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Key variables to control the training process in cycling



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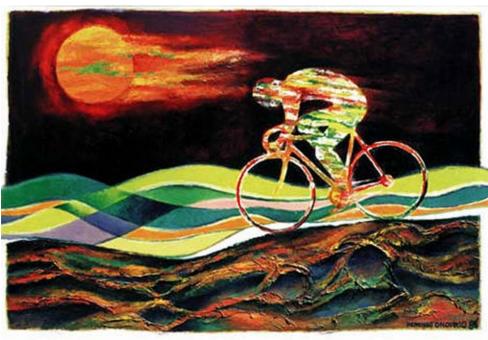
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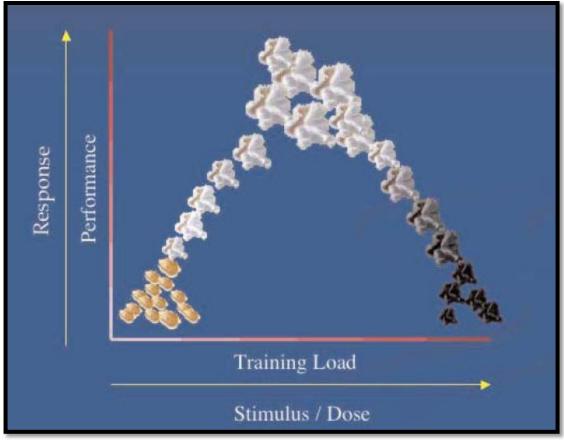
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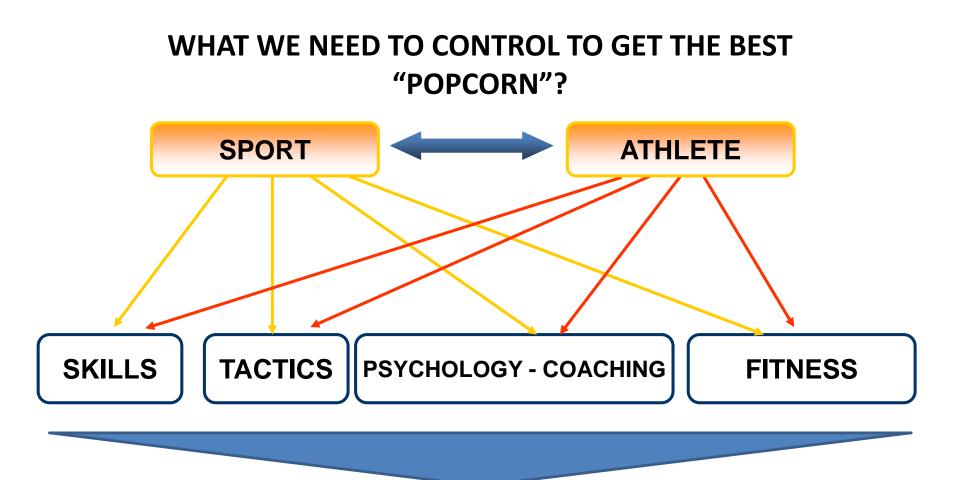


Experience, talent, inspiration...

LIKE POPCORN... MORE WATTS & MORE TIME...



STIMULUS Vs RESPONSE (LIM, 2008)



SPECIFIC AND INDIVIDUAL CONTEXT

(material, ergogenic aids...)

A lot of variables; too many?



Paralysis by analysis? (Passfield & Hopker)

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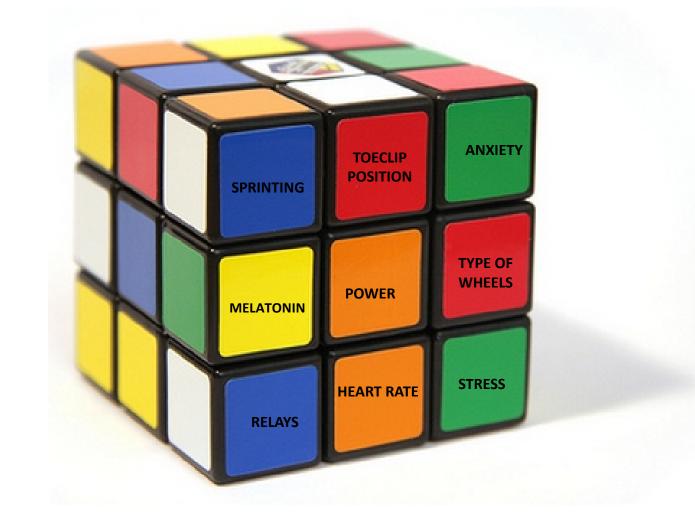
Selection is the key

WHAT TO ASSESS?

VARIABLES

STIMULI VARIABLES	RESPONDENT VARIABLES
-TIME	-BLOOD AND /OR URINE PARAMETERS
-DISTANCE	-WEIGTH, BOSY COMPOSITION
-VELOCITY	-SLEEP, HANGER, PERCEIVED EFFORT AND
-POWER	RECOVERY
-SUMMATIVE ASCENT (METERS) AND ASCENT	-HEART RATE DYNAMICS (REST, EXERCISE, HRV)
VELOCITY (m/h)	-PERFORMANCE IN TESTS AND COMPS.
-WORKING DENSITY	-LACTATE, MUSCLE OXYGEN (?)
(WORK/RECOVERY)	-HYDRATION STATUS
-NUMBER AND TYPE OF COMPETITIONS	-PSYCHOLOGICAL VARIABLES

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"The first biomechanist is the mechanic". Everybody must feel that is important...

Training Principles

(Ronnestad and Zabala, 2017)

The combination of training duration, intensity, and frequency is considered seriously. Training needs to be systematic and orderly. For this purpose, several training concepts or training principles need to be considered:

- Timing: all the events scheduled for specific moments
- Overload: a stressful stimulus that takes the cyclist out of comfort status
- Adaptation: proper recovery from overload to produce better status or adaptation
- Individuality: different treatments and considerations for each cyclist
- Specificity: training for cycling, not, for example, rowing
- Reversibility: recognition that all gains can be lost if training stops
- Load-recovery balance: finding the overload that can be converted into desired adaptations by means of appropriate recovery, recognizing that the more a cyclist trains, the more recovery is needed, although each person is different
- Pedagogic principle: understanding of the plan by both the athlete and the coach or any other agent involved in the training process; collaborative learning by athletes and their coaches, sharing the coaching process and building all the related steps together

...and principles of training must be based on "Cycling 2.0" phylosophy:

- The need to seek improvement and perform better by means of ethical behavior
- Constant attitude of curiosity, learning, and teaching
- Collaborative teamwork
- Multidirectional communication
- Participation in the training plan and process in which the athlete is the main actor
- Awareness of the latest advances and technologies in the field; trust in real science
- Knowledge and understanding of what is being done; awareness of what is going on and why
- Systematic, controlled, and regular work
- Fair play and clean practices without doping

(Zabala & Atkinson, 2012)

INTEGRATED TRAINING Real time knowledge in the cloud



FIRST: BASIC ASPECTS TO KNOW FROM OUR CYCLIST

- ✓ PERSONAL DATA
- ✓ FAMILY ILLNESSES, INJURIES, PAINS, ALLERGIES...
- ✓ NUTRITIONAL HABITS AND ERGOGENIC AIDS
- ✓ REST-RECOVERY HABITS SLEEP QUANTITY-QUALITY, PHYSIOTHERAPIST, HOURS STAND UP...



