

## Noninvasive Ventilation

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## Learning Objectives

- Explain the rationale for noninvasive ventilation
- Describe the effects, indications, advantages, disadvantages, & complications associated with negative pressure ventilation
- Describe the operation of specific negative pressure ventilators
- Describe the modes, effects, complications, indications, & contraindications associated with noninvasive positive-pressure ventilation (NPPV)
- Describe the evidence basis for NPPV for selected conditions
- Compare the interfaces used in NPPV with respect to their indications, advantages, & limitations
- Describe the issues pertaining to types of NPPV circuits & humidification systems

## Learning Objectives

- Compare the ventilator types and modes applied to NPPV with respect to their advantages and disadvantages.
- Describe techniques for ventilator control adjustments for NPPV.
- Discuss clinical issues pertaining to NPPV, including aerosol delivery, heliox, clinical sites, and end-of-life care.

## Negative Pressure Ventilation

## Definitions

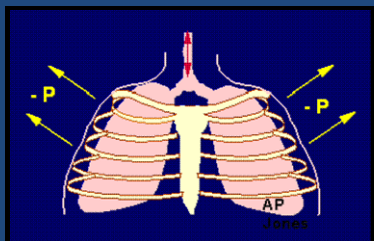
- Noninvasive ventilation: mechanical ventilation without tracheal tube
- Noninvasive positive pressure ventilation (NPPV): ventilation without tracheal tube & with positive airway pressure
- Negative pressure ventilation: ventilation with negative pressure applied to thorax

## Rationale for NIV

- Ventilate patients, while avoiding the complications associated with tracheal tubes
  - ❖ Ventilator associated pneumonia
  - ❖ Airway trauma
  - ❖ Psychological trauma, due to aphonia, restraint

## NPV Physiologic Effects

- Subambient pressure surrounds thorax to inflate lungs



## Physiologic Effects

- Decreased work of breathing (WOB)
- Increased distribution of ventilation
- Subambient pressure inflates lungs
  - ❖ Intermittent, with passive deflation
  - ❖ Continuous negative expiratory pressure (CNEP) - maintain FRC
- Increased pulmonary blood flow
- Increased ventricular filling - increased cardiac output (cuirass)

## Indications

- Unable to fit or tolerate mask for NPPV
- Neuromuscular disease
- Neurological trauma
- Intolerance of increased mean airway pressure, e.g. PEEP
- COPD - chronic state & acute exacerbations

## Indications

- Post congenital heart surgery
  - ❖ Tetralogy of Fallot correction
  - ❖ Tricuspid atresia correction (Fontan)
  - ❖ Phrenic nerve injury
- Neonatal respiratory distress
- Bronchopulmonary dysplasia

FYI see links below for article on negative pressure ventilation and acute respiratory failure (interesting)

## Indications

- Post emphysematous lung resection
- During microlaryngeal surgery
- Cystic fibrosis
- Weaning from PPV
- Flail chest (CNEP)
- Meconium aspiration?
- Bronchopleural fistula?

## Benefits

- Avoidance of tracheal tube complications
- Avoidance of facial trauma from mask
- Reduced sedation requirements
- No ventilator-induced lung injury

## Benefits

- Patient can talk
- Patient can cough
- Improved enteral nutrition - patient may be able to eat

## Disadvantages

- Lack of airway protection
- Large, non-portable equipment (tanks)
- Decreased patient access (tanks)
- Cumbersome to apply to some patients (tanks, wraps)

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- Cumbersome to apply to some patients (tanks, wraps)
- Difficult to maintain seal
- Difficult to monitor volumes
- Patient intolerance (varies with type)

## Complications

- Peripheral venous pooling (tank shock)
- Gastrointestinal bleeding
- Dynamic upper airway collapse
- Irritation at neck seal (tanks)
- Back pain

## Contraindications

- Obstructive sleep apnea
- Morbid obesity
- Severe kyphoscoliosis
- Recent abdominal surgery

