

AAPA 2024 Adult Hospital Medicine Bootcamp

CriticalCare-Aoke: Procedural Hits to Sing-a-Line To
Respiratory Section

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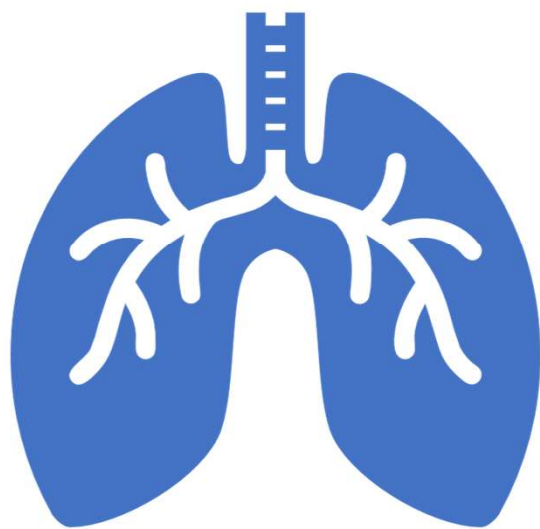
Objectives



Understand and choose the appropriate intervention for respiratory failure



Review basics of mechanical ventilator management



- Oxygen Delivery Devices
- Minute Ventilation (VE) = Tidal Volume (Vt) x Respiratory Rate
- Normal VE = 5-8 L/M
- Normal Respiratory Rate = 12-20
- Normal Tidal Volume = 5 ml/Kg IBW

