

The Evolution of Mechanical Ventilation

- **Historical Review of Mechanical Ventilation: A Journey in Innovation**

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*And the many great RRTs I have been privileged
to work with*

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Learning Objectives

1

Describe the historical development of negative and positive pressure ventilators

2

Review the progressive generations of modern-day positive pressure ventilators

3

Describe the technological capacity of today's ICU ventilators

4

Predict the future direction of mechanical ventilation

Early Attempts At Mechanical Ventilation

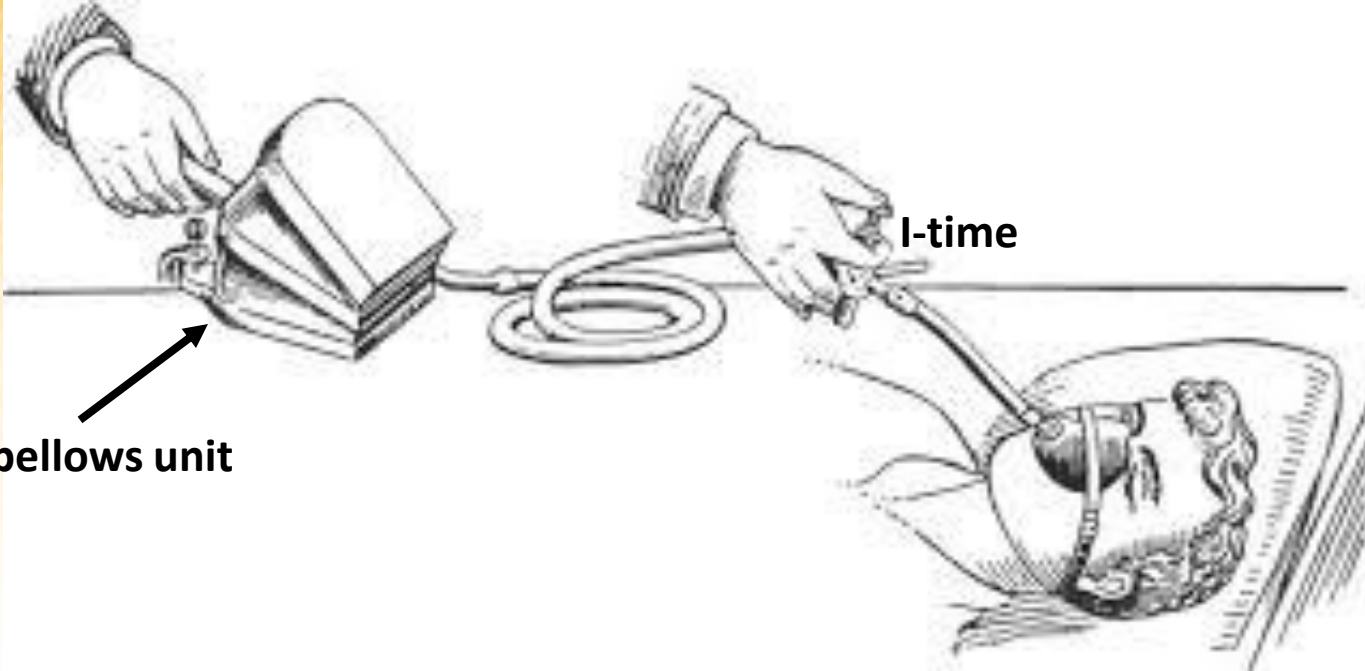
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First know manual resuscitator: 1740

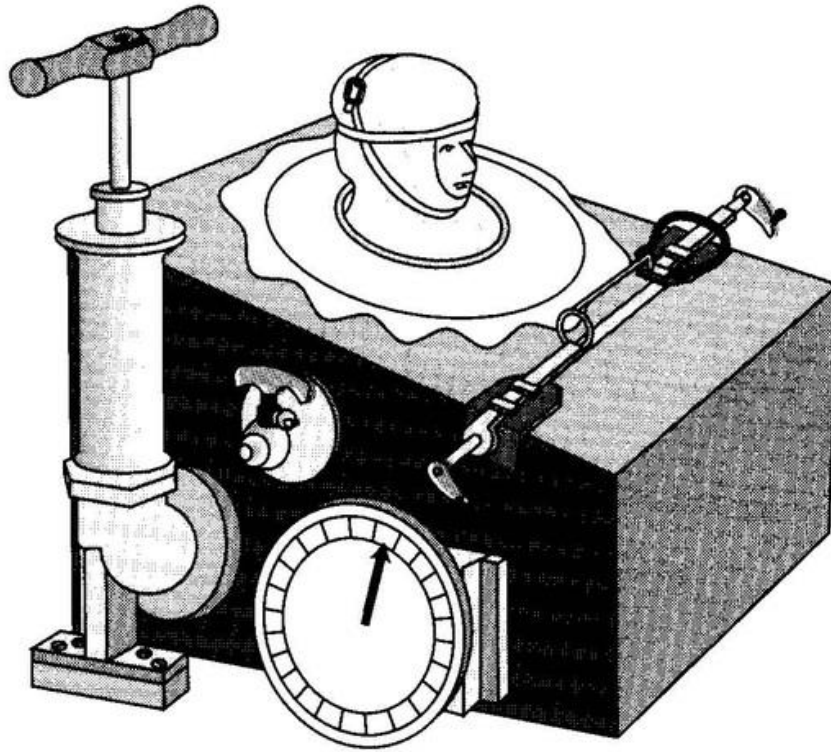
Rate controller

Simple bellows unit

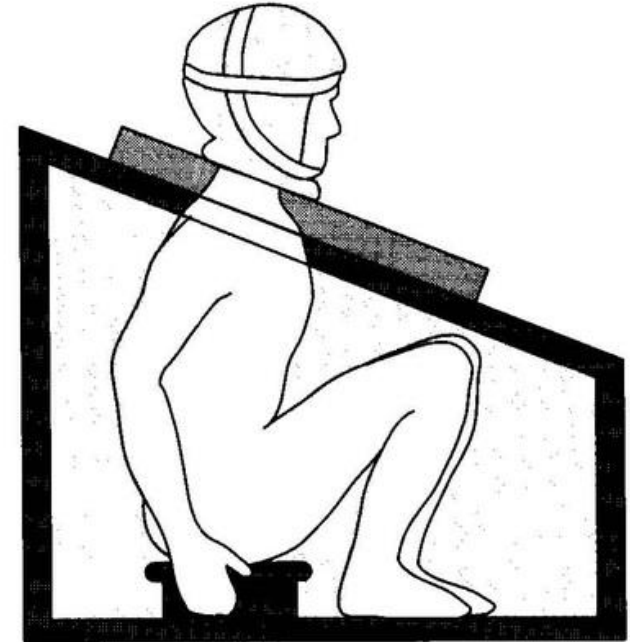


First Negative Pressure Ventilators Mid/Late 1800s

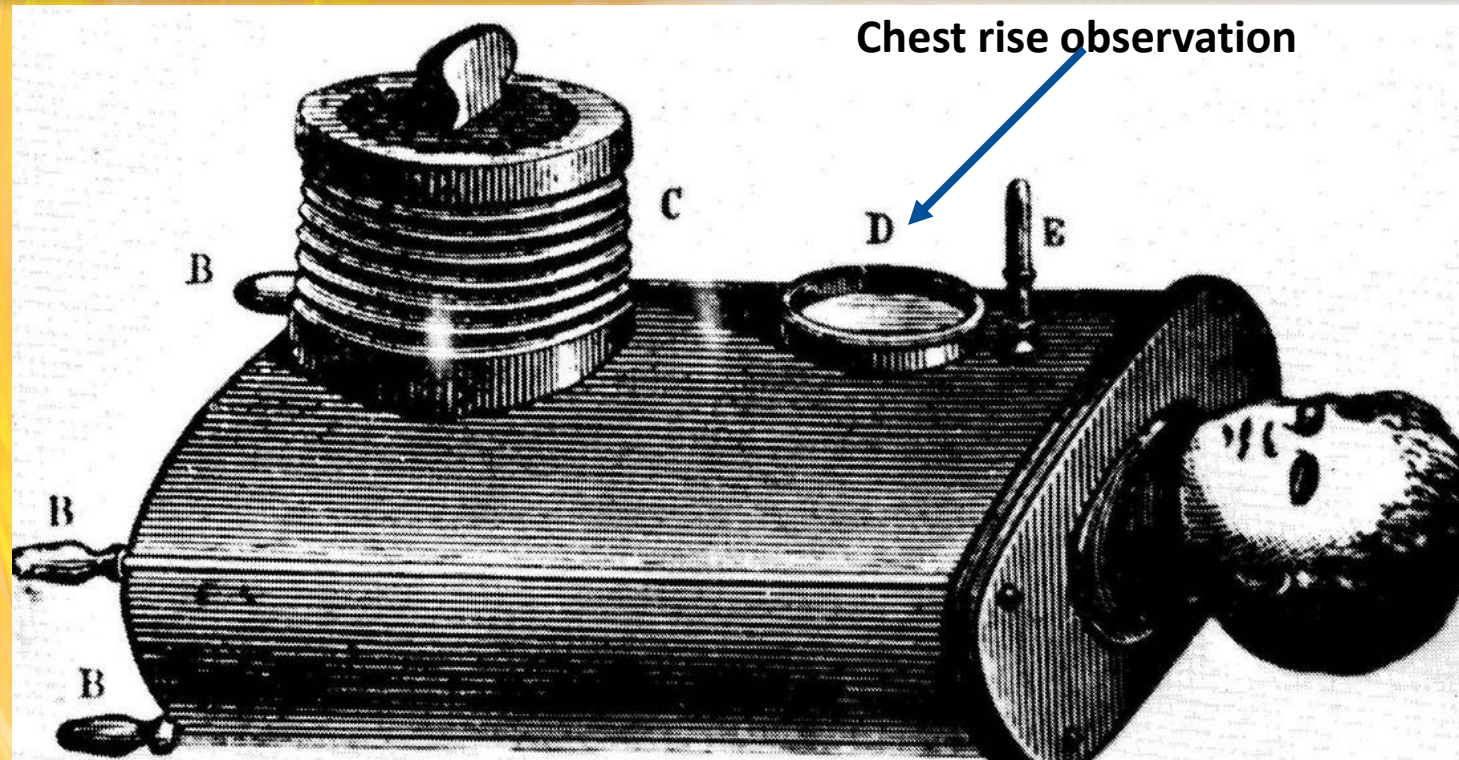
Negative pressure was manually pumped in and out of the box



Pressure gauge



Wuillez's Spirophone(Germany) 1876



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Robert M Kacmarek
Respiratory Care August 2011, 56 (8) 1170-1180; DOI:
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Grumman First successful ventilation of anesthetized rabbit 1910



spirometer

Tidal
volume

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Drager's Pulmotor, 1911



**First resuscitation ventilator: Used for
near drowning, CO poisoning,
high altitude sickness**

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2024 Hamilton T-1 Transport Ventilator



Drinker and Shaw Iron Lung:1929



Permission Felix Kudshid RRT

Last of the Iron Lung: ☹️



Major inventions late 1920s

Look underneath, look inside
..and listen to it!