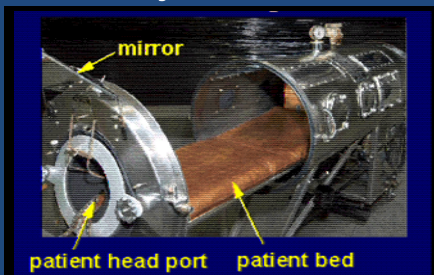
## Negative Pressure Ventilators

- Drinker-Shaw iron lung
- Emerson iron lung
- Porta-Lung™ (tank only)
- Coppa iron lung & cuirass
  - ❖ Microprocessor-based
  - ❖ Not available in the US

See links below to view Emerson Iron Lung & Porta-Lung™

## Negative Pressure Ventilators

> Drinker-Shaw iron lung



## Negative Pressure Ventilators

> Ventilators

- ❖ Emerson U-Cyclit™ (not available)
- ❖ LifeCare NEV 100™ (not available)
- ❖ Pegaso V™
- ❖ Hayek RTX™
- ❖ Hayek MRTX™ - portable
- ❖ Hayek MRITX™ - MRI compatible

See links below for information on the Pegaso V™ ventilator & to view infant negative pressure ventilator

## Negative Pressure Ventilators

> Body wraps

- ❖ Nu-Mo suit™
- ❖ Pulmo Wrap™
- ❖ Poncho Wrap™

See links below to view Pulmo Wrap™ & a vintage cuirass

## Negative Pressure Ventilators

> Hayek RTX™ cuirass ventilator

- ❖ Biphasic cuirass ventilation - inspiratory & expiratory pressure
- ❖ Easy to apply
- ❖ Modes
  - High-frequency chest oscillation
  - Secretions mode - oscillation, cough
  - Continuous negative expiratory pressure

Up next: Video of Hayek Ventilator

## Negative Pressure Ventilators

> Hayek RTX™ cuirass ventilator

- ❖ Modes
  - High-frequency chest oscillation
  - Secretions mode - oscillations, cough
  - Continuous negative expiratory pressure
  - Control mode
  - Respiratory triggered
  - Respiratory synchronized

FYI see links below for information on the Hayek™

## Negative Pressure Ventilators

> Hayek RTX™ cuirass ventilator

- ❖ Specifications
  - 6 - 1200 cycles per minute
  - I:E Ratio: 1:6 - 6:1
  - Maximum inspiratory pressure: -50 cm H<sub>2</sub>O
  - Maximum expiratory pressure: +50 cm H<sub>2</sub>O
  - Power unit weight: 9 kg
  - Four adult size cuirasses
  - Seven pediatric size cuirasses

## Ventilator Operation

- Settings
  - ❖ Peak inspiratory pressure: adjusts tidal volume
  - ❖ Peak expiratory pressure: active exhalation, cough assistance
  - ❖ Continuous negative expiratory pressure
    - Maintains FRC
    - Balances intrinsic PEEP for patient triggering

## Ventilator Operation

- Settings
  - ❖ Rate
  - ❖ I:E ratio
  - ❖ Trigger sensitivity
    - Sensed at nares
    - Sensed in cuirass (Hayek™)
  - ❖  $\text{FiO}_2$  - mask or nasal cannula

## Monitoring

- Blood gases
  - ❖ Baseline & PRN arterial sampling
  - ❖ Pulse oximetry
  - ❖ End-tidal  $\text{CO}_2$  monitoring
- Volumes
  - ❖ Spirometry with mask?
  - ❖ Respiratory inductive plethysmography?

