), cover almost all parts of the body and are mainly concerned with thermoregulation. They are described as tubular invaginations of the epithelium with a single layer of cells forming the deeper secretory segment and a double layered excretory duct leading to the surface. The secretory cells rest upon a network of flat myoepithelial cells and an underlying hyalin basement membrane which surrounds the entire gland. The cells of the duct are generally cuboidal, becoming somewhat flattened closer to the skin surface (Montagna, 1956).

Although the total volume of the eccrine glands is calculated to be no more than 40 cc, they are capable of secreting as much as 2 litres per hour, or up to 10 litres each day (Kuno, 1956).

Histologically, the eccrine gland is simple and much the same diameter throughout its length. The secretory segment is closely coiled with the basal or proximal part of the duct. The distal section of the duct then leads more or less straight to the surface, forming a tight helix as it passes through the epithelium before opening directly onto the skin (Montagna, 1956), through a keratin ring (O'Brien, 1950).

When stained with toluidine blue, the single layered secretory segment has two distinguishable cell types, usually referred to as large clear cells and small dark cells, both resting on the myoepithelial layer and basement membrane (Montagna, 1956). The large clear cells, which in the resting state are laden with glycogen, are probably the major sourco of sodium in sweat. With profuse sweating in salt depleted subjects, these cells become atrophied and vacuated and glycogen is depleted (Dobson, 1962). In the freshly dissected coil, the ductal section can be easily distinguished from the secretory segment by the cuticular luminal wall of the duct (Sato & Dobson, 1970).

Development of Sweat Glands

In the human fetus, sweat glands begin to appear on the palm and sole during the fourth month. This is followed by development in the axilla, the forehead and scalp and finally the rest of the body by the end of the fifth month. At birth all sweat glands have been developed and during the following 10 months they gradually become active (Montagna, 1956). By $2\frac{1}{2}$ years, no more glands become active and about half of them, although they appear anatomically perfect, never secrete (Kuno, 1956). Distribution of Sweat Glands

Szabo (1962) showed that the density of skin appendages (sweat

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glands and hair follicles) is inversely related to the rate of body surface growth during post natal development. Assuming an even density of sweat glands on the body surface at birth, he calculated the relative density resulting from the spreading out of these appendages as the body surfaces grow at different rates. This hypothetical distribution of the sweat glands agrees closely with data obtained from actual counts of ducts in split skin specimens from an adult body. From his tables, of the total of about 3 million sweat ducts in the adult man, 12% are found on the head, 20% on the upper extremity, 30% on the lower extremity and 38% on the trunk.

Regional Sweating Activity

The distribution of thermal sweating activity has been measured by Weiner (1945) giving values of about 10% each from the head and upper extremity, 25% from the lower extremity and 55% from the trunk. These values are seen to be variable however, and estimates for the head can vary from 6% to 11% for one subject measured on different occasions. The contribution to thermal sweating from each hand is generally less than 1% of the body total sweat production.

The regional distribution of the thermal sweat output per active gland as calculated by Thomson (1954) shows high values for the trunk and leg (0.007 - 0.016 mg/min), moderate values for the forearm (0.006 mg/min) and forehead (0.005 mg/min) and low rates for the hands and feet (0.001 - 0.002 mg/min). When he compared the regional distribution of functional sweat glands in groups of Europeans and Africans (who worked in the same conditions) there was considerable variability within each group but the two groups were not significantly different.

It has been reported that the relative magnitude of sweating activity on different regions of the body surface is not proportional to overall sweat rates. Forguson, Hortzman, Rampone and Christensen (1956)

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found that as the sudomotor drive is strengthened by elevating the ambient temperature, there is an increase in the relative contribution of the upper extremity and trunk. They concluded that the sweating activity on one part of the body surface cannot be used to predict sweat rates from any other region. The results obtained by their method (15 minute samples using the dessicating capsule technique) indicated that regional sweating is never proportional to total sweat rates. Custance (1965) however, using a ventilated capsule which could continuously record the sweat rate on a 14 cm² area of skin, found a high correlation between regional sweating and total body sweating (weight loss) despite a wide range of ambient temperature, clothing and sweating activity. He concluded that provided each subject is considered separately and the same capsule site is used every time, sweat rates from a single area of skin can be used to represent whole body sweating.

Thermal and Emotional Sweating

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Eccrine sweating is evoked by both thermal and emotional stimuli, each producing different regional sweating patterns. In comfortable ambient temperatures, the general body surface is dry. A cortain degree of palmar and plantar sweating usually occurs however, with a largo variability due to individual differences. Kuno (1956) has shown that a thermal stimulus such as a rise in environmental temperature has the effect of initiating sweating on the general body surface, with more sweat being produced as the temperature is increased. Palmar sweating however, shows no concurrent increases. He also shows that in neutral conditions an emotional stimulus such as performing difficult mental arithmetic will immediately increase sweating on the palm and the sole of the foot. Rebell and Kirk (1962) have noted the dependence of the emotional sweating response in the axilla on age. In prepuberty, a mild axillary sweating response can be evoked by a thermal stimulus but not by an emotional

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stimulus. After puberty, a strong response is produced by both thermal and emotional stimuli. Kuno (1956) described the combined effects of thermal and emotional stimuli. At very low temperatures (less than 10° C), emotional sweating is suppressed and in warm environments, where thermal sweating is already occuring, an emotional stimulus augments both general body and palmar sweat rates. He also reported that at very high temperature and sweat rates, an emotional stimulus has been found to suppress both types of sweating.

In a recent paper by Allen, Armstrong and Roddie (1973), regional distribution of emotional sweating is reported. Stimuli at air temperatures of 26° C produced significant sweating increases on all parts of the body but no significant difference was found between increases on the hands and feet when compared with increases on the other regions of the body (the arms and legs, the head and neck and the trunk). From their calculations, it can be seen that weight losses due to emotional sweating at 26° C are in the region of 20 g/m²/hr.

Innervation of the Sweat Gland

Both thermal and emotional sweating are under the control of the central nervous system (Chalmers & Keele, 1952). Anatomically, innervation of the sweat glands appears to be part of the sympathetic system. From the temperature regulating and emotional centres in the brain, descending pathways in the central nervous system link with connector cells in the lateral horn of grey matter in the spinal cord. These give rise to preganglionic fibres in the sympathetic chain. After relaying in sympathetic ganglions, the post ganglionic fibres pass to the sweat glands. The chemical transmitter from the nerve endings to the sweat glands however, is not adrenaline or noradrenaline as is normally found in the sympathetic system but acetylcholine which is found at all post ganglionic parasympathetic nerve terminals (Dalo & Foldburg, 1934).

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Innervation to sweat glands, therefore, is cholinergic and a strong sweating response can be produced by the direct effect upon the glands of acetylcholine injected intradermally (Chalmers & Keele, 1952). Although injections of adrenaline normally inhibits eccrine sweating in man, very small quantities have been shown to enhance it (Kuno, 1965).

Sweating is also elicited by the axon reflex mechanism which can be stimulated by the injection of agents with a nicotine like action. The method of action of injected sudorific agents and the site of action of blocking agents can be determined by the band methods described by Wada, Arai, Takagaki & Nakagawa (1952). This is done by preventing the diffusion of the injected agent beyond a rubber band stretched around the forearm. They showed that the sweating response elicited by an effective dose of pilocarpine, mecholyl or adrenaline was localized in the area on one side of a band to which the injected agent could diffuse. Axon reflex sweating however, appeared equally quickly on both sides of the band in response to effective doses of nicotine, acetylcholine or hypertonic sodium chloride.

Secretion of Salt and Water

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In the secretory segment and duct of the eccrine sweat gland, sodium and potassium activated adenosine triphosphatase (Na⁺+ K⁺+ ATP-ase) has been demonstrated (Adachi & Yamasawa, 1966). In the presence of sodium and potassium, this enzyme stimulates the excretion of sodium from within the gland cells into the intercellular spaces. This excretion against a concentration gradient utilizes the energy liberated by the conversion of adenosine triphosphate (ATP) to **&d**enosine diphosphate (ADP) and inorganic phosphate (Pi) (Dobson & Sato, 1972).

When secretory colls are exposed to cholinergic drugs, the permeability of the cell membranes is increased and there is a sodium influx. This increases the intracellular sodium concentrations and the

resulting Na⁺ + K⁺ + ATP-ase activity catalyses the release of energy for the excretion of sodium (Sato & Dobson, 1971). Sodium is secreted into intercellular canaliculi between the clear cells, followed by the passage of water, chloride, urea and other solutes to form an isotonic secretory fluid. This then passes from the intercellular canaliculi which open into the lumen but are closed distally by a tight junction. The mechanism can produce pressures as high as 500 mm Hg (Schulz, 1969) and the fluid passes from the secretory segment toward the surface by way of the duct.

In the duct, there is also evidence of active sodium transport (Sato & Dobson, 1970; Sato, Dobson & Mali, 1971). The two-step reabsorption hypothesis as described by Slegers (1967) suggests the active removal of sodium from the secretory fluid as it passes through the coiled proximal portion of the duct. This reabsorption is accompanied by the passage of chloride and water. The fact that the sweat to plasma urea concentration ratio remains constant over a wide range of plasma concentrations and sweat secretion rates, suggests that reabsorption in the proximal duct includes a constant fraction of the water from the secretory fluid but no urea. The second reabsorption step, in the distal (straight) duct, involves the reabsorption of sodium in partial exchange with potassium, ammonia and lactate but with no movement of water or urea across the luminal boundary of the duct. The resulting sweat appearing at the skin surface is hypotonic to plasma but with relatively higher concentrations of urea, potassium, lactate and ammonia.

Energy Requirements for Sweating

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Because sweating involves the production of a hypotonic solution, osmotic work must be performed. The high energy phosphate, which fuels the sodium pump, is from ATP (Dobson & Sato, 1972). The metabolic source of ATP comes from aerobic glycolysis (1 mole of glucose producing 6 moles of CO₂ and 38 moles of ATP) or anaerobic glycolysis (1 mole of glucose

producing 2 moles of lactate and 2 moles of ATP). The studies of Dobson and Sato (1972) show that aerobic glycolysis which is much more efficient as an energy producing mechanism, is the major contributor to sweat gland requirement. Under conditions of arterial occlusion however, when aerobic glycolysis is hampered. Van Heyningen and Weiner (1952) found that sweat production is decreased and lactate concentrations increase with the severity of ischaemia. For the active transfer of sodium, Dobson and Sato (1972) have shown that 1 mole of ATP will transport 3 moles of sodium which will be accompanied by the passive diffusion of approximately 1,055 moles of water.

Enzyme studies by Sato, Dobson and Mali (1971) have shown that approximately 15 nanomoles of ATP can be generated per sweat gland per hour. Assuming three million active sweat glands on the whole body and 100% officiency, this would mean the transport of about 140 m moles of sodium per hour. Since the precursor fluid is found to contain about 140 mEq of sedium/1, this would mean a fluid production of about 1 litre per hour (Dobson & Sato, 1972). Aerobic glycolysis produces 38 moles of ATP from each mole of glucose, so a whole body sweat gland production of 4.5×10^{-3} moles of ATP per hour would require 0.216 gm of glucose per hour or the expenditure of about 1 watt. Since much of the glycolysis is anacrobic however (Dobson & Sato, 1972), the efficiency would be much lower.

Composition of Sweat

Sweat has been shown to contain sodium and chloride at about half the blood plasma concentration, potassium, lactate and urea relatively more concentrated and traces of other components (Robinson & Robinson, 1954). Unlike the well regulated concentrations in blood or the expected compensatory excretion rates in urine, it is found that the electrolytes in sweat fluctuate widely in concentration and excretion rate. Sweat

losses affect, but are not immediately affected by, the electrolyte balance of the body as a whole.

Sodium, potassium and chloride have been of primary interest due to the necossity of dietary replacement. Other major constituents such as lactate and the non-electrolyte urea can be regarded as metabolic by-products and are of secondary importance in the consideration of short term losses.

Studies to date have shown that under normal circumstances, the main factors which are independently and immediately able to influence electrolyte concentrations in the whole body sweat are sweat rate and skin temperature (Weiner & Van Heyningen, 1952a). Acclimatization to heat (Dill, Hall & Edwards, 1938; Johnson, Pitts & Consolazio, 1944) and dietary intake (Conn, 1949a; McCance, 1938; Robinson, Kincaid & Rhamy, 1950), are often associated with the regulation of sweat solutes. Reports have also been made of changes in concentration during the time course of sweating (Johnson, Pitts & Consolazio, 1944).

Sweat Electrolyte Concentration and Sweat Rate

Most investigators have reported that in general, as sweat rate increases the concentration of sodium or chloride in general body sweat also increases but always remains below the levels found in the blood plasma (Hancock, Whitehouse & Haldane, 1929; Ladell, 1945b; Robinson & Robinson, 1954). Although large individual variation is usually found, with sodium or chloride as low as 10 mEq/l ranging up to over 100 mEq/l, sweat concentrations within an individual can change by a factor of at least two by altering the sweat rate.

The use of controlled experiments, designed to eliminate other factors which could affect salt concentrations have established the positive correlation of sodium chloride concentration and sweat rate (Schwartz & Thuyson, 1956; Cage & Dobson, 1965). Bulmer and Forwell (1956)

consider sweat rate to be the main factor immediately affecting sodium concentration in the sweat. Palmar sweating appears to exhibit behaviour differing from that on the general body surface. It has been reported that with profuse palmar sweating, secretion hypotonic to blood plasma has been observed, but with intermittent or low rate sweating hypertonic (180 mM sodium chloride on average) solutions have been measured (Lobitz & Osterberg, 1947). More recent studies, however, have shown that palmar sweat produced by indirect heating or intradermal injections of methacholine (Acetyl-1-B-Methylcholine) contains sodium and chloride concentrations comparable to forearm sweat and varying directly with the rate of secretion (Collins, 1962).

Sweat Electrolyte Concentration and Skin Temperature

Investigations into the effect of skin temperature upon sweat solute levels show that local warming of the arm produces concentrated sweat and cooling produces dilute sweat (Cramer, 1890; Kittsteiner, 1911 and 1917). This finding is supported by the fact that sweat chloride concentration and skin temperature remain correlated when they fluctuate independently of other factors (Johnson, Pitts & Consolazio, 1944). Simultaneous armbag collections have shown that the warmer limb secretes higher chloride concentration (Robinson, Gerking, Turrell & Kincaid, 1950). Chloride concentration in whole body sweat washed off into collecting baths have a closer relationship to skin temperature than to sweat rates according to Weiner and Van Heyningen (1952a), but some outdoor experiments of Dill, Hall & Van Beaumont (1966) have not supported this finding. At high sweat rates and concentration, sodium levels appear to be unaffected by skin temperature (Bulmer & Forwell, 1956) and it has been suggested that previous observations may have been due to greater sweat gland "fatigue" in the limb of armbag experiments. Collins and Woiner (1960) showed that by enclosing the arm in an impermeable envelope, the rate of sweating

elicited by a standardized stimulus falls off more quickly with time when compared with sweating on the exposed body surface. They suggest that more rapid hydration and swelling of the skin in the armbag may obstruct the sweat ducts.

Sweat Electrolyte Concentration and Acclimatization

Perhaps more has been written about acclimatization than any other factor affecting sweat rates and concentrations. Acclimatization is generally, but not always, associated with a decrease in sweat sodium and chloride concentrations. Some confusion may arise due to increased sweat rates which also usually accompany acclimatization. At similar sweat rates, decreases in chloride concentration have been shown during acclimatization in outdoor desert conditions (Dill, Hall & Edwards, 1938). With some indoor experiments however (where higher chloride concentrations are often found when compared with similar outdoor experiments) no evident differences have been found in sweat chlorides produced at the same skin and rectal temperature before and after acclimatization (Johnson, Pitts & Consolazio, 1944). Differences have also been observed between rapid acclimatization (short periods of profuse sweating daily) and living in the heat continuously with long bouts of sweating. With rapid acclimatization, sweat chloride concentrations rise during a period of sweating to higher levels than with acclimatization due to living in the heat (Ladell, 1945a).

When the diet remains unaltered during acclimatization, decreases in sodium and chloride concentrations are found in the sweat and urine. Upon first exposure to heat, there is little change in sweat electrolyte levels, but urine losses are quickly reduced to maintain total excretion rates. After a few days of heat stress, sweat sodium and chloride concentrations gradually drop while the overall excretion rates are maintained by compensatory increases in urine concentrations (Conn, Johnston & Louis, 1946a).

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This salt conservation is effected by desoxycorticosterone acetate (DCA) or aldosterone from increased activity of the adrenal cortex. Injections of DCA in acclimatized subjects reduce the need for functional activity of the adrenal cortex, while sweat electrolyte concentrations are maintained at a low level. When the application of exogenous DCA is terminated after a few days, the ability to produce dilute sweat is impaired until the adrenal cortex regains a high level of functional activity. Sweat gland training by several days of intense muscular activity, even at very low temperatures, also produces a reduction in sodium and chloride levels (Ahlman, Eranko, Karvonen & Leppanen, 1952).

Fluctuations in levels of natural acclimatization due to seasonal environmental temperature changes also affect sweat electrolyte concentrations. Sodium and chloride levels are found to be lower in the summer despite higher sweat rates (Berenson & Burch, 1953; Ohara, 1966).

During a routine of experimental heat exposure, the improvement in salt conservation in sweat usually starts on the second day. For a given thermal stress, the sweat chloride concentration will reach a minimum in about five days (Robinson & Robinson, 1954).

Potassium Concentration in Sweat

While sodium and chloride in sweat are nearly always reported to be hypotonic to plasma, potassium on the other hand is usually found in sweat at concentrations relatively higher than in plasma.

Little or no effect is found in sweat potassium levels due to excessive or restricted intakes of potassium chloride (Hancock, Whitehouse & Haldane, 1929), hard muscular activity (Ahlman, Eranko, Karvonen & Leppanen, 1952), alterations in the volume, tonicity or acid base balance of body fluids (Amatruda & Welt, 1953), or change in sweat rate (Schwartz, Thaysen & Dole, 1954). Potassium concentrations appear to be higher from skin enclosed in an impermeable envelope (Robinson & Robinson, 1954) but

the rate of secretion has been found to be reduced (Bass, Mager & Barrueto, 1959).

Armbag sweat which contains palmar sweat may not be representative of general body sweat, since palmar sweat has been shown to contain significantly higher concentrations of potassium, whether stimulated by methacholine or heat (Collins, 1962). Variation in potassium concentrations has been reported to be inversely related to those of sodium and chloride. With DCA injections, potassium concentration increases have been observed (Conn, Louis, Johnston & Johnson, 1948).

At moderate to high sweat rates, petassium excretion becomes a linear function of sweat rate, indicating little further reduction in concentration but at very high sweat rates, potassium concentrations have been reported to increase again (Gordon & Cage, 1966). High levels have been found in subjects after strenuous exercise (Ahlman, Eranko, Karvonen & Leppanen, 1952).

Effects of Diet and Salt Depletion on Sweat Electrolyte Concentration

Since the association was first made between salt losses in the sweat and heat illness, studies have been carried out to examine the interrelationships of salt balance, diet and sweat losses (Weiner & Van Heyningen, 1952b). With repeated exposures to high temperatures, salt deficiency has an effect upon composition of thermal sweat (McCance, 1938). With a generous salt intake, little if any change occurs in sodium, potassium or chloride concentrations. With progressive salt deficiency however, sodium and chloride concentrations are reduced by as much as one half and potassium concentration may have doubled. Johnson, Pitts and Consolazie (1944) found that the administration of single large doses of sodium chloride immediately before heat stress (outdoor marching) has no effect on sweat chloride concentration. Sweat chloride concentrations may ho increased with a reduction in water intake (Hancock, Whitehouse & Haldane, 1929).

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Conn and Johnston (1944) have reported the effects of abrupt changes in daily intake of sodium chloride on sweat electrolyte levels. A change from high to low salt intake results in an immediate fall in urinary output, but sweat concentrations are not reduced significantly until one or two days later. With the fall in sweat chloride, the urine concentration increases to maintain overall salt balance. Even at very low salt intakes (2 - 3 g/day), remarkable ability to maintain salt balance is found (Conn, Johnston & Louis, 1946b). Upon resumption of a high sodium chloride intake, urine excretion rates rise immediately, followed in a few days by moderate increases in sweat concentrations (Robinson, Kincaid & Rhamy, 1950). When high sweat rate and low sodium chloride intakes are used to produce controlled salt depletion of the body, reductions in renal output are observed within one or two hours and complete adaptation occurs within five to fourteen hours. Initial decreases in sweat concentration however, do not occur for at least eight hours and if the heat stress situation is continuous, the reduction may not be observed for up to a day (Robinson, Nicholas, Smith, Daly & Pearcy, 1955). The effect of the salt conserving mechanisms on both the kidneys and the sweat glands is less marked when dehydration accompanies salt depletion than when water losses are replaced (Robinson, Maletich, Robinson, Rohrer & Kunz, 1956).

Dietary control of salt intake has little effect on sweat rate, but at any given sweat rate for an individual, a low salt intake will produce lower sweat concentrations. At higher sweat rates, the effects of dietary control is more apparent (Sigal & Dobson, 1968). Even on diets where salt depletion is not apparent from analysis of blood sodium and chloride levels, sweat concentration tends to fluctuate with intake (Costa, Calloway & Margen, 1969).

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mechanisms which respond to salt depletion or dietary control (Conn, 1949b). The main feature of this mechanism is the ability of electrolyte active hormones of the adrenal cortex such as aldosterone or deoxycorticosterone acetate to increase the reabsorption of sodium (and chloride) from the urine and sweat, producing more dilute secretions. With salt depletion of the body, such hormones act naturally to lower salt concentrations in the urine and sweat, but even when abundant salt is provided in the diet, the salt conservation process can be activated artificially. Administration of DCA or ACTH (adrenocorticotrophic hormone which stimulates the adrenal cortex) will reduce sweat salt concentrations to very low levels comparable to those found with high degrees of heat acclimatization and salt depletion.

Pathological conditions such as adrenal carcinoma, Addison's disease, or cystic fibrosis, which affect the corticosteroids or salt conservation mechanisms, have provided evidence useful in the investigation of the mechanism for regulating sodium and chloride excretion in sweat. Sweat Phosphate Concentration

Relatively little has been written about the phosphate content of sweat. Except for traces attributed to the nuclei of desquamated cells, negligible phosphate (inorganic, acid hydrolysable or bound) is found in sweat (Bischoff, Maxwell & Hill, 1931; Morimoto & Johnson, 1967). Levels ranging from 4Oug/100 ml (Robinson & Robinson, 1954) **10** 3.5 mg/100 ml (Kuno, 1956) have been reported however. Kuno (1956) has suggested that phosphate concentrations in sweat may be related to dietary intake.

Active transport of sodium in the sweat gland is powered by high energy phosphate from ATP. In determing $Na^+ + K^+ + ATP$ -ase activity in sweat gland homogenates, Sato, Dobson and Mali (1971) have reported inorganic phosphate production rates of about 5 moles/Kg protein/hr in the palmar eccrine glands of Rhesus monkeys. This phosphate would presumably

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be retained for recombination with ADP by glycolysis (Dobson & Sato, 1972) since concentrations in sweat are very low. No information is available on the relationship between $Na^+_+ K^+_+$ ATP-ase activity and phosphate in sweat.

Changes in Sweat Composition with Duration of Sweating

When sweating is gentle, or restricted to levels which can be maintained indefinitely in normal day to day living, little change in sweat composition is observed with time except over long periods when acclimatization effects may appear. With more intense stimulation of the sweat glands by heat stress or drugs however, distinct changes occur within minutes or hours which cannot be attributed to acclimatization effects and which in fact exhibit characteristics quite different from those of acclimatization (Bulmer & Forwell, 1956). Apart from a transient change at the onset of sweating described as "first sample phenomenon" (Schwartz, 1968), these changes with duration of sweating are usually characterized by a reduction in sweat rate and an increase in sodium and chloride concentration. This behaviouris usually referred to as hidromeiosis (Sargent, 1962).

Increases in sodium and chloride concentrations have been observed in outdoor marching experiments when sweat chloride levels have been increased despite increases or decreases in plasma concentration and whether water, saline or no fluid was injested (Johnson, Pitts & Consolazio, 1944). When heavy sweating produces this change in sweat electrolyte concentrations, a break in the heat stress situation of an hour or so provides an opportunity for the sweat glands to recover. When sweating recommences, the electrolytes are excreted at a lower concentration but the increase is once again observed (Ladell, 1945b). These concentration changes are much less apparent in subjects who have been 'naturally' acclimatized, that is, those who have been exposed to

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elevated ambient temperatures for long periods during several days. Ladell (1945a) also showed that although subjects who have been 'artificially' acclimatized, that is exposed to short daily periods of intense sweating activity, can initially produce low sweat chloride levels at high sweat rates, the concentration soon increases, a characteristic he ascribed to fatigue of the sweat gland's power to do osmotic work.

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Despite the large concentration changes which are observed, the sodium and chloride levels remain below plasma concentration. Potassium concentration, which is usually reported to vary inversely with that of sodium, shows an expected decline during sweating. For this reason, the ratio of sodium to potassium is an even more sensitive indication of the reabsorptive activity of the sweat gland and changes in this ratio with duration of sweating have been used as an index of acclimatization by Furman and Heer (1963). They found that with unacclimatized subjects, the sodium/potassium ratio increased several times during a two hour period of heavy sweating but that with naturally acclimatized subjects (people who are used to working outdoors in hot environments) this change was much smaller. Although absolute concentrations of sodium or potassium were different from subject to subject, while each was being acclimatized by daily exposures to heat stress, the increase observed in sodium/potassium ratio was less marked on successive days. The experiments of Furman and Reer (1963) also showed that the administration of aldacetone (an aldosterone inhibitor) removed this acclimatization effect, suggesting that it was due to adrenal cortical activity. These observations indicate that the changes in sodium/potassium ratio during sweating can be used as an index of acclimatization, or the ability of the sweat glands to maintain sodium reabsorption. Furman and Beer (1963) used this ratio evon when samples were not adequate to obtain the absolute concentrations of sodium or potassium.

With acclimatized subjects, temporal effects appear to be due mainly to concurrent changes in skin temperature or sweat rate, as sodium or chloride increases due to fatigue are less evident (Robinson, Gerking, Turrell & Kincaid, 1950; Weiner & Van Heyningen, 1952a). Gordon and Cage (1966) suggested that if glucose, as the source of energy for sweat secretion, is the limiting factor for rapid and continuing sweating, then reductions in sweat rate will occur when the demand for glucose exceeds the available supply and glycolytic rate must decrease.

Although a decline in sweat rates can occur in subjects resting in conditions where humidity is low and ventilation is adequate to remove water from the skin when it appears as sweat, it is more common in humid conditions or when the skin is allowed to soak in sweat or water (Sargent, 1962). This phenomenon is usually referred to as 'sweat suppression due to hydration of the skin'. The sweat rate from the skin enclosed in an impermeable barrier falls off much more rapidly with time than that from well ventilated skin. When sweating occurs in very humid conditions such as are found in an armbag, droplets adhering to the skin are probably absorbed by it (Collins & Weiner, 1960). This argument is supported by the maceration of the skin which is apparent at the end of a period of such exposure. Higher overall osmotic concentration of the sweat supports the theory that water is absorbed by the skin but does not account for the reduced potassium levels which may occur. Collins and Weiner (1960) suggest that the swelling of the skin by hydration however, may obstruct the sweat ducts and thus play a role in the apparent failure of the sweat glands and alterations of sweat composition with time.

Changes in sweat rate duo to hydration of the skin have been observed both in whole body sweat (Hortig, Riedesol & Belding, 1961; Brobner & Kerslako, 1964) and in palmar sweat (Peiss & Randall, 1957; Randall & Peiss, 1957). The suppression of palmar sweating appears not to

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be due to the duration of sweat production but to the length of time the skin is exposed to water or high humidities. In palmar sweating, suppression can be total within an hour when the hand is immersed in water at $35 - 40^{\circ}$ C. Randall and Peiss (1957) found that at lower temperatures this suppression is less marked and fingers soaked in water at 5° C for an hour show sweating responses to deep breathing or emotional disturbance comparable to those of control fingers.

Soaking the finger in saturated sodium chloride solution however, has no suppression effect on palmar sweating. Iontophoresis of methacholine (10^{-4}) in water does not stimulate palmar sweating, whereas the same concentration in saturated sodium chloride does, suggesting that hydration of the palmar epithelium during the administration suppresses the sweating before it can be observed (Peiss & Randall, 1957).

The amount of water absorbed by the skin has been measured on the palm and forearm by Peiss, Randall and Hertzman (1956). Water absorbed over about half an hour on palmar surface appears to be at least twice as great as on the forearm skin, where they observed mean rates of $0.18 \text{ mg/cm}^2/\text{min}$. Inhibition of sweating on the palm and sole appears to be directly related to the amount of hydration of the stratum corneum. The recovery from this suppression of sweating occurs as water diffuses to the surface and is lost 'insensibly' from the skin.

The time course of sweating when the whole body is immersed in water is again a function of the duration of soaking. Decline in sweat rates follow a similar time course for a given stimulus when referred to commencement of soaking, rather than the start of the stimulus (Hertig, Riedesel & Belding, 1961). Presoaking in 15% saline does not produce this offect and interrupting a water soak with a period in saline has the effect of interrupting the decline until the water soak is resumed (Brebner & Kerslake, 1964).

Rapid changes in concentration have been observed during the first few minutes of sweating, with the first samples containing more sodium in relation to sweat rate than subsequent samples (Schwarz, 1968). This 'first sample phenomenon' may be due to a delay in sodium reabsorption in the duct after the onset of fluid production but has little effect on overall sweat losses, because the phenomenon is of short duration in normal individuals. Pretreatment of the sweat glands by iontophoresis of cyclic AMP or bradykinin abolishes this initial high concentration. These drugs may be naturally involved in the efficient reabsorption of sodium in the duct (Gordon & Schwarz, 1971).

The problem of isolating temporal effect in thermal sweat electrolyte concentration from other factors is difficult, due to the fact that sweating must commence from zero sweat rate and rise to a steady level before changes due to temporal effects alone can be observed. Greatest sodium and chloride concentration changes happen during the period when the sweat rate is still rising. Borenson and Birch (1953) showed that continued sweating at a steady rate then results in less marked concentration changes. They also showed that by using concentration, time and maximum concentration, it is possible to produce a linear relationship for both sodium and chloride in sweat. The resulting slopes of these relationships for the two electrolytes were found to be similar within subjects

Kerslake (1972) has pointed out the difference between hidromeiosis (suppression of sweating due to hydration of the skin) and sweat gland fatigue (a decline in the ability of the glands to perform osmotic work). He states that hidromeiosis is the restriction of sweating activity due to hydration and swelling of the epithelium and in particular the keratin ring or tube surrounding the duct where it opens onto the skin. Brebner & Kerslake (1964) describe this decrease as exponential and tending toward

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zero sweat rate at infinite time. Kerslake (1972) suggests that this time course could be explained by random blockage of the sweat ducts due to sudden obstruction by cellular debris in the sweat as the keratin rings become swollen. He also points out that although some fatigue of the sweat gland may occur, many of the observed changes in sweat rate formerly ascribed to fatigue can also be explained in terms of hidromeiosis.

Ethnic Difference

Although many works have been published on different ethnic groups, little experimental work has been done comparing the sweat electrolytes of these groups using similar techniques.

