



## But athletes are strange animals!

Athletes do not like to be monitored:

- 1 Sport is synonymous of health!
- 2 Athletes look at performance
- 3 Resting... is never resting!
- 4 Athletes or not athletes?





### We have wearable sensors



Wearable devices for cardiac monitoring have become increasingly popular<sup>[1]</sup>!!!

Wearable devices are designed to be worn on different body locations for noninvasive sensing of an individual's parameters without interrupting or restricting the user's movements.

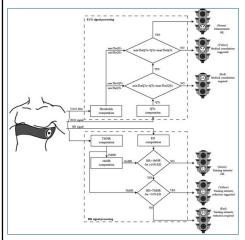
Electrocardiography (ECG) and heart rate (HR) are the main signals used to evaluate cardiac status during sport<sup>[2]</sup>.

Wearable devices were the top trend in an electronic survey of health and fitness trends by ACSM's Health & Fitness Journal for 2022, and they have been estimated to be a \$100 billion industry in the  $US^{[3]}$ .



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# CaRiSMA 1.0: Cardiac Risk Self-Monitoring Assessment







CaRiSMA 1.0 is an application for self-monitoring of cardiac health. While training, the user wears a sensor able to record the ECG signal and, eventually, the HR signal.



## Ca Ri SMA: Measurement Protocol

To use CaRiSMA 1.0, cardiac data should be acquired according to the following protocol:

Step 1: Position and start the wearable sensor.

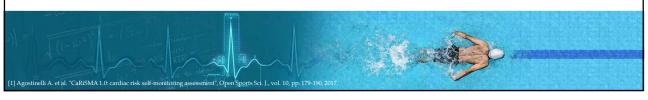
**Step 2**: Remain in resting conditions (sitting or lying) for at least 5 minutes.

Step 3: Exercise; exercise duration (ED) is free.

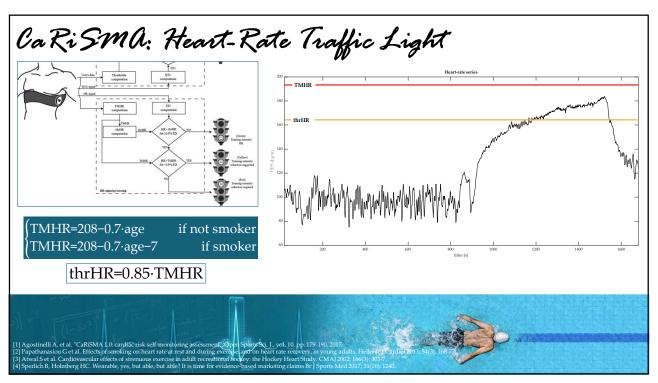
**Step 4**: Acquire cardiac data while recovering for at least 5 minutes.

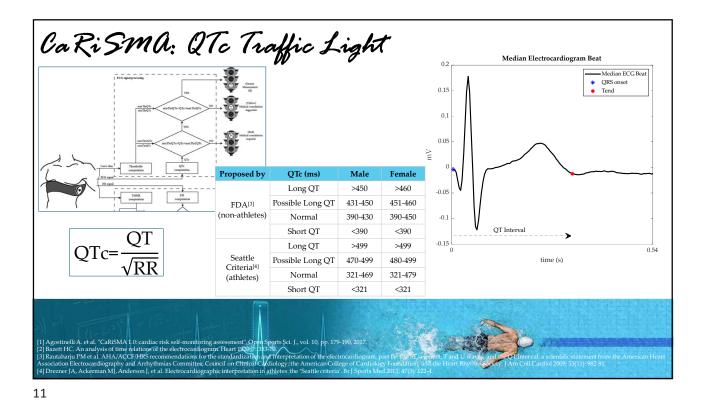
Step 5: Take off the sensor and download data.

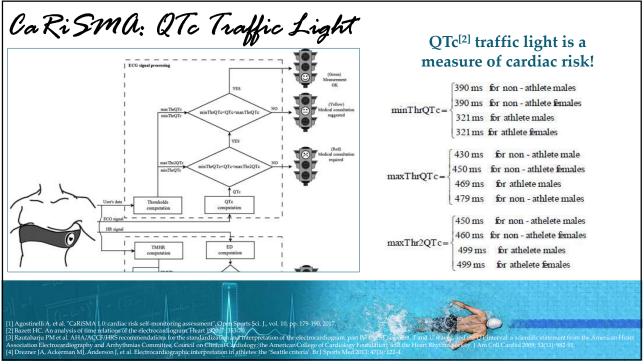
Step 6: Run CaRiSMA 1.0.