## Sites for NPV

- Intensive care units
- Intermediate care units
- Long-term care facilities
- Homes

## Patient Transport

- Portable positive pressure ventilation
  - ❖ Mouthpiece
  - ❖ Mask
- Iron lung - can be manually operated
- Battery-powered negative pressure ventilators, like Hayek MRTX™

## Summary & Review

- Rationale for NIV: ventilate without intubate
- Physiologic effects of NPV vs. PPV: cardiovascular
- NPV indications
  - ❖ Mask intolerance
  - ❖ Need to increase pulmonary perfusion

## Summary & Review

- NPV benefits: no ventilator-induced lung injury
- Complications: tank shock
- Contraindications: upper airway obstruction
- NPV enclosure types
  - ❖ Tank
  - ❖ Cuirass
  - ❖ Wrap

## Summary & Review

- Ventilator operation
  - ❖ Pressure controlled ventilation with supplemental mask or nasal O<sub>2</sub>
  - ❖ Limited monitoring capabilities

## Noninvasive Positive Pressure Ventilation (NPPV)

## Attributes

- Noninvasive positive pressure ventilation: PPV without tracheal tube
- Important attribute of NPPV: existence of a mask leak that affects
  - ❖ Volume delivered (volume control)
  - ❖ Ventilator triggering to inspiration
  - ❖ Ventilator cycling to expiration

## Modes

- Continuous positive airway pressure
- Bilevel positive airway pressure
- Pressure support
- Pressure control
- Volume control
- Proportional assist

## Physiologic Effects

- Decreased WOB
- Increased dynamic lung compliance
- Increased tidal volume
- Increased inspiratory capacity (CPAP & COPD patients)

## Physiologic Effects

- Improved blood gases
  - ❖ Oxygenation increased by end-expiratory pressure
  - ❖ Hypercapnea decreased with inspiratory pressure
- Cardiac output
  - ❖ Normal & COPD patients - decreased
  - ❖ Some CHF patients - increased

## Benefits

- Prevention of ETT complications
- Reduction in sedation requirements
- Prevention of tracheotomy
- Reduction in ICU length-of-stay (LOS)

## Complications

- Delayed intubation
- Patient intolerance, anxiety
- Facial ulcers
- Ear, sinus pain
- Increased WOB - patient-ventilator dyssynchrony, due to inappropriate device &/or control settings

## Complications

- Pneumothorax
- Gastric insufflation - high pressures
- Aspiration
- Mucus plugging
- Hemodynamic compromise

## Contraindications

- Unable to fit or tolerate interface
- Facial trauma or surgery
- Active vomiting
- Acute abdominal process - risk for vomiting, aspiration

## Contraindications

- Apnea
- Cardiovascular instability
- Excessive &/or viscous secretions
- Recent gastro-oesophageal surgery
- Severely impaired mental status

## Indications

- COPD
- Acute cardiogenic pulmonary edema (ACCPE)
- Blunt thoracic trauma
- Postoperative respiratory failure
- Weaning from invasive ventilation
- Miscellaneous conditions
- Neuromuscular conditions - separate lesson
- Obstructive sleep apnea - separate lesson

## Questionable Indications

- ARDS/ALI: may harm by delaying intubation
  - Pneumonia: no evidence of benefit
  - Asthma: no evidence of benefit
- "NPPV should be tried very cautiously or not at all in patients with ALI who have shock, metabolic acidosis or profound hypoxemia." Rana S, et al. 2006.

## NPPV & COPD Exacerbations

- First line treatment for exacerbations
- Strong evidence for efficacy in hypercapnic failure
- Effects
  - ❖ Decreased WOB
  - ❖ Reversal of ventilatory muscle fatigue
  - ❖ Decreased PaCO<sub>2</sub>
  - ❖ Decreased risk for intubation
  - ❖ Decreased mortality

## NPPV & Stable COPD

- Many COPD patients also have sleep apnea (overlap), with greater risk for hypercapnic failure
- Effects
  - ❖ Decreased air trapping (TLC)
  - ❖ Increased CO<sub>2</sub> response
  - ❖ Stabilizes heart rhythm by reducing vagal activity

## NPPV & Stable COPD

- Situations
  - ❖ Home: longer survival for adherent patients (Budweiser)
  - ❖ Rehabilitation: may increase exercise tolerance, except for backpack study
  - ❖ Therapy ceiling for end-stage

## NPPV for ACCPE

- First line treatment - strong evidence
- Effects - CPAP & bilevel NPPV equally
  - ❖ Increased FRC
  - ❖ Increased lung compliance
  - ❖ Decreased WOB
  - ❖ Decreased dyspnea & respiratory rate



