

## **Statistical Analysis Plan**

### **Camel Milk Project**

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# 1- Changes history

All changes and versions of this document are reported in the table below:

| Version | Author              | Description of modifications | Date       |
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| V1      | Dr. Mo'ath Bataineh | First version                | 12/08/2024 |
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## 2 - Definitions

CM Camel Milk

## 3 - Objectives

### 3.1 Primary Endpoint

- To assess the impact of camel milk on exercise recovery and subsequent physical performance

### 3.2 Secondary Endpoints

- Check impact on inflammatory markers.

## 4 - Project Design

The study will use randomized crossover counterbalanced design to collect information about impact of camel milk on physical performance.

### 4.1 Inclusion criteria

The inclusion criteria for this study are the following:

- (1) Recreational athlete, active 5 days a week.
- (2) Male, healthy, non-obese.
- (3) Age 18 to 39 years old.
- (4) No allergies to milk.
- (4) provide consent to participate and able and ready to complete the study's interview.
- (5) Speaking and understanding Arabic or English, and open to visit him at home.
- (6) Subject consenting to participate in the study.

#### 4.2 Exclusion criteria

- (1) Sedentary
- (2) Female
- (3) Allergies to milk
- (4) Presence of diseases.

#### 4.3 Sampling

The sample for this study will be obtained from UAEU community populations.

#### 4.4 Sample size calculation

Sample size was calculated with the use of G\*Power 3. 1.9.7 that revealed the need for 12 participants to achieve a 0.95 power of the test with medium effect size and alpha set at a 0.05 value. Thus, a minimum of 12 participants will be recruited for the current study.

## 5 - Measured variables retained for the analysis

**Table of variables**

| Variables             | Format  | Description                      |
|-----------------------|---------|----------------------------------|
| Code                  | String  | Three letter code of participant |
| Date                  | Date    | Date of data collection          |
| Time                  | Numeric | Time of data collection          |
| Sex                   | Numeric | Sex: male or female              |
| Age                   | Numeric | Age in years                     |
| Marital               | Numeric | Marital status                   |
| Education             | Numeric | Education level                  |
| Self-Health           | Numeric | Self-perceived health            |
| Wt                    | Numeric | Self-reported weight in kg       |
| Ht                    | Numeric | Self-reported height in cm       |
| Order                 | Numeric | Random order of trial            |
| Visit                 | Numeric |                                  |
| Treatment_Drink       | Numeric |                                  |
| Treatment_Recognition | Numeric |                                  |
| Session               | Numeric |                                  |
| BMI_Measured          | Numeric |                                  |
| HR_rest               | Numeric |                                  |
| HR_Peak               | Numeric |                                  |
| RPE_rest              | Numeric |                                  |

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|-----------|---------|--|
| RPE_Peak  | Numeric |  |
| VO2 rest  | Numeric |  |
| VO2 Peak  | Numeric |  |
| RQ rest   | Numeric |  |
| RQ Peak   | Numeric |  |
| Cytokine1 | Numeric |  |
| Cytokine2 | Numeric |  |
| Cytokine3 | Numeric |  |
| CK        | Numeric |  |

## 6- Statistical Analysis

The statistical analysis will be done according to the intention-to-describe principle. We will report summary statistics according to the type and normality of data. Data will be reported as mean and standard deviation, median and interquartile range for continuous variables and for categorical variables as frequency and percentage. When appropriate data will be reported with a 95 % confidence interval.

### 6.2 Methods of Analysis

#### 6.2.1 Principal Analysis

The Chi-square test will be used to assess the impact of demographics on dependent variables. The repeated measures ANOVA will be used to assess main effects. One way ANOVA and t-test will be used to compare effects of independent variables on measured variables. A p value  $<0.05$  will be considered statistically significant. Effect size will be calculated and presented to provide an estimation of the significance magnitude. If appropriate the 95% confidence interval will be reported.

#### 6.2.2 Secondary Analysis

The same methods will be used to assess the impact inflammation markers.

### 6.3 Specific methods for handling missing data

The researchers will perform a missing data analysis to report on the mode and the percentage of missing values. Variables with less than 5% of missing values will be imputed with the use of median for the continuous variables and/or the highest frequency for the categorical variables. In the case of missing values higher than 5%, the variable will be excluded from the final analysis.

## 7 - Information systems, software, and program outcome validation

### 7.1 Information system and used analysis software

All analyses will be performed using SPSS Version 29.0 (IBM Inc., USA) running Microsoft Windows 11.

Graphic representations will be performed using PowerPoint.

### 7.2 Validation of software outcome

The statistician will be responsible for reviewing each program and the associated SPSS output. The SPSS "Journal" will be examined for logical errors, syntax errors, and serious errors. The results will be examined for typographical errors, misspellings, and irrational values. The consistency of the results will be examined.

reporting using descriptive tables

8.1 Description of demographic characteristics

| Variable name         | Visit |   |   | Missing (n) | p-value |
|-----------------------|-------|---|---|-------------|---------|
|                       | 1     | 2 | 3 |             |         |
| Age, mean (SD)        |       |   |   |             |         |
| Self-Health, n (%)    |       |   |   |             |         |
| Poor/Fair             |       |   |   |             |         |
| Good                  |       |   |   |             |         |
| Very Good/Excellent   |       |   |   |             |         |
| HR rest, median (IQR) |       |   |   |             |         |