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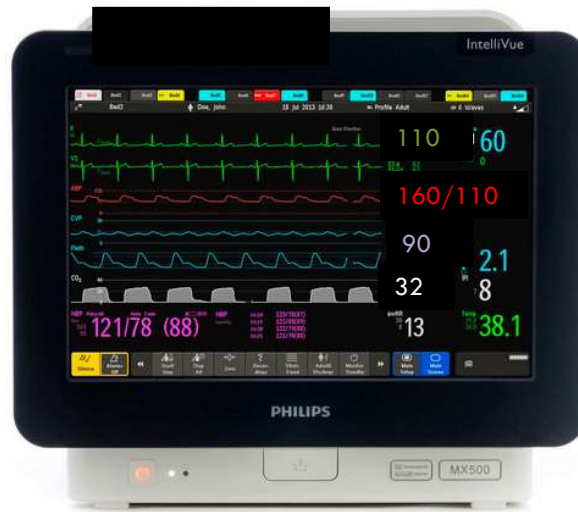
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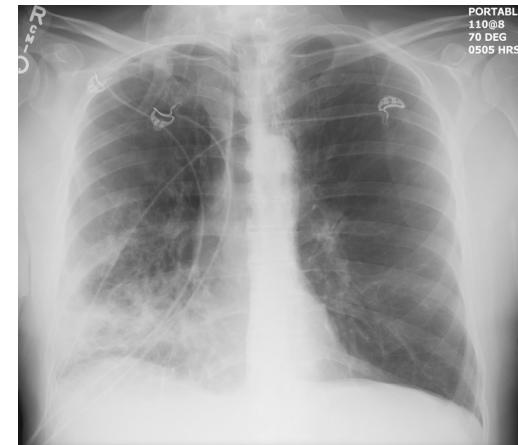
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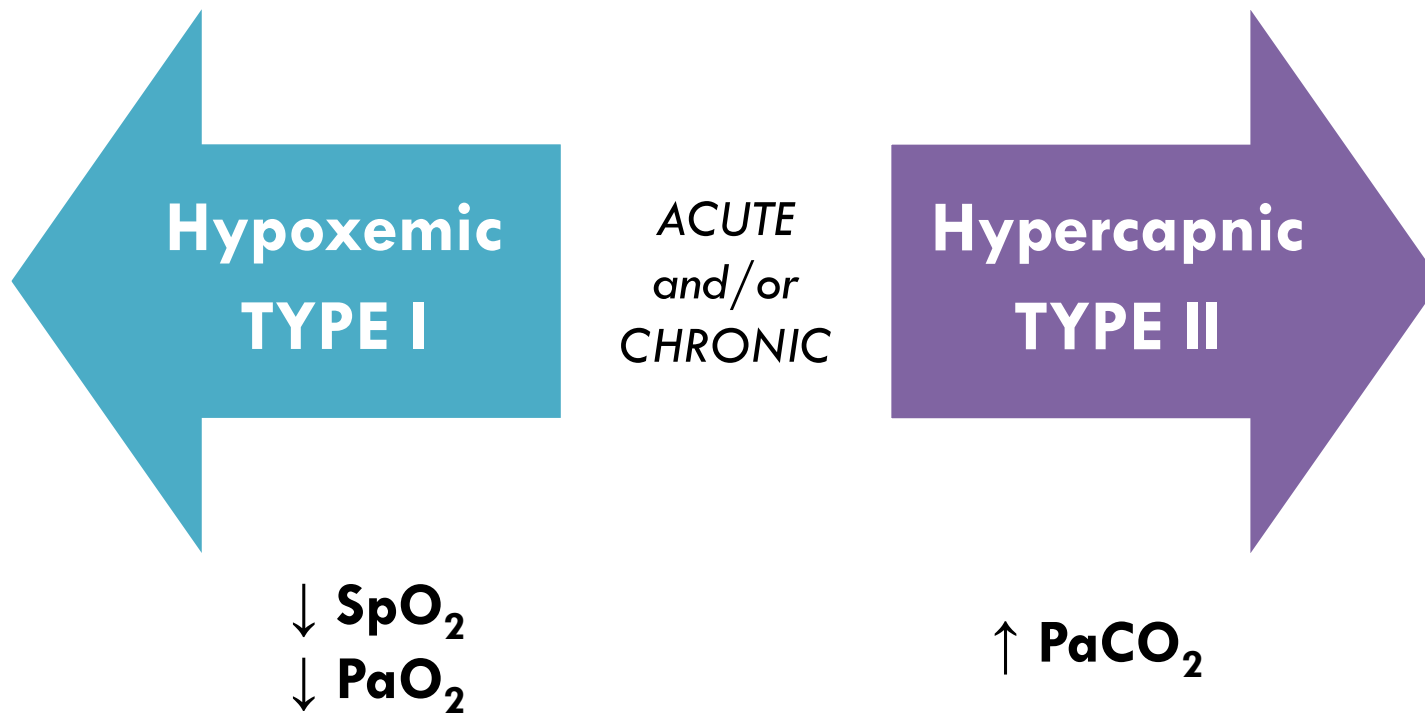
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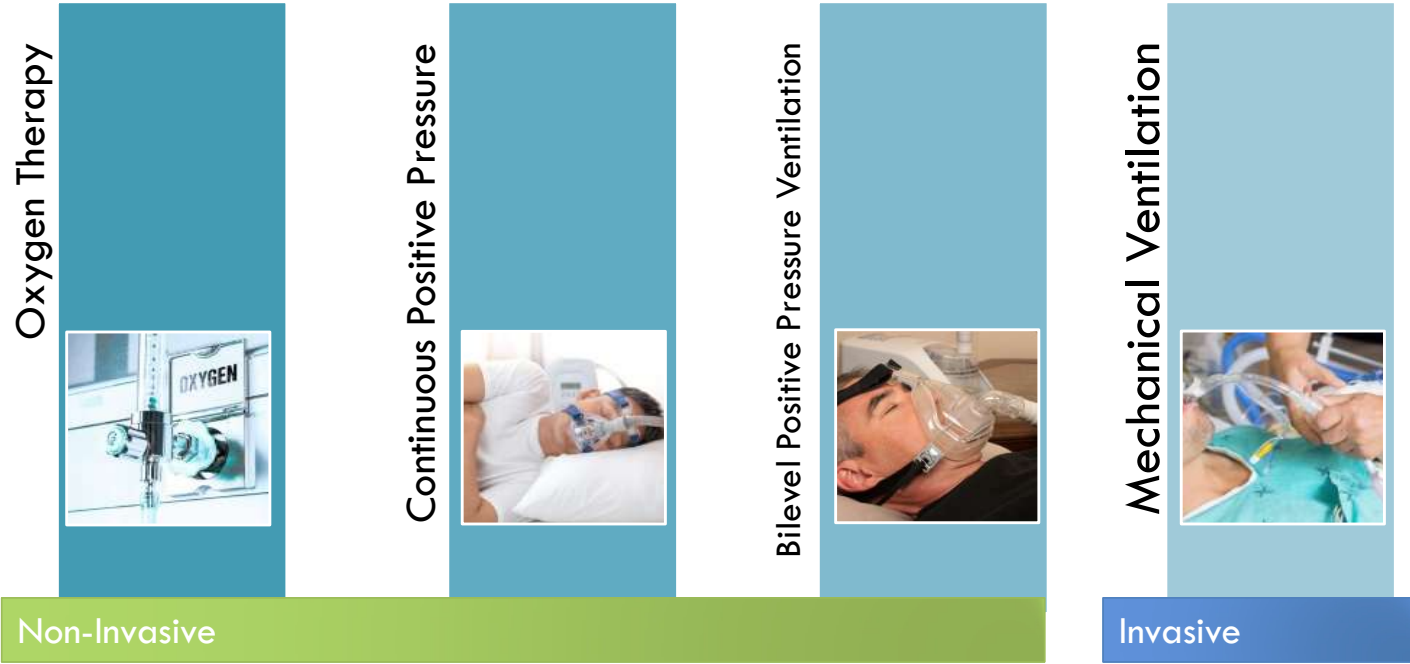
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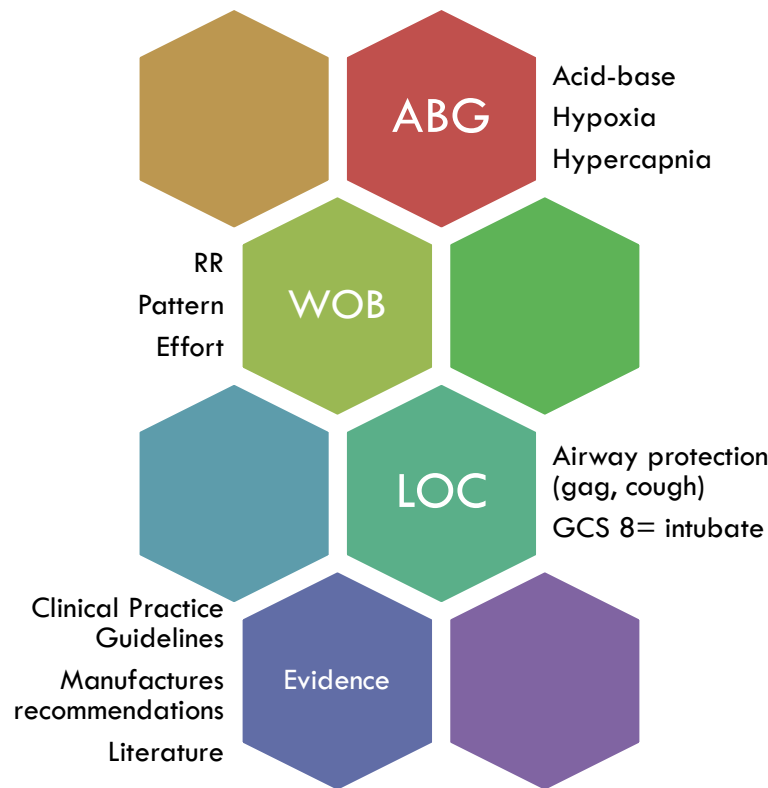


