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## FUNCTIONAL ANATOMY



#### Respiration

**Respiration** = the series of exchanges that leads to the uptake of oxygen by the cells, and the release of carbon dioxide to the lungs

Step 1 = ventilation

Inspiration & expiration

Step 2 = exchange between alveoli (lungs) and pulmonary capillaries (blood)

Referred to as External Respiration

Step 3 = transport of gases in blood

Step 4 = exchange between blood and cells

• Referred to as Internal Respiration

## Respiration

- Goals of respiration- to provide oxygen to the tissues and to remove carbon dioxide
- 4 major functional events-
- i. Pulmonary ventilation-Inspiration & expiration
- ii. Diffusion of oxygen and carbon dioxide between alveoli and blood-External Respiration
- iii. Transport of oxygen and carbon dioxide in blood and body fluids to and from the cells- Internal Respiration
- iv. Regulation of ventilation

#### • EXTERNAL RESPIRATION

#### • INTERNAL RESPIRATION



# Respiratory Tree

- The Respiratory Tree
  - Upper respiratory tract a single large conductive tube
  - The lower respiratory tract starts after the larynx and divides again and again...and again to eventually get to the smallest regions which form the exchange membranes

- Trachea
- Primary bronchi
- Secondary bronchi
- Tertiary bronchi

- Bronchioles
- Terminal bronchioles
- Respiratory bronchioles with start of alveoli outpouches
- Alveolar ducts with outpouchings.

Trachea to terminal bronchiole- conducting zone Last two's- exchange portion

# WEIBEL'S LUNG MODE

- E.R Weibel(1963)- tracheobronchial tree
- The main, lobar and segmental first four
- Subsegmental bronchi -5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> they extend upto 11<sup>th</sup> generation and are known as bronchioles
- Terminal bronchioles- 12-16<sup>th</sup> generation
- Respiratory bronchioles- 17-19<sup>th</sup> generation
- Alveolar ducts- 20-22<sup>nd</sup> generation
- Alveolar sacs- 23<sup>rd</sup> generation
- Upto 16<sup>th</sup> gen- no exchange of gases-dead space. Total capacity- approx 150mlconducting zone
- From 17<sup>th</sup> onwards- gaseous exchange take place. Volume approx 4 litresrespiratory zone



- Wall of tracheobronchial tree made up of fibers, cartilages, smooth muscles and epithelial lining containing glands and cilia(escalator action).
- Alveolar lining epithelium:- thin and simple squamous type. Consist of 2 types of cells
- 1. Type 1 cells:- flat and primary lining cells
- 2. Type II cells (granular pneumocytes):- granular and secrete surfactant

#### Alveoli also contain

- PAM- pulmonary alveolar macrophages- phagocytic cells
- Lymphocytes
- Plasma cells- form and secrete immunoglobulins
- APUD cells- amine precursor uptake and decarboxylation cells- stpre and secrete peptides. E.g's- VIP( vaso active peptide), substance P tec
- Mast cells containing heparin, histamine etc.

Pores of kohn:- small pores, alveoli communicating channels

#### Innervation

- Two branches of autonomic nervous system (ANS)
- 1. Parasympathetic nerve-stimulation by irritants, chemical, cool air or exercisecholinergic discharge-bronchoconstriction and increased bronchial secretions via muscuranic receptors
- 2. Sympathetic nerve- stimulation via adrenergic receptors causes bronchodilation and inc secretions.
- Non-cholinergic Non-adrenergic nerve- its stimulation causes bronchodilation due to release of mediator VIP. – deficient in bronchial asthma



#### **BRONCHOPULMONARY SEGMENTS**

Lateral

(C)

#### Loft Right Upper lobe Upper lobe 1 Apical bronchus 1 Apical bronchus 2 Posterior bronchus 2 Posterior bronchus 3 Anterior bronchus **3** Anterior bronchus Middle lobe Ligula 4 Lateral bronchus 4 Superior bronchus 5 Medial bronchus 5 Inferior bronchus Lower lobe Lower lobe 6 Apical bronchus 6 Apical bronchus 7 Medial basal (cardiac) bronchus 8 Anterior basal bronchus 8 Anterior basal bronchus 9 Lateral basal bronchus 9 Lateral basal bronchus 10 Posterior basal bronchus 10 Posterior basal bronchus Anterior **Right side** Left side Left side

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Left oblique

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# **Respiratory Membrane**

- Also known as alveolar-capillary membrane.- thickness 0.3-1micrometer.
- Made up of alveolar wall and capillary wall.



The factors that determine how rapidly a gas will pass through the membrane are:

- The thickness of the membrane,
- The surface area of the membrane,
- The diffusion coefficient of the gas in the substance of the membrane, and
- The partial pressure difference of the gas between the two sides of the membrane.

#### Pleura

- Outer covering of lungs
- Two layers:- parietal pleura and visceral pleura
- Pleural cavity:- space between two layers
- Pleural fluid:- approx 2ml, serous lubricating fluid.
- Adhesive and non-expansile keeps two layer together i.e, hydraulic traction therefore when one moves other follows.
- > Lung slide easily on the chest wall but resist when pulled away.

