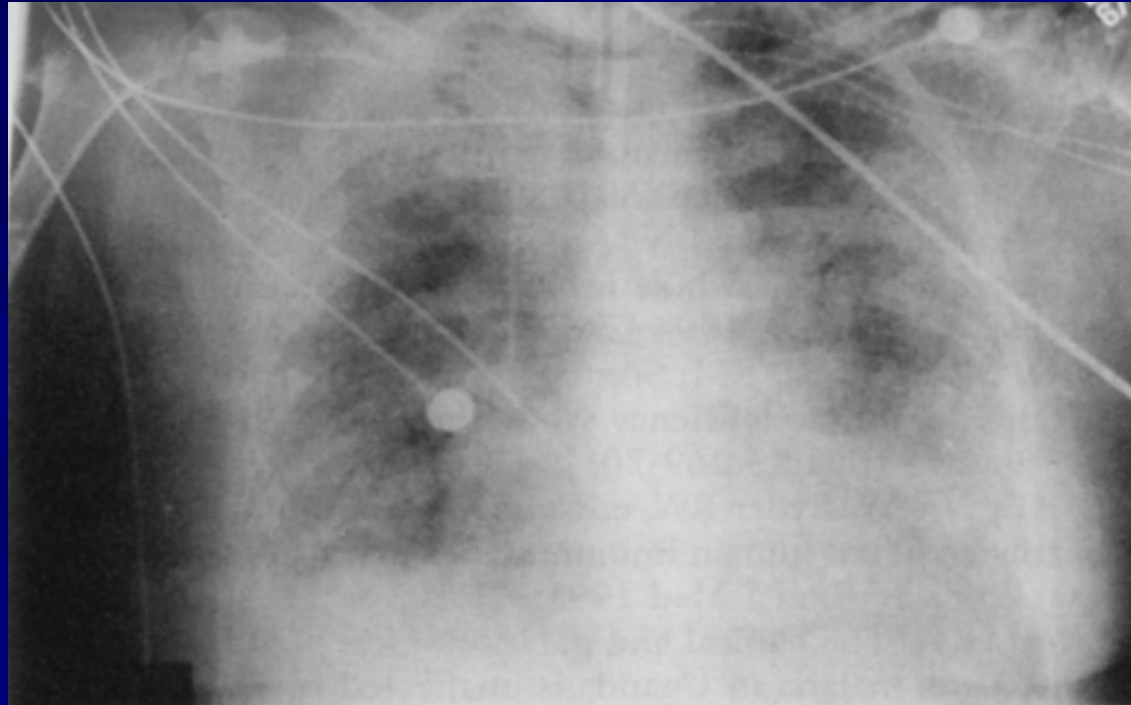


# Mechanical Ventilation in ARDS



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# Outline

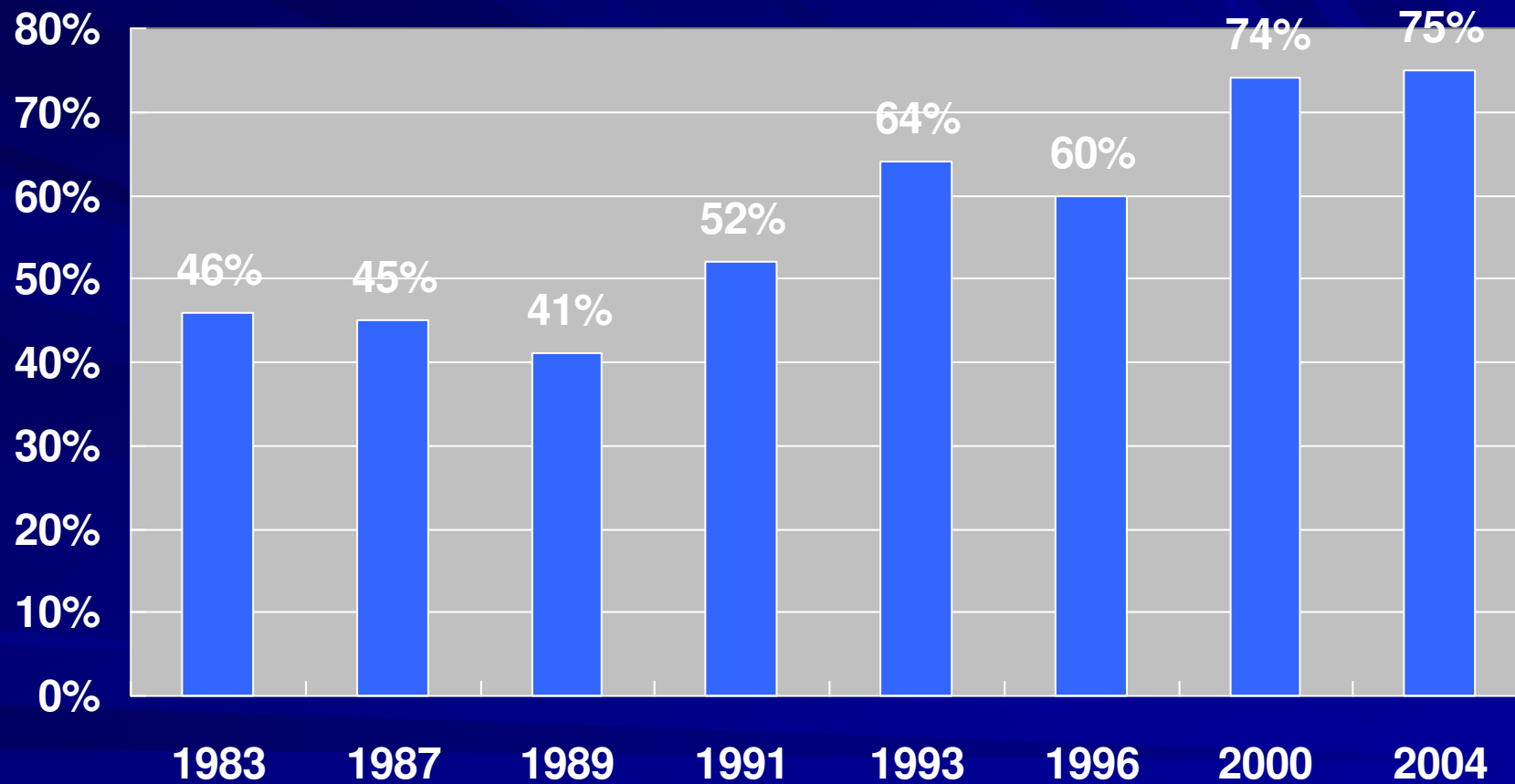
- Introduction
- Ventilator induced lung injury
- Low Tidal Volume Ventilation
- High PEEP and Alveolar Recruitment
- Prone Positioning
- Alternative modes of mechanical ventilation
- Conclusion

