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Nutritional Strategies to Improve Post-Exercise Recovery and Subsequent Exercise Performance: A Narrative Review

Short title: Nutritional strategies to prepare for the next training/competition session

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Supplementary Material 1. Summary of studies exploring the effects of carbohydrate on muscle glycogen resynthesis after exhaustive exercise.

Study	Subject	VO ₂ max (ml.kg ⁻¹ .min ⁻¹)	Exercise Test	Treatment	Time of sampling	Result
Blom et al. [19]	27 physically active males	NR	Series of 20 min cycling at 75% VO ₂ max on bicycle ergometer and 10 min rest until exhaustion	LG: 0.35 g.kg ⁻¹ glucose in a solution with 30% concentration MG: 0.70 g.kg ⁻¹ glucose in a solution with 30% concentration HG: 1.40 g.kg ⁻¹ glucose in a solution with 30% concentration MF: 0.70 g.kg ⁻¹ fructose in a solution with 30% concentration MS: 0.70 g.kg ⁻¹ sucrose in a solution with 30% concentration	6 h after exercise	Muscle glycogen resynthesis: HG = MG = MS > LG = MF BGC after 1 h: HG > MG = LG = MF = MS Insulin concentration after 1 h: HG > MG = LG = MF = MS
Burke et al. [27]	5 well-trained cyclists	NR	2 h cycling at ~75% of VO ₂ max followed by 4 × 30 sec all-out sprints with 2 min recovery	HGI: 4 meals of 2.5 g.kg ⁻¹ CHO with high glycemic index (GI=118) during 24 h LGI: 4 meals of 2.5 g.kg ⁻¹ CHO with high glycemic index (GI=50) during 24 h	24 h after exercise	Muscle glycogen resynthesis: HGI > LGI
Van Den Bergh et al. [20]	7 healthy active males	NR	A decreasing intermittent glycogen-depleting exercise protocol on cycle ergometer until volitional exhaustion	FRU: 80 g.h ⁻¹ fructose with 8% concentration GLU: 80 g.h ⁻¹ glucose with 8% concentration	8 h after exercise	Muscle glycogen resynthesis: GLU < FRU
Burke et al. [194]	8 well-trained male triathletes	NR	2 h cycling at ~75% of VO ₂ max followed by 4 × 30 sec all-out sprints with 2 min recovery	Gorging diet: 4 large meals consist 2.5 g.kg ⁻¹ of CHO during 24 h Nibbling diet: total of 10 g.kg ⁻¹ of CHO during 24 h in 16 meals	24 h after exercise	Muscle glycogen resynthesis: Gorging diet = Nibbling diet

Ivy et al. [13]	12 healthy active males	NR	70 min cycling at ~68% of VO_2max followed by 6×2 min intervals at 88% VO_2max with 2 min recovery	P-EX: 2 g.kg⁻¹ of glucose immediately after exercise 2P-EX: 2 g.kg⁻¹ of glucose 2 h after exercise	2 and 4 h after exercise	Muscle glycogen resynthesis: P-EX > 2P-EX
Wallis et al. [21]	6 healthy endurance-trained males	67.0 (±3.0)	A decreasing intermittent glycogen-depleting exercise protocol on cycle ergometer until volitional exhaustion	GLU+FRU: 0.8 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ of glucose and 0.4 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ of fructose solution with 18% concentration GLU: 1.2 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ of glucose solution with 18% concentration	1 and 4 h after exercise	Muscle glycogen resynthesis: GLU > GLU+FRU Muscle glycogen synthesis rates: GLU = GLU+FRU BGC: GLU = GLU+FRU Insulin: GLU = GLU+FRU [BLa]: GLU < GLU+FRU
Decombaz et al. [28]	10 well-trained male cyclists	NR	A decreasing intermittent glycogen-depleting exercise protocol on cycle ergometer until volitional exhaustion	MAL+FRU: 69 g.h⁻¹ maltodextrin and fructose with 2:1 ratio and 15% concentration MAL+GAL: 69 g.h⁻¹ maltodextrin and galactose with 2:1 ratio and 15% concentration MAL+GLU: 69 g.h⁻¹ maltodextrin and glucose with 2:1 ratio and 15% concentration	6.5 h after exercise	Liver glycogen resynthesis: MAL+FRU = MAL+GAL > MAL+GLU
Trommelen et al. [22]	14 well-trained male cyclists	NR	A decreasing intermittent glycogen-depleting exercise protocol on cycle ergometer until volitional exhaustion	GLU+FRU: 0.6 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ glucose + 0.6 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ maltodextrin + 0.3 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ fructose GLU+SUC: 0.6 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ glucose + 0.6 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ maltodextrin + 0.3 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ sucrose GLU: 0.9 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ glucose + 0.6 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ maltodextrin	5 h after exercise	BGC: GLU+FRU = GLU+SUC = GLU Insulin: GLU+FRU = GLU+SUC > GLU [BLa]: GLU+FRU = GLU+SUC > GLU Muscle glycogen resynthesis: GLU+FRU = GLU+SUC = GLU GI score: GLU+FRU = GLU+SUC < GLU
Fuchs et al. [25]	15 well-trained male cyclists	61.5 (±5.2)	A decreasing intermittent glycogen-depleting exercise protocol on cycle ergometer until volitional exhaustion	SUC: 1.5 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ sucrose solution with ~20% concentration GLU: 1.5 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ glucose (0.9 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ dextrose monohydrate and 0.6 g.kg⁻¹.h⁻¹ maltodextrin) solution with ~20% concentration	5 h	Liver glycogen resynthesis: SUC = GLU Muscle glycogen resynthesis: SUC = GLU BGC at 65, 75 and 90 min: SUC < GLU Insulin at 45, 75 and 90 min: SUC < GLU NEFA: SUC = GLU

