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# Mechanical Ventilation in the Operating Room

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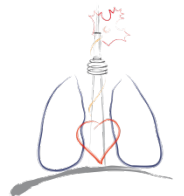
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# Outline

- Ventilator induced lung injury
- Postoperative pulmonary complications
- Mechanical ventilation in the operating room – challenges and strategies available
- Conclusions





# Andrea Vesalio

## *De humani corporis fabrica*

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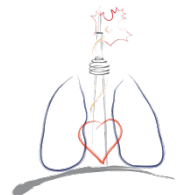
But that life may in a manner of speaking be restored to the animal, an opening must be attempted in the trunk of the trachea, into which a tube of reed or cane should be put; you will then blow into this, so that the lung may rise again and the animal take in air. Indeed, with a slight breath in the case of this living animal the lung will swell to the full extent of the thoracic cavity, and the heart become strong and exhibit a wondrous variety of motions. So, with the lung inflated once and a second time, you examine the motion of the heart by sight and touch as much as you wish.<sup>9</sup>

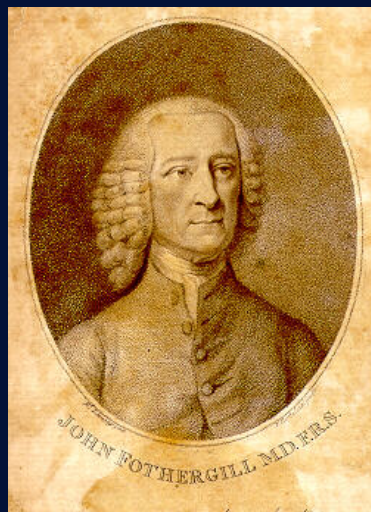
ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION,  
THE HISTORY OF AN IDEA

by

A. BARRINGTON BAKER

Med Hist 1971; 15; 336-51





In 1744, John Fothergill discussed a case of a patient who was “dead in appearance” after exposure to coal fumes and who was successfully treated by mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

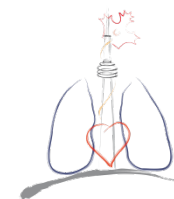
Fothergill noted that mouth-to-mouth resuscitation was preferable to using bellows because “the lungs of one man may bear, without injury, as great a force as those of another man can exert; which by the bellows cannot always be determin’d.”



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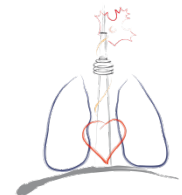
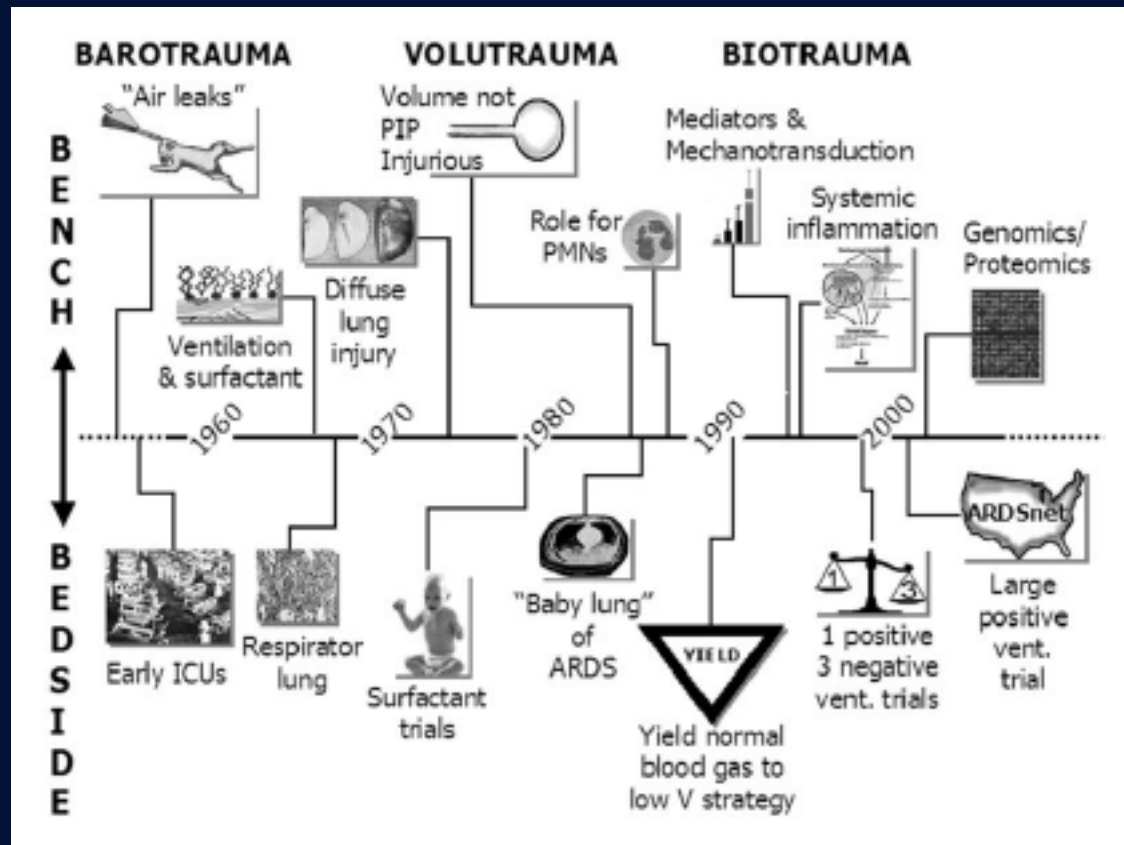
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Lorraine N. Tremblay  
Arthur S. Slutsky

## Ventilator-induced lung injury: from the bench to the bedside



# Ventilator induced lung injury

## Barotrauma

- excessive pressure in the airways → “air leaks”

## Volutrauma

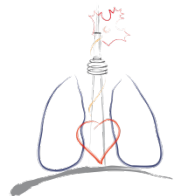
- cyclic overstretching of aerated alveolar areas with high VT

## Atelectrauma

- from repeated closing (at end expiration) and opening (at the next inspiration) of lung units

## Biotrauma

- inflammatory processes involving both epithelium and endothelium → local and systemic



# Ventilator induced lung injury

...the concept that mechanical ventilation can have a significant influence on the inflammatory/anti-inflammatory milieu of the lung, and thus may play a role in initiating or propagating a local, and possibly systemic inflammatory response...

