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HIGHLIGHTS:

- The whole- and local-body thermal sensations demonstrated significant correlations overall.
- Sensations at the arm and forehead revealed the most significant correlation with the overall thermal sensation (OS).
- Males' local sensations demonstrated a stronger correlation with OS than Females' did.
- The higher BMI group's correlation with OS was more significant than that of the lower BMI.
- A combination of gender, BMI, forehead, arm, and back achieved 82.5% accuracy in estimating the OS.

ABSTRACT

This study investigated the relationship of thermal sensations of local body segments and the whole body for a better understanding of how to estimate the overall thermal perception, as a

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