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Wearable devices: evoluzioni ed orizzonti

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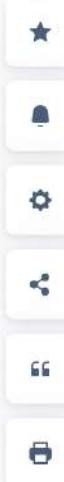
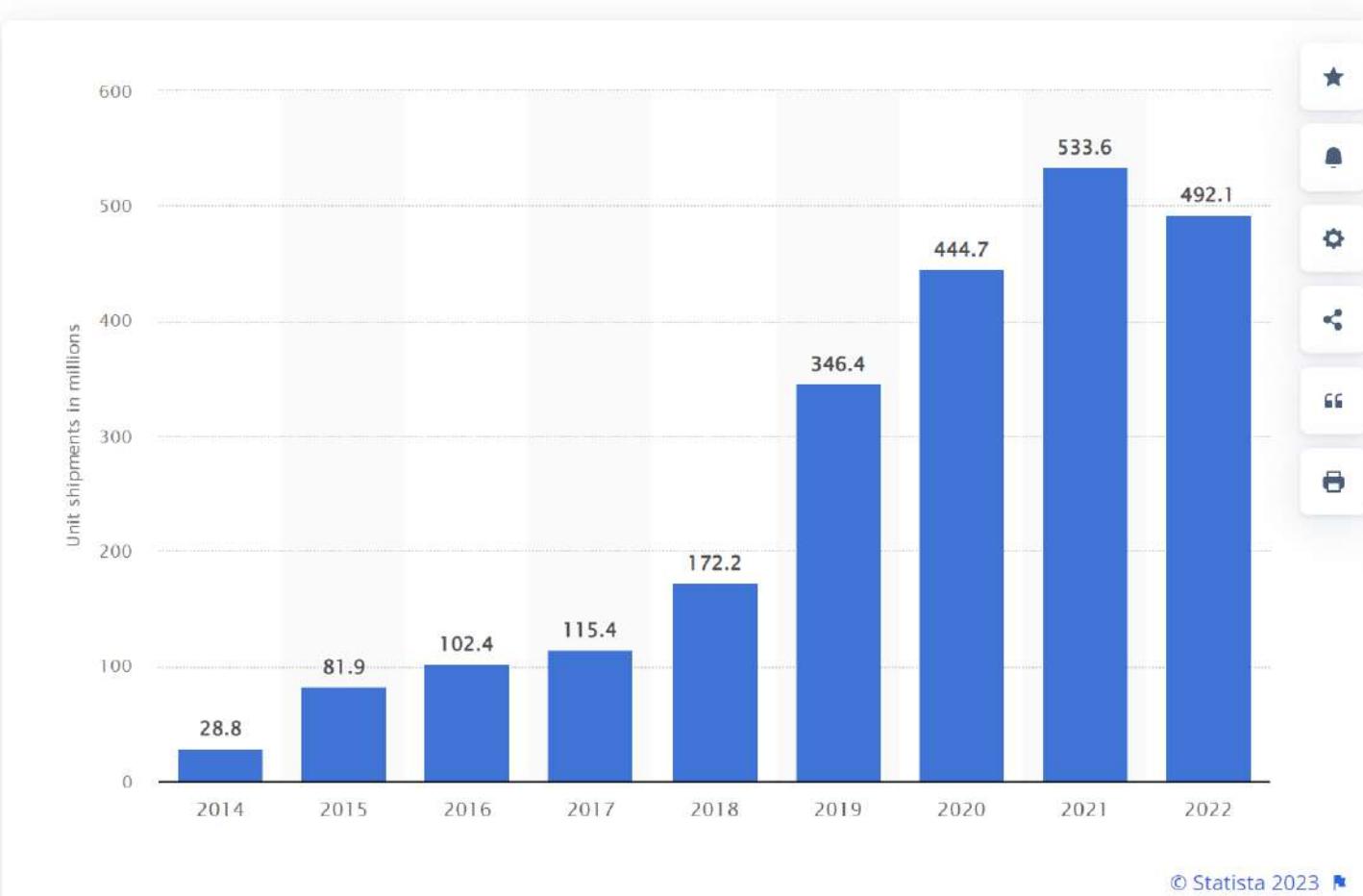
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U.F. is President and Co-founder of Sleepacta s.r.l., a spinoff company of the University of Pisa operating in the field of non-invasive sleep detection based on machine-learning algorithms.

Wearables unit shipments worldwide from 2014 to 2022

(in millions)





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Loss of Pulse Detection has received U.S. FDA clearance, and is now available on Pixel Watch 3.

Today, Google received clearance from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for our [Loss of Pulse Detection](#) feature starting with [Pixel Watch 3](#). This first-of-its-kind feature can detect when you've experienced a loss of pulse (your heart stops beating from an event like primary cardiac arrest, respiratory or circulatory failure, overdose or poisoning) and automatically prompt a call to emergency services for potentially life-saving care if you're unresponsive.



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Create a futuristic image of fluid boundaries between medical and wellness depicting a hand wearing a smartwatch and a smart band

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The first hands-free connected home urine lab



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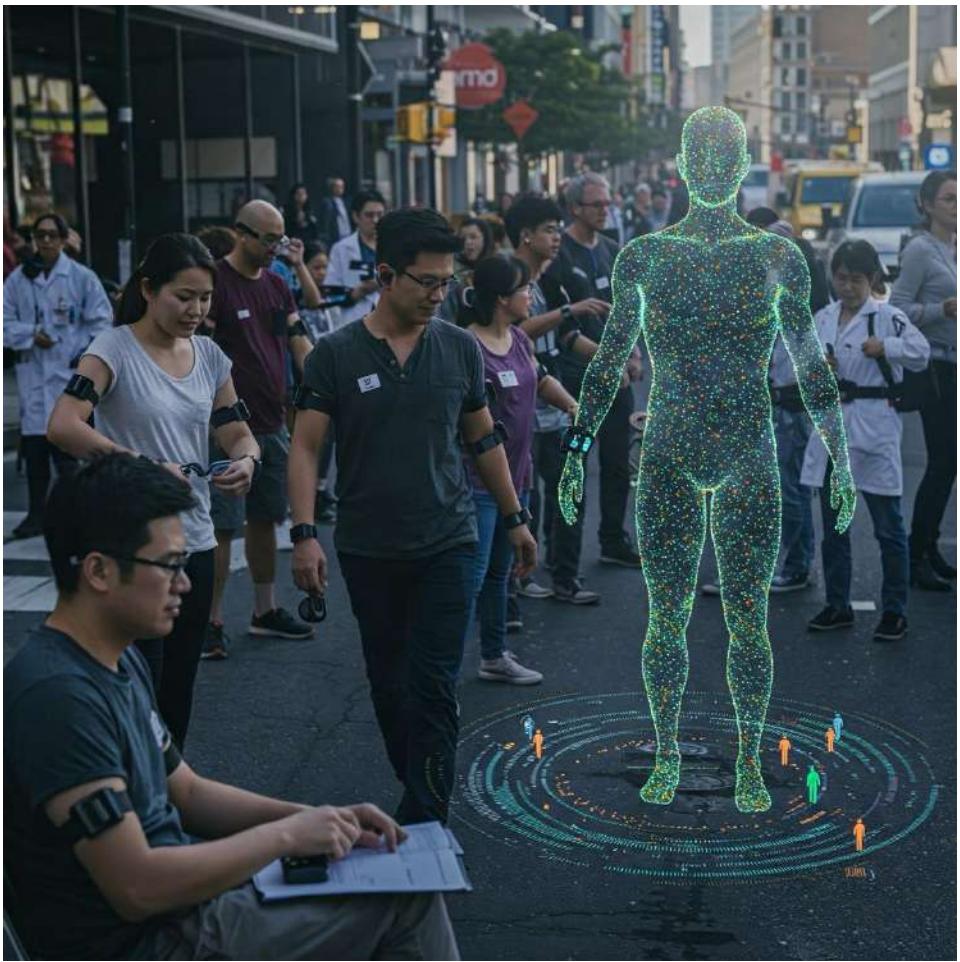
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Monitorare il sonno con le nuove tecnologie