Tremblay L, Valenza F, Ribeiro SP, Li J, Slutsky AS. 1997. Injurious ventilatory strategies increase cytokines and c-fos m-RNA expression in an isolated rat lung model.

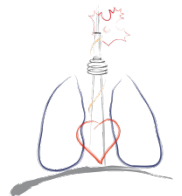
*J Clin Invest* 99:944-952.



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# Effect of Mechanical Ventilation on Inflammatory Mediators in Patients With Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome: A Randomized Controlled Trial

V. Marco Ranieri; Peter M. Suter; Cosimo Tortorella; et al.

*JAMA*. 1999;282(1):54-61 (doi:10.1001/jama.282.1.54)

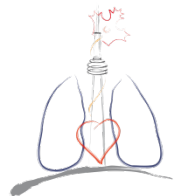
The concentration of the inflammatory mediators in bronchoalveolar lavage fluid and plasma 36 hours after randomization was significantly lower in the lung-protective strategy group than in the control group



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**VENTILATION WITH LOWER TIDAL VOLUMES AS COMPARED WITH  
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THE ACUTE RESPIRATORY DISTRESS SYNDROME NETWORK\*

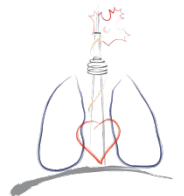
In patients with ARDS, mechanical ventilation with a lower tidal volume than is traditionally used results in decreased mortality (31% vs 40%) and increases the number of days without ventilator use



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**TABLE 4. MAIN OUTCOME VARIABLES.\***

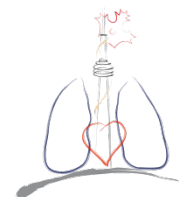
VARIABLE	GROUP RECEIVING LOWER TIDAL VOLUMES	GROUP RECEIVING TRADITIONAL TIDAL VOLUMES	P VALUE
Death before discharge home and breathing without assistance (%)	31.0	39.8	0.007
Breathing without assistance by day 28 (%)	65.7	55.0	<0.001
No. of ventilator-free days, days 1 to 28	12±11	10±11	0.007
Barotrauma, days 1 to 28 (%)	10	11	0.43
No. of days without failure of nonpulmonary organs or systems, days 1 to 28	15±11	12±11	0.006

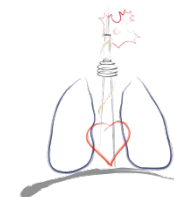
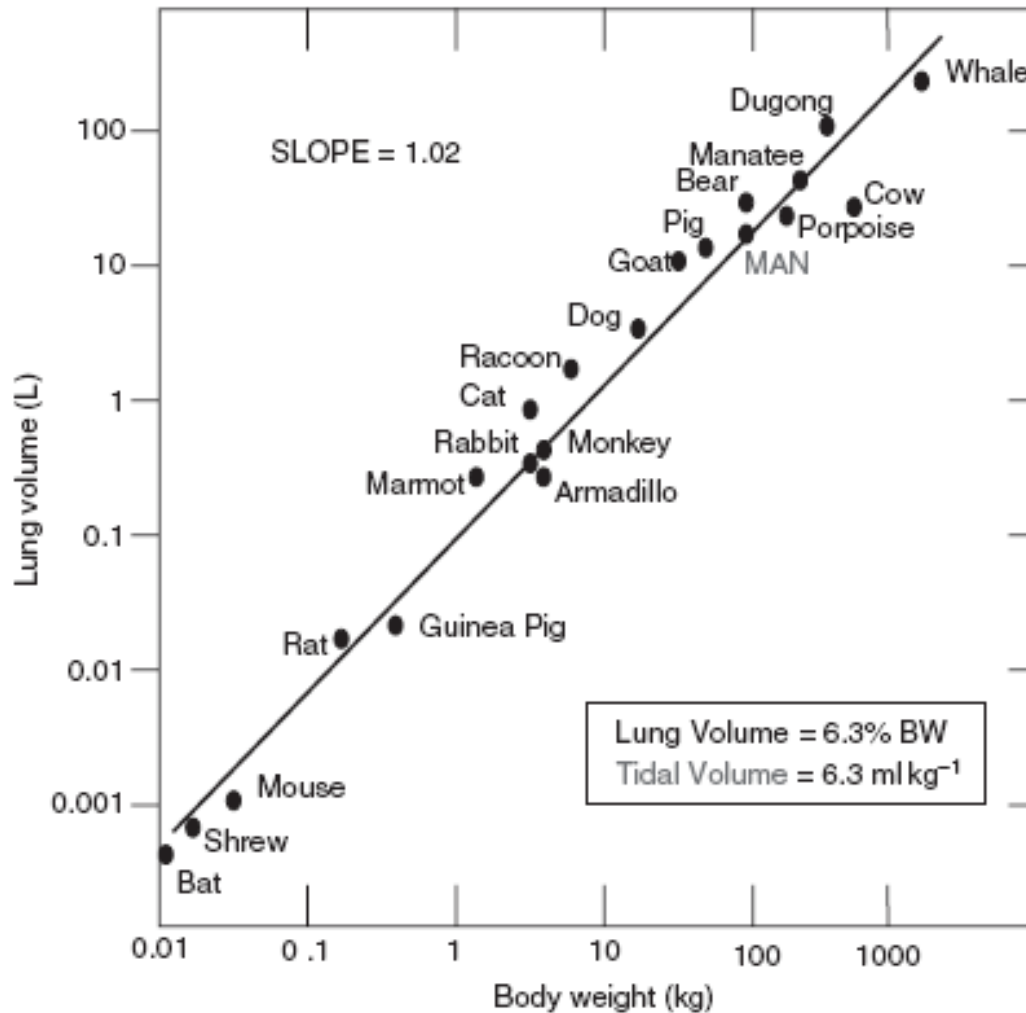