... BASIC ASPECTS TO KNOW FROM OUR CYCLIST

✓ TRAINING HABITS

✓ ...

- ✓ Years practicing cycling and others
- ✓ Kilometers per week and hours per week
- ✓ Kilometers and hours per month, per year...
- \checkmark How many and which kind of workouts in different microcycles
- ✓ How many competitions and when
- ✓ Which kind of rest-recovery and for how long (during season and after)



... BASIC ASPECTS TO KNOW FROM OUR CYCLIST

✓ TRAINING HABITS

- When do you perform better and why?
- When do you perform the worse and why?
- To be in your best shape, how many weeks/months you need?

How would you define yourself as a rider?

	Very low	Low	Normal	High	Very high
Powerful					Х
Diesel			Х		
Technic				Х	
Smart					Х

... BASIC ASPECTS TO KNOW FROM OUR CYCLIST

✓ TRAINING HABITS

Which aspect would you like to improve first? Do you think you have improved in any aspect? Do you think you have impaired any aspect? Are you studying any language (or other)?



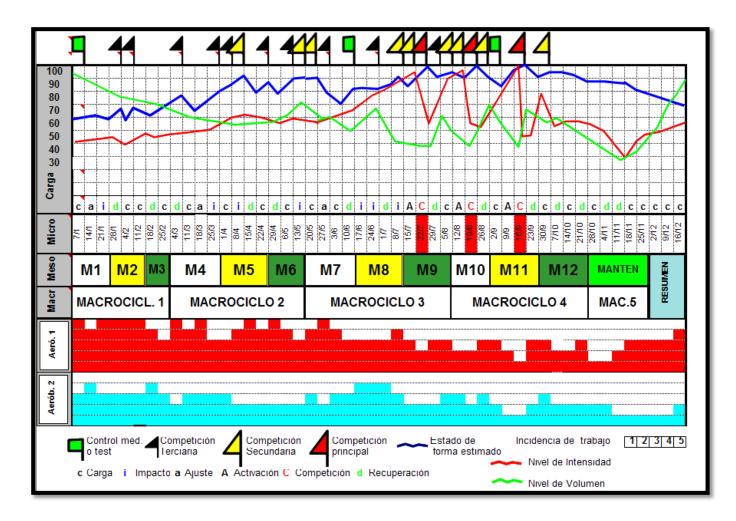
STABLISHING THE GOALS (SMART)

- ✓ Define your goals for the next season (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Regularly viewed, Timed):
 - 1. Result-based goals Get a top-3 in Paris
 - 2. Process-based goals Ride efficient in the peloton



IT IS JUST "PAPER", BUT...





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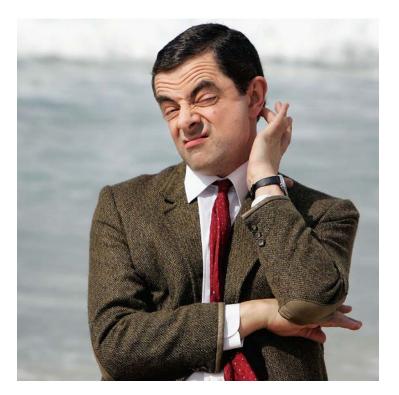
- Competitions
- Team's interests
- Personal interests
- Illnesses
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- Fitness-shape
- Load-recovery capacity
- Personal issues

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...AND WHAT IS NEEDED TO DEVELOP THE PLAN DAY TO DAY?



LET'S SEE SOME SPECIFIC ASPECTS THAT ARE NEEDED

SPECIFIC GLOSARY (I)

MEAN POWER, NORMALIZED POWER, FATIGUE INDEX...

CP: Critical Power. A power that theoretically can be maintained for a indefinitely long time without fatigue.

FTP : Functional Threshold Power. The highest power that a rider can maintain in a quasisteady state without fatiguing for approximately one hour

TSS: Training Stress Score[®]. A quantification of the training session that takes into account the duration and intensity of the training based on the power data. It's intended to estimate the training load and physiological stress created by that session

ATL: Acute Training Load[®]. The dose of training that you accumulated over a short period of time, from 3 to 10 days in general. It relates to your fatigue.

CTL: Chronic Training Load[®]. The the dose of training you accumulated over a longer period of time, from a couple of months to years. It relates to your fitness.

W' o W'bal: Formerly known as Anaerobic Work Capacity (AWC). A fixed amount of work, expressed in kJ, that you can do above Critical Power.

TAU: your rate of replenishing your W' stores.

SPECIFIC GLOSARY (II)

RR: Ramp Rate. The ramp rate of your Chronic Training Load (CTL). Joel Friel considers that a CTL ramp rate of 5 to 8 points per week is about right for most.

TSB: Training Stress Balance[®]. It's the result of subtracting today's Acute Training Load ("fatigue") from today's Chronic Training Load ("fitness"). In general terms, if it's negative, you're fatigued, and if it's positive you're fresh. It relates to your form or freshness.

Training Impulse: A method to quantify training load. It takes into consideration the intensity of exercise as calculated by the heart rate (HR) and the duration of exercise (Strava's Suffer Score is a modified TRIMP score).

SmO2: the abbreviation for Muscle Oxygen Saturation, that is, the percentage of hemoglobin that is carrying oxygen within the muscle tissue. Essentially you're looking at how your body, specifically your muscles, responds to exertion over time. It's measured by some devices like MOxy Muscle Oxygen Monitor and BXSinsight

tHb: total hemoglobin. It's part of your SmO2% measurement, and in simple terms it represents the existing volume of blood, where measured.

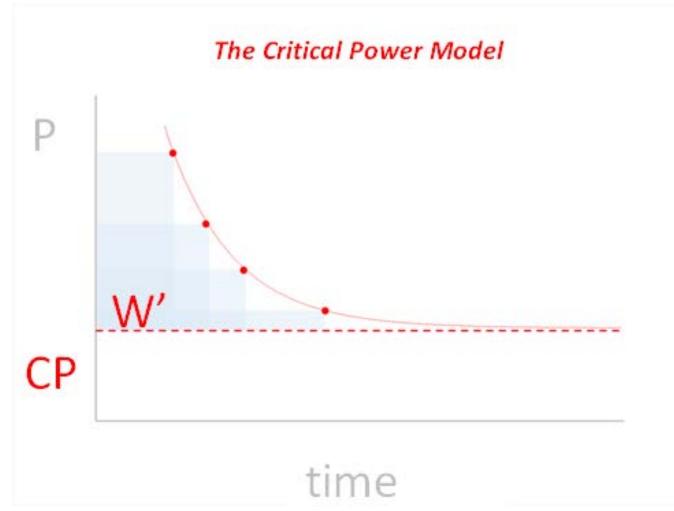
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Aerobic Decoupling: When power output and heart rate are no longer parallel in a workout where one variable remains steady while the other drifts, the relationship is said to have "decoupled" (e.g. when power remains constant but heart rate goes up, or when heart rate remains constant and power drops). Excessive decoupling (much higher than 5%) would indicate a lack of aerobic endurance fitness

Super OP: Tracking of blood pressure and HR every morning.