Robinson, Dill, Wilson and Neilsen (1941) compared white men and negroes working in the heat. Most of the differences between white and negro share croppers they attributed to a difference in area to weight ratios. Although the white share croppers had higher sweat rates, the negroes had higher sweat chlorides.

Most information shows lower sodium concentrations with acclimatization. Indian troops, artificially acclimatized in Britain, however, showed significant increases compared with naturally acclimatized and unacclimatized states. Sweat rates were also significantly higher with artificial acclimatization and potassium concentrations were higher when compared with the unacclimatized state. No change in sodium potassium ratio occured, however, with changes in the state of acclimatization. A comparative study of the sweat gland response in unacclimatized Indians and Europeans showed no significant differences in the forearm response to mothacholine nor in sodium or potassium concentration of the sweat 'Collins & Weiner, 1965).

In the study on the Bantu of Uganda, McCance, Rutishauser and Knight (1968) reported that the sweat of Caucasian adults had a higher sodium concentration than the Africans. Using iontophoresis of pilocarpine to

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stimulate sweating, they found that African males and females and Caucasian females had similar sweat rates which were significantly lower $(p \le 0.001)$ than those of the Caucasian males. The Caucasian adults of both sexes in their study had significantly higher $(p \le 0.01)$ sodium concentrations than the Bantu.

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McCance and Purohit (1969) later increased the number of Bantu and European adult subjects and also included a group of Indians living in Africa. Again the Europeans had higher sweat rates than any other group, but the Africans had lower ($p \leq 0.001$) sodium concentrations than the Indians and Europeans, who were similar in this respect. There was no evidence to suggest that the Africans were sodium deficient. Similar studies in the Sudan (McCance, 1969) showed Sudanese males to have similar sweat rates and sodium concentrations to European males. Sudanese females however, although having lower sweat rates than the males ($p \leq 0.05$) produced significantly more sweat than European, Indian or Bantu females. Sudanese sodium concentrations were similar to those of Europeans and Indians.

Comparisons of the physiological reactions to heat stress in Caucasians and Bantu have been made by Wyndham (1966). In the unacclimatized state, at fixed energy expenditures and environmental conditions, Caucasians had higher rectal temperatures and heart rates at the end of four hours work, despite the fact that their capacity for evaporative heat dissipation (their sweat rate) was greater than the Bantu's. In the acclimatized state, both groups had closely similar rectal temperatures and heart rates (which were lower than for the unacclimatized state) but the Bantu still had lower sweat rates. It has been suggested that although the Bantu do not appear to have an advantage in the ability to regulate hody temperatures by increasing heart rates or sweat rates, they are nevertheless more able to cope with work in the heat

(Wyndham, Strydom, Morrison, Williams, Bredell, Van Rahden, Holdsworth, Van Graan, Van Rensburg & Munro, 1964).

From the point of view of examining distinct ethnic groups, India has been shown to be a favourable field for comparative studies. Some Indian groups have undergone environmental and occupational specialization for hundreds of generations and well documented history and high level of inbreeding over two thousand years provides unique and interesting groups. (Sanghvi, 1966). Groups of people from the south, central and north eastern zones of India, and the Himalayas are not only genetically isolated but are also from environmentally distinct backgrounds (Malhotra, 1966).

Less is known however, about the backgrounds of the African tribes. Rather than using knowledge of their ancestry to supplement heat stress studies, physiological responses to heat have been used to speculate on the length of time the Bushmen have inhabited their present territory (Wyndham, Strydom, Ward, Morrison, Williams, Bredell, Van Rahden, Holdsworth, Van Graan, Van Rensburg & Munro, 1964).

Sweating in Women

It is generally accepted that women have lower sweat rates and sodium chloride levels than those which are found in men 'Ohara, 1966; Brown & Dobson, 1967; Dobson, 1967; Kuno, 1956). Individual variability is high however, and considerable overlap does occur between sexes.

Morimoto, Slabochova, Naman & Sargent (1967) observed that men had higher sweat rates per unit surface area than women, this difference being significant in humid conditions but not when the subjects were exposed to a hot dry environment. With increasing thermal stress and sweat rate, they found that sweat chloride concentration also tended to increase but that there was no significant difference between men and women. Forris, Fox and Woodward (1968) suggested that sweating in women was lower than in men because sweating is a training response and women do not call upon

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their sweating mechanism as frequently as men. Women can also rely more on vasomotor thermoregulatory control because they have a lower basal metabolic rate, a relatively larger peripheral heat sink and a greater insulation against transient heat exposures. It has been shown however, (Fox and Ferris, 1968) that females can produce large sweat volumes if they have been exposed to prolonged periods of intense physical exercise.

Following the heat reactions of the sexes, Wyndham, Morrison and Williams (1965) found that males and females showed parallel changes in rectal temperature, heart rate and sweat rate during the time course of several hours of heat stress. In the unacclimatized state, women had significantly higher recal temperatures and heart rates than the men but lower sweat rates. After acclimatization to heat, only the sweat rates differed significantly between the sexes.

McCance and Purohit (1969) found significant differences in sweat rate between the sexes in Europeans ($p \leq 0.001$) and Indians living in East Africa ($p \leq 0.05$). Although Bantu males had higher sweat rates than the females, the difference was not significant. Sudanese men also had higher sweat rates than their women ($p \leq 0.05$) (McCance, 1969). Differences in sweat sodium concentration occur between the ethnic groups but no significant differences could be shown between the sexes within any one group of the Europeans, Bantu, Indians or Sudanese (McCance & Purohit, 1969; McCance, 1969).

A notable factor intrinsic to women is the fluctuation of electrolyte levels during the menstrual cycle. Sweat electrolyte levels may double during the cycle exhibiting a premenstrual peak, ovulatory peak or both (Lieberman, 1966). Because sweat rates affect electrolyte concentrations, the amount of sodium which can be reabsorbed by the ducts (or sodium free water cleared by the ducts) has been measured by Taylor, Sato, Morris and Dobson (1969). They found that this ductal free

clearance (which should be inversely related to concentration at the same rate) has also shown ovulatory and premenstrual peaks in some women. The phenomenon was found to be variable however, and some women showed no changes at all.

Sampling Techniques

Upon reading the literature on sweat and its constituents it becomes evident that the estimates of losses of sweat in natural environments, if based on losses recorded under experimental conditions, can vary widely. Care must be taken when comparing experimental and natural situations. Many experimental techniques such as intradermal injection of sudorific agents make no attempt to mimic natural conditions, whereas others do to a greater or less extent. The method of stimulating sweating and collecting the secretion for analysis can have a definite effect on the final product. Studies have been made to compare the results obtained by simultaneous application of different techniques. Samples of sweat can be collected from the whole body or from small representative areas. The use of various types of capsules for enclosing small areas of skin can produce large differences in sweat rates (Ohara, 1966). Differences have been observed between indoor and outdoor experiments (Johnson, Pitts & Consolazio, 1944). Sweat rates may (Custance, 1965) or may not (Ferguson, Hertzman, Rampone & Christensen, 1956) be proportional from one part of the body to another when sampling from small areas. Allowing the skin to become wetted during sweat collection affects sweat rates and composition (Brebner & Kerslake, 1963, 1964; Folk & Peary, 1953; Randall and Peiss, 1957; Collins & Weiner, 1960, 1962). Differences in sweating behaviour have also been attributed to the effects of heat, exercise, drugs and circadian variation (Herrman & Mandol, 1955; Crockford, Davies & Weiner. 1970). Much of the variability in recorded concentrations in sweat have been explained by sampling mothods and the advantages and disadvantages of

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various techniques have been investigated (Robinson & Robinson, 1954). These studies have been valuable in assessing how representative sampling techniques are and in developing reliable simplified methods for determining losses during sweating. They have shown differences which must be considered when comparing results by different techniques.

Because sweat is a biological product, it is an extremely variable substance, which makes it a rich field for study. What changes occur in the sweating behaviour within a subject when various parameters are manipulated? These parameters may include the condition of the individual (hydration, electrolyte balance, body and skin temperature, levels, acclimatization, fatigue, biochemistry, illness) or the applied stimulus (sudorific drugs, metabolic activity, heat, humidity).

Conversely, under standardized applied stimuli and collection techniques, what can the sweat from an individual tell us about his condition and what can differences in sweating tell us about groups of people?

Standardized tests have been developed to assess the response of individuals or groups to thermal stress (Henschel, 1967). Although there is a large individual variability, one would expect people exposed to various levels of heat stress to exhibit corresponding levels of acclimatization.

The problem of coping with environmental conditions in tropical areas may be different for the indigenous population. In the treatment of the ill effects of heat stress, this could be an important factor. Calculated losses of nitrogen in tropical conditions, based on observations made in temperate climates indicate that negative balanco will occur, unless daily protein intake is increased by 13 - 14% (Consolazio, Matoush, Nelson, Isaac & Canham, 1966). But since the indigenous people do maintain nitrogen balance despite sweat losses and

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lower intake (Ashworth & Harrower, 1967) this assumption must be wrong and under the tropical conditions, not so much is lost. Weiner, Wilson, Wheeler and El Neil (1972) have shown that in hot climates, sweat nitrogen losses are reduced when the diet is low in protein.

When looking for differences between individuals or groups, standardized testing techniques must be used to make the results comparable. The techniques need not mimic real life situations, as long as they are used consistently and the results reflect some desired aspect of the response to heat stress. Any results should always be qualified by the methods used.

There has been little evidence available with which to make comparative studies of sweat electrolytes in groups of subjects of differing ethnic origin. During the International Biological Programme (acclimatization to heat" section) the opportunity was presented to study the sweat from groups of people from various parts of the world. The results from a standardized thermoregulatory function test (Fox, Crockford & Loftstedt, 1968; Fox, Crockford, Hampton & MacGibbon, 1967) served to assess the degree of acclimatization in these groups and their physiological responses to heat stress.

In this thesis, I have looked at the electrolyte composition of thermally induced sweat which was collected as part of the standardized test procedure. Unacclimatized and acclimatized British volunteers of both sexes have been used as control subjects. Comparisons have been made between them or with other groups to evaluate the effects of sex, diet, sweat rates or ethnic differences on sweat electrolyte concentrations.

In addition, for some subjects, the changes in sweat electrolyte composition within the set heat stress period have been compared with changes in skin temperature, sweat rate and duration of sweating.

The different groups of subjects which have been studied, together with their physical characteristics are shown in Table 1.



Table 1

Table of Subjects

| Group (British) | Sex | No. of Subs | Physi Height (cm) | ical Char Weight (Kg) | Age (yr) | istics Dubois Area m ² | | Tests | Test Routine ¹ | Sweat 2 Type | Collection Sample Collection Time (min) |
|--------------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|---|----------|---|------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| Army Group I | male | 25 | 174.1 +8.1 | 69.3 +8.1 | 25.0 +5.1 | 1.83 +0.14 | 1. 2. | Unacclimatized Naturally Acclimatized | A | I | 0 - 15 |
| Army Group II | male | 8 | 169.3 +5.6 | 67.2 +8.1 | 22.5 +2.7 | 1.77 +0.11 | 1. | Unacclimatized | A | I | 0 - 15 |
| Army Group III | male | 12 | 168.7 +4.5 | 62.0 +5.6 | 22.5 +1.1 | 1.71 +0.08 | 1. 2. | Unacclimatized Unacclimatized repeat | с | III | 0 30 |
| Army Group IV | male | 14 | 173.0 +5.8 | 69.2 +7.8 | 24.2 +2.8 | 1.82 +0.12 | 1. 2. | Unacclimatized Artificially Acclimatized | с | ITI | 0 - 30 |
| Hampstead | female | 15 | 165.1 +8.3 | 61.9 +6.8 | 25,8 +6,8 | 1.68 +0.11 | 1. | Unacclimatized | С | III | 0 - 30 |
| Cyclists | female | 14 - | 167.4 +8.4 | 63.1 +7.1 | 25.6 +7.2 | 1.71 +0.13 | 1. | Athletes (Acclimatized) | A | I | 0 - 15 |
| Cyclists | male | 13 | 179.6 +7.7 | 70.9 +5.8 | 25.7 +6.3 | 1.89 +0.12 | 1. | Athletes | A | I | 0 15 |
| Runners | male | 11 | 173.8 +6.6 | 62.0 +6.5 | 26.0 +4.7 | 1.75 +0.12 | 1. | Athletes | A | I | 0 15 |
| Swimmers | male | 13 | 176.5 +4.6 | 74.1 <u>+</u> 7.4 | 18.0 +2.5 | 1.90 +0.11 | 1. | Athletes | A | I | 0 - 15 |

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| | 1 | 1 | +7.7 | +5.8 | +6.3 | +0.12 | | 1 | | |
| Runners | male | 11 | 173.8 | 62.0 | 26.0 | 1.75 | 1. Athletes | А | I | 0 15 |
| | | t t | +0.0 | +0.5 | +4.7 | +0.12 | 1 | 1 | | |
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| Group (Israel) | Sex | No. of Subs | Physical Cha Height Weight (cm) (Kg) | Age (yr) | istics Dubois Area m ² | | | Tests | Test Routine ¹ | Sweat Type ² | Collection Sample Collection Time (min) |
|-------------------|--------|-------------------|--|---------------|---|----|--------|-------|------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Yemenite | male | 22 | 162.4 61.5 +5.2 +10.0 | 25.7 +4.2 | 1.65 +0.13 | 1. | Summer | | A | I | 0 - 15 |
| Yemenite | female | 15 | 153.0 50.3 +6.4 +10.1 | 24.6 +4.0 | 1.45 +0.14 | 1. | Summer | | A | I | 0 - 15 |
| Kurd | male | 20 | 169.1 64.3 +6.6 +6.1 | 26.1 +3.7 | 1,73 +0.10 | 1. | Summer | | A | I | 0 - 15 |
| Kurd | female | 13 | 153.2 57.2 +4.5 +11.7 | 25.2 +3.2 | 1.53 +0.17 | 1. | Summer | | A | I | 0 - 15 |
| Yemenite | male | 16 | Taken from populat | summe: ion | - | 1. | Winter | | В | I | 0 - 10 |
| Yemenite | female | 6 | Taken from populat | summen ion | | 1. | Winter | | В | I | 0 - 10 |
| Kurd | male | 16 | Taken from populat | summer ion | | 1. | Winter | | В | I | 0 - 10 |
| Kurd | female | 4 | T ake n from populat | summer ion | | 1. | Winter | | В | I | 0 - 10 |

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| Sex | No. of Subs | Physical Characteristics | | | | Tests | Test | Sweat Collection | | |
|--------|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| | | Height (cm) | Weight (Kg) | Age (yr) | Dubois Area m ² | | Routine ¹ | Type ² | Sample Collection Time (min) | |
| female | 8 | 160.5 +4.9 | 53.3 +7.8 | 21.5 +1.9 | 1.54 +0.11 | | В | I | 0 - 10 | |
| male | 17 | 172.8 +5.5 | 69.3 +6.1 | 26.5 +3.6 | 1.81 +0.10 | | В | I | 0 - 10 | |
| male | 24 | 169.9 +5.4 | 61.8 +5.4 | 25.2 +2.0 | 1.72 +0.10 | | В | I | 0 - 10 | |
| male | 15 | 166.4 +4.6 | 54.2 +4.1 | 25.2 +2.8 | 1.60 +0.07 | | В | I | 0 - 10 | |
| male | 7 | 169.2 +4.6 | 61.6 <u>+</u> 4.6 | 25.3 +3.2 | 1.70 +0.08 | | в | I | 0 - 10 | |
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| (New Guinea) | | of Subs | Height (cm) | Weight (Kg) | Age (yr) | Dubois Area m ² | | | Routine ¹ | 2 Туре | Sample Collection Time (min) | | |
| Low Plantation workers | male | 19 | 161.0 +3.3 | 55.4 +4.9 | 26.3 +4.8 | 1.57 +0.08 | | | | | с | II | 0 - 30 |
| High Plantation workers | male | 20 | 160.0 +4.2 | 62.1 +4.8 | 25.5 +1.7 | 1.64 +0.08 | | | | | с | II | 0 - 30 |
| Kaul | male | 41 | 162.7 +5.7 | 56.9 +5.0 | 25.0 +4.8 | 1.60 +0.09 | | | | | С | II | 0 - 30 |
| Kaul | female | 40 | 154.7 +5.5 | 50.8 +5.3 | 22.4 +4.7 | 1.47 +0.09 | | | | | С | II | 0 - 30 |
| Lufa | male | 30 | 162.3 +4.2 | 59.4 +4.2 | 25.1 +3.9 | 1.63 +0.06 | | | | | с | II | 0 - 30 |
| Lufa | female | 30 | 152.6 +5.9 | 52.4 +5.0 | 22.1 +4.3 | 1.48 +0.09 | | | , | | С | II | 0 - 30 |
| Lufa Old | male | 11 | 156.4 +4.1 | 52.8 +5.4 | 49.5 +4.3 | 1.51 +0.09 | 1. | Effect (| of age | - 1 | с | II | 0 - 30 |
| Lufa Old | female | 10 | 153.4 +5.2 | 47.2 +4.8 | 44.7 +3.4 | 1.43 +0.09 | 1. | Effect o | of age | | С | II | 0 - 30 |
| Lufa Boys | male | 10 | 131.0 +5.4 | 31.3 +2.5 | $11.3 \\ \pm 1.3$ | 1.06 +0.07 | 1, | Effect o | of age | | С | II | 0 - 30 |
| Europeans | male | 14 | 178.0 +5.6 | 68.9 +8.3 | 30.7 +6.7 | 1.86 +0.13 | | | | 1 | С | II | 0 - 30 |

| | | | +5.2 | +4.8 | +3.4 | +0.09 | | Tries of age | C | I II | 0 - 30 |
|-----------|------|------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|----|---------------|---|------|--------|
| Lufa Boys | male | 10 1 | 131.0 +5.4 | 31.3 +2.5 | 11.3 +1.3 | 1.06 +0.07 | 1. | Effect of age | C | 1 II | 0 - 30 |
| Europeans | male | 14 1 | +5.6 | 68.9 +8.3 | 30.7 +6.7 | 1.86 +0.13 | | | c | II | 0 - 30 |

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| Group | Sex | No. | Physical Characteristics | | | | 1 | Tests | Test | Sweat | Collection |
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| (India) | | of Subs | Height (cm) | Weight (Kg) | Age (yr) | Dubois Area m ² | | | Routine ¹ | Type ² | Sample Collection Time (min) |
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| Villagers | male | 13 | 163.4 +3.2 | 47.7 +2.1 | 20.1 +1.8 | 1.49 +0.04 | 1. | Some repeat tests | С | II,III | 0 - 30 |
| North Indian Army | male | 29 | 172.0 +5.5 | 59.8 +7.1 | 26.3 +3.7 | 1.71 +0.11 | 1. | Some repeat tests | С | 11,111 | 0 - 30 |
| South Indian Army | male | 28 | 167.8 +3.4 | 56.8 +5.7 | 28.1 +3.0 | 1.64 +0.08 | 1. | Some repeat tests | с | 11,111 | 0 - 30 |
| Gurkhas | male | 33 | 161.2 +4.5 | 55.9 +4.0 | 25.7 +3.7 | 1.58 +0.07 | 1. | Some repeat tests | С | II,III | 0 - 30 |

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METHODS

Subjects

As can be seen from Table 1, a large variety of groups of people have been studied. They are described in greater detail below.

British Army

These subjects were chosen by the army from soldiers stationed in England and Scotland. Group I was picked from a regiment which was to be posted in the Middle East. It was first tested at Hampstead in England in early September 1968 and then posted. About a year later the men were retested in Sharjha where they had been living and had become naturally acclimatized to heat. These subjects have been used as the naturally acclimatized control group and as unacclimatized subjects.

Army group II was tested in late September 1968. The men were used as unacclimatized control subjects.

Each subject in Army group III was tested twice in mid November 1970. Two to four days were left free between the first and second test for each subject. The results of the first test served as unacclimatized levels and the two tests were used to examine the reproducability of results.

Army group IV was first tested in mid February 1971, giving unacclimatized levels. The men were retested about three weeks later after being acclimatized to heat by a daily routine of 2 hours of controlled hyperthermia (38°C) on eleven of the intervening days. These men have been used as the artificially acclimatized control subjects and as unacclimatized control subjects.

All British army subjects, when in an unacclimatized state, have been used to represent the background level of acclimatization normally found in a temperate climate. This combined group will be referred to as unacclimatized male controls.

British Females

A group of females working at Hampstead Laboratories were tested in the autumn of 1970. Although some were more active than others, none were trained athletes. These subjects have been used as the unacclimatized female controls.

British Athletes

Four groups of British athletes, all of national or international standing have been included for comparisons. These groups consist of male runners (middle distance), swimmers and cyclists and female cyclists. As no other heat acclimatized British females were available, the cyclists have been used as the acclimatized female control group.

Israel

These groups were volunteers from Kurd and Yemenite communities living and working in the Negev desert. They were tested in the summer of 1968 and then as many as possible were retested in the following winter.

Nigeria

Five Nigerian groups were tested in the spring of 1969. These were villagers, male and female students and workers in heavy and light industry. These groups have previously been classified (Ojikuto, Fox, Davies & Davies, 1972). The subjects of these groups were mainly from the Yoruba tribe and lived in the vicinity of Lagos.

New Guinea

The groups studied in New Guinea were tested either in Kaul, a village on the island of Karkar just off the mainland or in Lufa, a village in the highlands of the mainland. The Lufa groups had always lived in the highlands and were tested there. All other groups were tested on Karkar where they lived or worked. The Kaul villagers and the

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'Low Plantation' workers had always lived on the island.. The 'High Plantation' workers, indigenous to the highlands of the mainland, were employed in the plantation fields on the island. The Europeans had lived in New Guinea for many years and were acclimatized to the conditions there. The tests on Karkar were carried out in the autumn of 1969 and the highland experiments took place in the summer of 1970.

India

There were three groups of army subjects all temporarily stationed in New Delhi but originally coming from Nepal,(Gurkhas),,South India (Madras Engineers) and North West India (Raj Rif). These subjects were tested between September and December of 1972 (late summer to early winter). Some subjects, who were tested early in the program were retested at a later date when the weather was cooler. In addition, two civilian groups were tested early in December. One group consisted of casual labourers living in a village just outside New Delhi and the other consisted of laboratory attendants, who spent most of their time doing sedentary work and lived in the outskirts of New Delhi.

Comparisons between Subject Groups

Four groups of British army subjects have been used as control aubjects. They have also been used to study the effects of natural and artificial acclimatizion and the individual reproduceability of test results. The athletes show the effect of intense physical activity upon acclimatization. The British females serve as an unacclimatized control group and the female cyclists as an acclimatized group.

The other ethnic groups have been used for comparisons with the control groups and for variation in the subgroups within them. Sexual differences are available from the control groups, Israel, Nigeria, and New Guinea studies, seasonal differences from Israel and Indian studies and age differences from the New Guinea indigenes, Army group I and the swimmers. The offect of the ethnic background is available from the subgroups

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All the subjects were volunteers and were given medical examinations before the test. Volunteers were not accepted as subjects if they had complaints such as infected ears or perforated tympanic membranes which might give a poor indication of deep body temperature (see <u>Temperature</u> <u>Measurements</u>). Pregnant women were not accepted as subjects.

Test Routine

The sweat samples used in this study were obtained using equipment based on a thermoregulatory function test (bed test) developed at Hampstead (Fox, Crockford & Lofstedt, 1968) with equipment belonging to the Medical Research Council.

Although some modifications were made to the test routine from one study to the next, the procedure remained unchanged after the commencement of sweating (see Figure 1). All subjects were studied in the temperature controlled bed while wearing the standard vapour barrier suit (see Basic Equipment). The basic routine consisted of a neutral period at 30° C, a slow warming period at 45° C which ended at onset of sweating, a rapid warming period at 55° C until the deep body temperature reached 38° C (target) and then a period of controlled hyperthermia during which the deep body temperature was maintained at 38° C. In later tests, a cooling period was introduced after the neutral stage.

Test Routine A

1. At the beginning of this routine, the air temperature was at 30° C and held there for half an hour (neutral stage).

2. The air temperature was then raised to 45° C (slow warming) and held there until sweating started. The subject's forehead was periodically tested for sweating activity by applying starch iodide paper for 20 seconds.

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3. At sweat onset, the air temperature was raised to 55 C

(rapid warming) to bring the deep body temperature (aural temperature) to 38° C quickly. When the aural temperature reached 37.5° C, the air temperature was lowered so that the deep body temperature would rise more slowly and become stable at the controlled hyporthermia temperature of 38° C.

4. The air temperature was adjusted during the controlled hyperthermia period of one hour to maintain the aural temperature at 38° C.

Test Routine B

This routine started with a 10 minute neutral stage (air temperature 30° C) followed by a 30 minute cooling period at 15° C. The air temperature was then gradually raised (2° C per minute) to the slow warming temperature of 45° C and held there until sweat onset. The test then continued as for Routine A, but with a controlled hyperthermia period of 40 minutes only.

Test Routine C

This routine was the same as Routine B except that the air temperature was raised immediately to 45° C at the end of the cooling period and controlled hyperthermia lasted for 30 minutes.

Principle of the Standard Thermoregulatory Function Test Equipment

The equipment was designed to provide a standardized thermal stress situation to which individuals could be subjected. At the same time, the physiological responses of the subject (changes in deep body temperature, skin temperature, heart rate, peripheral circulation and sweating behaviour)were monitored. The equipment was designed to be reasonably portable and self-contained. It could be assembled for use in a few days, requiring only cold water and electricity supplies and an indoor area of about 2 x 3 metres.

The equipment was based around an air conditioned bed upon which the subject could lie in a vapour barrier suit which completely covered him except for the head. The ambient temperature supplied by the bed provided

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- 1 Welded sheet P.V.C. suit
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- 4 P.V.C. thermistor pockets welded into suit
- 5 Perforated tubing inside suit
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the heat stress situation and was controlled by the operator/observer. Physiological responses during the bed test were always recorded manually and sometimes automatically by peripheral equipment as well.

The Basic Equipment

Vapour Barrier Suit

An airtight PVC suit with a double layered neck piece of latex sheeting enclosed the entire body except for the head (see Figure 2). Sweat produced inside the suit could be extracted under suction by way of a tube provided at each ankle. The passage of sweat to the extraction tubes was facilitated by perforated tubing which extended inside the suit from the ankles up each side of the trunk of the suit and down each arm. On the outside of the suit V-shaped PVC pockets were provided for the location of thermistors used in assessing skin temporature at eight points on the body.

Under slight suction (2 cm Hg) the suit would adhere closely to the body to maintain the positioning and contact of the thermistors with the skin. A dead space of 100 - 200 cc remained between the skin and the suit mostly between the fingers and toes, at the axilla and along the perforated tubing in the suit. For comfort, the suit suction was kept at this low level until after sweat onset. Then when accurate sweat rate measurements were required, the dead space was reduced to a minimum of about 10 cc by increasing the suction to 12 cm Hg, and any sweat could be steadily drawn off the skin as it was produced. If any garments were worn under the vapour barrier suit, they were made from materials which were nonabsorbant and non-contaminating.

Mattress and Ventilated Layer

A bed with a PVC covered foun plastic mattress was provided for the subject to lie on. On top of this mattress was a ventilated layer which could be wrapped around the subject. The ventilated layer was made

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- 2 Inner P.V.C. sheet
- 3 Plastic mesh
- 4 Weld joining sheets
- Small perforations through inner sheet 5
- 6 Airflow represented by arrows
- Vapour barrier suit 7
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- 1 Bed framework
- 2 Temperature controlled air supply
- 3 Duct to mattress
- 4 Central channel and ports to ventilated layer
- 5 Ventilated layer (as wrapped around subject)
- 6 Blanket over subject
- 7 Foam filled P.V.C. covered mattress
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- 1 Air intake filter
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- 3 Blower box
- 4 Air temperature butterfly control valves
- 5 Cooling heat exchangers
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- 9 Air temperature control rods
- 10 Bleed for airflow control
- 11 Vertical duct to mattress

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from two sheets of PVC which were sealed around the edges and spot welded at intervals over the surface to hold them together (see Figure 3). The upper sheet (inner when wrapped about the subject) was finely perforated. Between the two sheets was a loosely woven plastic mesh which could not be tightly compressed. This mesh kept the two sheets apart even when the weight of the subject was upon them. The lower (outer) sheet was provided with a row of ports which attached to the bed along a large central channel in the mattress (see Figure 4). This duct acted as a manifold through which temperature controlled air could be supplied by way of the ports into the ventilated layer, through the loosely woven plastic mesh, to the fine perforations where it was expelled onto the subject in his vapour barrier suit.

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Temperature Controlled Air Supply

The air for the temperature controlled bed was provided by an electric blower, situated under the bed, which could supply a minimum of 300 cu ft/min. To reduce motor noise which could be upsetting to the subject, air was drawn in through an 8" circular filter and then to the blower by way of a car exhaust silencer. Noise was further reduced by placing the blower itself within a double walled box, the cavity of which was filled with sand. This insulation reduced the sound to a monotonous background noise which was not unpleasent. From the blower the airflow was regulated by a bleed and then passed to a three branch manifold incorporating compound butterfly valves designed to maintain a constant airflow from the blower. This manifold and valve system allowed the airflow to be proportioned and directed through a warming heat exchanger, a two stage cooling exchanger or a byepass duct to a second manifold where the three airstreams rojoined (see Figure 5). Final air temperature was regulated by directing an appropriate portion of the airflow through either the warming or cooling heat exchangers by operating the butterfly

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valves remotely with control rods. Airflow was measured by tapping a differential manometer across a calibrated restriction in the ducting to the mattress (see Figure 4). Just before entering the mattress, the air temperature was monitored with a thermistor thermometer. The temperature controlled air was ducted to the central channel in the mattress through a port centrally located on the under side.

The warming heat exchanger was supplied by pump driven recirculating water which was electrically heated and automatically thermostatted at 85° C. The first stage cooling heat exchanger was supplied with cold tap water. This removed the heat put into the air by the blower motor reducing the air temperature from about 45° C to about 30° C, depending upon the initial temperature of the cold water supply. The second stage of the cooling was supplied by water recirculating from a $\frac{3}{4}$ HP refrigerator unit with a 10 gallon reservoir, thermostatted at 4° C. This supply was usually adequate to reduce the air temperature to 15° C within two minutes and hold it at that temperature for half an hour.

The blower, heat exchangers and hot water supplies were compact enough to be positioned under the bed and were mounted on the framework. Temperature Measurements

All temperature measurements were made with thermistors. The meters which were used had torsionally suspended movements and conductive glass faces to avoid any hysteresis or sticking and ensure accurate measurements. They were driven by constant voltage mercury batteries and were provided with a battery check and voltage supply adjusting potentiometer to maintain accuracy throughout the experiment. Thermistors and meters were regularily calibrated against an NPL thermometer in a high stability water bath.

Deep body temperature was measured aurally with thermistors (which were mounted in hearing aid carpieces) located in both ears and positioned

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5 mm from the tympanum. The ears were covered with wads of cotton wool and foam plastic ear muffs. A soft thermally insulated PVC helmet then covered the whole head except for the face.

Both car temperatures were read on the same meter $(35^{\circ}C - 40^{\circ}C, +0.005)$ using a selector switch to choose left or right.

Average skin temperatures were measured using an eight point skin harness. The thermistors were located in V-shaped PVC pockets welded to the outside of the vapour barrier suit. The sites used for the skin temperatures were palm, anterior mid forearm, lateral mid upper arm, sternum at the level of the nipples, abdomen between the iliac crest and the umbilicus, anterior mid thigh, lateral mid calf and the planter surface of the foot.

