LOW-CHO HIGH FAT DIETS

FOR ENHANCED PERFORMANCE IN TRACK & FIELD ATHLETES: A MYTHS



CHRONIC LOW-CHO HIGH-FAT DIETS

NON-KETOGENIC

65% energy as fat and20% energy from CHO



KETOGENIC

- 75% energy as fat and <10% energy from CHO</p>



PHYSIOLOGICAL EFFECTS



Increased fat oxidation at exercise



Reduced capacity for intestinal absorption of glucose



Decreased CHO oxidation

IMPACT ON PERFORMANCE

But a majority of track & field events are CHO - dependant

Decreased effectiveness of CHO - feeding strategies Increased risk of gut disturbances

Decreased exercise economy



Reduced performance