# CLINICAL CRITERIA OF ARDS

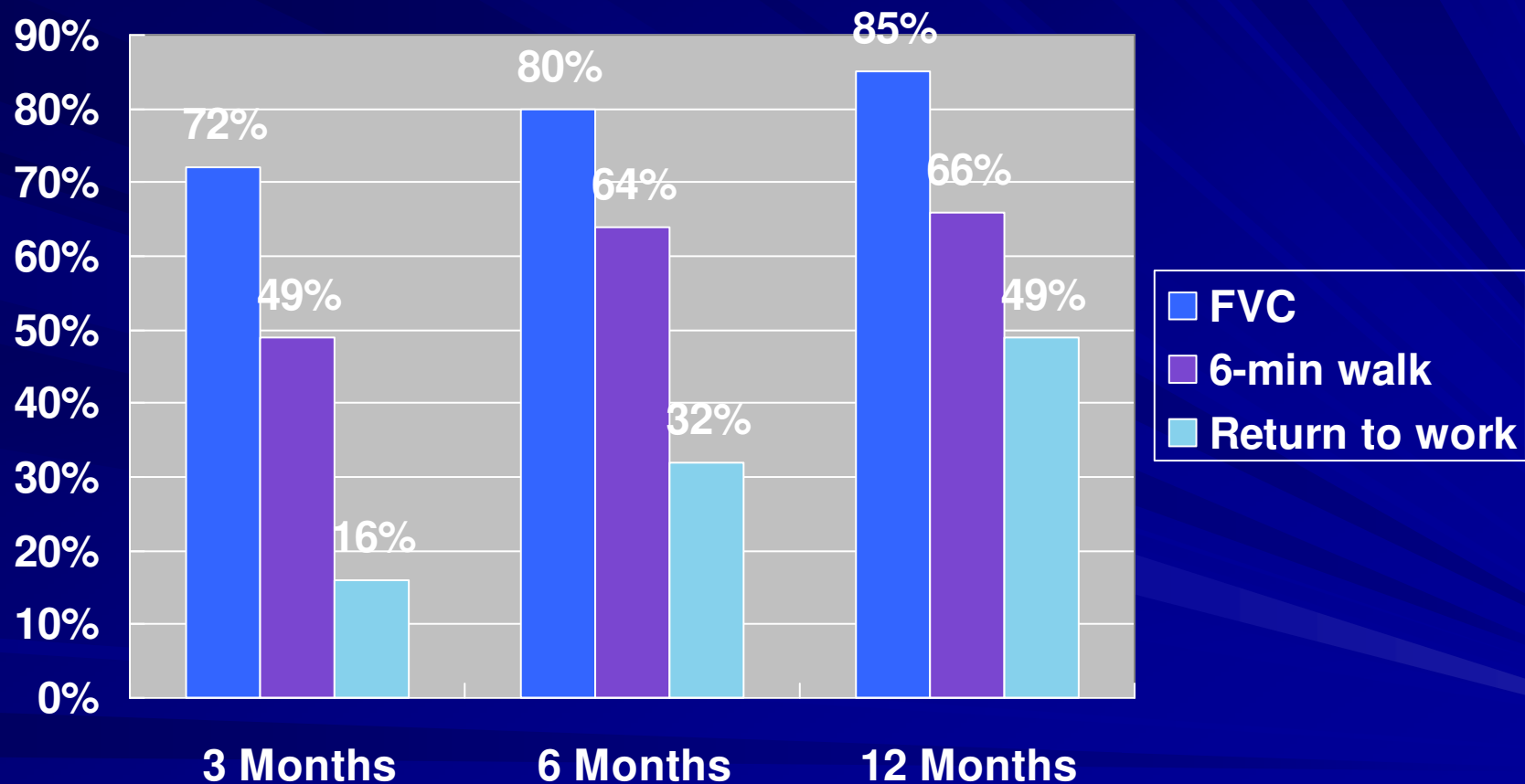
- Bilateral infiltrates on the chest x-ray
- $\text{PaO}_2/\text{FiO}_2$  ratio  $<200$
- Pulmonary artery occlusion pressure  $<18$  mmHg or no evidence of left atrial hypertension
- One or more underlying disease process known to be associated with the ARDS

*American European Consensus Conference  
AJRCCM 1994;149:818*

# Survival Rates for ARDS



# Long-term disability in surviving ARDS patients



*N Engl J Med 2003; 348:683-693*

# Objectives of Ventilation

## ACCP Standards (Slutsky, 1993)

### CLINICAL

1. Reverse hypoxemia
2. Reverse respiratory acidosis
3. Relieve respiratory distress
4. Prevent or reverse atelectasis
5. Reverse respiratory muscle fatigue



### PRIMARY

Avoid  
Iatrogenic  
Lung Injury

# Disease-Oriented Ventilation Strategies

## Objective:

↪ To avoid the adverse effects of mechanical ventilation:

- Oxygen toxicity
- Barotrauma
- Volutrauma
- Shear injury
- Biotrauma

✦ Tailor ventilator settings specific to the pathophysiology of the patient.