Un'opportunità per gli studi epidemiologici su vasta scala

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Prompt: crea un'immagine per studi epidemiologici su vasta scala con wearable devices



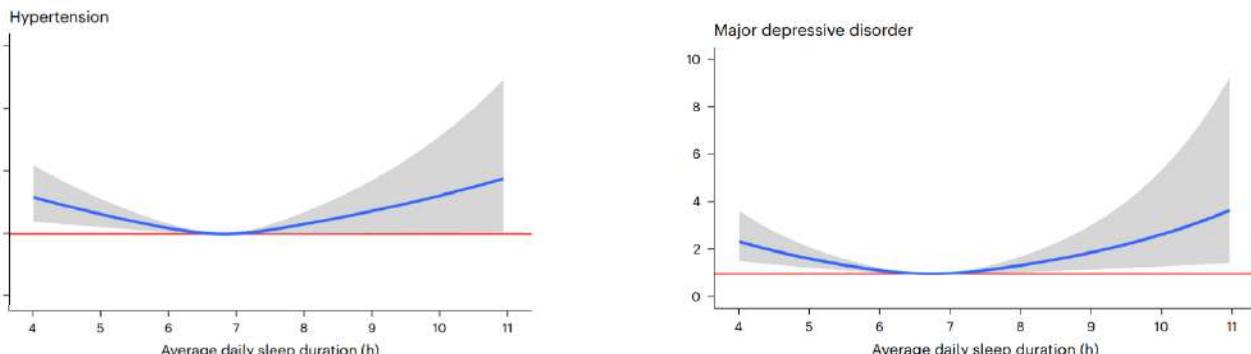


Sleep patterns and risk of chronic disease as measured by long-term monitoring with commercial wearable devices in the All of Us Research Program

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6,785 participants included in this study

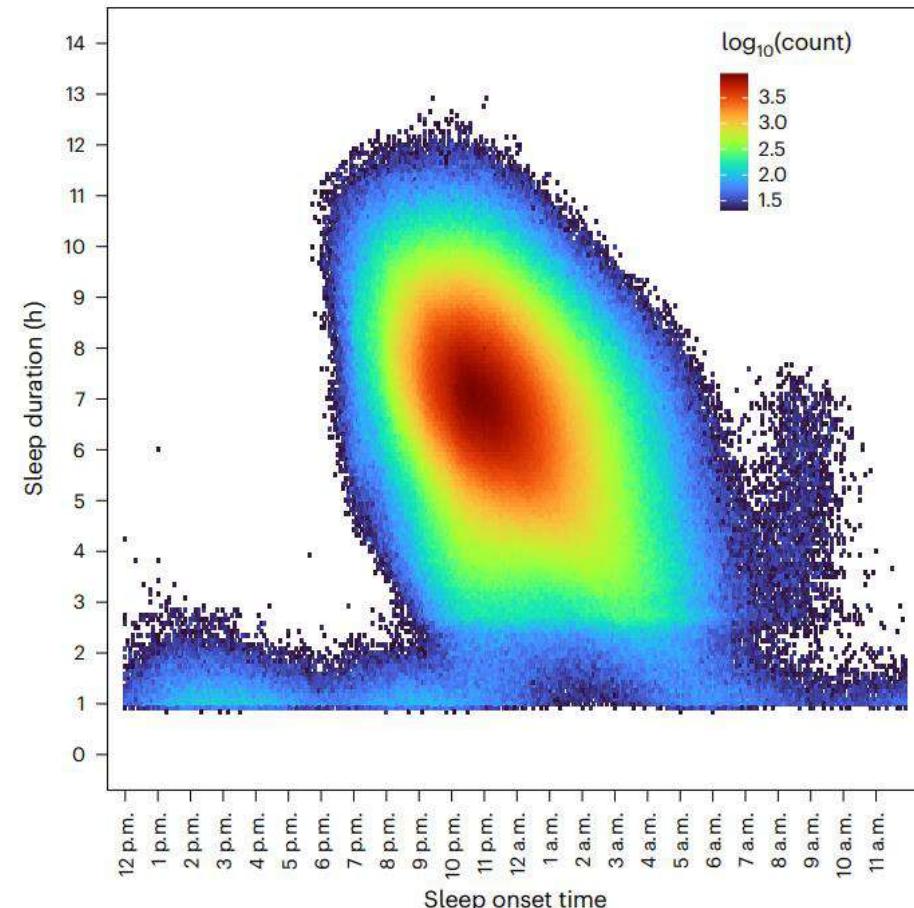


Fig. 1 | Heatmap of sleep onset time and total sleep duration for all person-nights. Heatmap of sleep duration is plotted versus sleep onset time across all person-nights. All sleep periods were flagged as 'main sleep' by Fitbit devices.