INTERVENTIONS





HOW TO CHOOSE THE INTERVENTION



Hypoxia

- Oxygen Therapy
- CPAP

Hypercapnia

- Bilevel NIV
- Mechanical ventilation

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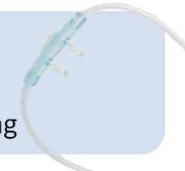
- High Flow O₂
- Bilevel NIV
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Airway Protection

- Mechanical Ventilation

NASAL CANNULA

- **1-6 LPM**
- FiO₂ variable
- Not appropriate for patient with high work of breathing



SIMPLE MASK

- **7-12 LPM**
- FiO₂ variable
- Cannot be humidified
- Not a great choice for patients with high work of breathing



NRB

- **10-15 LPM**
- FiO₂ variable
- Cannot be humidified



SALTER

- **6-15 L Flow**
- Fill with sterile water
- Low humidity, can be drying to mucosa



OXYMASK

- **1-15 LPM**
- "Open mask". No rebreathing CO₂
- .24-.90 FiO₂
- Cannot be humidified



Heated High Flow Nasal Cannula

- **0.21-1.0 FiO₂/ 20-70 LPM Flow**
- Optimum humidity, gas heated to 37 C 100% relative humidity
- Meets and/or exceeds patient inspiratory demand



High Flow Nasal Cannula (HFNC)

- Treats both Type 1 (hypoxemic) and Type 2 (hypoxemic / hypercapnic) ARF
- HFNC significantly reduced intubation in patients with a PaO₂/FiO₂ ratio \leq 200
- Variable flow rates (30-70 lpm) exceed minute ventilation (VE).
- Variable FiO₂s .21 -1.0
- High flow may generate positive end expiratory pressure (PEEP)*
- High flow flushes CO₂ from the anatomical dead space.