HRV: Heart Rate Variability. RMSSD, HF to measure recovery status.

CP AND W' RELATIONSHIP



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W', W'bal, TAU & INTENSITY RELATIONSHIP



CONCEPTUAL CONTROVERSY

Skiba/Literature	Coggan/TrainingPeaks
Variability Index	Variability Index
Relative Intensity	Intensity Factor
xPower	Normalised Power
BikeScore	Training Stress Score
Critical Power	Functional Threshold Power
W'	Functional Reserve Capacity
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HOW CAN WE WORK? TOOLS TO FACILITATE PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS







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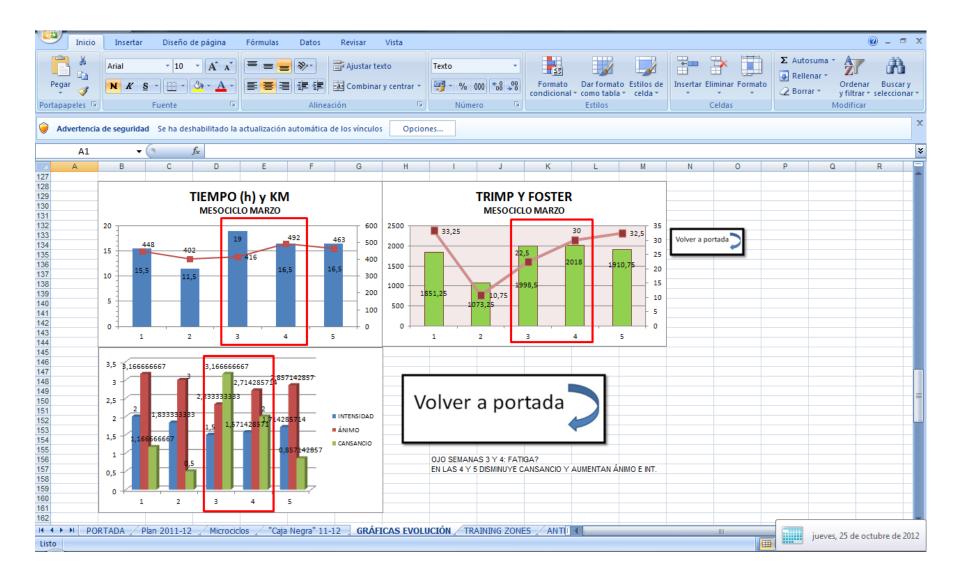
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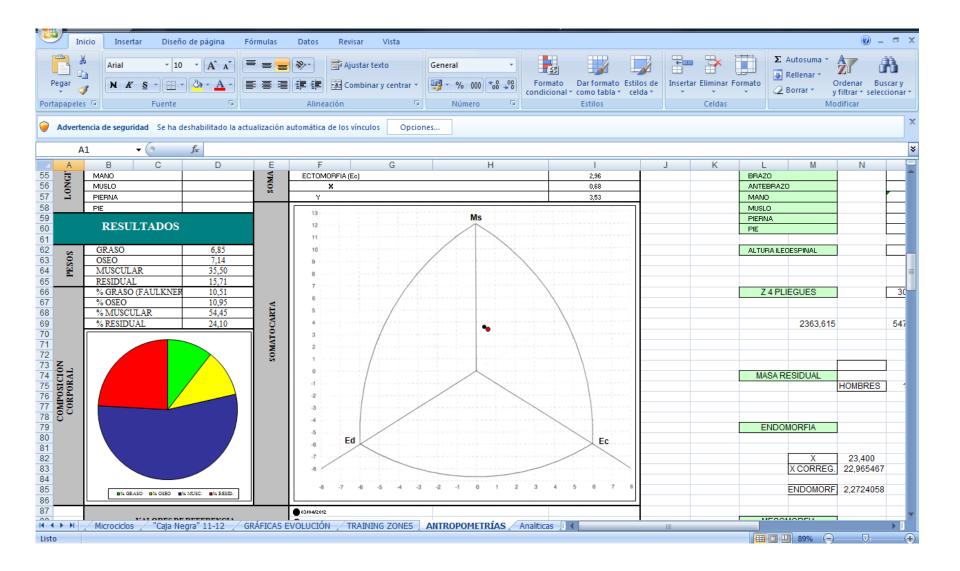
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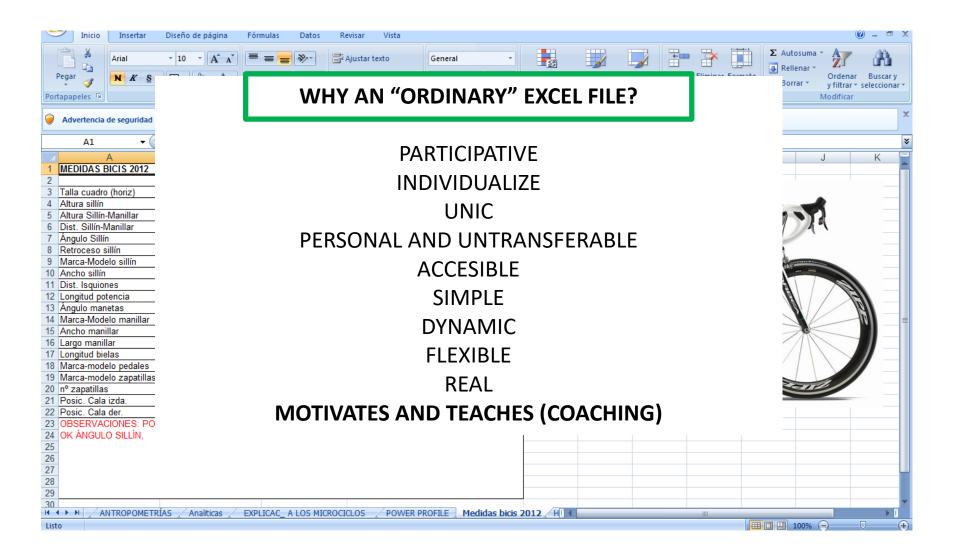
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NOWADAYS... HOW CAN WE WORK? TOOLS TO FACILITATE PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

