A Study of Effects of Aerobic Exercises on Lipid Profile of Girls Hockey Players

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Abstract

Background: The purpose of the present research was to determine the effects of Aerobic exercises on lipid profile of adolescents.

Methods: To achieve objectives of the study thirty physically active and interested students (N = 30) were selected as subjects and their age group ranged between 15 to 18 years. The experimental groups underwent their respective experimental treatment for eight weeks, 4 days a week and a session on each day. In lipid profile mainly triglycerides, Total Cholesterol, LDL, HDL and VLDL were analysed. The lipid profile test was held in Shah Satnam Ji Institute’s laboratory. The t-test was applied for analysed the data.

Results: The result of the study revealed that there are positive effects on lipid profile of Aerobic training and aerobic training have significantly effect on triglycerides, Total Cholesterol, LDL and HDL (p 0.05) as compared of pre exercises effects and post exercises effects.

Keywords: Aerobic Exercises, Lipid Profile, Triglycerides, Total Cholesterol, LDL, HDL, & VLDL.

INTRODUCTION

Today's society needs a person who is physically and mentally fit to contribute to the wellbeing of society. Therefore, the need for improving Physical fitness and to achieve healthy life participation in sporting activities is very much important in present time. Physical fitness is a positive and dynamic quality extending on a continuum from death to the abundant life. It is related to ability to meet the demands of the environment, specifically to preserve, to withstand stress, to resist fatigue and to possess the energy for and abundant life. Physical fitness is minimal in the seriously ill and maximal in the highly conditioned person. The energy demands of daily tasks vary from individual to individual. Some position between these poles is satisfactory for most of people. Since an individual is non-divisible in to discrete parts, Physical fitness affects all phases of human existence. It is vital for the whole person in order to permit total effectiveness’. Involvement of Physical fitness through exercise is also importance for the maintenance of sound neuromuscular, cardiovascular, and other organic system.

Physical fit Person has more efficient circulatory and respiratory system than an unfit person. The conditioned individual has a greater stroke volume, which enables more blood to be pumped each stroke, thus enabling fewer strokes per-minute to do the work. The trained person is also able to achieve full oxygen carbon dioxide exchange, resulting in more available oxygen taken from the air, a slower rate of breathing and a lower rate of lactic acid formation than is formed in the untrained individual. High level of lipid Profile is very commonly associated with Coronary Heart disease. Evidence indicates that coronary heart
disease being is early childhood and progress slowly into adulthood. As in the CHD, Cholesterol along with other lipids gets deposited on the arterial walls. This deposition of harmful lipids can be minimized or reduced by undergoing required intensity of exercise.

Aerobic word originally applied by bacteriologists to bacteria Aerobic the word applied to the bacteria requiring free oxygen in order to live. Later, as exercise started to become more and popular, these words were adopted to designate certain types of exercise. Most everyone is familiar with "Aerobic exercise" Not everyone is familiar with non-aerobic or anaerobic exercise.

**Lipid Profile**

The lipid profile is a blood test done to assess the status of fat metabolism in the body and is important in heart disease. This includes measuring lipids (fats) and its derivatives known as lipoproteins. Lipoproteins are compounds containing fat and proteins and include free cholesterol, cholesterol esters, triglycerides, phospholipids and apo-proteins.

**Lipids**

The Lipids are a heterogeneous group of compounds related either actually or potentially to fatty acids. They have a common property of being relatively insoluble in water and soluble in non-polar solvents such as ether, chloroform, benzene and acetone. A lipid includes fats, oils, waxes and related compounds. Lipids are classified as simple, complex and derived lipids.

**Cholesterol**

Cholesterol is a type of fat called a lipid, which the body uses to help build cells and produce certain hormones and bile salts. Cholesterol forms complexes with proteins in the blood to produce lipoproteins. Lipoprotein comes in two forms: (1) High Density Lipoprotein (HDL); the good cholesterol with more protein than fat, and (2) Low Density Lipoprotein (LDL); the bad cholesterol with more fat than protein.

Normal range of cholesterol in the blood should be less than 200 milligrams per decilitre or mg/dl. High cholesterol of 240 mg/dl or greater in the blood increases the risk of heart disease, stroke, coronary artery disease etc. Abnormally low levels of cholesterol may indicate hyperthyroidism, or an overactive thyroid gland, liver disease, inadequate absorption of nutrients from the intestines and malnutrition.

We all have quite a lot of cholesterol in our blood, and it is there for the excellent reason that it is an essential chemical for the efficient running of the human body. Only a small amount of this cholesterol comes directly from the food we eat: most of it is made by our own body. Nevertheless, it is not a good thing to have too much.

Cholesterol is not a life-threatening toxin, but a medium-sized molecule that is really a building block for important parts of the body. In particular it is an essential component of cell membranes. Cholesterol also stabilizes a cell against temperature changes. It is a major part of the membranes of the nervous system, the brain, the spinal cord and the peripheral nerves. In particular it is incorporated into the myelin sheath that insulates the nerves from the surrounding tissue. Cholesterol is also the forerunner of important hormones such as the female sex hormone, oestradiol, and the male sex hormone, testosterone, and of vitamin D, which we need in order to utilize calcium and form bone. Nearly all body tissues are capable of making cholesterol, but the liver and intestines make the most. We require cholesterol to produce the bile we need to digest the fats in our food, and the name itself comes from the Greek words for 'bile solids'.