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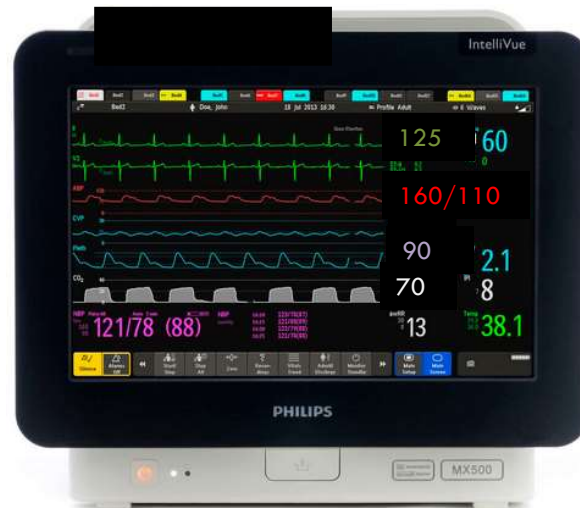
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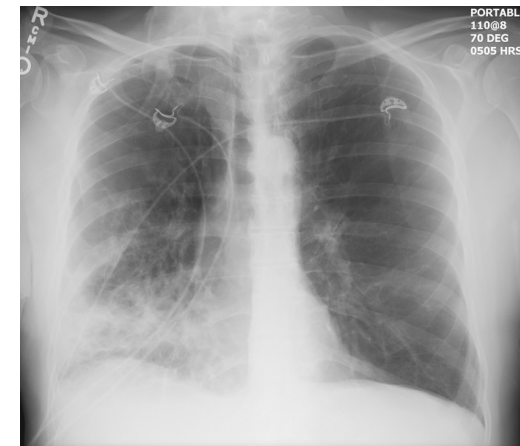
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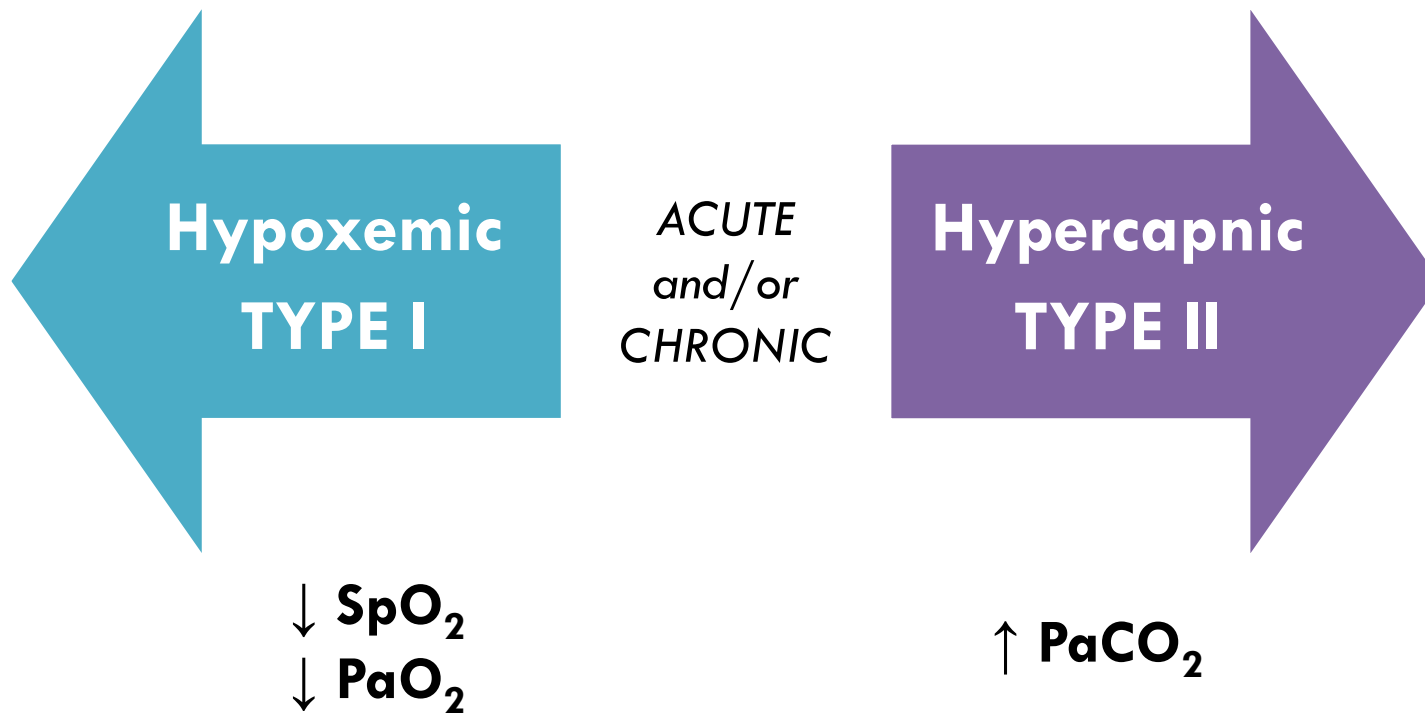
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NON-INVASIVE POSITIVE PRESSURE VENTILATION

RESPIRATORY FAILURE



Non- Invasive Ventilation (NIV)