## NPPV for ACCPE

- Effects - CPAP & bilevel NPPV equally
  - ❖ Decreased intrapulmonary shunt
  - ❖ Decreased heart rate
  - ❖ Increased cardiac output
  - ❖ Decreased intubation rate
  - ❖ May decrease mortality (meta-analysis)
- Bilevel NPPV may not be more effective than CPAP (statistical analysis)

## NPPV & Blunt Thoracic Trauma (Flail)

- CPAP & bilevel NPPV studied - weak evidence
- Excluded patients
  - ❖ Emergent intubations
  - ❖ Injuries to head, face, or neck
- Effects
  - ❖ Decreased rate of pneumonia
  - ❖ Decreased mortality
- More trials needed

## NPPV & Post-Op Respiratory Failure

- CPAP & bilevel NPPV studied - weak evidence
- Postoperative upper abdominal & thoracic surgical patients studied
- Effects
  - ❖ Decreased intubation, reintubation rate
  - ❖ Decreased pneumonia, sepsis
  - ❖ Decreased mortality
  - ❖ Decreased length of hospitalization
- CPAP & bilevel NPPV may be equally effective (need more trials)
 

See links below for abstract on nasal vs. FFM postoperative NPPV

## NPPV & Ventilator Weaning

- Rationales
  - ❖ Shorten intubation time
    - Decreased sedation
    - Decrease infection
    - Decrease ICU & hospital length-of-stay (LOS)
  - ❖ Prevent reintubation
  - ❖ Prevent tracheotomy

## NPPV & Ventilator Weaning

- Supportive evidence is moderate, when applied to selected patients, who
  - ❖ Meet criteria to initiate spontaneous breathing trial
  - ❖ Meet criteria for extubation
    - Do not have excessive secretions
    - Have an effective cough
    - Have acceptable mental status
    - Are not a difficult intubation

## NPPV & Ventilator Weaning

- Supportive evidence is moderate, when applied to selected patients, who
  - ❖ Have no impediments for interface
  - ❖ Tolerate short term spontaneous breathing for mask adjustments, etc.

## NPPV & Post-Extubation Failure

- Evidence does not support efficacy of NPPV in treating post-extubation respiratory failure
- Evidence supports that NPPV may be effective in preventing post-extubation respiratory failure where high-risk patients are identified in advance
- NPPV not recommended as a routine intervention for post-extubation situations

## NPPV - Miscellaneous Indications

- During bronchoscopy to offset increased WOB & hypoxemia
- Severe bronchiolitis
- Cystic fibrosis - adults with hypercapnic exacerbations
- Immunocompromised patients - prevents ventilator-associated pneumonia
- Pandemic respiratory infections, e.g. SARS - to prevent infection of caregivers during intubations

## Summary & Review

- NPPV physiologic effects - may increase cardiac output in CHF
- NPPV benefits - prevent intubation
- NPPV complications - delayed intubation
- NPPV contraindications - mask intolerance
- NPPV indications - cautious application to hypoxemic failure

## NPPV Interfaces & Humidification

## Issues With Interfaces

- Comfort
- Allowance for patient movement
- Weight
- Allergenicity
- Pressure applied to tissues → skin ulceration

## Issues With Interfaces

- Internal volume
  - ❖ Dead space ( $V_{Drb}$ ) - rebreathed volume
  - ❖ Gas compression, decompression volume
- Leaks - mask seal = 2 cm → negligible leaks
- Multiple sizes available

See links below to hear possible mask leak & to view Respironics leak chart

## Issues With Interfaces

- Securing system (headgear)
  - ❖ Comfort
  - ❖ Stability
  - ❖ Ease of use
  - ❖ Washable for home use
  - ❖ Disposable for hospital use

See links below for various brands of headgear, with prices

## Interfaces

- Mouthpiece
- Nasal mask
- Nasal pillows
- Oronasal mask
- Total face mask
- Helmet

## Mouthpiece Interface

- Primarily for daytime use for patients with
  - ❖ Neuromuscular disease
  - ❖ COPD
  - ❖ Cystic fibrosis

