

# **Invasive Ventilation Treatment**

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# Ventilation



Ventilate is derived from  
Latin word “ventus” meaning wind





# Key Points to Understand:



**Indications for Invasive Mechanical Ventilation.**



**Settings for Invasive Ventilation and How to Adjust:**

- $\text{FiO}_2$
- Modes
- Rate
- Tidal volume
- Airway pressures
- PEEP









**Complications of Invasive Mechanical Ventilation.**



**Weaning From Invasive Mechanical Ventilation.**







# Indications for IMV

-  Respiratory Failure
-  Cardiopulmonary arrest
-  Trauma (head, neck, and chest)
-  Cardiovascular impairment (tumors, infection, emboli)
-  Neurological impairment (strokes, drugs, poisons, myasthenia gravis)
-  Pulmonary impairment (infections, tumors, COPD, pneumonia)



# Common indications for ventilation

-  Hypoxemic respiratory failure – 66%
-  Acute exacerbation of COPD – 13%
-  Neuromuscular disorders - 10%
-  Coma - 10%

Data from Americas and Europe



# Key concepts



## Determinants of Oxygenation

- Ventilator factors:
  - \*  $FiO_2$  (fraction of oxygen in inspired air)
  - \* Mean airway pressure
  - \* PEEP (positive end expiratory pressure)
- Patient factors
  - \*  $V/Q$  (ventilation/ perfusion) mismatch
  - \* Shunt
  - \* Diffusion defect
  - \* Reduced mixed venous oxygen



# Key concepts



## Determinants of CO<sub>2</sub> clearance

- Ventilator factors
  - \* Rate
  - \* Tidal volume
  - \* Anatomical dead space
- Patient factors
  - \* Physiological dead space
  - \* CO<sub>2</sub> production

Alveolar minute ventilation





 Adjust  $\text{FiO}_2$  and PEEP according to  $\text{PaO}_2$  and  $\text{SpO}_2$

 Adjust TV and rate according to  $\text{PCO}_2$  and pH



# **Respiratory Failure:**

## **Hypoxemic Failure:**

**V/Q Mismatch vs. Shunt vs. Hypoventilation**

**PaO<sub>2</sub> < 60 mmHg on 100% NRB**

**Pneumonia  
ARDS  
Congestive Heart Failure  
Pulmonary Embolism**

## **Ventilatory Failure:**

**Altered Respiratory Mechanics**

**Acute ↑ pCO<sub>2</sub> with Resp. Acidosis**

**COPD/Asthma  
Acute Intoxication  
Neuromuscular Disease  
Sepsis  
Obesity Hypoventilation**



# Modes of ventilation

## Volume controlled



Machine delivers a set volume irrespective of the pressure generated within the system



Advantages

- predefined minute volume is guaranteed



Disadvantages

- changes in mechanical properties of lung (resistance or compliance) can lead to high pressures
- Patient is unable to adjust breathing pattern to changes in ventilatory demand



# Modes of ventilation

## Pressure controlled



Ventilator applies a predefined target pressure to the airway during inspiration



Advantages

- decreased risk of barotrauma



Disadvantages

- with decreasing compliance or increasing resistance, tidal volume and minute ventilation fall



## Volume control

### *Settings*



TV, inspiratory flow, I:E ratio

### *Constant*



Tidal volume

### *Variable*



Airway pressure

## Pressure control



Peak inspiratory pressure, inspiratory time,



Maximum inspiratory pressure






Tidal volume





- **Continuous mandatory ventilation (CMV)**
- **Intermittent mandatory ventilation (IMV)**
- **Assist control (A/C)**
- **Synchronized intermittent mandatory ventilation (SIMV)**
- **Pressure support**

# Continuous mandatory ventilation (CMV)

-  Also known as controlled mechanical ventilation
-  Rate, I:E ratio, volume determined entirely by machine and cannot be altered by patient effort
-  Used only in paralyzed patients