NIV is utilized to treat both type 1 (hypoxemic) and type 2 (hypoxemic / hypercapnic) Acute Respiratory Failure (ARF)

NIV utilizes an expiratory pressure (EPAP) and an inspiratory pressure (IPAP)

NIV delivers pressure support (PS) to the patient

- *IPAP should always be set at least 4 cmH₂O above EPAP to achieve meaningful PS

NIV Evidence Based Practice

Acute Care

- ❖ Improve gas exchange
- ❖ Avoid Intubation
 - ❖ Decrease mortality
 - ❖ Decrease ventilator length of stay
 - ❖ Decrease length of hospitalization
 - ❖ Decrease incidence of ventilator associated pneumonia
- ❖ Relieve symptoms of respiratory distress
- ❖ Improve patient-ventilator synchrony
- ❖ Maximize patient comfort

Long-Term Care

- ❖ Relieve or improve symptoms
- ❖ Enhance quality of life
- ❖ Avoid hospitalization
- ❖ Increase survival
- ❖ Improve mobility

INITIATION



- ❖ **Determine mask/interface**
- ❖ **Determine MODE**
- ❖ **Choose INITIAL SETTINGS based on GOALS**
- ❖ **Apply Necessary Monitoring**
- ❖ **Adjust Settings as needed**

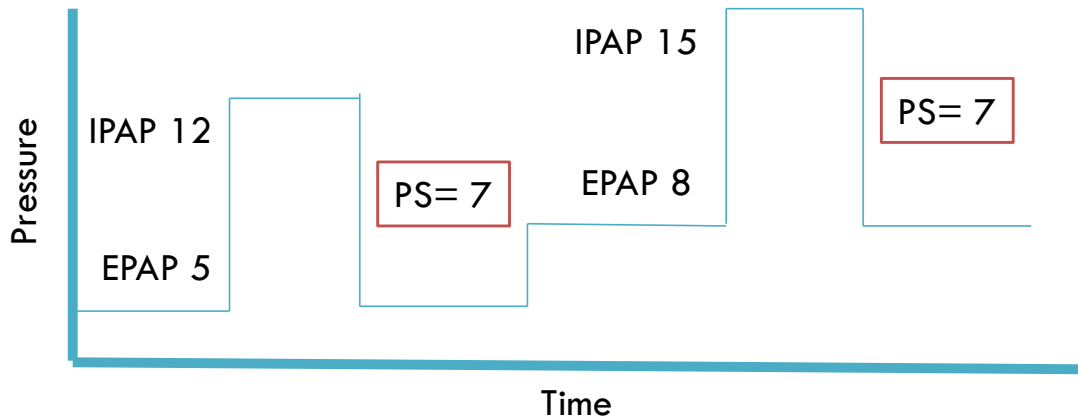
INITIAL SETTINGS

Ventilation	Oxygenation
IPAP (tidal volume)	EPAP
Minute Ventilation (spontaneous RR x Vt)	FIO₂



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ADJUSTMENTS



Ventilation (CO_2)

Driving pressure to deliver gas (creates the artificial pressure gradient)

Increase V_t /alveolar ventilation

Reduce PaCO_2

Oxygenation (O_2)

Increased resistance to exhalation

Increased alveolar surface area

Reduce opening and closing of alveoli each breath

Mimic physiologic end-expiratory pressure

Who should **NOT** go on NIV?

Cardiac arrest/respiratory arrest

Untreated pneumothorax

Non-respiratory organ failure

Facial surgery or trauma

Upper airway obstruction

Inability to protect the airway

High risk for aspiration



Mechanical Ventilation: Trends in adult and pediatric practice. (2009).

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IS IT WORKING?



Consider:

- CXR improvement/worsening
- Hemodynamic improvement/worsening
- Level of consciousness

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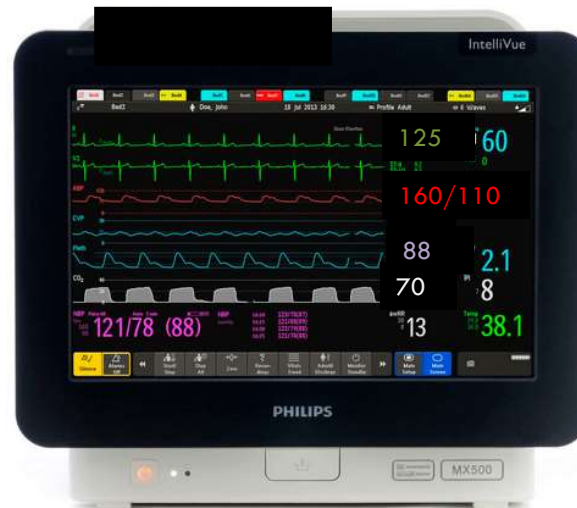
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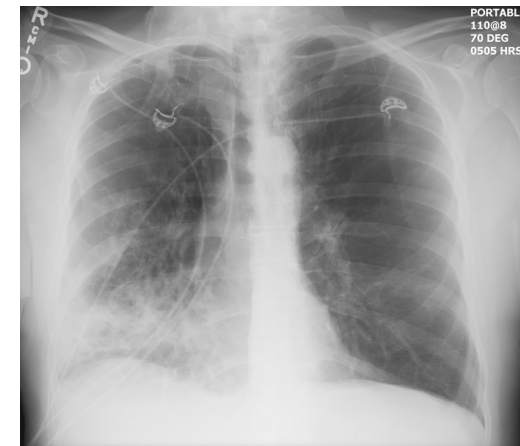
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MECHANICAL VENTILATION