Two meters were used for recording skin temperatures, one with a range from $20^{\circ}C$ to $30^{\circ}C$ and the other $30^{\circ}C$ to $40^{\circ}C$, (+0.01).

Air temperature was measured on two meters. One of these meters had a dual air temperature range $(25^{\circ}C - 45^{\circ}C \text{ or } 40^{\circ}C - 60^{\circ}C (\pm 0.02))$ and a range selector switch. The other moter had a lower range $(5^{\circ}C - 25^{\circ}C, \pm 0.02))$.

For air temperatures, separate thermistors were used on each moter, but if skin temperature range had been changed, the thermistor harness lead was replugged into the other meter.

Sweat Collection

To minimize the effect of solutes left on the skin, the subjects were asked to take a shower before the test and encouraged to rinse thoroughly to remove any traces of soap if it was used.

The PVC suit worn by the subjects was designed to be airtight and water-proof and enabled the collection of sweat produced by all parts of the body except the head.

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- 3 Sweat collection line
- 4 Suction line
- 5 Suction pump
- 6 Pump suction control valve and air bleed
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- 14 Peristaltic pump
- 15 Pump revolution counter

the collection apparatus. This was provided with an air bleed which helped to maintain the pressure level in the suit and kept the sweat moving quickly to the collection apparatus... Thus the time lag due to the dead space in the line was removed.

The sweat collection apparatus was of three different designs, all using suction from a vacuum pump to draw the sweat from the suit.

Type I. Tap and Jar

Six jars (1 pint Kilner) were connected in parallel to a vacuum pump, each by way of an opening in the sealed lid (see Figure 6). A second opening allowed each to be connected, in parallel, to the sweat collection line by way of a stop cock. Two needle valves were used to control the negative pressure in the suit, one by adjusting the suction from the pump (by allowing air to bleed into the vacuum line) and the other by restricting the line to the suit.

There were five separate collection periods made during the test, one from sweat onset to target (see Routine A) and four during controlled hyperthermia, which lasted for 40 or 60 minutes. The sixth jar was used as a spare, or to collect extra sweat produced after the end of the experiment. Suit pressure was maintained at 5 cm Hg except during the last five minutes at the end of each collection period when it was increased to 25 cm Hg. The separate collections could each provide sweat rate and concentration information.

Type II. Peristaltic Pump and Jar

Suit pressure was controlled as above by two needle valves which interrupted the line to the suit and regulated the pump pressure by means of a bleed. Instead of passing straight into the collection jar, the sweat was collected in a chamber with a pendent electrode (see Figure 7). When the level of the sweat in the chamber rose to the electrode, a peristaltic pump was activated, which removed the sweat from

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the electrode chamber and ran it to a collecting jar at atomospheric pressure. A counter was incorporated to record the number of revolutions of the pump which was proportional to the volume of sweat collected.

Only two jars were used, one for collecting the sweat produced from sweat onset to target and the other for the sweat produced during controlled hyperthermia. The suit pressure was maintained at 2 cm Hg until a few minutes before target (or when the deep body temperature reached about 37.7° C - see Routine A) when it was raised to 12 cm Hg. At that time the suit was sucked down to a greater extent and more sweat was extracted from it as the dead space was taken up. It was necessary to allow the pump to catch up with this extra volume of sweat before the test period of controlled hyperthermia could begin. With the suit suction maintained at 12 cm Hg, the rate of sweating during controlled hyperthermia was determined by recording the revolutions of the peristaltic pump every two minutes. The total revolutions during controlled hyperthermia were then calibrated against the volume collected and the sweat rate for each two minutes could then be calculated.

Type III. Peristaltic Pump and Serial Collection

Modifications to the Type II collection system were made to provide serial samples of the sweat as it was collected. A 24 way tap enabled collections as short as one or two minutes to be made throughout the test, so that changes in sweat composition during the test could be determined accurately (see Figure 8). The system was also modified to reduce dead space, possible contamination due to valves and evaporation due to low pressures and passage of air over the sample while being collected. The samples were collected in either preweighed universal containers or graduated measuring cylinders. A double check on sweat rate could be made by comparing the peristaltic pump revcountor readings and the measured volumes over the timed periods. The suit pressure was

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raised to 12 cm Hg at sweat onset and maintained there to enable serial collections to proceed before target. Once the dead space of about 10 cc in the pumping system had been filled, the volumes collected would represent the sweat production over the same period but the actual sweat collected would have been produced some minutes before, depending upon the sweat rate. To enable comparisons to be made with other types of collection method, the controlled hyperthermia period always started and ended with a collection change. Since the volume of 5 ml was the minimum desirable size for a sample, collection times varied from one to ten minutes depending on the sweat rate.

Table 1 shows the method of collection and sampling periods used for each group of subjects.

Urine Collection

The subjects were asked to empty their bladders, if possible, before the experiment and again after the experiment, the time and volume being noted on each occasion. Thus an indication of the urine excretion rates of the electrolytes could be measured from samples taken from the post experimental collection.

Samplo Storage

Originally, all samples were stored in glass universal containers or stoppered pyrex tubes at 4° C without preservation. It was found however, that large numbers of samples packaged together (as for shipping or being returned to storage after a portion of the analysis) would not be cooled to bacteriostatic temperature sufficiently quickly to prevent the growth of organisms in the specimens. For this reason, all subsequent samples were kept frozen except during brief periods for analysis. Samples from abroad were always frozen hard and packed in insulated containers to ensure they remained as cool as possible during shipment.

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were in a semi-frozen state could affect the concentrations. Loss of higher concentration liquid phase resulted in dilute samples. Glass universal containers and bijoux bottles proved to be particularly bad for leakage, especially if they were overfilled. The aluminium caps and rubber dams tended to loosen in storage, and during transport, when it could not be ensured that the samples remained upright, the possibility of leakage could not be neglected. When leakage was suspected, the higher value of duplicate samples was considered to be more reliable.

A more satisfactory method of storing sweat and urine was developed for the experiments conducted in India. A maximum of 5 ml of sample was put into stoppered 10 ml hard plastic tubes and frozen upright. These were then forced sideways into tight fitting envelopes made from heavy gauge polythene sleeving so they could be stored upright in rows of six to ten tubes (see Figure 9). This method provided samples which were easy to label, light and convenient to transport, clean and simple to handle and relatively free from errors due to contamination or loss of solution.

If at any time a portion was to be removed from a sample, it was first completely thawed and thoroughly mixed before division.

For analysis, samples were unpacked, put into racks and quickly brought to room temperature by immersing the lower part of each tube or bottle in warm water. After each analysis, the samples were quickly refrozen loosely spaced and upright in racks before being repacked and sealed in polythene envelopes.

Chemical Analysis of the Sweat and Urine Samples

Volumes

All the sweat and urino samples were measured in graduated cylinders at the time of collection. The only exception to this was for the small volumes collected from the unacclimatized female controls which were determined gravimetrically in pre-weighed sample containers.

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Sodium and Potassium Determinations

Sodium and potassium were determined using an EEL model 150 direct reading clinical flame photometer running on town gas. (After the laboratories at Hampstead were converted to North Sea gas, bottled butane gas was used). A stock standard containing 200 mEq/l sodium and 100 mEq/l potassium was stored at 4° C. From this, a working standard was produced by 1 in¹200 dilution in a volumetric flask. For dilutions and for setting the zero on the photometer, deionized distilled water was always used. All glassware for use with the flame photometer was kept free of scaps or detergent and was triple rinsed in deionized distilled water before use.

Samples were diluted in 20 ml volumetric flasks; 0.1 ml of urine or 0.2 ml of sweat was used to produce 1/200 and 1/100 dilutions respectively. Urine samples were read directly and sweat readings were divided by 2 to produce the correct concentrations. With exceptionally concentrated or dilute samples more appropriate dilutions were employed and the true concentrations obtained by using corresponding correction factors. Dilutions were made using 0.1 and 0.2 ml blowout pipettes.

Occasional dilution of stock standard along with samples showed the pipotting technique to be accurate and reproducible to within the resolution of the photometer (\pm 2% of the reading).

The photometer was left running for an hour before use to stabilize and the calibration was checked after every 5 or 6 samples, or more often if instability occurred. As deionized water was supplied to the machine between samples, the zero was constantly checked.

Chloride Determination

I. Titration with N/10 Silver Nitrate and Silver Electrode

Chloride Potentiometer

This method of analysis was used for the earlier samples. For this method, 1 ml of urine or 2 ml of sweat was added to about 5 ml of

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buffer (50% glacial acetic acid (analytical grade) in deionized distilled water) in 20 ml glass beakers. The burette for dispensing the silver nitrate was provided with a platinum electrode in contact with the solution in the tip below the stop cock. A silver electrode and an air bubbler for stirring were attached to the outside of the burette tip. When the burette tip and the silver electrode were immersed in the buffered solution, the voltage between the silver and platinum electrodes was measured on a potentiometer. The bubbler ensured adequate mixing as the silver nitrate was measured out. When the chloride in the solution became completely precipitated as silver nitrate and free silver ions remained in solution, a change in the potentiometer reading indicated the end point of the titration. The chloride concentration (for l ml sample) was determined by multiplying the volume of silver nitrate (in ml) by a factor of 100. Appropriate factors were used for other volumes of sample.

With this method of chloride analysis, the sodium and potassium were usually determined first, so that the approximate chloride concentration could be estimated. This made the titration quicker as there was less chance of missing the end point. If too much silver nitrate was accidently added, a known amount of chloride (usually 1 ml of 15 mEq/1 solution) could be introduced to precipitate the excess silver and then subtracted from the final answer.

Although this method was very reliable, it was somewhat time consuming and the volume of sample required meant that it was not always possible to repeat the detormination if questionable results were obtained the first time.

II. EEL Model 920 Chloride Meter

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This coulometric chloride titrator was used for later analysis. With this machine, four silver olectrodes and a stainless steel stirring paddle were immersed in a 75 ml beaker containing about 35 ml of

buffer solution and 0.5 ml of gelatin indicator solution. A measured quantity of sample (0.1 ml) was added to the buffer solution and then the automatic cycle was started.

After five seconds of stirring, a known current started to flow through the solution by way of two of the silver electrodes. Silver ions liberated into the solution by the anode were precipitated as silver chloride until the available chloride in the solution was exhausted. When this occured, silver ions remaining in solution produced a change in the conductivity of the liquid. This change in conductivity was detected by the other two silver electrodes which then automatically stopped the titration. A digital counter ran during the titration and the titrating current had been set to give a counter roading directly in mEq/l chloride for a 0.1 ml sample. Subsequent samples were introduced to the buffer solution and the titration cycle was restarted each time. The counter was automatically reset to zero for each cycle.

Before the first sample was run, the electrodes were well cleaned and the buffer was conditioned by running 0.1 ml of standard solution (90 mEq/1) three or four times to ensure that the end point cut off was accurate and reproduceable. The machine did not respond well to a sample containing less than 15 mEq/1 chloride. If any sample gave a reading of less than 18 mEq/1, the buffer was reconditioned to remove any excess chloride which could remain in solution and a larger volume of sample (0.2 or 0.5 ml) was used for the determination. The reading was corrected by the appropriate factor.

The electrodes were cleaned periodically and each lot of buffer was used for no more than a total reading of 2000 mEq/1 (eg. 20 samples at 100 mEq/1).

Estimation of chloride concentration in sweat and urine proved to be fast and reliable by this method. The small volume of sample needed for

the determination meant that, if necessary, questionable readings could be repeated several times from the total sample available.

Phosphate Analysis

Determination of inorganic phosphate in urine samples was based on the method of Richterich (1965) for use with a Unicam SP 600 spectrophotometer.

This method was employed because with certain precautions, colour stability could be ensured. It was found however, that the reaction was very temperature sensitive and analysis could only be done reliably on evenings when the ambient temperature in the laboratory was between 18° C and 21° C. If the solutions were allowed to become too warm, colours tended to fade before and during the time they were read. At very low temperatures (10° C) the colour failed to develop. This problem was partially ovorcome by adjusting the temperature of the reagents before use.

The reagents used for all phosphate determinations were made up in deionized distilled water as follows:-

| 1. | Stock phosphate standard | 100 mg (P)/100 ml |
|----|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 2. | Metabisulphate-borax solution | 20 g sodium tetraborate |
| | | + 18 g sodium metabisulphate/1 |
| з. | Hydroquinone-ascorbate | 2 g hydroquinone |
| | solution | + 0.1 g ammonium ascorbate/100 ml |
| 4. | Ammonium molybdate solution | 5 g ammonium molybdate |
| | | + 12.5 ml conc. sulphuric acid/100 ml |
| 5. | Carbonate-sulphite solution | 42 g sodium carbonate (anhydrous) |
| | | + 7 g sodium sulphate |

The only change from the standard mothod (Richterich, 1965) was to adjust the amount of concentrated sulphuric acid in the molybdate solution. It was found that too little acid (5%) would not produce full colour. development, whereas too much (40%) produced excessive effervescence when the carbonate sulphite solution was added. Small bubbles coming out of solution tended to adhere to the inner surface of the cuvettes; and interfered with spectrophotometer reading.

Standards were made up from the stock solution containing 2.5, 5, 7.5, 10, 15, 20 and 30 mg(P)/100 ml by dilution in 10 ml volumetric flasks. These standards were then tested and read against a reagent blank several times to prove the reliability and linearity of the method over the range used. The responses found for one such set of solutions are shown in Figure 10. These standards were used for urine analysis.

The estimation of phosphate was carried out by adding 0.1 ml of standard or unknown (urine) to 1 ml of metabisulphate-borax solution. Then 0.25 ml each of ammonium molybdate and hydroquinone-ascorbate reagent was added and the contents of the test tube was thoroughly mixed. After being left for 15 minutes to allow the colour to develop, 2.5 ml of carbonate-sulphite solution was added, thoroughly mixed and allowed to stand for a further 10 minutes. The resulting blue coloured solution was then read against the reagent blank at a wavelength of 578 mu. The same pair of matched cuvettes were used for all phosphate analysis, the blank always being read in the same cuvette.

The metabisulphate-borax solution was used to stabilise the colour of the solution and the carbonate-sulphite reagont prevented the interference of readings by precipitates which occurred with some samples.

The hydroquinone-ascorbate served as an oxidizing agent to promote the formation of the blue phospho-molybdate complex of the reaction.

Exceptionally high or low readings were repeated with different sample doses to ensure that the readings were within the range of the standard curve.

Reagent blanks and one or two standards were run with each batch of samplos tested and any time new reagents were made up, full calibration







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Since there was a linear relationship between the phosphate concentration and the spectrophotometer reading (see Figure 10), a dose response line, using the method of least squares, was fitted for each set of reagents. The concentration of any sample tested could then be r calculated from the appropriate dose response line.

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Because the concentration of phosphate in sweat is much lower than that normally found in urine, the above method proved to be of insufficient sensitivity for the determination of sweat phosphate content. No recommended method for the estimation of phosphate in sweat could he found in the literature but by modifying the urine method, an adequately sensitive procedure was developed.

The standards which were used with sweat covered the range of phosphate concentration found in the samples (0.05 - 2.0 mg/100 ml). Strong colours could then be produced by using 2.0 ml of standard or sample in the otherwise unchanged method. Calibration with the phosphate standards using this modified procedure gave a dose response curve which wasreproduciabley stable and linear (see Figure 10).

With this procedure extra precaution was needed to guard against the presence of bubbles forming on the sides of the cuvettes. This was overcome by thorough stirring of the sample immediately after the addition of the carbonate-sulphite solution (using an orbital test tube shakor) and then again before reading. Cuvettes were examined carefully for the presence of bubbles before being placed in the spectrophotometer and after being read. It was found that bubbles could usually be removed from the sides of a cylindrical cuvette by tapping the base sharply but lightly on a bench surface or by placing it in the test tube shaker. When this failed, the sample had to be returned to the test tube and re-decanted. Because of the stability of the colour produced by this method, delays due to effervescence did not affect the results.

Statistical Analysis of the Data

The number of subjects in each group available for estimations of mean sweat concentrations and urine excretion rates have been given in Appendices 1,2,5 and 6. Except for instances where there were missing data, all results from/subjects have been used for statistical analysis. All statistical methods used have been described by Snedicor (1966).

Sweat and urine electrolyte concentrations and excretion rates were found to be log normally distributed within groups. Thus geometric means and 95% confidence limits have been calculated for these parameters and are given in the Appendices. Tests for significant differences between groups for these measurements have been based on the sums and corrected sums of squares of logged (to base 10) data. Sodium/potassium ratios however, were not transformed before analysis so arithmetic means and standard errors are given in the Appendices.

To test for homogeneity between several different groups, analysis of variance has been used. Differences between any two groups have been determined using t-tests. When comparison of repeat tests on groups have been made, paired t-tests have been used where possible to remove the effects of subject variation.

Correlation and regression analyses have been used to examine the relationships between changes in electrolyte concentrations with time and sweat volume. Pairs of measurements for within subject and between subject data were plotted to ensure the relationships were linear over the range of observations before regression analysis was carried out. The dependence of electrolyte concentrations on sweat rate, skin temporature and the duration of sweating was examined using multiple regression techniques. Correlation or regression analyses were only carried out if there were complete data from at least six subjects or sweat samples

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Excretion rates corrected for body weight were calculated for each subject. Group means and confidence limits for these measurements are given in Appendices 7 and 8.

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Table 2

Mean Values for Sweat Measurements on Army Group III

| Test | No. | Concentration | | | Excretion Rate | | | | Sodium Potassium | Volume | |
|------|-----|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------------|--------|-----------------------|
| | Sub | Sodium Potassium Chloride Phosphate | | | Sodium Potassium Chloride Phosphate | | | | | | |
| | | mEq/l | mEq/1 | mEq/l | ng /1 | uM/min | uM/min | uM/min | ug/min | Ratio | ml/ <mark>1</mark> hr |
| 1 | 10 | 65,8 | 6.79 | 60.8 | 1.25 | 232 | 24.0 | 214 | 4.40 | 9.82 | 106 |
| 2 | 10 | 59.6 | 7.00 | 55.3 | 1.17 | 233 | 27.4 | 216 | 4.45 | 8.65 | 117 |

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RESULTS

The findings presented in this study are based on the results of the analysis of sweat samples which were collected from the subjects who made up the groups described in Table 1. The statistical analysis of these results has been made at three levels: within subjects, between subjects and between groups. Within subject data are available only from those groups where serial collections were made during the test. These included Army group III and IV (both tests), the unacclimatized female control groups and a number of subjects from the Indian study. For analyses of within group data, a single value for each subject has been used, based on either the weighted mean value of all samples collected during the first half hour of controlled hyporthermia or from the half hour volume and a sample from a collection within this period which included the first ten minutes. For the between group analyses, group means were based on the single value for each subject with the group.

Replication

To test the repeatability of the response of individuals to the bed test (Routine C), a group of twelve volunteers (Army group III) were tested twice, with two to four days free between tests. On the second occasion, two subjects came to the laboratory overheated and continued to sweat throughout the test, so their results were excluded. On this second test, the sodium and chloride levels for these two subjects were considerably reduced as was observed for experiments on Army group II when they were preheated before the test began (Fox,unpublished). On the ten remaining subjects of Army group III, paired t-tests did not show differences between the two tests for sweat rates or sweat electrolyte concentrations. The means for all subjects on the two tests are shown in Table 2.

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Table 3

| Group | No. of | Month of Test | Sweat Volume |
|----------|--------|---------------|---------------------|
| | Sub. | | $m1/\frac{1}{2}hr.$ |
| Army I | 25 | September | 236 |
| Army II | 8 | September | 227 |
| Army III | 12 | November | 111 |
| Army IV | 14 | February | 124 |

Mean Half Hour Sweat Volume of Unacclimatized British Army Subjects

Table 4

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Significance of Correlation Coefficients for Sweat Measurements of Indian Army Subjects with Season. Troops tested to Third Week in October

| Measurement | Northerners | Southerners | Gurkhas |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|
| Sodium Concentration | NS | NS | NS |
| Potassium Concentration | NS | NS | NS |
| Chloride Concentration | NS | NS | NS |
| Phosphate Concentration | NS | - + | - ++ |
| Sodium Rate | NS | NS | NS |
| Potassium Rate | NS | NS | NS |
| Chloride Rate | NS | NS | NS |
| Phosphate Rate | NS | - + | - ** |
| Sodium/Potassium Ratio | NS | NS | NS |
| Sweat Rate | NS | NS | NS |

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Selection of the Unacclimatized Male Control Group

Four groups of army subjects were tested in the unacclimatized state, that is to say with only the level of acclimatization which they would have from carrying on normal duties in Great Britain. They were tested at different times of year however, as shown in Table 3. From the mean half hour sweat volumes of these groups (Table 3) seasonal variation is evident. The results of the four groups were combined to form an unacclimatized control level and included the whole cross section of background levels of acclimatization. Phosphate results were only available from Army groups III and IV, who had lower sweat rates than groups I and II in the unacclimatized state.

Analyses of variance revealed no significant differences for sodium or chloride concentrations for the four groups but mean potassium concentrations differed at the 1% level with Army group III having the highest level and Army group IV the lowest. Sodium/potassium ratios also differed (0.01% p> 0.001) with group III being the lowest and group IV the highest. Groups III and IV did not differ in phosphate concentration or excretion rate. Because of the higher (p \leq 0.001) sweat rates of group I and II, the differences in the excretion of sodium, potassium and chloride were highly significant (p \leq 0.001).

Selection of Indian Groups

The three groups of Indian soldiers were tested between September and December and it was found that they deacclimatized during this period as the weather became cooler. The sweat rates of these subjects decreased significantly during this period. This meant that each group could not be considered as a whole when comparing their electrolyte concentrations or excretion rates with other groups. When the electrolyte concentrations and excretion rates of subjects tested up to the third week in October were related to time of year however, it was found that the only

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significant regressions were for decreasing phosphate concentration and excretion rate with time for the Gurkhas (0.01; p > 0.001) and the Southerners (0.05; p > 0.01, see Table 4). The Northerners did not show a significant regression for phosphate but the trend was the same as for the other two groups of soldiers.

For this reason, only those troops tested before the third week in October have been included in the Indian groups used for comparisons with other male groups. The phosphate measurements which were correlated with time have not been used for comparisons. The only male groups which could not be compared with the Indian soldiers tested early in the study were the Indian Laboratory workers and Villagers who were tested at the end of the Indian study.

Comparison of Control Groups with other Groups

The control groups (unacclimatized males and females and acclimatized males and females) have been compared with the other young adult groups presented in this study. Sweat rates during the half hour of controlled hyperthermia, sweat sodium, potassium, chloride and phosphate concentrations and the sodium/potassium ratios are shown in Figures 11 to 21, Table 5 and Figure 22. Comparisons with each of the control groups for concentration have been treated separately in the figures. To indicate the sodium, potassium, chloride and phosphate losses during sweating, the excretion rates of these electrolytes in sweat have been presented as well as the concentrations for each group.

Sweat Rate

The sweat volumes for the first half hour of controlled hyperthermia are represented in Figure 11. The mean value for each male and female young adult group has been given along with the 95% confidence limits.

When the male groups were compared, it was found that the sweat

Group mean and 95% confidence limits

rates of unacclimatized controls did not differ significantly from the swimmers, the winter Kurds, the Nigerian villagors, the High Plantation workers or any of the Indian groups. Lower values than those of the unacclimatized controls were found for the Kauls ($p \leq 0.001$) and for the Low Plantation workers, the Lufas and the winter Yemenites ($0.05 \approx p > 0.01$). All the other male groups had greater sweat rates, with highly significant differences ($p \leq 0.001$) found for the comparisons with the naturally acclimatized controls, the Kurds and Yemenites in summer, the Nigerian Heavy Industry workers and the Europeans in New Guinea.

The naturally acclimatized male group had a mean sweat rate which was significantly higher than any other group. Differences were found at the 1% level for the runners and Nigerian Heavy Industry workers and at the 0.1% level for all other groups.

Comparisons amongst the females showed no differences in sweat rates between the unacclimatized controls and the Yemenites in winter, Kurds in summer or winter or either New Guinea group. Higher sweat rates were found for the Nigerian students (0.05, p > 0.01) and the summer Yemenites and the acclimatized female controls $(p \le 0.001)$.

The acclimatized female controls had sweat rates which were higher ($p \le 0.001$) than any other female group.

The women, in general, had lower sweat rates than the men.

Unacclimatized Male Controls

Comparisons of the sweat electrolyte concentrations and excretion rates between the unacclimatized male control group and the other young adult male groups are shown in Figures 12 to 15.

Sodium and Chloride

Only the winter Yemenites had significantly higher sodium $(0.05 \ge p > 0.01)$ and chloride $(0.01 \ge p > 0.001)$ concentrations than the controls. Many groups had much lower sweat concentrations,

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Figure 12 Sweat Sodium Concentrations and Excretion Rates.

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Figure 12 Sweat Sodium Concentrations and Excretion Rates.

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Figure 13 Sweat Potassium Concentrations and Excretion Rates

Comparison of Unacclimatized Male Controls with

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Because of the difference in sweat rates, much higher sweat sodium and chloride excretion rates were found for the artificially acclimatized control group, the runners and cyclists and the Europeans in New Guinea. Significantly higher excretion rates were also found for the summer Kurds and the Indian army groups. Very low sodium and chloride losses were found for the New Guinea indigenes who differed from the controls at the 0.1% level.

Potassium

Comparison with the unacclimatized controls showed several groups to have higher sweat potassium concentrations (see Figure 13). Large differences ($p \le 0.001$) were found for the New Guinea groups, the Kurds and Yemenites in the summer and for the swimmers. Of those groups with lower mean potassium concentrations, significant differences were found for the Indian army groups and the Nigerian Heavy Industry workers ($p \le 0.001$) and for the Europeans in New Guinea ($0.01 \ge p > 0.001$).

No male group had significantly lower potassium excretion rates than the controls. Much higher rates ($p \le 0.001$) were found for the artificially acclimatized controls, the runners, swimmers and cyclists, the Israelis in summer, the Europeans in New Guinea and the Nigerian Industrial groups. Despite the fact that the Kauls and Lufas had lower sweat rates than the controls (see Figure 11), the sweat potassium loss in these two groups was significantly higher ($0.01 \ge p > 0.001$).

Phosphate

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Figure 15 Sweat Phosphate Concentrations and Excretion Rates

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Acclimatized Male Controls

Comparison between the naturally acclimatized male control group and the other male groups are shown in Figures 16, 17 and 18 for sodium, potassium and chloride concentrations and excretion rates. Figure 19 shows similar comparisons for phosphate using the artificially acclimatized control group.

Sodium

Only the winter Yemenites had significantly higher (0.01 > p > 0.001) sodium concentrations than the naturally acclimatized controls. Much lower concentrations were found amongst the New Guinea, Nigerian and Israeli groups. None of the Indian groups had means differing significantly from the level of the control group (see Figure 16).

The naturally acclimatized controls had the highest sodium excretion rates of all the groups but the means did not differ significantly for comparisons with the artificially acclimatized group or the runners. Differences were seen at the 5% level for the cyclists and at the 1% level for the Europeans in New Guinea. All other groups had much lower sweat sodium excretion rates than the controls ($p \\ \leq 0.001$).

Potassium

Sweat potassium concentrations were found to be much higher than the naturally acclimatized controls ($p \le 0.001$) for the swimmers, the summer Kurds, both Israeli groups in winter and all four indigenous New Guinea groups. Significantly higher concentrations were also found for the cyclists ($0.01 \ge p > 0.001$) and for the summer Yemenites,

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The naturally acclimatized controls had the highest sweat potassium excretion rates with the means for most groups differing at the 0.1% level. The difference for the swimmers however, was only at the 5% level and those for comparisons with the runners, cyclists and the two summer Israeli groups were not significant.

Chloride

Chloride concentration in sweat was found to be higher for the winter Yemenites ($p \le 0.001$) and Kurds (0.01 > p > 0.001) and for the South Indian army ($0.05 \ge p > 0.01$) when comparisons were made with the naturally acclimatized control group. Lower concentrations ($p \le 0.001$) were found for all four indigenous New Guinea groups and the Nigerian Light Industry workers. Lower concentrations (0.01 > p > 0.001) were also found for the summer Israeli groups and the Nigerian students and Heavy Industry workers (see Figure 18).

As with sodium, most groups had much lower chloride excretion rates than the acclimatized controls. The differences were not significant for the artificially acclimatized group or the runners and were significant only at the 5% level for the cyclists and Europeans in New Guinea. The difference for all other groups was at the 0.1% level.

Phosphate

When compared with the artificially acclimatized male control group, higher phosphate concentrations were found for the Lufas ($p \le 0.001$), Kauls (0.01> p> 0.001) and Low Plantation workers

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Figure 19 Sweat Phosphate Concentrations and Excretion Rates

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Unacclimatized Female Controls

Comparisons between the unacclimatized female controls and the seven other female groups for sodium, potassium and chloride are presented in Figure 20. Phosphate measurements are given in Table 5 for those groups for whom the chemical analyses were done.

Sodium and Chloride

Sweat sodium and chloride concentrations for the winter Yemenites alone were significantly higher (0.01 > p > 0.001) than those of the unacclimatized female controls. Lower concentrations were found for the Kauls and Lufas (sodium and chloride, p < 0.001) and the summer Yemenites (sodium 0.01, p > 0.001, chloride 0.05, p > 0.01) (see Figure 20).

The only female group that differed significantly from the controls for sweat sodium or chloride excretion rate was the Kauls, who had a lower $(0.05 \Rightarrow p > 0.01)$ sodium rate.

Potassium

Higher sweat potassium concentrations were found for the Yemenites in winter, the Lufas ($p \le 0.001$) and the Kauls ($0.05 \ge p > 0.01$). Only the Nigerian students had lower potassium concentrations but the mean was not significantly different from that of the controls (see Figure 20).

The controls had the lowest potassium excretion rates with significant differences found for the Lufas $(0.01 \ge p > 0.001)$, Kauls and summer Kurds $(0.05 \ge p > 0.01)$.

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Phosphate

As seen in Table 5, the unacclimatized controls had lower sweat phosphate concentrations and excretion rates than either of the New Guinea female groups. These differences were significant at the 0.1% level.

Table 5 Mean Sweat Phosphate Concentration and Excretion Rates

for the Female Groups

| Group | Concentration | Excretion Rate |
|------------|---------------|----------------|
| | mg/1 | ug/min |
| Unacc. C. | 0.32 | 0.68 |
| N.G. Kauls | 2.38 | 6.15 |
| N.G. Lufas | 3.37 | 9.43 |

Acclimatized Female Controls

Comparison between the acclimatized female control group and the other female groups for sodium, potassium and chloride are given in Figure 21. No phosphate measurements were available for these controls.

Sodium, Potassium and Chloride

Only the winter Yemenites had higher sodium (not significant) and chloride $(0.05 \ge p > 0.01)$ concentrations than the acclimatized female controls. Lower concentrations were found for the Nigerian and New Guinea groups (p ≤ 0.001) and for the summer Yemenites $(0.01 \ge p > 0.001)$ for both sodium and chloride concentration. The summer Kurds also had lower chloride levels $(0.05 \ge p > 0.01)$ (see Figure 12).

The only groups which differed from the controls in potassium concentration were the winter Yemenites ($p \notin 0.001$) and the Lufas (0.05 > p > 0.01), who had higher levels.

Excretion rates of sodium, potassium and chloride were much higher in the acclimatized female control group than in any other female group (see Figure 21).

