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Differences in physiological variables of U23 cyclists between normoxia and hypoxia



Denver, Colorado

1700m

August 10th, 1991



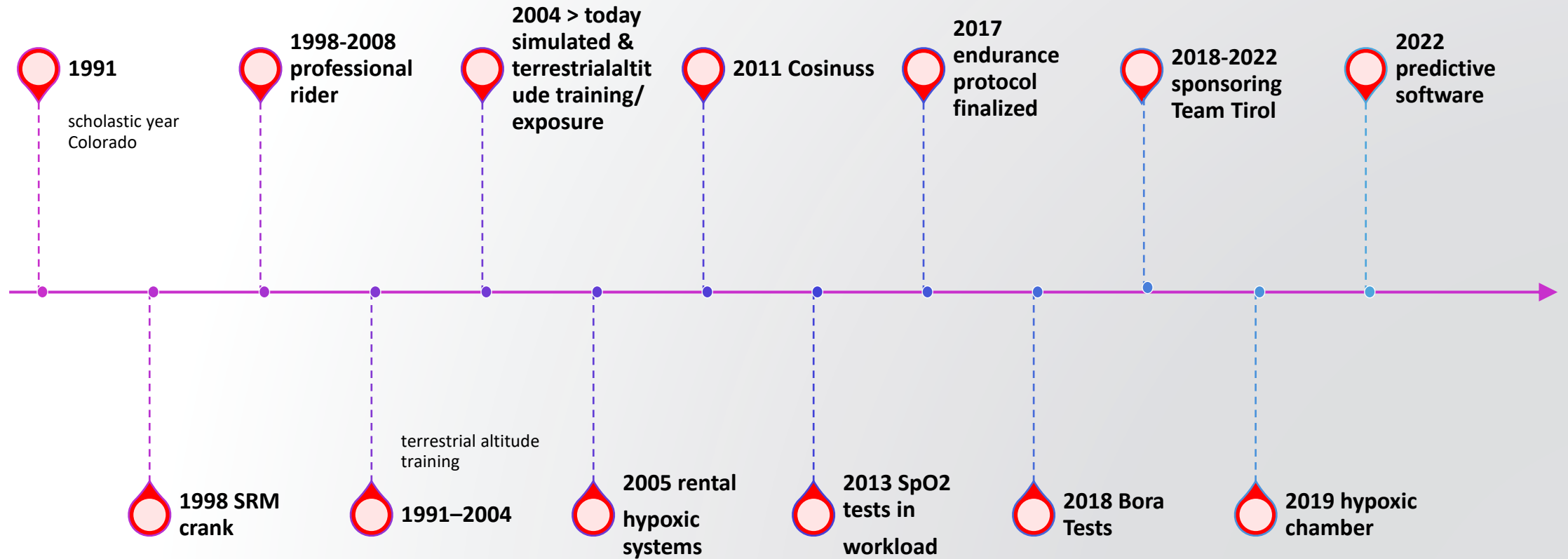
Tour de France 2003/04

Team Saeco

1991-2004 conventional altitude training

2005 to today conventional and simulated altitude training and exposure

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Personal experience

- 95% use altitude to prepare competition in lowland
- For altitude response there is no standard measuring method yet (SRM – early 90's)
- altitude a matter of coaches passing on their own experience to athletes
- copying others

Monitoring athletes 2005 - 2017

- EXPECTATIONS
- altitude exposure only - sleep high train low
- morning readings SpO2 and heart rate at rest immediately after waking up + training data
- indication of how good adaptation to altitude will work
- reaction to stimulus not dependant on age, fitness or gender
- unstable morning readings or irregularly taken



Altitude and cyclists

1. Increasing data quality

- stabilizing data by applying SpO2 readings to work load
- first tests with befriended cyclists
 - > striking parallels to already existing morning readings

2. Turn around procedure - first tests then monitoring

- unknown cyclists > predict adaptation > validate by monitoring
- ex-post information to altitude output
 - > prediction would be ground breaking