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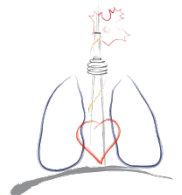


# Predicted Body Weight

## Calculation of predicted body weight

$50 + 0.91(\text{cm of height} - 152.4)$  for males

$45.5 + 0.91(\text{cm of height} - 152.4)$  for females



ORIGINAL ARTICLE

ARCHIVE

# Impaired Oxygenation in Surgical Patients during General Anesthesia with Controlled Ventilation — A Concept of Atelectasis

H. H. Bendixen, M.D.<sup>†</sup>, Hedley Whyte, M.B., B.Chir.<sup>‡</sup>, and M. B. Laver, M.D.<sup>§</sup>

N Engl J Med 1963; 269:991-996 | [November 7, 1963](#) | DOI: 10.1056/NEJM196311072691901

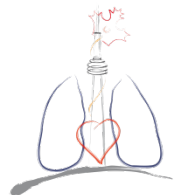
The use of high VT (usually defined as a VT between 10 and 15 ml/kg) during mechanical ventilation has been historically encouraged to prevent hypoxemia and gradual loss of lung volume (i.e., atelectasis formation)



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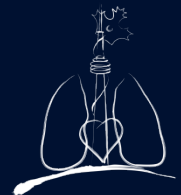
# WHAT OF NORMAL LUNGS IN THE OPERATING ROOM?



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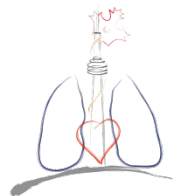
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# Why bother?

- More than 200 million major surgical procedures are performed annually worldwide
- 5 to 10% of all surgical patients and up to 30 to 40% of those undergoing thoracic or abdominal surgery develop postoperative pulmonary complications (PPCs)

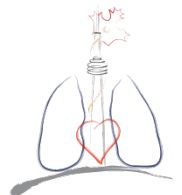
Futier E, Marrat E, Jaber S. Anesthesiology 2014;121:400-8



# Postoperative pulmonary complications

- Account for a substantial proportion of **risks** related to the surgical procedure and general anesthesia
- Are a **major** cause of postoperative morbidity and mortality
- Are associated with considerable **costs** in hospital care (In the US, approximately \$3.42 billion/year (USD))

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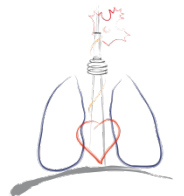




# Postoperative pulmonary complications

- Striking evidence of the harmful effect of PPCs
- Unplanned reintubation within the first 3 days after surgery was associated with a 72-fold increased risk of in-hospital mortality

Brueckmann B, Villa-Urbe JL, Bateman BT, et al. *Anesthesiology* 2013; 118:1276–85



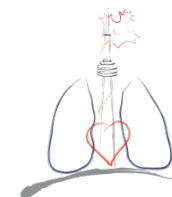
**Table 1.** Risk Factors for Postoperative Pulmonary Complications

Patient Characteristics	Preoperative Testing	Surgery	Anesthetic Management
Age	Low albumin	Open thoracic surgery	General anesthesia
Male sex	Low SpO <sub>2</sub> (≤95%)	Cardiac surgery	High respiratory driving pressure (≥13 cm H <sub>2</sub> O)
ASA class ≥3	Anemia (Hb <10g/dl)	Open upper abdominal surgery	High inspiratory oxygen fraction
Previous respiratory infection		Major vascular surgery	High volume of crystalloid administration
Functional dependency		Neurosurgery	Erythrocyte transfusion
Congestive heart failure		Urology	Residual neuromuscular blockade
COPD		Duration of surgery >2 h	Nasogastric tube use
Smoking		Emergent surgery	
Renal failure			
Gastroesophageal reflux disease			
Weight loss			

Respiratory driving pressure is defined as inspiratory plateau airway pressure *minus* positive end-expiratory pressure.

ASA = American Society of Anesthesiologists; COPD = chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; Hb = hemoglobin concentration; SpO<sub>2</sub> = oxygen saturation as measured by pulse oximetry.

