Other than needing an old army boot for a butt...What's up with riding those insanely long Brevetts?

# WE'RE DESIGNED TO BE LEAN, MEAN TRAVELING MACHINES!

- 4.4 MYA emergence of a unique bipedal!
  - \* novel adaptations for long distance endurance activity
  - \* Sweating/respiration/novel protective mechanisms
  - \* Running down dinner and the Pony express



	7 Marathons	RUSA Members ship	ULTRA Study	Badwater/ Death Valley	Spartathon/ Greece
Distance	42.2km (26.2 mi)		>50 km or longer	217 km (135 mi)	246 km (152mi)
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Largest age grp or average age	18-39	44	42.3(18-81)	45-49M: 45-49F	45-49M: 50-54F
Fastest Male	28.9			42.4	39.7
Fastest Female	29.8			42.3	44.6

#### INTERESTING BITS ABOUT BIG ULTRA PARTICIPANTS

- 1. Median time to first ultra: 7 years of running
- 2. Older racers tend to complete more events than younger folks
- 3. Annual training distance doesn't decrease with age

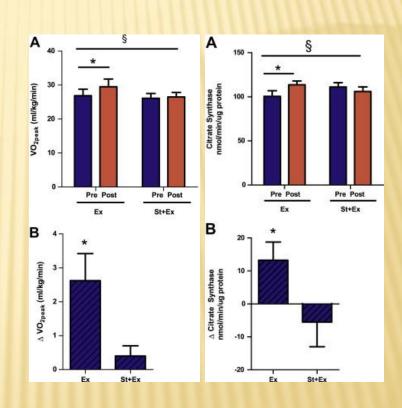
## THAT 'SADDLE HARDENING BIT' .....

"Base" is less about conditioning and more about building a riding history

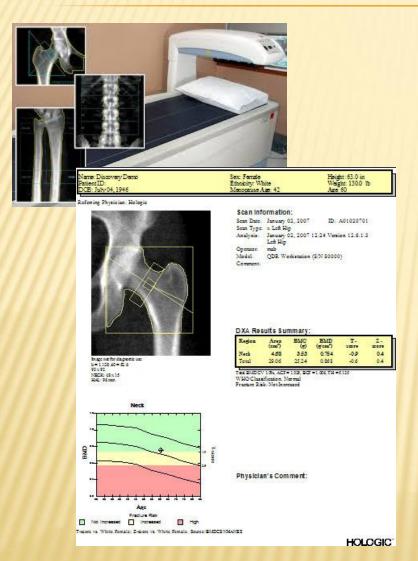
BOULDER - LOUISVILLE - NIWOT					
Boulder Estes Boomerang - Flat-rolling hills with a midsection 25-mile climb. Organizer:  Michelle Grainger RUSA Listing Route Map Start: 28th and Iris, Boulder					
Boulder Loves Raymond - Flat to rolling hills with one 12-mile climb. Organizer: Michelle Grainger RUSA Listing Start: 28th and Iris, Boulder					
Brainard Lake Breeze - A summit at Brainard Lake at 10,000 feet by way of the "SuperJames" climb through James Canyon. Organizer: John Lee Ellis RUSA Listing Map and Route Sheet:					
Contact Organizer. Start: Niwot Rd. & 79th St., Niwot					
Carter Lake Cakewalk - Skirting the foothills with visits to Eldorado Springs, Rabbit Mountain, Carter Lake, and Buckhorn! Organizer: John Lee Ellis RUSA Listing Map Route Start: Dillon at					
McCaslin Blvd., Louisville					
Carter Lake Casual - Flat to rolling hills and three short switchbacks to Carter Lake Marina.  Organizer: Michelle Grainger RUSA Listing Route Map Start: 28th and Iris, Boulder					
				Central City Cutoff - A challenging climbfest via Lookout Mtn., Central City, and the Peak-to-Pea Hwy. Organizer: John Lee Ellis RUSA Listing Map Route Start: [LSVL] Dillon at McCaslin Blvd.,	
Louisville					
Cherryvale Cruise - Easy flat route through farmlands. Organizer: <u>Ted Warm</u> <u>RUSA Listing</u> Route Map Start: 55th and Arapahoe, Boulder					
Notice Wap Start. Stirr and Arapanoe, boulder					
Coal Creek Calypso - Extended jaunt on the Peak-to-Peak Highway after climbing Coal Creek Canyon and then descending Big Thompson! Organizer: John Lee Ellis RUSA Listing Map Route Start: Dillon at McCaslin Blvd., Louisville					
		Coffee Cup Classic - Classic out-and-back that climbs from Superior to Copper Mountain Ski A with many possible stops along the way for coffee and pastry. Ride ascends Loveland Pass (11,990') twice and a pre-dawn start is advised! Organizer: Catherine Shenk RUSA Listing MagRoute Start: [LSVL] Dillon at McCaslin Blvd., Louisville			
Continental Double Cross - A scenic climbing challenge, crossing the Continental Divide twice, in a grand loop from Boulder's back door. Mountain bike or cross-bike recommended. Organizer:					
None a dopt a route. RUSA Listing Map and Route Sheet: Contact Organizer. Start: Baseline at					

#### SEEK HELPFUL HEALTH INFORMATION

- Hydrochlorothiazide (HTZ)
- Exercisecontraindications
- Health record gottchas....