Essential though cholesterol is, there can be too much of it, and too much causes a build-up of deposits in the arteries, constricts them, and may even block them, with dire
consequences.' The causes which are now seen as contributing to higher-than-normal cholesterol levels are: hereditary factors, which are the most important; then high blood pressure; followed by stress, smoking, obesity and dietary cholesterol.

MATERIALS AND METHOD
The purpose of the study was to analyze the effects of aerobic exercises on lipid profile of adolescents. To achieve this objective, thirty (N = 30) interested students of Sirsa District, Haryana, were randomly selected as subjects and their age ranged between 15 to 18 years. The Lipid Profile was measured by lipid profile test in the laboratory of Shah SatnamJi institution. Aerobic training was included running, dancing and recreational games which was more than 40 minutes per day. The intensity ranged from 50% to 70%. These exercises were performed for 5 day per week and one session on each day. Data were collected one day before starting the exercises and after completion of the exercises period.

Data Analysis
Mean and standard deviation of lipid profile were calculated of experimental group before and after the exercises for using t-test. All analysis was carried out using graph pad t-test calculator and test at .05 level of significance.

RESULTS

Table – I: Comparison of Mean Score of Total Cholesterol (Lipid Profile) of Girls Sports Person.

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<tr>
<th>Type of exercise (Aerobic) (N-30)</th>
<th>Mean</th>
<th>SD</th>
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<tr>
<td>Pre Test</td>
<td>218.41 mg/dl</td>
<td>21.13 mg/dl</td>
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<td>Post Test</td>
<td>193.00 mg/dl</td>
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* Significant at .05 level of confident.

Table – II: Comparison of Mean Score of Triglycerides (Lipid Profile) of Girls Sports Person.

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<td>Pre Test</td>
<td>305.00 mg/dl</td>
<td>26.32 mg/dl</td>
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<td>Post Test</td>
<td>294.00 mg/dl</td>
<td>25.15 mg/dl</td>
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* Significant at .05 level of confident.

Table – III: Comparison of Mean score of HDL (Lipid Profile) of Girls sports person.

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<td>Pre Test</td>
<td>44.02 mg/dl</td>
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<td>Post Test</td>
<td>53.11 mg/dl</td>
<td>6.02 mg/dl</td>
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Table – IV: Comparison of Mean Score of LDL (Lipid Profile) of Girls sports person.

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<td>12.13 mg/dl</td>
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<td>Post Test</td>
<td>98.69 mg/dl</td>
<td>10.01 mg/dl</td>
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Table – V: Comparison of Mean Score of VLDL (Lipid Profile) of Girls Sports Person.

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<td>Pre Test</td>
<td>28.26 mg/dl</td>
<td>3.12 mg/dl</td>
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<td>Post Test</td>
<td>23.91 mg/dl</td>
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The t-test of the pre and post mean scores of lipid profile of experimental group have been analysed and presented in Table I to V. Table No. I indicate that the pre and post mean and standard deviation of experimental groups on total cholesterol, which was higher than table value of 1.96 at 0.05 level of confidence; hence there was significant difference in pre and post mean of experimental group of total cholesterol. Table No. I to IV described that the mean, SD, SED and ‘t’ value of different parts of lipid profile. It indicated that the mean and SD on total cholesterol was 4.69, The obtained ‘t’ value on triglycerides was 2.25, The obtained ‘t’ value on HDL was 5.28, The obtained ‘t’ value on LDL was 7.07, The obtained ‘t’ value on VLDL was 6.32, that were higher than significant value of 0.05 level of confidence; hence there was significant difference in pre and post mean of experimental group of total cholesterol, triglyceride, HDL, LDL, and VLDL.

### Discussion

Many studies suggested that endurance training may be valuable for determining the physiological variables such as hemoglobin and blood components. Teixeira et al., (2001) pointed out that endurance training three times per week is an effective as five times per week. Hemoglobin and blood components are considered as the main determinants of sports performance. This improvement in agility is beneficial for athletes who require quick movements while performing their sport and support results from other studies. In a study of tennis players, the authors used test to determine endurance (Parsons and Jones, 1998). They found that the players became more level of hemoglobin and blood components that preform regular exercise.

### CONCLUSION

Aerobic exercises helps to develop or maintain physical fitness and overall health. It is evident from a number of the adaptations that occur with Aerobic training that there are several health-related benefits. Aerobic exercises have been shown to increase factors associated with endurance. From the results, the different modes of Aerobic exercises can be significantly change the lipid profile between 15 and 18 years of boys. Any practical
application requires careful implementation and individual experimentation. The result of the study indicated that there was significant improvement on lipid profile due to eight weeks of different aerobic exercises. From the results, we recommend that Aerobic exercises are the good for health purpose as well as recreational purpose.

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