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Thursday 10th November 2011
Ravenhill Rugby Ground, Belfast

Nutrition plays an important part in maximising an athlete's performance, as well as for their general health and well-being. The Dairy Council for Northern Ireland is hosting a lunchtime seminar to present the latest research on post-exercise recovery strategies and their practical application, including the potential role of milk.



Programme
12.00 Arrival and buffet lunch
12.30 Seminar

Chair's Introduction

Speakers:
Professor Ron Maughan,
Professor of Sport and Exercise Nutrition at Loughborough University

Optimising rehydration after exercise

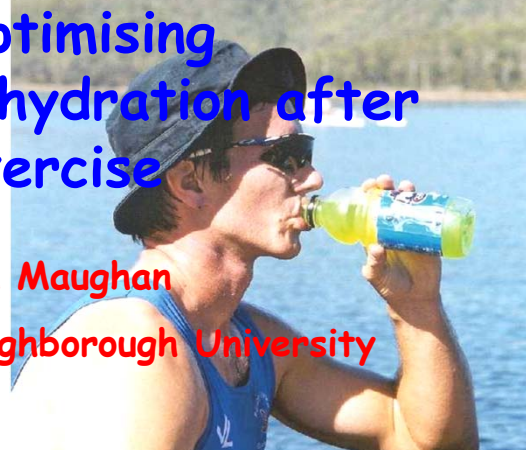
Dr Emma Stevenson,
Associate Director of the Brain, Performance and Nutrition Research Centre,
Northumbria University

Putting post-exercise recovery strategies into practice

1.45 Close



Optimising rehydration after exercise



Ron Maughan
Loughborough University


Recovery aims after exercise

- Hydration/fluid balance restoration
- Muscle glycogen restoration
- Muscle protein synthesis
- Restore homeostasis
eg Reduce temperature
- Restore exercise capacity



Outline


- Why rehydration after exercise ?
- Post-exercise rehydration
- Milk as a rehydration drink



Why is hydration important?

Dehydration, if sufficiently severe can cause:

- Reduced exercise performance**
- Reduced blood volume
- Increased heart rate
- Reduced skin & muscle blood flow
- Impaired thermoregulation
- Increased perception of effort**
- Headache, nausea, insomnia
- Impaired mental function
- Increased risk of heat illness**

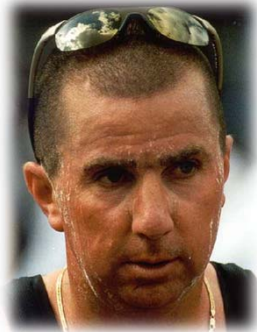


Water and Salt Losses in Exercise

Sweat loss normally exceeds fluid intake: some dehydration is normal

Electrolyte composition of sweat is highly variable: main electrolyte lost is sodium

Athletes finish exercise with both fluid and electrolyte deficits



Post-exercise hydration

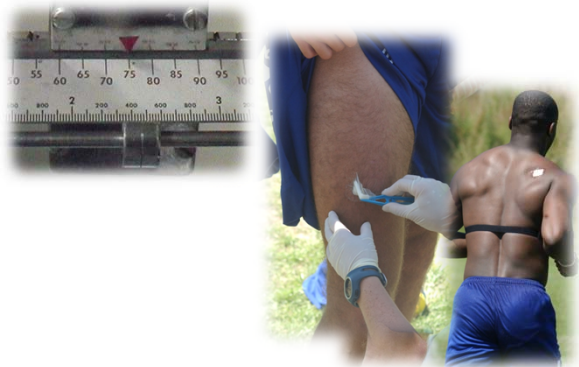
"After exercise, the goal is to fully replace any fluid and electrolyte deficit. If recovery time and opportunities permit, consumption of normal meals and snacks with a sufficient volume of plain water will restore euhydration, provided the food contains sufficient sodium to replace sweat losses. If dehydration is substantial with a relatively short recovery period (<12 h) then aggressive rehydration programs may be merited."