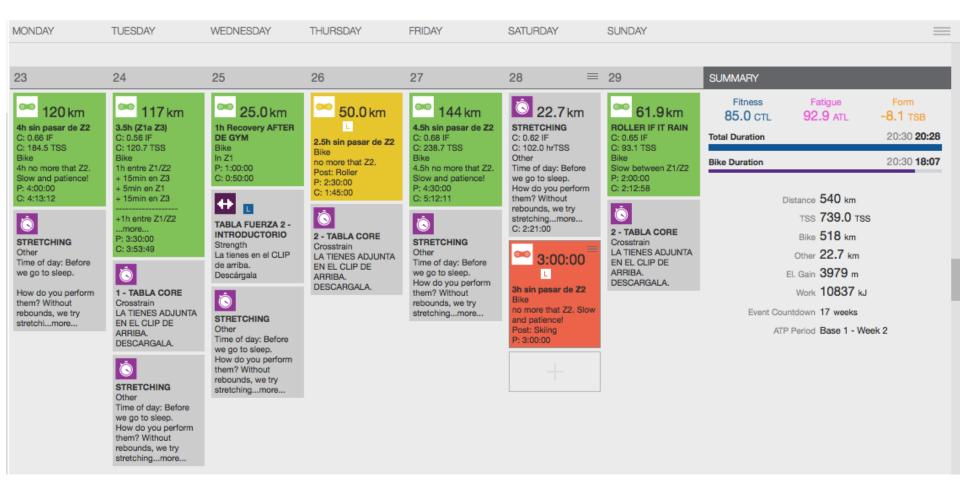


Coaches' tools...



EXAMPLES

✓ PRE-SEASON

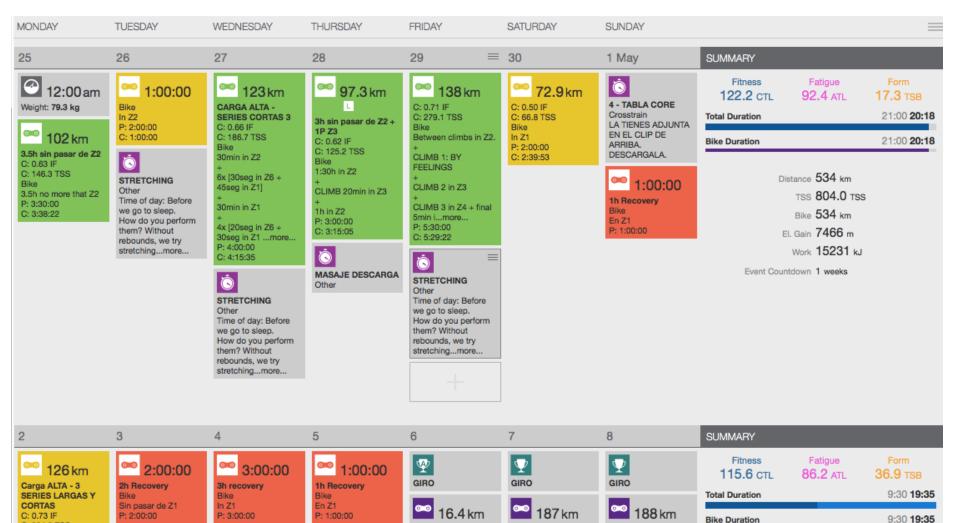


EXAMPLES

✓ SEASON

C: 224.2 TSS

Bike



C: 0.62 IF

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DATA ANALYSIS

Fleche Wallone



DATA ANALYSIS

Fleche Wallone

Totals	Avg	Max	Metrics	5
Duration: 5:16:45	Cyclist's weight (kg): 64.00	Speed (km/h): 83.9	xPower (Watts):	150
Time pedalling: 5:14:07	Speed (km/h): 39.4	Power (vatios): 977	Relative intensity:	0.375
Distance (km): 206.10	power (watts): 117	HR (ppm): 0	BikeScore™:	148
Work (kJ): 4422	HR (ppm): 0	Cadence (rpm): 250	Daniels Score:	21
Work W' (kJ): 273	Cadence (rpm): 87	Max W' used (%): <mark>106</mark>	Equivalent Daniels power (vatios):	179
Altitude gain 3999.2 (meters): 69	Temperature (C): 6.4	Temp (C): 16.0	TRIMP:	0
			Aerobic decoupling (%):	0.0
			NP (watts):	156
			Power (watts):	117
			Power no ceros (vatios):	279

DATA ANALYSIS

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Power Zones

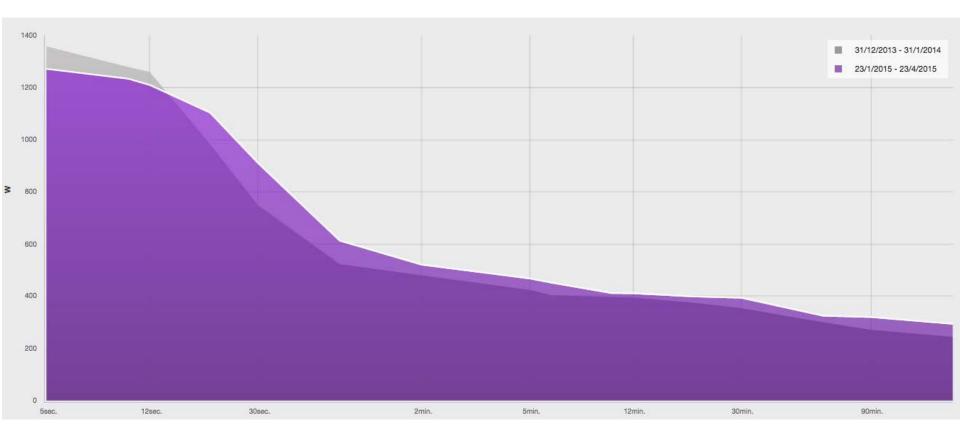
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Z2	Resistencia	220	300	56:15:00
Z3	Tempo	300	360	44:22:00
Z4	Umbral	360	420	31:19:00
Z5	VO2Max	420	480	19:11
Z6	Anaeróbico	480	600	14:17
Z7	Neuromuscular	600	MAX	5:58

POWER PROFILE

Best W values in 5", 1' y 5, and 20' (60'), CRITICAL POWER

Many times best values are taken from competitions. Profile Will be updated.



POWER PROFILE



PERFORMANCE MANAGER

BASED ON IMPULSE-RESPONSE MODEL...