Podlogar et al. [195]	9 healthy endurance-trained participants (male = 7, female = 2)	51.1 (±8.7)	A decreasing intermittent glycogen-depleting exercise protocol on cycle ergometer until volitional exhaustion	GLU+GAL: 0.8 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ glucose and 0.4 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ galactose GLU: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ glucose GAL: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ galactose	4 h	Muscle glycogen resynthesis: GLU > GLU+GAL = GAL BGC: GLU+GAL = GAL > GLU Insulin: GLU+GAL = GLU > GAL = ↔ [BLa⁻]: GLU+GAL = GLU > GAL Phosphorylation of: • Akt^{pThr308}: GLU+GAL = GLU > GAL • Akt^{pSer473}: GLU+GAL = GLU = GAL • GSP^{Ser641}: GLU+GAL = GLU = GAL • GSK^{PSer21}: GLU+GAL = GLU = GAL
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Abbreviations: Akt^{pThr308}: Phosphorylated Akt at threonine 308; Akt^{pSer473}: Phosphorylated Akt at serine 473; BGC: Blood glucose concentration; [BLa⁻]: Blood lactate concentration; CHO: Carbohydrate; FRU: Fructose; GLA: Galactose; GLU: Glucose; GSK^{PSer21}: Phosphorylated Glycogen synthase kinase-3 at serine 21; HGI: High glycemic index; LG: Large glucose solution; LGI: Low glycemic index; MAL: Maltodextrin; MF: Medium fructose solution; MG: Medium glucose solution; MS: Medium sucrose solution; NEFA: Non-esterified fatty acid concentrations; NR: Not reported; P-EX: Post exercise; SUC: Sucrose; 2P-EX: Two hours post exercise.

Supplementary Material 2. Summary of studies exploring the effects of carbohydrate on subsequent exercise performance after exhaustive exercise.

Study	Subject	VO ₂ max (ml.min ⁻¹ .kg ⁻¹)	Pre- conditionin g	Recover y Period	Treatment	Subsequen t Exercise	Main findings
Casey et al. [23]	10 healthy males	NR	TTE test on bicycle ergometer at 70% of VO ₂ max	4 h	GLU: 1 g.kg ⁻¹ glucose solution with 18.5% concentration SUC: 1 g.kg ⁻¹ sucrose solution with 18.5% concentration PLA: non-caloric flavored water	Cycling TTE test at 70% of VO ₂ max	TTE: GLU = SUC = PLA Liver glycogen resynthesis: GLU = SUC > PLA Muscle glycogen resynthesis: GLU = SUC = PLA CHO oxidation: GLU = SUC > PLA BGC: GLU = SUC > PLA Epinephrine: GLU = SUC = PLA Norepinephrine: GLU = SUC = PLA [BLa-]: GLU = SUC = PLA Ammonia concentration: GLU = SUC = PLA RER: GLU = SUC > PLA
Erith et al. [40]	7 male semi-professional soccer players	58.0 (±1.0)	LIST	22 h	HGI-diet: 8 g.kg ⁻¹ .d ⁻¹ CHO with GI = 70 LGI-diet: 8 g.kg ⁻¹ .d ⁻¹ CHO with GI = 35	LIST	TTE_{LIST}: HGI-diet > LGI-diet Sprint performance: HGI-diet = LGI-diet Distance covered: HGI-diet = LGI-diet
Wong et al. [39]	7 male trained endurance runners	62.1 (±2.2)	TTE test on level treadmill at workload corresponding to 70% VO ₂ max	4 h	HGI: 1.5 g.kg ⁻¹ of CHO with GI = 77 LGI: 1.5 g.kg ⁻¹ of CHO with GI = 37	TTE test on level treadmill at workload corresponding to 70% VO ₂ max	TTE: HGI > LGI [BLa-]: HGI = LGI HR: HGI = LGI RPE: HGI = LGI RER: HGI = LGI CHO oxidation: HGI = LGI Fat oxidation: HGI = LGI
Brown et al. [196]	7 male amateur cyclists	NR	A decreasing intermittent glycogen-depleting exercise protocol on cycle ergometer until	3 h	LGI: a low glycemic index meal with (672kcal, 140g CHO, 13 g fat, 27 g PRO, GI=40)	5-km cycling TT on cycle ergometer	TT: HGI = LGI Insulin: HGI > LGI RER: HGI > LGI CHO oxidation: HGI > LGI Fat oxidation: HGI < LGI