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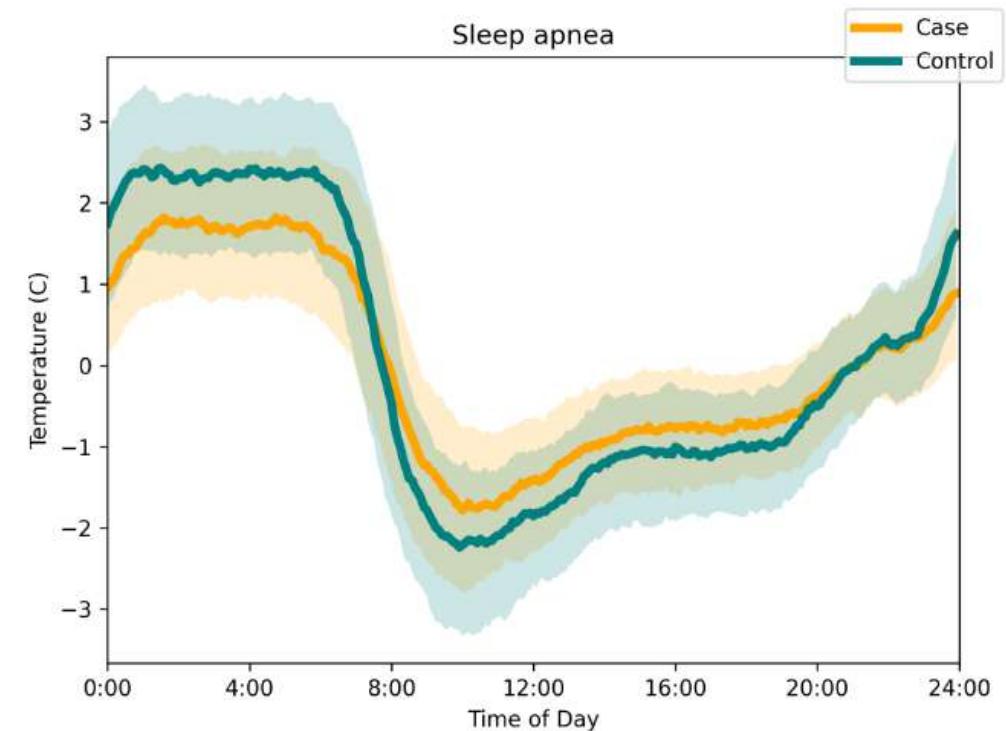
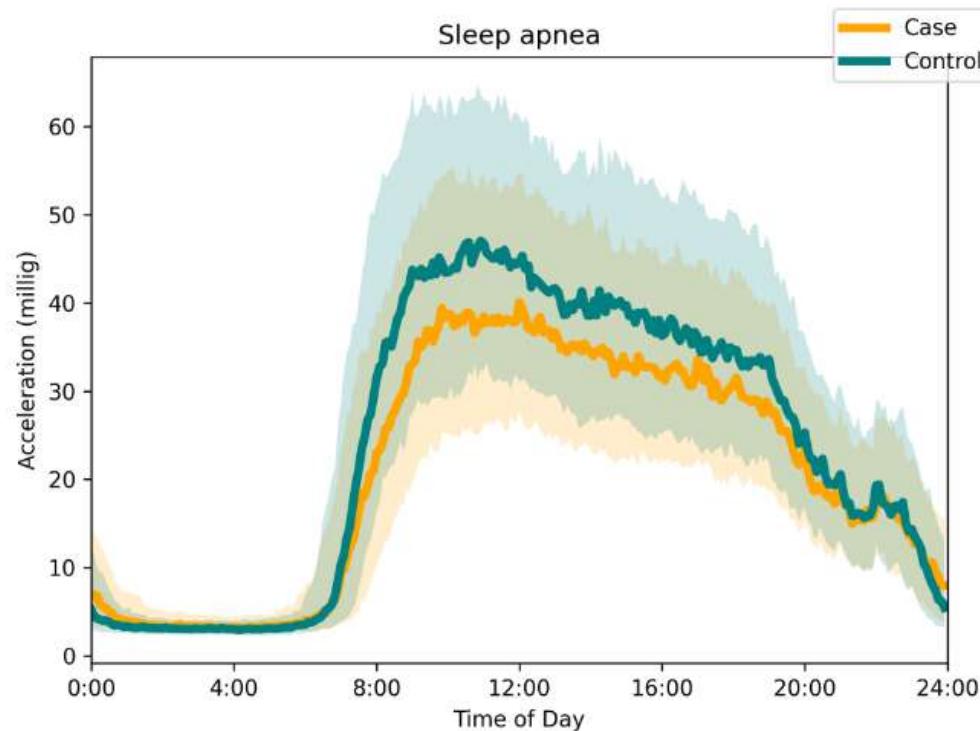
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Many chronic disease symptomatologies involve desynchronized sleep-wake cycles, indicative of disrupted biorhythms. This can be interrogated using body temperature rhythms, which have circadian as well as sleep-wake behavior/environmental evoked components. Here, we investigated the association of wrist temperature amplitudes with a future onset of disease in the UK Biobank one year after actigraphy. Among 425 disease conditions (range $n = 200\text{-}6728$) compared to controls (range $n = 62,107\text{-}91,134$), a total of 73 (17%) disease phenotypes were significantly associated with decreased amplitudes of wrist temperature (Benjamini-Hochberg FDR $q < 0.05$) and 26 (6.1%) PheCODEs passed a more stringent significance level (Bonferroni-correction $\alpha < 0.05$). A two-standard deviation (1.8° Celsius) lower wrist temperature amplitude corresponded to hazard ratios of 1.91 (1.58–2.31 95% CI) for NAFLD, 1.69 (1.53–1.88) for type 2 diabetes, 1.25 (1.14–1.37) for renal failure, 1.23 (1.17–1.3) for hypertension, and 1.22 (1.11–1.33) for pneumonia (phenome-wide atlas available at http://bioinf.itmat.upenn.edu/biorhythm_atlas/). This work suggests peripheral thermoregulation as a digital biomarker.