## Nasal Interfaces

- Indications
  - ❖ Primary interface for obstructive sleep apnea
  - ❖ Good starting interface in mild acute respiratory failure, with limitations
  - ❖ Postoperative atelectasis (see lung clearance lesson)

## Nasal Interfaces

- Advantages
  - ❖ Enables speech, eating, coughing
  - ❖ Less risk for aspiration, gastric distension
  - ❖ Less claustrophobia

## Nasal Interfaces

- Limitations
  - ❖ Erroneous monitoring of exhaled TV
  - ❖ Nasal resistance limits effectiveness
  - ❖ Mouth breathing limits effectiveness & patients with ARF tend to mouth-breathe
  - ❖ Lesser pressure can be administered

## Nasal Interfaces

- > Types
  - ❖ Masks
  - ❖ Pillows



Respironics Curve™  
nasal mask  
(courtesy Respironics)

See links below for various brands of  
nasal masks & pillows, with prices

## Oronasal (Full Face) Mask

- > Most common for bilevel NPPV
- > Advantages
  - ❖ Less leakage
  - ❖ More stable pressures
  - ❖ Less patient cooperation
- > Limitations
  - ❖ Claustrophobia
  - ❖ Aspiration

## Oronasal (Full Face) Mask



Respironics ComfortGel™ mask  
(courtesy Respironics)

See links below for various brands  
of full face masks, with prices

## Total Face Mask

- > Most effective NPPV interface for acute respiratory failure
- > Minimal leaks - accommodates greatest pressure
- > Less discomfort
- > Less pressure injury - larger area of contact
- > Does not increase  $V_{D_{th}}$
- > May increase claustrophobia

## Total Face Mask



Respironics Total  
Face Mask™  
(courtesy Respironics)



Respironics Performax™  
(courtesy Respironics)

See links below to view all Respironics masks, etc.

## Helmet

- > Advantages
  - ❖ Overcomes mask-fit problems
  - ❖ More comfortable
  - ❖ No facial pressure injury
  - ❖ Less need for patient cooperation
  - ❖ Allows speaking, coughing

## Helmet

- Disadvantages
  - ❖ Not currently FDA-approved
  - ❖ May decrease cerebral blood flow in infants
  - ❖ Impedes patient triggering - decompression volume
  - ❖ No capability for volume monitoring
  - ❖ Humidification may fog the helmet

See links below to view neonatal & adult CPAP helmets

## Helmet



Designer CPAP helmet

FYI See links below to hear helmet voice distortion

## Ventilator Circuit

- Single-limbed
  - ❖ Original BiPAP circuit
  - ❖ Incorporates variable flow leak port
  - ❖ Requires EPAP > 4 cm H<sub>2</sub>O to minimize rebreathing

## Ventilator Circuit

- Double-limbed
  - ❖ ICU ventilators & recent bilevel ventilators
  - ❖ Eliminates rebreathing
- The circuit & interface must be used for the specified ventilator

## Humidification

- None - OK for short-term ventilation
  - ❖ Humidification ability of mucosa can be overwhelmed
  - ❖ Desiccated mucosa releases inflammatory mediators
  - ❖ Possible mucus plugging
  - ❖ Absence of humidification can impede adherence to therapy

## Humidification

- Heat & moisture exchanger
  - ❖ Can increase resistance
  - ❖ Increase  $V_{D_{th}}$  →
    - Hypercapnea
    - Increased minute ventilation
    - Increased WOB

## Humidification

- Heat & moisture exchanger
  - ❖ Increase  $V_{D_{rh}}$
  - ❖ Can increase resistance
- Heated humidification
  - ❖ No effect on  $V_{D_{rh}}$
  - ❖ No effect on resistance
- Ambient temperature passive humidification increases comfort for some patients

## Summary & Review

- Issues with NPPV interfaces comfort, pressure injury, leaks
- Specific interfaces
  - ❖ Mouthpiece
  - ❖ Nasal mask, pillow
  - ❖ Oronasal mask
  - ❖ Total face mask
  - ❖ Helmet - not FDA-approved