Basic Overview

INDICATIONS FOR MECHANICAL VENTILATION

Hypoxic respiratory failure

- Reduce shunt by opening collapsed alveoli
- Delivery high FIO_2

Hypercapnic respiratory failure

- Reduced work of breathing preventing fatigue
- Maintain alveolar ventilation to prevent respiratory acidosis

Excessive Work of Breathing

- Metabolic Acidosis
- Sepsis
- Respiratory failure

Unprotected or Unstable Airway

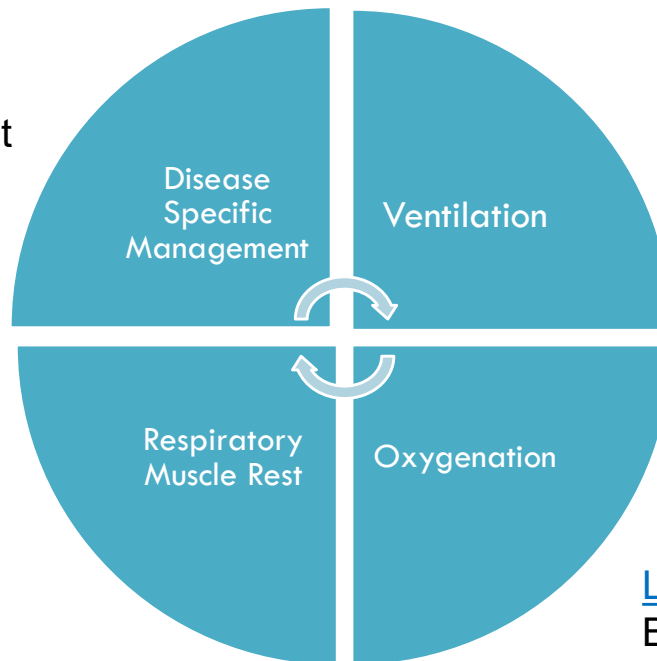
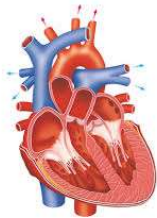
- Altered level of consciousness
- Surgery

MECHANICAL VENTILATION: GOALS

Do NO HARM

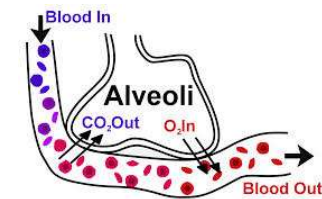
CARDIAC risk

Reduced cardiac output
Impaired venous return
Hypotension



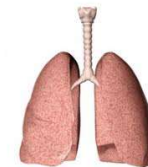
GAS EXCHANGE risk

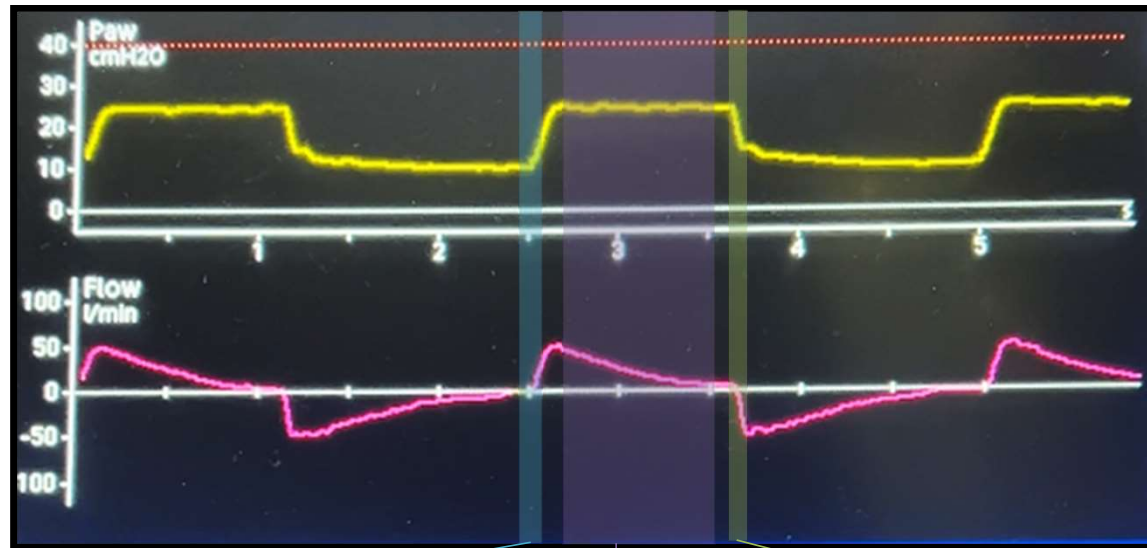
Worsen shunt with
unilateral lung disease
Increased dead space