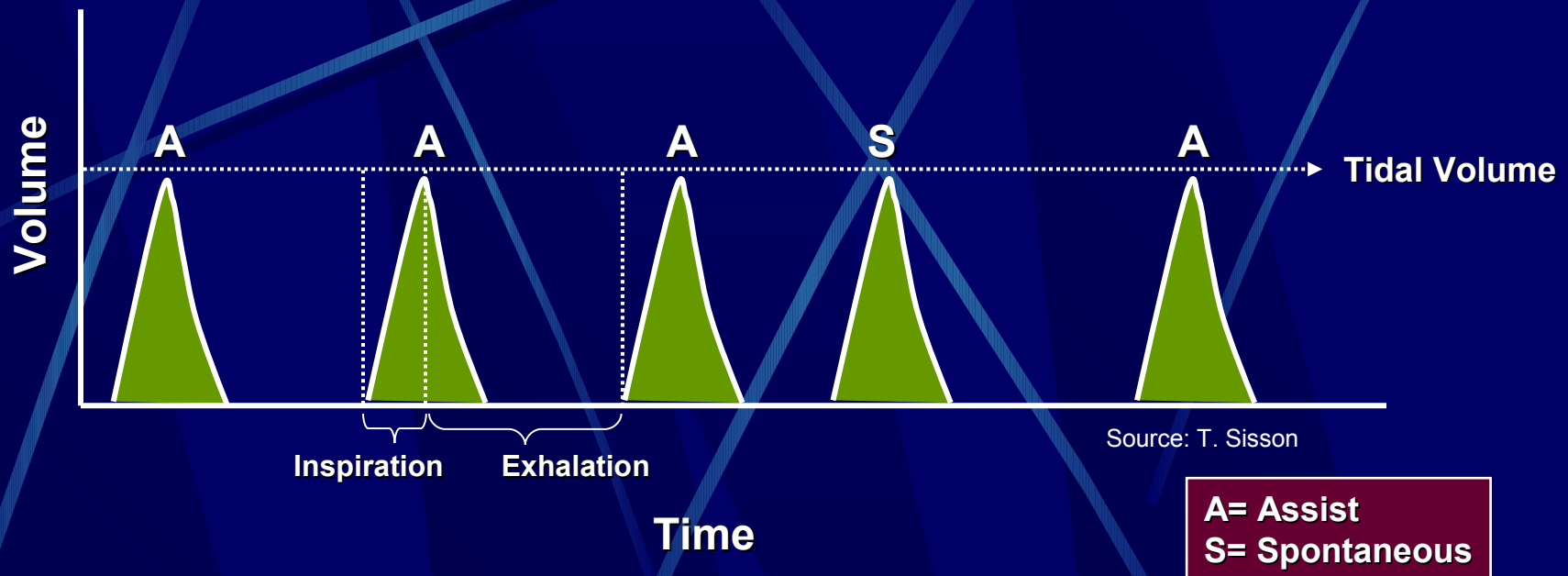
# Assist control (A/C)

-  In addition to a preset number of mandatory breaths, the ventilator delivers additional full breaths whenever the patient has a spontaneous respiratory effort
-  Sensitivity of trigger important