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SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS
Exercise and Fluid
Replacement

Sweat volume and electrolyte losses in athletes



Fluid balance in football

Players (n = 26) weighed pre/post training

All drinks bottles also weighed

Mean mass loss = 1.23 (0.50-2.55) kg

Mean drink intake = 972 (239-1724) ml

Mean sweat loss = 2.19 (1.67-3.14) l

Dehydration = 1.6 (0.7-3.2) %

Individual variations

Data from football training

124 1st team players - top European clubs

Sweat loss 880-3140 ml

Fluid intake 44-2278 ml

Dehydration -0.2%-3.2%

Salt loss 1.7-9.9 g

Outline

Why rehydration after exercise ?

Post-exercise rehydration

How much to drink

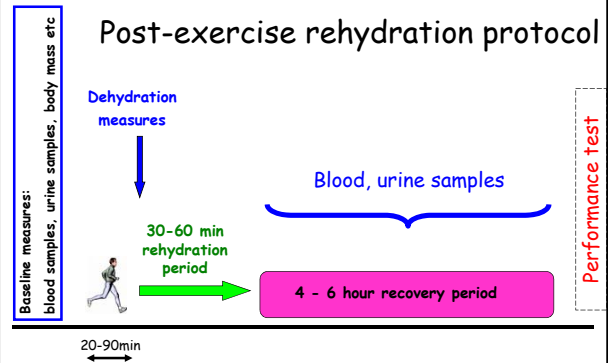
What to drink

Milk as a rehydration drink



Recovery of fluid and electrolyte balance after exercise

Post-exercise rehydration protocol



Volume and Composition (1)

Interaction of volume of fluid consumed and sodium concentration on the efficacy of rehydration after sweat loss of 2% of body mass.

Two subject groups:

Low (23 mmol/l) sodium

High (61 mmol/l) sodium

Four Volume trials:

50% of weight loss

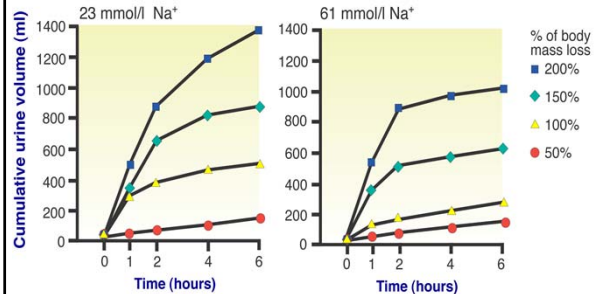
100% of weight loss

150% of weight loss

200% of weight loss



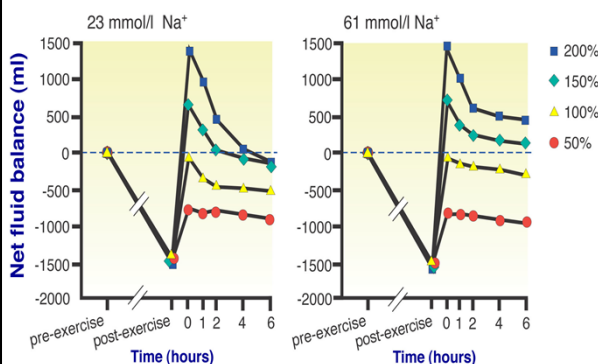
Urine excretion during recovery



Urine collected over 6h after rehydration
Excretion related to volume consumed

Shirreffs et al, 1996

Whole body fluid balance status



CONCLUSION

Unless sufficient volume is consumed after dehydration, the body remains in net negative fluid balance

If the electrolyte (sodium) content of drinks is low, positive fluid balance is not maintained, even when the volume consumed is large

Positive fluid balance is achieved when both volume and sodium content of drinks are high. It is probably necessary to drink about 1.5 litres for each litre of sweat loss

Others ways of altering rate of replacement: Carbohydrate

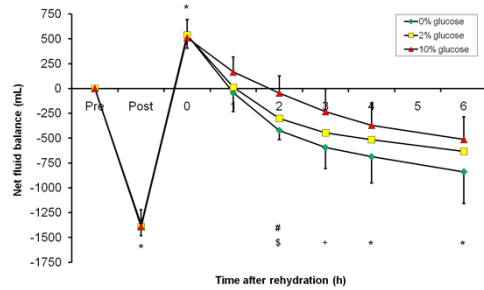
Hypohydration = 1.9% body mass

Drink volume = 150% of body mass loss

Drinks: 25mmol/l Na⁺ + 0% CHO ◆
 25mmol/l Na⁺ + 2% CHO ■
 25mmol/l Na⁺ + 10% CHO ▲