# Respiratory Failure Pathology

## ■ OBSTRUCTIVE (Resistance)

- Asthma
- Bronchitis
- Emphysema
- Smoke Inhalation
- Small ET tube

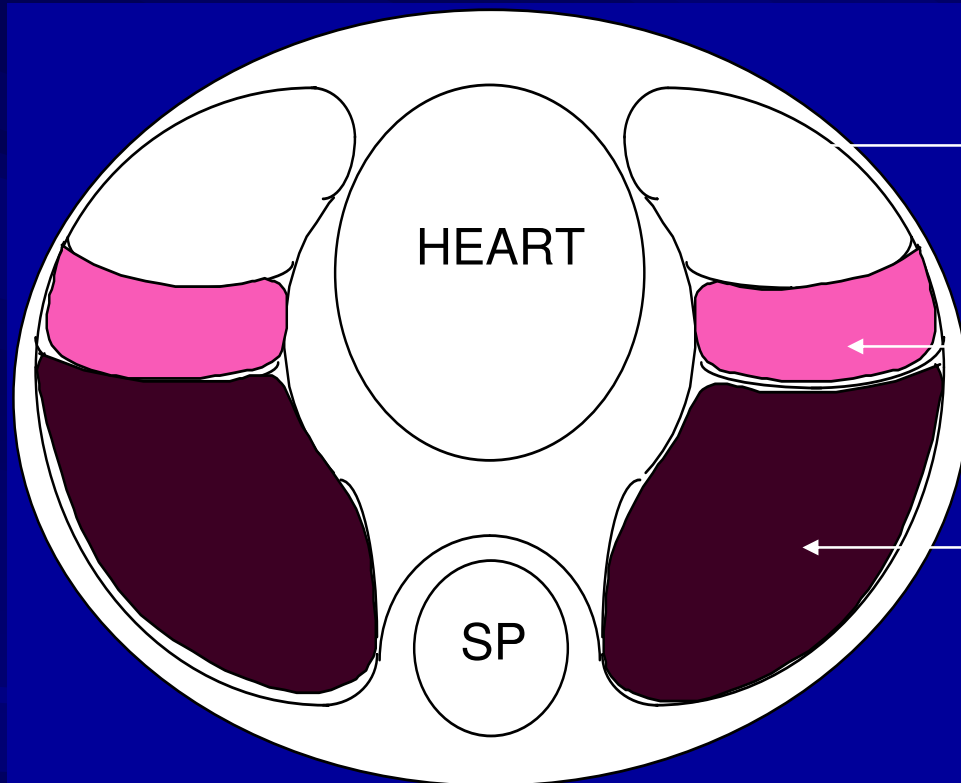
## ■ RESTRICTIVE (Compliance)

- ARDS
- Pneumonias
- CHF
- Pneumothorax

Neuromuscular  
Abdominal distension  
Chestwall deformity

# ARDS - PATHOLOGY

## GATTINONI - 3 ZONES



OVERINFLATED, "DRY", "BABY LUNG"