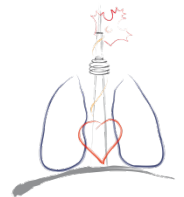
Guldner A, Kiss T, Serpa Neto A, et al. *Anesthesiology* 2015;123:692-713



- Recent anesthesia observational studies reported that a significant number of surgical patients (25-30% of patients in the two studies, respectively) continue to receive non-protective mechanical ventilation with VT more than 10 ml/kg of PBW or more
- Likewise, a retrospective analysis of prospectively collected data recently found no difference in intraoperative VT between patients with and without acute lung injury, suggesting that low VT ventilation may not be widely applied in operating room, even in patients who could benefit the most

Jaber S, Coisel Y, Chanques G, et al. *Anaesthesia* 2012; 67:999–1008

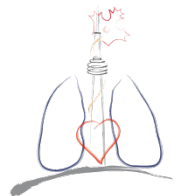
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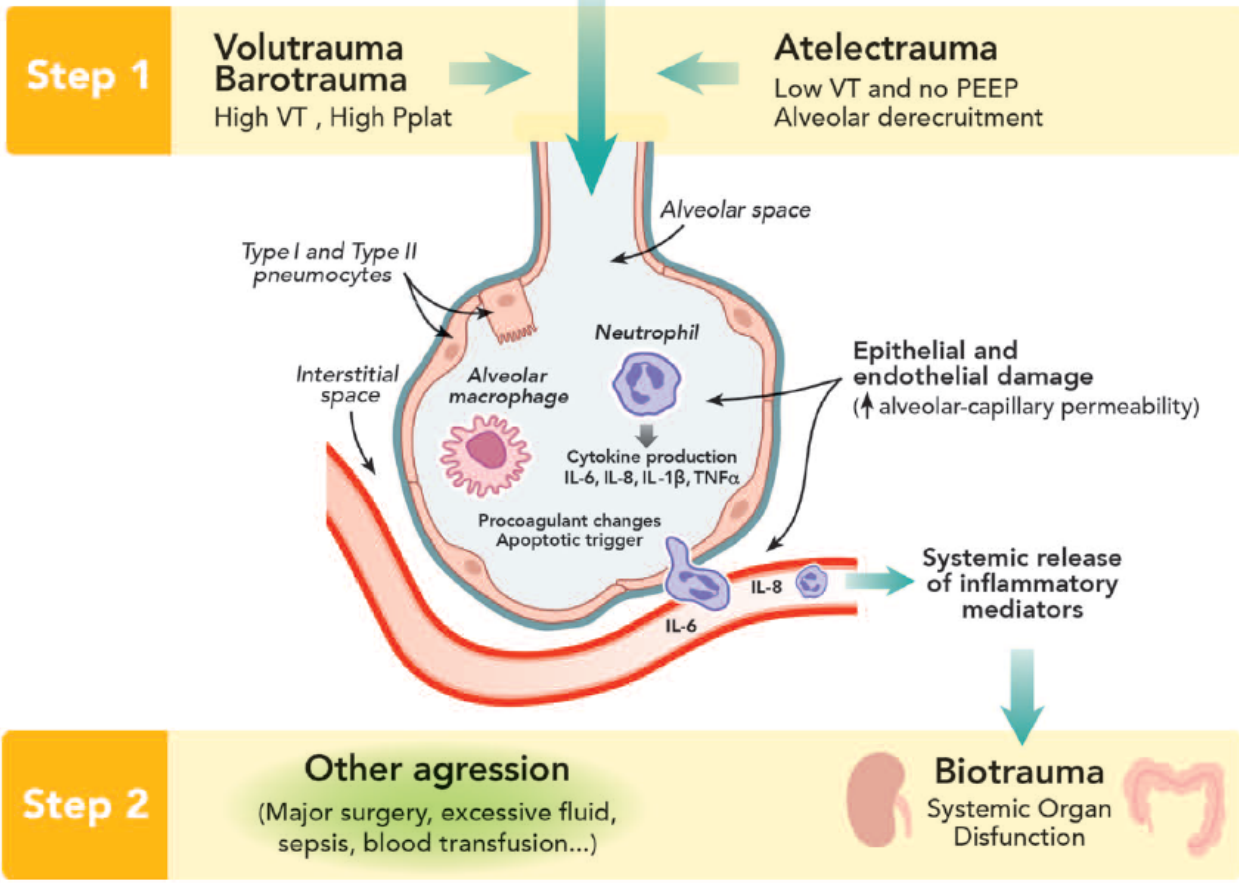
- PEEP is surprisingly not commonly applied in the operating room
- an observational study including 2,960 patients from 49 university and nonuniversity hospitals recently reported
  - more than 80% of patients received mechanical ventilation without PEEP
  - 90% of patients received only very low levels of PEEP (<4 cm H<sub>2</sub>O)
- another observational study involving 45,550 patients between 2006 and 2011 found that approximately 30% of patients still received nonprotective ventilation

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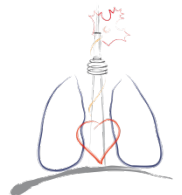
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# Injurious Mechanical Ventilation



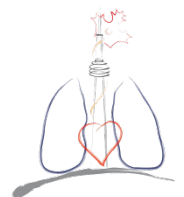
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RESPIRATION AND THE AIRWAY

# Ventilation with low tidal volumes during upper abdominal surgery does not improve postoperative lung function

T. A. Treschan<sup>1\*</sup>, W. Kaisers<sup>1</sup>, M. S. Schaefer<sup>1</sup>, B. Bastin<sup>1</sup>, U. Schmalz<sup>1</sup>, V. Wania<sup>1</sup>, C. F. Eisenberger<sup>2</sup>, A. Saleh<sup>3</sup>, M. Weiss<sup>1</sup>, A. Schmitz<sup>1</sup>, P. Kienbaum<sup>1</sup>, D. I. Sessler<sup>4,5</sup>, B. Pannen<sup>1</sup> and M. Beiderlinden<sup>1,6</sup>



- Prospective, randomized, controlled trial
- 101 patients with low-to-intermediate preoperative risk during upper abdominal surgery
- Low vs High VT intraoperatively

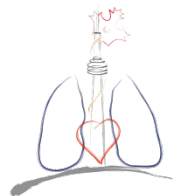
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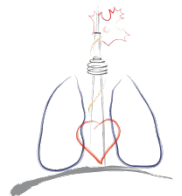
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- No significant benefit in the postoperative lung function testing during the first 5 postoperative days
- Gas exchange was better with high VT