Advertisement for an early General Electric refrigerator

WORLD'S FINEST, MOST MODERN
AUTOMATIC DISHWASHER
...the new GENERAL ELECTRIC



GENERAL ELECTRIC

You Lovers of Good Toast



Westinghouse

Mechanical Ventilation 1920-1950

- Confined to the OR suite
- Anesthesia
 - Rubber self-inflating bags
 - Flow inflating bags



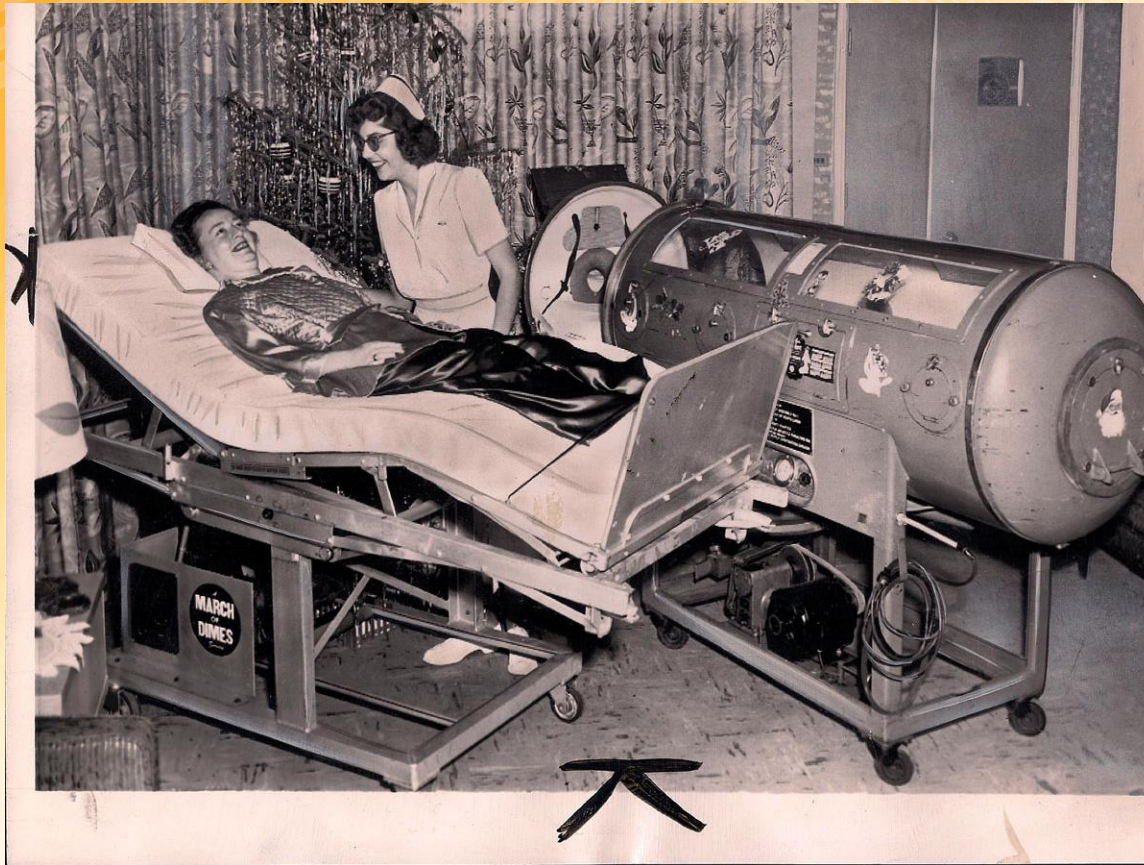
1953 Polio Epidemic: Changed the Trajectory of Mechanical Ventilation



Multi-person Negative Pressure Ventilator Boston Children's Hospital



Rocking Bed Ventilation



Rocking bed:

Speed of bed movement = rate

Angle of bed movement = tidal volume

1957

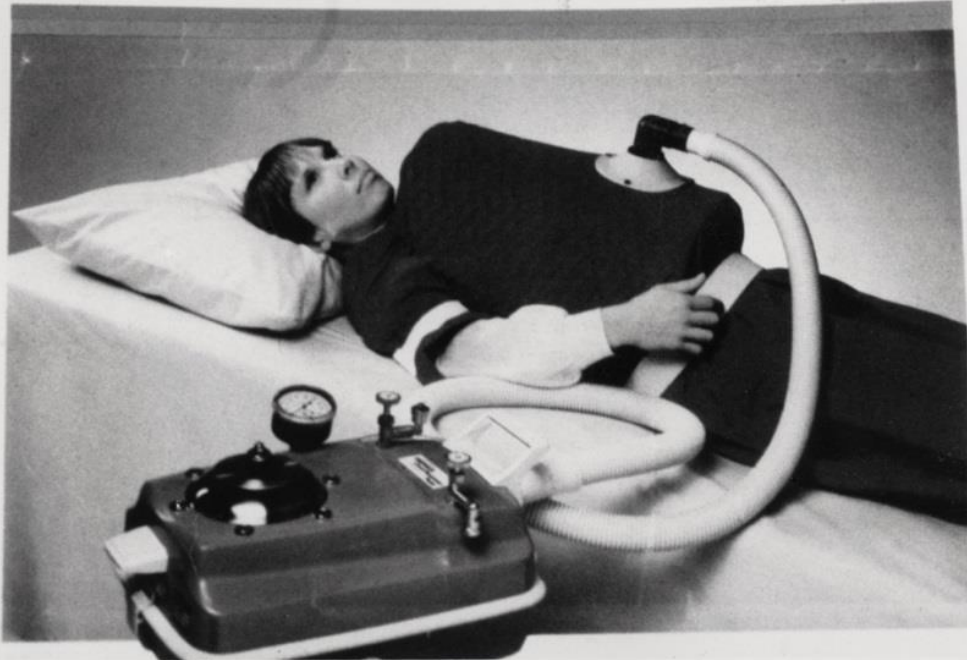
Christmas Card

Permission: Felix KHUSID RRT

Pneumomotor Chest Cuirass with Rocking Bed



EMERSON CHEST RESPIRATOR



Doubled as a canister vacuum cleaner

Permission Dr. Jack Emerson



Clinical Endpoint/Ventilatory Parameters via Negative Pressure Ventilators

- Clinical endpoint
 - Survival!!
- Ventilator parameters
 - Supplemental oxygen via cannula/tubing
 - Negative pressure adjusted via chest rise
 - No ABGs/tidal volume measurement/artificial airway available

Demise of Negative Pressure Ventilation

Problems with negative pressure exceeded benefits: Outcome poor compared to positive pressure ventilators utilized in Sweden and other parts of Europe: 73% to 17% survival!!

Large, cumbersome

Difficult to avoid leakage

Cooling of body surface

Difficult to maintain consistent ventilation

Generally unable to consistently generate high pressure and maintain PEEP

Limited access to patients

Pooling of blood in the thoracic/abdominal cavities

Kenny in 1st grade:☺

Kenny with the dunce
cap



Mechanical Ventilators

- 1st Generation – Early 1960's thru mid 1970's
- 2nd Generation – Mid 1970's thru early 1980's
- 3rd Generation – Early 1980's thru mid 1990's
- 4th Generation – Mid 1990's thru 2010
- 5th Generation-current

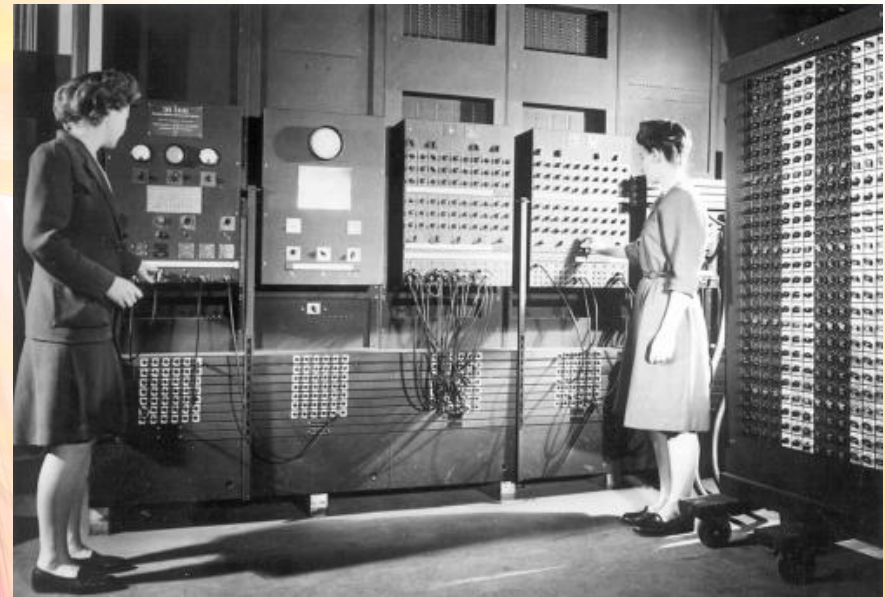
First Generation

- Controlled Mechanical Ventilation **ONLY**
- Limited monitoring
- No alarms
- All simple mechanical devices (pistons, rods, sednoids)
- First application of PEEP
- Machine variables(rate) had to be counted – could not be set
- I/E ratio fixed @ 1:2

Engstrom Ventilator-Weight 500 lbs!!!



Wheeled in via a cart



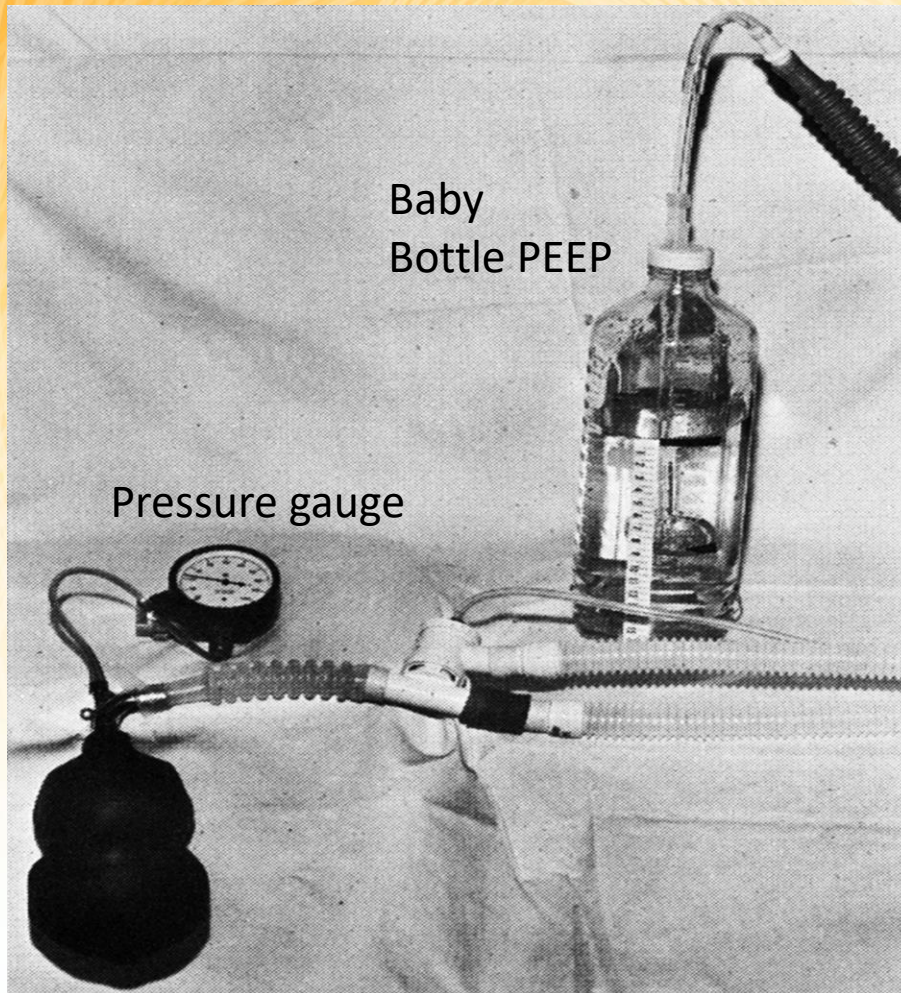
First computers

The Bird Mark 7 being used as a pressure ventilator Set I-time for rate and flow for pressure.