Acceleration and Temperature traces

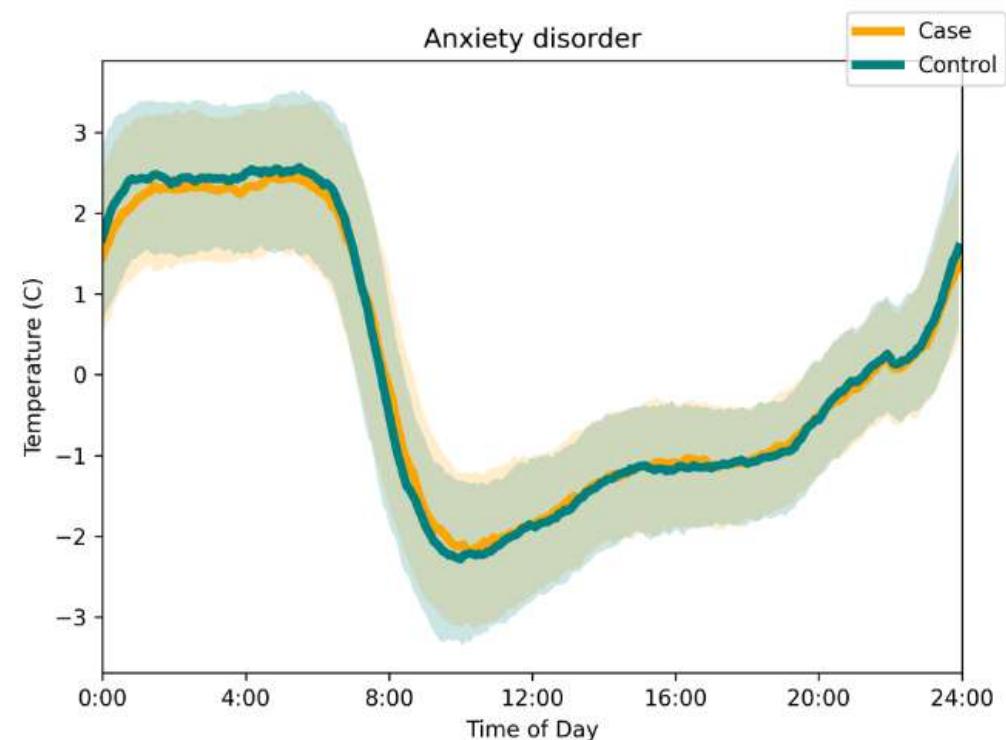
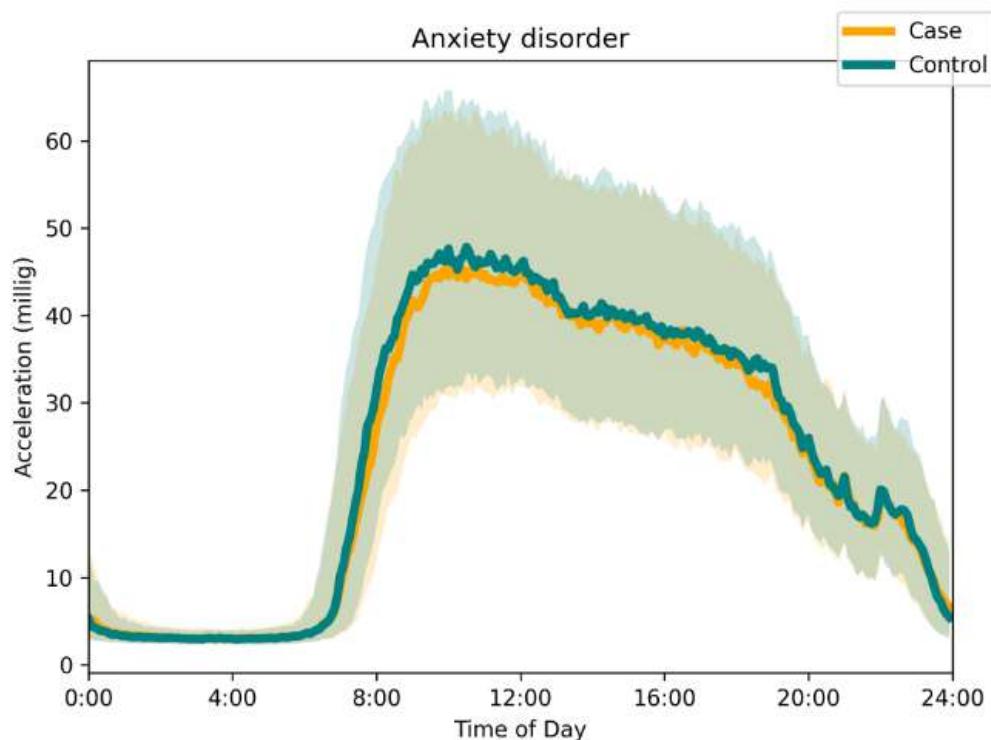
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Generated from 745 case-controls pairs, matched by age and sex. Temperature values are normalized to have median 0 in each individual. Solid curves give median value for the population at that time of day, and shaded regions indicate the middle 50% of the population.