3. additional test at 1800m altitude – increase in precision and prediction

Comparative tests - lowland vs. 1800m 2015 <

- Setup in 2015:

Cyclus2 ergometer

pulsoxymetry (Geratherm)

ramp test protocol 100/20/1

same day, 3-4 hours apart

2018 < with spiroergometry (Cortex Metalizer 2B)

Tests show:

- *if athletes react at all*

- *how long adaption will take – EXPECTATIONS - timeframe*

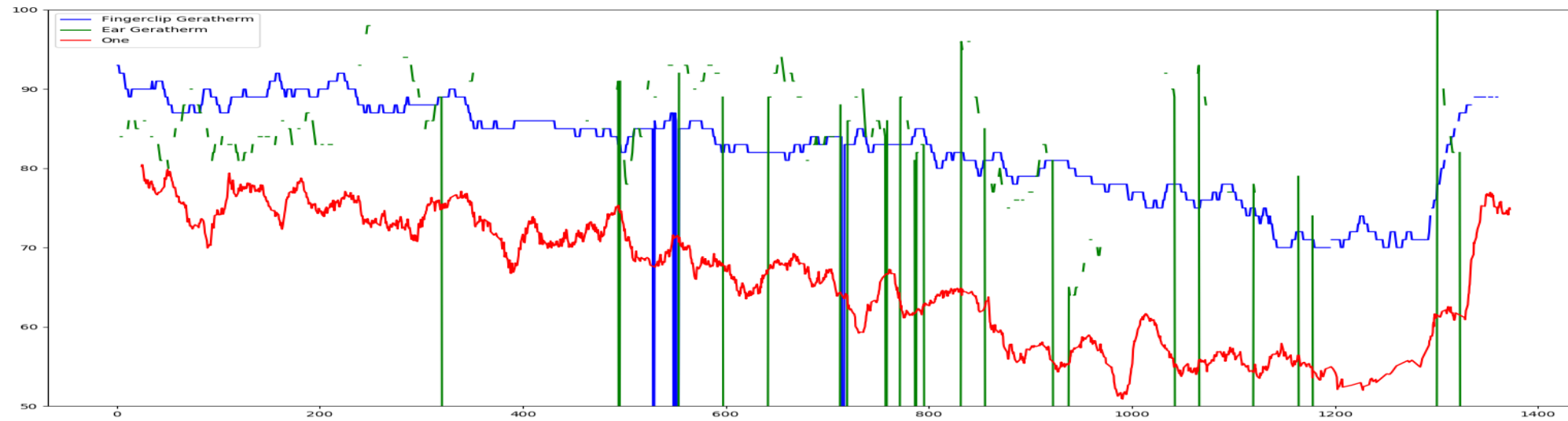
- optimizing potential to set hypoxic periods in accordance to athletes race programm