WKO+: TRAINING STRESS BALANCE (TSB) = CHRONIC TRAINING LOAD (CTL) – ACUTE TRAINING LOAD (ATL)

CTL & ATL ARE CALCULATED BY MEANS OS TSS, USING LONG ANS SHORT PERIODS OF TIME, RECTIVELY

IMPACT OF THE PAST 42 DAYS (?) AND 7 DAYS, FOR CL AND ATL RESPECTIVELY

-CTL: HOW YOU HAVE WORKED THE PAST MONTH

-ATL: HOW YOU HAVE WORKED THE PAST DAYS

HIGH VALUE: A LOT OF WORK, YOU MAY NEED REST

YOUR FITNESS STATUS DEPENDS ON THIS RELATIONSHIP

ESPECIALIZACION DEPORTIVA: CICLISMO - UNIVERSIDAD DE GRANADA

WKO+ DOES NOT PRETEND TO PREDICT FUTURE, IT JUST SHOWS FITNESS STATUS INDIVIDUALLY TO BE RELATED WITH PERFORMANCE

IT IS A PERFORMANCE MANAGER, NOT A PREDICTOR OF PERFORMANCE, BUT USING CONTINUOSLY MAY BE USEFUL TO PREDICT PERFORMANCE

e.g. HIGH ATL COULD BE RELATED TO OVERREACHING; CONSTANT CTL FOR A LONG TIME IS RELATED TO A WORK STAGNATION

THIS MAY BE USED INDIVIDUALLY!

OTHER IDEAS:

- 1. NORMALIZED HEART RATE
- 2. "Z INDEX"







NORMALIZED HEART RATE: A NEW CONCEPT TO BETTER SUMMARIZE EXERCISE INTENSITY AFTER TRAINING SESSIONS

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Introduction

Heart Rate is a one of the most common used variables to describe exercise intensity, while some other variables have been used as e.g. time/distance, watts, etc. Some years ago a new concept was developed to better describe what happened after a cycling workout: the so-called Normalized Power [1], which pretends to better describe the variation in wattage during a workout to get a more representative value of the session rather than the average value that can not reflect any variation itself. So, e.g. the same value of 150 ppm does not mean the same objective or work developed, because it could be reached after continuous constant intensity (low variation), or after interval-series training (high variation). So, the aim of the study was to propose the use of normalized Heart Rate (HR_e) instead of the average HR (HR_{avg}) to better describe exercise intensity as a summary of a training session.

Methods

Twelve under-23 elite road cyclists (mean age: 19.67 ± 1.12 years) participated in the study. Training was monitored during 20 ± 2 training sessions measuring HR (Polar RS800). Then HR_a was calculated following 4 steps: 1) to get an average mobile value of 30 seconds from the original HR data in a new column, 2) to raise to the power of four of the previous column in a new one, 3) to get the average value of the previous column, and 4) to get the fourth root of the previous value. Descriptive and correlation statistics was carried out.

Results

Values of HR_{avg} and HR_a were calculated for each session that were divided into a) Continuous, and b) interval-series sessions. The respective values for HR_{avg} and HR_a were 138.4±10.8 vs. 143±10.2 ppm for a), and 139.5±33.3 vs. 150±11.3 ppm for b). The correlations between HR_{avg} and HR_a were r=0.89 in a), and r=0.50 for b), but there was no correlation when relating HR_{avg} and HR_a of all the sessions -a) and b)-.

Discussion

 HR_{avg} does not discriminate how we have reached this value after a training session, so if we cannot see all the HR data we cannot know accurately which kind of exercise intensity has been developed. The same value of HR_{avg} can be reached by means of completely different training stimulus. On the other hand, HR_a shows another aspect that represents much better the type of exercise developed. This is why in a) the differences between HR_{avg} and HR_a are small and there is a significant correlation, while in b) the difference between HR_{avg} and HR_a is important and the correlation is low. So, we suggest the use of HR_a as a better summary of training intensity and, more important, to use this value instead of HR_{avg} to get the training load using TRIMP.

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A NEW WAY TO QUANTIFY TRAINING LOAD IN SPORT: THE "Z-INDEX" Zabala, M.^{1,2} & Morente-Sánchez, J.¹

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Introduction

Training load is an important issue related to adequately apply the optimum stimulus to get the best work-recovery relationship to improve performance. In some middle-long distance sports like cycling or running, some indexes in relation to the time spent working are used as Heart Rate (TRIMP) [1], RPE (Foster) [2], relative Power output in cycling (TSS -Training Stress Score-) [3], or Time/km in running (multiplying them by time in minutes or seconds). The aim of this study was to integrate those indexes that describe the same event from different but complementary perspectives (physiological, physical, and perceptual perspectives) to create a more complete index of training load.

Methods

Twelve under-23 elite road cyclists, and 14 recreational triathletes, (mean age: 19.67 ± 1.12 years, and 27.67 ± 3.12 years, respectively) participated in the study. Training was monitored during a total of 20 ± 2 training sessions measuring TRIMP, Foster, and TSS or time/km x min. Then a new score was got weighting each value in a scale from 0-10 (Log10) and then getting the average of the indexes multiplied by 10 to get a final score in %: for cyclists, the so-called "Z-Index"=[(log10 of TRIMP + log10 of Foster + log10 of TSS)/3*10], and for runners, "Z-Index"=[(log10 of TRIMP + log10 of Foster + log10 of (Time/km x min))/3*10]. Descriptive and correlation statistics was carried out.

Results

Values in % of daily, weekly or monthly training loads were calculated in relation to the training plan and sessions. The relation of the subjective plan and the later training load showed that sometimes the proposed training load was less or more than the one measured after the workouts (10 to 20% difference, correlation of $r=0.80^{**}$). When relating the different conventional indexes to the Z-index, significant and high correlations were found in cycling ($r=0.75^{**}$ for TRIMP, $r=0.79^{**}$ for Foster, $r=0.81^{**}$ for TSS), and running ($r=0.80^{**}$ for TRIMP, $r=0.79^{**}$ for Foster, $r=0.80^{**}$ for the the the the the new index was "easy, useful, and practical".

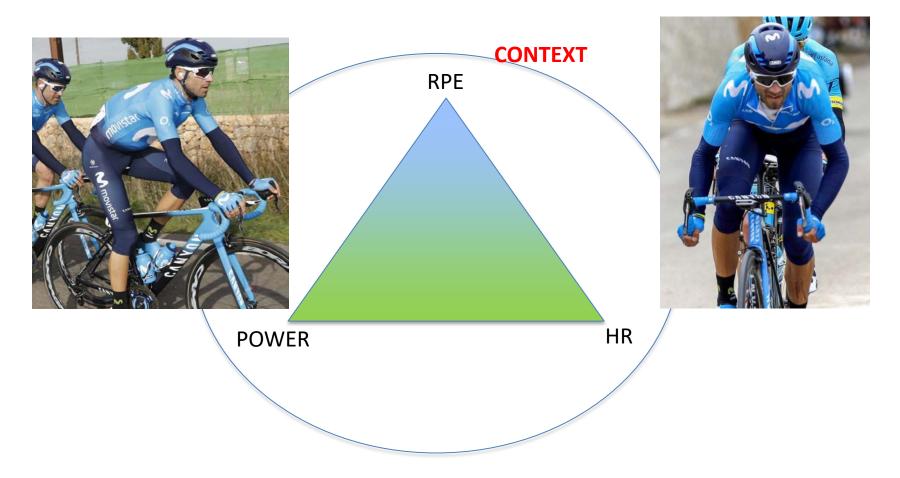
Discussion

Z-index is a very easy to understand value calculated taking into account the most feasible indexes that can be got from training using specific variables for each sport -cycling or running-and that could be used in Swimming adapting the formula from running but using the specific units (e.g. time in seconds / 25-50-100m). This index can be someway elitist, but there are many athletes nowadays that can afford GPS devices, powermeters, or just a chronometer. More research is needed to validate and develop the original formula.