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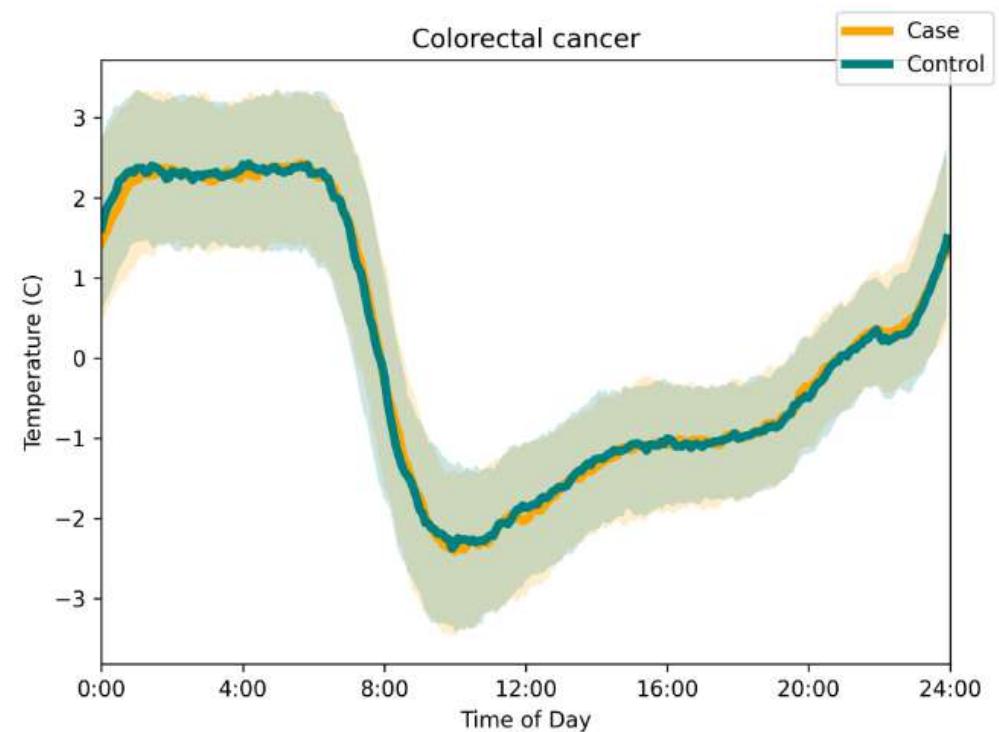
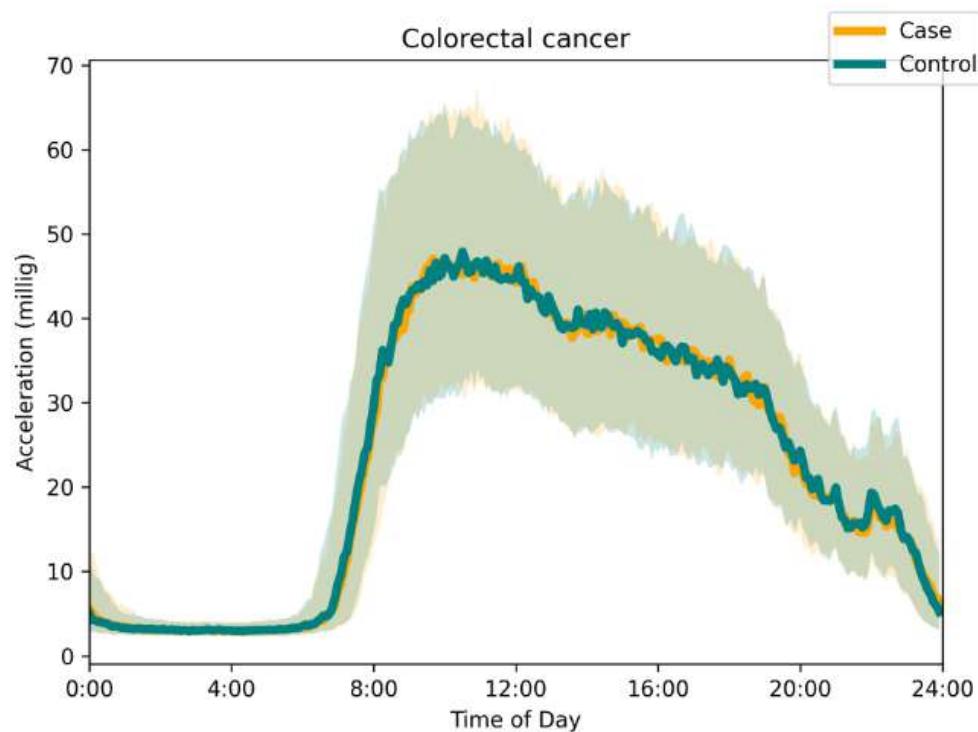
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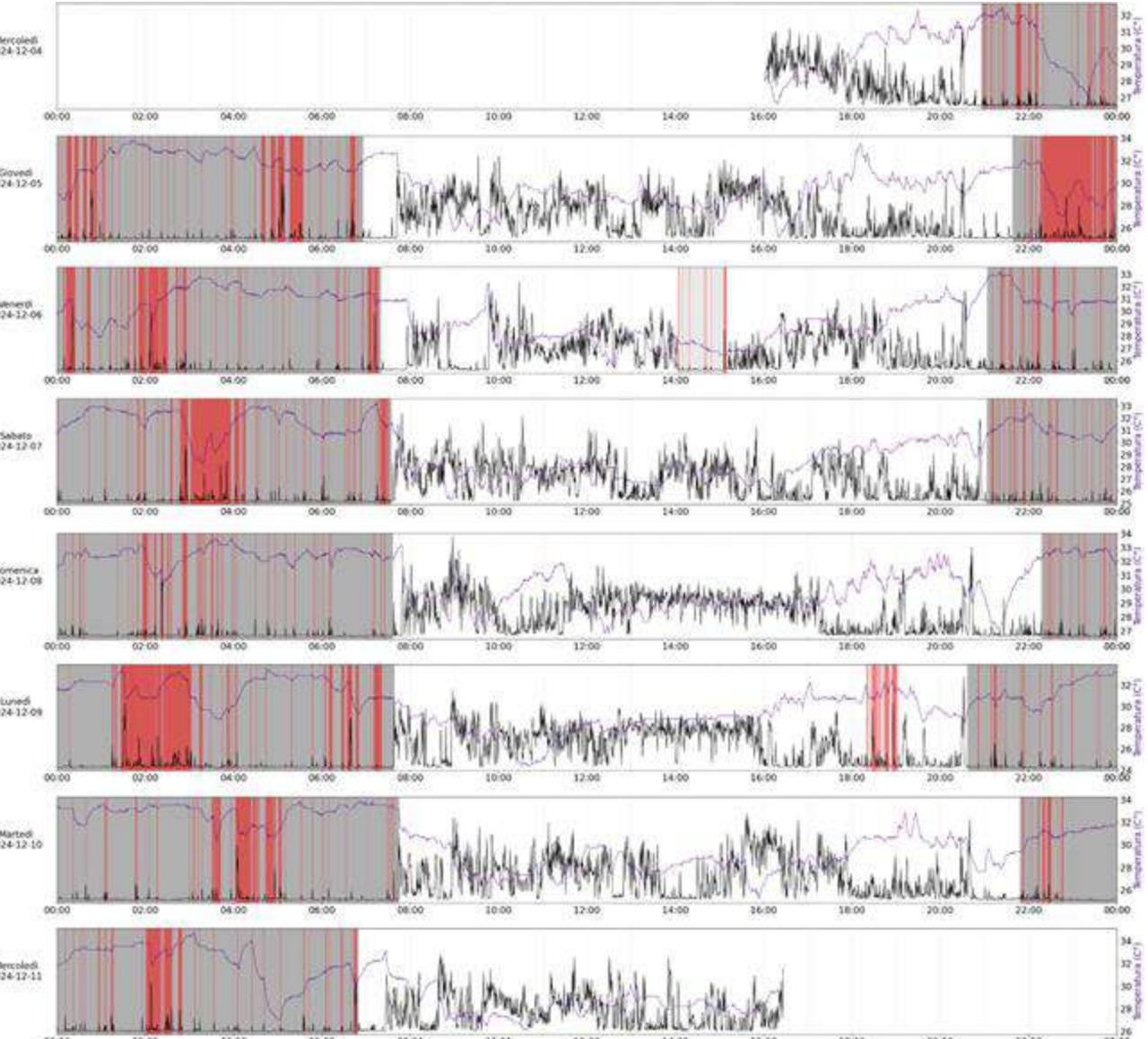
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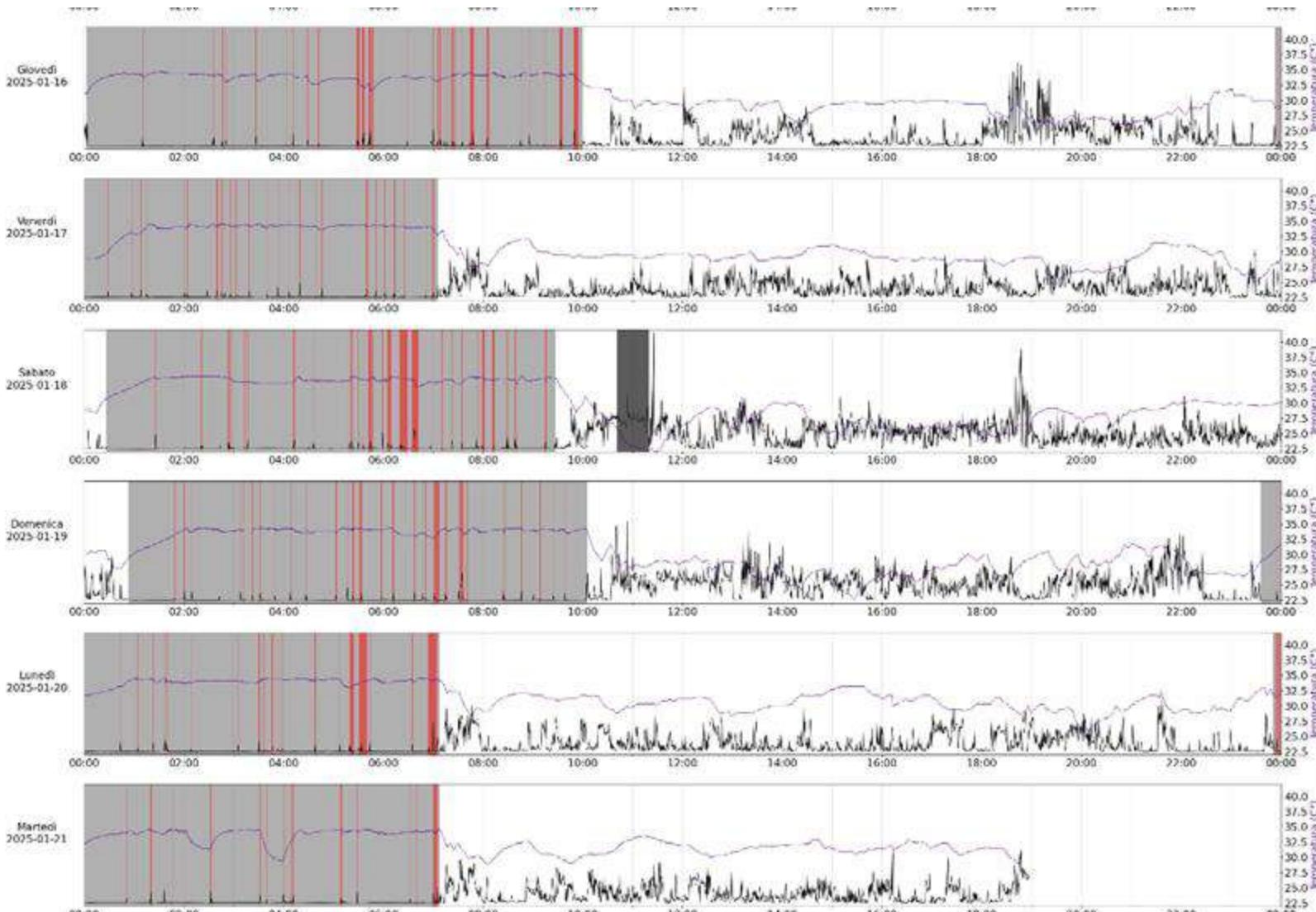