Bora 2018

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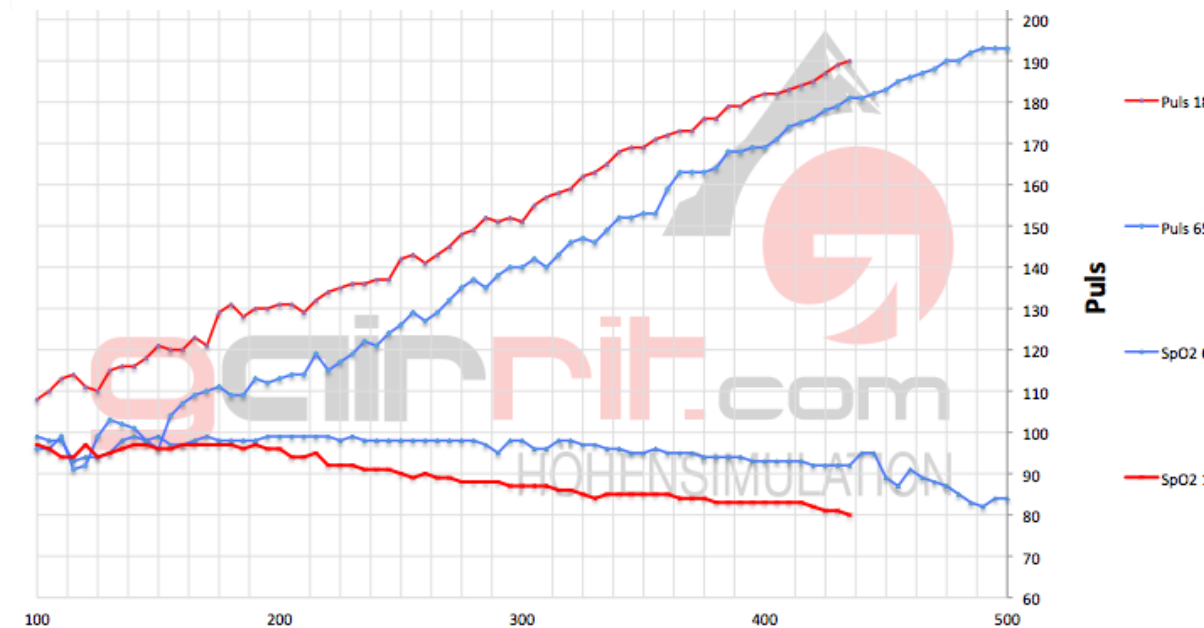
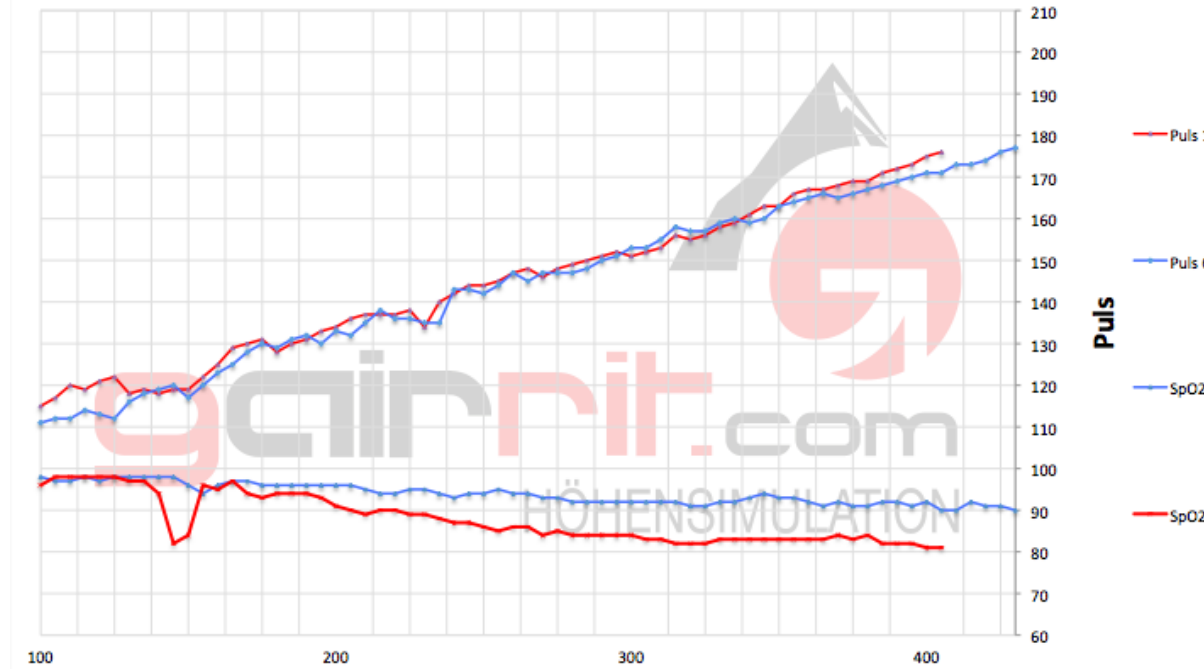