LUNG risk

Barotrauma
Vent induced lung injury
Air trapping





Trigger: Start of inhalation

Target: tidal volume delivery

Cycle: start of exhalation

VENTILATOR MODE IS DEFINED BY WHAT HAPPENS IN THE 3 PHASES OF THE BREATH

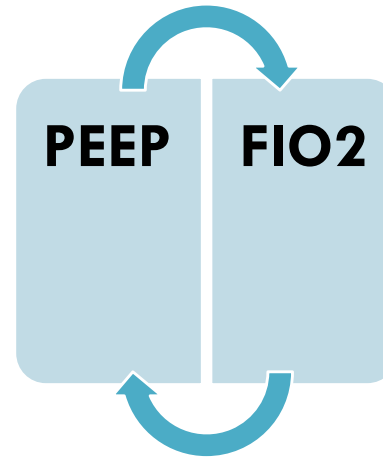
CONTROLLED MODES AND BREATH TYPES

Volume FIXED FLOW	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trigger: machine (set RR) or patient effort• Target: set flow/V_t• Cycle: set flow/V_t achieved
Pressure VARIABLE FLOW	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trigger: machine (set RR) or patient effort• Target: set pressure achieved• Cycle: set inspiratory time
Dual Pressure regulated; volume targeted VARIABLE FLOW	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trigger: machine (set RR) or patient effort• Target: set pressure w/ target V_t achieved• Cycle: set inspiratory time

PaO₂

OXYGENATION SETTINGS

- Select lowest FIO₂ to achieve target SpO₂/PaO₂
- Therapeutic PEEP can be used to increase functional reserve capacity (FRC), increase surface area for gas exchange, reduce atelectrauma
- PEEP minimum should be 5 cmH₂O, and titrated up to effect

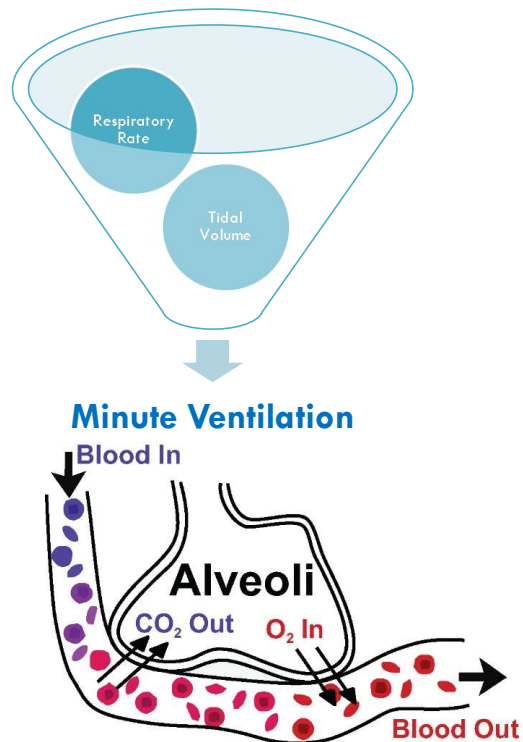


Setting	Range	Considerations
PEEP	Min 5cmH ₂ O- Max (patient dependent)	SpO ₂ target Effect on Blood Pressure
FIO₂	Min .21- Max 1.0	SpO ₂ target PaO ₂ target Oxygen Toxicity Reabsorption atelectasis @ 1.0 FIO ₂