#### BE PROACTIVE ABOUT TAKING CARE OF YOUR BODY: BONE HEALTH



Recruiting cyclists (age 18-40)

\*Above casual level riding

Osteopenia and Osteoporosis (thin and brittle bones) ~ General prevalence :6% Non smokers, no DM, "active" 2-3% (NHANES)

Colorado cyclists Average prevalence: 25% (16-30%) Vitamin D deficiency ~ 30%

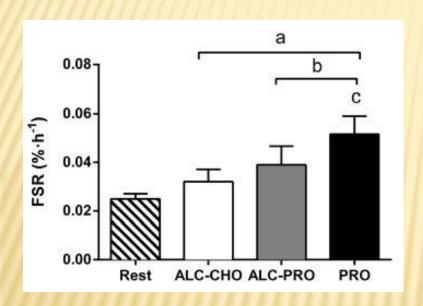
Parathyroid Regulation of serum calcium by releasing Ca+ from the bones in response to plasma pH change

Weight bearing exercise is not enough: Requires dietary Calcium

Dual-energy X-ray absorptiometry (DXA)

# MAKE SMART DECISIONS ABOUT YOUR RECOVERY

# Alcohol Effects on post exercise Muscle recovery



#### Alcohol Effects on metabolism

Ethanol upregulates Alcohol dehdrogenase which leads to the accumulation of NADH.

NADH inhibits gluconeogenesis by preventing oxidation of lactate

Resutls in Hypoglycemia and lactic acidosis

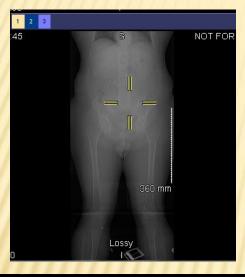
Lactate upregulates Insulin which Inhibits fatty acid oxidation (ATP generation). Signals Fatty acid synthetase

#### Be Serious about your recovery-

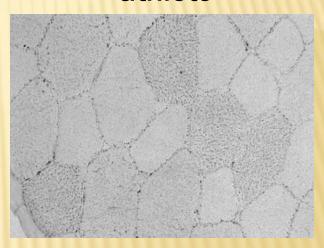
## Normal

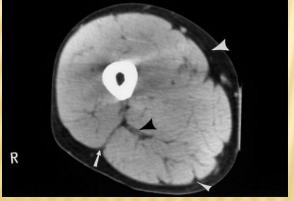
# Obese

# Endurance trained athlete









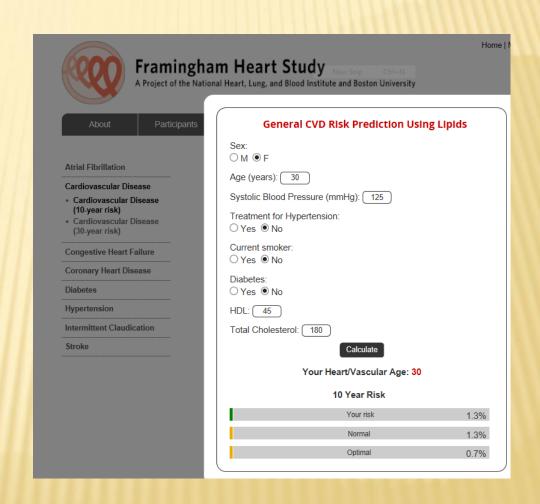


Persistent lactate in the muscle up regulates insulin and turns off fat metabolism

# Weight Gain!

### **AVOID WICKEDNESS....**

- Taylor (2014)
   Compared
   marathon
   runners and
   non-runner
   control spouses
- Assumesspouse pairsshare lifestyle



### IT'S KARMA BABY.....

- \* Habitual high volume exercise improves CV profile
- Aerobic training does not reduce atherosclerotic progression associated w/ age
- \* Aerobic exercise does not reduce CV disease risk factors due to poor life style choices

Ladies: stay away from the bloomin' onions!!

#### AN EXAMPLE OF WICKEDNESS.....

- Sitting is the new Smoking
  - + Prolonged and habitual sitting (10-15 hrs/day)
  - + Negative effects on a variety of important health outcomes
  - + Sedentary aging leads to cardiac and vascular stiffening
    - Masters athletes with lifelong exercise histories are indistinguishable from healthy young controls
  - + Negative effects are not mediated by exercise
  - + Breaking up long sedentary intervals important
  - + Stand up and jump flat footed 10X! (Your bones will thank you!)



## LEARN FROM THE BEST





#### Questions?