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Sodium/Potassium Ratio in Sweat

The mean and standard error of the sweat sodium/potassium ratio for each group is shown in Figure 22. When compared with the unacclimatized male control group no significant difference was found in the mean sodium/potassium ratio for the artificially or naturally acclimatized controls, runners, cyclists, Europeans living in New Guinea or either civilian Indian group. The Indian army groups were the only ones with significantly higher sodium/potassium ratios with means differing for the Northerners at the 5% level and for the Southerners and Gurkhas at the 1% level. All the other groups had lower mean ratios than the unacclimatized controls. Of these, the Nigerian Villagers differed at the 5% level, the Yemenites in winter at the 1% level and for the remainder the difference was highly significant ($p \leq 0.001$).

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The control females showed no difference between the unacclimatized and acclimatized state. Both control groups had higher ratios than the other female groups and their means differed significantly from those of the New Guinea ($p \notin 0.001$), Nigerian (0.01>, p > 0.001) and the Yemenite summer groups (0.05>, p > 0.01) but did not differ significantly from either the Yemenites in winter or the Kurds in summer or winter.

Within both the male and female groups, the New Guinea subjects consistantly had the lowest sodium/potassium ratios and with the exception of the swimmers, it was found that the British groups and the Europeans in New Guinea had higher ratios than the Israelis and the Nigerians. For each female group the sodium/potassium ratio in the sweat was lower than that for the corresponding male group.

Sex Difference in Sweat Electrolytes

A number of paired male - female groups are shown in Table 6, representing the various ethnic groups. In every case sweat samples taken from the females were found to have lower mean sodium and chloride



Table 6

| ti. | | 1 | Concentr | ations | | 1 | Excretio | n Rates | | Sodium | Sweat |
|------------|-----|--------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------|--------|---------------------|----------|-----------|--------------------|--------|
| Group | | Sodium | Potassium mEq/l | Chloride mFa/l | Phosphate | Sodium | Potassium uM/min | Chloride | Phosphate | Potassium Ratio | Volume |
| | | | | | B/ - | | | | | | |
| | (M) | 70.4 | 6.01 | 66.5 | 1.38 | 333 | 28.4 | 314 | 5,41 | 12.3 | 175 |
| Unacc. C. | | ** | *** | *** | *** | *** | ** | *** | * * * | *** | *** |
| | (F) | 55.1 | 9,05 | 46.5 | 0.32 | 117 | 19.3 | 99.1 | 0.68 | 6.58 | 63.9 |
| | (M) | 64.7 | 6.68 | 61.1 | - | 745 | 76.9 | 704 | - | 10.2 | 345 |
| Cyclists | | NS | *** | NS | | NS | * | NS | | ** | NS |
| | (F) | 61.7 | 10.1 | 58.2 | - | 667 | 109 | 629 | - | 6.83 | 324 |
| | (M) | 78.6 | 10.3 | 74.6 | _ | 351 | 46.0 | 334 | - | 8.12 | 134 |
| Kurd Wint. | | | NS | * | | | NS | * | | NS | NS |
| | (F) | 53.8 | 9.66 | 50.2 | - | 149 | 26.8 | 139 | - | 5.65 | 83.2 |
| | (M) | 45.8 | 7.82 | 46.8 | - | 484 | 82.5 | 494 | - | 6.14 | 317 |
| Kurd Summ. | i | NS | NS | NS | | *** | *** | *** | | NS | *** |
| | (F) | 44.1 | 9.47 | 42.0 | - | 168 | 36.1 | 160 | - | 4.72 | 115 |
| | (M) | 84.9 | 9.77 | 80.9 | - | 290 | 33.3 | 276 | - | 9,10 | 102 |
| Yem. Wint. | į | NS | *** | NS | | * | NS | * | | ** | * |
| | (F) | 82.8 | 16.8 | 80.1 | - | 130 | 26.2 | 125 | - | 5.20 | 46.9 |
| | (M) | 39.0 | 6,87 | 39.5 | - | 463 | 81.7 | 469 | - | 6.20 | 357 |
| Yem. Summ | | NS | * | NS | | *** | *** | *** | | * | ** |
| * | (F) | 32.0 | 12.2 | 31.3 | - | 71.3 | - 27.2 | 69.6 | - | 2.83 | GG.8 |

Sex Differences between Comparable Groups Sweat Measurements and Significant Differences between Means

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| Kurd Summ | | NS | NS | NS | | *** | *** | *** | | NS | |
|------------|-----|------|------|------|---|------|------|------|---|------|------|
| | (F) | 44.1 | 9.47 | 42.0 | - | 168 | 36.1 | 160 | - | 4.72 | 115 |
| | (M) | 84.9 | 9.77 | 80,9 | - | 290 | 33.3 | 276 | - | 9.10 | 102 |
| Yem. Wint. | | NS | *** | NS | | * | NS | | | ** | * |
| | (F) | 82.8 | 16.8 | 80.1 | - | 130 | 26.2 | 125 | - | 5.20 | 46.9 |
| | (M) | 39.0 | 6.87 | 39.5 | | 463 | 81.7 | 469 | - | 6.20 | 357 |
| Yen. Summ | | NS | | NS | | *** | *** | *** | | + | ** |
| - | (F) | 32.0 | 12.2 | 31.3 | - | 71.3 | 27.2 | 69.6 | - | 2.83 | 66.8 |



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| | | | Concentr | ations | | | Excretio | n Rates | | Sodium | Sweat |
|------------|-----|--------|-----------|----------|-----------|--------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| Group | | Sodium | Potassium | Chloride | Phosphate | Sodium | Potassium | Chloride | Phosphate | Potassium | Volume |
| | | mEq/1 | mEq/l | mEq/1 | mg/1 | uM/min | uM/min | uM/min | ug/min | Ratio | ml/1hr |
| | (M) | 35.3 | 6.57 | 38,8 | - | 190 | 35.3 | 209 | - | 5.93 | 162 |
| Nig. Stud. | | | NS | NS | | ** | NS | ** | | * | NS |
| | (F) | 20.2 | 7.77 | 28.4 | - | 67.3 | 25.9 | 94.6 | - | 3.07 | 99.9 |
| | (M) | 35.0 | 11.0 | 36.0 | 1.47 | 115 | 36.1 | 118 | 4,81 | 3.60 | 97.1 |
| N.G. Kaul | | ** | NS | ** | * | ** | NS | ** | NS | ** | NS |
| | (F) | 25.5 | 12.0 | 27.9 | 2.38 | 66.1 | 31.0 | 72.3 | 6.15 | 2.42 | 77.7 |
| | (M) | 32.8 | 9.64 | 28.6 | 1.99 | 131 | 38.7 | 115 | 8,00 | 3,81 | 120 |
| N.G. Lufa | | * | ** | * | ** | ** | NS | ** | NS | ** | * |
| | (F) | 24.1 | 13.5 | 21.1 | 3.37 | 67.5 | 37.8 | 58.9 | 9.43 | 2,28 | 83.8 |
| | (M) | 31.9 | 9.82 | 29.3 | 1.41 | 104 | 31.9 | 95.2 | 4.59 | 4.17 | 97.9 |
| N.G. 01d | | | NS | ** | ** | | NS | * | NS | * | NS |
| | (F) | 20.0 | 13.8 | 17.0 | 3.33 | 42.9 | 29.8 | 36.5 | 7,17 | 1.63 | 64.5 |
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concentrations than those from the males and except for the Kurds in winter, higher potassium concentrations. This resulted in a much lower sodium/potassium ratio for each female group when compared with the respective male group. Apart from the Kurds (both summer and winter) this difference in sodium/potassium ratio was significant to at least the 5% level. All three New Guinea female groups had significantly higher phosphate concentrations than the males ($p \leq 0.05$) but the unacclimatized British females had relatively lower concentrations, significant at the 5% level.

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With higher sweat rates for every male group, the females all had lower sodium and chloride excretion rates, the differences being significant ($p \le 0.05$) for all groups except the cyclists. The levels of significance for all comparisons are shown in Table 6. Sweat potassium excretion rates were also higher for the males in each comparison except for the cyclists, where the females had the highest value of all.

Phosphate excretion was much higher for the unacclimatized male controls but for the other male - female comparisons the women had higher sweat phosphate excretion rates, although the differences were not significant.

Effect of Correcting Excretion Rate by Body Weight

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The excretion of sodium, potassium, chloride and phosphate in sweat have been calculated as rates expressed as μ M/min or μ g/min and also as rates corrected by the body weight of each individual (μ M/min/Kg or μ g/min/Kg). When the groups were tested for differences in electrolyte excretion rate the correction by body weight often changed the levels of significance. The changes which were found to affect comparisons with the control groups, have been given in Table 7. In all cases where a significant difference was observed between two groups, the same group had a higher mean for either calculation.

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Excretion Rates are corrected by Body Weight before comparing Groups.

| Group I | Group II | Electrolyte | Signi | fic | ance | Group with | Sig. |
|------------|----------------|-------------|-------|-----|------|-------------|--------|
| | | | Level | Ch | ange | Larger Mean | Change |
| Male | | | | | | | |
| Unacc. C. | Yem. Summ. | Chloride | NS | - | * | II | + |
| | Kurd Summ. | Sodium | * | - | ** | II | + |
| | Kurd Wint. | Potassium | ** | - | *** | II | + |
| | N.G. L. Plant. | Potassium | NS | - | ** | II | + |
| | N.G. H. Plant. | Potassium | * | - | ** | II | + |
| | N.G. Kaul | Potassium | ** | - | *** | II | + |
| | N.G. Lufa | Potassium | ** | - | *** | II | + |
| | 11 11 11 | Phosphate | * | - | ** | II | + |
| | N.G. Boys | Potassium | *** | - | NS | I | - |
| | 11 11 11 | Phosphate | ** | - | NS | 1 | - |
| | N.G. Old Lufa | Potassium | NS | - | | II | + |
| | N. Ind. Army | Sodium | ** | - | *** | II | + |
| | 0 0 0 | Potassium | NS | - | ** | II | + |
| | | Chloride | ** | - | *** | II | + |
| | S. Ind. Army | Sodium | * | - | ** | II | + |
| | | Chloride | * | - | *** | II | + |
| | Gurkhas | Potassium | NS | - | ** | II | + |
| Nat.Acc.C. | Art. Acc. C. | Sodium | NS | - | * | I | + |
| | Yem. Summ. | Chloride | *** | - | ** | I | - |
| | Nig. Heavy | Potassium | *** | - | * | I | - |
| | N.G. Europ. | Potassium | *** | - | | I | - |
| | Swimmers | Potassium | * | - | ** | I | + |
| | Gurkhas | Sodium | *** | - | ** | I | - |
| | 11 | Chloride | *** | - | ** | I | - |
| Art.Acc.C. | N.G. L. Plant. | Phosphate | * | - | NS | I | - |
| | N.G. Kaul | Phosphate | * | - | NS | I | - |
| | N.G. Boys | Phosphate | *** | - | NS | I | - |
| | Ind. Lab. W. | Phosphate | *** | - | ** | I | - |
| Female | | 1 | | | | | |
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| | Nig. Stud. | Potassium | NS | - | * | II | + |
| | N.G. Kaul | Sodium | + | - | NS | τ | - |
| | 11 11 11 | Potassium | + | - | *** | II | + |
| | N.G. Lufa | Potassium | ** | - | *** | II | + |
| Cyclists | Kurd Summ. | Potassium | *** | - | ** | I | - |
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| Male | Female | Electrolyte | Signi | fic | ance | Group with | Sig. |
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| | | | Level | Ch | ange | Larger Mean | Change |
| Unace. C. | Unacc. C. | Potassium | ** | - | NS | M | - |
| Nat.Acc.C. | Cyclists | Sodium | ** | - | * | М | - |
| | ** | Potassium | NS | - | * | F | + |
| | " | Chloride | ** | - | * | M | - |
| Cyclists | Cyclists | Potassium | * | - | ** | F | + |
| Yem. Summ. | Yem. Summ. | Sodium | *** | - | ** | M | - |
| Yem. Wint. | Yem, Wint. | Sodium | * | - | NS | M | - |
| | ** ** | Chloride | + | - | NS | M | - |
| Kurd Wint. | Kurd Wint. | Sodium | * | - | NS | M | - |
| | ** ** | Chloride | + | - 1 | NS | M | - |
| Nig. Stud | Nig. Stud. | Sodium | ** | - | * | M | - |
| | | Chloride | ** | - | NS | M | - |
| N.G. Kaul | N.G. Kaul | Chloride | ** | - | * | м | - |
| N.G. Lufa | N.G. Lufa | Sodium | ** | - | * | M | - |
| 1 | ** ** ** | Chloride | ** | i - 1 | * | M | - |
| N.G. 01d | N.G. 01d | Phosphate | NS | - | * | F | - |

NS not significant

* 0.05≥p>0.01 **

0.01≥p>0.001 p≤ 0.001 ***

М male

F female

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Sig. change - decreases in level of significance + increase in level of significance

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Table 8

Ethnic Differences in Villagers Sweat Measurements and Significant Differences between Means

| | | Concent | rations | | 1 | Excretio | n Rates | | Sodium | Sweat |
|--|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Group | Sodium mEq/l | Potassium mEq/l | Chloride mEq/l | Phosphate mg/l | Sodium uM/min | Potassium uM/min | Chloride uM/min | Phosphate ug/min | Pot ass ium Ratio | Volume ml/ <mark>1</mark> hr |
| Male | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ind. Vill. | 74.1 | 6.51 | 70.5 | 1.45 | 297 | 26.1 | 282 | 6.04 | 12.3 | 116 |
| Nig. Vill. | 47.8 | 6.52 | 51.1 | - | 237 | 32.2 | 252 | - | 8,56 | 148 |
| N.G. Kaul | 35.0 | 11.0 | 36.0 | 1.47 | 115 | 36.1 | 118 | 4.81 | 3.60 | 97.1 |
| N.G. Lufa | 32.8 | 9.64 | 28.6 | 1.99 | 131 | 38.7 | 115 | 8.00 | 3.81 | 120 |
| Ind. Vill. Vig. Vill. V.G. Kaul V.G. Lufa | ••• | *** | *** | - | *** | NS | *** | - | *** | NS |
| nd, Vill,] | | | | | | | | | | |
| .G. Kaul .G. Lufa | ł | | | NS | | | | ** | | |
| G. Kaul) | NS | NS | * | NS | NS | NS | NS | ** | NS | NS |
| Female | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| .G. Kaul | 25.5 | 12.0 | 27.9 | 2,38 | 66.1 | 31.0 | 72.3 | 6.15 | 2.42 | 77.7 |
| | NS | NS | • | NS | NS | NS | NS | * | NS | NS |
| .G. Lufa | 24.1 | 13.5 | 21.1 | 3.37 | 67.5 | 37.8 | 58.9 | 9.43 | 2.28 | 83.8 |

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In general, correcting by body weight increased the level of significance for the comparisons with the unacclimatized controls and reduced them for the comparisons with acclimatized controls.

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The effect of correcting by body weight has also been presented for the male - female comparisons (see Table 7). With the exception of the female cyclists and the old New guinea subjects, this correction reduced the level of significance of differences between the sexes.

Ethnic Differences

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To assess the effects of ethnic differences on sweat elctrolytes, sets of subject groups which are comparable with each other have been chosen and treated separately. Descriptions of the subject groups have been given in Table 1.

Villagers

Four groups of male villagers with similar nontechnological lifestyles have been chosen. These are the Kauls and Lufas from New Guinea and the Nigerian and Indian villagers, all of whom had low standards of living.

It can be seen from Table 8 that between the Kauls and Lufas, the only differences that could be shown were that the KauIs had a higher sweat chloride concentration (0.05, p > 0.01) and a lower phosphate excretion rate (0.01, p, 0.001). Differences in sweat rate between these two New Guinea groups was not significant.

When the four groups of villagers were compared by analyses of variance, sweat rates and potassium excretion rates were the only measurements that did not differ significantly. Results showed that the sodium and chloride excretion rates, the sodium, potassium and chloride concentrations and the sodium/potassium ratios all differed at the 1% level. From Table 8, it can be seen that the Indians and Nigerians had higher sodium and chloride concentrations than the Kauls and Lufas but

Table 9 Ethnic Differences

Sweat Measurements and Significant Differences in Means

| 1 | | Concenti | rations | | | Excretion | Rates | | Sodium | Sweat |
|----------------|--------|-----------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------------------|
| Group | Sodium | Potassium | Chloride | Phosphate | Sodium | Potassium | Chloride | Phosphate | Potassium | Volume |
| | mEq/l | mEq/1 | mEq/l | mg/1 | uM/min | uM/min | uM/min | ug/min | Ratio | $ml/\frac{1}{2}hr$ |
| | | • | | Plantation | Workers | | | | | |
| | | | | | - worners | | | | | |
| N.G. L. Plant, | 33.1 | 10.0 | 35.3 | 1.46 | 111 | 33.7 | 119 | 4 90 | 3.95 | 101 |
| | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS |
| N.G. H. Plant | 27.1 | 8,63 | 27,6 | 1,18 | 127 | 40.4 | 129 | 5.55 | 3.46 | 126 |
| | | | | Indian Arm | y Groups | | | | | |
| N. Ind. Army | 61.4 | 4.38 | 59.0 | Changing | 504 | 35.9 | 484 | Changing | 14.6 | 246 |
| S. Ind. Army | 73.6 | 3.82 | 72.4 | with | 463 | 24.1 | 456 | with | 20.6 | 189 |
| Gurkhas | 68.4 | 4.25 | 66.0 | Season | 577 | 35.9 | 557 | Season | 16.7 | 253 |
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lower potassium concentrations. They also had sodium/potassium ratios which were at least twice as high as either New Guinea group. 99

Sweat phosphate concentration was not measured for the Nigerian group but no significant differences could be shown for the other three groups. Although significant differences occured $(0.01 \ge p \ge 0.001)$ in the phosphate excretion rates for the Indians and New Guinea groups, when corrected by body weight the differences became non-significant.

Comparisons between the female Kauls and Lufas have also been presented in Table 8. Sweat rates did not differ significantly. However, as with the men, the Kauls had significantly higher sweat chloride concentrations $(0.05 \ge p_7 0.01)$ but the phosphate excretion rate was also higher $(0.05 \ge p_7 0.01)$. Correcting the excretion rates by body weight made no difference to the levels of significance.

Plantation Workers

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Two groups of males were studied who worked in the plantations on Karkar Island in New Guinea. The Low Plantation group were local people who lived and worked either on the island or had been recruited from the lowland areas of New Guinea. The High Plantation group had come down from the highlands of New Guinea.

The means of the measurements on each group are summarized in Table 9. No significant differences could be shown between the two groups of plantation workers

Indian Soldiers

The results from the groups of Indian soldiers tested up to the third week in October were compared by analyses of variance. As the phosphates were changing with time of year for these groups, these concentrations and excretion rates have been examined by regression analysis.

The means for the three groups and the levels of significance of

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Sweat Measurements and Significant Differences in Means

| *** *** | 00 | ncentration | s | Exc | cretion Rate | s - | Sodium | Sweat |
|----------------|--------|-------------|----------|--------|--------------|----------|-----------|-----------------------|
| Group | Sodium | Potassium | Chloride | Sodium | Potassium | Chloride | Potassium | Volume |
| | mEq/1 | mEq/l | mEq/l | uM/min | uM/min | uM/min | Ratio | ml/ <mark>1</mark> hr |
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| Yem. Summ. (M) | 39.0 | 6.87 | 39.5 | 463 | 81.7 | 469 | 6.20 | 357 |
| | NS | * | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS |
| Kurd Summ. (M) | 45.8 | 7.82 | 46.8 | 484 | 82.5 | 494 | 6.14 | 317 |
| Yem. Wint. (M) | 84.9 | 9.77 | 80.9 | 290 | 33.3 | 276 | 9.10 | 102 |
| | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS |
| Kurd Wint. (M) | 78.6 | 10.3 | 74.6 | 351 | 46.0 | 334 | 8.12 | 134 |
| Yem. Summ, (F) | 32.0 | 12.2 | 31.3 | 71.3 | 27.2 | 69.6 | 2.83 | 66.8 |
| | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | * | NS |
| Kurd Summ. (F) | 44.1 | 9,47 | 42.0 | 168 | 36.1 | 160 | 4.72 | 115 |
| Yem. Wint. (F) | 82.8 | 16.8 | 80.1 | 130 | 26.2 | 125 | 5,20 | 46.9 |
| | NS | | | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS |
| Kurd Wint, (F) | 53.8 | 9.66 | 50.2 | 149 | 26.8 | 139 | 5,65 | 83,2 |

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differences between them have been shown in Table 9. Differences in sweat rate were found to be significant $(0.05 \ge p > 0.01)$ with the Southerners having the lowest mean value.

No significant differences were found between the concentrations of sodium, potassium or chloride, although with the lowest sweat rate and potassium concentration, the Southerners had a potassium excretion rate which was lower (p_{\leq} 0.001) than the other two groups. The Southerners also had the highest sodium/potassium ratios and the means of the groups differed at the 1% level. Regression analyses of the phosphate measurements revealed no significant difference between the groups but as levels were changing during the period of the field studies, means could not be given in Table 9.

Correcting excretion rates by body weight made no difference to the level of significance of differences between the groups.

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Two Jewish communities from different ethnic origins but living together in Israel were studied in both summer and winter. Male and female Kurds and Yemenites were tested. In the summer, differences were found between the means of the potassium concentrations in the men $(0.05 \ge p > 0.01)$ and the sodium/potassium ratios in the women $(0.05 \ge p > 0.01)$ (see Table 10). In the winter, the only differences found were for potassium and chloride concentration in the women $(0.05 \ge p > 0.01)$. Comparison of Groups from the same Ethnic Origin with different Occupations

Among the male Nigerian groups, analyses of variance revealed that there were differences significant at the 5% level for sweat sodium concentration with the Heavy Industry group having the lowest mean value and the villagers having the highest (see Table 11). Sweat potassium levels differed at the 1% level for these four groups and again the Heavy Industry workers had the lowest concentrations.

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Table 11

Comparison of Sweat Measurements on Groups from the Same Ethnic Origen but with Different Occupations

| | | Concentr | ations | | | Excreti | on Rates | | Sodium | Sweat |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Group | Sodium mEq/l | Potassium mEq/l | Chloride mEq/l | Phosphate mg/l | Sodium uM∕min | Potassium uM/min | Chloride uM/min | Phosphate ug/min | Potassium Ratio | Volume ml/ <u>1</u> hr |
| Nigeria | | | | | | | | | | |
| Students | 35.3 | 6.57 | 38.8 | - 1 | 190 | 35.3 | 209 | - | 5,93 | 162 |
| Heavy Ind. | 22.9 | 4.13 | 31.3 | | 259 | 46.7 | 354 | - | 6.71 | 339 |
| Light Ind. | 34.8 | 5.58 | 37.0 | - | 340 | 54.3 | 361 | - | 7.14 | 292 |
| Villagers | 47.8 | 6.52 | 51.1 | - | 237 | 32.2 | 252 | - | 8.56 | 148 |
| | + | ** | NS | | NS | NS | NS | | NS | *** |
| New Guinea | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Kaul | 35.0 | 11.0 | 36.0 | 1.47 | 115 | 36.1 | 118 | 4.81 | 3.60 | 97.1 |
| i, | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS |
| Low Plant. | 33.1 | 10.0 | 35.3 | 1.46 | 111 | 33.7 | 119 | 4.90 | 3,95 | 101 |
| Lufa | 32.8 | 9.64 | 28.6 | 1.99 | 131 | 38.7 | 115 | 8.00 | 3.81 | 120 |
| | NS | NS | NS | * | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS |
| High Plant. | 27.1 | 8.63 | 27.6 | 1.18 | 127 | 40.4 | 129 | 5.55 | 3.46 | 126 |
| India | 1 | | | | | | | ÷ | | |
| Lab. Workers | 54.9 | 5.71 | 51.7 | 0.40 | 298 | 31.0 | 280 | 2.17 | 10.8 | 163 |
| | | NS | NS | *** | NS | NS | NS | ** | NS | NS |
| Villagers | 74.1 | 6,51 | 70.5 | 1.45 | 297 | 26.1 | 282 | 6.04 | 12.3 | 116 |

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The male groups from the lowlands of New Guinea (Kauls and Low Plantation workers) were compared and no significant differences were found. Comparisons between the men from the highlands of New Guinea however, showed the Lufas to have higher values for phosphate concentration ($0.05 \ge p \ge 0.01$) than the High Plantation workers (see Table 11).

In the Indian study, the villagers and the Laboratory workers, who all came from the vicinity of New Delhi were different in that the sweat sodium concentrations were lower for the Laboratory workers (0.05 > p > 0.01) and the phosphate concentrations were much higher for the villagers $(p \le 0.001)$. Phosphate excretion rates were also higher for the villagers (0.01 > p > 0.001) (see Table 11).

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Table 12

Changes in Sweat Measurements with Acclimatization Means and Levels of Significane of Differences between Means

| | | Concentr | ations | | 1 | Excretion | Rates | | Sodium | Sweat |
|-----------|-----------------|--------------------|--|------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------|-------|
| Group | Sodium mEq/l | Potassium mEq/l | Potassium Chloride Phosphate Sodium Potassium Chlorid mEq/1 mEq/1 mg/1 uM/min uM/min uM/min | | Chloride uM/min | Phosphate ug/min | Potassium Ratio | Volume ml/½hr | | |
| | Army G | roup I (25 | subjects) | | to many | | | | | |
| Unacc. | 72.3 * | 6.06 | 67.5 ** | - | 569 *** | 47.6 | 531 *** | - | 12.5 | 236 |
| Nat. Acc. | 65.5 | 5.20 | 58.8 | - | 1096 | 87.1 | 985 | - | 13.7 | 503 |
| | Army G | roup IV (14 | subjects) | | 1 | | | | | |
| Unacc. | 72.3 NS | 5.31 NS | 68.9 NS | 1.55 | 298 | 21.9 | 284 *** | 6,39 NS | 14.6 | 124 |
| Art. Acc. | 72.6 | 5.48 | 69.4 | 0.69 | 795 | 60.1 | 761 | 7.53 | 14.6 | 329 |

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- *** p≤ 0.001



Table 13 Acclimatization in Israel Groups

Sweat Measurements and Significant Differences

| | | Co | oncentratio | ns | Ex | cretion Rat | es | Sodium | Volume |
|------------|-----|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Group | | Sodium mEq/l | Potassium mEq/1 | Chloride mEq/l | Sodium µM/min | Potassium µM/min | Chloride µM/min | Potassium Ratio | ml/12hr |
| Kurd Summ. | (M) | 45.8 | 7.82 | 46.8 | 484 NS | 82.5 | 494 * | 6.14 * | 317 *** |
| Kurd Wint. | (M) | 78.6 | 10.3 | 74.6 | 351 | 46.0 | 334 | 8.12 | 134 |
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| | | *** | ** | *** | NS | *** | NS | * | *** |
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| Kurd Summ. | (F) | 44.1 | 9,47 | 42.0 | 168 | 36.1 | 160 | 4.72 | 115 |
| | | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS |
| Kurd Wint: | (F) | 53.8 | 9,66 | 50.2 | 149 | 26.8 | 139 | 5.65 | 83.2 |
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With acclimatization there was a significant decrease in the concentration of sodium (0.05 > p> 0.01), potassium (p \leq 0.001) and chloride (0.01 > p> 0.001). Sodium/potassium ratio increased (0.01 > p> 0.001) and with the rise in sweat rate (p \leq 0.001), the increase in excretion rate of all electrolytes was significant at the 0.1% level.

Artificial Acclimatization

The subjects of Army group IV were tested for sweat sodium, potassium, chloride, phosphate and sweat rate before and after a course of artificial acclimatization (see Table 12).

When the pre- and post-acclimatization sweat measurements were compared, there were no significant differences for sodium, potassium or chloride concentration. Excretion rates of these electrolytes increased with the sweat rate, each difference being at the 0.1% level of significance. Phosphate concentrations were significantly lower after acclimatization $(0.05 \ge p > 0.01)$ but there was no significant change in the excretion rate of phosphate.

Seasonal Changes in Israel

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Summer and winter tests were done on Kurd and Yemenite men and women. Only in the Kurd male group were there enough repeated subjects to enable paired t-testing. Compared with the summer results, the winter samples showed a highly significant ($p \le 0.001$) increase in sodium and chloride concentrations but with the reduction in sweat rate, changes in sodium and chloride excretion rates were not significant. Potassium concentrations increased at the 5% level and the excretion rate was reduced ($0.01 \ge p > 0.001$). The sodium/potassium ratio in the winter was higher and the difference was significant at the 5% level.

Although there were insufficient repeat experiments on individuals for paired t-tests, the number of Kurd females and Yemenite males and

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Table 14

Significance of Changes with Time of Sweat Measurements on Indian Army Groups during Seasonal

Deacclimatization (September to December)

| | No. | | Concent | ration | | | Excretio | n Rate | | Sodium | Sweat |
|-------------|------|------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
| Group | Subs | Sodium Potassium | | Chloride Phosphate | | Sodium | Potassium | Chloride | Phosphate | Potassium Ratic | Rate |
| | | Repeat T | ests on Ind | ividuals (| paired t-te | ests) | | | | | |
| Northerners | 9 | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | -** | NS | - * |
| Southerners | 3 | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS |
| Gurkhas | 8 | +** | +* | +** | NS | +* | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS |
| | 1 | First Tes | st on all Su | ıbjects (| regression | analyses |) | | | | |
| Northerners | 25 | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | -* | NS | NS |
| Southerners | 28 | NS | +* | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | -* | NS | -* |
| Gurkhas | 32 | NS | NS | +* | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS - | NS | -* |
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females was adequate to perform t-tests between the means of the groups. Further subjects for the Kurd males were also available for group comparison (see Table 13),

In all groups there was an increase in sweat electrolyte concentrations in winter. For sodium and chloride this was highly significant ($p \notin 0.001$) for all groups except the Kurd females who did not show any significant change at all. Potassium concentration changes were significant at the 5% level for the Kurd males and at the 1% level for the Yemenite males but not for the Yemenite females.

Increased winter excretion rates were seen only in the Yemenite females for sodium and chloride but these were not significant. The other three groups all had decreased excretion rates in the winter, with highly significant ($p \leq 0.001$) differences for potassium in male groups. A significant decrease (0.05 > p > 0.01) was also found for the chloride excretion rate in the Kurd males. All groups had higher sodium/potassium ratios in the winter, significant at the 5% level for the men and although all groups had reduced sweat rates, the differences from summer to winter were also only significant for the men $(p \le 0.001)$.

Correcting by body weight had no effect on the levels of significance of differences between summer and winter excretion rates.

Indian Army Subjects

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Repeat tests were performed on a number of subjects from each of the Indian army groups with at least 25 days between tests during which the environmental temperatures were falling. The level of significance of changes in sweat concentrations and excretion rates are given in Table 14.

No significant differences could be shown in any measurements for the Southerners. The Northerners showed only a reduced sweat rate (0.05 > p > 0.01) and phosphate excretion rate (0.01 > p > 0.001) but the tests on the Gurkhas revealed significantly increased sodium and chloride

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concentrations $(0.01 \neq p > 0.001)$ and potassium concentrations $(0.05 \neq p > 0.01)$. The sodium excretion rate for the Gurkhas was also higher $(0.05 \Rightarrow p > 0.01)$ despite the fact that the sweat rate had decreased although not significantly.