## Summary & Review

- NPPV circuits - single vs. double-limbed
- Humidification - HMEs &  $V_{D_{rh}}$

## NPPV Devices & Controls

## Institutional Bilevel Ventilators

- Desirable features
  - ❖ Built-in blender
  - ❖ Leak compensation
  - ❖ Trigger compensation
  - ❖ Backup rate
  - ❖ Rise time adjustment
  - ❖ Graphic display
  - ❖ Alarms
  - ❖ Battery power supply

## Institutional Bilevel Ventilators

- Respironics
  - ❖ BiPAP S/T™ - no blender
  - ❖ Focus™ - no blender
  - ❖ Vision™
  - ❖ V60™

## Institutional Bilevel Ventilators

- > Resironics Vision™
  - ❖ Acute care bilevel ventilation
  - ❖ Blender - adjustable FiO<sub>2</sub>
  - ❖ Auto-Track™ trigger
  - ❖ Rise time adjustable
  - ❖ Graphic display
  - ❖ Alarms
  - ❖ No battery backup

## Institutional Bilevel Ventilators

- > Resironics V60™
  - ❖ Acute care bilevel ventilation
  - ❖ Average volume-assured pressure support
  - ❖ Auto-adaptive leak compensation
  - ❖ Inspiratory triggering
  - ❖ Expiratory cycling
  - ❖ Adjustable ramp time
  - ❖ Built-in blender
  - ❖ Battery back-up – 6 hours

## ICU Ventilators

- > With NIV mode - provide leak compensation
- > Without NIV mode - no leak compensation
  - ❖ Impedes patient triggering
  - ❖ Impedes cycling to expiration in PSV mode
  - ❖ Can be used, but could lead to problems (injury, litigation)

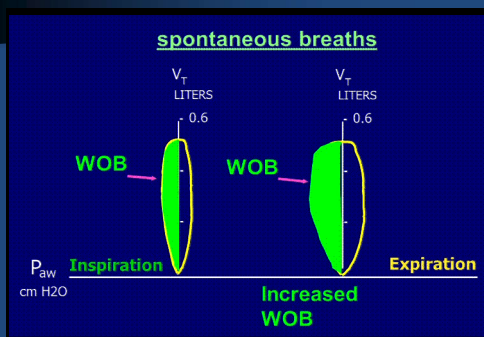
## ICU Ventilators

- > ICU ventilators with noninvasive modes (examples)
  - ❖ Maquet Servo™
  - ❖ Drager Evita XL™
  - ❖ Newport e500™ & HT50™ (transport)
  - ❖ Viasys Vela™ & Avea™
  - ❖ Hamilton Raphael™ & C-2™
  - ❖ GE Engstrom Carestation™
  - ❖ Puritan-Bennett 840™

## ICU Ventilators

- > Advantages
  - ❖ Graphics to show
    - Triggering
    - Cycling
    - Intrinsic PEEP (PEEPi)
    - Work of breathing (WOB)

## Spontaneous WOB



## ICU Ventilators

- > Advantages
  - ❖ Graphics
  - ❖ Exhaled volume monitoring
  - ❖ Expiratory cycle adjustment
  - ❖ Rise time adjustment
  - ❖ Invasive ventilation capability - easier to switch over
- > Disadvantage - expense

## Modes Applied to NIV

- > Volume control
  - ❖ Identical success rate, compared to pressure control
  - ❖ Stable volumes in face of changing lung mechanics
  - ❖ Higher peak airway pressures that caused flatulence in two patients that sounded like a mask leak
  - ❖ Common in home NIV (Europe)

## Modes Applied to NIV

- > Pressure control ventilation (PCV)
  - ❖ Stable volume delivery in face of leaks
  - ❖ Flow variable with patient demands
  - ❖ Trial results - PCV may be more effective than PSV for COPD exacerbations

## Modes Applied to NIV

- > Pressure support
  - ❖ Most common mode for NIV
  - ❖ Some ventilators do not include backup rate - apnea adjustment is important

