Lance Armstrong's Physiological Maturation

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Aerobic Endurance Primary in Competitive Events Lasting 3 min to Several Hours



















Lance Armstrong 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005... Grand-Champion 'Tour de France'











Highlights of the bicycling racing history and medical history of the subject.

Year	Age	Event	
1991	19 y	U.S.A. National Amateur Champion	
1992	20 y	14 th place in Olympic Road Race; Barcelona	
1993	21 y	1 st place in World Championships, Road Racing; Oslo	
· · ·		Winner, one stage in Tour de France	
1995	23 y	Winner of one stage in Tour de France	
1996	24-25 y	12 th place in Olympic Road Race; Barcelona	
		6 th place in Olympic Individual Time-trial; Barcelona	
		Diagnosed with testicular cancer; chemotherapy ; brain	
		surgery in October 1996. Last chemotherapy treatment	
		December 1996.	
1998	26 y	4 st place in World Championships, Road Racing	
		4 st place in World Championships, Time-trial	
1999	27 у	1 st place - Tour de France Grand Champion	
2000	28 y	1 st place - Tour de France Grand Champion	
		13 th place in Olympic Road Race; Sydney	
		3 th place in Olympic Individual Time-trial; Sydney	
2001	29 у	1 st place - Tour de France Grand Champion	· .
2002	30 y	1 st place - Tour de France Grand Champion	
2003	31 y	1 st place - Tour de France Grand Champion and	
2004	32 y	1 st place - Tour de France Grand Champion	







Over Age 21-28 y Lance Armstrong Showed Little to Moderate Variation In

VO₂max

- = 5.8 6.0 łmin
- = 76-83 młkg/min
- HRmax = 206 200 bts/min
- $%VO_2 max @ LT = 78 82\%$
- Lean Body Weight = 68 70 kg



Age; y	21.1 y	21.4 y	22.0 y	25.9 y	28.2 y
Date; Month-	Nov.	Jan.	Sept.	Aug.	Nov.
Year	1992	1993	1993	1997	1999
Training Stage	pre-seasor	n pre-season	racing	reduced	pre-season
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Maximal AerobicAbility					
Maximal O ₂ Uptake; L/min	5.56	5.82	6.10	5.29	5.7
Maximal O ₂ Uptake; ml/kg/min	70.5	76.1	81.2	66.6	71.5
Maximal Heart Rate; bts/min	207	206	202	200	200
Maximal Blood Lactic Acid; mM	[7.5	6.3	6.5	9.2	
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Mechanical Efficiency

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Gross Efficiency; %	21.18	21.61		22.66	23.05
Delta Efficiency; %	21.37	21.75		22.69	23.12





Muscular Efficiency





Increased Power Due to Mechanical Efficiency

Age; y	21.1 y	21.4 y	22.0 y	25.9 y	28.2 y
Date; Month-	Nov.	Jan.	Sept.	Aug.	Nov.
Year	1992	1993	1993	1997	1999
Training Stage	pre-season	pre-season	racing	reduced	pre-season

Power at VO₂ of 5.0 L/min 83% of maximum

Watts 374 382 399 404 }+8%





















$\frac{P_{ower} = 500 \text{ Watts} = > 7 \text{ Watts}}{Kg} \frac{71 \text{ kg}}{kg}$









UNTRAINED

NOVICE

GOOD

ELITE

[°]VO₂max Muscle Oxidative Capacity Capillaries

Improve Lactate Thresholda) Spread Work to Large Muscle Masb) Muscle Oxidative Capacity

Maximize Power a) Improve Muscle Efficiency