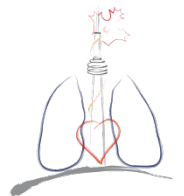
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- Use of relatively low PEEP levels in both groups
- Absence of alveolar recruitment maneuver (RM) in the low VT group

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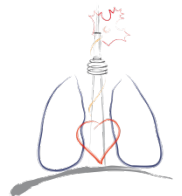
**Lung-protective ventilation is not straightforward and should therefore not be confined only to lowering VT**



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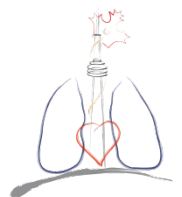
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# A Trial of Intraoperative Low-Tidal-Volume Ventilation in Abdominal Surgery

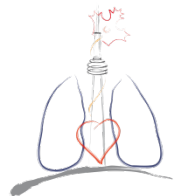
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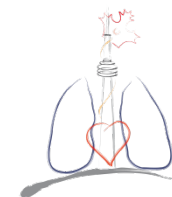
A Trial of Intraoperative Low-Tidal-Volume  
Ventilation in Abdominal Surgery

- Multicenter, double-blind, stratified, parallel-group, randomized clinical trial
- 400 undergoing laparoscopic or nonlaparoscopic elective major abdominal surgery (duration > 2 hours)
- Lung protective (low TV, PEEP, RM) vs traditional MV intraoperatively



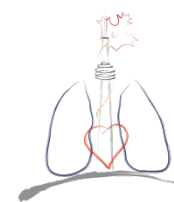
**Table 2. Intraoperative Procedures.\***

Variable	Nonprotective Ventilation (N=200)	Lung-Protective Ventilation (N=200)	P Value
Tidal volume — ml	719.0±127.8	406.7±75.6	<0.001
Tidal volume — ml/kg of predicted body weight	11.1±1.1	6.4±0.8	<0.001
PEEP — cm of water			
Baseline			<0.001
Median	0	6	
Interquartile range	0–0	6–8	
End of surgery			<0.001
Median	0	6	
Interquartile range	0–0	6–8	
No. of recruitment maneuvers			<0.001
Median	0	9	
Interquartile range	0–0	6–12	
Peak pressure — cm of water			
Baseline	20.1±4.9	18.9±3.6	0.04
End of surgery	20.6±4.4	20.0±4.0	0.15
Plateau pressure — cm of water			
Baseline	16.1±4.3	15.2±3.0	0.02
End of surgery	16.6±3.5	15.2±2.6	<0.001
Respiratory system compliance — ml/cm of water			
Baseline	48.4±17.8	55.2±26.6	0.06
End of surgery	45.1±12.9	55.2±26.7	<0.001
F <sub>IO<sub>2</sub></sub> — %	47.2±7.6	46.4±7.3	0.27
Volume of fluids administered — liters			
Crystalloid			0.47
Median	2.0	1.5	
Interquartile range	1.5–3.5	2.0–3.0	
Colloid			0.97
Median	0.5	0.5	
Interquartile range	0.25–1.0	0.50–1.0	
Duration of surgery — no./total no. (%)†			0.95
2–4 hr	76/192 (39.6)	75/195 (38.5)	
>4–6 hr	75/192 (39.1)	76/195 (39.0)	
>6 hr	41/192 (21.4)	44/195 (22.6)	
Duration of mechanical ventilation — min	344±127.9	319±139.4	0.84
Epidural analgesia — no. (%)	77 (38.5)	83 (41.5)	0.61



**Table 3. Results of Unadjusted and Adjusted Outcome Analyses.\***

Variable	Nonprotective Ventilation (N=200)	Lung-Protective Ventilation (N=200)	Unadjusted Relative Risk or Difference (95% CI)	P Value†	Adjusted Relative Risk or Difference (95% CI)‡	P Value
<b>Primary composite outcome — no. (%)</b>						
Within 7 days§	55 (27.5)	21 (10.5)	0.38 (0.24–0.61)	<0.001	0.40 (0.24–0.68)	0.001
Within 30 days	58 (29.0)	25 (12.5)	0.43 (0.28–0.66)	<0.001	0.45 (0.28–0.73)	<0.001
<b>Secondary outcomes — no. (%)</b>						
<b>Pulmonary complication within 7 days¶</b>						
Grade 1 or 2	30 (15.0)	25 (12.5)	0.69 (0.42–1.13)	0.14	0.67 (0.39–1.16)	0.16
<u>Grade ≥3</u>	42 (21.0)	10 (5.0)	0.24 (0.12–0.46)	<0.001	0.23 (0.11–0.49)	<0.001
<u>Atelectasis within 7 days  </u>	34 (17.0)	13 (6.5)	0.38 (0.21–0.70)	0.001	0.37 (0.19–0.73)	0.004
<u>Pneumonia within 7 days</u>	16 (8.0)	3 (1.5)	0.19 (0.05–0.63)	0.01	0.19 (0.05–0.66)	0.009
Acute lung injury or ARDS within 7 days	6 (3.0)	1 (0.5)	0.17 (0.02–1.37)	0.12	0.21 (0.02–1.71)	0.14
<b>Need for ventilation within 7 days</b>						
Invasive	7 (3.5)	2 (1.0)	0.29 (0.06–1.36)	0.51	0.40 (0.08–1.97)	0.26
<u>Noninvasive</u>	29 (14.5)	9 (4.5)	0.31 (0.15–0.64)	0.006	0.29 (0.13–0.65)	0.002
<b>Extrapulmonary complication within 7 days</b>						
SIRS	100 (50.0)	86 (43.0)	0.86 (0.70–1.06)	0.16	0.87 (0.65–1.17)	0.37
Sepsis	29 (14.5)	13 (6.5)	0.45 (0.24–0.84)	0.04	0.48 (0.25–0.93)	0.03
Severe sepsis or septic shock	9 (4.5)	8 (4.0)	0.89 (0.35–2.26)	0.80	1.48 (0.51–4.32)	0.47
Death within 30 days	7 (3.5)	6 (3.0)	0.86 (0.29–2.51)	0.80	1.13 (0.36–3.61)	0.83
<b>Duration of stay in hospital and ICU — days</b>						
<u>Hospital</u>				0.02		0.006
Median	13	11	-2.25 (-4.04 to -0.47)		-2.45 (-4.17 to -0.72)	
Interquartile range	8–20	8–15				
ICU				0.58		0.69
Median	7	6	-1.48 (-6.87 to 3.91)		-1.21 (-4.98 to 7.40)	
Interquartile range	4–9	4–8				