			volitional exhaustion		HGI: a high glycemic index meal with (774 kcal, 140 g CHO, 12 g fat, 31 g PRO, GI=72)		
Alghannam et al. [197]	10 recreationally endurance trained individuals (male = 9, female = 1)	61.00 (±1.0)	TTE test on treadmill at workload corresponding to 70% of VO ₂ max	4 h	H-CHO: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO solution with 12% concentration L-CHO: 0.3 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO solution with 3% concentration	TTE test on treadmill at workload corresponding to 70% of VO ₂ max	TTE: H-CHO > L-CHO Muscle glycogen resynthesis: H-CHO > L-CHO Insulin: H-CHO > L-CHO [BLa]: H-CHO = L-CHO CHO oxidation: H-CHO > L-CHO Fat oxidation: H-CHO < L-CHO
Maunder et al. [33]	8 trained male endurance runners and triathletes	NR	TTE test on treadmill at workload corresponding to 70% of VO ₂ max	4 h	GLU+MAL: 300 ml solution with 18 g glucose and 27 g maltodextrin FRU+MAL: 300-ml solution with 18 g fructose and 27 g maltodextrin	TTE test on treadmill at workload corresponding to 70% of VO ₂ max	TTE: FRU+MAL < GLU-MAL CHO oxidation: FRU+MAL < GLU-MAL BGC: FRU+MAL = GLU-MAL [BLa]: FRU+MAL < GLU-MAL
Podlogar et al. [198]	11 endurance-trained participants (Male = 8, Female = 3)	56.9 (±4.8)	A decreasing intermittent glycogen-depleting exercise protocol on cycle ergometer until volitional exhaustion	4 h	GLU+MAL: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ of 1:1.5 dextrose: maltodextrin ratio FRU+MAL: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ of 1:1.5 fructose: maltodextrin ratio	60 min steady state cycling at 50% Wmax, followed by TT to total amount work of 2,400 J	TT: GLU+MD = FRU+MD CHO oxidation: GLU+MD < FRU+MD
McCarthy et al. [199]	10 recreationally-active males	47.0 (±5.4)	5 × 4-min intervals at ~80% VO ₂ peak separated by 2-min at ~40% VO ₂ peak and	2 h	CHO: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ of CHO (sucrose, dextrose, maltodextrin, modified corn starch)	5 × 4-min intervals at ~80% VO ₂ peak separated by 2-min at ~40% VO ₂ peak	TTE: CHO > PLA

			ended with an TTE test at ~90% VO ₂ peak		PLA: low- calorie drink	and ended with an TTE test at ~90% VO ₂ peak	
Gray et al. [34]	8 trained male cyclists (male = 5, female = 3)	Short recovery time experimen t: 66.9 (±6.1) Overnight recovery experimen t: 62.9 (±9.8)	A decreasing intermittent glycogen- depleting exercise protocol on cycle ergometer until volitional exhaustion	Short recovery time experimen t: 4 h Overnight recovery experimen t: 15 h	GLU+FRU: 0.6 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ glucose + 0.6 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ fructose solution with 20% concentratio n GLU: 1.5 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ glucose solution with 20% concentratio n	Short recovery time experiment: TTE test at 70% Wmax Overnight recovery experiment: TTE test at 65% Wmax	Short recovery time experiment: • TTE: GLU+FR U > GLU • CHO oxidatio n during rest: GLU+FR U > GLU • CHO oxidatio n during TTE: GLU+FR U = GLU • GI score: GLU+FR U = GLU • [BLa]: GLU+FR U = GLU • BGC: GLU+FR U = GLU Overnight recovery experiment: • TTE: GLU+FR U > GLU • [BLa]: GLU+FR U = GLU • BGC: GLU+FR U = GLU • CHO oxidatio n: GLU+FR U = GLU Fat oxidation: GLU+FRU = GLU
Hengist et al. [36]	12 male Rugby Union players	NR	8 SSG with high intensity	3 h	GLU+FRU: 0.4 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ fructose, 0.4 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ glucose solution with 20% concentratio n + 0.3 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ PRO	8 SSG with high intensity	Mean speed during sessions: GLU+FRU = GLU GI score: GLU+FRU = GLU

							GLU: 0.8 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ glucose solution with 20% concentration + 0.3 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ PRO
Naderi et al. [37]	11 junior male professional taekwondo athletes	NR	5 times simulated taekwondo effort test (STET) with 45-min rest, STET included 3 rounds that lasting 200 sec with 1-min rest between rounds.				Immediately after each STET: C45: 45 g of 2:1 glucose:fructose solution (60 g.h ⁻¹) with 7.5% Concentration C22.5: 22.5 g of 2:1 glucose:fructose solution (30 g.h ⁻¹) with 3.5% Concentration PLA: beverage contained 2.2 g No caloric sweetener powder
Podlogar et al. [200]	8 trained male cyclists	62.2 (±5.4)	2 × 2-min at RCP, followed by 4 × 8-min at 104% RCP with 4 min of active recovery (i.e., easy cycling). After the successful completion participants cycled for 60 min at workload corresponding to 90% of VT1.	> 12 h		TTE test at VT1	2 h before second exercise: GLU+RICE: 2 g.kg ⁻¹ glucose and rice, in 1:2 ratio FRU+RICE: 2 g.kg ⁻¹ fructose and rice, in 1:2 ratio
							Total kicks: C45 = C22.5 = PLA Total successful kicks: C45 = C22.5 = PLA Successful kick %: C45 = C22.5 = PLA RPE: C45 = C22.5 = PLA BGC: C45 = C22.5 > PLA
							TTE: FRU+RICE > GLU+RICE BGC: FRU+RICE = GLU+RICE [BLa]: FRU+RICE = GLU+RICE CHO oxidation: FRU+RICE > GLU+RICE

Abbreviations: BGC: Blood glucose concentration; CHO: Carbohydrate; GI: Glycemic index; GI score: Gastrointestinal discomfort scores; LIST: Loughborough Intermittent Shuttle Test; NR: Not reported; PRO: Protein; RCP: Respiratory compensation point; RPE: Rate of perceived

exertion; SSG: Small sided games; TT: Time trial; STET: Simulated Taekwondo effort test; C45: Solution containing 45 g of carbohydrate; C22.5: Solution containing 22.5 g of carbohydrate; PLA: Placebo; $\text{VO}_{2\text{peak}}$: Peak oxygen uptake; H-CHO: High carbohydrate solution; L-CHO: Low carbohydrate solution; MAL: Maltodextrin; $\text{VO}_{2\text{max}}$: Maximal oxygen uptake; HR: Heart rate; VT1: First ventilatory threshold; W_{max} : Peak power achieved during incremental cycling test; [BLa-]: Blood lactate concentration during or after exercise; TTE: Time to exhaustion; TTE_{LIST} : Time to exhaustion in Loughborough Intermittent Shuttle Test; FRU: Fructose; GLA: Galactose; GLU: Glucose; HGI: High glycemic index; LGI: Low glycemic index; NR: Not reported; RER: Respiratory exchange ratio; SUC: Sucrose.

