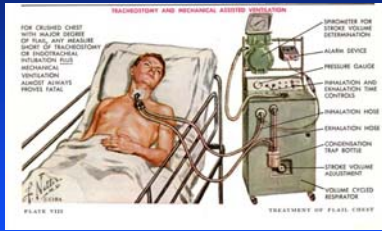


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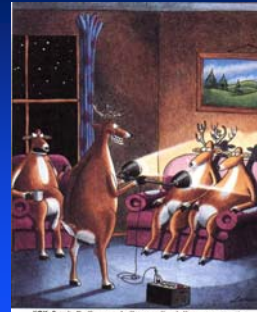
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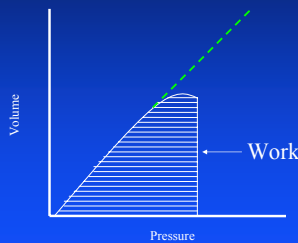
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## Overview of Presentation



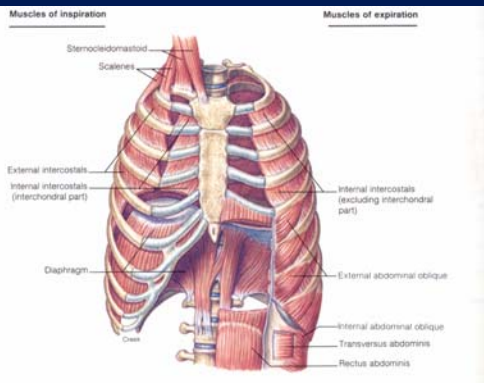
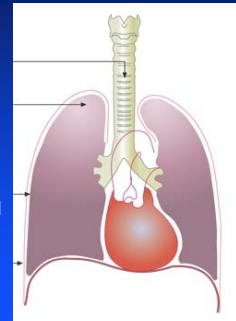
- Defining the WOB
- Measuring and Applying WOB Measurements
- Strategies to Manage the WOB

## Work: A Basic Feature In All Interactions

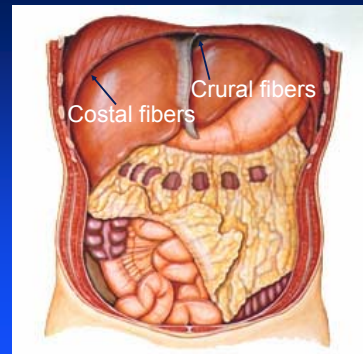


## Physiologic Components of Work

- Non-elastic work to overcome airway resistance
- Elastic work to inflate the lungs
- Elastic work to expand the thorax



## Diaphragmatic Function



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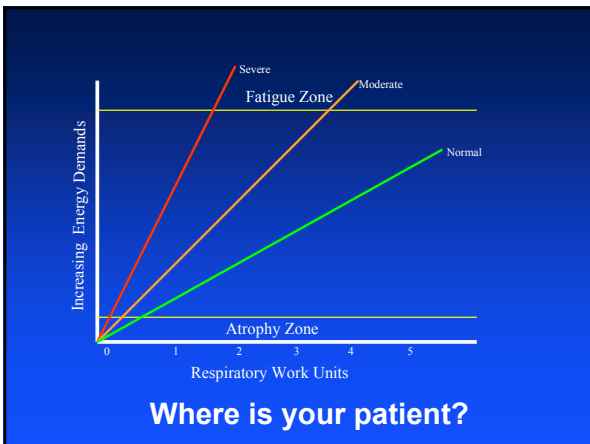


## Work of Breathing Components

- Patient "physiologic"
  - Ventilatory pattern
  - Underlying disease
- Mechanical "imposed"
  - Circuit/airway
  - Mode of ventilation

## The Influence Of Rate & Tidal Volume On The WOB

- Restrictive disease favors fast rates with smaller volumes
- COPD patients have less WOB with lower rates and larger volumes

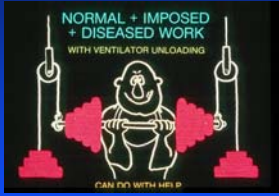


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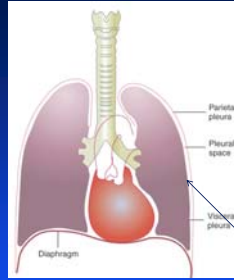
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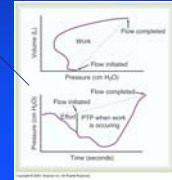


- Calculations
  - Airway/esophageal
  - Oxygen consumption
- Indirect
  - $C_{LT}$ , Raw, VC
  - RSBI, NIF,  $P_{100}$
- Graphics
  - PV and FV loops