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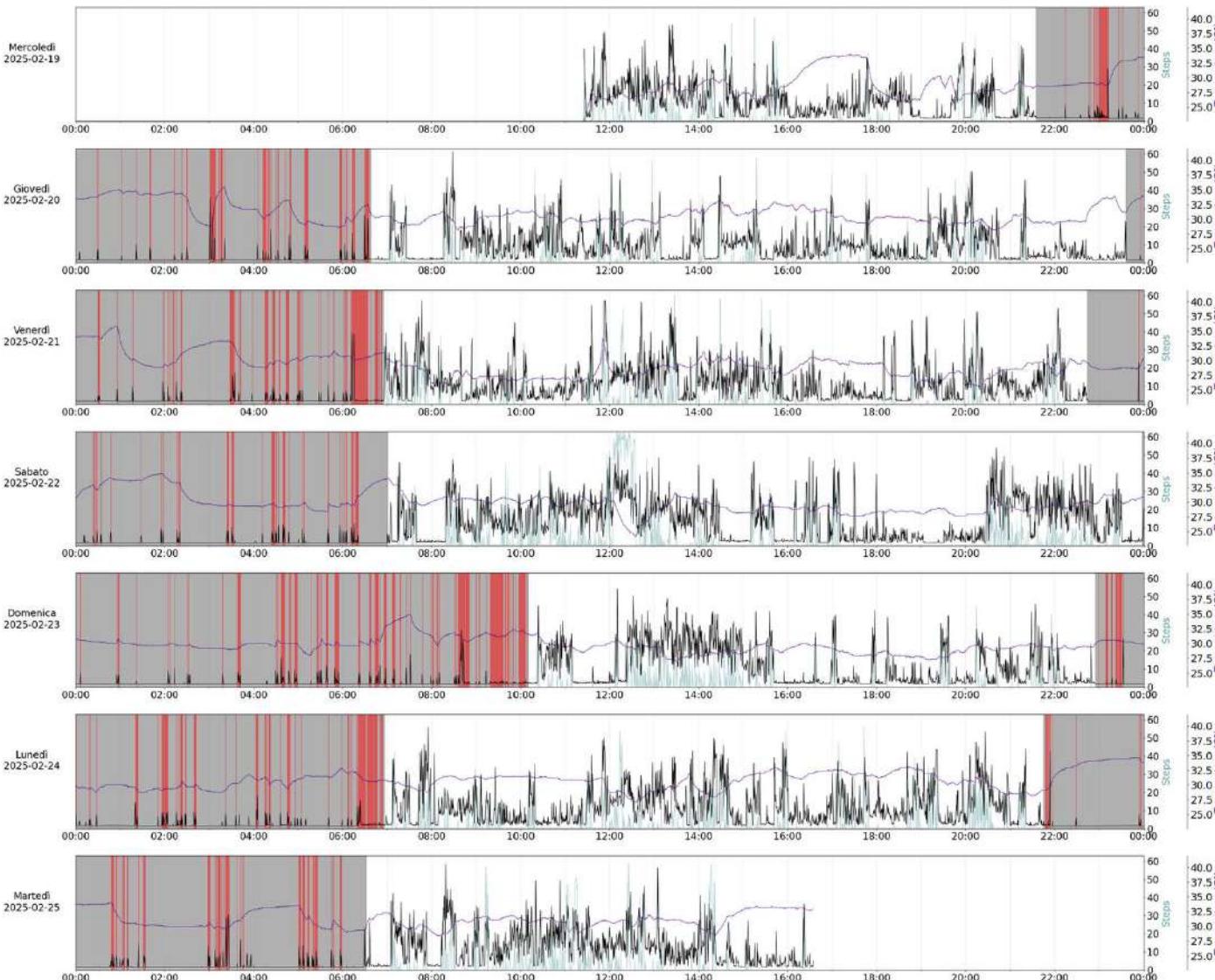
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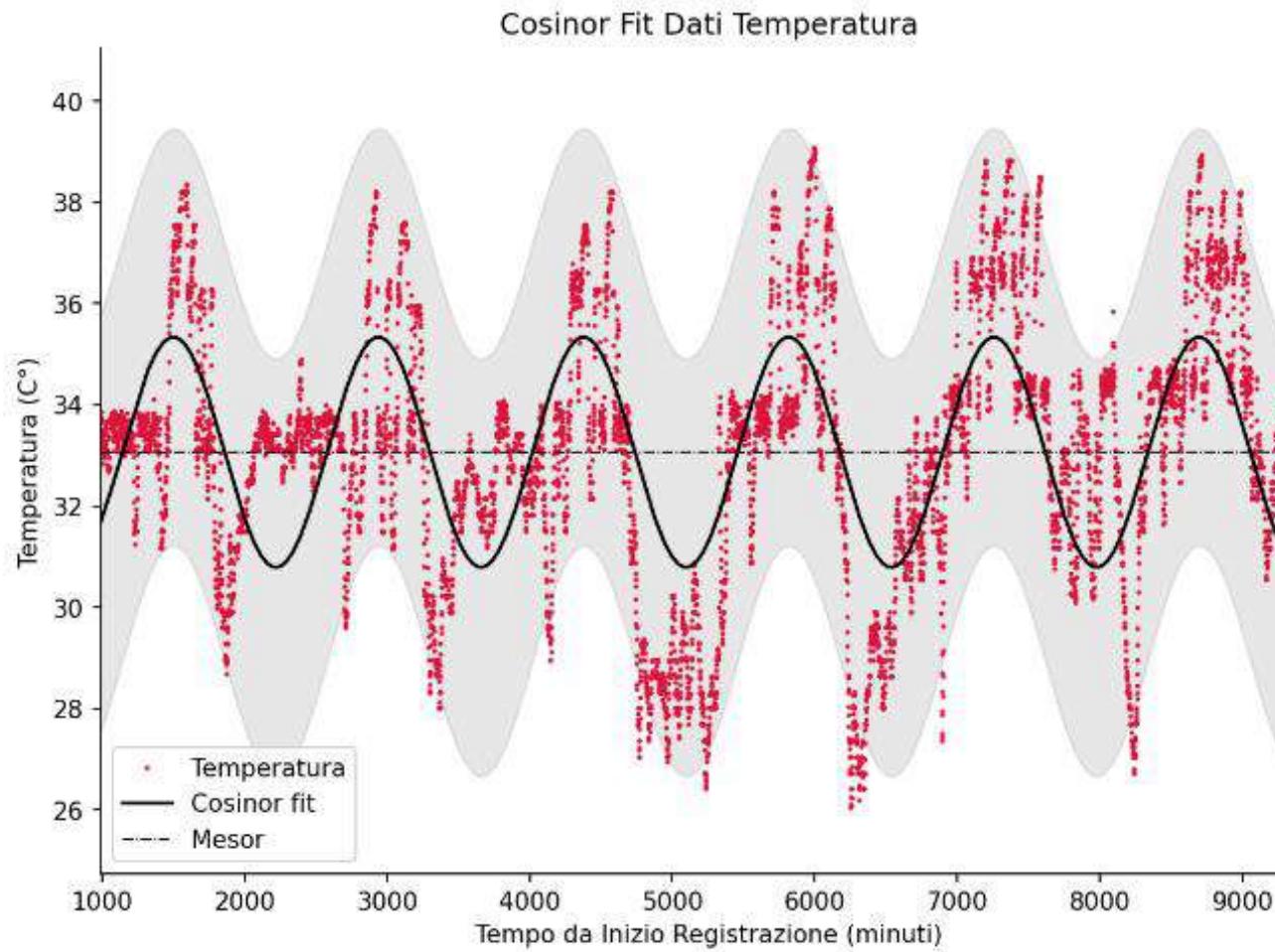
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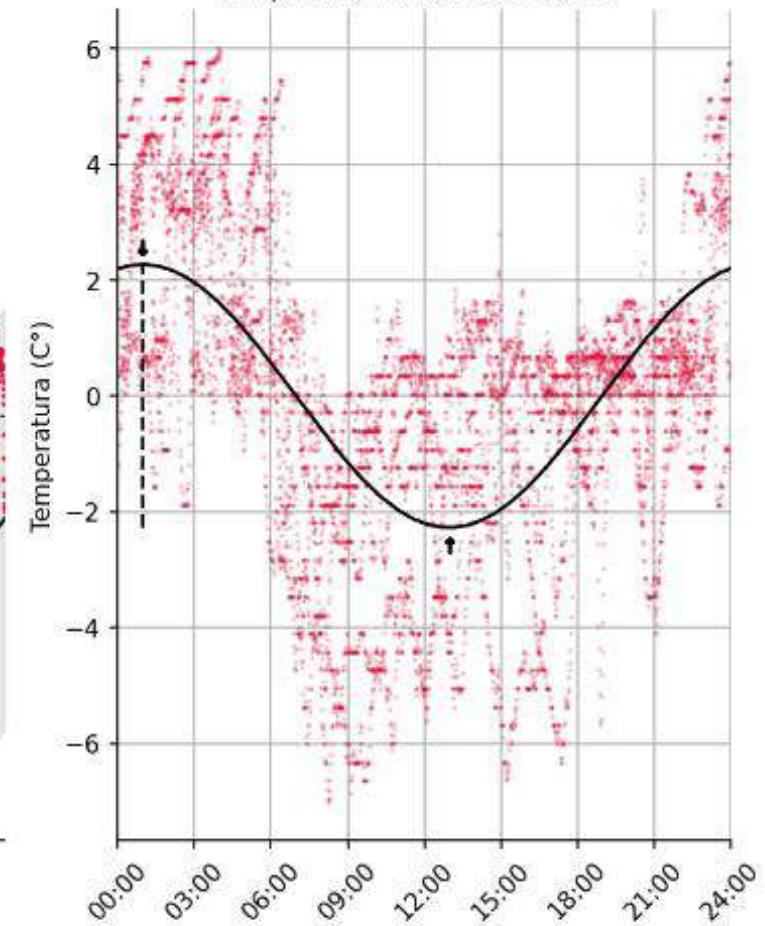