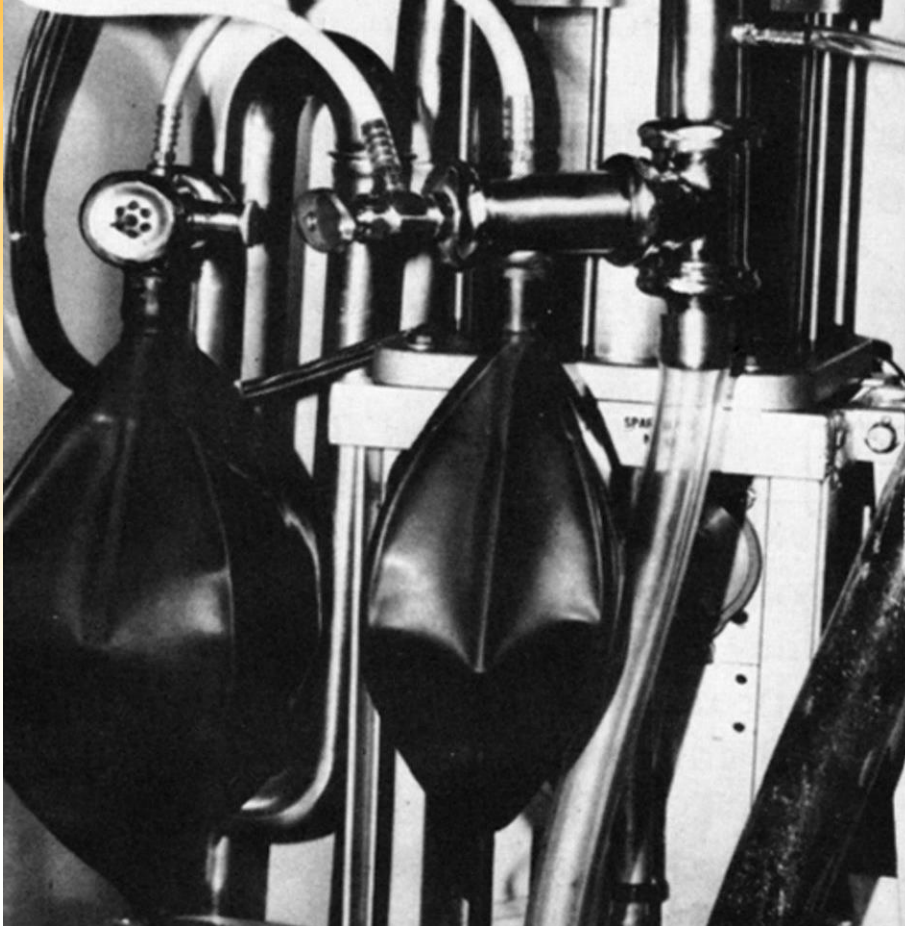
Vietnam Conflict



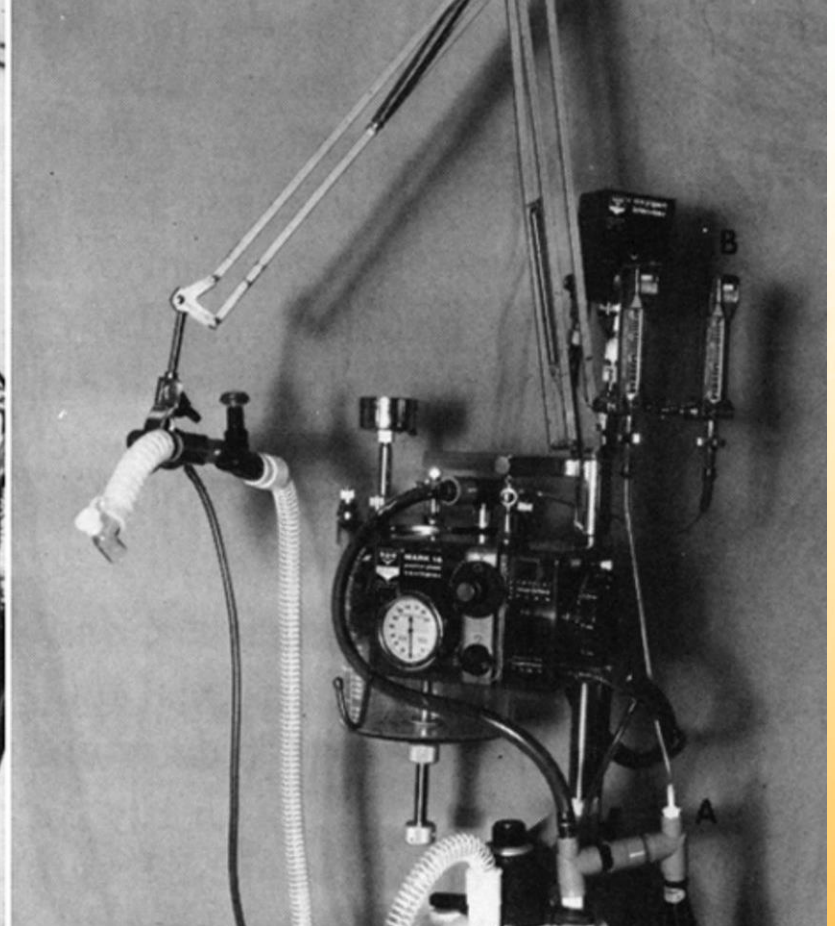


**Application of
PEEP -
Ashbaugh, Petty 1967
During Vietnam Conflict
Improved survival rate
of injured combinations**

Common Vietnam Conflict Ventilators

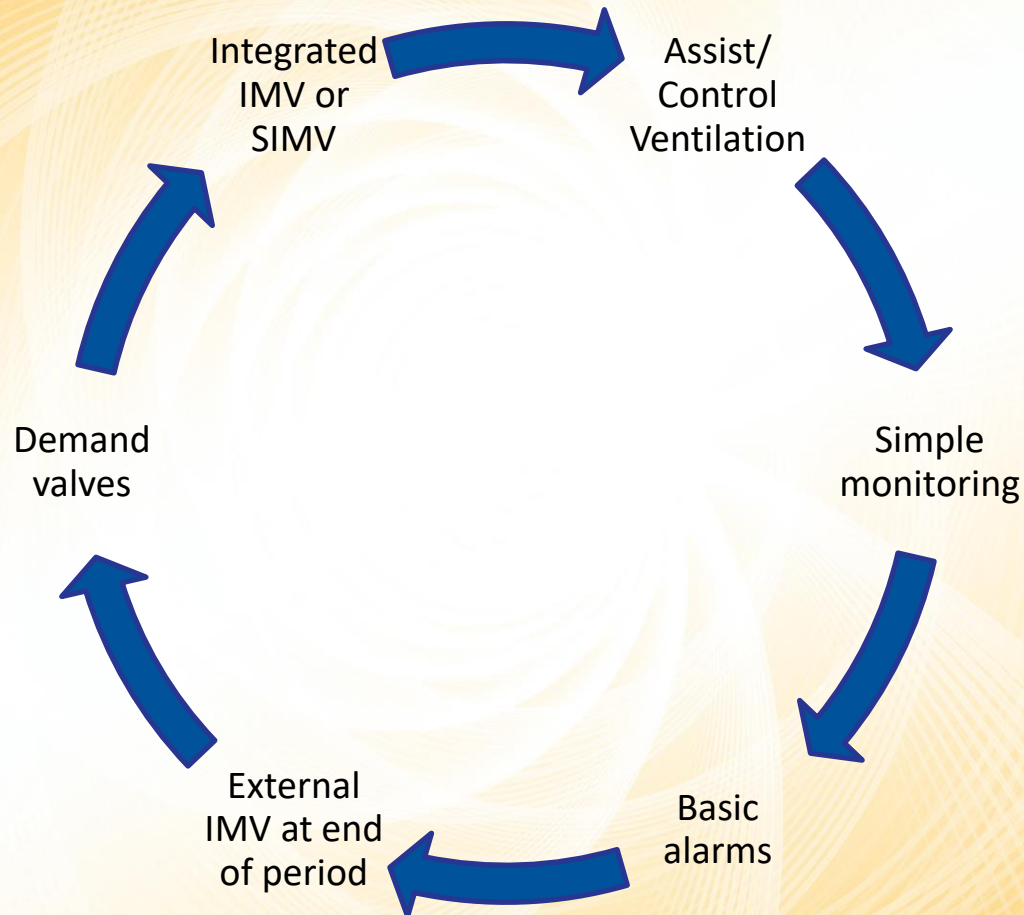


Volume target

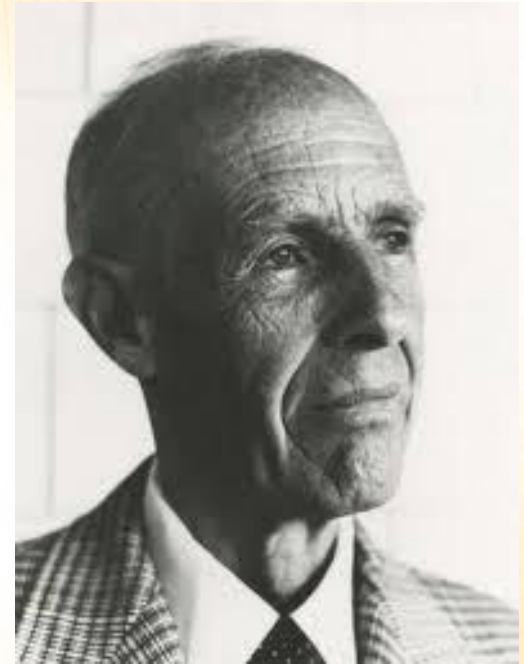
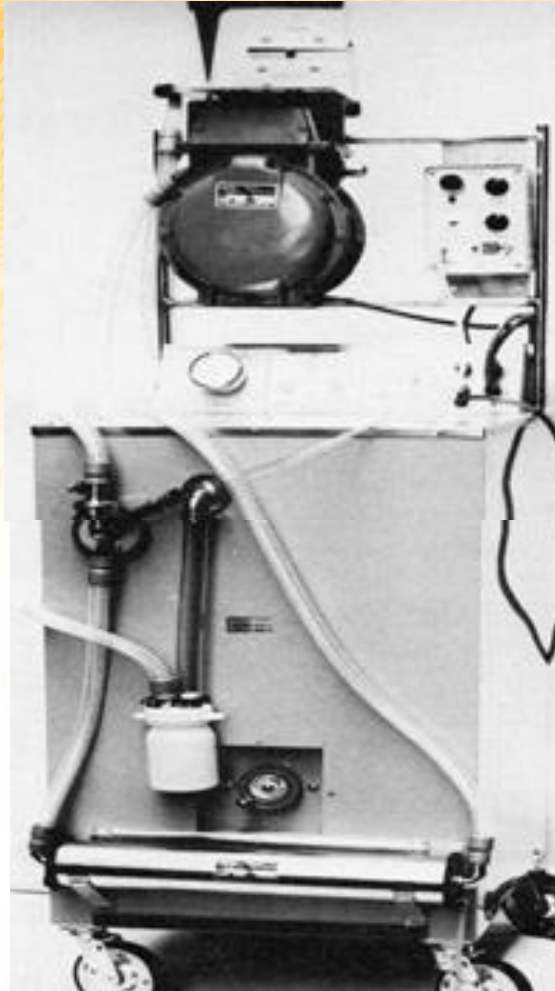