WET, PEEP-RECRUITABLE ZONE

COLLAPSED / CONSOLIDATED ZONE

# MECHANICAL VENTILATION

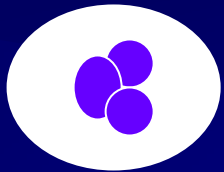
## Biochemical Injury

## Biophysical Injury

Cytokines, Proteases,  
Singlet O<sup>-</sup>, Complement

Bacteria

M Ø



Neutrophils

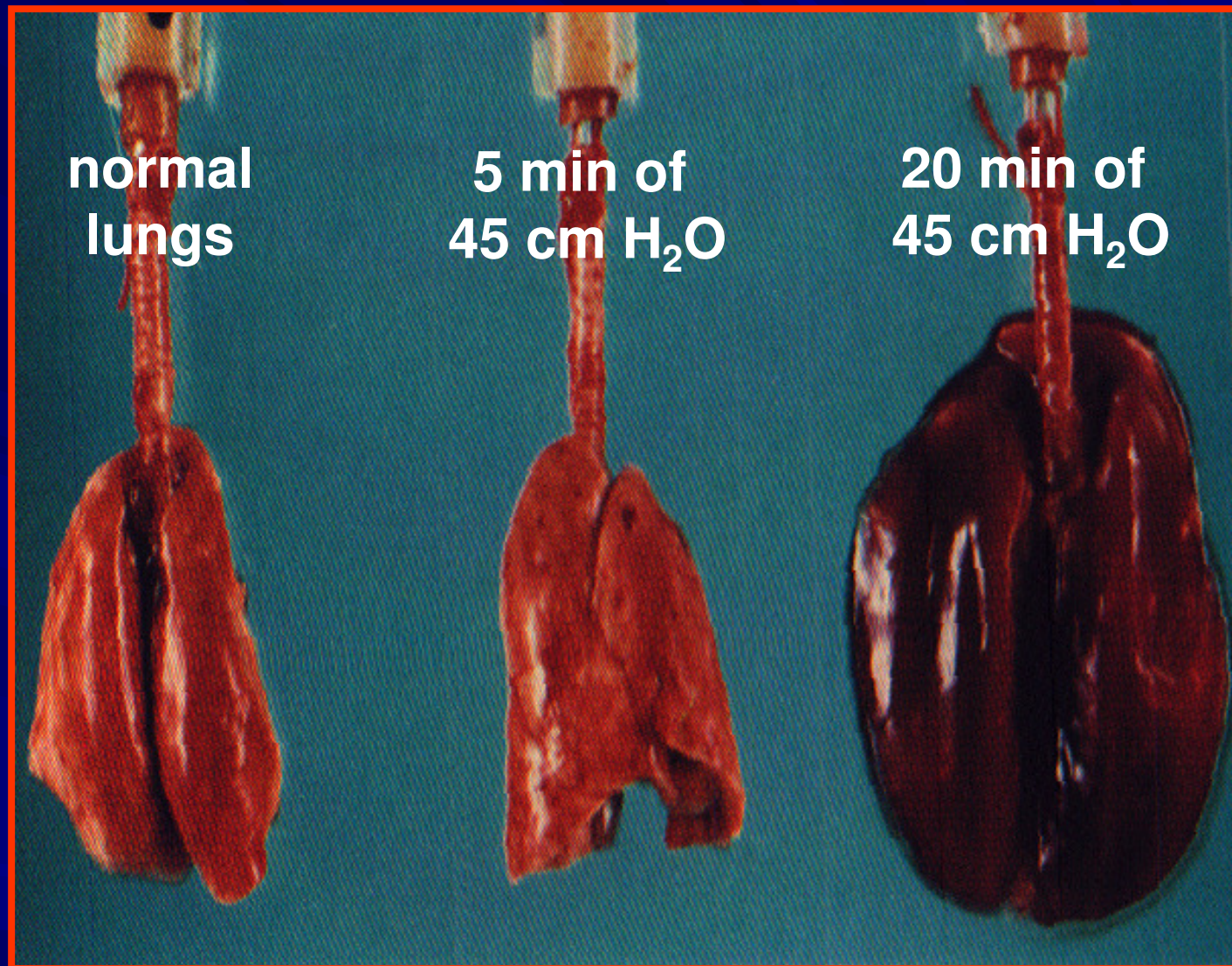
- Shear
- Overdistension
- ↑ Intrathoracic Pressure

- ↑ Alveolar-Capillary Permeability
- ↓ Cardiac Output
- ↓ Organ Perfusion

## Distal Organs

- Tissue injury 2 to inflammatory mediators/cells
- Impaired oxygen delivery
- Bacteremia

**MSOF** (Slutsky & Tremblay, 1998)



Dreyfuss, Am J Respir Crit Care Med 1998;157:294-323



Fu et al, J Appl Physiol 1992; 73:123-133

# VILI Prevention

- Limit intraparenchymal stress/strain maldistribution (prone position and PEEP)
- Avoid excessive stress to lung parenchyma (transpulmonary pressure)

*L Gattinoni, 2003*

# Low Mortality associated with Low Volume Pressure Limited Ventilation with Permissive Hypercapnea in ARDS

[Hickling et al, 1990 Int Care Med]