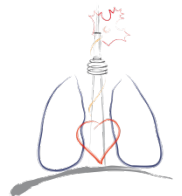


# Atelectasis

- occurs in the most dependent parts of the lungs of 90% or more of anesthetized patients from the first minutes of anesthesia induction
- atelectasis that develops during general anesthesia remains in the postoperative period
- low VT ventilation promotes atelectasis formation

Bendixen HH , Hedley-Whyte J, Laver MB. NEJM 1963;269:991–6

Futier E, Murrat E, Jaber S. Anesthesiology 2014;121:400-8



# Importance of Recruitment Maneuvers...

- Consist of a ventilatory strategy that increases the transpulmonary pressure transiently to reopen the recruitable lung units

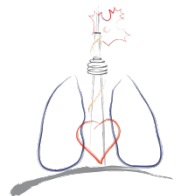
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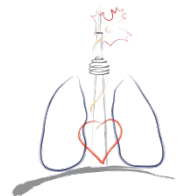
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- There are different methods to perform RM – the three that are mostly used are:
  - sighs (increasing tidal volume or level of PEEP, for one or several breaths)
  - sustained inflation (pressurizing the airways at a specific level and maintaining it for a given duration – i.e. 40 cmH<sub>2</sub>O airway pressure for 40 seconds)
  - extended sigh (combines lower pressure level, progressive rising of airway pressurization, and longer time of application)

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# Hemodynamic effects of recruitment

PEEP and/or RM may compromise hemodynamic function by



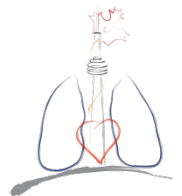
- impeding venous return with an increase in right atrial pressure



- likely promoting a decrease in cardiac output and arterial pressure



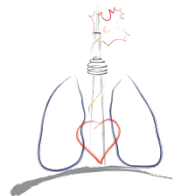
- increase in the need of fluid and vasopressors



# Hemodynamic effects of recruitment

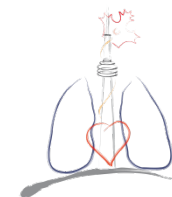
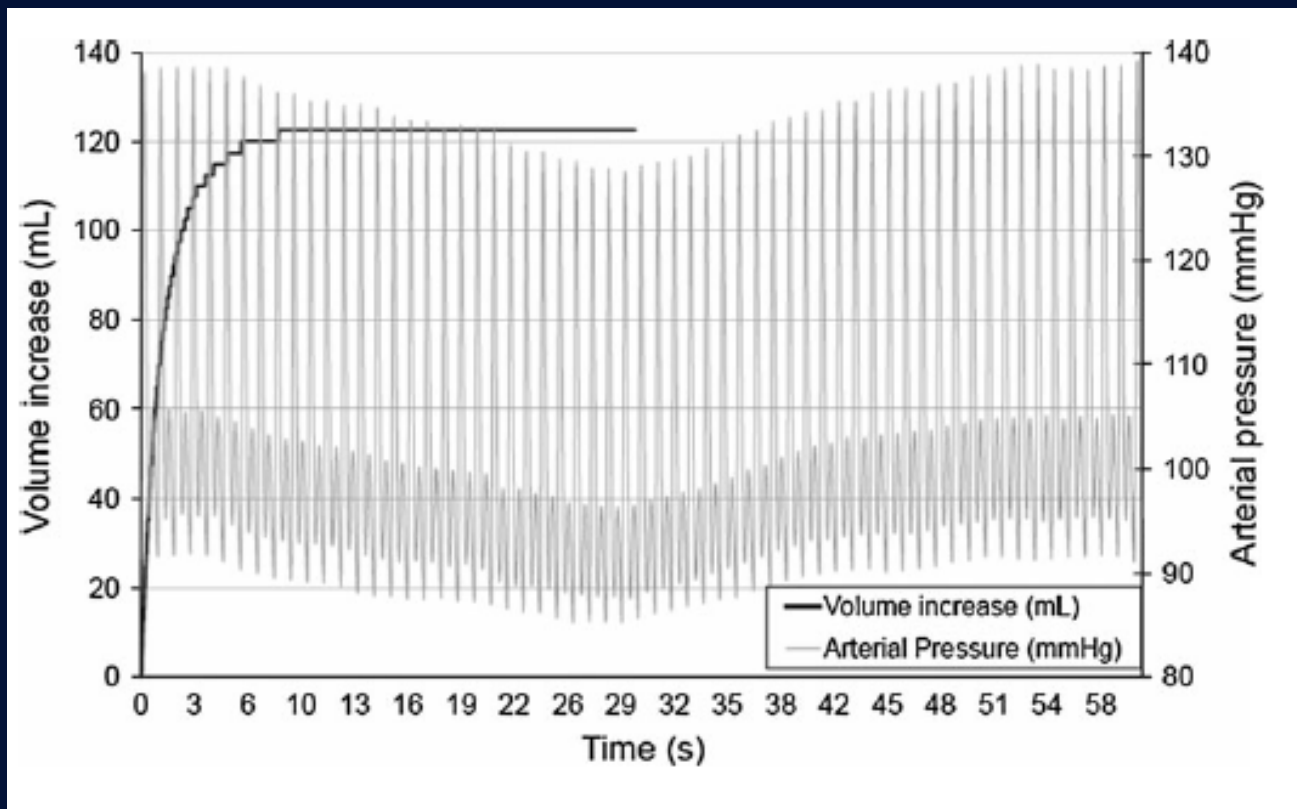
The hemodynamic effects of RM are widely influenced by