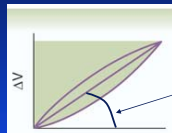
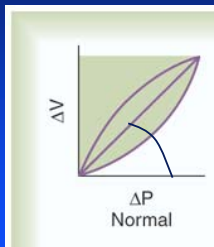


Esophageal Pressure Monitoring

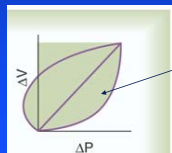
- TTdi – tension time index and indicator of fatigue
- Pdi – trans diaphragmatic to measure work
- Independent measurements of lung and chest wall mechanics



## Using Graphics To Display The WOB

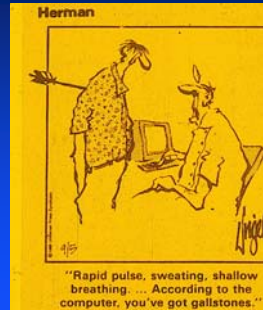


Decreased Compliance  
Increased WOB



Increased Raw  
Increased WOB

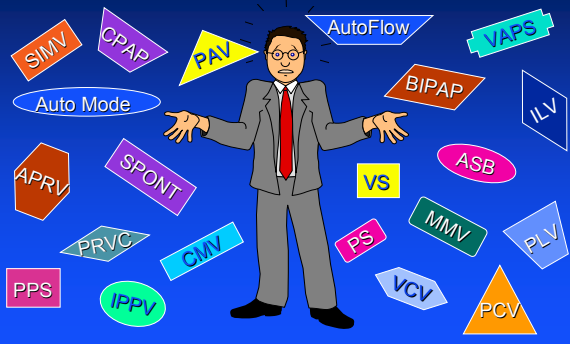
## Clinical Assessment



- Strength
- NIF > -20 to 30
  - VC- 70- 80 mL/kg/IBW
- Endurance
- RR 24- 38 br/min
  - $V_T$  5- 7 mL/kg IBW
  - RSBI < 105 br/L
  - $V_E$  200 mL/kg IBW

Patient Comfort

## How Can You Help?



## Assisted Ventilation Breath Types

### Pressure Constant Assisted Ventilation

- PC
- PS
- BIPAP
- BiLevel/APRV

### Volume Constant Assisted Ventilation

- Volume using CMV or SIMV
- Dual Modes  
PRVC, ASV, VV+  
MMV, AutoFlow,

PAV/PPS & TC

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## New Generation of Gas Delivery Systems

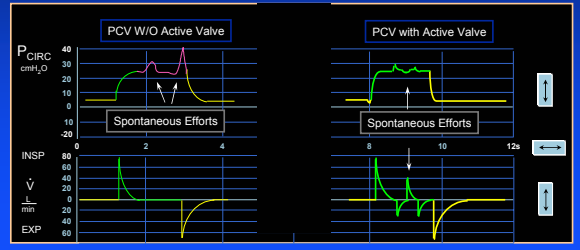


- Active exhalation valves
- Overcoming imposed WOB
- Tailoring breath delivery

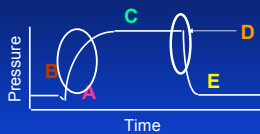
## Active Exhalation Valve



- During inspiration, the valve is closed with the force of the insp pressure set
- Allows coughing or spont breathing at upper pressure level by venting excess pressure and flow

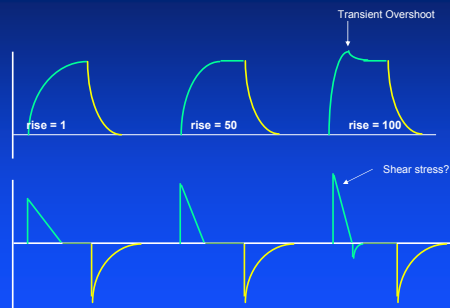


## The ABC's of Breath Delivery



- A** - Work to trigger
- B** - Rise time
- C** - Preventing pressure overshoot and sustaining the breath
- D** - Transition into expiration
- E** - Expiratory resistance

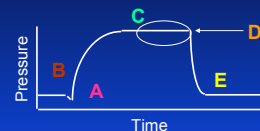
## % Rise Time



## Setting Rise Time

- Monitor volume delivery
- For patients with increased flow demand use higher rise times
- Obstructive patients may be more comfortable with lower rise times
- Use RSBI, graphics, and observe for signs of dysynchrony

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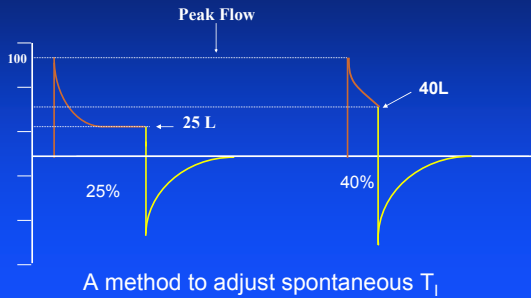


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## Expiratory Sensitivity ( $E_{Sens}$ ) %



## Selecting Termination Criteria

- Improving patient - ventilator interaction
  - decrease work of breathing
  - increase synchrony
- Adjusting inspiratory time
  - pediatric patients and restrictive conditions – increase  $T_i$
  - obstructive airway disease – decrease
  - use RSBI, graphics and monitor for dysynchrony.