Supplementary Material 3. Summary of studies exploring the effects of carbohydrate and protein co-ingestion on subsequent exercise performance after exhaustive exercise.

Study	Subject	VO _{2max} (ml.kg ⁻¹ .min ⁻¹)	Pre-conditioning	Recovery Period	Treatment	Subsequent Exercise	Result
Rustad et al. [56]	8 endurance-trained males	NR	Warm up: 3 × 4 min cycling at 50, 55 and 60% of VO _{2max} . Interval Main exercise: 20-min intervals at workload corresponding to ~72% of VO _{2max} with 5-min rest between intervals. After voluntary exhaustion, subjects were given 5-min of rest before completing a maximal number of 1 min intervals at 90% of VO _{2max} with 1 min rest between intervals.	18 h	CHO: 0.6 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ maltodextrin + 0.6 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ glucose solution with 17% concentration CHO+PRO: 0.4 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ maltodextrin + 0.4 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ glucose solution with 7% concentration + 0.4 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ of PRO whey PLA: non-caloric flavored water	Warm up: 3 × 4 min at 50, 55 and 60% of VO _{2max} . Test: TTE test at 72% of VO _{2max}	TTE: CHO+PRO > CHO > PLA RPE: CHO+PRO = CHO = PLA RER: CHO+PRO = CHO > PLA CHO oxidation: CHO+PRO > CHO > PLA BGC_{15min}: CHO+PRO = CHO > PLA [BLa]: CHO+PRO = CHO = PLA Insulin: CHO+PRO = CHO = PLA FFA: CHO+PRO = PLA < CHO Muscle damage biomarkers: • CK ↔ • LDH ↔ • Myoglobin ↔ Nitrogen balance: CHO+PRO > CHO > PLA Valine concentration: CHO+PRO > CHO
Dahl et al. [57]	9 endurance trained males	58.1 (±1.7)	TTE test on bicycle ergometer at 70% of VO _{2peak}	1.5 h	CHO: 0.6 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ maltodextrin + 0.6 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ glucose solution with 17% concentration CHO+PRO: 0.4 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ maltodextrin + 0.4 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ glucose solution with ~7% concentration + 0.4 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ of PRO whey	TTE test on bicycle ergometer at 70% of VO _{2peak}	TTE: CHO+PRO > CHO Nitrogen balance: CHO+PRO > CHO = 0 Phosphorylation of: • Akt Ser⁴⁷³ ↔ • p70s6k Thr³⁸⁹ ↔ • TSC2 Thr¹⁴⁶² ↔ • TBC1D4/AS1 60 Ser⁵⁸⁸ ↔

Goldstein et al. [58]	25 recreational active males	43.8 (± 6.9)	5 × 4-min at 70-80% of PPO with 2 min of active recovery at 50W, followed by TTE test at 90% PPO	2 h	CHO: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO solution CHO+PRO: 0.8 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO solution + 0.4 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ of PRO whey PLA: non-caloric flavored water	5 × 4-min at 70-80% of PPO with 2 min of active recovery at 50W, followed by TTE test at 90% PPO	TTE: CHO+PRO > CHO > PLA RER: CHO > CHO+PRO = PLA
Goldstein et al. [201]	22 male masters class endurance athletes	48.6 (±6.7)	5 × 4-min at 70-80% of PPO with 2 min of active recovery at 50W, followed by TTE test at 90% PPO	2 h	CHO: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO solution CHO+PRO: 0.8 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO solution + 0.4 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ of PRO whey PLA: non-caloric flavored water	5 × 4-min at 70-80% of PPO with 2 min of active recovery at 50W, followed by TTE test at 90% PPO	TTE: CHO+PRO = CHO > PLA HRRi: CHO+PRO = CHO > PLA

Abbreviations: TTE: Time to exhaustion; RPE: Rate of perceived exertion; RER: Respiratory exchange ratio; FFA: Free fatty acids; BGC_{15min}: Blood glucose concentration at minute 15; CHO: Carbohydrate; PRO: Protein; Akt^{Ser473}: Akt phosphorylated at serine 473; p70s6k^{Thr389}: Phosphorylated p70S6 kinase at threonine 389; TSC2^{Thr1462}: Tuberous sclerosis complex 2 phosphorylated at threonine 1462; TBC1D4/AS160^{Ser588}: TBC1 domain family member 4 (also known as AS160) phosphorylated at serine 588; LDH: Lactate dehydrogenase; CK: Creatine kinase; PPO: Peak power output; BGC: Blood glucose concentration; HRRi: Heart rate recovery index, accounts for heart rate recovery relative to work; LDH: Lactate dehydrogenase; NR: Not reported; PRO: Protein; RPE: Rate of perceived exertion; [BLa-]: Blood lactate concentration after exercise; ↔: No difference.

Supplementary Material 4. Summary of studies exploring the effects of fluid and electrolytes on post post-exercise rehydration.