## Assist/Control



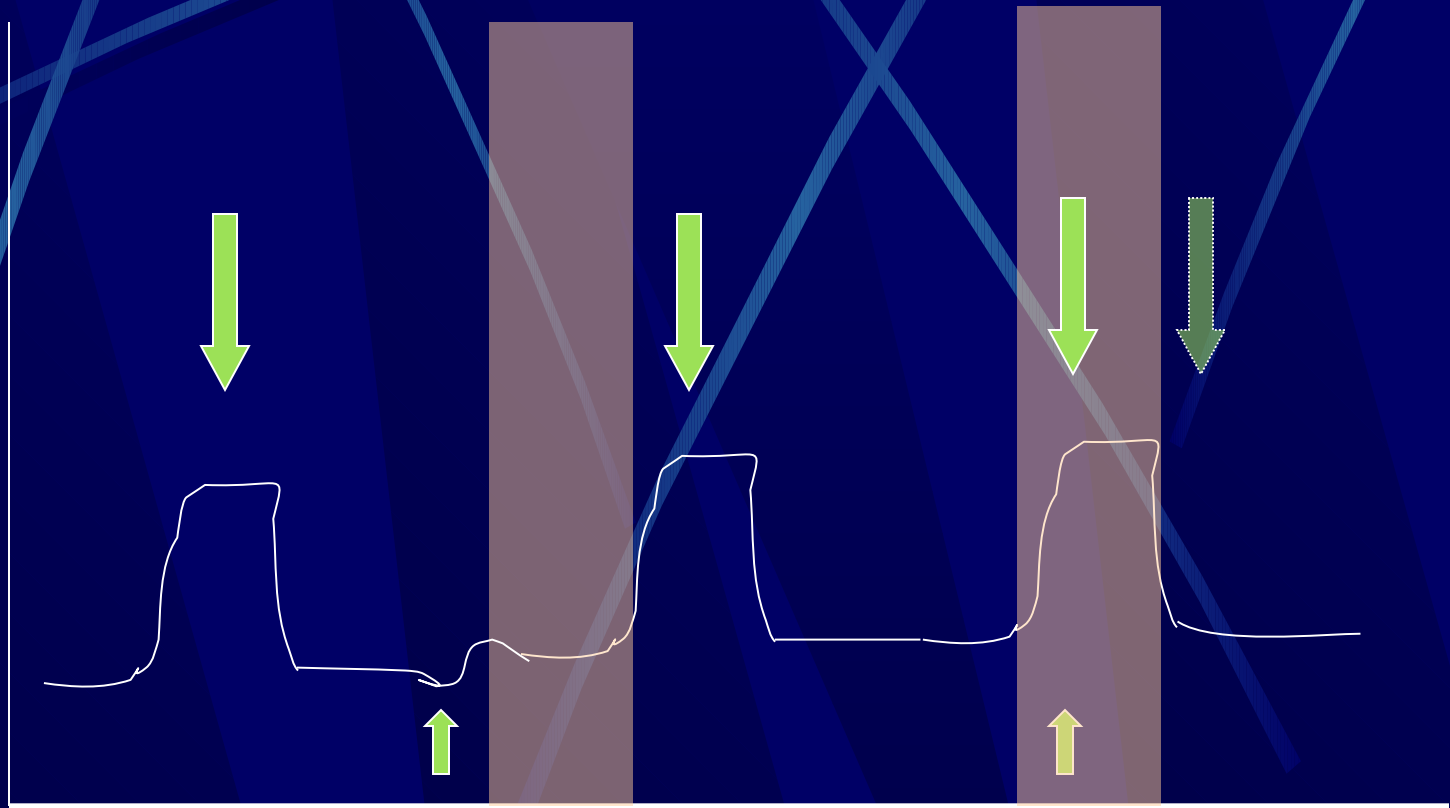
- ✦ I:E- Ratio of Time Spent in Each Phase
- ✦ Tidal Volume for Each Breath is Constant at Set TV
- ✦ Minute Ventilation:  $\text{Rate (breaths/min)} \times \text{Tidal Volume}$
- ✦ Additional Breaths Above Set Rate Are at Set TV.



# Synchronized intermittent mandatory ventilation (SIMV)

-  The ventilator attempts to synchronize the set number of mandatory breaths with the patients respiratory efforts
-  The ventilator waits for a patient effort during a sensitive period before every breath. In its absence, it gives a controlled breath
-  Spontaneous breaths outside of this sensitive period are unsupported
-  Commonly used mode









# Disadvantages of SIMV



Mandatory support can be set inappropriately low when SIMV is used as the vehicle for VCV or PCV.