Pressure target

Second Generation 1970-1980



Emerson Post-op Ventilator



Dr. Jack Emerson

Rate controller



Humidification pot



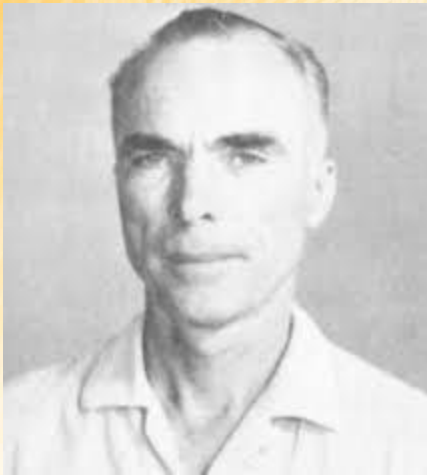
Spirometer

Baby Bird-developed by Dr. Bird was responsible for saving >10,000 babies its first year



Personal Library

Puritan Bennett MA-1



Clinical Endpoints/Ventilatory Parameters

- Normal ABGs
- No concern of airway pressure or VILI
- Minimal use of PEEP 5-8cm (external)
- No waveforms
- Only A/C mode
- Minimal patient triggered breaths
- Minimal alarms
 - High pressure alarm
 - Disconnect alarm

Typical Ventilator Settings

- CMV 10-15cc/kg/IBW x 10-20 3-5cm
PEEP
 - 500-1000cc x 15-30 100% 5cm

Third Generations Ventilators

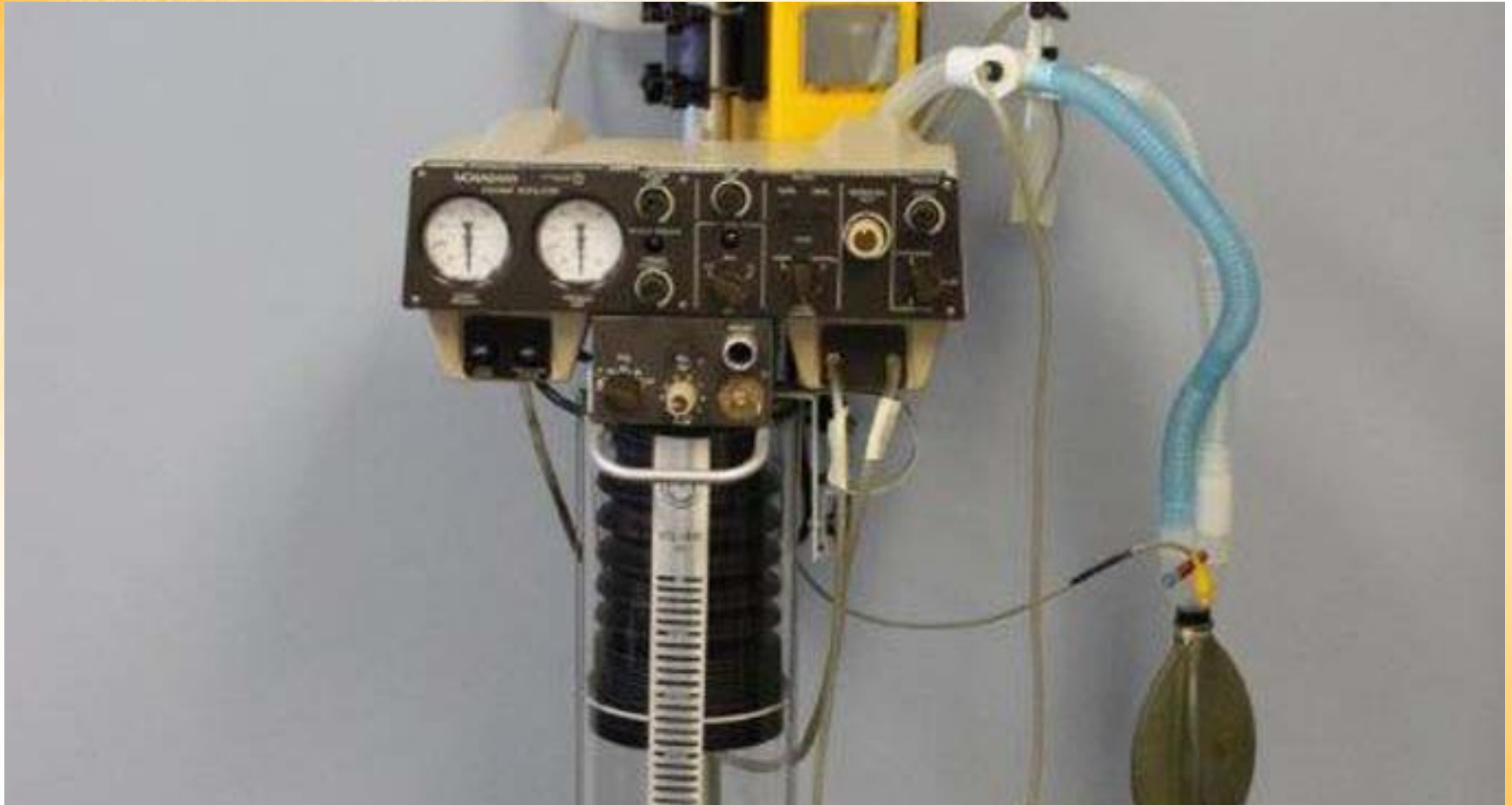
- More complex
 - Diverse way to delivery gas
- Addition alarms
- Ability to perform pressure and target ventilation with a single device
- Development of IMV
- Implementation of ICU rounds
- Beginning to understand ventilator induced injury

Gill Ventilator
utilized magnetic
weights



Personal Library

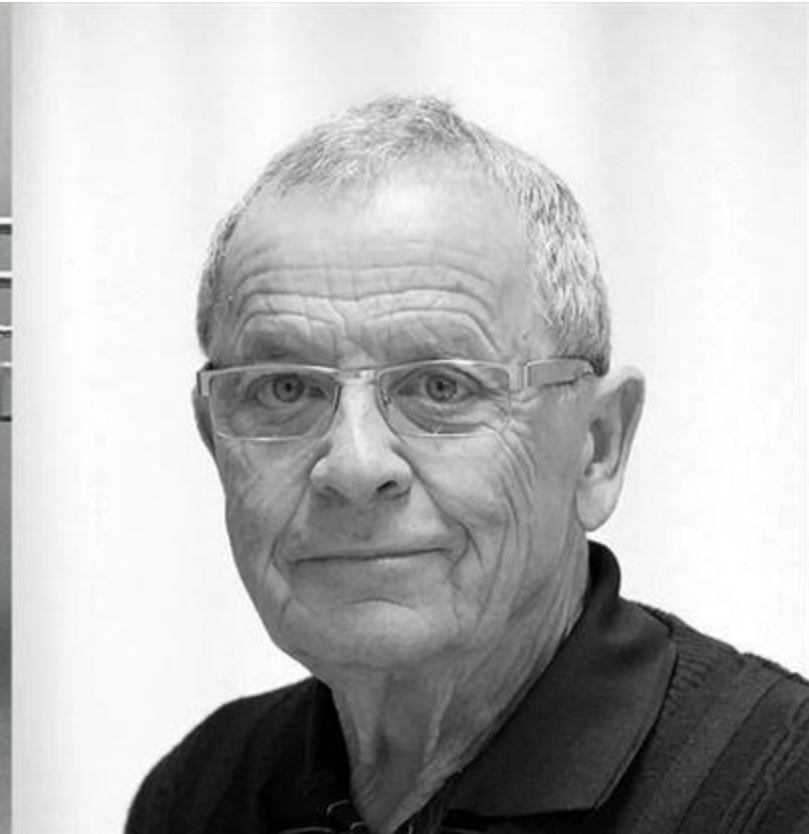
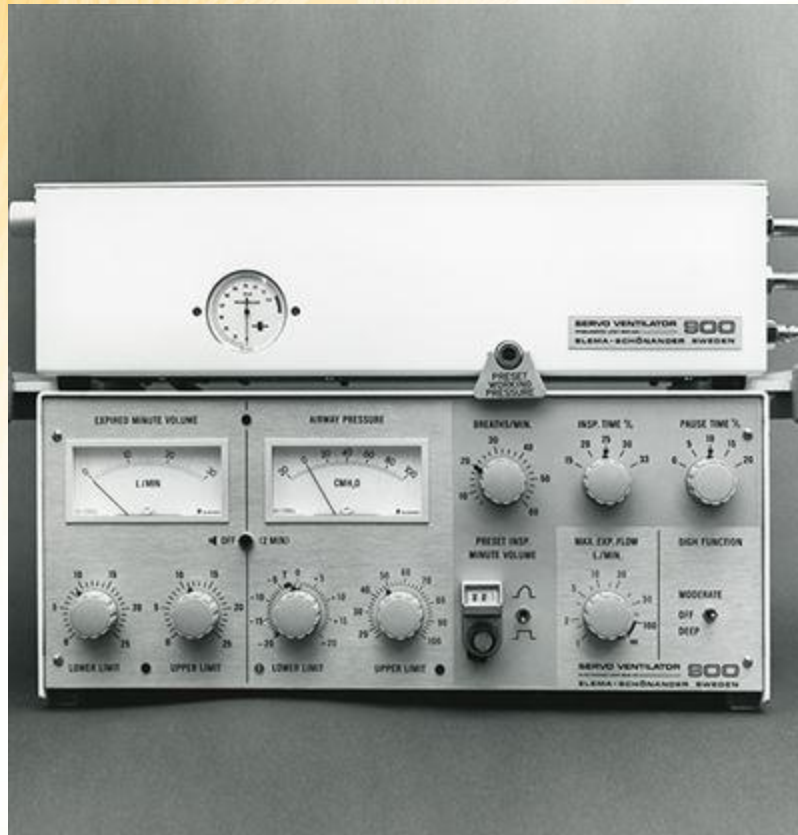
Mohaghan225 Ventilator:



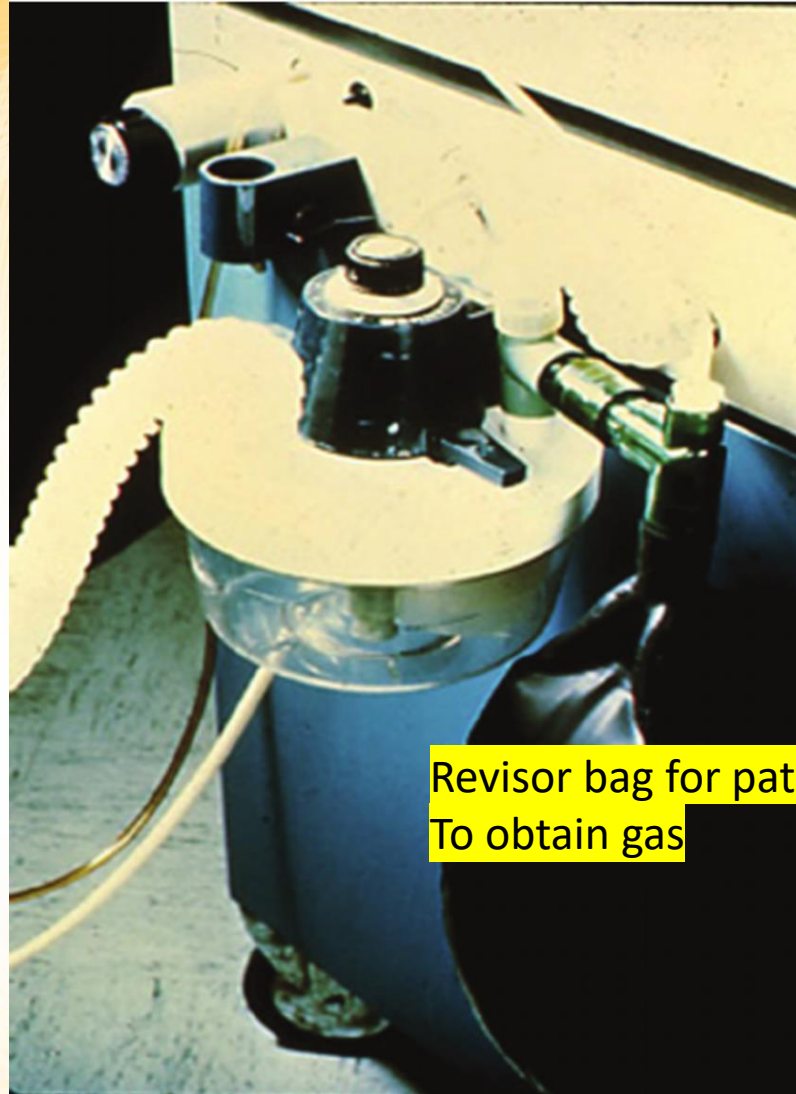
Servo 900 B-first volume ventilator that could provide PCV and measure exhaled tidal volume

- Personal Library

Professor Björn Jonson



IMV



Revisor bag for patient
To obtain gas

Origin of ICU rounds



Clinical Endpoints/Ventilatory Parameters

- Normalization of ABGs (COPD)
- Understanding of patient's work of breathing on mechanical ventilation
 - Development of IMV and SIMV
- Utilization of super PEEP(20-30cm)
- Manual maneuvers to determine lung compliance and auto-PEEP

Ventilator Settings

- CMV
 - 800 x 20 8-12 PEEP (rare cases 30-35 PEEP)
- IMV 500 x 10



Developments in 1980s



Fourth Generation 1980-2000

- **Microprocessor Controlled**
- Increased responsiveness
- Addition of SIMV/PSV
- Triggering effort improved
- Widespread Introduction of pressure ventilation on ICU ventilators
- Extensive alarms
- Expanded monitoring and waveforms

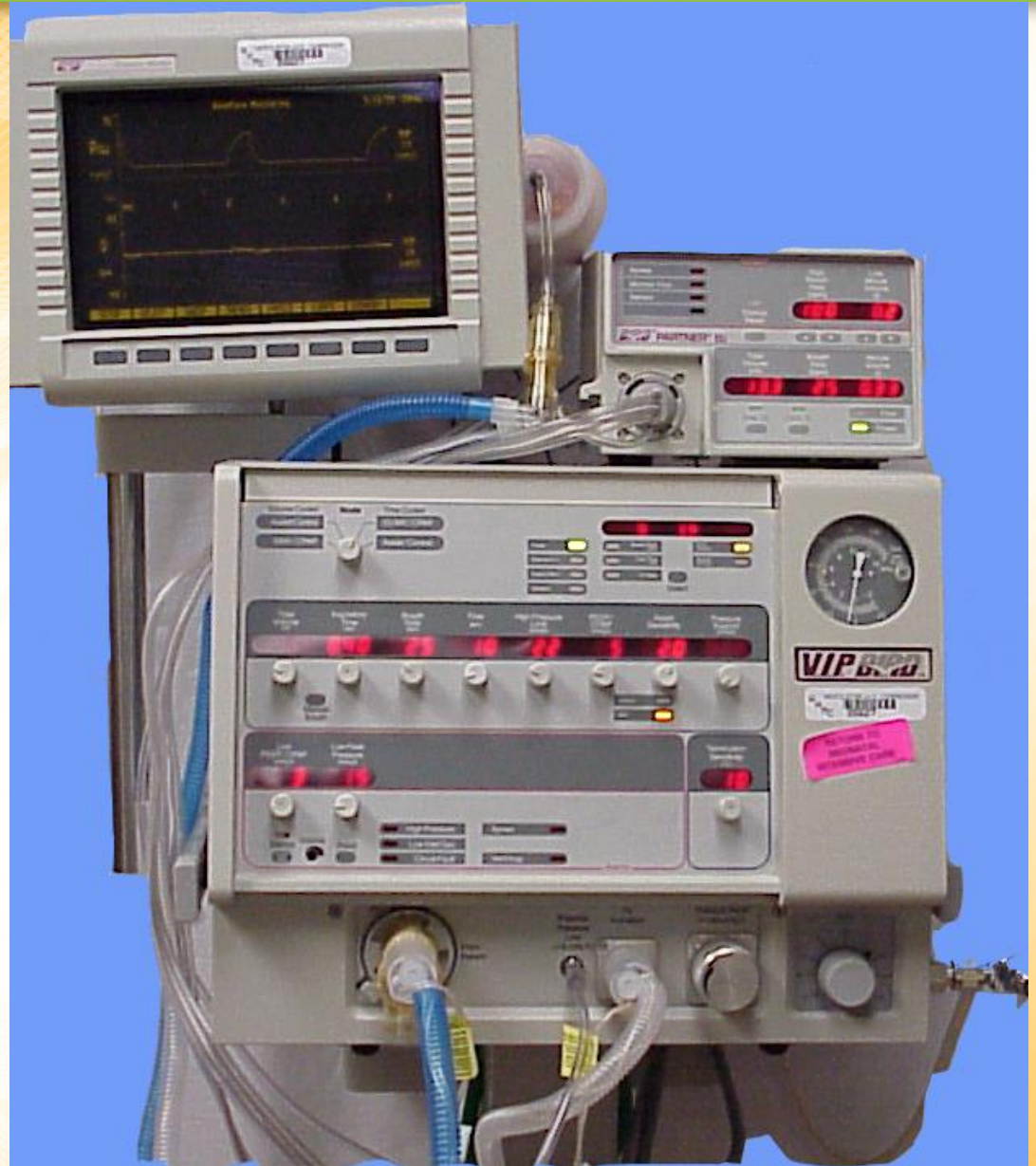
**Puritan
Bennett
7200 AE**





Evita E-4

Bird ST 8400



Development of Non-Conventional Ventilators



HFJV



HFPV



HFO

Personal Library

Non-Convention Ventilators

- Often utilized as rescue therapy
- Few outcome-based studies
- Confusion when on how to set and adjust, when to implement
- Minimal textbook education devoted to these devices
- Few “experts” in RRT departments or driver physicians



Clinical Endpoints/Ventilator Parameters

- Understanding of VILI
 - ARDSnet
 - Best PEEP
 - Plateau pressure
- Maximizing ventilator-patient synchrony
- Utilization of Pressure target ventilation
- Novel modes
 - ASV
 - APRV

Developments in 1990s



Current Generation

- Cradle-Grave ventilators
- Introduction of non-invasive ventilation modes
- Introduction of new modes
- Waveforms enhanced
- Extensive monitoring data provided
- Software upgrade ability
- Management/Assessment packages
 - P-V curves
 - Open lung Tool
 - Weaning tools
 - Closed Loop Ventilation

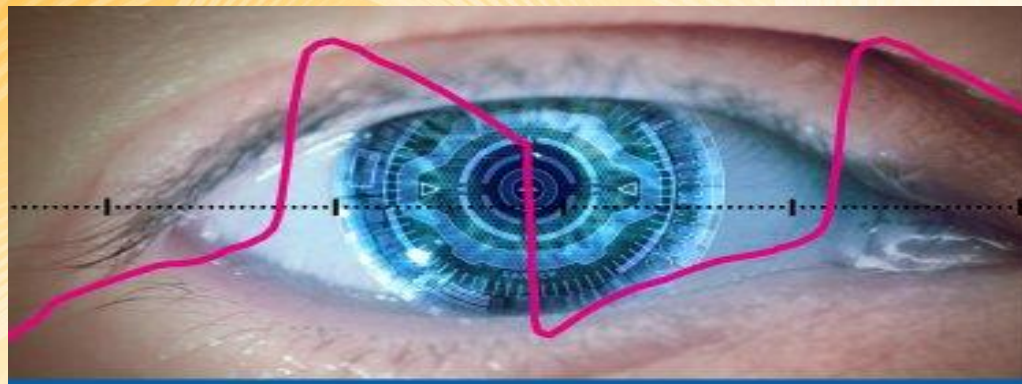
AVEA-Cradle to Grave Ventilator Concept



Hamilton G-5



Intelligent ventilation: proactive ventilation



IntelliSync+

Keeping an eye on patient-ventilator synchrony

Significant patient-ventilator asynchronies occur in more than 25% of all mechanically ventilated patients¹, and are associated with increased work of breathing², prolonged ventilator time³, and higher mortality⁴.

The well-trained eye of a ventilation expert is capable of detecting asynchronies by analyzing the waveform shapes of either the flow or the pressure waveforms. However, the expert cannot always be at the bedside, and the patient condition can change from breath to breath.

That is where IntelliSync+ takes over. This new technology mimics the expert's eye to identify signs of patient effort (trigger) or relaxation (cycling), thus replacing conventional trigger settings for inspiration and expiration.

