

## The effect of aerobic training on the physiological aspects of athletes.

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### Abstract

In order for muscle development to be successful, it is important to understand the physiology of training. The physiology of training encompasses what the body undergoes before, during, and after a workout. What happens in our bodies when we lift weights? How do muscles react during exercise? How do muscles develop? Let's take a closer look at this topic.

(<https://www.ericfavre.com/lifestyle/la-physiologie-de-lentrainement>)

These functions enabling motor activity can be divided into three distinct areas:

- **The bioenergetic area:** this encompasses everything related to the supply, transport, and transformation of energy requirements for functioning, as well as the elimination of waste products.

The functions included in this area are respiratory, circulatory, digestive, and excretory functions.

- **The biomechanical sector:** this encompasses, on a mechanical level, everything related to human movement, both in terms of locomotion (motor function) and internal functioning (respiratory, circulatory, digestive, and excretory mechanics).

In our case, we will only consider the systems involved in motor activity: the skeletal, muscular, and articular systems.

• **The bio-informational sector:** this encompasses everything related to information (perception, transmission, and regulation) via the nervous and endocrine systems (responsible for hormone secretion).

(<https://e-s-c.fr/physiologie.php>)

Aerobic training is a low-intensity type of exercise that can be maintained for a long period of time. It is very effective for building endurance and strengthening your heart and lungs.

To train within your aerobic threshold, you need to keep your heart rate in zones 2 and 3, or approximately 60 to 80% of your maximum heart rate. The easiest way to achieve this is to use your Polar watch and use the target zones.

In this article, we will discuss the effects of aerobic training on the physiological aspects of athletes.

### **Principles of biology**

Principle of dose and response:

- Exercise dose = stimulus of the training session.
- The exercise dose can be quantified using portable devices that measure:
  - o Intensity
  - o Distance
  - o Impact forces
- Response to effort = the athlete's result after a training session

(<https://langs.physio-pedia.com/fr/principles-of-exercise-physiology-and-adaptation-fr/>)

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### **Keywords**

Aerobic training- Physiological Aspects- Athletes.

## 1. Introduction

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### **1-Aerobic Exercise**

Aerobic exercise is defined as physical activity that requires significant oxygen consumption to generate energy. These exercises last for relatively long periods of time and are often of moderate to low intensity. Examples of aerobic exercise include brisk walking, running, swimming, and cycling.

During these exercises, the body uses oxygen to burn carbohydrates and fats, converting them into energy that supports sustained physical activity. These exercises are beneficial for promoting cardiovascular health, improving respiratory capacity, and increasing the body's endurance.

(<https://attamayuzph.com/difference-between-aerobic-and-anaerobic-exercise>)

## **2 -ANAEROBIC EXERCISE:**

In contrast, anaerobic training allows your body to produce energy with very little oxygen. This occurs when we train at a high intensity for short bursts of exercise, pushing ourselves out of our comfort zone, making us feel "out of breath." Anaerobic exercise is an excellent way to improve your fitness while also developing your aerobic capacity.

Combining anaerobic and aerobic exercise is an excellent way to improve your fitness.

To train within your anaerobic threshold, you need to keep your heart rate in zones 4 and 5, or approximately 80-90% of your maximum heart rate.

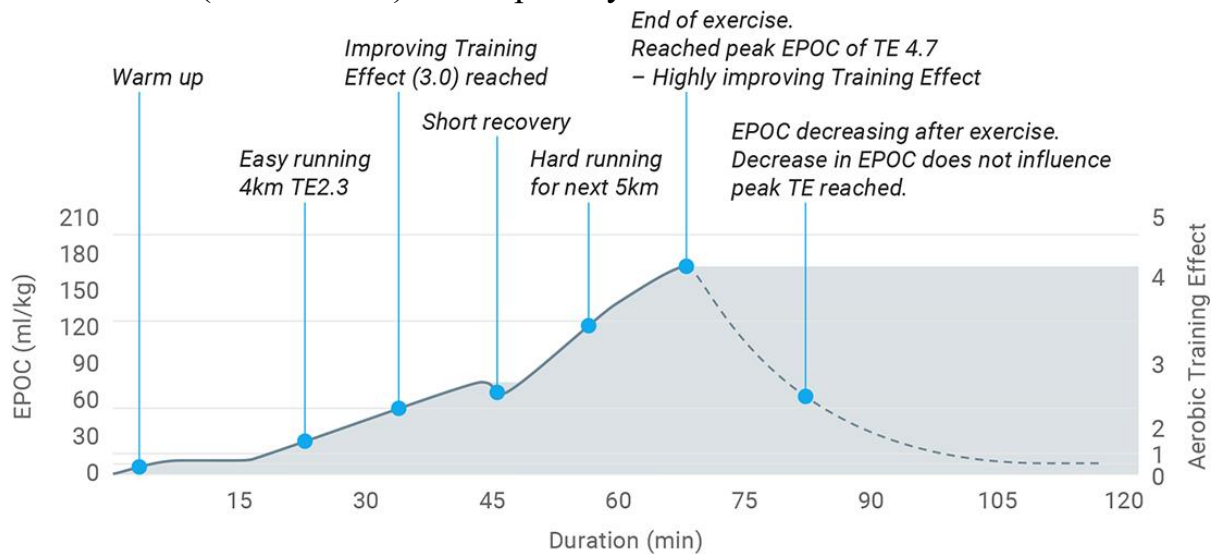
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## **3-What is the Training Load feature on my Garmin device?**

To understand the meaning of training load, you must first understand what excess post-exercise oxygen consumption (EPOC) is. When you exercise, you disrupt your body's normal state, and this disruption requires your body to do extra work to get things back to normal. In fact, the goal of training is to restore your body to normal, plus more, after exercise.

Since the oxygen your body uses is directly related to the amount of energy it uses, the EPOC measurement is perfect for quantifying how much your body's

normal state (homeostasis) is disrupted by an exercise session.



(<https://notyss.com/savoirsport>)

#### **4-Benefits of Aerobic Exercise:**

Regular aerobic exercise has been shown to reduce the risk of developing many diseases, such as heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes, dementia, and even some cancers. Physical activity in general has also been shown to reduce the risk of depression.

(<https://www.eufic.org/fr/une-vie-saine/article/la-difference-entre-lexercice-daerobie-et-danaerobie>.)

#### **5-How to combine aerobic and anaerobic training?**

Interval training also offers the opportunity to combine aerobic and anaerobic training and push yourself to your limit during the intervals.

Caution is advised when combining aerobic and anaerobic training: Prolonged endurance sessions after strength training suppress muscle growth. It is therefore best to perform them before strength training.

On the other hand, a relaxed run or cycle after strength training promotes regeneration.

(<https://www.ispo.com/fr/savoir-faire/entrainement-aerobie-conseils-pour-une-seance-dentrainement-dendurance-parfaite>)

## **5. Conclusion**

The physiological functions of the athlete are affected by aerobic training over time, as the athlete's various physiological capabilities and functions develop according to scientifically controlled training programs and under the supervision of specialists in sports training.

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