As well as examining repeat tests on individuals over the season, the results from all subjects in each Indian army group were compared with time by estimating regression coefficients (see Table 14). In general, increases were observed in sodium, potassium and chloride concentrations with reductions in phosphate concentration and sodium/potassium ratio. The exception to this was for a decreasing potassium concentration and a rising sodium/potassium ratio for the Gurkhas. Significant regressions were seen for the change in potassium concentration for the Southerners and chloride concentration for the Gurkhas (0.05 > p > 0.01). Sweat rates decreased, the regression being significant at the 5% level for the Southerners and Gurkhas and all excretion rates fell, the decrease being significant for the phosphate of the Northerners and Southerners.

British Females

No repeat tests were available on British females with changes in acclimatization but the unacclimatized and acclimatized control groups have been compared. No difference occurred in the sodium, potassium or chloride concentrations and even the sodium/potassium ratio was not significantly different for the two groups. With the larger sweat rate for the acclimatized controls however, all excretion rates were much higher ($p \in 0.001$).

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New Guinea Subjects

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In New Guinea, the Lufa subjects were composed of a wide age range for both males and females. When comparing young and old adults, no differences could be found within each sex except that the old males had a higher phosphate excretion rate (0.01 > p > 0.001), although when this was



| | 1 | Concenti | ations | | | Excretion | Rates | | Sodium | |
|--------------|--------|-----------|----------|-----------|--------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------------------|
| Group | Sodium | Potassium | Chloride | Phosphate | Sodium | Potassium | Chloride | Phosphate | Potassium | Volume |
| | mEq/l | mEq/l | mEq/1 | mg/l | uM/min | uM/min | uM/min | ug/min | Ratio | $ml/\frac{1}{2}hr$ |
| Lufas | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Young Men | 32.8 | 9,64 | 28.6 | 1,99 | 131 | 38.7 | 115 | 8.00 | 3.81 | 120 |
| Old Men | 31.9 | 9,82 | 29.3 | 1.41 | 104 | 31.9 | 95.2 | 4.59 | 4.17 | 97.9 |
| Boys | 32.6 | 21.6 | 29.1 | 4.81 | 14.6 | 9.65 | 13.0 | 2.03 | 1.72 | 14.6 |
| Young Women | 24.1 | 13.5 | 21.1 | 3.37 | 67.5 | 37.8 | 58.9 | 9,43 | 2.28 | 83.8 |
| Old Women | 20.0 | 13.8 | 17.0 | 3.33 | 42.9 | 29.8 | 36.5 | 7.17 | 1.63 | 64.5 |
| Men | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | * | NS | NS |
| Men and Boys | NS | *** | NS | *** | *** | *** | *** | *** | * | *** |
| Women | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS | NS |

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corrected by body weight for each subject, the difference in means became not significant.

It can be seen from Table 15 however, that when the Lufa boys were added to the two older male groups, large differences ($p \notin 0.001$) were found for potassium and phosphate concentrations and all excretion rates. Sodium/potassium ratios differed at the 5% level. Lufa boys had much lower sweat rates than the men and correcting the excretion rate by body weight failed to remove the significance of differences, although they were reduced to the 1% level for potassium and the 5% level for phosphate.

British Subjects

The subjects of Army group I had ages ranging from 17 years to 40 years. Correlation of sweat sodium, potassium and chloride concentrations and sodium/potassium ratios were calculated against age for this group before and after acclimatization. No significant correlations were found.

The Swimmers whose ages ranged from 14 years to 22 years were examined in the same way as Army group I for age effect. No significant correlations could be found for this group either.

Within Subject Variation

For those tests where serial sweat samples have been collected it has been possible to examine the changes which occur during sweating. In this way, further information is available for the unacclimatized females, Army groups III and IV and some of the Indian subjects.

Influence of Time, Skin Temperature and Sweat Rate upon Sweat

Electrolyte Concentration during Controlled Hyperthermia

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Time from the start of controlled hyperthermia, average skin temperature and the sweat rate for the relevant serial sweat samples were related in all possible combinations with sodium, potassium, chloride and phosphate concentration in turn for each subject, by means of multiple

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 Table 16
 Significant Regression Slopes for Sweat Electrolyte Concentrations on Time, Skin Temperature and

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|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|----------------------|
| No. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | TS | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. |
| | | | | Army Gr | oup IV | before / | Acclimati | zation | | | | |
| 1 | 0.24 | - | 1.08 | -0.03 | - | - | - | 14.8 | - | -0.19 | - | - |
| 2 | no signi | ficant | slopes | - | - | -0.38 | - | -10.6 | - | - | 13.2 | - |
| 3 | 0.17 | - | - | -0.03 | - | - | 0.28 | - | - | 0.16 | 16.7 | -2,60 |
| 4 | no signi | ficant | slopes | -0.03 | - | - | - | -4.24 | - | | - | 0.80 |
| 5 | 0.35 | - | - | - | -1.32 | 0.06 | 0.17 | - | - | - | 48.6 | - |
| 6 | - | -6.19 | - | -0.04 | - | - | 0.10 | | - | no sign | ificant | slopes |
| 7 | no signi | ficant | slopes | -0.04 | - | - | 0.16 | - | - | no sign | ificant | slopes |
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| 10 | 0.21 | - | - / | - | 3.18 | - | 0.15 | - | - 3 | no sign | ificant | slopes |
| 11 | no signi | ficant | slopes | -0.04 | 1.51 | - | 0.51 | - | - | -0.36 | - | - |
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|----|----|-------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|---------|---------|--------|----------------|--------|
| 11 | no | signi | ficant | slopes | -0.04 | 1.51 | - | 0.51 | - | - | -0.36 - | - |
| 12 | no | signi | ficant | slopes | -0.10 | - | - | no sign | ificant | slopes | no significant | slopes |
| 13 | | - | 11.9 | - | -0.03 | - | - | 0.23 | - | - | no significant | slopes |
| 14 | | - | -23.2 | - | no signi | ficant | slopes | -0.39 | -25.8 | -0.71 | no significant | slopes |
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| Sub. | S | odium | | P | otassiu | m | C | hloride | | P | nosphate | e |
|------|-----------|--------|--------|----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|--------|----------|----------|--------|
| No. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. |
| | - | | Army | Group I | / after | Artific | ial Accl | imatiza | tion | | | |
| 1 | no signi | ficant | slopes | -0.05 | - | - | no sign | ificant | slopes | no sign | ificant | slopes |
| 2 | no signi | ficant | slopes | - | - | 0.08 | - | -24.6 | - | -0.30 | -23.9 | -0.46 |
| 3 | no signi | ficant | slopes | -0.07 | - | - | 0.03 | -13.9 | - | no sign: | ificant | slopes |
| 4 | no signi | ficant | slopes | - | 1.89 | - | - | - | 1.34 | no sign | ificant | slopes |
| 5 | no signi | ficant | slopes | no signi | ficant | slopes | no sign | ificant | slopes | - | -10.4 | |
| 6 | no signi | ficant | slopes | -0.03 | - | - 1 | - | -8.68 | - | no sign | ificant | slopes |
| 7 | 0.17 | -15.2 | -0.07 | no signi | ficant | slopes | 0.17 | - | - | - | 24.3 | - |
| 8 | | -28.4 | - 1 | - | - | 0.03 | 0.14 | -16.6 | - | - | - | 0,09 |
| 9 | no signi | ficant | slopes | -0.002 | 3.08 | 0.08 | 0.09 | - | - | - | - | 1.57 |
| 10 | 0.14 | | - | -0.03 | - | - | 0.51 | 21.0 | 0.30 | no sign | ificant | slopes |
| 11 | no signi: | licant | slopes | -0.03 | - | - | no sign | ificant | slopes | - | -13.2 | - |
| 12 | no signii | licant | slopes | 0.03 | 7.47 | 0.003 | 0.12 | - | - | - | 19.1 | - |
| 13 | no signif | icant | slopes | -0.03 | - | - | 0.20 | -8,35 | 0.25 | -0,14 | - | -0.45 |
| 14 | no signif | icant | slopes | -0.02 | | - | 0.12 | - | | -0.22 | - | - |

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|------|-----------------------|-------|------|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------|------|-------|
| 12 | no significant slopes | 0.03 | 7.47 | 0.003 | 0.12 | - | - | - | 19.1 | - |
| 13 | no significant slopes | -0.03 | - | - | 0.20 | -8.35 | 0.25 | -0,14 | - | -0.45 |
| 14 | no significant slopes | -0.02 | - | - | 0.12 | - | - | -0.22 | - | - |
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| Sub | - | Sodium | | P | otassiu | m | 0 | hloride | | Ph | osphate | ə ' |
|-----|----------|---------|--------|----------|---------|---------|------|---------|-------|----------|---------|--------|
| No. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts. | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. |
| | | | | | Arm | y Group | 111 | | | | | |
| 1 | 0.09 | -6.38 | - | -0.02 | - | - | 0.31 | - | - | - | - | 0.84 |
| 2 | 0.49 | - | - | -0.04 | - | - | 0.42 | - | - | -0.11 | 5.42 | - |
| 3 | no sign | ificant | slopes | -0.03 | - | | 0.12 | - | - | no signi | ficant | slopes |
| 4 | - | -47.9 | -1.24 | -0.03 | 2.68 | - | 0.38 | -38.1 | - | - | 23.9 | - |
| 5 | 0.14 | - | - | -0.06 | - | - | 0.26 | - | - | -0.06 | - | - |
| 6 | -0.15 | - | - | - | - | 0.12 | - | -18.8 | - | -0.28 | - | - |
| 7 | - | -19.0 | - | -0.07 | 7.52 | - | 0.21 | -19.8 | - | -0.74 | - | - |
| 8 | 0.33 | • | - | - | - | 0.85 | - | - | -8,67 | - | - | 10.4 |
| 9 | no signi | ificant | slopes | -0.06 | - | - | 0.11 | - | - | -0.17 | - | - |
| 10 | no signi | ficant | slopes | no signi | ficant | slopes | 0.18 | 1.11 | 0,03 | -0.15 | - | - |
| 11 | 0.15 | - | -0.97 | -0.08 | - | - | 0.37 | - | - | -0.37 | - | - |
| 12 | - | -18.4 | -2.51 | - | 3.37 | - | 0.09 | -15.2 | -1.00 | no sign: | ficant | slopes |

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| Sub. | | Sodium | | Р | otassiu | m | C | hloride | • | P | hospha | te |
|------|----------|------------------|--------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------|---------|--------|---------|
| No | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. |
| | | | | : | Army Gr | oup III | repeat | | | | | |
| 1 | 0.26 | -6.62 | 2-28 | -0.04 | - | ÷ | 0.22 | -4.36 | - | -0.18 | - | - |
| 2 | insuffi | cient d | ata | insuffi | cient d | lata | insuffi | cient d | lata | insuffi | cient | data |
| 5 | no sign | ificant | slopes | -0.05 | - | - | 0.14 | - | - | no sign | ifican | t slope |
| 6 | no sign | i fica nt | slopes | -0.03 | - | - | 0.14 | - | - | no sign | ifican | t slope |
| 7 | 0.09 | - | - | -0.05 | 0.82 | -0.23 | 0.11 | -7,31 | - | no sign | ifican | t slope |
| 8 | insuffi | cient da | ata | insuffi | cient d | ata | insuffi | cient d | lata | insuffi | cient | data |
| 9 | -0.09 | - | - | -0.07 | - | - | - | 11.3 | - | no sign | ifican | t slope |
| 10 | 0.26 | - | - | - | 0.41 | 0.08 | 0.20 | - | - | -0.03 | - | - |
| 11 | 0.14 | - | - | -0.02 | - | - | 0.16 | -6.30 | - | no sign | ifican | t slope |
| 12 | insuffic | ient da | ta - | insuffic | cient d | ata | insuffi | cient d | lata | insuffi | cient | data |

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| Table 1 | 5 cont: | inued |
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| Sub | ſ | Sodium | | P P | otassiu | n | C | hloride | | PI | hosphate | • |
|-----|----------|------------------|--------|----------|---------|----------|-------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|----------|--------|
| No. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. |
| | | | | In | dian La | boratory | y Workers | | | | | |
| 128 | 0.40 | - | 0.38 | -0.02 | - | - | 0.45 | - | - | -0,20 | - | -0.59 |
| 133 | 0.28 | 11.5 | 0.61 | -0.04 | -1.38 | - | - | - | . 2.45 | -0.23 | -20.4 | - |
| 135 | no sign | ificant | slopes | -0.07 | 0.60 | -0.30 | 0.19 | - | - | no sign | ificant | slopes |
| | | | | İ | Indi | an Villa | gers | | | | | |
| 147 | -0.31 | -25.4 | -1.94 | - | - | -0.17 | -0.12 | - | -1.68 | - | - | 1,15 |
| | | | | | North | Indian | Army | | | | | |
| 52 | no sign | i fica nt | slopes | -0.06 | - | • | 0.94 | - | - | - | - | 1.07 |
| 111 | no sign: | ificant | slopes | no sign: | ificant | slopes | no sign: | ificant | slopes | - | 10.8 | - |
| 112 | no signi | ificant | slopes | -0.03 | -2.10 | 0.03 | - | -28.6 | - | 0.15 | -29,5 | 0.09 |
| 115 | 0,33 | 19.9 | 0.23 | no signi | ificant | slopes | 0.28 | - | - | no sign | ificant | slopes |
| | | | | | South | Indian | Army | | | | | |
| 120 | no signi | ficant | slopes | 0,07 | 2.40 | 0.96 | 0.30 | - | - | no sign | ificant | slopes |
| | | | | | G | irkhas | | | | | | |
| 54 | no signi | ficant | slopes | -0.04 | - | 0.08 | n o sign : | ificant | slopes | no sign | ificant | slopes |
| 125 | no signi | ficant | slopes | -0.04 | 3.44 | - | 0.09 | - | 1,50 | -0.11 | - | - |

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| 120 54 125 | no significant slopes no significant slopes no significant slopes | 0.07 -0.04 -0.04 |
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| South | Inglan | Army | | | | | |
|-------|--------|--------------------|-------|--------|----------|-------|----------|
| 2.40 | 0.96 | 0.30 | - | - | no signi | fican | t slopes |
| Gu | urkhas | | | | | | |
| - | 0.08 | n o sign if | icant | slopes | no signi | fican | t slopes |
| 3.44 | - | 0.09 | - | 1,50 | -0.11 | - | - |
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| Sub | - | Sodium | | F | Potassium | | | hloride | - 3 | Phosphate | | | | |
|-----|----------|---------|--------|----------|------------------|---------|----------|---------|--------|-----------|---------|--------|--|--|
| No. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. | Time | Ts | S.R. | | |
| | | | | Unacclim | atized | British | Female C | ontrols | | | | | | |
| 1 | -0,22 | 76.2 | - | -0.24 | - | -4.49 | no sign | ificant | slopes | -0.78 | - | - | | |
| 2 | 0.33 | 11.2 | -12.4 | -0.01 | 2.91 | -4.92 | 0.20 | - | -3.26 | -0.09 | - | - | | |
| 3 | - | -10,9 | -3.29 | no sign | ifi ca nt | slopes | 0.34 | - | - | no sign | ificant | slopes | | |
| 4 | - | -8.78 | - | -0.07 | 5,43 | - | - | -14.0 | - | · • | 8,57 | - | | |
| 5 | -0.43 | -19.6 | -1.14 | -0.04 | 2.80 | - | -0.28 | -24.2 | - | -0.06 | - | -0.35 | | |
| 6 | - | - | -1.70 | -0.04 | - | - | 0.19 | - | - | - | -0.02 | 0.22 | | |
| 7 | . 0, 16 | -29.7 | - | -0.07 | 3.29 | - | 0.36 | -26.9 | | -0.05 | - | - | | |
| 8 | 0.39 | -37.9 | - | -0.12 | - | - | 0.51 | -32.2 | - | - | 2.50 | -1.04 | | |
| 9 | 0.24 | - | - | -0.04 | -3.61 | | 0.38 | - | - | no sign | ificant | slopes | | |
| 10 | -0,28 | - | - | -0.15 | - | 0.84 | -0.20 | - | - | -0.11 | 0.84 | 1.27 | | |
| 11 | 0.11 | - | - | -0.22 | - | - | 0.35 | - | - | -0.07 | - | - | | |
| 12 | 0.07 | -8.57 | - | -0.13 | - | -9.40 | 0.22 | - | - | - | - | -4.50 | | |
| 13 | | -4.50 | - | -0.05 | - | - | - | -5.18 | - | -0.03 | - | - | | |
| 14 | no sign: | ificant | slopes | -0.08 | - | - | no sign | ificant | slopes | -0.04 | - | 0,44 | | |

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Key: Ts skin temperature

S.R sweat rate



had on the four electrolyte concentrations. Each subject and each significant slopes are given in Table 16. regressions were tested to ensure that they were significant. These factors which may have influenced the concentrations, the slopes of the residual error (Snedicor, 1966). Having found the best combination of examined to determine which combination of factors resulted in the minimum the data before analysis. concentration was treated separately and no attempt was made to transform regression analysis, in an attempt to measure the effect that these factors The resulting analyses of variance were

Sodium

were found, decreased on acclimatization from 8 out of 13 to 3 out of 14. with sufficient data for statistical analysis and where significant slopes consistant pattern. The number of tests on subjects from Army group IV. were positive and those for skin temperature negative, there was no those with sweat rate least so. significant slopes found, regression with time was the most common and could be found with time, skin temperature or sweat rate. acclimatized controls and Indian army groups, no significant relationships In many subjects, particularly from the artificially Although the majority of slopes for time Of the

Potassium

was positive, there was no consistant pattern. and sweat rate were less common and although the majority of each of these almost every case, the slope was negative. Significant slopes for skin Potassium was also most commonly related to time but in

were greater than the steepest (absolute) value of -0.10 for the men. heing -0.24 The females tended to have the steeper slopes for time, the steepest One third of the significant time slopes for the females

Chloride Like the sodium, chloride concentrations were most

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| 11 | 0.11 - | - | -0.22 | - | - | 0.35 | - | - | -0.07 | - | - | |
| 12 | 0.07 -8.57 | - | -0.13 | - | -9.40 | 0.22 | - | - | - | - | -4.50 | l |
| 13 | 4.50 | - | -0.05 | - | - | - | -5.18 | - | -0.03 | - | - | Į |
| 14 | no significant s | lopes | -0.08 | - | - | no sign | ificant | slopes | -0.04 | - | 0.44 | |
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Table 17

Changes in Electrolyte Concentrations during Sweating Regressions

| Sub. | Sodium | Potass | ium | Chlor | ide | Phosphate | | | |
|------|------------|----------|------------|--------|-----|-----------|-----|--|--|
| No. | mEg/1/min | mEq/1/ | min | mEq/1/ | nin | mg/l/min | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | Army Group | III tes | <u>t 1</u> | | | | | | |
| 1 | 0.097 NS | -0.027 | *** | 0.309 | *** | -0.063 | NS | | |
| 2 | 0.488 ** | -0.042 | *** | 0.365 | *** | -0.173 | * | | |
| 3 | 0.028 NS | -0.038 | *** | 0.164 | *** | -0.023 | NS | | |
| 4 | 0.596 *** | -0.055 | *** | 0.771 | *** | -0.172 | * | | |
| 5 | 0.100 NS | -0.060 | *** | 0.274 | ** | -0.008 | NS | | |
| 6 | -0.146 * | -0,029 | * | -0.006 | NS | -0.275 | aja | | |
| 7 | 0.042 NS | -0.127 | *** | 0.365 | *** | -0.617 | *** | | |
| 8 | 0.320 ** | -0.029 | NS | 0.316 | ** | -0.172 | * | | |
| 9 | -0.024 NS | -0.055 | *** | 0.114 | ** | -0.121 | * | | |
| 10 | 0.091 NS | -0.001 | NS | 0.074 | NS | -0.150 | * | | |
| 11 | 0.227 *** | -0.075 | *** | 0.373 | *** | 0.159 | NS | | |
| 12 | 0.188 * | -0.022 | * | 0.272 | NS | 0.110 | NS | | |
| mean | 0.279 | · -0.053 | | 0.332 | | -0.240 | | | |
| | Army Group | III te | st 2 | | | | | | |
| 1 | 0.292 *** | -0,036 | *** | 0.287 | *** | -0.140 | *** | | |
| 2 | not enough | data | | | | | | | |
| 3 | subject om | nitted | | | | | | | |
| 4 | subject om | nitted | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 0.000 NS | -0.054 | *** | 0.166 | *** | 0.085 | NS | | |
| 6 | ~0.049 NS | -0.033 | *** | 0.141 | *** | -0.009 | NS | | |
| 7 | 0.092 * | -0.048 | *** | 0,193 | *** | 0.024 | NS | | |
| 8 | not enough | data | | | | | | | |
| 9 | 0.058 ** | -0.077 | *** | 0.195 | *** | 0,199 | NS | | |
| 10 | 0.183 ** | -0.007 | NS | 0.204 | ** | , -0, 030 | NS | | |
| 11 | 0.137 * | -0.022 | | 0.159 | * | -0.169 | NS | | |
| 12 | not enough | data | | | | 0.100 | | | |
| mean | 0.152 | -0.045 | | 0.192 | | -0.140 | | | |

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| 0.085 NS | | _ | | | | | |
| -0.009 NS | | _ | | | | | |
| 0.024 NS | | | | | | | |
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| 0.199 NS | | | | | | | |
| -0.030 NS | | | | | | | |
| -0.169 NS | | | | | | | |
| -0.140 | | | | | | | |
Table 17 continued

| Sub. | Sodiu | m | Potass | ium | Chlorid | de | Phosph | ate |
|------|--------|------|---------|-------|----------|-------|--------|-----|
| No. | mEq/1/ | nin | mEq/1/ | min | mEq/1/m | in | mg/1/r | nin |
| | 1 | | | | | | - | |
| | Army G | roup | IV unac | clima | tized | | | |
| 1 | 0.084 | * | -0.034 | *** | 0.136 | | -0.186 | * |
| 2 | 0.121 | NS | -0.025 | ** | 0,181 | NS | -0.230 | * |
| 3 | 0.203 | *** | -0.033 | *** | 0.284 | *** | 0.188 | NS |
| 4 | -0.014 | NS | -0.038 | *** | 0.055 | NS | -0.012 | NS |
| 5 | 0.329 | *** | -0.007 | NS | 0.168 | ** | 0.105 | NS |
| 6 | 0.042 | NS | -0.038 | *** | 0.100 | ** | 0.011 | NS |
| 7 | 0.060 | NS | -0.046 | *** | 0.184 | *** | -0.123 | NS |
| 8 | not en | ough | data | 1 | | - | | |
| 9 | 0.137 | ** | -0.016 | * | 0.205 | *** | 0.139 | NS |
| 10 | 0.089 | * | -0.026 | | 0.150 | *** | 0.050 | NS |
| 11 | 0.117 | NS | -0.036 | ** | 0.243 | ** | -0.350 | *** |
| 12 | -0.063 | NS | -0.094 | ** | 0.041 | NS | 0.256 | NS |
| 13 | 0.102 | NS | -0.031 | *** | 0,183 | *** | -0.018 | NS |
| 14 | 0.139 | NS | -0,013 | NS | 0,193 | * | 0.039 | NS |
| mean | 0.168 | | -0.038 | | 0.177 | 1 | -0.225 | |
| | Army G | roup | IV arti | ficia | lly accl | imati | zed | |
| 1 | 0.053 | NS | -0.033 | ** | 0.000 | NS | -0.008 | NS |
| 2 | 0.051 | NS | ~0.018 | + | 0.080 | NS | 0.035 | NS |
| 3 | 0.083 | NS | -0.069 | *** | 0.288 | ** | -0.356 | NS |
| 4 | 0.070 | NS | -0.020 | + | -0.230 | NS | -0.056 | * |
| 5 | -0.022 | NS | -0.001 | NS | 0.027 | NS | -0.022 | NS |
| 6 | -0.047 | NS | -0.033 | *** | 0.080 | + | 0.006 | NS |
| 7 | 0.097 | * | -0.008 | NS | 0.132 | ** | 0.051 | NS |
| 8 | 0.248 | ** | -0.013 | NS | 0.319 | *** | 0.013 | NS |
| 9 | 0.042 | NS | -0.021 | ** | 0.093 | * | -0.227 | ** |
| 10 | 0.139 | ** | -0.044 | *** | 0.137 | ** | -0.009 | NS |
| 11 | 0.247 | NS | -0.026 | ** | 0.049 | NS | 0.064 | * |
| 12 | 0.055 | NS | -0.026 | +] | 0.122 | * 1 | -0.046 | NS |
| 13 | 0.062 | NS | -0.028 | ** | 0.130 | *** | -0.068 | ** |
| 14 | 0.008 | NS | -0.024 | *** | 0.123 | *** | 0.035 | * |
| mean | 0.161 | - | -0.031 | - | 0.158 | 1 | -0.050 | |

| Phosphate | |
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| mg/1/min | |
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| -0.186 + | |
| -0.230 * | |
| 0.188 NS | |
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Table 17 continued

| Sub. | Sodiu | រ៣ | Potass | ium | Chlor | ide | Phosph | ate |
|------|--------|-------|---------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-----|
| | mEq/1/ | min | mEq/1/ | min | mEq/1/ | min | mg/1/1 | nin |
| | Unaccl | imati | zed Fema | le Co | ntrol | | | |
| ı | -0.167 | NS | -0.354 | *** | -0.013 | NS | -0,829 | ** |
| 2 | 0.143 | * | -0.089 | ** | 0.152 | ** | -0.089 | ** |
| 3 | 0.185 | ** | -0.016 | NS | 0.303 | ** | 0.079 | NS |
| 4 | 0.096 | NS | -0.153 | *** | 0.233 | ** | -0.083 | NS |
| 5 | 0.014 | NS | -0.096 | *** | 0.203 | - | -0,040 | *** |
| 6 | 0.186 | ** | -0.025 | *** | 0.186 | *** | -0.020 | * |
| 7 | 0.585 | * | -0.125 | *** | 0.746 | ** | -0.048 | * |
| 8 | 0.705 | *** | -0.093 | * | 0.730 | *** | -0.002 | NS |
| 9 | 0.169 | *** | -0.064 | *** | 0.268 | * * * | 0.039 | NS |
| 10 | -0.349 | *** | -0.175 | *** | -0.210 | *** | -0.149 | *** |
| 11 | 0.114 | NS | -0.216 | *** | 0.348 | ** | -0.074 | * |
| 12 | -0.051 | NS | -0.227 | ** | 0.118 | ** | -0.045 | NS |
| 13 | 0.013 | NS | -0.066 | *** | 0.153 | 举唐 | -0.030 | *** |
| 14 | -0.174 | NS | -0.086 | *** | -0.033 | NS | -0.053 | ** |
| mean | 0.232 | | ⁱ -0.136 | | 0.269 | | -0.148 | |
| | Indian | Labo | ratory W | orker | 5 | | | |
| 128 | 0.331 | *** | -0.020 | *** | 0.462 | *** | -0.136 | *** |
| 133 | 0.138 | *** | -0.036 | *** | 0.290 | ** | -0.102 | * |
| 135 | -0.031 | NS | -0.016 | *** | 0,193 | ** | -0,013 | NS |
| | Indian | Vill | agers | | | | | |
| 147 | 0.027 | NS | 0.022 | NS | 0.109 | * | -0.155 | * |
| | North | India | n Army | | | | | |
| 52 | 0.127 | NS | -0.059 | ** | 0.250 | 1 | -0.140 | |
| 111 | 0.038 | NS | -0.011 | NS | 0.077 | NS | -0.067 | * |
| 112 | -0.065 | NS | -0.026 | *** | 0.069 | NG | 0.007 | |
| 115 | 0.327 | *** | -0.002 | NS | 0.276 | *** | -0.033 | NS |
| | South | India | n Army | | | | | |
| 120 | 0.045 | NS | -0.025 | * | 0,295 | ** | -0.011 | NS |
| | Gurkha | 9 | | | | | | |
| 54 | 0.080 | NS | -0.052 | *** | 0.268 | NC | -0.097 | NR |
| 56 | -0.365 | NS | -0.074 | ** | -0.328 | NG | -0.093 | NC |
| | 0.100 | 110 | 0.110 | | 0.020 | 110 | 0.057 | NS |
| 125 | -0.183 | NS | 0,110 | ** | 0.008 | NS | -0.263 | + |

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commonly related to time with only a few significant slopes which were negative. Significant slopes with skin temperature were more often found to be positive than negative but the few positive and negative slopes with sweat rate appeared in equal numbers. Unlike the results for sodium, there were still many significant regression slopes for chloride amongst the post acclimatization tests on Army group IV.

Phosphate

As with potassium, phosphate slopes with time were almost always negative. Like the other electrolytes examined, significant slopes for skin temperature were less common and did not tend to be either negative or positive. For many subjects, no significant slopes could be shown at all.

Changes in Sweat Concentration with Time

Where sufficient serial samples have been available (a total of 72 tests) the concentrations of sodium, potassium, chloride and phosphate have been analysed as regressions on time during the period of controlled hyperthermia. The slopes and levels of significance of these regressions are given in Table 17. A great many of the significant regressions of concentration on time showed the relationship to be linear and so no transformations of the data were performed before the statistical analysis. For sodium, most regression coefficients were positive, with 27 significant slopes ($p \le 0.05$),10 of these being significant at the 0.1% level. For the chloride, the results were much the same but with even more (53) significantly positive slopes. For 24 of these the significance was at the 0.1% level.