Study	Subject	VO ₂ max (ml.kg ⁻¹ .min ⁻¹)	Exercise Test	Treatment	Time of sampling	Main Findings
Maughan et al. [87]	8 healthy active volunteers (male = 5, female = 3)	46.5 (±3.1)	Series of 10 min cycling at ~60% VO ₂ max in 34°C, 55% RH; 5-min rests between sessions until ~2% body mass loss through dehydration.	ORS: Consumed equal to 150% of sweat loss volume via a sports drink containing 6.4 g.L ⁻¹ CHO, 21 mmol.L ⁻¹ sodium, and 3.4 mmol.L ⁻¹ potassium. MEAL+ORS: Consumed equal to 150% of sweat loss volume via a sports drink containing 6.4 g.L ⁻¹ CHO, 21 mmol.L ⁻¹ sodium, and 3.4 mmol.L ⁻¹ potassium + a meal of chili beef and rice, providing 63 kJ.kg ⁻¹ body mass (53% carbs, 28% fat, 19% PRO).	Blood and urine samples were collected at the end of the rehydration period and at 1, 2, 4, and 6 h post rehydration.	Serum Osmolality: ORS > MEAL+ORS Cumulative Urine Output: MEAL+ORS < ORS Urine Production (2- hour period): MEAL+ORS < ORS Urinary Na+ and K+ Excretion: MEAL+ORS > ORS Water Retention: MEAL+ORS > ORS
Maughan et al. [77]	72 healthy active males	NR	-	1L of still water, ORS, full-fat milk, skimmed milk, cola, tea, coffee, lager, orange juice, sparkling water, and sports drink ingested over 30 minutes.	Urine output collected over the following 4 h after ingestion	Cumulative Urine Output: ORS < Full-fat milk < Skimmed milk < Still water = Cola = Tea = Coffee = Lager = Orange Juice = Sparkling Water = Sports Drink BHI after 2 h: Skimmed milk > ORS > Full-fat milk
Schleh et al. [80]	10 aerobically fit males	53.9 (±5.9)	45 min of walking at 50% VO ₂ max	ORS: Consumed equal to 150%	Urine output collected	Plasma volume change: ORS = SD BGC: SD > ORS

			at (39°C, 30% RH) + 30 min rest period in the heat wearing firefighter personal protective clothing + 45 min of walking at 50% VO ₂ max at (39°C, 30% RH) + 30 min rest period in the heat wearing firefighter personal protective clothing	of sweat loss volume via an ORS (60.9 mmol.L ⁻¹ sodium and 34 g.L-1 CHO) SD: Consumed equal to 150% of sweat loss volume via an ORS (18.4 mmol.L ⁻¹ sodium and 59 g.L-1 CHO) W: Consumed equal to 150% of sweat loss volume via a flavored water	over the following 90 min after trial	Fat oxidation post-exercise: ORS > SD Sweat rate: ORS = SD Dehydration: ORS = SD
Ly et al. [79]	26 physically active males	56.4 (± 6.9)	90 min indoor intermittent exercise split into three 25 min sessions on treadmill, bike, and elliptical after a 2 min warm-up. Each session included walking (~3 mph), jogging (~7 mph), and running (~10 mph) or equivalent intensities on the bike/elliptical.	ORS: Consumed equal to 100% of sweat loss volume via an ORS (45 mmol.L ⁻¹ sodium and 25 g.L-1 CHO) SD: Consumed equal to 100% of sweat loss volume via an ORS (18 mmol.L ⁻¹ sodium and 60 g.L-1 CHO) W: Consumed equal to 100% of sweat loss volume via a flavored water	Urine output collected over the following 3.5 h after ingestion	Fluid Retention: ORS = SD > W Urine Production in first 1 h: ORS < W = SD Fluid Retention at 3.5 h: ORS ≥ SD > W
Campagnolo et al. [202]	10 endurance trained males	63.0 (±7.2)	5 min warm-up cycling at 100 W followed by 20 min at 65% PPO. If ~1.8% body weight loss was not achieved, workload reduced by	MEAL+SD: Self-serve food items included sports bars, fresh fruit, breads and condiments ingestion + 73 g.L ⁻¹ CHO +	4 h	Fluid retention: MEAL+SD = MEAL+S = MEAL+W Total energy intake: MEAL+S = MEAL+SD > MEAL+W Total fluid intake: MEAL+SD > MEAL+W > MEAL+S

~5% every 10 min to a tolerable minimum of 50% PPO. Exercise performed at 23°C, 70% RH.	280 mg.L ⁻¹ sodium	Total urine output: MEAL+S < W < MEAL+SD Bloating perception: MEAL+S > MEAL+SD > W Thirst perception: MEAL+SD < MEAL+S
	MEAL+S: Self-serve food items included sports bars, fresh fruit, breads and condiments ingestion + Sustagen a milk-based liquid meal supplement containing 176 g.L ⁻¹ CHO + 65 g.L ⁻¹ PRO + 2 g.L ⁻¹ fat + 670 mg.L ⁻¹ sodium MEAL+W: Self-serve food items included sports bars, fresh fruit, breads and condiments ingestion + water	

Abbreviations: BGC: Blood glucose concentration; BHI: Beverage hydration index; CHO: Carbohydrate; MEAL+S: Meal with Sustagen; NR: Not reported; ORS: Oral rehydration solution; PPO: Peak power output; RH: Relative humidity; SD: Sports drink; TTE: Time to exhaustion; TT: Time trial; VO₂max: Maximum oxygen uptake; W: Water

Supplementary Material 5. Summary of studies exploring the effects of fluid and electrolytes on subsequent exercise after primary exercise.