Evans et al, Nutrition, 2009

Whole body fluid balance



Evans et al, Nutrition, 2009

Others ways of altering rate of replacement: Carbohydrate

Hypertonic glucose-sodium drinks may be more effective at restoring and maintaining hydration status after sweat loss than more dilute solutions when the sodium concentration is comparable

This is presumably due to the effect of energy content in slowing absorption

Evans et al, 2009

Recovery of fluid and electrolyte balance after exercise

1. Adequate volume must be consumed Shirreffs et al, (1996) MSSE, 28: 1260-1271
2. Sodium concentration must be moderately high in relation to sweat losses Shirreffs & Maughan (1998) AJP, 274: F868-F875
3. The sodium can be obtained from the rehydration drink or from food Maughan et al, (1996) EJAP, 73: 317-325; Ray et al, (1998)
4. Increasing energy content of drinks can improve retention Evans et al (2009) Br J Nutr



Sports drinks



Sports drinks



Milk composition compared to other drinks



		Typical Sports Drink	Very Low Fat Milk	Fruit Juice	Cola	Water
Water (g/l)	★	930	900	860	900	1000
Energy (kcal/l)	★	240	340	540	380	0
CHO (g/l)	★	60	50	130	110	0
Fat (g/l)		0	1	0	0	0
Protein (g/l)		0	33	2	0	0
Na (mmol/l)	★	23	30	1	0	0.2
K (mmol/l)		2	40	12	0	0.1
Osmolality (mosmol/kg)	★	280	280	660	700	0

Outline

Why rehydration after exercise ?

Post-exercise rehydration

The role of sodium

Drink delivery rate

Potassium



Milk as a rehydration drink

Section 1 - Milk

Skimmed milk

	per 100g	per 100ml (100g)	per 1000g (1000g)
Energy (kJ)	34	32	32
Energy (kcal)	8.1	7.6	7.6
Carbohydrate (g)	4.8	4.5	4.5
Protein (g)	3.3	3.1	3.1
Fat (g)	0.1	0.1	0.1
Calcium (mg)	120	112	112
Phosphorus (mg)	100	94	94
Sodium (mg)	40	38	38
Potassium (mg)	10	9	9
Magnesium (mg)	10	9	9
Zinc (mg)	0.1	0.1	0.1
Copper (mg)	0.02	0.02	0.02
Iron (mg)	0.02	0.02	0.02
Manganese (mg)	0.01	0.01	0.01
Selenium (mg)	0.01	0.01	0.01
Vitamin A (µg)	1	1	1
Vitamin B1 (µg)	1	1	1
Vitamin B2 (µg)	1	1	1
Vitamin B6 (µg)	1	1	1
Vitamin B12 (µg)	1	1	1
Vitamin C (mg)	1	1	1
Vitamin E (mg)	1	1	1
Vitamin K (µg)	1	1	1
Folate (µg)	1	1	1
Niacin (µg)	1	1	1
Pantoic acid (µg)	1	1	1
Choline (mg)	1	1	1
Inositol (mg)	1	1	1
Biotin (µg)	1	1	1
Cholesterol (mg)	1	1	1
Alcohol (g)	1	1	1
Water (g)	100	100	1000

Composition of skimmed milk (UK)

Water

Sodium (Potassium)

Protein

Carbohydrate

Milk as a post-exercise rehydration drink

Shirreffs et al, Br J Nutr, 2007

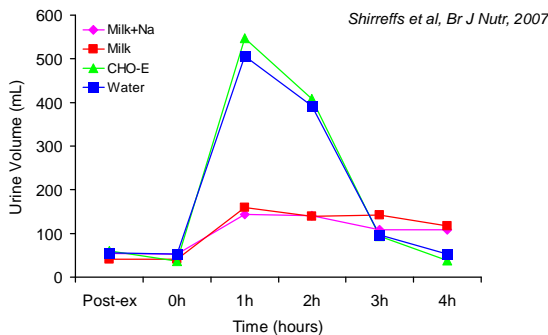
11 subjects (5 male, 6 females)