Potassium concentration decreased during controlled hyperthermia in nearly all tests and 60 significant negative slopes were found, over half of which were at the 0.1% level. Phosphate concentration slopes which were significant to at least the 5% level were both negative (29) and positive

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Table 18

Changes in Electrolyte Concentrations during Sweating Regressions

| Sub. | Sodium | | Potass | ium | Chlori | de | Phosph | ate |
|------|----------|-----|--------|------|--------|-----|--------|-----|
| No. | mEq/1/m | 1 | mEq/1/ | /ml | mEq/1, | /m1 | mg/1/ | ml |
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| | Army Gro | oup | III te | st l | | | | 1 |
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| 1 | 0.019 | * | -0.005 | *** | 0.060 | *** | -0.012 | NS |
| 2 | 0.290 | ** | -0.025 | *** | 0.216 | *** | 10.104 | ** |
| 3 | 0.005 | NS | -0.007 | *** | 0.031 | *** | -0.004 | NS |
| 1 | 0.128 1 | *** | -0.012 | *** | 0.165 | *** | -0.037 | * 1 |
| 5 | 0.015 | NS | -0.009 | *** | 0.040 | ** | -0.001 | NS |
| 6 | -0.021 | * | -0.004 | * | -0.001 | NS | -0.038 | * |
| 7 | 0.006 | NS | -0.016 | *** | 0.046 | *** | -0.078 | *** |
| 8 | 0.240 | ** | -0.023 | NS | 0.242 | ** | -0.135 | ** |
| 9 | -0,006 | NS | -0.014 | *** | 0.028 | ** | -0.030 | * 1 |
| 10 | 0.037 | NS | 0.000 | NS | 0.035 | NS | 0.023 | NS |
| 11 | 0.059 * | *** | -0.020 | *** | 0.098 | *** | 0.061 | NS |
| 12 | 0.138 | ** | -0.016 | * | 0.184 | *** | 0.464 | NS |
| mean | 0.122 | | -0.013 | | 0.111 | | -0.070 | 1 |
| | Army Gro | oup | III te | st 2 | | | | 1 |
| | 1 | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| 1 | 0.065 # | *** | -0.008 | *** | 0.064 | *** | -0.022 | * |
| 2 | not enou | ıgh | data | | | | 1 | |
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| 5 | -0,000 | NS | -0.006 | *** | 0.018 | *** | 0.010 | NS |
| 6 | -0.007 | NS | -0.004 | *** | 0.017 | *** | 0.000 | NS |
| 7 | 0.011 | | -0.006 | *** | 0,023 | *** | 0.005 | NS |
| 8 | not enou | lgh | data | | | | | |
| 9 | 0.010 | ** | -0.013 | *** | 0.033 | *** | 0.051 | |
| 10 | 0.053 | ** | -0.002 | NS | 0.059 | ** | 0.000 | NG |
| 11 | 0.046 | * | -0.007 | * | 0.054 | * | 0.005 | NG |
| 12 | not enou | igh | data | | | | 0.000 | 10 |
| mean | 0.037 | | -0.007 | | 0.038 | | 0.015 | |

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| No. | mEq/1/ | /m 1 | mEq/1, | /ml | mEq/1, | /m1 | mg/1/ | ml |
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| 1 | 0.011 | * | -0.005 | *** | 0.018 | * | -0.024 | * |
| 2 | 0.019 | NS | -0.010 | ** | 0.073 | NS | -0.091 | ** |
| 3 | 0.089 | *** | -0.015 | *** | 0.124 | *** | 0.076 | NS |
| 4 | -0.001 | NS | -0.004 | *** | 0.006 | NS | -0.001 | NS |
| 5 | 0.123 | *** | -0.003 | NS | 0.060 | ** | 0.043 | NS |
| 6 | 0.006 | NS | -0.005 | *** | 0.014 | ** | 0.001 | NS |
| 7 | 0.014 | NS | -0.012 | *** | 0.046 | *** | -0.028 | NS |
| 8 | not en | ough | data | | | | | |
| 9 | 0.039 | * | -0.005 | * | 0.062 | *** | -0,048 | NS |
| 10 | 0.018 | * | -0.006 | ** | 0.033 | *** | 0.009 | NS |
| 11 | 0.030 | NS | -0.009 | ** | 0.059 | ** | -0.086 | *** |
| 12 | -0.020 | NS | -0,028 | ** | 0.018 | NS | 0.090 | NS |
| 13 | 0.023 | NS | -0.007 | *** | 0.042 | *** | -0.004 | NS |
| 14 | 0.029 | NS | -0,003 | NS | 0.040 | * | 0.007 | NS |
| mean | 0.056 | | -0.010 | | 0.050 | | -0.067 | |
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| | Army G | roup | IV ar | tific | ially ac | clima | tized | |
| | | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| 1 | 0,006 | NS | -0.003 | ** | -0.000 | NS | -0.001 | NS |
| 2 | 0.009 | NS | -0.002 | * | 0.013 | NS | 0.013 | NS |
| 3 | 0.009 | NS | -0.008 | *** | 0.033 | ** | -0.041 | NS |
| 4 | 0.006 | NS | -0.002 | * | -0.015 | NS | -0.004 | * |
| 5 | -0.002 | NS | -0.000 | NS | 0.003 | NS | -0.002 | NS |
| 6 | -0.003 | NS | -0.002 | *** | 0.006 | * | 0,000 | NS |
| 7 | 0.008 | * | 0.001 | NS | 0.011 | ** | 0.004 | NS |
| 8 | 0.010 | ** | -0.000 | NS | 0.013 | *** | 0.001 | NS |
| 9 | 0.004 | NS | -0.003 | *** | 0.010 | NS | -0,028 | ** |
| 10 | 0.013 | ** | -0.004 | *** | 0.013 | ** | -0.001 | NS |
| 11 | 0.016 | NS | -0.002 | ** | 0.003 | NS | 0,005 | |
| 12 | 0.008 | NS | -0.004 | * | 0.018 | * | -0.007 | NS |
| 13 | 0.009 | NS | -0.004 | ** | 0.018 | *** | -0.009 | ** |
| 14 | 0.001 | NS | -0.002 | *** | 0.009 | *** | 0.003 | + |
| mean | 0.010 | | -0.003 | | 0.015 | | -0.007 | |
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| Sub. | Sodiu | 1m | Potass | i um | Chlor | i de | Phosph | ate |
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| 1 | -0.064 | NS | -0.136 | ** | -0.004 | NS | -0.064 | NS |
| 2 | 0.118 | ** | -0.073 | ** | 0.126 | ** | -0.115 | * |
| 3 | 0.181 | * | -0.019 | NS | 0.297 | *** | -0.024 | N. |
| 4 | 0.099 | NS | -0.150 | *** | 0.230 | ** | -0.069 | N. |
| 5 | 0.005 | NS | -0.026 | *** | 0.056 | * | -0.025 | * |
| 6 | 0.050 | ** | -0.007 | *** | 0.052 | *** | -0.023 | * |
| 7 | 0,241 | * | -0.051 | *** | 0.305 | ** | -0.047 | * |
| 8 | 0.415 | *** | -0.055 | * | 0.430 | *** | -0.028 | N |
| 9 | 0.107 | *** | -0.041 | *** | 0.169 | *** | -0.026 | N |
| 10 | -0.134 | *** | -0.067 | *** | -0.083 | *** | -0.056 | ** |
| 11 | 0.048 | NS | -0,091 | *** | 0.147 | ** | -0.057 | N |
| 12 | -0.021 | NS | -0.093 | ** | 0.048 | ** | -0.048 | N |
| 13 | 0.003 | NS | -0.011 | *** | 0.026 | ** | -0,016 | |
| 14 | -0.063 | NS | -0.030 | *** | -0.013 | NS | -0.052 | * |
| ean | 0.140 | | -0.064 | | 0.150 | | -0,048 | |
| | Indian | Labo | ratory W | orker | s | | | |
| 28 | 0.065 | *** | -0.004 | *** | 0.090 | *** | -0.026 | ** |
| 33 | 0.027 | *** | -0.007 | *** | 0.057 | ** | -0.021 | |
| 35 | -0.003 | NS | -0.005 | *** | 0.022 | ** | -0.002 | N |
| * | Indian | Vill | agers | | | | | |
| 47 | 0.005 | NS | 0.005 | NS | 0.022 | * | -0.032 | * |
| | North | India | n Army | | | | - | |
| 52 | 0.026 | NG | -0.014 | - | 0.054 | | 0.000 | |
| 11 | 0.008 | NS | -0.003 | NC | 0.034 | NG | -0.032 | |
| 12 | -0.007 | NS | -0.002 | ND +++ | 0.015 | NS | -0.013 | |
| 15 | 0.072 | *** | -0.000 | NS | 0.007 | NS *** | -0,007 | * N |
| | South | India | n <u>Army</u> | | | | | |
| 20 | 0.025 | NS | -0.013 | * | 0.153 | ** | -0.007 | N |
| | Gurkha | <u>s</u> | | | 1 | | | |
| 54 | 0.018 | NS | -0.008 | *** | 0.046 | NO | -0.017 | |
| 56 | -0,053 | NS | ~0.012 | *** | -0.046 | NS | -0.011 | N: |
| 25 | -0,024 | NS | -0.014 | ** | 0.040 | NS | -0.015 | N |
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(3). Of the subjects, who were tested twice, no repeatable significant slopes were found with either replication (Army group III) or artificial acclimatization (Army group IV).

After artificial acclimatization, levels of significance tended to decrease for sodium, potassium and chloride but little change could be observed for phosphate.

When the means for the significant sodium and chloride slopes of each group were compared, values tended to be higher for the females, Army group III on the first test and for the combined Indian groups. Potassium slopes were steeper for the females than for any male group. Significant phosphate slopes varied widely but the flattest mean slopes were found for the artificially acclimatized subjects and the Indians.

Changes in Concentration with Volume of Sweat Secreted

The concentrations of sodium, potassium, chloride and phosphate from the serial sweat samples, collected during controlled hyperthermia, have been analysed as regressions of concentration on the cumulative volume of sweat produced up to the time of each collection. Many of the significant slopes showed the relationship between concentration and cumulative volume to be linear.

For sodium, most regression slopes were positive (see Table 18) and only two significant negative slopes were seen. The unacclimatized control females had the highest mean (of significant slopes) and the artificially acclimatized males the lowest. For Army groups III and IV, the first tests on the subjects produced steeper slopes than subsequent tests. Chloride slopes were much the same as those for sodium.

For potassium, nearly all the slopes were negative and many were highly significant. Among the groups, the mean value of the significant slopes were again sieepest for the women and flatter slopes were seen on the second tests for the Army groups III and IV.

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Table 19

Regression of Sweat Sodium/Potassium Ratio on Time and Cumulative Volume

Volume Time Subject Test 1 Test 2 Test 1 Test 2 No. Army Group III 0.015 *** 0.011 *** 0.067 *** 0.055 *** 1 0.097 *** _ 2 0.165 *** -0.015 _ *** _ *** З 0.081 0.035 *** _ 0.162 *** 4 0.007 *** 0.066 *** 0.016 *** 5 0.111 *** 0.033 NS 0.014 *** 0.004 NS 0.006 *** 6 0.009 *** 7 0.132 *** 0.070 *** 0.017 *** 0.069 ** 8 0.091 ** -0.016 0.113 *** 0.020 *** 9 0.064 *** *** 0.038 0.006 NS 0.011 *** 10 NS *** 0.017 0.028 0.052 0.017 * 11 0.109 *** * *** 0.041 0.030 ** 12 mean¹ 0.101 0.064 0.033 0.012 Army Group IV 1 0.145 *** 0.113 ** 0.019 * * * 0.012 ** 0.059 2 0.138 *** * 0.054 0.008 ** ** 3 0.062 *** 0.117 *** 0.027 0.013 *** *** 0.051 0.008 4 0.074 ** ۰ ** 0.004 . 5 0.098 ** 0.001 0.037 NS ** 0.000 NS 6 0.111 *** 0.072 *** 0.015 *** 0.005 *** 7 0.177 *** 0.045 0.048 NS *** 0.004 NS 8 -0.061 ** 0.002 * 9 0.058 ** 0.064 ... 0.019 *** 0,008 ** 10 0.063 ** 0.045 *** 0.015 *** 0.004 *** 11 0.167 *** 0.111 ** 0.041 *** 0.007 ** 12 0.092 *** 0.041 ** 0.026 ** 0.006 ** 13 0.187 *** 0.162 *** 0.043 *** 0.022 ** 14 0.043 0.079 de l ... 0.009 ** 0.006 *** mean¹ 0.109 0.081 0.028 0.008

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| Subject No. | Tin | ne | Volu | ame∙ • |
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| | Unacclimatized | British Fem | ale Controls | |
| 1 | 0.054 | *** | 0.021 | *** |
| 2 | 0.038 | *** | 0.031 | *** |
| 3 | 0.032 | + | 0.033 | ++ |
| 4 | 0.086 | *** | 0.084 | *** |
| 5 | 0.075 | *** | 0.020 | *** |
| 6 | 0.064 | *** | 0.017 | *** |
| 7 | 0.139 | *** | 0.057 | *** |
| 8 | 0.165 | ** | 0.097 | ** |
| 9 | 0.072 | *** | 0.046 | *** |
| 10 | 0.076 | *** | 0.029 | *** |
| 11 | 0.092 | *** | 0.039 | *** |
| 12 | 0.082 | *** | 0.034 | +++ |
| 13 | 0.113 | *** | 0.019 | *** |
| 14 | 0.085 | *** | 0.030 | *** |
| ean ¹ | 0.084 | | 0.040 | |
| | Indian Laborat | ory Workers | | |
| 128 | 0.069 | *** | 0.014 | *** |
| 133 | 0.056 | *** | 0.011 | *** |
| 135 | 0,156 | *** | 0.019 | *** |
| | Indian Village | rs | | |
| 147 | 0.021 | NS | -0.005 | NS |
| | North Indian A | rmy | | |
| 52 | 0.093 | ** | 0.021 | ** |
| 111 | 0.050 | * | 0.010 | |
| 112 | 0.109 | *** | 0.011 | |
| 115 | 0.076 | *** | 0.016 | *** |
| | South Indian A | rmy | | |
| 120 | 0.056 | ** | 0.029 | *** |
| | Gurkhas | | | |
| 54 | 0,176 | ** | 0.007 | |
| 56 | 0.143 | * | 0.027 | |
| 125 | 0.194 | *** | 0.024 | +++ |
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Phosphate slopes were all negative for the women but in the male groups many positive slopes were seen although very few were significant. In general, the levels of significance of the phosphate slopes were lower than those for sodium, potassium or chloride and no overall pattern could be seen.

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Changes in Sodium/Potassium Ratios during Sweating Episodes

Regression analysis of the serial sweat samples has been used to relate sodium/potassium ratio to the passing of time during controlled hyperthermia and to the cumulative sweat volume. In all cases where there has been a significant regression between sodium/potassium ratio and time or volume, the relationship appeared to be linear and all regression coefficients were positive. The slopes for the regression of sodium/ potassium ratio on time and on cumulative volume are given in Table 19. together with the level of the significance of the regression. The mean of the significant slopes for each group has also been given.

For the unacclimatized female control subjects, the regressions were significant at least to the 5% level and usually to the 0.1% level. Significant slopes were also usually found for Army group III and IV, who were tested twice each. Of the 92 analyses on these two groups where there were enough samples, only eight did not show significant slopes. For Army group III, the repeat tests on the subjects showed increased and decreased slopes in about equal numbers. When paired t-tests were used to compare the five subjects who had significant slopes on both tests, no significant difference was found for time or volume.

For Army group IV after acclimatization, when the significant regression slopes of sodium/potassium ratio on time for each subject were compared with those before acclimatization, it was found that in three of the eleven cases, there was an increase in slope and the other eight decreased. For the regression with cumulative volume however, all slopes

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these eleven subjects, showed no significant slope changes for time when the results for the two tests were compared but the slope changes for volume were significant at the 1% level. An example of the change in sodium/polassium ratio with volume for an individual subject before and after acclimatization has been shown in Figure 23. The fitted regression lines have also been shown. It can be seen that after artificial acclimatization the slope with volume has decreased to about a third. For this particular subject (No. 6) the slope with time has also decreased (see Table 19) but only to about 2/3 of that of the preacclimatized state.

decreased, even those which were not significant. Paired t-tests using

Of the twelve Indian subjects for whom adequate serial samples were available, regression of sodium/potassium ratio on time all had positive slopes. Six were highly significant ($p \le 0.001$), three at the 1% level, two at the 5% level and only one was not significant (see Table 19). For the regressions on volume, the level of significance of slopes for each Indian subject was much the same as those for regressions on time.

When the mean value of the significant slopes for each group are compared, it can be seen that the results for regressions on time are much the same for all groups. For regressions on volume however, there is a tendency for the unacclimatized groups, the females in particular, to have steeper slopes.

Relationship of Phosphate with Sodium, Potassium and Chloride in Sweat

Within subject serial samples have been analysed for sodium, potassium, chloride and phosphate. As the concentration of each electrolyte changes in level, the effects of its charges are altered. To see if phosphate compensates for inbalances in the sodium + potassium chloride relationship, phosphate has been corrolated with the sum of sodium and potassium minus chloride electrolyte levels. The sign of the correlation coefficients and the levels of significance for each of the 76

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Table 20

Significance of Correlation Coefficients for the Relationship of Phosphate with Sodium + Potassium - Chloride

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Table 21

Regression of Phosphate on Sodium + Potassium - Chloride within

Subject Groups Slope and Level of Significance

| Group | Slope | Significance | Level |
|------------------------|--------|--------------|-------|
| male | | | |
| Army Group III | 0.613 | NS | |
| Army Group III repeat | 0.898 | NS | |
| Army Group IV unacc. | 1.141 | NS | |
| Army Group IV art acc. | -0.032 | NS | |
| Low Plant. | 1.668 | *** | |
| High Plant. | 0.358 | NS | |
| Kaul | 2.298 | *** | |
| Lufa | 2.880 | *** | |
| Old Lufa | 1.294 | * | |
| Lufa Boys | -0.092 | NS | 5 |
| Europeans | -0.143 | NS | |
| Indian Lab. Workers | 0.140 | NS | |
| Indian Villagers | 0.482 | NS | |
| Indian North. Army | -0.216 | NS | |
| Indian South. Army | -0.158 | NS | |
| Gurkhas | -0.462 | * | |
| female | | | |
| Unacc. Controls | 0.265 | NS | |
| Kaul | 3.044 | *** | |
| Lufa | 1.930 | *** | |
| Old Lufa | 1,685 | NS | |
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Regression of Sodium, Potassium and Phosphate Concentrations and

Sodium/Potassium Ratio on Chloride Concentration within Groups

| Group | Sodium | Potass | ium | Phosph | ate | Sodiı | 1m |
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| | | | | | | Rati | 0 |
| Males | | | | | | | |
| Army Group I unacc. | 1.100 *** | -0.006 | NS | - | | 0,193 | *** |
| Nat. Acc. C. | 1.189 *** | -0.008 | NS | - | | 0.258 | *** |
| Army Group II | 1,115 *** | 0.025 | NS | - | | 0.119 | * |
| Army Group III | 1.033 *** | 0.017 | NS | 0.090 | NS | 0.135 | ** |
| Army Group III rep. | 1.156 *** | 0.020 | NS | 0.321 | NS | 0.137 | *** |
| Army Group IV unacc. | 0.970 *** | -0.001 | NS | 0.160 | NS | 0.206 | *** |
| Art. Acc. C. | 1.074 *** | -0.005 | NS | 0.044 | NS | 0.213 |)* * * |
| Runners | 1.288 *** | -0.029 | NS | | | 0.308 | * |
| Swimmers | 1.111 *** | 0.069 | NS | - | | 0.073 | * |
| Cyclists | 1.144 *** | 0.023 | NS | - | | 0.144 | ** |
| Yem. Summer | 1.148 *** | 0.010 | NS | - | | 0.151 | ** |
| Kurd Summer | 1.317 *** | 0.003 | NS | - | | 0.149 | ** |
| Yem, Winter | 1.009 *** | 0.033 | NS | - | | 0.061 | NS |
| Kurd Winter | 1.024 *** | 0.119 | * | - | | 0,009 | NS |
| Nig. Students | 0.937 *** | 0.054 | NS | - | | 0.115 | ** |
| Nig. Heavy | 1.006 *** | 0.030 | NS | - | | 0.178 | *** |
| Nig. Light | 0.880 *** | 0.012 | NS | - | | 0.147 | *** |
| Nig. Villagers | 1.053 *** | -0.041 | NS | - | | 0,216 | ** |
| N.G. Low Plant. | 1.056 *** | 0.061 | NS | 0.139 | NS | 0.075 | *** |
| N.G. High Plant. | 0.817 *** | 0.272 | *** | 1.360 | *** | 0.026 | NS |
| N.G. Kaul | 0.870 *** | 0.208 | ** | 0.677 | * | 0.033 | NS |
| N.G. Lufa | 0.998 *** | -0.058 | NS | 0,212 | NS | 0.131 | *** |
| N.G. Old Lufa | 0.975 *** | -0,160 | NS | -0.209 | NS | 0.211 | *** |
| N.G. Lufa Boys | 0.984 *** | 0.317 | NS | -0.263 | NS | 0.029 | NS |
| Ind. Lab. Workers | 0.971 *** | -0.012 | NS | -0.075 | * | 0.205 | *** |
| Ind. Villagors | 0.923 *** | -0.028 | NS | -0.053 | NS | 0,203 | ** |
| N. Ind. Army | 0.960 *** | -0.008 | NS | 0,128 | * | 0.225 | *** |
| S. Ind. Army | 0.933 *** | -0.006 | NS | -0.003 | NS | 0.284 | *** |
| Gurkhas | 1.044 *** | 0.005 | NS | -0,003 | NS | 0.237 | *** |
| Females | 1 | | | | | | |
| Unacc. C. | 1.029 *** | -0.032 | NS | -0.027 | NC | 0 142 | *** |
| Cyclists | 1.219 *** | -0.051 | NS | -0.037 | ND | 0.142 | ** |
| Yem. Winter | 0.995 ** | -0.036 | NS | - | | 0.058 | NS |
| Nig. Students | 1.206 *** | 0,138 | NS | - | | 0.104 | NS |
| N.G. Kaul | 0.961 *** | 0.264 | ** | 1 007 | | 0.050 | |
| N.G. Lufa | 1.011 *** | -0.017 | T T | 1,067 | ** | 0.059 | *** |
| N.G. Old Lufa | 1.012 *** | -0.118 | NO | 0,358 | NS | 0,122 | *** |
| | | 0.118 | ND | 0.755 | NS | 0.098 | |

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test results are shown in Table 20. Of the 14 negative relationships, only two were significant (0.05 p.0.01). Of the remaining 62 positive slopes, 16 were significant at the 0.1% level, 10 at the 1% level and 7 at the 5% level.

Table 21 shows the slope of the regressions and levels of significance produced when the relationship of phosphate concentration on sodium + potassium - chloride concentration was analysed for individual groups. Positive slopes were found for the majority of the groups, with significant slopes for most of the New Guinea indigenes. The Indian army groups all had negative slopes, which for the Gurkhas was significant at the 5% level.

Regression of Sodium, Potassium and Phosphate on Chloride

From the mean concentration of each electrolyte during controlled hyperthermia, the sodium, potassium and phosphate concentrations and the sodium/potassium ratio for each subject in a group have been analysed as regressions on chloride. Where a regression was found to be significant the relationship appears to be linear.

In every group where there were sufficient subjects (more than 5) for analysis, the slopes for sodium were highly significant (see Table 22). Most slopes were slightly greater than unity, with the steepest being seen for the Kurd males in summer, the runners, the unacclimatized female controls and the Nigerian female students. Flatter slopes were seen however, especially for the High Plantation workers and the Kaul males from New Guinea and the Light Industry workers in Nigeria.

Few significant regressions were found for potassium on chloride but the four that were found (for the High Plantation workers, the Kaul females and males and the Kurds in winter) were all positive, with slopes ranging from 0.272 to 0.119.

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Figure 24 Sodium Excretion Rates in Urine



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slopes of those that were, ranged from -0.075 to +1.360. The steepest slope was for the High Plantation workers, who had steepest potassium and flattest sodium slopes.

Regression for sodium/potassium ratio, like sodium, were all positive and most were significant. Those groups with non-significant slopes for sodium/potassium ratio were amongst those with high potassium concentrations.

Only the Kaul females had significant slopes for all four regressions and these were significant to at least the 1% level. Excretion of Electrolytes in Urine

Marning Level

No information was available on the dietary intake of the various electrolytes for the individual subjects who have been examined for this study. An indication of salt intake and body salt balance for many subjects however, has been gained from the timed collections which were made of urine during the bed tests. Excretion rates of sodium, potassium, chloride and phosphate are shown in Figures 24 to 27 and the sodium/ potassium ratios for the groups are given in Figure 28. Because diurnal rhythms affect the levels of excretion during the day (Mills, 1966), the means for the subjects tested in the morning and those tested in the afternoon have both been shown. When subjects from a group have only been tested in the morning or in the afternoon the single level has been shown. It can be seen from the figures that the morning levels (represented by the horizontal base of each triangle) may be greater or less than the afternoon level (represented by the apex) and that the difference in the level from morning to afternoon can vary widely. This means that the phasing of the diurnal rhythms of the groups is not synchronous, making statistical comparisons between groups impossible for morning or afternoon data alone. Combining the morning and afternoon data would in many cases bias the results. Visual inspection of the figures however, revealed

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Figure 28 Sodium/Potassium Ratios in Urine



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Within each sex, the lowest sodium and chloride excretion rates were found for the New Guinea subjects and the highest rates were for the Israelis (see Figures 24 and 26). The Nigerian Light Industry workers also had high sodium chloride excretion rates. The other Nigerian groups, the Indians, Europeans in New Guinea and the British groups had values which tended to be lower than the Israelis but certainly higher than those of the New Guinea groups.

High potassium excretion rates were found for Army groups HII and IV and the indigenes of New Guinea but the values for the Indians were among the lowest for the male groups (see Figure 25).

Large morning to afternoon variation was found for phosphate excretion in many groups but the Low Plantation workers had consistantly low values (see Figure 27).

Sodium/potassium ratios in the urine were high for the South Indian army and the Gurkhas and low for Army groups III and IV. Very low ratios were found for all New Guinea indigenes (see Figure 28).

Excretion rates and morning to afternoon changes were similar for the males and females in the Kaul and Lufa groups.

Comparison of Sodium/Potassium Ratios in Sweat and Urine

When sodium/potassium ratios in urine were compared with those in sweat (see Figures 22 and 28), low values for both measurements were found for the indigenous New Guinea groups. High values were seen for both sweat and urine in the Indian groups. This however, was not the case for British army groups tested in England, who had higher sweat sodium/ potassium ratios than either the Nigerian or Israeli groups despite the fact that the urine values were lower.

Although the naturally acclimatized controls tested in the Middle East and the Europeans in New Guinea both had higher urine sodium/potassium

ratios than the troops tested in England, the sweat sodium/potassium ratios were similar for all these groups.

The female controls differed from the Army groups in that although the sodium/potassium ratio in their urine was much higher, the value in sweat was lower. This low ratio in the female sweat was not due to a lower sweat rate, since the acclimatized females had a similar sodium/ potassium ratio despite having much higher sweat rates.

DISCUSSION

Ethnic Differences in Sweat Composition

The purpose of this study has been to determine if differences occur in the sweat of the various ethnic groups examined. The results show that many significant differences have been found. The question to answer is why do these differences occur?

Sweat Rates

Figure 11 shows that a great deal of variation in sweat rate has been found among the various groups. The reason for many of these differences can be explained by acclimatization to heat. The primary physiological role of sweat is the dissipation of heat for the regulation of deep body temperature (Kuno, 1956). Within the British, European and Israeli groups, those subjects who had been heat stressed for some period before the test responded to the thermal stimulus with high sweat rates. The Nigerian Heavy Industry workers, who spent up to 11 hours per shift in factory conditions with W.B.G.T. index levels ranging up to 34° c and with energy expenditures of at least 4 Kcal/min (Ogikuto, Fox, Davies & Davies, 1972), had higher sweat rates than the more sedentary students and villagers who were not exposed to such high stresses.

Exposure to heat however, did not result in high sweat rates for the indigenous New Guinea groups and the contrast with the Europeans living in the same climate was striking. The low sweat rate for the New Guinea indigenes can be partially explained by their lower body weights and levels of energy expenditure (Budd, Fox, Hendrie & Hicks, in press) but this cannot fully account for sweat rates which were less than half as groat as those of the Europeans in New Guinea.

For most groups, provious prolonged exposure to heat stress goes far to explain the variation in sweat rates but for the groups indigenous to

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tropical climates, especially those from New Guinea who had lower sweat rates when compared with the acclimatized British and European groups, some other factor must also influence sweat rate. Another possible explanation for these differences in sweat rates is revealed by the examination of the sweat sodium concentrations and excretion rates which will be discussed below.

Sodium in Sweat and Urine

Many significant differences were found in sweat for the sodium concentrations and excretion rates of the various groups. With the exception of the Indian groups, the men indigenous to hot countries and acclimatized to hot environments had lower sweat sodium concentrations than either the unacclimatized or acclimatized British and European groups (see Figures 12 and 16).

With acclimatization, reduced sweat sodium concentrations have often been reported (Bass, Kloeman & Quin, 1953; Berenson & Burch, 1953; Ohara, 1966) and this has been attributed to the need for the body to conserve sodium and avoid depletion (McCance, 1938; Conn, 1949a). From the results presented in Figure 24, it is seen that the ethnic groups studied varied widely in urine sodium excretion rates during the bed test. Since this is a reflection of the dietary intake and body sodium balance of these groups, corresponding variation in the sweat sodium concentrations would be expected (Conn & Johnston, 1944). Comparisons between the groups in this study however, show that this was not always the case. The Israeli males in summer had urine sodium excretion rates higher than those of the unacclimatized British army subjects (see Figure 24) but their sweat concentrations were significantly lower (see Figuro 12). The New Guinea subjects, with lower sodium urine excretion rates than the Nigerian subjects, had sweat concentrations which were just as high. A more uniform relationship was found between urine and sweat

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sodium excretion rates. This relationship was seen to apply for those groups who were living in a climate to which they were indigenous and to which they had become acclimatized for normal levels of activity. The British troops acclimatized to English conditions, most Nigerian groups and the Indian civilians in New Delhi had much the same rate of sodium excretion in urine (see Figure 24) and most of the sweat sodium excretion rates for these groups did not differ significantly despite the fact that concentrations for the Nigerian groups were significantly lower ($p \le 0.001$, see Figure 12). The indigenous groups of New Guinea had the lowest excretion rates in sweat and urine and the Israeli men in summer had higher values than the unacclimatized controls for both measurements. Of the sodium excreted in each of these five sets of ethnic groups, roughly the same proportion (about 75%) was lost in sweat when they were subjected to the same heat stress during the bed test.

This adjustment of sweat sodium loss was seen to be offected by control of both sweat rate and sweat sodium concentration. The summer Israelis, with large amounts of sodium available for excretion had high. sweat rates. The Nigerian Neavy Industry workers with less sodium available for excretion had very low concentrations with the high sweat rates they would normally need for thermoregulation. The New Guinea subjects who were at risk of sodium depletion (seen from the extremely low urine excretion rates) had the lowest sweat sodium losses due to limitation of both concentration and sweat rate. The low sweat rates of these New Guinea groups then, may be due to the need to conserve sodium which would be lost in the sweat. Without further sweat sodium concentration reductions, these subjects could hardly have increased their sweat rates without becoming sodium depleted.

This relationship between sweat and urine sodium excretion rates however, was not seen to apply to those groups which were acclimatized to

a level different from that which would be normal for the population from which they had come. The unacclimatized, naturally and artificially acclimatized British army groups and the Europeans in New Guinea all had similar urine sodium excretion rates (see Figure 24) and their sweat concentrations (see Figures 12 and 16) did not differ significantly. If all these groups had been acclimatized to the temperate climate to which they were indigenous, their sweat rates would also be much the same. If under these conditions their sweat sodium concentrations remained the same. the excretion rates in the sweat for a given heat stress would also be proportional to those in urine. The British groups who had been acclimatized by heat or exercise however, lost a much greater proportion of their excreted sodium by sweating (up to about 90%) when compared with those groups who were acclimatized only to the environment to which they were indigenous. Comparisons within the Nigerian male groups showed that the lower sweat sodium excretion rates of the students may have been due to the fact that they were not acclimatized to the same extent as the others. This is supported by the fact that their exercise tolerance was the lowest of any of the male Nigerian groups (Ogikuto, Fox, Davis & Davis. 1972).

It is seen then, that at levels of acclimatization which are normal for any ethnic population, the proportion of sodium excretion lost through sweating is limited by the sweat rates and concentrations.

Potassium in Sweat and Urine

As seen in Figure 13, considerable variation has been found between the ethnic groups for potassium concentration and excretion rate in sweat. Two main factors were seen to affect the potassium losses in sweat. These were the requirement for the body to conserve potassium, and a side effect of the mechanism for sodium conservation. Figure 13 shows that these factors influenced potassium concentrations in

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sweat to a greater extent than the excretion rates. Highest sweat potassium excretion rates were found mostly for those groups with high sweat rates. High concentrations however, were found among the male groups with the lowest rates.

Conservation of potassium in sweat would be expected of those groups with low potassium excretion in the urine and high sweat rates. This was certainly found for the Israeli men and the Heavy Industry workers (see Figures 13 and 25). Although potassium excretion in the urine of the Israeli groups was the same in the summer and winter, the summer sweat concentrations were lower, reducing the potassium loss for the equivalent amount of sweat. The Nigerian Heavy Industry workers with high sweat rates and low urine potassium excretion rates also had low sweat potassium concentrations. By producing reduced sweat concentrations, these groups had overcome excessive losses of both sodium and potassium due to high sweat rates.

