# **Respiratory System**





#### What is It



- Respiration is the process of exchanging gases between the atmosphere and body cells
- Non-Respiratory Air Movements: coughing, sneezing, laughing, crying, hiccuping, yawning, speech

### Respiration

- Pulmonary ventilation (breathing): movement of air into and out of the lungs
- External respiration: O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> exchange between the lungs and the blood
- Transport: O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> in the blood
- Internal respiration: O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> exchange between systemic blood vessels and tissues



# Organs



- Nose
- Pharynx
- Larynx
- Trachea
- Bronchi
- Lungs
  - Bronchioles
  - Alveoli



#### The Nose



- only externally visible part of the respiratory system
- The interior of the nose consists of a nasal cavity divided by a nasal septum
- Nose is the 1<sup>st</sup> line of defense against airborne antigens so it is also part of our immune system.
- Functions: Moisten, warm, filter, olfaction, resonance

#### **Upper Respiratory Tract**









- Olfactory receptors are located in the mucosa on the superior surface
- cavity is lined with respiratory mucosa and cilia
- Lateral walls have projections called conchae

#### Cont....



- The nasal cavity is separated from the oral cavity by the palate
  - Anterior hard palate (bone)
  - Posterior soft palate (muscle)
- Cavities within bones surrounding the nasal cavity are called sinuses
- Function of the sinuses
  - Lighten the skull
  - Act as resonance chambers for speech
  - Produce mucus that drains into the nasal cavity

# **Pharynx (Throat)**



- Three regions of the pharynx
  - Nasopharynx
  - Oropharynx
  - Laryngopharynx



(b) Regions of the pharynx

#### Larynx or Voice box



- Routes air and food into proper channels
- Plays a role in speech
- Made of eight rigid hyaline cartilages and a spoonshaped flap of elastic cartilage (epiglottis)
- Thyroid cartilage
  - (Adam's apple)
- Epiglottis
  - Routes food to the larynx and air toward the trachea



(b) Sagittal view; anterior surface to the right





(a) Vocal folds in closed position; closed glottis (b) Vocal folds in open position; open glottis

#### **Voice Production**



- Speech: intermittent release of expired air while opening and closing the glottis
- Pitch is determined by the length and tension of the vocal cords
- Loudness depends upon the force of air
- Chambers of pharynx, oral, nasal, and sinus cavities amplify and enhance sound quality
- Sound is "shaped" into language by muscles of the pharynx, tongue, soft palate, and lips

# Trachea (Windpipe)

- Lined with pseudo stratified ciliated mucosa
- Goblet cells
- Walls are reinforced with Cshaped hyaline cartilage





(a) Cross section of the trachea and esophagus

#### Mucosa

- Pseudostratified ciliated columnar epithelium
- Lamina propria (connective tissue)

#### Submucosa

Seromucous gland in submucosa

Hyaline cartilage\_



(b) Photomicrograph of the tracheal wall (320x)



## **Conducting Zone Structures**



- Trachea branches into brochi that have 23 orders of branching
- Bronchioles are less than 1 mm in diameter
- Terminal bronchioles are the smallest, less than 0.5 mm diameter
- No cartilage on bronchioles

#### Lungs



- Occupy most of the thoracic cavity
  - Apex is near the clavicle (superior portion)
    - Base rests on the diaphragm (inferior portion)
  - Left lung two lobes
  - Right lung three lobes
- Coverings: (visceral) pleura
- Parietal pleura

# **Lung Cross Section**





### Site of Gas Exchange



- Gas exchange takes place within the <u>alveoli</u>
  - 300 million +
- Pulmonary capillaries cover external surfaces of alveoli and basement membranes connect
  - .5 um thick
- Total surface area = 40 times your skin



(a) Diagrammatic view of capillary-alveoli relationships



(b) Scanning electron micrograph of casts of alveoli and associated pulmonary capillaries (300x)



# Alveoli Pores for gas exchange between alveoli

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#### **Respiration Events**



- Pulmonary ventilation
- External respiration
- Respiratory gas transport
- Internal respiration