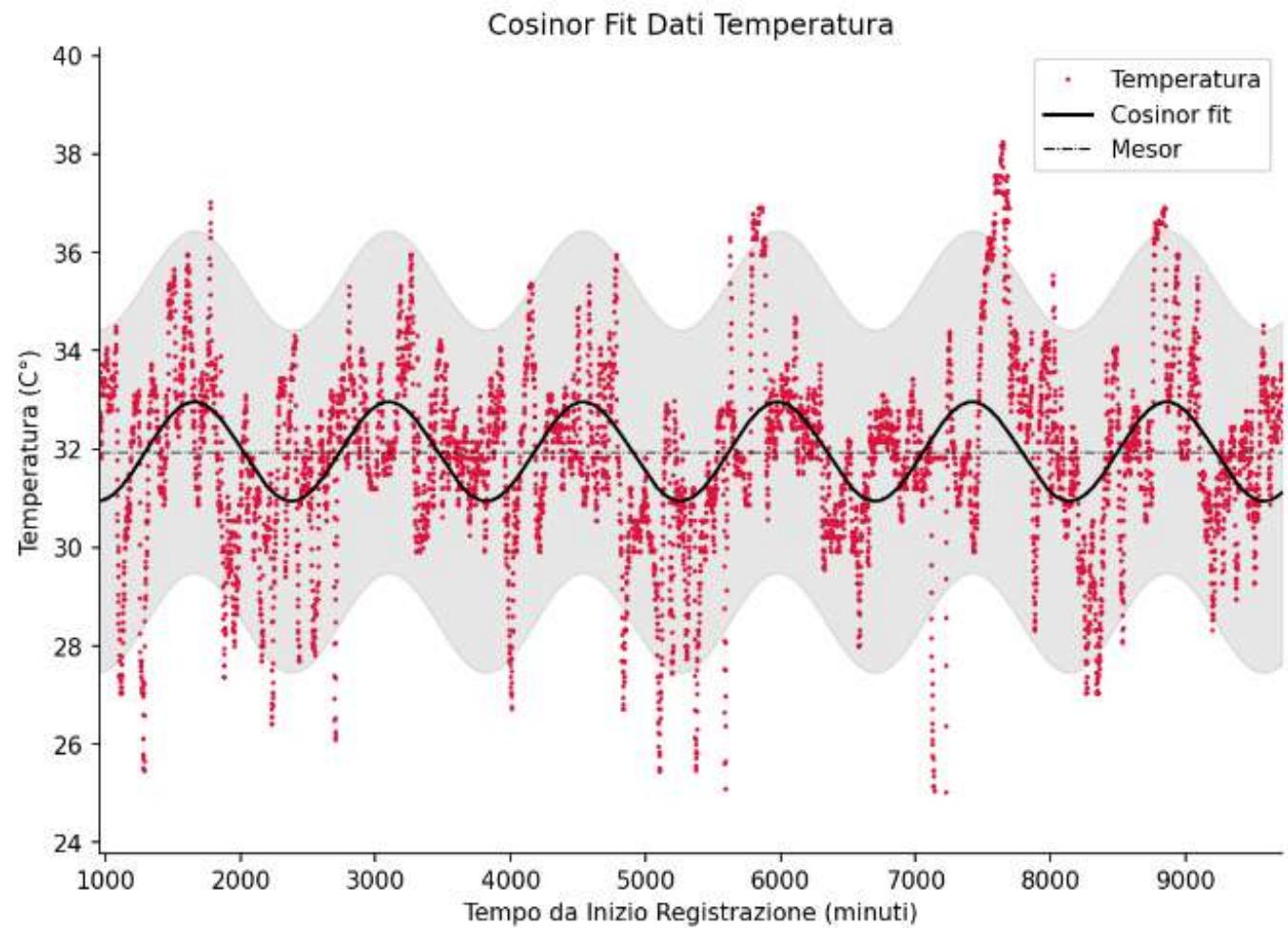
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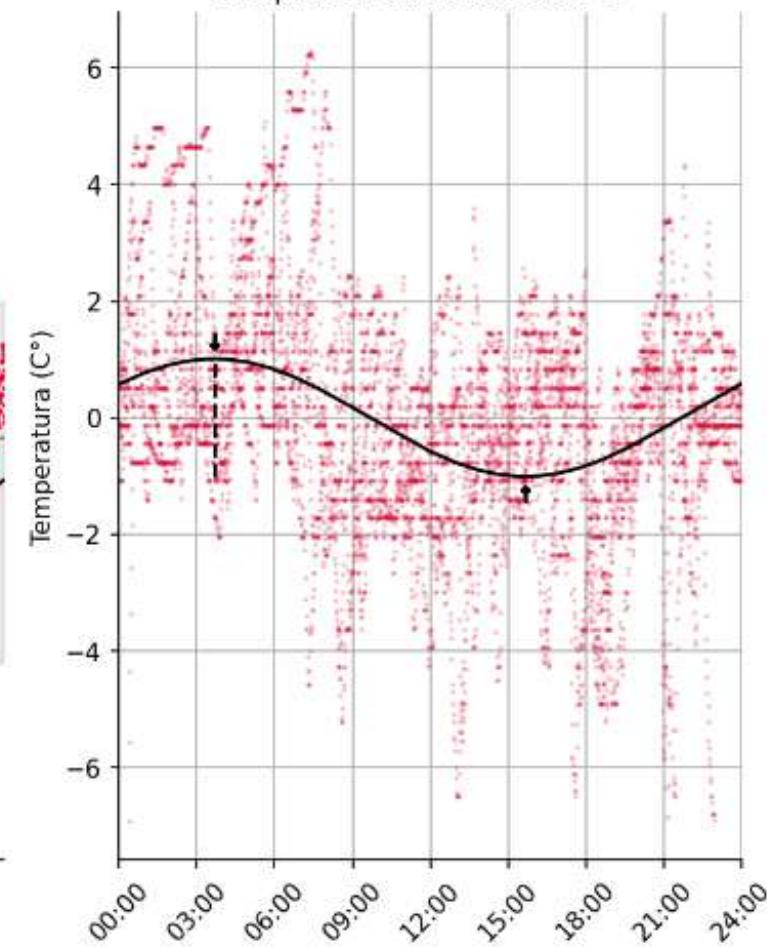
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REVIEW