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TODAY... THE TRIANGLE OF TRAINING LOAD AND FATIGUE



NEXT... MUSCLE OXYGEN & GLYCOGEN??? NIRS TECH

AVG-HR VS AVG-POW & AVG-POW VS NP

TRIMP VS TSS

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TRIMP VS (AVG-POW X TIME) & TRIMP VS (NP X TIME)





Analysing a cycling grand tour: Can we monitor fatigue with intensity or load ratios?

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ABSTRACT

This study evaluated the changes in ratios of different intensity (rating of perceived exertion; RPE, heart rate; HR, power output; PO) and load measures (session-RPE; sRPE, individualized TRIMP; iTRIMP, Training Stress ScoreTM; TSS) in professional cyclists. RPE, PO and HR data was collected from twelve professional cyclists (VO_{2max} 75 ± 6 ml·min·kg⁻¹) during a two-week baseline training period and during two cycling Grand Tours. Subjective:objective intensity (RPE:HR, RPE:PO) and load (sRPE:iTRIMP, sRPE: TSS) ratios and external:internal intensity (PO:HR) and load (TSS:iTRIMP) ratios were calculated for every session. Moderate to large increases in the RPE:HR, RPE:PO and sRPE:TSS ratios (d = 0.79-1.79) and small increases in the PO:HR and sRPE:iTRIMP ratio (d = 0.21-0.41) were observed during Grand Tours compared to baseline training data. Differences in the TSS:iTRIMP ratio were trivial to small (d = 0.03-0.27). Small to moderate week-to-week changes (d = 0.21-0.63) in the PO:HR, RPE:PO, RPE:HR, TSS: iTRIMP, sRPE:iTRIMP and sRPE:TSS were observed during the Grand Tour. Concluding, this study shows the value of using ratios of intensity and load measures in monitoring cyclists. Increases in ratios could reflect progressive fatigue that is not readily detected by changes in solitary intensity/load measures.

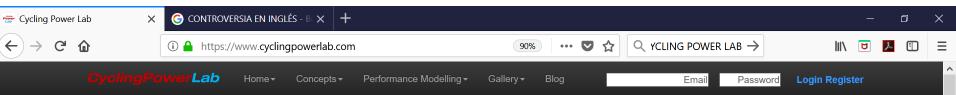


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"This study shows the potential of an external:internal intensity (PO:HR) ratio, ratios between perceptual and physiological indicators of intensity (RPE:HR) and load (sRPE:iTRIMP) and ratios between perceptual and external intensity (RPE:PO) and load (sRPE:TSS) to monitor the fatigue state of cyclists"

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Cycling Power Lab lets coaches and athletes model ride performance in any bike race or triathlon

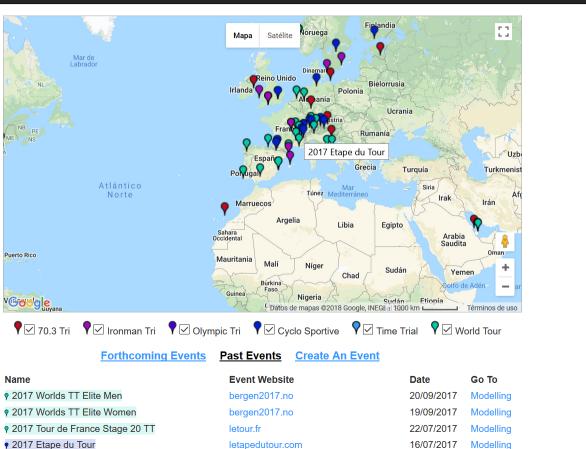
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Simulate Performance With Pre-Event Modelling

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SO:

WE CAN ACCESS A BIG AMOUNT OF DATA EASILY

WE CAN ANALYZE DATA IN A VERY PRECISE AND DEEP WAY

WE CAN RELATE TRAINING AND PERFORMANCE, EVEN PREDICTING PERFORMANCE IN THE FUTURE

WE WANT TO MAKE DATA-DRIVEN DECISSIONS RATHER THAN HEART-DRIVEN DECISSIONS

AND.. THIS IS WHY BIG-DATA ANALYSIS APPEARED FOR

Data Analysis in Professional road cycling

Why we promote a data-driven approach?

Team performance



- Design better tactical actions in competitions
- Monitor fatigue and optimize team work around the leaders
- Monitor training effectiveness

Individual performance

- (Re)Act on training variables and recovery needs
- Identify physical and mental weak points / strengths
- Forecast performance peaks and schedule intensity accordingly

Competition's impact



- How many people went to see the "live" competition?
- What was the audience on TV?
- What happened in Social Media?



Sensors on Bike: A massive amount of Data

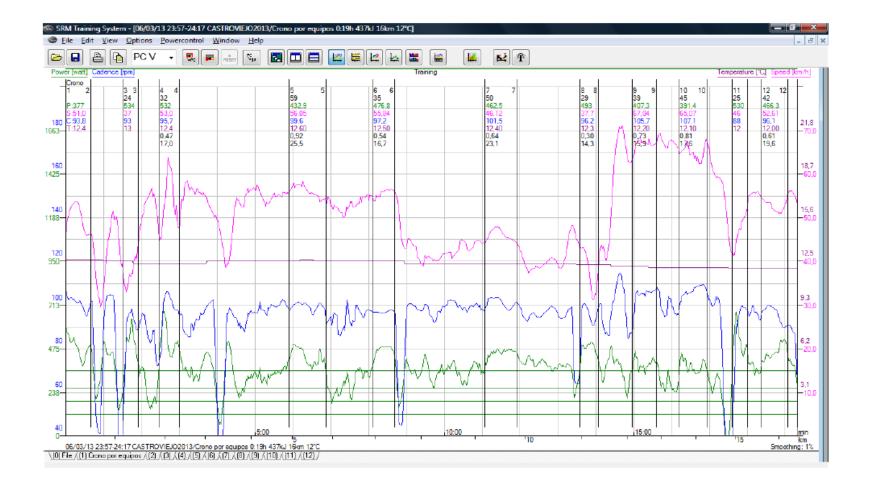


4 million pieces of info per cyclist in Tour de France

One **sample per second**, generated in **competion and training sessions**, including:

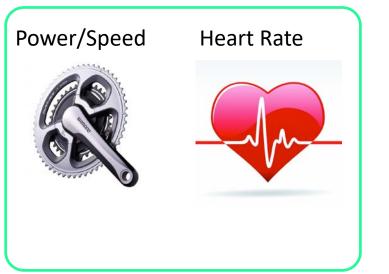
- Time
- GPS position, ramp, elevation
- Temp
- Cadence (rpm)
- Power (Watts).
- Speed.
- Left/Right balance
- Heart rate
- …and tens of new generated variables (NP, IF, TSS…)

We need actionable insights not complex charts

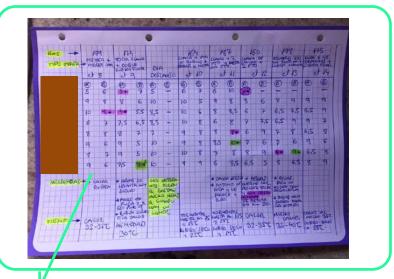


What explains performance?