# **Pulmonary Ventilation**



- mechanical process
- Depends on volume changes in the thoracic cavity
- It is all about pressure outside, inside, and around the lungs
- Two phases
  - Inspiration
  - Expiration

#### Inspiration

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## **Pressure Difference in Thoracic Cavity**

- Differences in lung and pleural space pressures keep lungs from collapsing
- Atelectasis (lung collapse) is due to
  - Plugged bronchioles  $\rightarrow$  collapse of alveoli
  - Wound that admits air into pleural cavity (pneumothorax)



#### **Respiratory Volumes**

	Measurement	Adult male average value	Adult female average value	Description
	Tidal volume (TV)	500 ml	500 ml	Amount of air inhaled or exhaled with each breath under resting conditions Amount of air that can be
Respiratory_ volumes	Expiratory reserve	3100 ml 1200 ml	1900 ml 700 ml	forcefully inhaled after a nor- mal tidal volume inhalation Amount of air that can be forcefully exhaled after a nor-
	Residual volume (RV)	1200 ml	1100 ml	mal tidal volume exhalation Amount of air remaining in the lungs after a forced exhalation

Respiratory_ capacities	Total lung capacity (TLC)	6000 ml	4200 ml	Maximum amount of air contained in lungs after a maximum inspiratory effort: TLC = TV + IRV + ERV + RV
	Vital capacity (VC)	4800 ml	3100 ml	Maximum amount of air that can be expired after a maxi- mum inspiratory effort: VC = TV + IRV + ERV
	Inspiratory capacity (IC)	3600 ml	2400 ml	Maximum amount of air that can be inspired after a normal expiration: IC = TV + IRV
	Functional residual capacity (FRC)	2400 ml	1800 ml	Volume of air remaining in the lungs after a normal tidal volume expiration: FRC = ERV + RV

(b) Summary of respiratory volumes and capacities for males and females





(a) Spirographic record for a male

#### **Alveolar Ventilation**



 Alveolar ventilation rate (AVR): flow of gases into and out of the alveoli during a particular

<u>    timo    </u>				
'AVR	=	frequency	X	(TV – dead space)
(ml/min)		(breaths/min)		(ml/breath)

Dead space is normally constant

Rapid, shallow breathing decreases AVR



#### TABLE 22.2 Effects of Breathing Rate and Depth on Alveolar Ventilation of Three Hypothetical Patients

BREATHING PATTERN OF HYPOTHETICAL PATIENT	DEAD SPACE VOLUME (DSV)	TIDAL VOLUME (TV)	RESPIRATORY RATE*	MINUTE VENTILATION (MVR)	ALVEOLAR VENTILATION (AVR)	% EFFECTIVE VENTILATION (AVR/MVR)
I—Normal rate and depth	150 ml	500 ml	20/min	10,000 ml/min	7000 ml/min	70%
II—Slow, deep breathing	150 ml	1000 ml	10/min	10,000 ml/min	8500 ml/min	85%
III—Rapid, shallow breathing	150 ml	250 ml	40/min	10,000 ml/min	4000 ml/min	40%

\* Respiratory rate values are artificially adjusted to provide equivalent minute ventilation as a baseline for comparison of alveolar ventilation.

#### **External Respiration**



- Oxygen movement into the blood
- Carbon dioxide movement out of the blood
- Blood leaving the lungs is oxygen-rich and carbon dioxide-poor

#### **Gas Transport in Blood**



- Oxygen transport in the blood attached to hemoglobin (oxyhemoglobin [HbO2])
  - A small amount (1.5%) is carried dissolved in the plasma
- Carbon dioxide transport in the blood
  - transported in the plasma as bicarbonate ion (HCO3–) (70%) 10% free in plasma
  - A small amount is carried inside red blood cells on hemoglobin, but at different binding sites than those of oxygen (20%)

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# Factors that Increase Release of O<sub>2</sub> by Hemoglobin