Study	Subject	VO ₂ max (ml.min ⁻¹ .kg ⁻¹)	Pre- conditioning	Recovery Period	Treatment	Subsequent Exercise	Main findings
McCartney et al. [86]	16 trained cyclists (male = 8, female = 8)	Male: 54±6 Female: 50±7	1 h cycling on ergometer bike: 6 × 10 min (8 min at 50 to 55% of PPO, 1 min at 70% of PPO, and 1 min active recovery)	4 h	W: Self-serve CHO ingestion + Water that containing 3 mg.L ⁻¹ sodium SD: Self-serve CHO ingestion + Sport drink (58 g.L ⁻¹ CHO + 3 mg.L ⁻¹ sodium)	45 min cycling at 50 to 55% of PPO, followed by an incremental test. The incremental test consisted of a 1 W increase every 6 s until volitional exhaustion	Fluid balance: W = SD Energy intake from self-serve food: W < SD TTE: W = SD
Fan et al. [81]	9 physically active males	55.0 (± 6.0)	75 min cycling at 65% VO ₂ peak (temperature: 30.4 ±0.3° C, RH: 76 ±1%, simulated wind speed: 8.0 ±0.6 m.s ⁻¹)	3 h	SD: Consumed equal to 150% of sweat loss volume via a sports drink solution containing 62 g.L ⁻¹ CHO + 31 mmol.L ⁻¹ sodium ORS: Consumed equal to 150% of sweat loss volume via an oral rehydration solution containing 33 g.L ⁻¹ CHO + 60 mmol.L ⁻¹ sodium W: Consumed equal to 150% of sweat loss volume via water	45 min cycling at a 65% VO ₂ peak followed by a 20 km TT test	TT: W = SD = ORS Fluid Retention: ORS > SD > W Palatability: W = SD = ORS

Abbreviations: BGC: Blood glucose concentration; BHI: Beverage hydration index; CHO: Carbohydrate; MEAL+S: Meal with Sustagen; NR: Not reported; ORS: Oral rehydration

solution; PPO: Peak power output; RH: Relative humidity; SD: Sports drink; TTE: Time to exhaustion; TT: Time trial; VO₂max: Maximum oxygen uptake; W: Water.

Supplementary Material 6. Summary of studies exploring the effects of sodium bicarbonate on subsequent exercise performance and acid-base balance recovery after exhaustive exercise.

Study	Subject	VO ₂ max (ml.kg ⁻¹ .min ⁻¹)	Exercise Test	Recovery Period	Treatment	Supplementation timing	Result
Gough et al. [103]	9 active males	46.0 (±8.0)	Cycling TTE test at 100% PPO	90 min	SBC: 0.3 g.kg ⁻¹ NaHO ₃ PLA: 0.1 g.kg ⁻¹ NaCl	30 min after 1 st exercise	TTE: SBC < PLA RPE: SBC = PLA Blood pH: SBC > PLA [HCO₃⁻]: SBC > PLA [BLa⁻]: SBC > PLA
Gough et al. [203]	10 male trained cyclists	48.5 (±5.6)	2 × 4 km cycling TT in normobaric hypoxic chamber set at 14.5%, FiO ₂ (~3000 m)	40 min	SBC3: 0.3 g.kg ⁻¹ NaHO ₃ SBC2: 0.2 g.kg ⁻¹ NaHO ₃ PLA: 0.07 g.kg ⁻¹ NaCl	180 min before 1 st exercise	TTE: SBC3 = SBC2 = PLA RPE: SBC3 = SBC2 = PLA [HCO₃⁻]: SBC3 < SBC2 < PLA SID: SBC3 > SBC2 = PLA
Gough et al. [204]	7 elite male boxers	55.8 (±11.4)	Running HIIT, followed by running TTE test at 90% of VO ₂ PEAK	75 min	SBC: 0.3 g.kg ⁻¹ NaHO ₃ PLA: 0.1 g.kg ⁻¹ NaCl	~10 min after 1 st exercise	TTE: SBC < PLA RPE: NaHCO ₃ = PLA Blood pH: SBC > PLA [HCO₃⁻]: SBC > PLA SID: SBC > PLA
Gurton et al. [205]	11 recreational male runners	51.7 (±5.4)	Running TTE test at 100% vVO ₂ max	40 min	SBC: 0.3 g.kg ⁻¹ NaHO ₃ PLA: 0.03 g.kg ⁻¹ NaCl	~5 min after 1 st exercise	TTE: SBC = PLA RPE: SBC = PLA Blood pH: SBC = PLA [HCO₃⁻]: SBC = PLA

Abbreviations: [BLa⁻]: Blood lactate concentration; [HCO₃⁻]: Blood bicarbonate concentration; HIIT: High-intensity interval training; NR: Not reported; PLA: Placebo; PPO: Peak power output; RPE: Rate of perceived exertion; SBC: Sodium bicarbonate; SBC2: 0.2 g.kg⁻¹ sodium bicarbonate; SBC3: 0.3 g.kg⁻¹ sodium bicarbonate; SID: Strong ion difference ([K⁺] + [Na⁺] + [Ca²⁺] + [Na⁺] - [Cl⁻] - [Lac⁻]) from the end of the first exercise to the initial second exercise; TT: Time trial; TTE: Time to exhaustion; vVO₂max: Velocity associated with VO₂max.

Supplementary Material 7. Summary of studies exploring the effects of carbohydrate and creatine co-ingestion on subsequent exercise performance and glycogen resynthesis after exhaustive exercise.