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Insonnia, ecco quanta melatonina conviene assumere

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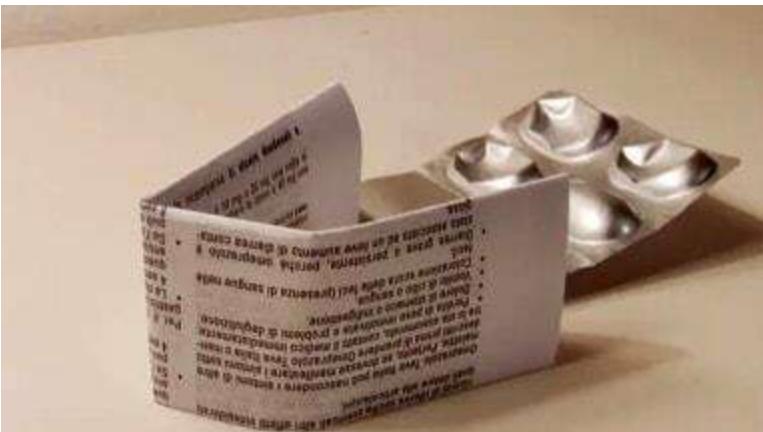
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TABLE 4 | Meta-regression model was estimated considering the standardized mean difference in sleep onset latency (melatonin—placebo) as the dependent variable and the time window between exo-MEL administration and the sleep episode as a predictor.

| | Estimate | Standard error | p value |
|-----------|----------|----------------|---------|
| Intercept | -0.24 | 0.12 | 0.04* |
| 0 | | | |
| 1 | -0.14 | 0.25 | 0.57 |
| 2 | -0.44 | 0.17 | 0.01* |
| 3 | -0.60 | 0.28 | 0.01* |

Note: Administration time was included in the model as a categorical variable expressing the number of hours at which exo-MEL was taken with respect to the sleep episode. For the categorization procedure, please refer to the Section 2. Bedtime (i.e., 0 h before the sleep episode) was considered as the reference for comparison and represented in the Table by a blank row. Administering exo-MEL 1 h before the sleep episode did not significantly improve its efficacy as compared to the administration right before the sleep episode, whereas both 2 and 3 h before the sleep episode were associated with a significant reduction in sleep onset latency. Of note, the effect size is higher for 3 h before the sleep episode as compared to 2 h ($\beta = -0.60$ vs. $\beta = -0.46$, respectively).

Significance code: * $p < 0.05$.



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CONCLUSIONI

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- La tecnologia indossabile sta colmando il divario tra il benessere e le applicazioni mediche, aprendo nuove possibilità per il monitoraggio e l'intervento sulla salute.
- Il mercato dei dispositivi indossabili ha registrato una crescita significativa, con centinaia di milioni di unità spedite in tutto il mondo ogni anno.
- Algoritmi avanzati, incluso il machine learning, stanno migliorando le capacità dei dispositivi indossabili per il rilevamento non invasivo della salute, come l'analisi del sonno.
- I dispositivi indossabili si stanno dimostrando preziosi per studi epidemiologici su larga scala, consentendo il monitoraggio a lungo termine di vari parametri di salute e la loro associazione con malattie croniche.
- Un orizzonte promettente è l'utilizzo dei wearable per lo screening precoce e continuo di diverse condizioni, facilitando interventi tempestivi.
- Le prospettive future includono una maggiore integrazione di questi dispositivi nella vita quotidiana per ottenere continue informazioni sulla salute e la diagnosi precoce di condizioni, portando potenzialmente a un approccio sanitario più personalizzato e preventivo.

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