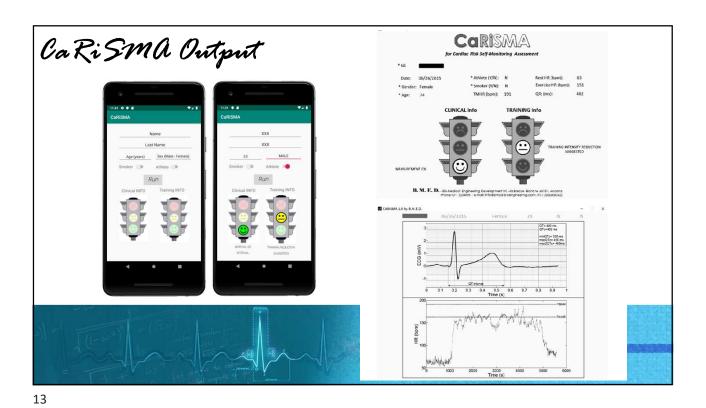


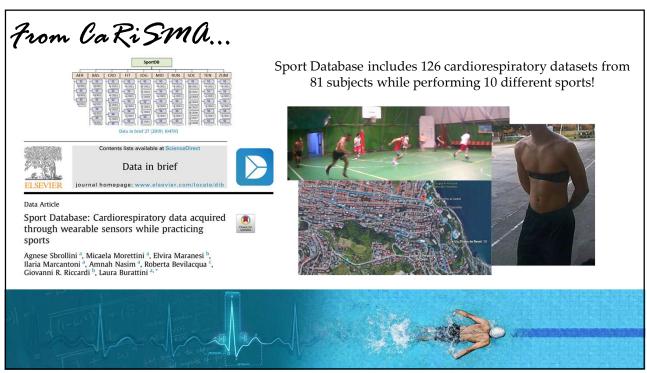
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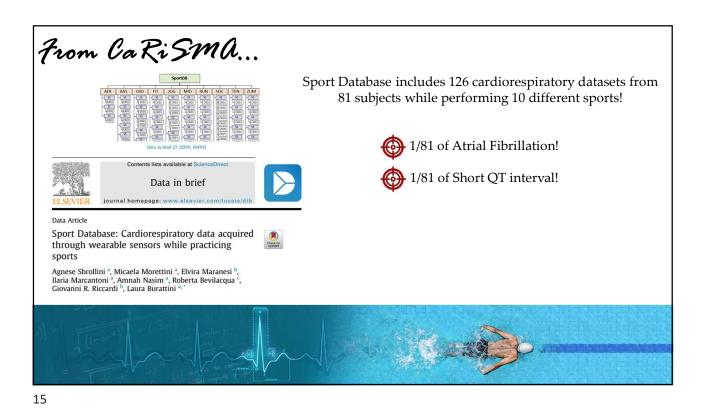


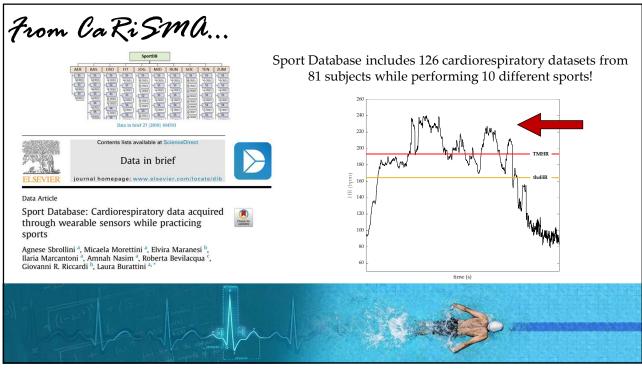


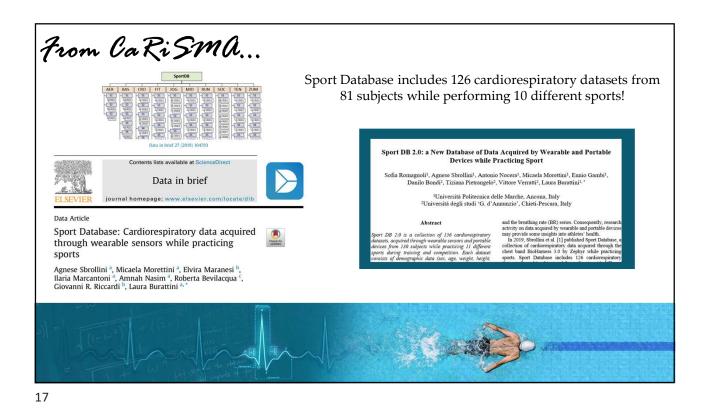












# Hands-on on «Cardiovascular Self Monitoring in Sport »

#### Preamble

The assignment consists of processing cardiac signals (heart-rate series and electrocardiogram) acquired by using wearable sensors. The aim is to characterize the cardiac status of the subjects, proving a cardiac risk assessment. The group will provide the main indices for the assessment of cardiovascular risk.

The total score is 10

Data were acquired from two subjects, which anamnestic and training info are reported in the following table:

| Subjects | SPORT      | Anamnestic Data |      |        |         | Training Info       |                      |                      |
|----------|------------|-----------------|------|--------|---------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
|          |            | AGE             | Sex  | Smoker | ATHLETE | Resting<br>Duration | Exercise<br>Duration | Recovery<br>Duration |
| #1       | Basketball | 22              | Male | Yes    | Yes     | 5′53′′              | 1h28'3''             | 0''                  |
| #2       | Tennis     | 56              | Male | No     | No      | 14'32''             | 46'58''              | 4'52''               |

Data consist of the simultaneously acquired cardiac signals by BioHarness 3.0 of Zephyr. Heart-rate series (sampling frequency of 1Hz, measured in bpm) and electrocardiogram (sampling frequency of 250Hz, measured in mV) are stored in a MATLAB structure. The file "CardiovascularSelfMonitoringInSport.m" represents a code template for analysis.