Study	Subject	VO _{2max} (ml.kg ⁻¹ .min ⁻¹)	Exercise Test	Treatment	Duration of supplementation	Time of sampling	Result
Robinson et al. [118]	14 healthy men	NR	one-legged cycling TTE test at 160 to 170 bpm of heart rate	CHO: 4 times per day of (500 ml of CHO solution with 18.5% concentration) for 5 days CHO+CR: 4 times per day of (500 ml of CHO solution with 18.5% concentration + 5 g.d ⁻¹ of creatine monohydrate) for 5 days	5 days of supplementation	After 6 h and day 5	Total creatine: CHO+CR in EXL < CHO+CR in NEXL > CHO in EXL and NEXL Muscle glycogen concentration: CHO in EXL and NEXL = CHO+CR in EXL and NEXL
Nelson et al. [126]	12 physically active men	NR		LOAD+CR: 4 days of 6.6 g.kg ⁻¹ .d ⁻¹ of CHO in diet + 5 days of 20 g.d ⁻¹ of creatine monohydrate CR+LOAD: 5 days of 20 g.d ⁻¹ of creatine monohydrate + 4 days of 6.6 g.kg ⁻¹ .d ⁻¹ of CHO in diet	4 days of CHO loading + 5 days of loading supplementation	Day 0 and 9	Muscle glycogen concentration: LOAD+CR < CR+LOAD
Ööpik et al. [206]	5 young healthy male wrestlers	NR	A maximal and submaximal isokinetic performance test on the Cybex II	GLU: 320 g of glucose GLU+CR: 320 g of glucose + 30 g of creatine monohydrate	Single dose	-	Body mass: GLU = GLU+CR Urine volume: GLU+CR = GLU Maximal work: GLU+CR > GLU

							BGC during exercise: GLU+CR = GLU *Strong correlation ($r = 0.92$) was observed between creatine retention and maximal work
Van Loon et al. [125]	20 young active males	62.4 (± 1.6) and 63.8 (± 2.2)	-	CR: 5 g.day ⁻¹ for 5 days + 2 g.day ⁻¹ for 42 days of creatine monohydrate supplementation PLA: 5 g.day ⁻¹ for 5 days + 2 g.day ⁻¹ for 42 days of maltodextrin supplementation	5 days of loading + 6 weeks of continued supplementation	Day 0, 6 and 43	Muscle glycogen concentration: CR < PLA Insulin: CR = PLA Total creatine: CR < PLA Free creatine: CR < PLA PCr: CR < PLA GLUT-4: CR = PLA mRNA expression of: GS-1: CR + PLA Gln-1: CR + PLA
Sewell et al. [207]	6 healthy men	52.1 (± 2.0)	TTE test on bicycle ergometer at 70% VO ₂ max	CR: 5 g.day ⁻¹ of creatine for 5 days CHO: 4 times per day of (500 ml of CHO solution with 18.5% concentration) for 5 days N: Normal diet	5 days of supplementation	Before and immediately after exercise	Body mass: CR = CHO = N Muscle glycogen concentration at rest: CHO < CR = N Muscle glycogen concentration after exercise:

							CHO = CR = N Total creatine: CR < CHO = N PCr: CR = CHO = N ATP concentration at rest: CR = CHO = N ATP concentration after exercise: CR = CHO = N BGC during exercise: CR = CHO = N
Rico-Sanz [127]	20 healthy trained males	NR	-	CR+GLU: 252 g.day ⁻¹ of glucose + 21 g.day ⁻¹ of creatine PLA+GLU: 252 g.day ⁻¹ of glucose + 21 g.day ⁻¹ of maltodextrin	5 days	Day 0 and 5	Muscle glycogen concentration: CR+GLU = PLA+GLU Muscle PCr concentration: CR+GLU < PLA+GLU
Tomcik et al. [128]	18 well-trained male cyclists and triathletes	65.10 (±7.1)	three performance trials of a 120 km cycling TT interspersed with alternating 1 and 4 km sprints (6 sprints each) performed every 10 km followed by an inclined TTE test at 90% VO ₂ peak.	CR+MOD: 20 g.d ⁻¹ for 5 days + 3 g.d ⁻¹ for 9 days of creatine monohydrate supplementation + 6 g.kg ⁻¹ .d ⁻¹ of CHO in diet CR+LOAD: 20 g.d ⁻¹ for 5 days + 3 g.d ⁻¹ for 9 days of creatine monohydrate supplementation + 12 g.kg ⁻¹ .d ⁻¹ of CHO in diet PLA+MOD: 20 g.d ⁻¹ for 5 days + 3 g.d ⁻¹ for 9 days of	5 days of loading + 9 days of continued supplementation	Day 0, 7 and 14	TT: CR+MOD = CR+LOAD = PLA+MOD = PLA+LOAD TTE: CR+MOD = CR+LOAD = PLA+MOD = PLA+LOAD Body mass: CR+MOD = CR+LOAD > PLA+MOD = PLA+LOAD Power of final 1 km sprint: CR+MOD = CR+LOAD = PLA+MOD < PLA+LOAD Power of final 4 km sprint: CR+MOD =

	placebo + 6 $\text{g} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{d}^{-1}$ of CHO in diet PLA-LOAD: $20 \text{ g} \cdot \text{d}^{-1}$ for 5 days + $3 \text{ g} \cdot \text{d}^{-1}$ for 9 days of placebo + 12 $\text{g} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{d}^{-1}$ of CHO in diet	CR+LOAD > PLA+MOD = PLA+LOAD Total creatine: CR+LOAD > PLA+LOAD Muscle glycogen concentration: CR+LOAD > PLA+LOAD
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Abbreviations: ATP: Adenosine triphosphate; CHO: Carbohydrate; CR+LOAD: Creatine supplementation followed by carbohydrate loading; CR+MOD: Creatine supplementation with a moderate carbohydrate diet; GLU: Glucose; GLUT-4: Glucose transporter type 4; Gln-1: Glycogenin-1; GS-1: Glycogen synthase-1; LOAD+CR: Carbohydrate loading followed by creatine supplementation; mRNA: Messenger RNA; NR: Not reported; PCr: Creatine phosphate; PLA+MOD: Placebo supplementation with a moderate carbohydrate diet; TT: Time trial; TTE: Time to exhaustion.