Intensity



Feelings (recovery/effort)



We ask cyclists to **rate their overall feelings** before and after the race so we feed this data into the model.

Once the dataset is built...

	Intervalos											
Interval N	ame Duración	Distancia (km)	Trabajo (kJ)	Potencia Media (vatios)	xPower (vatios)	Potencia Máx (vatios)	Frec. Cardíaca Media (ppm)	95% Frec. Cardíaca (ppm)	Cadencia Media (rpm)	Velocidad Media (km/h)		
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2	02:25	1.10	18	121	117	202	106	111	78	27.4		
3	10:46	5.47	91	141	148	309	108	115	79	30.5		
4	03:32	2.58	91	431	398	543	159	169	94	43.9		
5	02:30	1.40	26	176	177	400	136	169	80	33.7		
6	05:08	3.79	129	418	398	518	165	171	100	44.3		
7	02:54	1.50	26	150	132	414	133	169	84	31.1		

We applied advanced analytics and created a proprietary infotool to easily navigate the data

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22	00:19	0.24	16	845	353	1281	135	159	87	45.1
23	54:54	23.17	677	209	236	496	122	145	75	25.8
24	20:48	6.79	510	408	404	502	169	176	82	19.6
25	21:08	12.05	117	96	141	379	112	139	72	35.5
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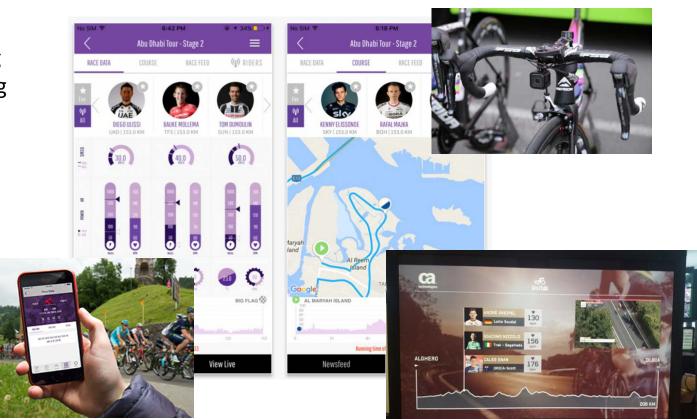
Why? If we already have software available...

- More advanced analytics. We can predict variables like fatigue or recovery more accurately
- Coaches give their input from sport sciences and training methods
- Designed specifically for the team, customized
- Feelings (RPE) included as a key complementary variable
- Simplicity. We use just what we need
- All the data from the team available in one tool
- Individualization: one athlete, personal data, graphs and feedback



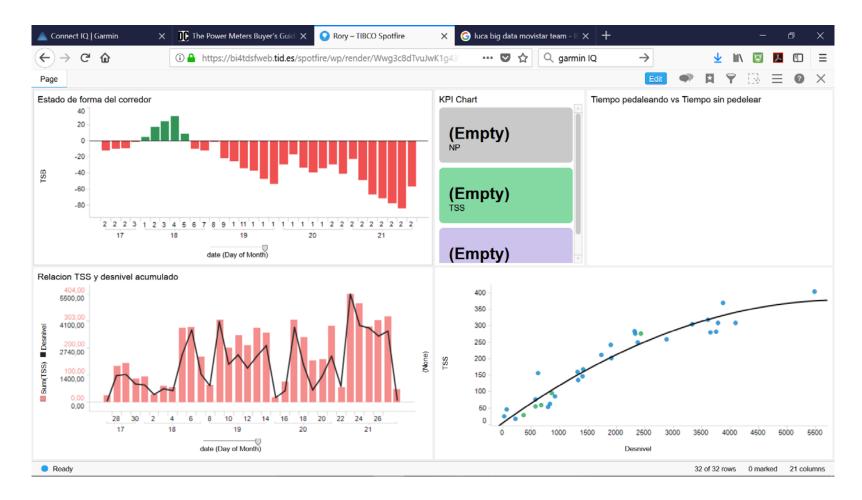
Getting closer to F1: Real-time analysis.

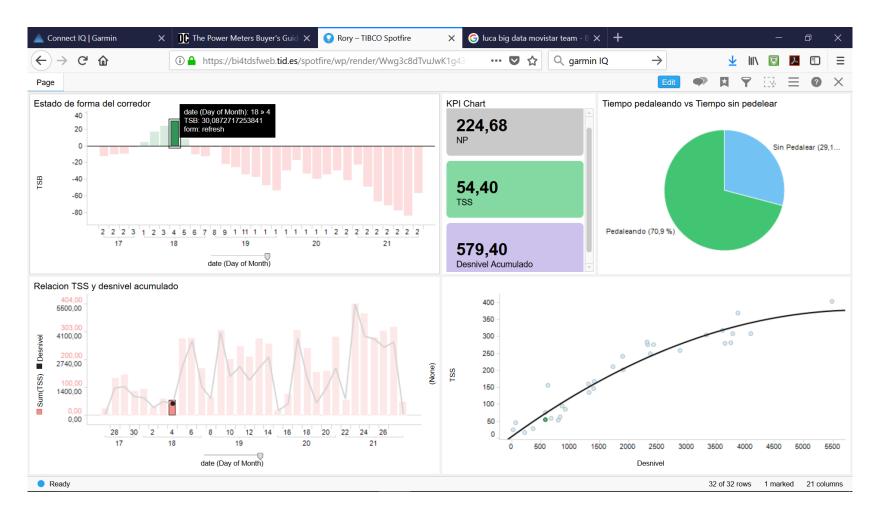
- Velon is pioneering real-time streaming (video & data)
- An opportunity for telcos?