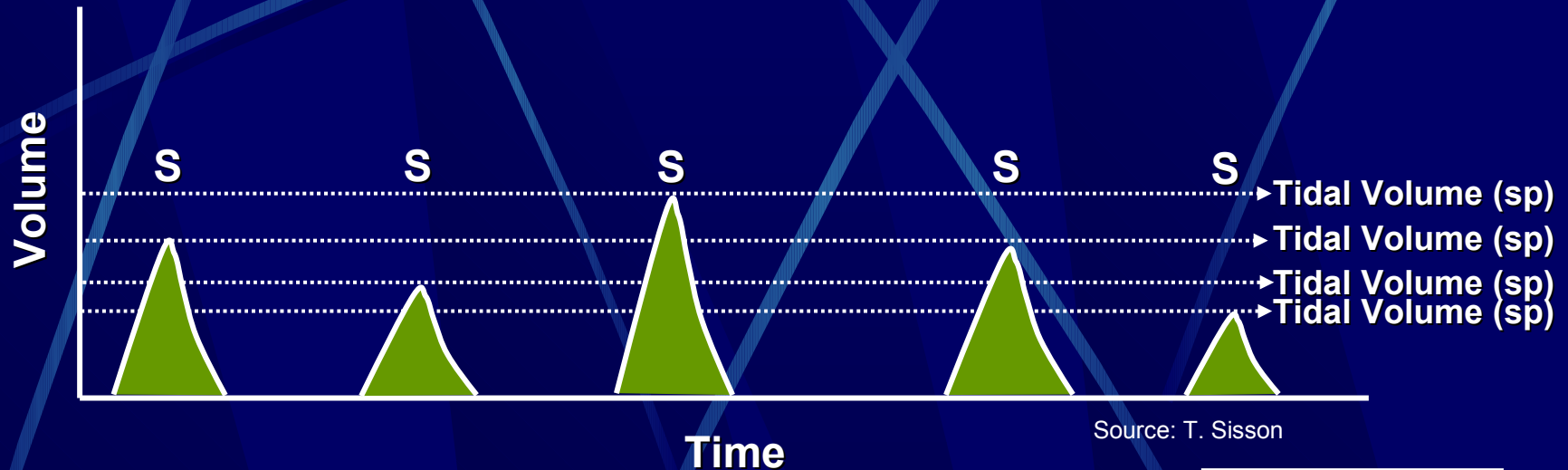


# Pressure support

-  Delivers a breath to a preset airway pressure when the patient makes an inspiratory effort
-  Cycles into expiration when inspiratory flow falls toward end of inspiration
-  Used along with SIMV
-  Useful for weaning



## Pressure Support Ventilation





**S= Spontaneous**

- Tidal Volume: Varies with Each Breath. No Set Volume.
- Minute Ventilation:  $\text{Rate (breaths/min)} \times \text{Tidal Volume}$ .
- No Set Rate with Pressure Support.



# Disadvantages of PSV

-  Potential for increased work of breathing at lower levels of PSV
-  Reduction in mean airway pressure with decreased patient oxygenation



# Newer modes

-  Hype
-  Add to cost
-  No reliable evidence for better outcomes in terms of mortality, duration of ventilation





- **Adaptive support ventilation (ASV)**
- **Proportional assist ventilation (PAV)**

# Others

-  Airway pressure release ventilation (APRV)
-  Pressure controlled inverse ratio ventilation





One of the key goals of mechanical ventilation is to decrease work of breathing



Improper ventilator settings can however increase work of breathing, increasing patient distress and worsening hemodynamics and metabolic parameters





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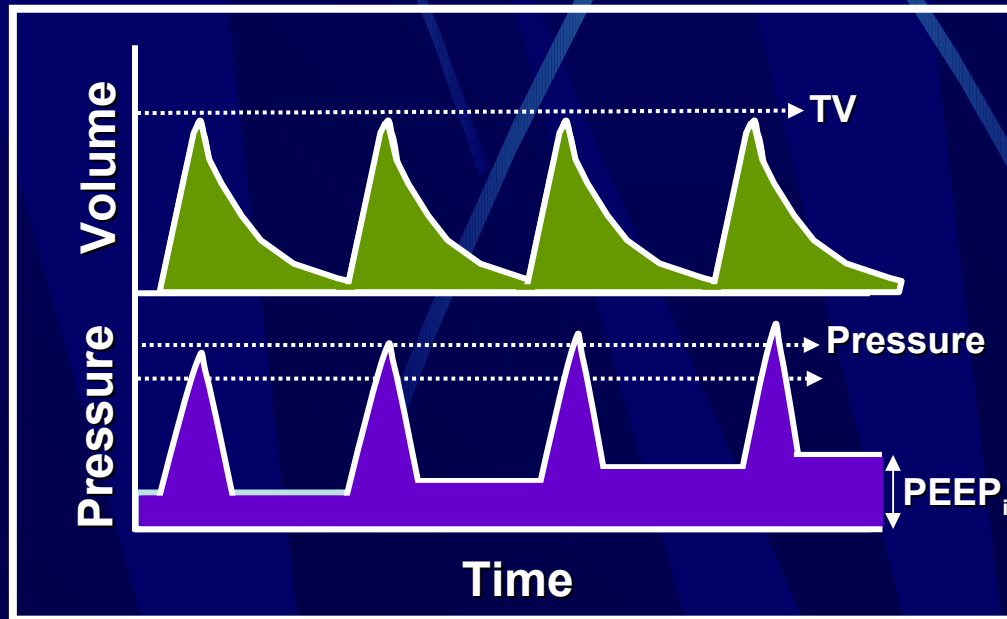
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# Complications of Invasive Mechanical Ventilation




## Auto-PEEP (Intrinsic PEEP)

- **End Expiratory Pressure Does Not Return to Zero (or Set PEEP):**
  - Typically a Complication of Obstructive Lung Disease.
  - Results From an Inadequate Expiratory Time.
  - Patients with Asthma and COPD Need Prolonged Expiratory Phase to Empty Previous Breath.



