NUTRITION

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Goals

Role of nutrition and foods in an isolated hostile environment accompanied by heavy work in low ambient temperatures.
Background

Isolation in itself increases turnover of nutrients

Energy requirements increase with cold, and/or hostile environment

Monotanous food choices in hostile environment affects psychological responses to eating and dietary need to evaluate and counter
Studies

Energy utilization - using noninvasive, non-time consuming technique-doubly labeled water

Protein/amino acid metabolism - using $^{15}$N

Lipid/carbohydrate metabolism

Micronutrients, e.g. ascorbate

Fluid Balance

Psychological response to the limited diet