Spo2 c_2400



U23 Tirol Cycling >2018

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Abstract

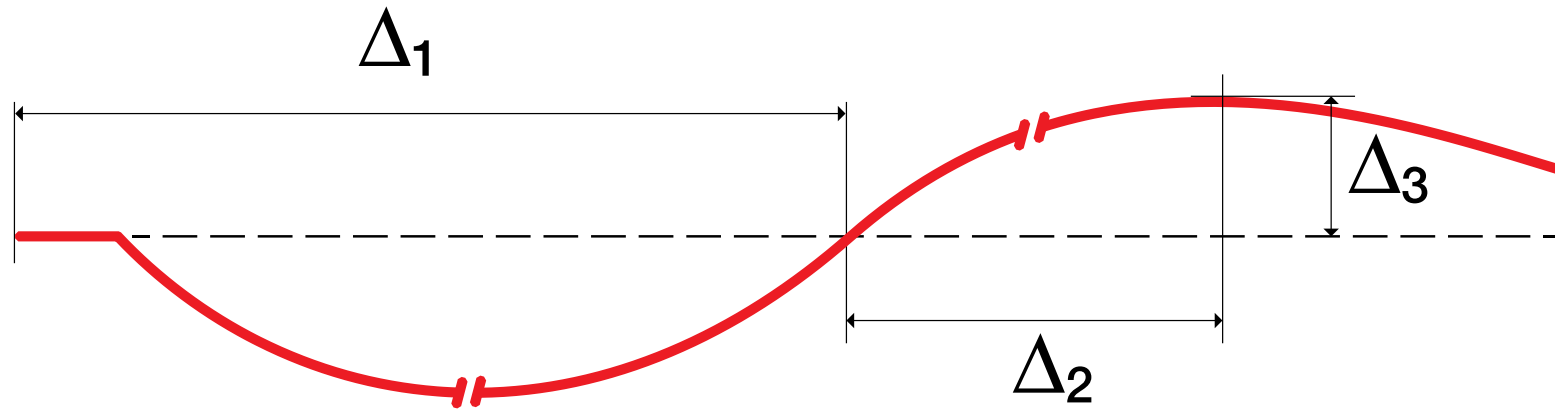
- 12 double tests from U-23 riders
- comparing tests give feedback on how acute altitude exposure effects riders performance
- Enables how timing should look like towards goal
- recommendation for training training zones

Predictive forecasting

- protocol allows classification of how one copes with altitude in the long term
 - double test very sport specific + practical
 - Total hemoglobin mass measurements are very expensive and difficult to access
 - double tests can be done at athletes home base