# Complications of Invasive Mechanical Ventilation

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- Auto-PEEP (Intrinsic PEEP)**
    - **Problem:** If Thoracic Pressure > Central Venous Pressure then Impairment in Venous Return Resulting in Hypotension.
    - **Management:** Prolong Exhalation (Change I:E Ratio)
      - Fewer Breaths/Minute (Increase Tidal Volume)
      - Shorter Inspiratory Time (Increase Inspiratory Flow Rate)



# Complications of Invasive Mechanical Ventilation



## High Pressures:

### ● Problem: Barotrauma vs. Volutrauma

- Large Tidal Volumes  $\pm$  High Lung Pressures Lead to Lung Injury.
- Improved Outcome in Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome by Limiting Tidal Volumes.
- Barotrauma Can also Manifest as Pneumothorax.

### ● Causes:

**High Peak/Normal Plateau**



**Increase in Airways Resistance**



**Worsening Airway Obstruction (Asthma/COPD)  
Endotracheal Tube Obstruction**



**Biting Tube    Mucus Plugging**

**High Peak/High Plateau**



**Decrease in Lung Compliance**



**Worsening Disease (ARDS/CHF)  
Pneumothorax  
Right Mainstem Intubation**





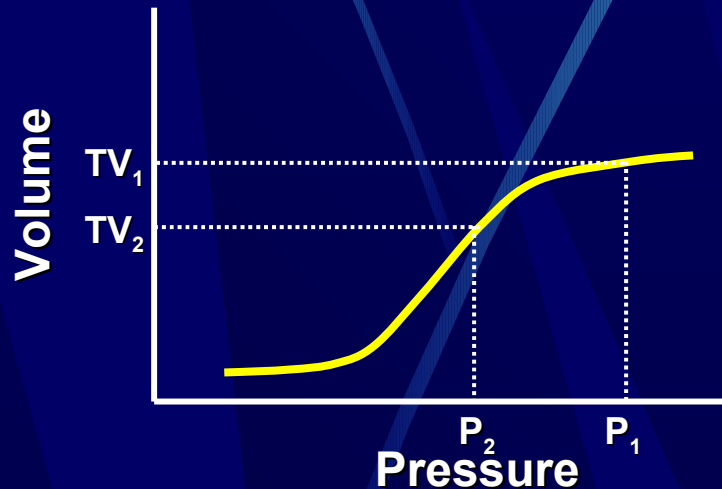
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## High Pressures:

### ● Management:

- Dependent on Cause, So Try to Determine Etiology.
- If Due to Low Lung Compliance, Decrease Tidal Volume
- Can Consider Pressure Cycled Ventilation.



- If Due to Increased Airway Resistance, Less of a Problem: Suctioning  
Bronchodilators, etc.





# Complications of Invasive Mechanical Ventilation



## Over-Ventilation:

### ● When Minute Ventilation Is Greater Than Patient Needs:

- Patient Will Make No Spontaneous Efforts.
- Suspect Over-ventilation When Patient Sits on Back-up Rate.
- Also Can Be Detected with an Arterial Blood Gas.

### ● Management:

- Decrease Minute Ventilation ( $\downarrow$  TV or  $\downarrow$  Respiratory Rate).
- For A/C, Set Back-up Rate ~4 Breaths Below Total Respiratory Rate.



# Complications of Invasive Mechanical Ventilation



## High FiO<sub>2</sub>:

- **Problem: High Levels of Oxygen Are Toxic to Patient's Lung.**
  - Exact Level of safety Has Not Been Determined.
  - $\leq 50\%$  FIO<sub>2</sub> Is Goal.
  - However, FIO<sub>2</sub> Is not Decreased if it Results in Inadequate Oxygenation (Sat > 90% or pO<sub>2</sub> > 60 mmHg).
  