## Assisted Spontaneous Ventilation Breath Types

### Pressure Constant Assisted Ventilation

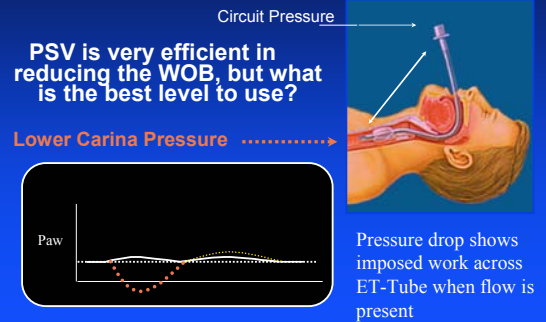
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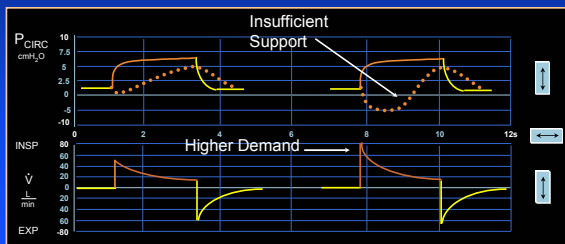
PAV/PPS & TC

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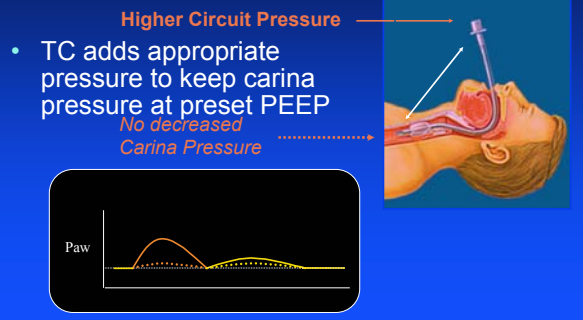


## PS Limitations for ETT Compensation

- PS is often used to overcome ET-tube resistance
- PS may under support the WOB early in the inspiratory phase when demand is high



## ET-Tube Compensation - Automatically Adjusts Pressure To "Erase" The ET-Tube

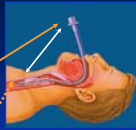


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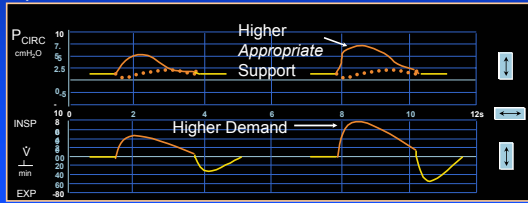
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## ET-Tube Compensation - Automatically Adjusts Pressure to "Erase" the ET-tube

Higher Circuit Pressure



- TC adds appropriate pressure to keep carinal pressure at preset PEEP



## TC Pressure Variability



## Indications for TC/ATC

- Patients who have compromised respiratory function
  - COPD, malnutrition, respiratory muscle failure
- Those who have failed previous extubation attempts
- The "difficult to wean" patient



## What If You Need to Augment Ventilation?

- TC doesn't address variable work loads, it only "erases" the ET-tube
- PS can augment WOB, but at a fixed level
- Is there a better way of putting the respiratory center in control of ventilation?

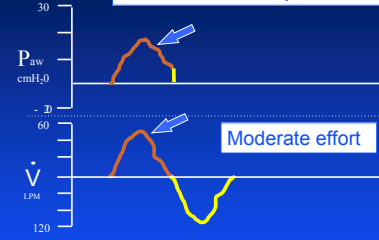


**Proportional Assist Ventilation (PAV)**  
**Proportional Pressure Support (PPS)**

## Proportionately Augmenting Patient Effort

- Neither pressure or volume are preset
- % Work for the ventilator is set
- The patient's respiratory center is in charge of the support level
  - increase drive = increased support pressure
  - decreased drive = decreased support pressure
- Rise time and  $E_{sens}$  for synchrony

Moderate rise in pressure



Imagine we have PAV - 1st breath- moderate effort- Moderate level of support

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