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Intellisync +

- Changes ETS%
- Changes triggering sensitivity

Fig.5: Flow curve with conventional trigger settings

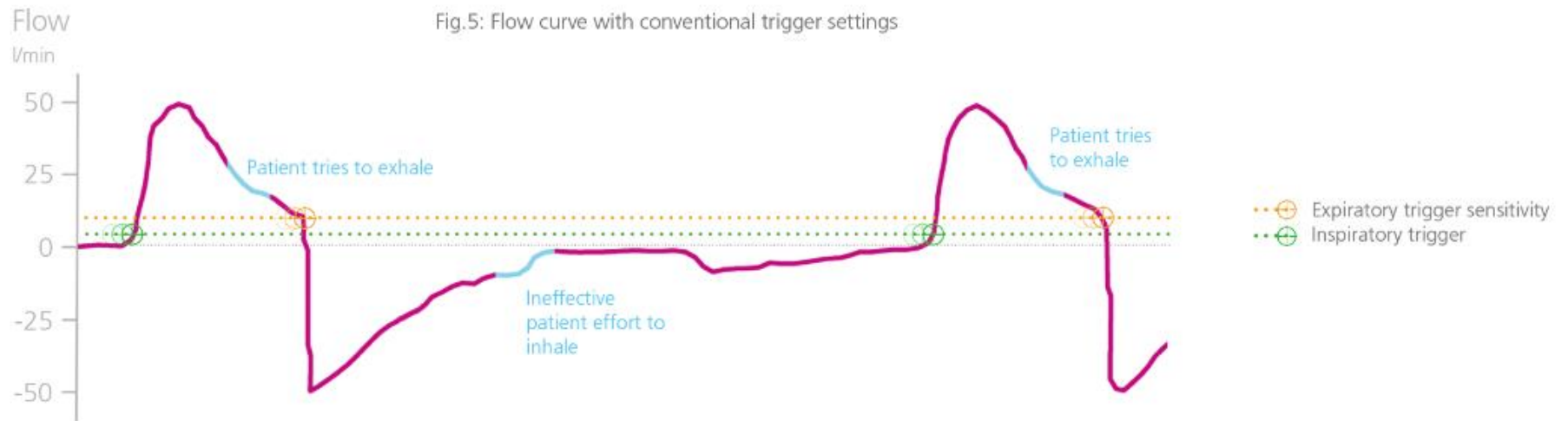
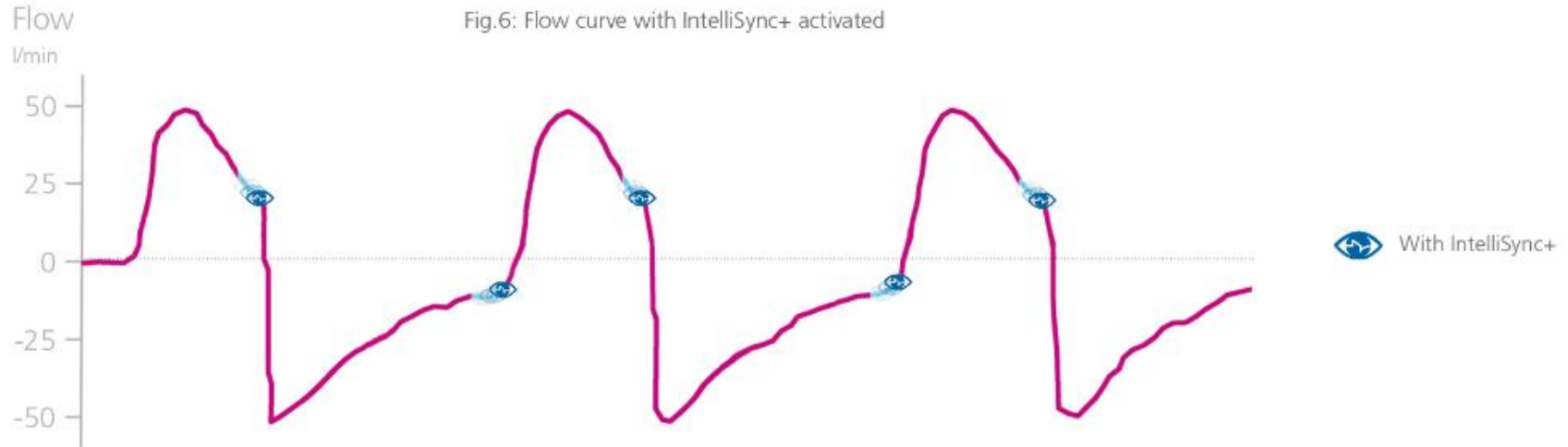


Fig.6: Flow curve with IntelliSync+ activated



1:50

Low tidal volume



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10:24:34

INTELLIVENT

SPONT

Adult
Backup

Patient

Additions

Modes



Trend



IntelliCuff

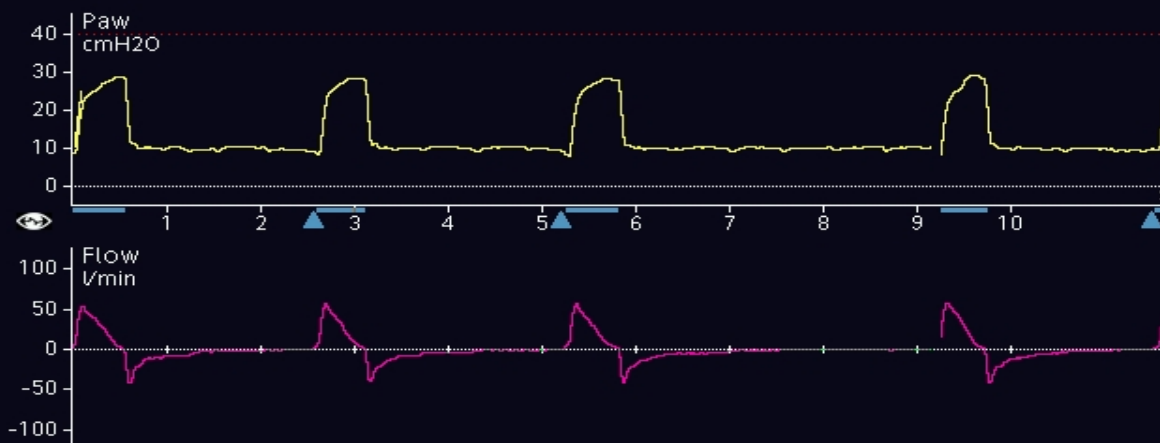
40
29 Ppeak
cmH2O

13 Pmean
cmH2O

750
250
228 VTE
ml

10.0
4.0
4.5 ExpMinVol
l/min

23
21 fTotal
b/min



16
cmH2O

Psupport

10
cmH2O

PEEP/CPAP

35
%

Oxygen

Controls

Alarms



INT AC



1

2

SpO2raw

Paw/Paux

92 RSB
l/(l*min)

0.00 WOBimp
/l

--- Ptrans I
cmH2O

--- Ptrans E
cmH2O

8.1 Pminimum
cmH2O

85 VDaw
ml

36.6 slopeCO2
%CO2/l

143 Vtalv
ml

2.6 V'alv
l/min

37 VDaw/VTE
%

47 PetCO2
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6.6 FetCO2
%

5 VeCO2
ml

1 VICO2
ml

83 V'CO2
ml/min

Monitoring

Graphics

Tools

Events

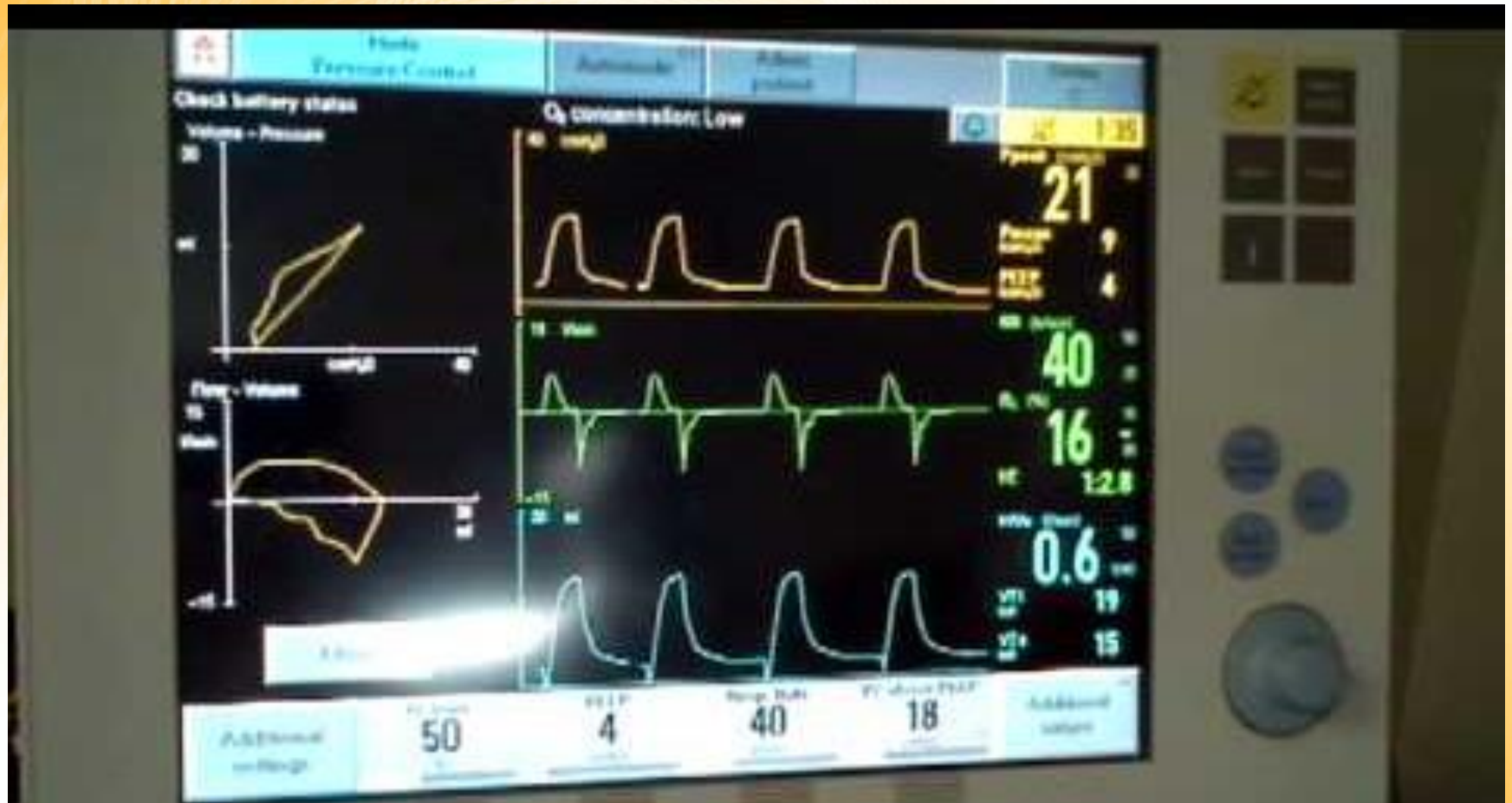
System



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Servo I



Hayek Negative Pressure Ventilator



Typical Ventilator Settings

- 4-8cc/kg/IBW
- Maintain driving pressure<15cm
- Optimize PEEP
- Maintain SpO₂>88%-92%
- Attempt spontaneous breathing ASAP

Future of Mechanical Ventilation?



collaboration
EDUCATION
comfort
INNOVATION
RESEARCH
community
compassion

Questions \$\$\$\$\$

- Does it make safer?
- Does it decrease the incidence of VILI?
- Does it more effectively ventilate or oxygenate the patient?
- Does it wean the patient faster?
- Does it improve patient-ventilator synchrony?



