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Supplementary material

Respiration and thermoregulatory equations

To estimate breathing losses, the following formulation has been used [1].

$$q_{bre} = \frac{1}{V_{lung}} [0.0014 (m^2/{}^{o}C)Q_{m,glob}(34 - T_{out}) + 0.0173 (m^2/Pa)Q_{m,glob}(5.87 - P_{out})] \quad (1)$$

where $Q_{m,glob}$ is the global metabolic heat generation rate, V_{lung} is the lung volume (respectively 58.2 W/m^2 and 5631.41 cm³) and P_{out} is the ambient water vapour pressure.

Both cutunaeous vasomotion and shivering are modeled following [1]. The evaluation of vasodilation and vasoconstriction flows ($\dot{m}_{skin,dil}$ and $\dot{m}_{skin,con}$) for a body segment may be calculated via the following expressions:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{m}_{skin,dil} = \dot{m}_{skin,bas} \ kg/s \ if \ T_{core} \le 36.8^{\circ}C \\ \dot{m}_{skin,dil} = \frac{T_{core} - 36.8}{37.2 - 36.8} (\dot{m}_{skin,max} - \dot{m}_{skin,bas}) + \dot{m}_{skin,bas} \ (kg/s) \ if \ 36.8^{\circ}C \le T_{core} \le 37.2^{\circ}C \\ \dot{m}_{skin,dil} = \dot{m}_{skin,max} \ kg/s \ if \ T_{core} \ge 37.2^{\circ}C \end{cases}$$

$$(2)$$

and

$$\begin{cases} \dot{m}_{skin,con} = \dot{m}_{skin,min} \ kg/s \ if \ T_{skin} \le 27.8^{\circ}C \\ \dot{m}_{skin,con} = \frac{T_{skin} - 27.8}{33.7 - 27.8} (\dot{m}_{skin,bas} - \dot{m}_{skin,min}) + \dot{m}_{skin,min} \ (kg/s) \ if \ 27.8^{\circ}C \le T_{skin} \le 33.7^{\circ}C \\ \dot{m}_{skin,con} = \dot{m}_{skin,bas} \ kg/s \ if \ T_{skin} \ge 33.7^{\circ}C \end{cases}$$

$$(3)$$

For evaluating shivering contribution, we need at first calcuate the shivering temperature, T_{shiv} ; this variable depends on the core temperature:

$$\begin{cases} T_{shiv} = 35.5^{\circ}C & if \quad T_{core} \le 35.8^{\circ}C \\ T_{shiv} = -10222 + 570.9 \quad T_{core} - 7.9455 \quad T_{core}^2 \quad (^{\circ}C) \\ if \quad 35.8^{\circ}C \le T_{core} \le 37.1 \quad ^{\circ}C \end{cases}$$
(4)

It should be noted that for T_{core} greater than 37.1°C, shivering does not occur. The maximum increase in total metabolic heat generation caused by shivering $(Q_{shiv,max})$ may be written as

$$Q_{shiv,max} = \frac{1}{3600} (-1.186110^9 + 6.55210^7 T_{core} - 9.041810^5 T_{core}^2) \quad (W) \quad (5)$$

The shivering metabolic heat generation Q_{shiv} may now be calculated as

$$Q_{shiv} = Q_{shiv,max} \left[1 - \left(\frac{T_{skin} - 20}{T_{shiv} - 20}\right)^2\right] (W) \quad if \quad (40 - T_{shiv}) \leq T_{skin} \leq T_{shiv} \ ^{o}C \quad (6)$$

In the following we reported the methodology used for describing sweating losses. The sweating threshold T_{eva} may be approximately expressed as a function of mean skin temperature, i.e.,

$$\begin{cases} T_{eva} = 42.084 - 0.15833 \ T_{skin} \ (^{\circ}C) \\ if \ T_{skin} \le 33.0^{\circ}C \\ T_{eva} = 36.85^{\circ}C \ if \ T_{skin} \ge 33.0^{\circ}C \end{cases}$$
(7)

The sweat rate \dot{m}_{eva} may now be evaluated as,

$$\dot{m}_{eva} = \frac{45.8 + 739.4(T_{core} - T_{eva})}{3.6 \ 10^6} \quad (kg/s) \quad if \quad T_{core} > T_{eva} \quad (8)$$

The relative skin wetness w is given as,

$$w = 0.06 + \frac{\dot{m}_{eva}(1 - 0.06)}{0.000193} \tag{9}$$

The total evaporative heat loss q_{eva} may now be written as [2],

$$q_{eva} = \frac{w(P_{skin} - P_{out})}{R_{eva,cl} + \frac{1}{f_{cl}h_{eva}}} (W/m^2)$$
(10)

where P_{skin} is water vapour pressure on the skin (normally assumed to be that of saturated water vapour at skin temperature [3]), $R_{eva,cl}$ is the evaporative heat transfer resistance of the clothing layer, f_{cl} is the clothing area factor (the surface of the clothed body divided by the area of the bare body), and h_{eva} is the evaporative heat transfer coefficient (see [4]).

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