- As cells metabolize glucose
  - Pco<sub>2</sub> and H<sup>+</sup> increase in concentration in capillary blood
    - Declining pH weakens the hemoglobin-O<sub>2</sub> bond (Bohr effect)
  - Heat production increases
    - Increasing temperature directly and indirectly decreases Hb affinity for O<sub>2</sub>

#### **Internal respiration**



- Exchange of gases between blood and body cells
- An opposite reaction to what occurs in the lungs
  - Carbon dioxide diffuses out of tissue to blood
  - Oxygen diffuses from blood into tissue

#### **Internal respiration**









# **Factors affecting Breathing**

- Physical factors: Increased body temperature, Exercise, Talking, Coughing
- Volition (conscious control)
- Emotional factors- fight or flight
- Chemical factors
  - Carbon dioxide levels
    - Level of carbon dioxide in the blood is the main regulatory chemical for respiration
    - Increased carbon dioxide increases respiration
    - Changes in carbon dioxide act directly on the medulla oblongata



# Lung Cancer SIDS Asthma Etc.

#### Lung Cancer:

- Accounts for 1/3 of all cancer deaths in the United States
- Increased incidence associated with smoking (90%)
- **TB** bacterial infection...1 year of antibiotics

#### SIDS

- Some cases are thought to be a problem of the neural respiratory control center
- One third of cases appear to be due to heart rhythm abnormalities
- Asthma- Chronic inflamed hypersensitive bronchiole passages

#### That's Life



- reflect accumulation of environmental influences
- reflect the effects of aging in other organ systems
- cilia less active
- mucous thickens
- swallowing, gagging, and coughing reflexes slow
- macrophages in lungs lose efficiency
- Increased susceptibility to respiratory infections
- "barrel chest" may develop
- bronchial walls thin and collapse
- dead space increases

#### **The Death Stick**

#### • Cigarette affects

- cilia disappear
- excess mucus produced
- Iung congestion increases lung infections
- Iining of bronchioles thicken
- bronchioles lose elasticity
- emphysema fifteen times more common
- lung cancer more common about 90% smoke other usually have jobs where air in full of impurities.
- much damage repaired when smoking stops
- And those who smoke say they need this!!!!



#### Cont...



- About half of all Americans who keep smoking will die because of the habit. Each year about 443,600 people in the United States die from illnesses related to tobacco use.
   1 of 5 deaths in US. Smoking cigarettes kills more Americans than alcohol, car accidents, suicide, AIDS, homicide, and illegal drugs combined
- smokers are at increased risk for cancer of the larynx, oral cavity, esophagus, bladder, kidney, and pancreas.
- About 48 million people in the United States smoke an estimated total of 430 billion cigarettes each year
- the average cigarette contains around 4,000 chemicals, some of which are highly toxic and at least 60 of which cause cancer



Smoking causes a fivefold increase in the risk of dying from chronic bronchitis and emphysema, and a twofold increase in deaths from diseases of the heart and coronary arteries. Smoking also increases the risk of stroke by 50 percent—40 percent among men and 60 percent among women. Other research has shown that mothers who smoke give birth more frequently to premature or underweight babies

### Why Smoke



Recent findings may explain why cigarettes are addictive. An unknown component of tobacco smoke appears to destroy an important brain enzyme, monoamine oxidase B (MAO B). The enzyme is vital for breaking down excess amounts of dopamine, a neurotransmitter that triggers pleasure-seeking behavior. Smokers have decreased levels of MAO B and abnormally high levels of dopamine, which may encourage the smoker to seek the pleasure of more tobacco smoke.

#### **Innocent Bystander**



the effect of tobacco smoke on nonsmokers who must share the same environment with a smoker. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates that exposure to ETS, which contains all the toxic agents inhaled by a smoker, causes 3,400 cancer deaths and an estimated 46,000 deaths from heart disease per year in nonsmokers. Secondhand smoke can aggravate asthma, pneumonia, bronchitis, and impaired blood circulation.

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