## Modes Applied to NIV

- > Pressure support
  - ❖ Appropriate expiratory cycle adjustment is important
  - ❖ Appropriate rise time adjustment is important
  - ❖ Observe inspiratory time & I:E ratio - may require inspiratory time limit adjustment

## Modes Applied to NIV

- > Proportional assist ventilation (PAV)
  - ❖ Delivers flow proportional to patient's inspiratory effort
  - ❖ Terminates flow in response to cessation of inspiratory effort



## Modes Applied to NIV

- > Proportional assist ventilation (PAV)
  - ❖ Clinical trials conclude that it is better tolerated than PSV, but PSV was delivered with PB 7200ae?
  - ❖ Respironics Vision - PAV mode not available in U.S.
  - ❖ Puritan-Bennett 840 - company does not support use of PAV with NIV

## Ventilation Modes & NIV

- > Pressure support with volume guarantee (VSV)?
  - ❖ No NIV with VSV trials located
  - ❖ Problem with VSV - patient distress & hyperpnea causes ventilator to decrease support

## Ventilation Modes & NIV

- > Neurally adjusted ventilatory assist (Maquet NAVA™)
  - ❖ Flow delivery in response to diaphragmatic electrical activity
  - ❖ Eliminates leaks as a triggering & cycling factor
  - ❖ Need human trials on NAVA & NIV
  - ❖ It works on rabbits

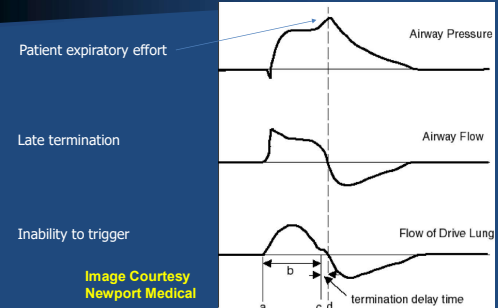
## Ventilation Settings

- > PEEP 4 - 10 (ideally)
- > PSV, IPAP - exhaled tidal volume > 5 ml/kg IBW
- > Reasonable starting pressures - PEEP = 5; PSV = 10
- > FIO<sub>2</sub> for desired SPO<sub>2</sub>

## Ventilation Settings

- > Expiratory flow cycling adjustment
  - ❖ Patient comfort
  - ❖ Ventilator graphics
  - ❖ Inspiratory time, I:E ratio
  - ❖ To eliminate PEEPi

## Expiratory Flow-Cycling (PSV)



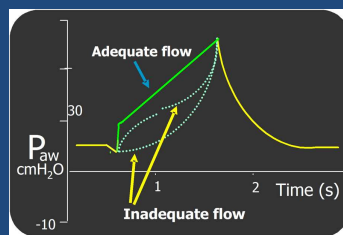
## Ventilation Settings

- Rise time adjustment
  - ❖ Patient comfort
  - ❖ Ventilator graphics

## Inspiratory Flow/Rise - Pressure Wave

Linear or bowed upward rise in pressure after trigger on the pressure wave

Slow rise in pressure, concave shape of the pressure wave



Courtesy Newport Medical

## Summary & Review

- Types of ventilators used for NPPV
- Specific bilevel & ICU ventilators
- ICU ventilator advantages
- NPPV modes
- Ventilation settings

## NPPV Clinical Issues

## Clinical Indicators of Successful NIV

- Favorable response in first 2 hours of NPPV
- APACHE II score < 29
- pH > 7.30
- Glasgow coma score ≥ 15

FYI see links below for APACHE II calculator

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- Favorable response in first 2 hours of NPPV
- APACHE II score < 29
- pH > 7.30
- Glasgow coma score ≥ 15
- Absence of pneumonia or ARDS
- Minimal interface air leaks
- Patient-ventilator synchrony

FYI see links below for article on NIV & critical care

## Aerosol Delivery

- Remove NIV interface & administer, if safe & feasible
- Aerosol medications are effective with NIV via all types of devices
- Aerosols are effectively delivered via nasal interface
- Increased dosage may be necessary because of leaks, nasal deposition