- the method of recruitment (e.g. , sustained insufflation or progressive increment in PEEP level)
- the applied level of alveolar pressure
- the properties of the underlying cardiovascular system, and the lung and chest wall mechanics



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## Optimal duration of a sustained inflation recruitment maneuver in ARDS patients

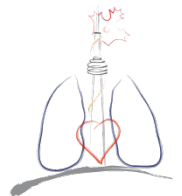


# What about PEEP?

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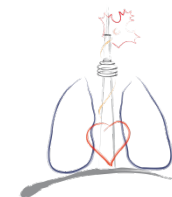
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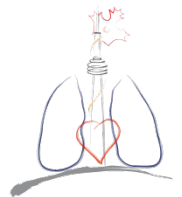
- randomized controlled trial at 30 centres in Europe and North and South America
- 900 patients scheduled for open abdominal surgery
- TV 8ml/kg
- Low ( $< 2$  cmH<sub>2</sub>O) vs high (12 cmH<sub>2</sub>O) PEEP with RM



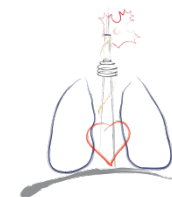
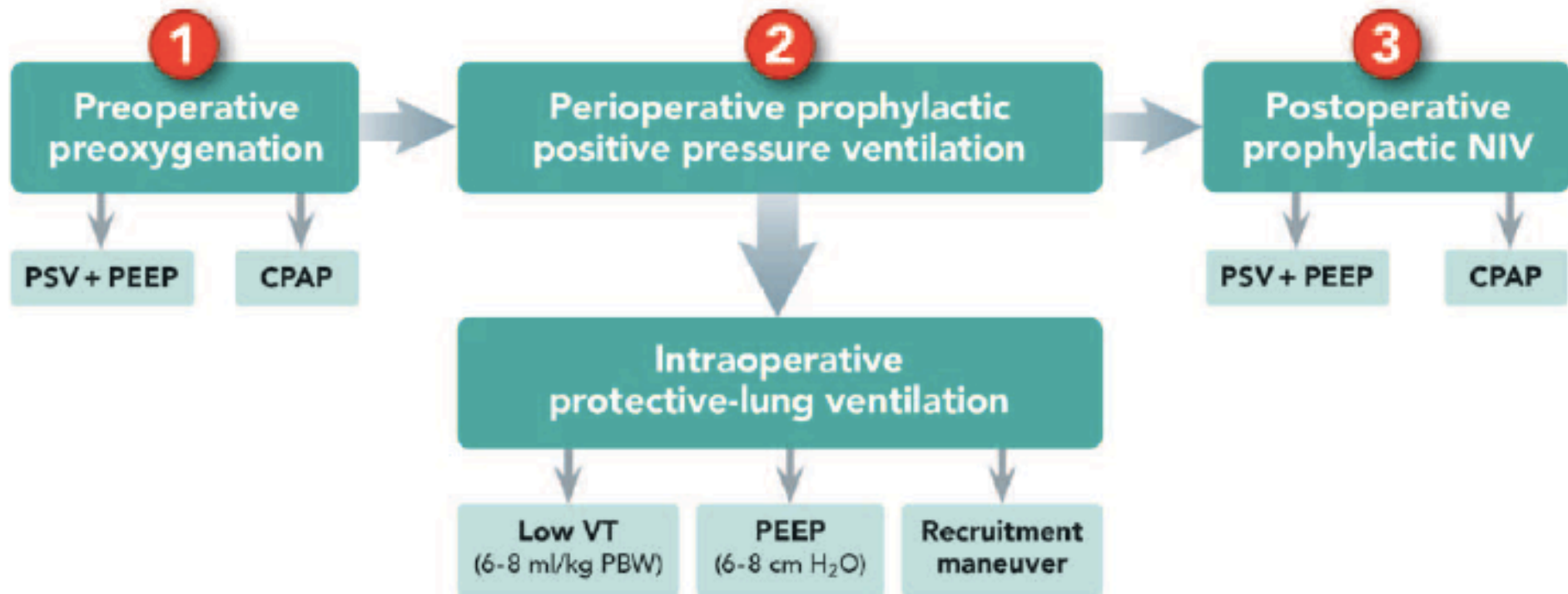
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A strategy with a high level of positive end-expiratory pressure and recruitment manoeuvres during open abdominal surgery does not protect against postoperative pulmonary complications



# Anesthesia and surgery procedures



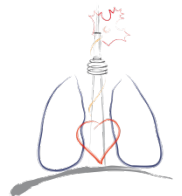


# What about $\text{FiO}_2$ ?

## Small Tidal Volumes, Positive End-expiratory Pressure, and Lung Recruitment Maneuvers during Anesthesia

*Good or Bad?*

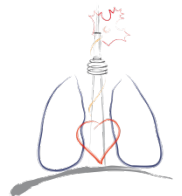
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# What about $\text{FiO}_2$ ?