- **Management:**
  - PEEP.
  - Prone Positioning.
  - Inhaled Nitric Oxide.



# Complications of Invasive Mechanical Ventilation



## Patient-Ventilator Dysynchrony:

- **Problem: Patient Discomfort and Anxiety, Impaired Oxygenation/Ventilation.**
- **Management:**
  - Sedation: Benzodiazepines and Narcotic Analgesics
  - Change Ventilator Mode.
  - Paralysis: Increases Risk for ICU Myopathy.



## Ventilator Associated Pneumonia:

- **Problem: Interruption of Upper Airway Defenses.**
  - Cough, Gag, Mucus Clearance.
  - Colonization of the Airway/Upper GI Track with Pathogenic Bacteria.
- **Management:**
  - No Fool Proof Method to Prevent Vent-associated Pneumonia.
  - Elevate Head of Bed to 30-45 degrees.



# Remember



Ventilation is not an end in itself, it is only a form of organ support



The nuances of ventilation should not take away from the primary goal of treating the underlying condition












# Who's Watching the Patient?



# Default settings

-  TV-6-8ml/kg
-  Rate – 15/min
-  FiO<sub>2</sub> – 100%
-  PEEP – 5cmH<sub>2</sub>O
-  Pressure support – 15cmH<sub>2</sub>O
-  Ti – 1.0 sec
-  Pramp – 50msec





# How to Begin Invasive Mechanical Ventilation: Settings



## Options (for invasive ventilation):

- Mode: Assist-Control (A/C), Intermittent Mandatory Ventilation (IMV), Pressure Support Ventilation (PS), Others.
- FiO<sub>2</sub>: 21%-100%
- Rate: 0-35
- Tidal Volume: 4cc/kg to 10cc/kg
- Inspiratory Flow Rate: 60L/min to 120L/min



# Monitor and re-adjust



FiO<sub>2</sub>-

- based on PaO<sub>2</sub> and SpO<sub>2</sub>. maintain PaO<sub>2</sub> 60-90mmHg
- Aim to reduce FiO<sub>2</sub> below 60%



PEEP-

- based on PaO<sub>2</sub> and SpO<sub>2</sub>.
- Aim to reduce FiO<sub>2</sub> below 60%.
- Can increase rapidly but can be reduced very gradually



# Monitor and re-adjust



Rate –

- To keep CO<sub>2</sub> in normal range-30 to 50 mmHg
- Exceptions: ↑ICP, acute phase of MACD



Pressure support –

- Spontaneous breaths should have at least 80% of set - TV



Tidal volume –

- Adjust so that peak pressure < 30cm H<sub>2</sub>O



Ti –

- clinical and graphical synchrony



Pramp –

- increase only in obstructed airways



# **Daily Assessments of Invasive Mechanical Ventilation**

**Pressures: (Peak and Plateau).**

**Arterial Blood Gas: (Ventilation, Oxygenation)**

**Chest X-ray: Position of Endotracheal Tube**

**Auto-PEEP: Especially in Patient with Obstruction.**

**Patient Comfort and Position of Head.**

**Weaning Candidacy.**



# Weaning From Invasive Mechanical Ventilation

## When?

- Underlying Condition Has Improved:  
     $\text{FIO}_2 \leq 40\%$   
    Minute Ventilation  $\leq 10 \text{ L}$   
    Mental Status Allows Patient to Follow Commands.

## Pre-Weaning Assessment: Parameters

- Patient is Taken Off Support Briefly
- Several Parameters are Assessed: MV, TV, RR, Negative Inspiratory Force, Vital Capacity

No Perfect Predictor for Success in Coming Off Ventilator.

Rapid Shallow Breathing Index Commonly Used:  $\text{RR/TV}$  (Liters).  $< 105$  Suggests Likely Success.



# Weaning From Invasive Mechanical Ventilation



How?

- If Parameters Suggest that Patient is Ready, Begin Weaning Trial:

Spontaneous Trial: Patient Breaths on Own.

Duration of Spontaneous Trial: Depends on Circumstance  
~ 2 Hours.

If Spontaneous Trial is Successful, Endotracheal Tube is  
Removed.



# Adjuncts

 Tracheobronchial hygiene

 Sedation and analgesia

 Stress ulcer prophylaxis

 DVT prophylaxis

 Eye care



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