PaCO_2

VENTILATION SETTINGS

Respiratory Rate x Tidal Volume = Minute Ventilation



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Initial Settings

Determine appropriate tidal volume

- 6-8 ml/kg ideal body weight

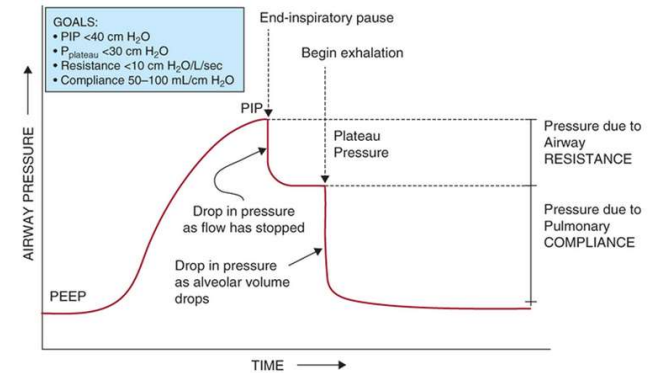
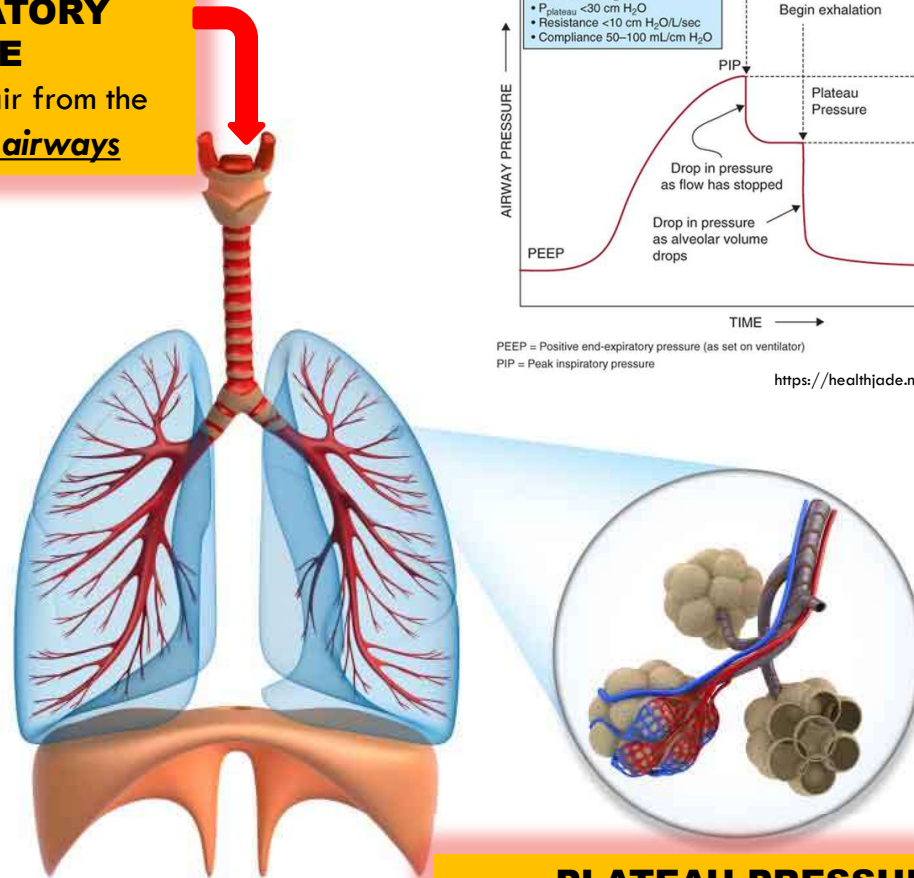
Set respiratory rate to achieve > 5-7 lpm

Adjust for optimal ventilation (PaCO_2)

LUNG PRESSURE MONITORING

PEAK INSPIRATORY PRESSURE

Pressure it takes to get air from the machine through the big airways



PEEP = Positive end-expiratory pressure (as set on ventilator)
PIP = Peak inspiratory pressure

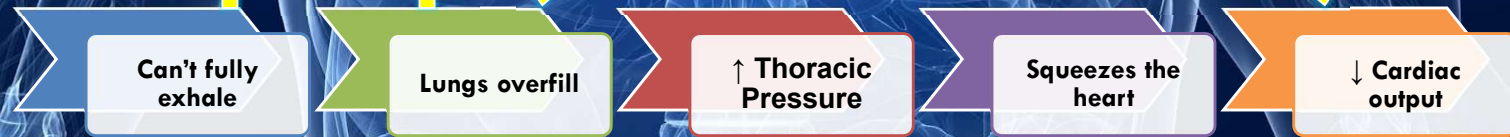
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PLATEAU PRESSURE

Pressure it takes to hold the alveoli open

CARDIAC EFFECTS OF LUNG PRESSURE

Autopeep (Intrinsic PEEP)



CONCLUSIONS



Early recognition and accurate identification of the type of respiratory failure is key to treatment



The type of failure, the patient's symptoms and incorporating evidence-based practices will help determine the appropriate intervention



Settings selection and adjustments should be targeted to improve ventilation, oxygenation, patient comfort and balanced with hemodynamic considerations

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