The Indian soldiers and New Guinea groups showed a different relationship between sodium and potassium. With low to moderate sweat rates (see Figure 11) these two sets of groups had an inverse relationship between sodium and potassium sweat concentrations which was also seen in the urine excretion rates. Like the Heavy Industry workers, the South 'ndian army subjects had very low potassium urine excretion rates and sweat concentrations but they had high sweat sodium concentrations. The relationship between the sodium and potassium sweat concentrations and urine excretion rates of the New Guinea and Indian subjects can also be seen from the sodium/potassium ratios of sweat (Figure 22) and urine (Figure 28), which were vory low for the New Guinea subjects and high for the Indians.

This difference may be explained by the mechanism of the sweat secretion in the sweat gland (Dobson & Sato, 1972). The precursor fluid

for the production of sweat is isotonic to blood plasma for sodium and potassium and therefore much the same for any ethnic group provided plasma concentrations are similar. Changes in plasma concentration due to salt depletion have been found to be very small when compared with changes in sweat concentration (Malhotra, Sharma & Sivaraman, 1959). The reabsorption of sodium from the sweat however, is stimulated by the need for the body to retain sodium (Conn, 1949a). The work of Slegers (1967) suggests that the active reabsorption of sodium in the sweat gland duct is accompanied hy partial exchange with potassium resulting in higher sweat potassium concentrations.

In the New Guinea subjects, the urine excretion rates indicate that potassium was highly expendable and sodium was at a premium. Reduced outward sodium transport in the coil for precursor fluid and increased sodium reabsorption in the duct before the sweat emerged on the skin would result in low losses of sweat sodium. If freely expendable potassium is partially exchanged for the sodium in the reabsorption process, reduced osmotic work would be required by the sweat glands. Since more potassium was present in the sweat, less chloride need have been passively reabsorbed with the sodium and osmotic work would be further reduced.

In the Indian army subjects, the sodium - potassium balance was the other way round and sodium could be more freely transported outward for precursor fluid production. With this plentiful supply of sodium, the need for reabsorption would not be acute and since less potassium was available for excretion, the reduced exchange with sodium in the reabsorption process would help to conserve body potassium supplies.

The losses of potassium in the sweat of the groups studied therefore indicate that concentrations may be influenced by the need to conserve potassium or sodium.

The sodium/potassium ratios in the sweat and urine (Figures 22 and 28)

of the New Guinea subjects indicated that there was proportionally much less sodium available for excretion and that this was conserved in the sweat glands at the expense of potassium. The measurements on the Indian subjects showed that sodium was more plentiful and it was this electrolyte which was allowed to be lost in the sweat. Although the urine sodium/ potassium ratio in the Israelis was similar in summer and winter, when sweat rates were greater, preferential retention of sweat sodium was indicated.

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It has been reported that with lower sweat rates, sodium concentrations are lower (Schwarz & Thaysen, 1956), indicating that the reabsorption of sodium is greater with respect to sweat volumes. This may be so when sweat rates are different within an individual due to various levels of heat stress but it was not found for the differences in the groups examined in this study where the heat stress was the same and sweat rates were a function of the level of acclimatization of the subjects.

Several groups were tested in both the unacclimatized and acclimatized states and although sweat rates were very different, little change was found in the sweat sodium/potassium ratio (see Figure 22). With natural acclimatization, there was a slight increase in sodium/ potassium ratio (12.5 to 13.7) but this may have been an effect of potassium depletion, since the urine potassium excretion rates in this naturally acclimatized state were much lower than for any other British army group (see Figure 25). This may have been due to the possibility that while stationed in the Middle East, sweat sodium losses were replaced by additional sodium chloride in the diet but potassium losses were not replaced. Bofore and after artificial acclimatization sodium/potassium ratios in the urine were much the same (see Figure 28), and although mean sweat rates increased from 4.1 m1/min to 11.0 m1/min for the same heat stress, mean sweat sodium/potassium ratios stayed exactly the same (Table 12).

For the Israelis, although urine sodium/potassium ratios were much the same from summer to winter, sodium/potassium ratios were even found to be lower with the higher summer sweat rates (see Table 13).

It can be seen then that although sodium and potassium concentrations may vary from group to group and may also vary with sweat rate within an individual when the levels of heat stress are altered, provided the hody balance of sodium and potassium remain the same, the sodium/potassium ratio in the sweat remains the same for a given heat stress, even if the sweat rates are different due to changes in the level of acclimatization.

Chloride and Phosphate in Sweat

The mean sweat chloride concentration for each group was generally similar to the sodium concentration. The relationship between these concentrations however, was not the same for all the groups as was a seen from the results of regression analysis of the sodium on chloride presented in Table 22. Although most regression slopes were slightly greater than unity, some groups, the High Plantation workers and the Kaul males in particular, had much lower slopes. Whereas for most groups, only sodium was related to chloride, in these two New Guinea groups increases in both sodium and potassium combined to balance increases in sweat chloride concentration. This means that the negative relationship between potassium and chloride concentrations reported by Locke, Talbot, Jones and Worcester (1951) does not apply where sweat sodium/potassium ratios are very low. In fact no significant negative regression slopes were found within any of the groups studied.

In any solution containing electrolytes, the positive and negative charges should balance. Sodium and potassium are the major mineral cations present in sweat although calcium and magnesium can also contribute to the ionic pool (Consolazio, Johnson & Pecora, 1963). Chloride is the major anion found in sweat but lactate, sulphate and

phosphale also contribute to balancing the cations. Although all these components and traces of others make up the electrical balance in sweat, phosphorous was chosen as a convenient mineral to compare with the excess of sodium and potassium over chloride.

In all groups except the Nigerian Heavy Industry workers and female students, the negative charge of the chloride was less than the sum of the positive charges of the sodium and potassium (by as much as 24 mEq/1). Within the New Guinea groups, increased phosphate concentrations were seen to contribute significantly toward compensating for this ionic difference. The New Guinea boys had the largest sodium + potassium - chloride differences and the highest phosphate concentrations. Table 21 shows that the regression of phosphate on the sodium + potassium - chloride balance was significant within five of the New Guinea groups. Correlations of within subject samples (table 20) also showed this relationship for other subjects during sweating.

In all the groups studied, the sweat chloride concentration was found to be primarily a function of sodium concentration but it was increased with potassium concentration and decreased with increasing phosphate.

Sex Differences in Sweating

From the comparisons which have been presented in Table 6, significant differences were found for each of the comparable male and female groups. Differences in sweat rate are largely explained by the low rates of metabolic heat production (Consolazio, Johnson & Pecora, 1963), and sweat gland training of women (Fox & Ferris, 1968).

The lower sodium and chloride and higher potassium concentrations of almost every female group were not due to this difference in sweat rate. There was no reason why the female cyclists, who generally supplemented their diets with sodium chloride, should have become any more salt

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deploted than the male cyclists but, with sweat rates nearly as high as the males, they had lower (0.01; p) 0.001 sweat sodium/potassium ratios. Ratios for the female cyclists were similar to those for the unacclimatized female controls. Lower sweat sodium concentrations for each female group in Table 6 was not likely to be due to greater sodium depletion, since their urine sodium excretion rates (see Figure 24) were often as high as those for the comparable male groups. Despite the fact that urine sodium/ potassium ratios for most female groups were at least as high as those for the comparable male groups (see Figure 28) sweat sodium/potassium ratios were consistently lower (see Table 6).

Acclimatization

The experiments on Army group I and IV and on the Israeli groups were designed to investigate the changes in sweating which occur with acclimatization to heat over weeks or months. In all cases, sweat rates increased significantly but changes in the electrolyto concentrations and exception rates in sweat were not consistent.

The artificially acclimatized troops showed no significant changes in the concentrations of sodium, potassium or chloride in their sweat (see Table 12) despite the fact that the urine sodium and chloride excretion rates were somewhat reduced (Figures 24 and 26). There are three possible reasons why the sweat sodium concentrations had not been reduced with the urine rates. Firstly, the sodium oxcretion rates in urine were not so low as to suggest serious depletion and the reabsorption mechanism in the duct of the sweat glands may not have been strongly stimulated. Secondly, with the sudden increase in sweat rate over a period of days, the reabsorption mechanism may not have developed to the extent that it could reduce the concentration of the still increasing volumes of sweat (see Figure 29). Thirdly, it is known that the increased reabsorption of sodium from the sweat in response to salt depletion can be delayed for soveral days (Conn, 1949a).

In many ways these explanations are similar but after acclimatization, increased power of the sweat glands to maintain levels of reabsorption of sodium in exchange for potassium has been shown from the regressions of sweat sodium/potassium ratio on the volume of sweat produced (see Figure 23).

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It is probable therefore that the reabsorption mechanism has not had time to respond to the somewhat greater need to reduce sweat sodium levels in the artificially acclimatized group.

The naturally acclimatized group, with very high sweat losses, did show significantly reduced sweat sodium concentrations (see Table 12). Their urine sodium excretion rates were much the same as those for the unacclimatized British troops (see Figure 24) but these were not maintained by the reduction in sweat concentrations and so in these troops increased sodium chloride intake was probable. This indication of dietary supplementation of sodium chloride is supported by the low potassium levels in the urine and significantly ($p \leq 0.001$) reduced potassium sweat concentrations which would occur if sweat losses of sodium and potassium were high but only sodium were replaced.

The Israeli groups had larger sweat sodium, potassium and chloride concentration differences with acclimatization. For these groups, high levels of acclimatization would be a normal feature in the summer months and concentrations of sodium, potassium and chloride in the sweat were reduced considerably, particularly for the male subjects where increases in sweat rate were highly significant (see Table 13). By lowering the sweat sodium concentrations with acclimatization, differences in sodium excretion rate between winter and summer were not significant and, for the Yemenite females, the rate of sweat sodium loss in the summer was even reduced. It can be seen from Figures 24 and 26, that the sodium and chloride excretion rates in urine were high and there was no suggestion of salt depletion in these subjects. In the land of their origins however, (Yemen and Kurdistan) the availability of salt for supplementing the dict in the hot summer months would not be as likely as in modern Israel. By reducing sodium, potassium and chloride sweat concentrations in the summer months, these people have adapted to the climate in such a way that they can produce large volumes of sweat for thermoregulation while reducing the risk of salt depletion.

From the results of these three groups of acclimatized people, it can be seen that the artificially acclimatized subjects have not reacted to the effects of salt depletion due to losses in the sweat. The naturally acclimatized group, who had been living in the Middle East for several had months/reacted to salt depletion by producing somewhat reduced sweat concentrations. The Israelis however, who were indigenous to countries with hot summers had greatly reduced their sweat concentrations, despite the fact that there was no evidence of salt depletion since the urine excretion rates remained high.

Changes during Sweating

Although low sodium concentrations have often been associated with acclimatization, this has been attributed to the sodium depletion which occurs when sweat losses are high (Sigal & Dobson, 1968). Both the secretion of sweat precursor in the coil of the sweat gland and the reabsorption in the duct for the production of the final product which is excreted at the skin surface are metabolic processes depending on the active transport of sodium (Sato & Dobson, 1970). Since the mean sodium concentrations in the sweat of Army group IV before and after artificial acclimatization had not changed (see Table 12), these processes were increased at the same rate. The decreasing sweat rates during controlled hyperthermia, when the demand for thermoregulatory cooling remains the same, may be due to either hydration of the skin (Kerslake, 1972) or the reduced ability of the secretory mechanism to maintain levels of functional

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activity (sweat gland fatigue) (Thaysen & Schwartz, 1955).

In the vapour barrier suit, once sweating has started, the skin is bathed in sweat, so that suppression due to hydration of the skin is the most likely influence on the sweat rate. If hydration of the skin produces progressive mechanical obstruction by swelling around the sweat duct at the skin surface, a condition found in miliaria (O'Brien, 1950), this could result in hydrostatic pressures gradually building up in the sweat gland (Schulz, 1969). This process would affect acclimatized subjects at least to the same extent as unacclimatized individuals.

Sweat precursor is produced by the active transport of sodium into the intercellular canaliculi of the secretory segment of the sweat gland. This is followed by the diffusion of water, and other solutes permeable to the secretory membrane to form a solution isotonic to blood plasma (Dobson & Sato, 1972). When sweat flow is restricted during hidromeiosis, pressures of up to 500 mm Hg can occur(Schulz, 1969). This could result in the production of a hypertonic precursor fluid, since the increased hydrostatic pressure would offset the osmotic pressure and restrict the movement of water, potassium and othor solutes which are freely permeable to the secretory membrane, as they pass into the intercellular canaliculi to form the precursor fluid (Davson & Danielli, 1952). Under these conditions, increased ductal reabsorption of sodium would be required to maintain the sodium/potassium ratio in the sweat which is finally expelled onto the skin surface.

Increased sweat sodium/potassium ratios, therefore, may be due to a similar increase in the precursor fluid. Less water would be passively secreted for the same amount of sodium actively transported in the coil, This would also result in a reduction in sweat rate and an increase in sodium concentration. Increased pressure in the sweat gland would mean that sweat rate could be reduced further by increased

reabsorption of water in the proximal duct (Stegers, 1967). Increased reabsorption of water, when pressure was applied to the sweat gland, was noted by Schuster (1968) and could result in further concentration of sweat sodium and potassium.

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Brebner and Kerslake (1964) have described the time course in the decline of sweat rate due to wetting of the skin as exponential and tending toward an asymptote in the region of zero to twenty grams of sweat per hour under the conditions of their experiments. They also showed that immersion of the skin in a 15% saline solution would arrest hidromeiosis but not reverse its effects. Kerslake (1972) has suggested that this exponential decline can be explained by random blockage of active sweat glands. When the skin is soaked in water, swelling occurs in the epithelium and in particular the keratin ring or tube around the orifice of the sweat gland duct where it opens onto the skin surface. As the orifices gradually become constricted by swelling, they could become blocked by cellular debris in the sweat producing the exponential decline in the sweat rate tending toward zero. Immersion in 15% saline would arrest the swelling and stop further blockage of the patent ducts. If the skin were allowed to dry, the keratin rings would shrink, releasing the debris and recovery from hidromeiosis would be rapid.

A different explanation for the exponential decrease in sweat rate could come from the concurrent increases in sweat concentrations. If the sweat ducts were to become gradually constricted at the skin surface but not completely blocked, the resulting increased interluminal pressure due to restricted sweat flow would help to maintain sweat rates. At the same time, the increasingly concentrated sweat, which would be in intimate contact with the keratin rings, would reduce the rate of swelling and thus reduce the rate of sweat suppression. With sweat glands remaining functional, although at lower rates, the effect of immersion in saline

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on the keratin rings would be reduced. This could help explain why the saline does not reverse the effects of hidromeiosis.

Changes in sweat rate, due mainly to changes in sweat concentrations and pressures as the sweat passes out through the keratin rings however, would not necessarily predict a decline tending toward zero. In conditions where the skin is ventilated, the combined effect of increased sweat concentrations and pressures and further concentration of sweat on the skin due to the evaporation of water, would result in a stabilization of the degree of hydration of the skin and the sweat rate. With a greater sweating drive (thermal stress) and more effective evaporation from the skin surface, higher asyptotic sweat rates would be predicted. The results of Brebner and Kerslake (1964) indicate that even when the skin was immersed in plain tap water in their experiments, sweat rates may have been tending toward 10 or 20 gm/hr rather than towards zero.

Observations which have been made during experiments when the sweating skin has been kept wet indicate that hidromeiosis is probably the major cause of changes which have been found during the bed tests used in this study. Other observations however, indicate that fatigue of the sweat production mechanism may also contribute to these changes.

It has been reported by Furman and Beer (1963) that increases in sweat sodium/potassium ratio during sweating episodes are negatively related to acclimatization. This suggests that these increases could be due to failure of the sodium reabsorption in the duct since increased precursor sodium concentration due to pressurés from hidromeiosis, in either acclimatized or unacclimatized subjects would occur at the same rate. If any differences did occur, the high sweat rates and lower sweat concentrations of acclimatized subjects would probably result in more rapid hydration and greater hydrostatic pressure changes within the gland. If the reabsorption capabilities of the glands of the acclimatized

subjects are more powerful and more resistant to fatigue however, increases in sweat sodium/potassium ratios during sweating would be less marked. This view has been supported by the lower mean regression slopes of sweat sodium/potassium ratio on time which were found for Army group IV after acclimatization (0.109 to 0.081/min, see Figure 19). This resistance to fatigue of the reabsorptive mechanism has also seen from the changes in sodium/potassium ratio relative to the volume of sweat which had been processed (Figure 23 and Table 19). Means for significant volume slopes before and after acclimatization were reduced from 0.028/ml to 0.008/ml, a difference which was significant at the 1% level. Even with only one previous heat exposure which was not sufficient to increase the sweat rates of Army group III, changes in sodium/potassium ratio during controlled hyperthermia were reduced (see Table 19).

These results fit in with the findings of Dobson (1960) who reported that glycogen in the sweat gland, a source of metabolic energy for sodium transport (Sato & Dobson, 1970), is depleted quickly on first exposure to heat but remains in supply during subsequent sweating episodes.

For unacclimatized people, who had not been subjected to high heat stresses before the bed test, the sweat glands were not able to maintain low sodium/potassium ratios during sweating. This was found for the first tests on the British army groups and the unacclimatized females who had the steepest slopes for the regression of sweat sodium/potassium ratio on cumulative volume (see Table 19). The Indian groups, who were used to moderately high heat stresses, had lower slopes for volume than the unacclimatized British groups. Although slopes for the Indian subjects were much steeper than those for the artificially acclimatized controls, the Indians had not proviously been exposed to heat stresses as great as those imposed during the bed tests.

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affected by fatigue due to decreased metabolic energy resourses. If so, the secretory mechanism may also be affected in the same way. Reduced active transport in the secretory cells would not in itself affect precursor concentrations but volumes could be reduced.

ADDENDUM

At the oral examination for this thesis, the results of experiments presented in two papers were brought to my attention. This information bears upon conclusions 8 and 10 which follow.

Randall and Peiss (1957) have shown that in finger tip sweating, depression of sweat rate due to hydration of the skin occurs when the sweating fingers are soaked in aqueous solutions. The degree of sweat suppression was shown to be dependent upon the concentration of the solution, suggesting that concentration of the sweat itself probably has little effect on hidromeiosis.

A second paper (Brown, W.K. & Sargent II, F. (1965). Hidromeiosis. Arch. Environ. Hlth. <u>11</u>, 442-453) describes the concurrent changes in sweat rate and sweat chloride concentration from stripped (removal of the stratum corneum) and non-stripped forearm skin. In these experiments, removal of the keratinized skin resulted in higher sweat rates and sweat gland counts when compared with results from non-stripped skin. This indicates that hidromeiosis is reduced if the keratinized surface of the skin is removed and thus sweat flow is.not impeded by blockage of the ducts. The concentration of sweat chloride from stripped and unstripped skin did not appear to differ at any time during sweating. These findings indicate that restriction of sweat flow due to hydration of the skin has little effect on chloride concentrations in the sweat.

CONCLUSION

Sweat rates and sweat composition varied widely amongst the groups which have been included in this study. Many of these groups had been exposed to heat stresses which would be considered "normal" in the country (England, Israel, Nigeria, New Guinea or India) to which they were indigenous. Other groups had become used to "abnormally high" heat stresses due to either intense physical activity (highly trained British athletes) or residing in hot countries (British troops stationed in the Middle East and Europeans living in New Guinea).

From the discussion of the results which have been presented and the literature which has been cited, the following conclusions have been drawn.

1. Significant differences were found in the composition of sweat collected from the various ethnic groups which were studied.

2. Amongst those male groups who had been exposed to "normal" heat stresses, sweat sodium excretion rates, regardless of sweat rates, were related to the excretion rates in urine. For these groups, sweat losses accounted for about 75% of the total sodium which was excreted in the sweat and urine during the bed test.

3. Groups who had been exposed to "abnormally high" heat stresses, lost proportionally more (up to 90%) of their sodium through sweating.

4. Sweat potassium concentrations were positively related to urine potassium excretion rates, but were also increased when urine sodium excretion rates were very low.

5. Sweat chloride concentrations were mainly a function of sodium concentrations in the sweat but were also positively related to potassium concentrations when these were high.

6. Sweat phosphate contributed toward balancing the ionic differences between sodium, potassium and chloride.

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7. Female groups were consistently found to have lower sweat sodium concentrations and sodium/potassium ratios than comparable male groups. This finding was observed to be independent of differences in sweat rates and urine composition.

8. Hydration of the skin was probably the main reason for the changes in sweat rates and sweat composition, which were observed during the bed tests.

9. Fatigue of the metabolic processes for sweat production may also have contributed to changes which occurred during sweating episodes, particularly the increases in sodium/potassium ratio which were significantly reduced in acclimatized subjects.

10. Increasing intorluminal pressure probably occurs during hidromeiosis. Under these conditions, increased sweat sodium concentrations and decreased sweat rates could be due to reduced outward diffusion of water through the secretory membrane of the sweat glands.

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Sweat Electrolyte Concentrations. Male groups

| Group | No. of | Sodium | | Potassium | | Chloride | | Phosphate | | Sodium/Potassium | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Ratio | |
| | Subs | mEq/1 | Limits | mEq/l | Limits | mEq/1 | Limits | mg/1 | Limits | Mean | +St.Err. |
| Army Group I unace. acc. | 25 25 | 72.3 65.5 | 64.7 - 80.9 57.6 - 74.4 | 6.06 5.20 | 5.66 - 6.49 4.64 - 5.83 | 67.5 58.8 | 60.5 - 75.4 52.2 - 66.4 | 1 | | 12.5 13.7 | 0.7 1.1 |
| Army Group II | 8 | 70.8 | 56,7 - 88,5 | 6.26 | 5.50 - 7.14 | 70.0 | 57.4 - 85.4 | - | | 11,6 | 1.0 |
| Army Group III repeat | 12 10 | 64,2 59,6 | 58.2 - 70.7 51.2 - 69.4 | 6.64 7.00 | 6.07 - 7.26 6.54 - 7.50 | 59.4 55.3 | 53.8 - 65.7 48.1 - 63.6 | 1.20 1.17 | 0.95 - 1.51 0.87 - 1.57 | 9.80 8.65 | 0.50 0.52 |
| Army Group IV unace. | 14 14 | 72.3 72.6 | 59.0 - 88.7 56.6 - 93.1 | 5.31 5.48 | 4.84 - 5.83 4.76 - 6.31 | 68,9 69,4 | 55.3 - 86.0 54.5 - 88.5 | 1.55 0.69 | 1.02 - 2.35 0.50 - 0.95 | 14.6 14.6 | 1.4 1.7 |
| Cyclists | 13 | 64.7 | 51.8 - 80.8 | 6.68 | 6.03 - 7.40 | 61.1 | 49.8 - 75.0 | - | | 10.2 | 0.9 |
| Runners | 11 | 73.4 | 57.8 - 93.3 | 6,16 | 4.83 - 7.86 | 68,6 | 58.0-81.1 | | | 13.8 | 2.5 |
| Swimmers | 13 | 50.9 | 39.4 - 65.7 | 10.1 | 8.59 - 11.8 | 52.1 | 41.9 - 64.8 | - | | 5.37 | 0.56 |
| Yemenite summer winter | 7 16 | 39.0 84,9 | 24.4 - 62.2 73.1 - 98.6 | 6.87 9.77 | 5.93 - 7.94 8.44 - 11.3 | 39.5 80.9 | 26.1 - 59.7 70.7 - 92.7 | : | | 6.20 9.10 | 0.99 0.73 |
| Kurd summer winter | 16 16 | 45,8 78.6 | 39.9 - 52.6 68.5 - 90.2 | 7.82 10.3 | 6.91 - 8.85 8.29 - 12.8 | 46.8 74.6 | 42.6 - 51.6 65.0 - 85.6 | - | | 6.14 8.12 | 0.44 0.78 |
| Nig. students | 14 | 35.3 | 26.5 - 47.1 | 6.57 | 5.32 - 8,10 | 38.8 | 28.8 - 52.3 | - | | 5.93 | 0.74 |
| Nig. Heavy Ind. | 24 | 22.9 | 16.8 - 31.2 | 4.13 | 3.57 - 4.78 | 31.3 | 24.8 - 39.6 | - | | 6.71 | 0.87 |
| Nig. Light Ind. | 14 | 34.8 | 25.4 - 47.7 | 5.58 | 4.69 - 6.63 | 37.0 | 24.7 - 55.5 | - | | 7.14 | 0.93 |
| Nig. Villagers | 6 | 47.8 | 28.3 - 80.9 | 6.52 | 5.00 - 8.51 | 51.1 | 31.4 - 83.0 | - | | 8.56 | 2.08 |
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Appendix 1

Sweat Electrolyte Concentrations. Male groups

| Group | No, | 5 | Sodium | Fo | tassium | Ch | loride | Ph | osphate | Sodium | /Potassium |
|-----------------------------|----------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | of | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | F | atio |
| | Subs | mEq/1 | Limits | mEq/1 | Limits | mEq/1 | Limits | mg/l | Limits | Mean | +St.Err. |
| Army Group I unacc. acc. | 25 25 | 72.3 65.5 | 64.7 - 80.9 57.6 - 74.4 | 6.06 5.20 | 5.66 - 6.49 4.64 - 5.83 | 67.5 58.8 | 60.5 - 75.4 52.2 - 66.4 | - | | 12.5 13.7 | 0.7 1.1 |
| Army Group II | 8 | 70.8 | 56,7 - 88,5 | 6.26 | 5.50 - 7.14 | 70.0 | 57.4 - 85.4 | - | | 11.6 | 1.0 |
| Army Group III repeat | 12 10 | 64.2 59.6 | 58.2 - 70.7 51.2 - 69.4 | 6.64 7.00 | 6.07 - 7.26 6.54 - 7.50 | 59.4 55.3 | 53.8 - 65.7 48.1 - 63.6 | 1.20 1.17 | 0.95 - 1.51 0.87 - 1.57 | 9,80 8,65 | 0.50 0.52 |
| Army Group IV unacc. | 14 14 | 72.3 72.6 | 59.0-88.7 56.6-93.1 | 5.31 5.48 | 4.84 - 5.83 4.76 - 6.31 | 68.9 69.4 | 55.3 - 86.0 54.5 - 88.5 | 1.55 0.69 | 1.02 - 2.3 5 0.50 - 0.95 | 14.6 14.6 | 1.4 1.7 |
| Cyclists | 13 | 64.7 | 51.8 - 80.8 | 6.68 | 6.03 - 7.40 | 61.1 | 49.8 - 75.0 | - | | 10.2 | 0.9 |
| Runners | 11 | 73.4 | 57.8 - 93.3 | 6,16 | 4.83 - 7.86 | 68.6 | 58.0-81.1 | | | 13.8 | 2.5 |
| Swimmers | 13 | 50.9 | 39.4 - 65.7 | 10.1 | 8,59 - 11,8 | 52.1 | 41.9 - 64.8 | - | | 5.37 | 0.56 |
| Yemenite summer winter | 7 16 | 39.0 84.9 | 24.4 - 62.2 73.1 - 98.6 | 6.87 9.77 | 5.93 - 7.94 8.44 - 11.3 | 39.5 80.9 | 26.1 - 59.7 70.7 - 92.7 | Ξ | | 6.20 9.10 | 0.99 0.73 |
| Kurd summer winter | 16 16 | 45.8 78.6 | 39.9 - 52.6 68.5 - 90.2 | 7.82 10.3 | 6.91 - 8.85 8.29 - 12.8 | 46.8 74.6 | 42.6 - 51.6 65.0 - 85.6 | - | | 6.14 8.12 | 0.44 0.78 |
| Nig. students | 14 | 35.3 | 26.5 - 47.1 | 6.57 | 5.32 - 8.10 | 38.8 | 28.8 - 52.3 | - | | 5.93 | 0.74 |
| Nig. Heavy Ind. | 24 | 22.9 | 16.8 - 31.2 | 4.13 | 3.57 - 4.78 | 31.3 | 24.8 - 39.6 | - | | 6.71 | 0.87 |
| Nig. Light Ind. | 14 | 34.8 | 25.4 - 47.7 | 5.58 | 4.69 - 6.63 | 37.0 | 24.7 - 55.5 | - | | 7.14 | 0.93 |
| Nig. Villagers | 6 | 47.8 | 28.3 - 80.9 | 6.52 | 5.00 - 8.51 | 51.1 | 31.4 - 83.0 | - | | 8.56 | 2.08 |

Appendix 1 continued

| Group | No. | 5 | Godium | Po | tassium | Ch | loride | Ph | osphate | Sodium | /Potassium |
|--------------------------------|------|-------|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|-------------|------|-------------|--------|------------|
| | of | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | F | latio |
| | Subs | mEq/l | Limits | mEq/l | Limits | mEq/1 | Limits | mg/l | Limits | Mean | +St.Err. |
| | | 1 | | | | | | - | | | |
| N.G. Low Plant. | 19 | 33.1 | 24.6 - 44.6 | 10.0 | 8,51 - 11.8 | 35.3 | 26.8 - 46.6 | 1.46 | 1.04 - 2.04 | 3.95 | 0.55 |
| N.G. High Plant. | 19 | 27.1 | 21.5 - 34.2 | 8.63 | 7.09 - 10.5 | 27.6 | 21.9-34.7 | 1.18 | 7.21 - 1.95 | 3.46 | 0.36 |
| N.G. Kaul | 40 | 35.0 | 30.6 - 40.0 | 11.0 | 9,45 - 12,8 | 36.0 | 31.7 - 40.9 | 1.47 | 1.06 - 2.04 | 3,60 | 0.29 |
| N.G. Lufa | 30 | 32.8 | 28.9-37.2 | 9,64 | 8,33-11,2 | 28.6 | 25,0-32,8 | 1.99 | 1.50 - 2.64 | 3.81 | 0.33 |
| N.G. Lufa Old | 11 | 31.9 | 23.8 - 42.8 | 9.82 | 7.05 - 13.7 | 29.3 | 21.9 - 39.2 | 1.41 | 0.81 - 2.46 | 4.17 | 1.00 |
| N.G. Boys | 10 | 32.6 | 23.6 - 45.0 | 21.6 | 15.8 - 29.6 | 29.1 | 20,4 - 41,5 | 4.81 | 3.13 - 7.38 | 1.72 | 0.30 |
| N.G. Europeans | 14 | 65.2 | 53.8 - 79.0 | 5,18 | 4.47 - 6.00 | 62.6 | 52.3 - 75.0 | 0.47 | 0,29 - 0,78 | 13.5 | 1.4 |
| Ind. Lab. Workers | 10 | 54.9 | 39.1 - 77.1 | 5.71 | 5.16 - 6.32 | 51.7 | 35.6 - 75.0 | 0.40 | 0.26 - 0.63 | 10.8 | 1.8 |
| Ind. Villagers | 13 | 74.1 | 64,6-85.0 | 6,51 | 5.52 - 7.69 | 70.5 | 60.5 - 82.1 | 1.45 | 1.00 - 2.11 | 12.3 | 1.4 |
| North Indian Army ¹ | 21 | 61.4 | 55.6 - 67.9 | 4.38 | 3.97 - 4.83 | 59.0 | 53.0-65.6 | - 2 | | 14.6 | 0.9 |
| South Indian Army | 20 | 73.6 | 63,4-85,4 | 3.82 | 3.40 - 4.29 | 72.4 | 62.0-84.5 | | | 20,6 | 1.7 |
| Gurkhas | 18 | 68.4 | 59.7 - 78.3 | 4.25 | 3.91 - 4.62 | 66.0 | 57.8 - 75.4 | -2 | | 16.7 | 1.1 |