# Partial Pressure

- Pressure exerted by any one gas in a mixture of gases is called its partial pressure
- P=nRT/V, P= pressure, n= number of moles, R= gas constant, T=temperature, V=volume
- Calculation of partial pressure of gases
- Pgas= <u>% of gas</u> x total atm pressure 100
- Composition of dry air-
- O<sub>2</sub>-20.98%, CO<sub>2</sub>- 0.03%, N<sub>2</sub>- 78.06%

	ATMOSPHER IC AIR(mmHg)	HUMIDIFIE D AIR	ALVEOLA R AIR	EXPIRED AIR
N <sub>2</sub>	597.0	563.4	569.0	566.0
0 <sub>2</sub>	159.0	149.3	104.0	120.0
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.3	0.3	40.0	27.0

# FUNCTIONS OF RESPIRATORY TRACTS

- Upper respiratory tract Warm Humidify
  - Filter
- Lower respiratory tract
  - 1. Exchange of gases .... Due to
  - Huge surface area
  - Associated network of pulmonary capillaries

#### 2. Protection

- Free pulmonary alveolar macrophages (PAMS dust cells)
- Surfactant produced by type II alveolar cells (septal cells)

#### Non Respiratory Functions

• Lung defence mechanism-humidify, cool, warm air,

Bronchial secretions contain Ig A and nitirc oxide- helps in resist infection Prevent foreign bodies from reaching alveoli

- Particles> 10micrometer- strained out by nostrils hair
- Particles 2-10 micrometer- fall on walls of bronchi- initiate brochoconstriction and coughing-moved out by ciliary escalator action
- Particles <2 micrometer- reaches alveoli- ingested by macrophages</p>
- Functions of pulmonary circulation
- Reservoir of left ventricle-if LV output>>systemic venous return-mainted for few stroke by drawing out blood stored in pul circulation
- Pul circulation as filter- blood clots, fat cells etc
- Metabolic and endocrine functions.

# Basic Mechanics

- Eupnoea- rhythmic breathing at rest. Consist of inspiration and expiration.
- Inspiration active process

Thorax is enlarged by

- A. Rib movements- outwards and upwards
- B. Diaphragmatic movement Descent of diaphragm

Rib movement:- pump handle movement by 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> ribs due to contraction of external intercostal muscles(T1,2) leads to increase in A-P diameter of chest. Bucket handle movement by 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> ribs leads to increase in transverse diameter of chest.

Diaphragmatic movement:- muscle fibers arise from

- > Xiphisternum
- Inner surface of lower ribs
- Lumbar vertebrae

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- Supplied by phrenic neurons(C3,4,5), draws central tendon downwards.
- Inspiratory muscles-
  - increase thoracic cage volume
    - Diaphragm, External Intercostals
    - Accessory muscles:- SCM, Ant & Post. Sup. Serratus, Scalene, intrinsic muscles of larynx- abductor muscles of vocal cords: post cricoarytenoid.

#### **EXPIRATION:**- passive process

- Abdominals, Internal Intercostals,
- Accessory muscles:- Post Inf. Serratus, Transverse Thoracis, adductor muscles of vocal cords.

# PRESSURE CHANGES DURING VENTILATION

- Intra-pulmonary pressure or intra alveolar pressure
- Intra- pleural or intra thoracic pressure: -2mmHg
- Trans-pulmonary pressure
  - difference between alveolar P & pleural P
  - Pressure difference between that in the alveoli and that on the outer surfaces of the lungs
  - measure of the elastic recoil tendency of the lung
  - peaks at the end of inspiration

#### LUNG VOLUMES AND CAPACITIES

2 major headings

- 1. Static lung volumes and capacities- time factor is not involved , ml or L
- 2. Dynamic lung volumes and capacities- time dependent, ml/min or L/min

Static lung volumes

Tidal Volume (500ml)

amount of air moved in or out of lungs during quiet respiration.

 Inspiratory Reserve Volume (2000-3200ml) Maximal vol. of air which can be inspired after completing normal tidal inspiration.

- Expiratory Reserve Volume (750-1000ml) maximal vol. of air which can be expired after a normal tidal inspiration.
- Residual Volume (1200 ml)

volume of air left in the lungs after maximal expiration.

#### STATIC LUNG CAPACITIES

- Functional residual capacity (RV+ERV) (about 2.5 liters). vol. of air left in the lungs at end expiratory position.
- Inspiratory capacity (TV+IRV) about 2500-3700 ml. max. vol. of air that can be inspired after completing tidal expiration

- Expiratory capacity (TV+ERV) about 1250-1500ml.max vol of air which can be expired after completing tidal inspiration.
- Vital capacity (IRV+TV+ERV) (about 4.8 L in males and 3.2 L in female).
  •max. amount of gas that can be expelled from the lungs by forceful effort following a maximal inspiration.
- Total lung capacity (IRV+TV+ERV+RV or VC+RV) about 5800 ml. the vol of air contained in the lungs after a maximal inspiration.

#### Lung Volumes and Capacities



## Dynamic lung capacities

 Timed vital capacity(TVC) or forced vital capacity(FVC) - maxi volume of air which can be breathed out as forcefully and rapidly as possible following a maximum inspiration.

Components of FVC:-

- 1. FEV1 (forced expiratory volume in 1 sec)- vol of FVC expired in 1<sup>st</sup> sec of exhalation. 80% of FVC
- 2. FEV2. 95% of FVC
- 3. FEV3 98-100% of FVC
- Minute ventilation or pulmonary ventilation- vol of air expired or inspired by the lungs in 1 minute. 6L/min
- Maximum breathing capacity(MBC)- largest vol of air that can be moved into and out of the lungs in 1 minute by maximum voluntary effort. 90-170 L/min

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