Intermittent exercise in the heat to lose $1.2 \pm 0.3\text{kg}$ ($1.8 \pm 0.2\%$) of body mass

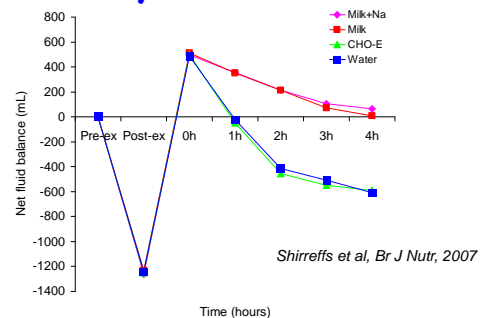
Rehydrated after exercise by drinking 150% of sweat volume lost ie 1.79 ± 0.42 litres

- Plain water
- Sports drink (carbohydrate-electrolyte solution)
- 0.1% fat milk
- 0.1% fat milk with added NaCl

Urine production during recovery



Whole body net fluid balance



Subjects remained in positive fluid balance or euhydrated throughout recovery after drinking the milk drinks but returned to net negative fluid balance 1 h after drinking the other drinks

"Milk can be an effective post-exercise rehydration drink for use after exercise"

Shirreffs et al, Br J Nutr, 2007

Can milk ingestion help subsequent performance?

Watson et al, Eur J Appl Physiol, 2008

7 males

Intermittent exercise in the heat to lose 1.52±0.17kg (2.0±0.1%) body mass.

Rehydration with a volume equivalent to 150% body mass loss ie 2270±245mL

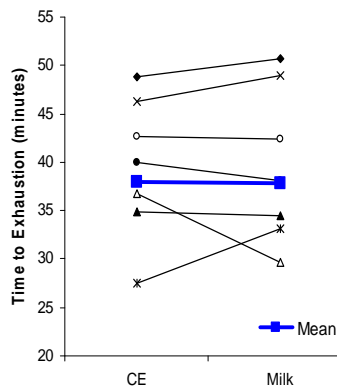
- Sports drink (carbohydrate-electrolyte solution)
- 0.1% fat milk

At the end of the 3 h recovery period, an exercise capacity test was completed at 61% VO₂peak in warm (35.3±0.5°C), humid (63±2%) conditions

Exercise performance

No difference in exercise time to exhaustion between trials (39.6±7.3 min vs. 39.7±8.1 min on trials CE and M, respectively)

Watson et al, Eur J Appl Physiol, 2008



Study conclusions

Despite the effect on fluid retention, exercise capacity was not different between skimmed milk and a commercially available carbohydrate-electrolyte drink 4 h following exercise/heat-induced body mass loss

Watson et al, Eur J Appl Physiol, 2008

Recovery aims after exercise

Hydration/fluid balance restoration

Muscle glycogen restoration

Muscle protein synthesis

Restore homeostasis
eg Reduce temperature

Restore exercise capacity



Recovery of glycogen stores

Recommendation:

Immediate post-exercise intake of CHO
140 g (2 g/kg) in first 2 h after exercise

Moderate-high GI carbohydrate

Immediate intake better than delayed intake

Milk can contribute - smoothies with added CHO may be better still

IOC Consensus October 2010

1. Muscle protein synthesis is maximized at a dose of about 20g of high quality protein
2. Dairy proteins, especially whey, are very effective
3. The effectiveness of these proteins is likely due to their leucine content
4. The timing of protein ingestion appears to be important: intake during and post-exercise seem optimal

SM Phillips

Protein (with CHO) after training will promote net muscle protein synthesis and **MAY** enhance performance

A commercial protein/carbohydrate supplement?

Milk-based drinks might be best



Conclusions

Milk can restore and maintain hydration status as well as, or better than, commercially-available sports drinks

Subsequent performance may be similar to that with a commercially-available sports drink

Milk offers other recovery benefits