## Aerosol Delivery

- Aerosol delivery devices
  - ❖ Pneumatic nebulizer
    - Place proximal to patient
    - Place between patient & leak valve
  - ❖ Vibrating mesh (Aeroneb Pro™) - does not add flow to circuit
  - ❖ MDI & spacer - coordinate with inspiration

Up next: Video of Aeroneb Pro™

## Aerosol Delivery

- Total face masks allow medications to enter eyes - especially problematic with ipratropium
- More research is needed to generate specific recommendations
- Regardless of device, it's a good idea to place aerosol generator between the HME & the patient

## Heliox Therapy

- Meta-analyses on routine use of heliox for asthma & COPD do not support routine use
- Heliox decreases PEEPi & WOB in ventilated patients with COPD exacerbations

## Heliox Therapy

- Problems
  - ❖ Heliox can not be used in hypoxemic patients
  - ❖ Heliox causes errors in TV & FiO<sub>2</sub> measurement & delivery
  - ❖ Only FDA-approved ventilator is the Viasys Avea™
  - ❖ Heliox is expensive
  - ❖ Helium causes vocal distortion

See links below to hear vocal distortion with helium

## Sites for NPPV Administration

- Factors
  - ❖ Acuity of patient
  - ❖ Expertise of personnel
  - ❖ Availability of physical resources
- Monitoring capabilities
  - ❖ Personal (skilled)
  - ❖ Electronic

## Sites for NPPV Administration

- Pre-hospital - EMS
  - ❖ For some conditions, the sooner the better for NPPV
  - ❖ Avoids emergency intubations
  - ❖ Especially applicable to ACCPE & COPD
- Emergency room
  - ❖ Early initiation of NPPV
  - ❖ Advanced resources, including RTs

## Sites for NPPV Administration

- Intensive care
  - ❖ Best site for sickest patients
  - ❖ Intensive monitoring
  - ❖ Extensive physical resources
  - ❖ Personnel resources
    - Respiratory therapists
    - Critical care nurses

## Sites for NPPV Administration

- Intermediate care (step-down)
  - ❖ Usually telemetry monitoring
  - ❖ Personnel resources varies
    - Respiratory therapists
    - Patient:nurse ratio
  - ❖ Stable patients

## Sites for NPPV Administration

- General ward
  - ❖ Telemetry - maybe
  - ❖ More patients per nurses, who may be unfamiliar with NPPV
  - ❖ Respiratory therapy coverage varies
  - ❖ Intermittent NPPV, as for
    - Sleep apnea
    - Stable COPD
    - Stable neuromuscular disease

## Sites for NPPV Administration

- Long-term care facilities
  - ❖ Chronic care
    - COPD
    - Failure to wean from ventilation
  - ❖ Monitoring varies by units
  - ❖ Usually have skilled respiratory therapy staff

## Sites for NPPV Administration

- Home
  - ❖ Chronic conditions
  - ❖ End-of-life care
  - ❖ Requires education of patient & caregivers

## NPPV & End-of-Life Care

- Patient choices
  - ❖ Do not intubate (DNI)
  - ❖ Comfort measures only (CMO)
- Informed consent of patient &/or family is needed - NIV is life support
- Common conditions
  - ❖ COPD
  - ❖ Cancer
  - ❖ Neuromuscular diseases
  - ❖ Chronic heart failure

## NPPV & End-of-Life Care

- Goals of NIV for terminal patients
  - ❖ Delay death
    - To go home
    - To settle personal issues
    - To see a person
  - ❖ Provide comfort - to whom?
    - Decrease dyspnea
    - Comfort is not provided when a patient is resisting the treatment

## NPPV & End-of-Life Care

- Ethical controversy exists over whether NIV ought to be used at end-of-life
- The decision should rest with the patient (author's opinion)

## Summary & Review

- Indicators for successful NPPV
- Aerosol delivery - does work with NPPV
- Heliox - may decrease WOB for COPD
- Sites for NPPV delivery
- NPPV for end-of-life care

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