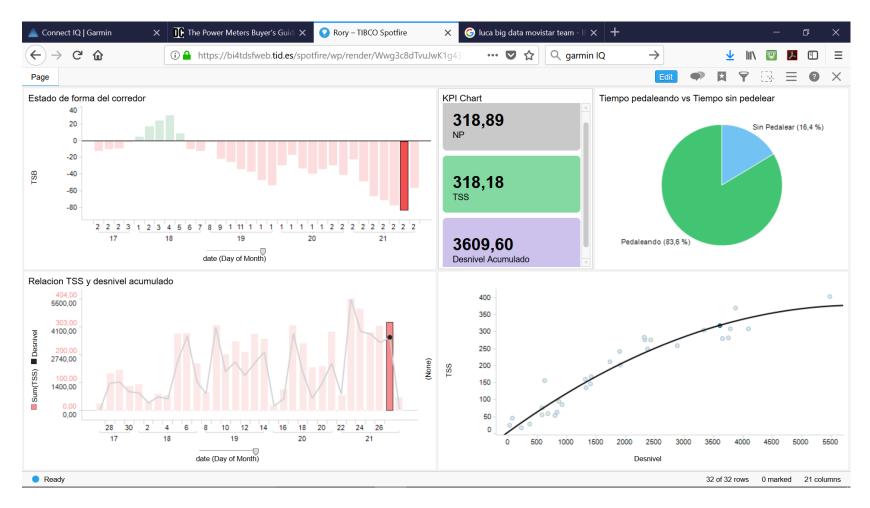


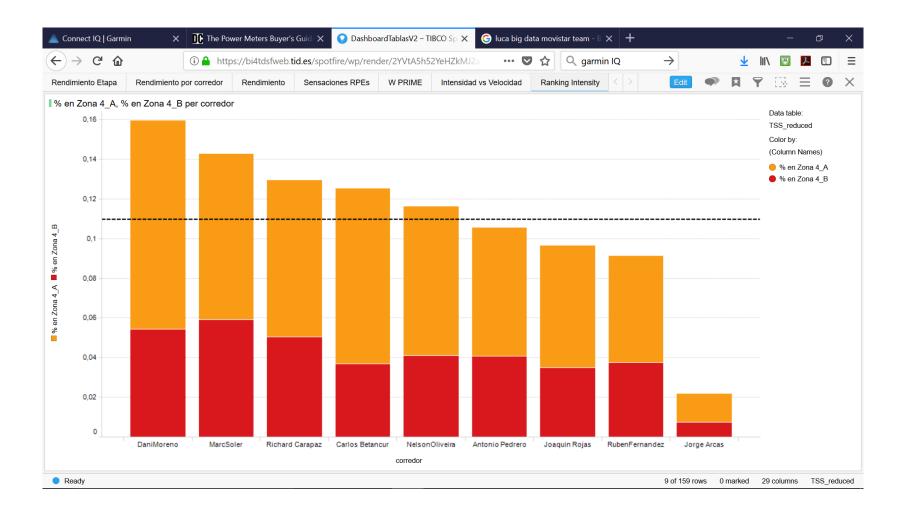












BUT... WE NEED CONTINUOUS MONITORING

WEEKLY CONTACT COACH-CYCLIST (OR DAILY WHEN NEEDED...)

SKINFOLDS, WEIGTH IN THE COMPETITIONS AND CAMPS

WEEKLY CHAT COACHES-DIRECTOR OF PERFORMANCE (VIA SKYPE)

WEEKLY CHAT DIRECTOR OF PERFORMANCE-RACE MANAGERS-OWNER

ATTENDANCE TO SELECTED COMPETITIONS AND INDIVIDUAL TRAINING WORKOUTS WHEN POSSIBLE

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE COACH AND THE CYCLISTS MUST BE BASED ON CONFIDENCE





And... remember: "That country which doesn't know its past is condemned to repeat it"

DOPING AND ANTI-DOPING IN CYCLING 66

- Written by Yorck Olaf Schumacher, Qatar

Since the introduction of the Athlete Biological Passport in 2008, both high and low reticulocyte patterns have virtually disappeared

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Attitudes towards Doping and Related Experience in Spanish National Cycling Teams According to Different Olympic Disciplines

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Abstract

Attitudes towards doping are considered an influence of doping intentions. The aims of the present study were 1) to discover and compare the attitudes towards doping among Spanish national team cyclists from different Olympic disciplines, as well as 2) to get some complementary information that could better explain the context. The sample was comprised of seventy-two cyclists: mean age 19.67 ± 4.72 years; 70.8% males (n = 51); from the different Olympic disciplines of Mountain bike -MTB- (n = 18), Bicycle Moto Cross -BMX- (n = 12), Track -TRA- (n = 9) and Road -ROA- (n = 33). Descriptive design was carried out using a validated scale (PEAS). To complement this, a gualitative open-ended guestionnaire was used. Overall mean score (17-102) was 36.12±9.39. For different groups, the data were: MTB: 30.28±6.92; BMX: 42.46±10.74; TRA: 43.22±12.00; ROA: 34.91±6.62, respectively. In relation to overall score, significant differences were observed between MTB and BMX (p=0.002) and between MTB and TRA (p=0.003). For the open-ended qualitative guestionnaire, the most mentioned word associated with "doping" was "cheating" (48.83% of total sample), with "responsible agents of doping" the word "doctor" (52,77%), and with the "main reason for the initiation in doping" the words "sport achievement" (45.83%). The major proposed solution was "doing more doping controls" (43.05%). Moreover, 48.67% stated that there was "a different treatment between cycling and other sports". This study shows that Spanish national team cyclists from Olympic cycling disciplines, in general, are not tolerant in relation to doping. BMX and Track riders are a little more permissive towards the use of banned substances than MTB and Road. Results from the qualitative open-ended questionnaire showed interesting data in specific questions. These results empower the idea that, apart from maintaining doping controls and making them more efficient, anti-doping education programs are needed from the earliest ages.

Relationship Between Self-Reported Doping Behavior and Psychosocial Factors in Adult Amateur Cyclists

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This study addresses performance-enhancement drug (PED) consumption in amateur sport by investigating the relationship between psychosocial factors and PED use in amateur cyclists. Participants were asked whether they had ever taken PED. They were also asked whether they had any experience in competitive cycling, and the degree to which they participated in the event with a competitive aim. In addition, they completed the Performance Enhancement Attitude Scale, the Rosenberg self-esteem scale, and a bespoke self-efficacy questionnaire, and they rated the percentage of cyclists they believed took PED. Between-groups comparisons and two multiple regression analyses were performed. Overall, the results of our study point to adult amateur cyclists in general, and amateur cyclists with experience in competition in particular, as groups at risk for PED use. This study highlights the value of measuring psychosocial variables as a tool to assess PED use, a current issue at both sport performance and health levels.

Keywords: performance-enhancing drugs; cycling; prevention; attitudes; self-esteem; self-efficacy; projected use; sport competition.

Also, a coach must live the training process with the cyclist

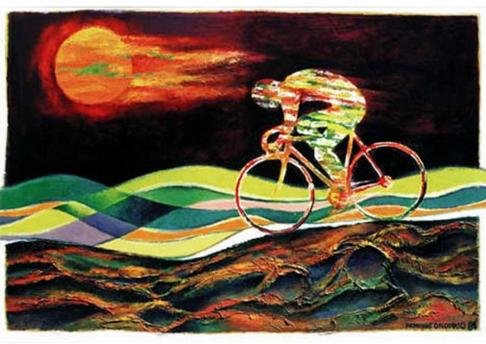


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