

## Reflexive Thematic Analysis: Thematic Structure

(SUB)THEME	REPRESENTATIVE CODES
<b>T1. With motivation and interests come expectations.</b>	
T1.1 Relatedness as motivation: It is for and about me.	<p>"I delightfully joined the research also because I'm interested in not only in sports but women in sports." (D3)</p> <p>"It is very cool, most sports research is for men. But, with the menstrual cycle performance does change, so it is very interesting" (D18)</p> <p>"I have noticed changes on those days, exercise feels easier and I wonder" (D16)</p>
T1.2 Solidarity as motivation: I want to help others.	<p>"I feel motivated to help research and like other athletes and other women to deal with these topics." (D4)</p> <p>"In the first moment, I was just emphatic with someone who is trying to learn about sports" (D3)</p> <p>"I've seen around me the effects of maybe training so much that people lose their periods" (D12)</p>
T1.3 Familiarity as motivation: I'm part of it (already).	<p>"Well, it's also because, well, we just can see you now and know you are." (D17)</p> <p>"Well, a friend contacted me, we have done a few triathlons together, and I thought it was a cool project." (D9)</p> <p>"First, sports, second, woman, and third, a person that is close to me asked me, so why not help?" (D3)</p>
<b>T2. This is new and it feels different.</b>	
T2.1. It starts blindly.	<p>"I saw in the beginning like the folders it has so many things so many like in the zip. There are so many folders that I was like OK, this is too much to see." (D5)</p> <p>"No, [I did not open the file] because it was a really large file. There were so many MBs, I was scared" (D12)</p> <p>"No, [I did not open the file] because I saw a million folders and I was like, nope, no idea" (D9)</p>
T2.2. It is uncomfortable.	<p>"This is kind of different I have donated or given my personal data, my address, my credit card, like so many things that I don't have anymore the total track. But it is the first time that somebody asked about my cycles" (D3)</p> <p>"I think one might have some fear that the data collected about me will be misused." (D20)</p> <p>"Sure, doubt, uncertainty, fear, are there. Especially nowadays." (D16)</p>
T2.3. The more the better	"I think the best, like more time it's better for you to make better

<p>(for you!).</p>	<p>choices and have more insights. So that's why I just choose like six months and like everything like that." (D2)</p> <p>"Well, because I think that the longer there is data, the more trends and patterns you will be able to find." (D9)</p> <p>"Well, because I believe the more tools you have for the research the better. Besides, not including more data does not affect me." (D14)</p>
<p><b>T3. My menstruating and athletic self.</b></p>	
<p>T3.1 The role of data.</p>	<p>"I'll just take a look. I'm not focused on that [the data], but I think it really helps like to understand what is happening with your body" (D2)</p> <p>"Not really [I don't look back at the data], I just look for PRs." (D3)</p> <p>"My coach is the one who accesses my data." (D7)</p>
<p>T3.2 The physical factors.</p>	<p>"Rest is different, I feel my sleep is heavier." (D2)</p> <p>"My period was back six months ago." (D4)</p> <p>"It's so unfair like I could run faster, or I could do better if it wasn't because of this [menstruation]." (D5)</p>
<p>T3.3. The mental factors.</p>	<p>"My confidence is more related, for example, to my appearance, like I know my face is looking a bit messy and I know I'm bloated." (D8)</p> <p>"Mentally, it's just frustrating and nothing really works." (D17)</p> <p>"Running up to the period I always have more psychological symptoms, I think before rather than during" (D12)</p>
<p>T3.4 The other factors.</p>	<p>"For me, it is also difficult, it is not that easy to swim with the period, compared with when I do not have my period." (D3)</p> <p>"I don't know, but I think most women, we don't want to go outside like that." (D2)</p> <p>"It is a bit uncomfortable, more because of clothes, you are always self-conscious, and you don't want any leaking." (D14)</p>