Continuing Challenges Relative to Ventilator Management

- Address and minimize heterogeneity of mechanics
- Facilitate ventilatory demands
- Optimize sedation and comfort
- Minimize ventilatory duration
- Automated ventilator adjustments for changing patient requirements and mechanics
- Prevent infection and ARDS

Emerging Economic Realities Related to Critical Care

- Less staff per patient
 - Assessment
 - Interventions
- Faster patient discharge/liberation
- Increased needs:
 - Safety
 - Timely interventions
 - Quicker assessment of interventions
 - Decision support

Shifting Paradigm

- Give ventilation control to patient?
- Revise clinical targets
- Adapt to abnormal physiology
- Gas exchange without ventilators
- Multisystem integrated monitoring

Future Innovations in Mechanical Ventilation

- Goal-directed self adaptation
- Reduction of ventilatory demand
- Remote reporting and ventilatory parameter adjustments
- Patient-guided control
- Improved secretion removal
- Bedside lung imaging

Question to Ask Regarding The Development of New Ventilators

- Does it make ventilation safer?
- Does it reduce the chance of VILI?
- Can it effectively ventilate or oxygenate the patient adequately?
- Does it help wean patients faster?
- Does it improve patient-ventilator synchrony?



Can The Ventilator Determine the Significance of a High-Pressure Alarm?

- Secretions
- Reduction in pulmonary mechanics
- Tension pneumothorax
- Ventilator asynchrony
- Biting on the tube

Features of Future Ventilators

- Integration with other bedside technology
- Ability to ventilate all patients in all settings
- Ventilator protocols incorporated in ventilator
- Tidal volume set based on input IBW
- Smart alarms systems
- Close-loop ventilation
- Decision support

Why Closed Loop Ventilation?

- Less likelihood of ventilator associated lung injury
- Less hemodynamic compromise
- More effectively ventilate/oxygenate!
- More rapid weaning!
- Improve patient - ventilator synchrony!

Decision Support - Smart Alarms

- The ventilator should be able to distinguish between a high-pressure alarm as a result of :
 - Acute partial airway obstruction
 - Gradual change in resistance or compliance over time
 - A pneumothorax
- The ventilator should be able to provide the clinician with a list of potential causes of the problems and potential solutions

Decision Support – Data Presentation

- Future ventilators will provide information as opposed to lines and lines of generally useless unrelated data!
 - Peak and plateau pressure change over time (Volume)
 - Tidal volume, rate and MV change over time (Pressure)
 - Relationship between tidal volume and plateau pressure over time
- Relationship between FIO₂, PEEP and plateau pressure over time.
- The number of missed triggers, double triggers, prolonged inspirations, short inspirations, **dis-synchrony index**

Patient – Ventilator Synchrony

- Future ventilators will be able to interpret waveforms and adjust gas delivery based on recognition of asynchrony
- Clinicians will find that asynchrony has a marked affect on patient outcome!!