- There is no discussion regarding the inspired oxygen concentration in any of the larger multicenter studies
- An alveolus full of oxygen behind a closed airway, for example, after induction of anesthesia or after a recruitment maneuver, will not stay open for more than 4 to 5 min

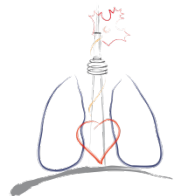
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If the same recruitment maneuver is performed with lower oxygen concentration (e.g. , 40%) in nitrogen, the alveolus will stay open for half an hour or longer, nitrogen being slowly absorbed and acting as a scaffold

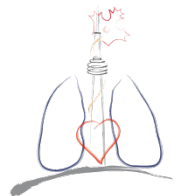
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# What about $\text{FiO}_2$ ?

If the patient is “postoxygenated,” possibly together with airway suctioning minutes before extubation of the trachea, atelectasis is most likely produced. A patient with no atelectasis during anesthesia may then be delivered to the postoperative ward with collapsed lungs.<sup>18</sup>

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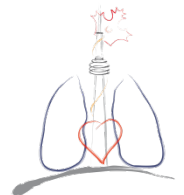
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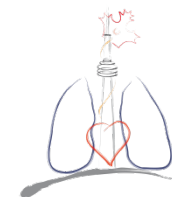
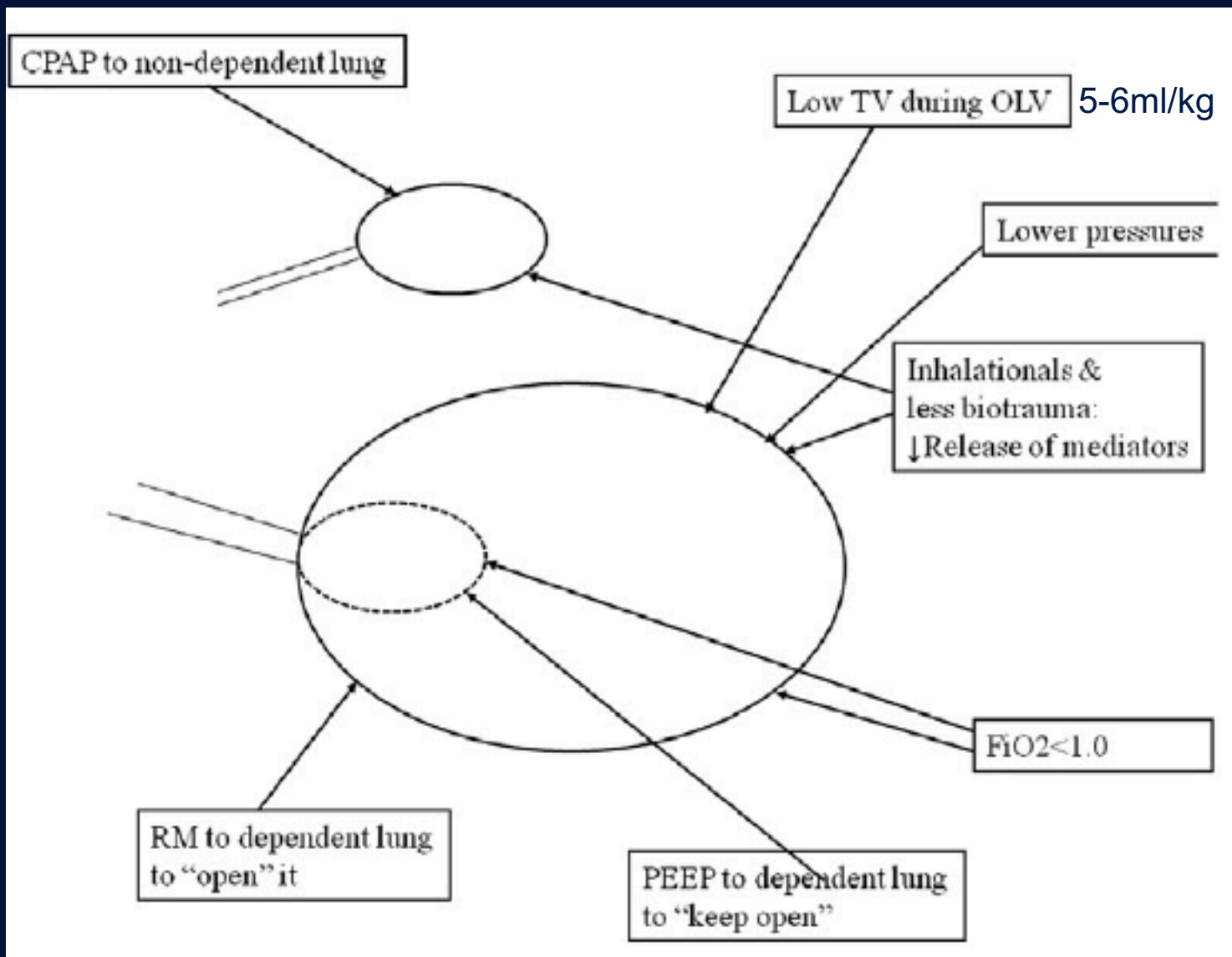
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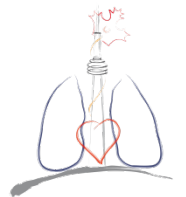
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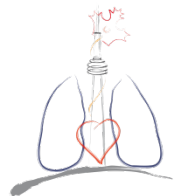
# Conclusions

- Mechanical ventilation in the operating room has the potential to affect patients outcomes
- Protective strategies that include low TV, PEEP, RM should be applied



# Conclusions

- Further studies will inform optimal PEEP settings, RM timing and methods, perioperative care, role of additional factors such as volatile anesthetics, and strategies in special circumstances





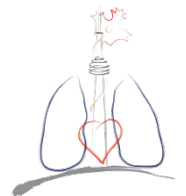
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