3 Subjects tested between September and mid October

2 Phosphate concentrations changing with time of year

- No measurements made

Appendix 2 Sweat Electrolyte Concentrations. Female Groups

| Group | No. | 5 | Sodium | Po | tassium | Cł | loride | Ph | osphate | Sodium | /Potassium |
|-----------------|------|-------|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|-------------|------|-------------|--------|------------|
| | of | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | F | latio |
| | Subs | mEq/l | Limits | mEq/1 | Limits | mEq/l | Limits | mg/l | Limits | Mean | +St.Err. |
| Unacc. Controls | 15 | 55.1 | 46.2 - 65.7 | 9,05 | 7,85 - 10.4 | 46.5 | 38.6 - 56.0 | 0.32 | 0.23 - 0.45 | 6.58 | 0.66 |
| Acc. Controls | 14 | 61.7 | 49.4 - 77.2 | 10.1 | 8.66 - 11.8 | 58.2 | 48.2 - 70.4 | - | | 6.83 | 0.78 |
| Yemenite summer | 4 | 32.0 | 18.4 - 55.9 | 12.2 | 4.07 - 36.8 | 31.3 | 17.2 - 56.7 | - | | 2.83 | 0.73 |
| winter | 6 | 82.8 | 62.8 - 109 | 16.8 | 12.2 - 23.0 | 80.1 | 61.9 - 104 | - | | 5.20 | 0.70 |
| Kurd summer | 5 | 44.1 | 34.5 - 56.3 | 9.47 | 6.73 - 13.3 | 42.0 | 32.5 - 54.1 | - | | 4.72 | 0.37 |
| winter | 3 | 53.8 | 16.9 - 172 | 9.66 | 3.71 - 25.2 | 50.2 | 17.1 - 147 | - | | 5.65 | 0,70 |
| Nig. Students | 8 | 20.2 | 11.9-34.5 | 7.77 | 5.03 - 12.0 | 28.4 | 20.8 - 38.8 | - | | 3.07 | 0.64 |
| N.G. Kaul | 38 | 25.5 | 21.4 - 30.4 | 12.0 | 10.4 - 13.8 | 27.9 | 24.0-32.5 | 2,38 | 1.78 - 3.17 | 2.42 | 0.22 |
| N.G. Lufa | 30 | 24.1 | 18.8 - 30.9 | 13.5 | 11.7 - 15.6 | 21,1 | 17.0-26.1 | 3.37 | 2.75 - 4.14 | 2.28 | 0.40 |
| N.G. Lufa Old | 9 | 20.0 | 15.1 - 26.3 | 13.8 | 10.6 - 18.0 | 17.0 | 13.0-22.2 | 3.33 | 2.27 - 4.89 | 1.63 | 0.27 |

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- No measurements made

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Appendix 3 Sweat Electrolyte Excretion Rates and Sweat Rate during Controlled Hyperthermia. Male Groups

| Group | Se | odium | Po | tassium | Ch | loride | Ph | osphate | Swe | at Rate |
|------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|------------|-------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence |
| | µM/min | Limits | µM∕min | Limits | µM/min | Limits | µg/min | Limits | ml/ ¹ / ₂ hr | Limits |
| Army Group I unacc. | 5 69 1096 | 471 - 686 906 - 1326 | 47.6 | 42.2 - 53.8 75.6 - 100 | 531 985 | 440 - 642 820 - 1184 | - | | 236 503 | 202 - 276 451 - 560 |
| Army Group II | 537 | 402 - 717 | 47.4 | 37 0 - 60.8 | 530 | 401 - 701 | - 1 | | 227 | 159 - 324 |
| Army Group III repeat | 239 233 | 163 - 350 145 - 373 | 24.7 24.0 | 16.7 - 36.6 14.6 - 39.2 | 221 214 | 153 - 321 136 - 339 | 4.46 | 2.88 - 6.90 2.53 - 7.65 | 111 106 | 74.1 - 168 63.8 - 176 |
| Army Group IV unacc. acc. | 298 795 | 214 - 415 585 - 1081 | 21.9 60.1 | 16.5 - 29.0 46.7 - 77.4 | 284 761 | 201 - 401 564 - 1028 | 6.39 7.53 | 4.57 - 8.93 5.23 - 10.8 | 124 329 | 92.8 - 164 271 - 400 |
| Cyclists | 745 | 518 - 1071 | 76.9 | 61.3 - 96.5 | 704 | 495 - 1001 | 1 - | | 345 | 275 - 432 |
| Runners | 851 | 549 - 1320 | 71.5 | 52.8 - 96.8 | 796 | 531 - 1191 | | | 348 | 242 - 500 |
| Swimmers | 329 | 218 - 497 | 65.2 | 51.1 - 83.2 | 337 | 230 - 493 | - | | 194 | 139 - 271 |
| Yemenite summer winter | 463 290 | 272 - 789 198 - 424 | 81.7 33.3 | 66.2 - 101 24.1 - 46.0 | 469 276 | 286 - 770 187 - 407 | - | | 357 102 | 270 - 472 69.5 - 151 |
| Kurd summer winter | 484 351 | 384 - 610 260 - 474 | 82.5 46.0 | 71.2 - 95.5 36.0 - 58.7 | 494 334 | 404 - 605 246 - 452 | 1 - | | 317 134 | 270 - 372 97.6 - 184 |
| Nig. students | 190 | 125 - 288 | 35.3 | 25.1 - 49.6 | 209 | 136 - 320 | - | | 162 | 108 - 242 |
| Nig. Heavy Ind. | 259 | 178 - 377 | 46.7 | 36.7 - 59.5 | 354 | 258 - 488 | - | | 339 | 272 - 423 |
| Nig. Light Ind. | 340 | 242 - 478 | 54.3 | 43.8 - 67.7 | 361 | 238 - 547 | - | | 292 | 248 - 343 |
| Nig. Villagers | 237 | 91.3 - 613 | 32.2 | 23.1 - 45.1 | 252 | 101 - 630 | - | | 148 | 94.3 - 233 |

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| Group | S | odium | Po | tassium | Ch | loride | Pho | osphate | Swe | at Rate |
|----------------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence |
| | µM/min | Limits | µM/min | Limits | µM/min | Limits | µg/min | Limits | ml/ <mark>1</mark> hr | Limits |
| N.G. Low. Plant. | 111 | 78,5 - 158 | 33.7 | 26.9 - 42.1 | 119 | 84.4 - 167 | 4.90 | 3.50 - 6.85 | 101 | 72.3 - 140 |
| N.G. High Plant | 127 | 86.5 - 187 | 40.4 | 31.8 - 51.5 | 129 | 91.8 - 181 | 5,55 | 3.88 - 7.94 | 126 | 86.7 - 184 |
| N.G. Kaul | 115 | 91.8 - 144 | 36.1 | 31.2 - 41.7 | 118 | 94.8 - 147 | 4,81 | 3.81 - 6.06 | 97.1 | 76.9 - 122 |
| N.G. Lufa | 131 | 105 - 165 | 38.7 | 33.4 - 44.9 | 115 | 90.1 - 147 | 8.00 | 6.12 - 10.4 | 120 | 98.7 - 147 |
| N.G. Lufa Old | 104 | 57.2 - 187 | 31.9 | 22.5 - 45.1 | 95.2 | 51.2 - 177 | 4.59 | 3.20 - 6.59 | 97.9 | 59.1 - 162 |
| N.G. Lufa Boys | 14.6 | 6.11 - 34.7 | 9.65 | 4.41 - 21.1 | 13.0 | 5.17 - 32.8 | 2.03 | 0.87 - 4.74 | 14.6 | 6.96 - 30.6 |
| N.G. Europeans | 744 | 602 - 920 | 59.1 | 49.1 - 71.2 | 715 | 587 - 871 | 6.03 | 4.27 - 8.53 | 343 | 298 - 407 |
| Ind. Lab. Workers | 298 | 188 - 471 | 31.0 | 20.3 - 47.3 | 280 | 170 - 462 | 2.17 | 1.16 - 4.08 | 163 | 105 - 251 |
| Ind. Villagers | 297 | 217 - 405 | 26.1 | 19.0-35.9 | 282 | 204 - 389 | 6.04 | 4,17 - 8,75 | 116 | 85.1 - 159 |
| North Indian Army | 504 | 400 - 635 | 35.9 | 30.6 - 42.2 | 484 | 384 - 611 | -2 | | 246 | 203 - 298 |
| South Indian Army | 463 | 375 - 572 | 24.1 | 20.0-29.0 | 456 | 365 - 569 | -2 | | 189 | 155 - 231 |
| Gurkhas ¹ | 577 | 470 - 709 | 35.9 | 30.0 - 42.9 | 557 | 465 - 681 | -2 | | 253 | 218 - 295 |

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- 1 Subjects tested between September and mid October
- 2 Phosphate excretion rates changing with time of year
- No measurements made

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Appendix 4 Sweat Electrolyte Excretion Rates and Sweat Rate during Controlled Hyperthermia. Female Groups

| Group | 5 | Sodium | Por | tassium | Ch | loride | Pho | sphate | Swe | at Rate |
|---------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|--------|-------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence |
| | µM/min | Limits | µM/min | Limits | µM/min | Limits | µg/min | Limits | ml/ ¹ / ₂ hr | Limits |
| Unacc. Controls | 117 | 78.7 - 175 | 19.3 | 14.3 - 26.0 | 99.1 | 66.1 - 149 | 0.68 | 0.48 - 0.96 | 63.9 | 47.1 - 86.7 |
| Acc. Controls | 667 | 454 - 978 | 109 | 83.6 - 143 | 629 | 443 - 894 | - | | 324 | 245 - 429 |
| Yemenite summer winter | 71.3 130 | 18.5 - 278 54.4 - 308 | 27.2 | 14.9 - 50.0 10.8 - 63.9 | 69.6 125 | 17.4 - 278 54.8 - 286 | - | | 66.8 46.9 | 13.0 - 343 22.5 - 97.7 |
| Kurd summer winter | 168 149 | 98,9 - 286 19.0 - 170 | 36.1 26.8 | 26.1 - 50.1 5.53 - 130 | 160 139 | 96,4-266 21,7-893 | - | | 115 83.2 | 59.1 - 222 28.6 - 242 |
| Nig. Students | 67.3 | 40.6 - 112 | 25.9 | 20.0 - 33.5 | 94.6 | 66,2 - 135 | - | | 99.9 | 59.9 - 166 |
| N.G. Kaul | 66.1 | 50.5 - 86.6 | 31.0 | 24.9 - 38.7 | 72.3 | 55.8 - 93.8 | 6.15 | 4.62 - 8.20 | 77.7 | 61.0 - 99.1 |
| N.G. Lufa | 67.5 | 47.1 - 96.8 | 37.8 | 29.4 - 48.6 | 58.9 | 42.3 - 82.0 | 9.43 | 7.32 - 12.1 | 83.8 | 63.4 - 111 |
| N.G. Lufa Old | 42.9 | 24.5 - 75.2 | 29.8 | 17.5 - 50.7 | 36,5 | 20.9 - 63.7 | 7.17 | 4.58 - 11.2 | 64.5 | 36.2 - 115 |

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- No measurements made

Appendix 5 Urine Elec

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Urine Electrolyte Excretion Rates during the Bed Test. Male Groups

| Group | | Time | S | odium | Fo | tassium | Ch | loride | Pho | osphate | Sodium | /Potassium |
|------------------------|----------|----------|--------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|
| and | | of | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | N F | latio |
| No. | | Day | µM/min | Limits | µM/min | Limits | µM/min | Limits | µg/min | Limits | Mean | +St.Err. |
| Army Cn. I. 200 | . 13 | A35 | 117 | 63 1 - 218 | 49.5 | 33.3 - 73.7 | 121 | 71.0 - 205 | - | | 2.84 | 0.50 |
| Army Op. 1 acc. | 12 | PM | 75.8 | 42.6 - 58.8 | 28.7 | 14.0-58.8 | 81.4 | 48.5 - 137 | - | | 4.26 | 1.38 |
| Army Gp. III | 6 6 | AM PM | 98.5 143 | 48.7 - 200 61.7 - 330 | 74.5 97.0 | 57.3 - 97.0 40.9 - 230 | 125 148 | 75,7 - 208 75,8 - 289 | 207 429 | 109 - 393 172 - 1072 | 1.50 1.85 | 3.30 0.59 |
| Army Gp. III repeat | 6 6 | AM PM | 85.0 114 | 46.7 - 155 70.5 - 184 | 65.0 114 | 45.0 - 93.8 66.6 - 194 | 123 116 | 78.9 - 191 72.1 - 186 | 127 463 | 42.6 - 381 277 - 775 | 1.37 1.77 | 0.18 0.39 |
| Army Gp. IV unacc. | 6 7 | AM PM | 120 146 | 73.8 - 194 88.7 - 241 | 106 74, 3 | 58,9 - 192 47,4 - 117 | 182 170 | 123 - 267 117 - 247 | 141 379 | 78.9 - 253 176 - 814 | 1.35 2.08 | 0.31 0.27 |
| Army Gp. IV acc. | 6 7 | AM PM | 68.6 94.7 | 52.6 - 89.5 37.3 - 241 | 95.8 71.4 | 66.3 - 138 39.5 - 129 | 116 120 | 78.3 - 170 61.3 - 234 | 244 355 | 169 - 352 204 - 618 | 0.73 | 0.06 0.27 |
| Yemenite summer | 11 11 | AM PM | 227 107 | 184 - 281 70.4 - 164 | 55.2 36.5 | 37.2 - 81.9 24.7 - 53.8 | 251 119 | 201 - 314 79.7 - 177 | - | | 4.69 3.37 | 0.80 0.47 |
| Yemenite winter | 7 9 | AM PM | 191 119 | 150 - 244 101 - 140 | 67.8 34.1 | 43.5 - 106 23.9 - 48.7 | 184 104 | 145 - 234 84.2 - 128 | 1 | | 2.96 3.78 | 0.37 0.59 |
| Kurd summer | 19 10 | AM PM | 167 105 | 95.0 - 293 81.9 - 135 | 77.1 46.1 | 45.0 - 132 34.7 - 61.3 | 1961 103 | 116 - 330 82.3 - 129 | 1 : | | 2.41 2.49 | 0, 3 7 0 ,35 |
| Kurd winter | 8 7 | AM PM | 164 164 | 104 - 260 103 - 261 | 71.6 38.7 | 53.9 - 95.2 23.9 - 62.6 | 170 143 | 129 - 223 85.5 - 191 | : | | 2.52 4.04 | 0.38 0.55 |

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| Group | | Time | S | odium | Po | tassium | Ch | loride | Ph | osphate | Sodium | /Potassium |
|---------------|--------------------------|----------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| and | | of | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | I | latio |
| No. | | Day | µM/min | Limits | µM/min | Limits | µM/min | Limits | µg/min | Limits | Mean | +St.Err. |
| Nig. Students | 7 | AM | 116 | 49.8 - 270 | 48,8 | 30.8 - 77.2 | 130 | 62.6 - 272 | - | | 2.52 | 0.66 |
| | 8 | PM | 133 | 94.0 - 188 | 52.3 | 31.7 - 86.3 | 148 | 113 - 194 | - | | 2.77 | 0.43 |
| Nig. Heavy In | d. 9 13 | AM PM | 102 83.8 | 77.8 - 133 56.6 - 124 | 22.7 31.9 | 16.2 - 31.7 23.7 - 42.9 | 108 | 81.6 - 143 85.3 - 140 | 1 : | | 4.56 3.45 | 0.68 0.57 |
| Nig. Light In | d. 8 | AM | 181 | 111 - 295 | 47.1 | 20.3 - 109 | 177 | 101 - 313 | - | | 5.12 | 1.42 |
| Nig. Villager | s 4 | PM AM | 143 | 45.1 - 236 | 44.5 | 24.6 - 61.4 | 125 | 65.7 - 239 | - | | 2,95 | 0.71 |
| | 3 | PM | 65.7 | 26.1 - 165 | 27.4 | 11.0 - 68.5 | 68,3 | 51.8 - 89.9 | - | | 2.40 | 0,06 |
| N.G. Low Plan | t. 6 13 | AM PM | 12.4 42.9 | 3.15 - 49.2 22.1 - 83.6 | 104 83.4 | 64.3 - 168 55.4 - 126 | 48.2 66,8 | 28.5 - 81.5 41.5 - 107 | 83.7 82.2 | 20.9 - 335 43.8 - 154 | 0.24 | 0.12 0.13 |
| N.G. High Pla | nt. ¹ 2 18 | AM PM | 1.83 8.89 | 0.43 - 7.779 2.73 - 28.9 | 77.9 58.0 | 72.1 - 84.2 44.3 - 75.9 | 44.9 50.3 | 40./4 - 49.9 31.5 - 80.4 | 431 241 | 369 - 504 161 - 359 | 0.06 0.55 | 0.05 0.22 |
| N.G. Kaul | 22 19 | AM PM | 44.3 42.9 | 29.2 - 67.2 24.5 - 74.9 | 79.0 62.1 | 54.1 - 115 50.5 - 76.3 | 75.6 64.6 | 53.6 - 107 48.5 - 86.0 | 126 172 | 68.5 - 232 125 - 237 | 0.76 1.08 | 0.10 0.17 |
| N.G. Lufa | 14 16 | AM PM | 44.3 | 23.6 - 83.3 7.23 - 33.4 | 76.5 | 58.5 - 100 44.7 - 133 | 44.3 13.6 | 27.6 - 70.9 7.48 - 24.8 | 129 403 | 69.5 - 239 236 - 687 | 0.75 0.59 | 0.14 0.17 |
| N.G. Lufa Old | 10 | AM | 37.1 | 14.0-98.4 | 59.3 | 39,5 - 88,9 | 37.6 | 13.7 - 103 | 106 | 34.1 - 327 | 0.98 | 0.19 |
| N.G. Boys | 4 6 | AM PM | 34.0 7.00 | 3.22 - 360 1.10 - 44.8 | 33.3 65.2 | 14.7 - 75.3 31.6 - 134 | 34.1 6.78 | 4.37 - 266 1.19 - 38.5 | 44.3 | 8.85 - 222 130 - 447 | 2.03 0.52 | 0.67 0.36 |
| N.G. European | s 11 | PM | 117 | 81.8 - 167 | 43.0 | 28.8 - 64.2 | 107 | 69.0 - 165 | 454 | 370 - 556 | 3.02 | 0.47 |

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| Group | | Time | S | odium | Po | tassium | Ch | loride | Pho | osphate | Sodium | /Potassium |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| and | ł | of | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | I | Ratio |
| No. | | Day | uM/min | Limits | uM/min | Limits | uM/min | Limits | ug/min | Limits | Mean | +St.Err. |
| Ind. Lab. Workers | 4 | AM | 99.6 | 45.7 - 217 | 31.2 | 17.7 - 54.9 | 108 | 51.1 - 229 | 111 | 22.9 - 542 | 3.22 | 0.46 |
| | 5 | PM | 48.4 | 12.3 - 190 | 32.0 | 24.7 - 41.4 | 65.6 | 22.4 - 192 | 350 | 227 - 539 | 2.14 | 0.75 |
| Ind. Villagers | 8 4 | AM PM | 100 135 | 64.5 - 155 80.7 - 226 | 31.2 30,8 | 19.1 - 50.9 18.1 - 52.5 | 112 166 | 74.1 - 170 97.5 - 284 | 60,8 234 | 22.3 - 166 99.6 - 548 | 4.37 | 0.30 1.00 |
| North Ind, Army ² | 15 14 | AM PM | 85.2 73.3 | 58.3 - 125 51.7 - 104 | 31.5 29.7 | 24.7 - 40.1 21.1 - 41.9 | 113 91,8 | 80.5 - 157 73.1 - 115 | 265 305 | 180 - 400 220 - 423 | 3.08 3.02 | 0.39 0.40 |
| South Ind, Army ² | 15 13 | AM PM | 72.3 | 53.5 - 97.6 58.1 - 109 | 16.7 14.8 | 10.5 - 26.6 11.7 - 18.7 | 89.7 82.3 | 65.3 - 123 61.4 - 110 | 82.5 177 | 42.5 - 160 119 - 265 | 5.20 5.81 | 1.11 0.70 |
| Gurkhas ² | 18 15 | AM PM | 138 81.9 | 115 - 165 71.3 - 94.0 | 30.7 15,3 | 25.2 - 37.5 11.9 - 19.8 | 170 84.0 | 141 - 205 74.2 - 95.2 | 191 247 | 111 - 329 178 - 342 | 4.63 | 0.28 0.61 |

H Range instead of confidence limits

2 All possible subjects

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Appendix 6 Urine Electrolyte Excretion Rates during the Bed Test. Female Groups

| Group | 1 | Time | S | odium | Po | tassium | Ch | loride | Pho | osphate | Sodium | /Potassium |
|-----------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| and | | of | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | 1 | Ratio |
| No. | | Day | µM/min | Limits | µM∕min | Limits | µM/min | Limits | µg/min | Limits | Mean | +St.Err. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Unacc. Controls | 15 | PM | 94.1 | 66.8 - 133 | 31.9 | 18.3 - 55.7 | 94.3 | 66.9-133 | 184 | 94.1 - 361. | 4.01 | 1.02 |
| Yemenite summer | 5 7 | AM PM | 51.8 61.7 | 16.0 - 168 33.0 - 115 | 2 0.0 28.7 | 3.20 - 125 16.0 - 51.6 | 58.7 68.0 | 17.7 - 194 41.3 - 112 | - | | 2.89 2.25 | 0.67 0.27 |
| Yemenite winter | 3 3 | AM PM | 151 77.1 | 87.6 - 260 13.7 - 433 | 39.0 20.1 | 11.7 - 129 3.84 - 105 | 153 66,3 | 74.9 - 311 13.5 - 326 | - | | 4.10 3,91 | 1.03 0.54 |
| Kurd summer | 5 4 | AM PM | 124 51.2 | 24.6 - 628 14.0 - 188 | 63.6 13.7 | 16.8 - 242 2.97 - 63.5 | 192 51.0 | 47.7 - 775 18.4 - 141 | - | | 2.37 4.03 | 0.59 0.89 |
| Kurd winter | 4 | AM | 45.9 | 6.91 - 3 05 | 22.0 | 5.66 - 85.5 | 58.7 | 14.2 - 244 | - | | 2.31 | 0.52 |
| Nig. students | 8 | PM | 69.3 | 41.8 - 115 | 26.1 | 16.6 - 41.0 | 84.7 | 50.2 - 143 | - | | 2.76 | 0.28 |
| N.G. Kaul | 22 18 | AM PM | 35.0 28.7 | 20.3 - 60.4 17.8 - 46.3 | 68.4 45.8 | 46.4 - 101 35.7 - 58.7 | 61.8 43.8 | 42.1 - 90.9 30.8 - 62.3 | 76.6 | 32.9 - 152 84.8 - 197 | 0.70 | 0.08 0.11 |
| N.G. Lufa | 12 15 | AM PM | 48.8 17.2 | 21.1 - 113 6.91 - 42.7 | 54.6 89.1 | 29.9 - 100 50.0 - 159 | 43.0 10,9 | 19.0 - 97.5 5.62 - 21.2 | 56.5 355 | 29.1 - 110 , 150 - 844 | 1.38 0.88 | 0.27 0.54 |
| N.G. Lufa Old | 10 | PM | 13.3 | 5.75 - 31.0 | 105 | 53.0 - 207 | 11.9 | 6.65 - 21.5 | 234 | 112 - 492 | 0.36 | 0.15 |

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- No measurements made

Appendix 7 Sweat Electrolyte Excretion Rates expressed per unit Body Weight Male Groups

| Group | Sc | odium | Pot | assium | Chi | oride | Pho | osphate |
|-----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence |
| I | uM/min/Kg | Limits | µM/min/Kg | Limits | µM/min/Kg | Limits | µg∕min/K | g Limits |
| Army Group I unacc. acc. | 8.26 16.2 | 6.86 - 9.95 13.5 - 19.5 | 0.69 | 0.62 - 0.77 1.12 - 1.49 | 7.72 14.6 | 6.40 - 9.30 12.2 - 17.4 | - | |
| Army Group II | 8.03 | 5.68 - 11.4 | 0.71 | 0.54 - 0.93 | 7.94 | 5.67 - 11.1 | - | |
| Army Group III repeat | 3.86 3.76 | 2.61 - 5.73 2.30 - 6.14 | 0.40 0.39 | 0.27 - 0.59 0.24 - 0.64 | 3.58 3.47 | 2.43 - 5.25 2.16 - 5.58 | 0.072 0.071 | 0.047 - 0.112 0.041 - 0.124 |
| Army Group IV unace acc. | 4.34 11.6 | 3.05 - 6.17 8.38 - 16.0 | 0.32 0.87 | 0.24 - 0.43 0.67 - 1.14 | 4.13 11.1 | 2.87 - 5.95 8.04 - 15.3 | 0.093 0.170 | 0.065 - 0.133 0.075 - 0.160 |
| Cyclists | 10.5 | 7.51 - 14.8 | 1.09 | 0.88 - 1.34 | 9,96 | 7.16 - 13.9 | - | |
| Runners | 13.8 | 9.13 - 21.0 | 1,16 | 0.88 - 1.53 | 12.9 | 8.95 - 18.7 | - | |
| Swimmers | 4.46 | 3.08 - 6.46 | 0.88 | 0.71 - 1.10 | 4.57 | 3.20 - 6.52 | - | |
| Yemenite summer winter | 7.73 4.50 | 4.22 - 14.1 3.03 - 6.71 | 1.36 0.52 | 1.10 - 1.68 0.37 - 0.72 | 7.83 4.29 | 4.47 - 13.7 2.89 - 6.38 | - | |
| Kurd summer winter | 7.60 5.56 | 6.06 - 9.51 4.14 - 7.47 | 1,30 0,73 | 1.12 - 1.50 0.57 - 0.93 | 7.76 5.28 | 6.39 - 9.43 3.90 - 7.13 | | |
| Nig. students | 2.84 | 1.81 - 4.44 | 0.52 | 0.36 - 0.75 | 3,12 | 1.97 - 4.94 | - | |
| Nig, Heavy Ind. | 4.16 | 2.86 - 6.05 | 0,75 | 0.59 - 0.95 | 5.70 | 4.15 - 7.83 | 3 - | |
| Nig. Light Ind. | 6,33 | 4,49 - 8,91 | 1.01 | 0.82 - 1.26 | 6.72 | 4.43 - 10.2 | - 12 | |
| Villagers | 3.83 | 1.44 - 10.2 | 0,52 | 0.37 - 0.74 | 4.09 | 1,59 - 10,5 | i - | |

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| Group | Sc | dium | Pot | assium | Chl | loride | Ph | osphate |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|----------|---------------|
| | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence |
| | µM/min/Kg | Limits | µM/min/Kg | Limits | µM/min/Kg | Limits | ıg/min/K | g Limits |
| | | | 1 | | 1 | | | |
| N.G. Low Plant. | 2.05 | 1.45 - 2.88 | 0.62 | 0.50 - 0.78 | 2.18 | 1.57 - 3.05 | 0.090 | 0.065 - 0.125 |
| N.G. High Plant. | 2.04 | 1.40-2.97 | 0.65 | 0.51 - 0.82 | 2.07 | 1.49 - 2.88 | 0.089 | 0.062 - 0.128 |
| N.G. Kaul | 2.16 | 1.68 - 2.77 | 0.68 | 0.57 - 0.80 | 2.22 | 1.73 - 2.83 | 0.090 | 0.067 - 0.121 |
| N.G. Lufa | 2.22 | 1.76 - 2.80 | 0,65 | 0.55 - 0.77 | 1.94 | 1.51 - 2.49 | 0.135 | 0.103 - 0.177 |
| N.G. Lufa Old | 1.97 | 1.12 - 3.45 | 0.61 | 0.43 - 0.85 | 1.81 | 1.01 - 3.26 | 0.087 | 0.063 - 0.120 |
| N.G. Lufa Boys | 0.45 | 0.20 - 1.04 | 0,30 | 0.14-0.63 | 0.40 | 0.17 - 0.98 | 0.062 | 0.028 - 0.139 |
| N.G. Europeans | 10.5 | 8.01 - 13.8 | 0.86 | 0.69 - 1.08 | 10.1 | 7.84 - 13.1 | 0.086 | 0.062 - 0.120 |
| Ind. Lab. Workers | 5.39 | 3.44 - 8.43 | 0.56 | 0.38 - 0.82 | 5.07 | 3.11 - 8.27 | 0.039 | 0,022 - 0,070 |
| Ind. Villagers | 6.23 | 4.57 - 8.48 | 0.55 | 0.40 - 0.75 | 5.92 | 4.31 - 8.14 | 0.126 | 0.088 - 0.183 |
| North Indian Army ¹ | 8.45 | 6.71 - 10.7 | 0.60 | 0,51 - 0.71 | 8.12 | 6.41 - 10.3 | -2 | |
| South Indian Army | 8,18 | 6.59 - 10.2 | 0.43 | 0.35 - 0.51 | 8.05 | 6.42 - 10.1 | - | |
| Gurkhas ¹ | 10.6 | 8.62 - 13.1 | 0.66 | 0.55 - 0.79 | 10.3 | 8.37 - 12.6 | 2 | |

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2 Subjects tested between September and mid October

2 Phosphate excretion rates changing with time of year

- No measurements made

Appendix 8 Sweat Electrolyte Excretion Rates expressed per unit Body Weight Female Groups

| Group | Sodium | | Potassium | | Chloride | | Phosphate | |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence | Mean | Confidence |
| | µM/min/Kg | Limits | µM/min/Kg | Limits | µM/min/Kg | Limits | µg/min/K | g Limits |
| Unacc. Controls | 1.90 | 1.25 - 2.90 | 0.31 | 0,23 - 0,42 | 1.61 | 1.05 - 2.46 | 0.011 | 0.008 - 0.015 |
| Acc. Controls | 10.6 | 6.97 - 16.0 | 1.73 | 1.29 - 2.31 | 9,97 | 6.80 - 14.6 | - | |
| Yemenite summer winter | 1.57 2.70 | 0.70 - 3.50 1.48 - 4.92 | 0.60 | 0.49 - 0.73 0.26 - 1.13 | 1,53 2,61 | 0.66 - 3.53 1.48 - 4.59 | | |
| Kurd summer winter | 2.87 2.75 | 1.32 - 6.22 0.21 - 35.8 | 0.62 0.49 | 0.36 - 1.07 0.05 - 4.71 | 2.73 | 1.29 - 5.79 0.22 - 29.9 | - | |
| Nig. Students | 1.27 | 0.71 - 2.28 | 0.49 | 0.37 - 0.65 | 1.79 | 1.21 - 2.65 | - | |
| N.G. Kaul | 1.30 | 0.99 - 1.70 | 0,61 | 0.49 - 0.75 | 1.42 | 1.09 - 1.84 | 0,121 | 0.090 - 0.161 |
| N.G. Lufa | 1.32 | 0.92 - 1.88 | 0.74 | 0.57 - 0.95 | 1,15 | 0.83 - 1.59 | 0,184 | 0.140 - 0.237 |
| N.G. Lufa Old | 0.91 | 0.51 - 1.60 | 0.63 | 0.37 - 1.05 | 0.77 | 0.44 - 1.34 | 0,151 | 0.099 - 0.230 |

- No measurements made