GE Care Station: Includes all patient vital sign assessments in one machine

When choosing your view,
you're the director

Servo Q Ventilator



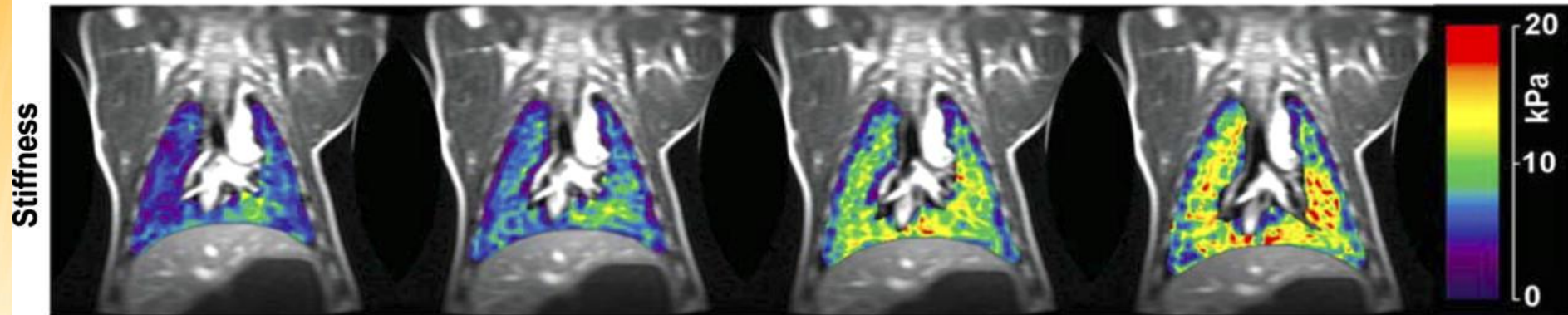
Electrical Impedance Tomography

5 cm H₂O

10 cm H₂O

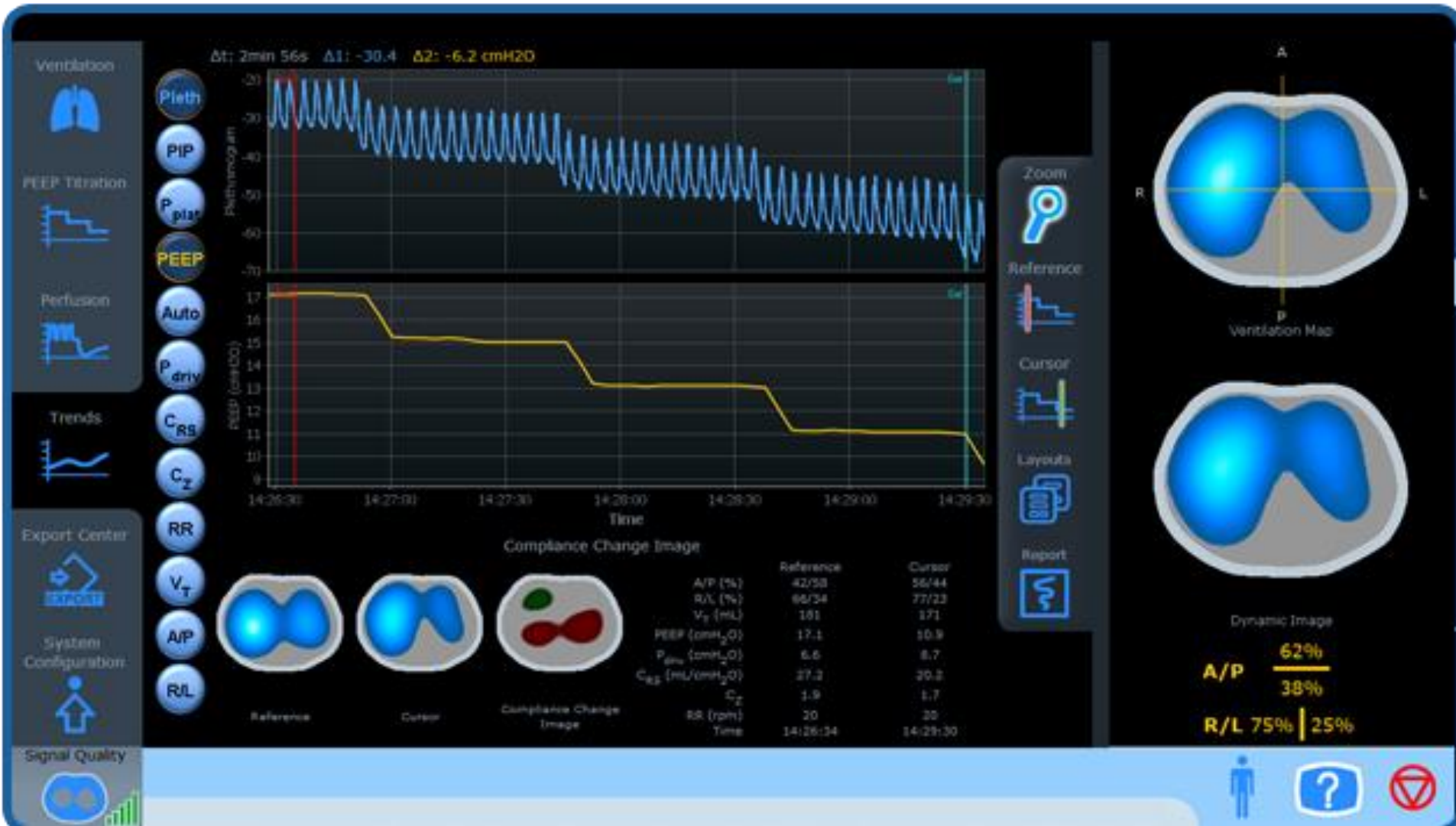
15 cm H₂O

20 cm H₂O

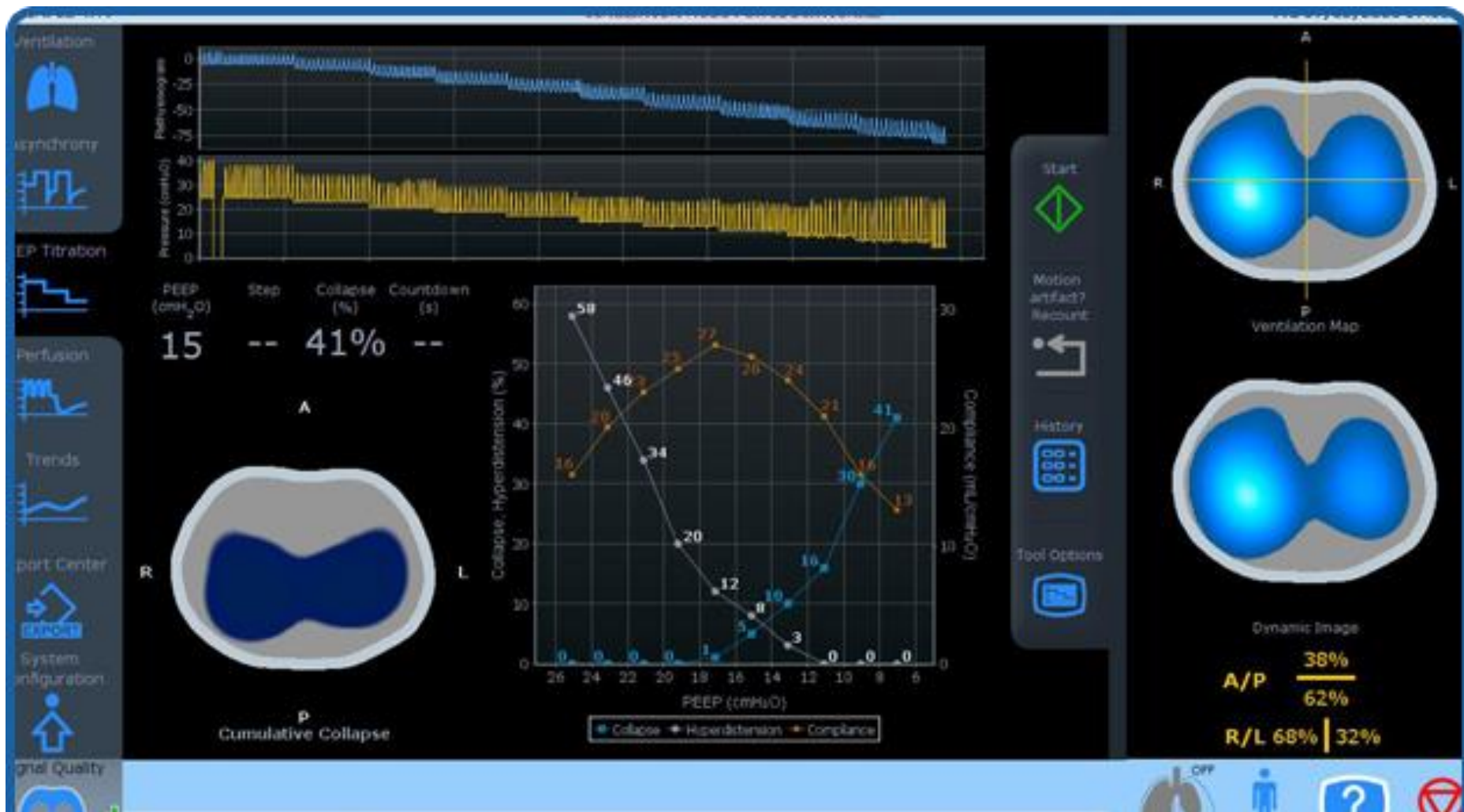


Incremental PEEP titration

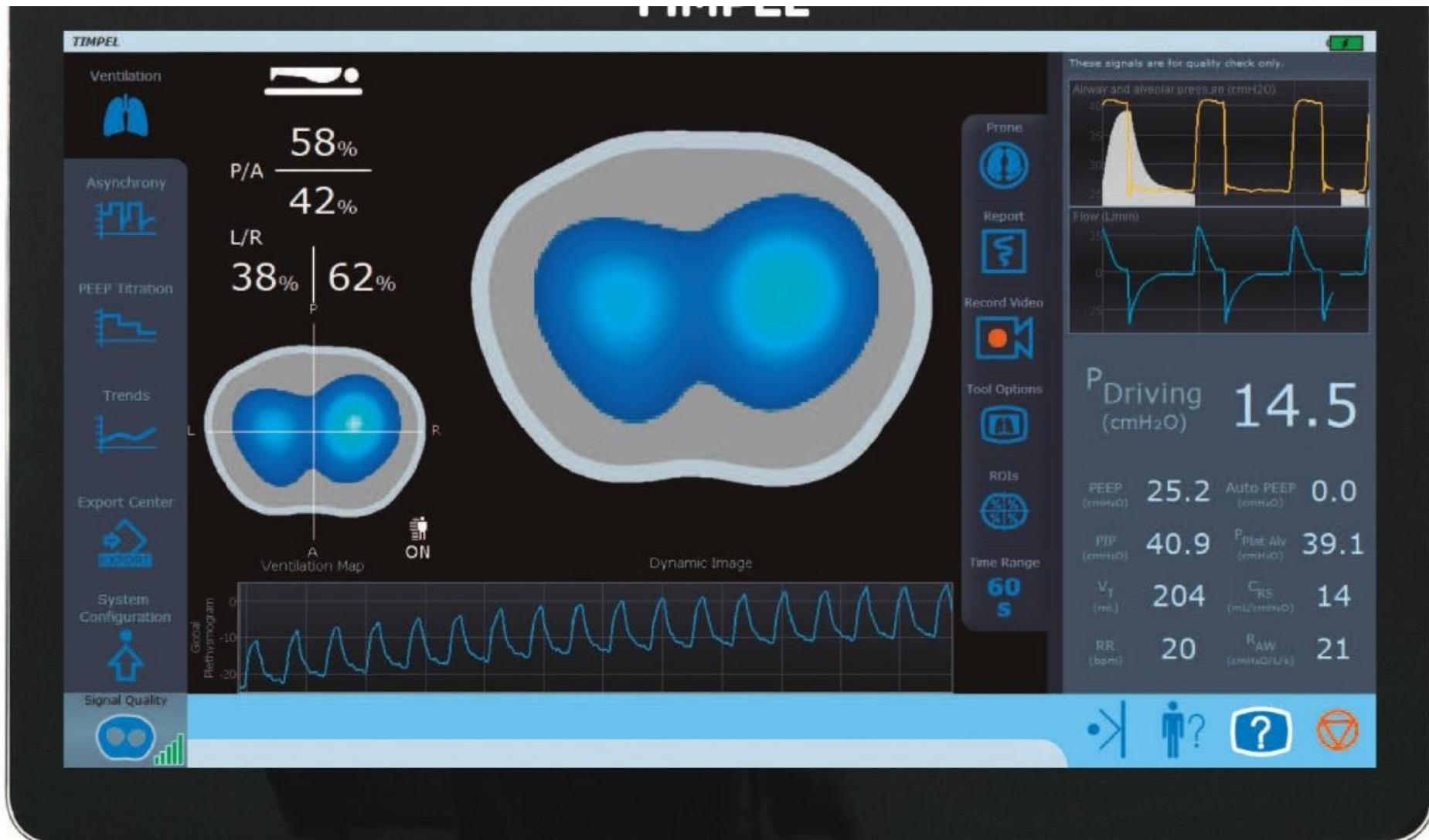
Trimpel-Enlight



Provides lung inflation images



Helps in assessing optimal ventilator pressures

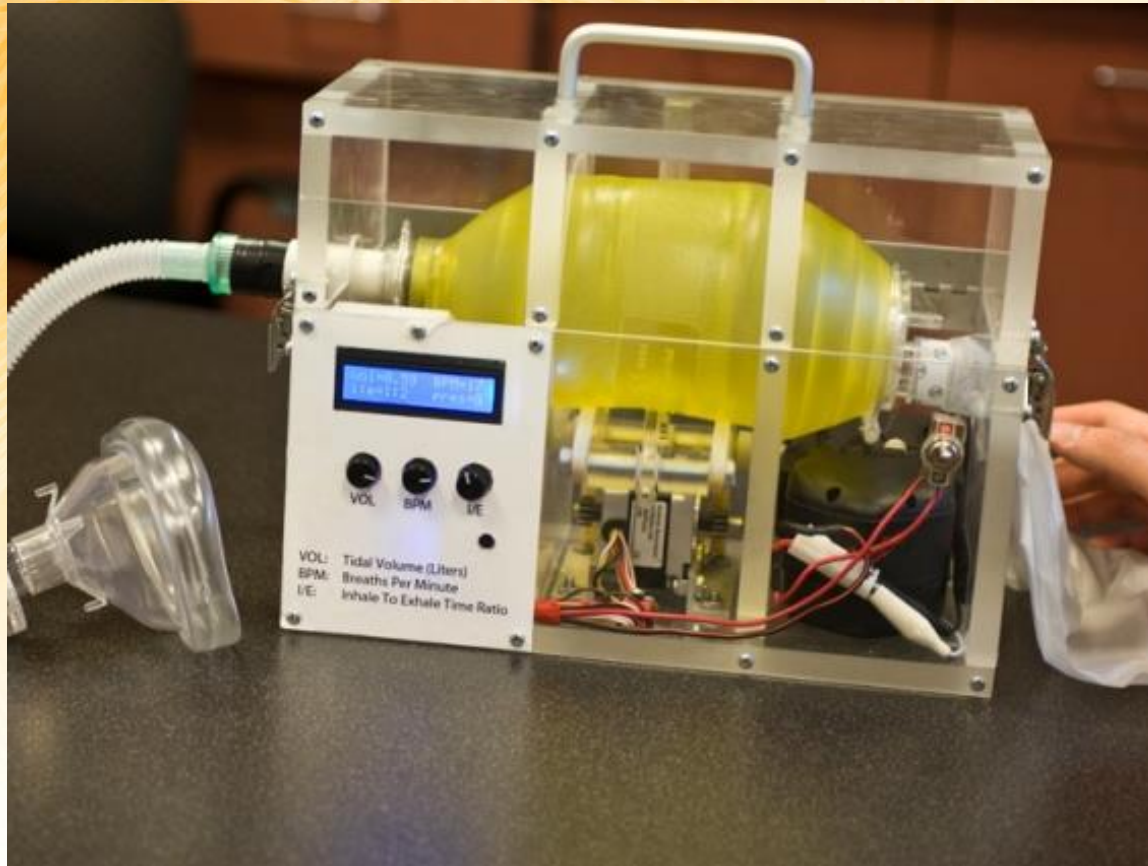


Visualization of lung inflation



Decremental PEEP trial





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Automatic Hand-bag Respirator

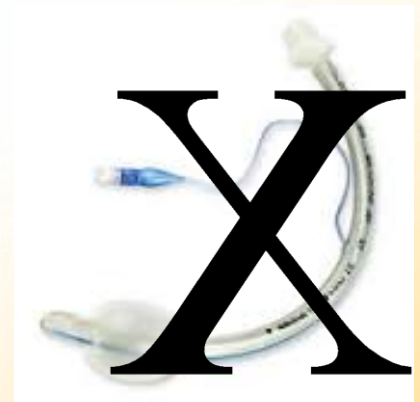
Small Compact Ventilators





Novalung:
CO2 removal,
oxygenation,
cardiac support

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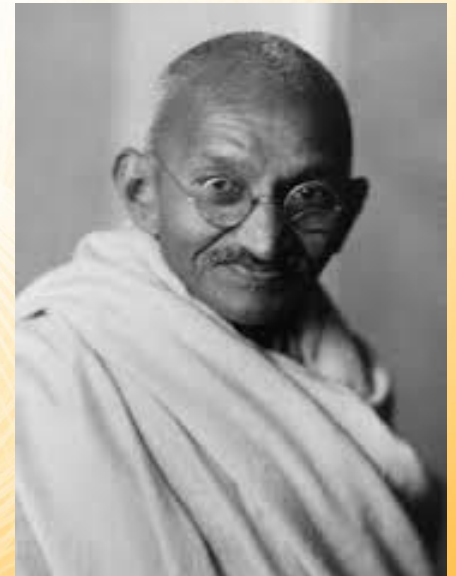
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Conclusion

- THE Mechanical Ventilator :
 - The growth and development of the mechanical ventilator has been remarkable!
 - The refinement of the MV has been one of primary factors contributing to the development of the Critical ICU Care!
 - The single word that will best describe the MV of the future is **SMART Clinicians!!!!**

“What we Learn from
Academic Studies is
Knowledge”

“What we Learn from
Experience is Wisdom”
Mohandas Gandhi





Past



During COVID



Current



More
PEEP!



Future???



Questions/Thoughts?