Supplementary Material 8. Summary of studies exploring the effects of caffeine and carbohydrate co-ingestion on muscle glycogen resynthesis after exhaustive exercise.

Study	Subject	VO ₂ max ($\text{ml} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{min}^{-1}$)	Exercise Test	Treatment	Supplementation timing	Result
Battram et al. [138]	10 healthy males	60.9 (± 2.4)	TTE test on bicycle ergometer at 75% of VO ₂ max	CAFF: pre-exercise ($3 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ caffeine) + during ($3 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ caffeine) + post-exercise ($5 \text{ g} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ CHO) PLA: pre-exercise ($3 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ placebo) + during ($3 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ placebo) + post-exercise ($5 \text{ g} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ CHO)	Before and during exercise	CAFF = PLA
Pedersen et al. [208]	7 trained male cyclists and triathletes	60.0 (± 3.7)	TTE test on bicycle ergometer at 70% VO ₂ peak	CAFF: $3 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ CHO+CAFF: $1 \text{ g} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ CHO + $2 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ caffeine	After exercise	CHO+CAFF > CHO
Beelen et al. [209]	14 trained male cyclists	61.5 (± 1.2)	Intermittent cycling test included 2 min of 90% to 70% PPO with 2 min active recovery at 50% PPO until exhaustion	CHO: $1.2 \text{ g} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ CHO CHO+PRO: $1.2 \text{ g} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ CHO + $0.2 \text{ g} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ PRO hydrolysate + $0.1 \text{ g} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ leucine CHO+CAFF: $1.2 \text{ g} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ CHO + $1.7 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$ caffeine	After exercise	CHO = CHO+PRO = CHO+CAFF

Loureiro et al. [140]	14 trained male cyclists and triathletes	59.9 (±8.3)	TTE test on bicycle ergometer at 70% PPO	CAFF+MILK: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO + 0.3 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ PRO + 2.7 mg.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ caffeine + solid meal (sandwich) at 120 min MILK: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO + 0.3 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ PRO + solid meal (sandwich) at 120 min	After exercise	CAFF+MILK > MILK
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Abbreviations: CAFF: Caffeine; CHO: Carbohydrate; PLA: Placebo; PPO: Peak power output; PRO: Protein; TTE: Time to exhaustion; VO₂max: Maximum oxygen uptake during exercise; VO₂peak: Peak oxygen uptake during exercise.

Supplementary Material 9. Summary of studies exploring the effects of caffeine and carbohydrate co-ingestion on subsequent exercise performance.

Study	Subject	VO ₂ max (ml.kg ⁻¹ .min ⁻¹)	Pre- conditioning	Recovery Period	Treatment	Subsequent Exercise	Result
Taylor et al. [210]	6 recreationally active males	56 (±1)	A decreasing intermittent glycogen-depleting exercise protocol until volitional exhaustion	4 h	CHO: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO CHO+CAFF: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO + 2 mg.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ caffeine PLA: non-caloric flavored water	LIST	TTE_{LIST}: CHO+CAFF < CHO < PLA
Andrade-Souza et al. [211]	11 male amateur soccer players	43.9 (±2.3)	LIST	4 h	CHO: CHO 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO+CAFF: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO + 6 mg.kg ⁻¹ caffeine at 3 h after 1 st exercise PLA: non-caloric flavored water	LIST, LSPT, CMJ, RST	TTE_{LIST}: CHO+CAFF = CHO = PLA LSPT: CHO+CAFF = CHO = PLA RST: CHO+CAFF = CHO = PLA CMJ: CHO+CAFF = CHO = PLA HR_{PEAK}: CHO+CAFF = CHO = PLA [BLA⁻]: CHO+CAFF = CHO = PLA RPE: CHO+CAFF = CHO = PLA
Barzegar et al. [143]	9 highly trained male paddlers	NR	Paddling 20 km TT	24 h	CHO: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO CHO+CAFF: 1.2 g.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ CHO + 2 mg.kg ⁻¹ .h ⁻¹ caffeine	5 × on-water 500 m paddling TT with 3-min of active recovery	TTE_{5×500}: CHO+CAFF = CHO < PLA

PLA: non-caloric
flavored water

Abbreviations: [BLa⁻]: Blood lactate concentration; CAFF: Caffeine; CHO: Carbohydrate; CMJ: Countermovement jump; HR_{PEAK}: Peak heart rate; LIST: Loughborough Intermittent Shuttle Test; LSPT: Loughborough Soccer Passing Test; NR: Not reported; PLA: Placebo; RPE: Rate of perceived exertion; RST: Repeated sprint test; TT: Time trial; TTE: Time to exhaustion in Loughborough Intermittent Shuttle Test; TTE_{5×500}: Time to exhaustion in 5 repetitions of 500 meters.