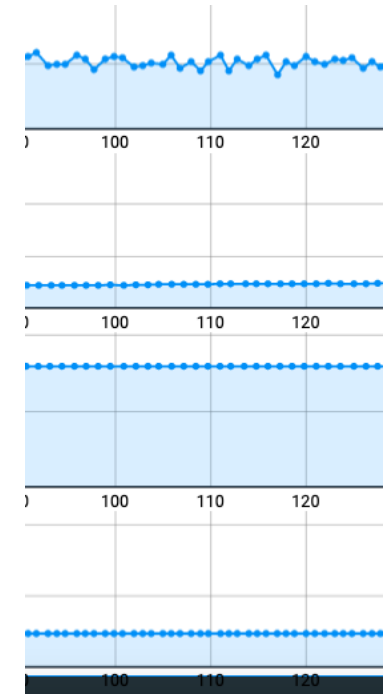
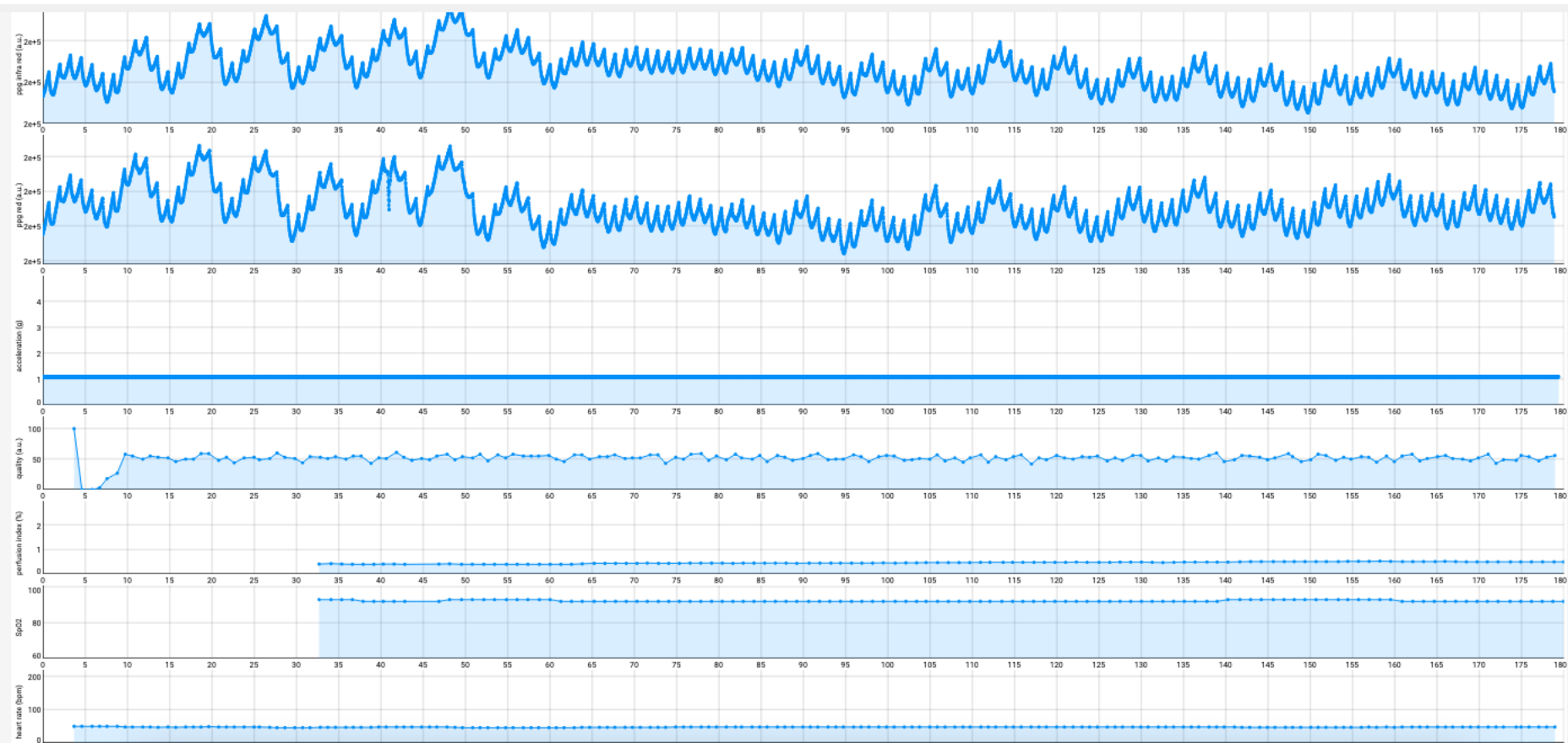
Delta-Time – action plan – adaption curve





Monitoring Setup

Detailed information



Athlete altitude profile

- ✓ WHEN precisely at
- ✓ WHAT exact altitude is
- ✓ WHICH performance gain possible



Take home



initial altitude stimulus sufficient 1000m +/- 250m



average 150 hours of normoxia to reach starting performance level



average 250 hours of normoxia, to reach maximum output



Normoxia enables to individually adapt stimulus to athlete

Questions?

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