- 70 patients with ARDS
- Patients with low lung compliance:
  - PIP limited to 30 cmH<sub>2</sub>O
  - V<sub>T</sub> as low as 350 mL (5 mL/kg)
- Volume ventilation (SIMV), high PEEP, spontaneous breathing; no PSV resulted in high RR and higher PaCO<sub>2</sub>

**OUTCOMES:** Actual Mortality 16% vs. Predicted Mortality 39.6%

No Pneumothoracies

# Effect of a protective-ventilation strategy on mortality in the acute respiratory distress syndrome

[Amato et al, 1998 N Engl J Med]

- 53 Patients with early ARDS
- Randomly assigned to either Conventional or Protective ventilation strategy
- All patients were treated with identical hemodynamic and general support.

|       | <u>Conventional Ventilation</u> | <u>Protective-ventilation strategy</u>       |
|-------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Vt    | 12ml/kg                         | < 6 mL/kg                                    |
| PEEP  | Lowest PEEP to FiO2             | Set from the lower inflection point PV curve |
| PCO2  | 35 - 45 mmHg                    | Permissive Hypercapnea                       |
| PPLAT | 38 - 46 cm H2O                  | Limited to 20 cm above                       |
| PEEP  |                                 |                                              |

# Results

|              | Conventional | Lung Protection |
|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| ■ Mortality  | 71%          | 38%             |
| ■ Barotrauma | 43%          | 7%              |
| ■ Weaning    | 29%          | 66%             |

# Protective Lung Strategy - Low Tidal Volume, Low Lung Pressure ARDS Network Study

- Large NHLBI study results (New Engl J Med 2000)
  - 10 centers, 24 hospitals, 800 ARDS patients
  - 2 ventilator strategies tested - 12ml/kg & 6ml/kg
  - 25% less mortality in the low volume category
- Best strategy - Volume or Pressure Ventilation?
  - low volume settings adjusted to maintain plateau pressures between 25 - 30 cm H<sub>2</sub>O simulating PCV

NIH NHLBI ARDS Clinical Trials Network  
Mechanical Ventilation Protocol Summary  
[www.hedwig.mgh.harvard.edu](http://www.hedwig.mgh.harvard.edu)

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## Hospital Mortality: Lower vs Higher $V_T$ at the same PEEP

|               | Patients,n | Low VT<br>Similar PEEP | High VT<br>Similar PEEP | Odds ratio<br>(95% CI)       |
|---------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Brower, 1998  | 52         | 13/26                  | 12/26                   | 1.17(0.39-3.47)              |
| Brower, 2000  | 861        | 134/432                | 171/429                 | 0.68(0.51-0.90)              |
| Stewart, 1998 | 120        | 30/60                  | 28/60                   | 1.14(0.56-2.34)              |
| Summary       |            |                        |                         | 0.75(0.58-0.96)              |
|               |            |                        |                         | P<0.02; I <sup>2</sup> =18.3 |

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- Low  $V_T$  ventilation did not improve outcome when higher  $V_T$  ventilation resulted in  $P_{ei}$  less or equal to 30 cm H<sub>2</sub>O.
- Low  $V_T$  ventilation was associated with greater use of NMBAs
- Low  $V_T$  ventilation may not be beneficial if:
  - pH<7.20 (administering sodium bicarbonate, increasing  $V_T$  , ECMO)
  - side effects (hypercapnia/respiratory acidosis) are contraindicated

# Setting PEEP

## ■ Aims

- Prevent alveolar collapse
  - Reduce shear injury
  - Improve oxygenation

# Lung Recruitment Maneuver

- Prolonged high alveolar pressure to recruit collapsed lung units
- Method used at Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston

PEEP 30 - 40 cm H<sub>2</sub>O

± PC of 20 cm H<sub>2</sub>O, Rate 10/min; I:E 1:1

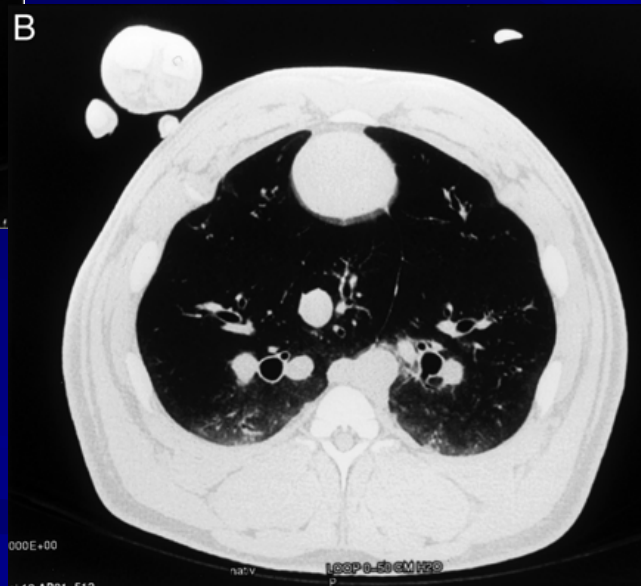
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# Recruitment Maneuver

0 cmH<sub>2</sub>O



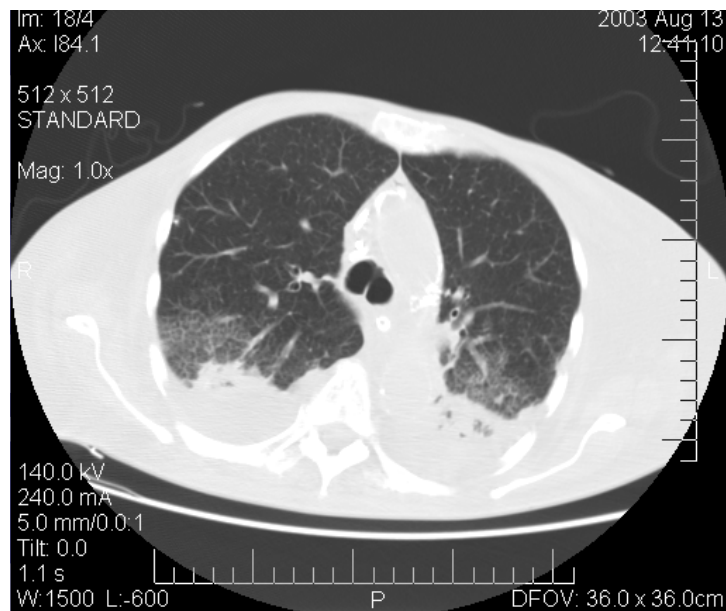
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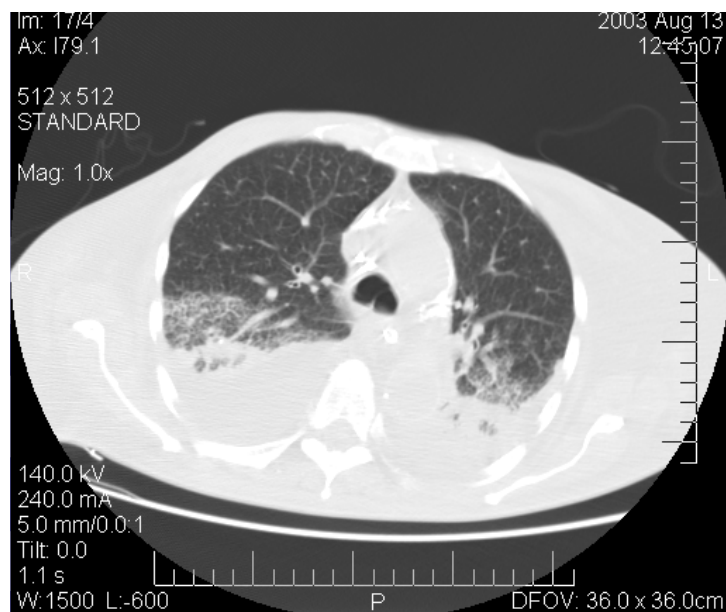
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Paw 45cmH<sub>2</sub>O



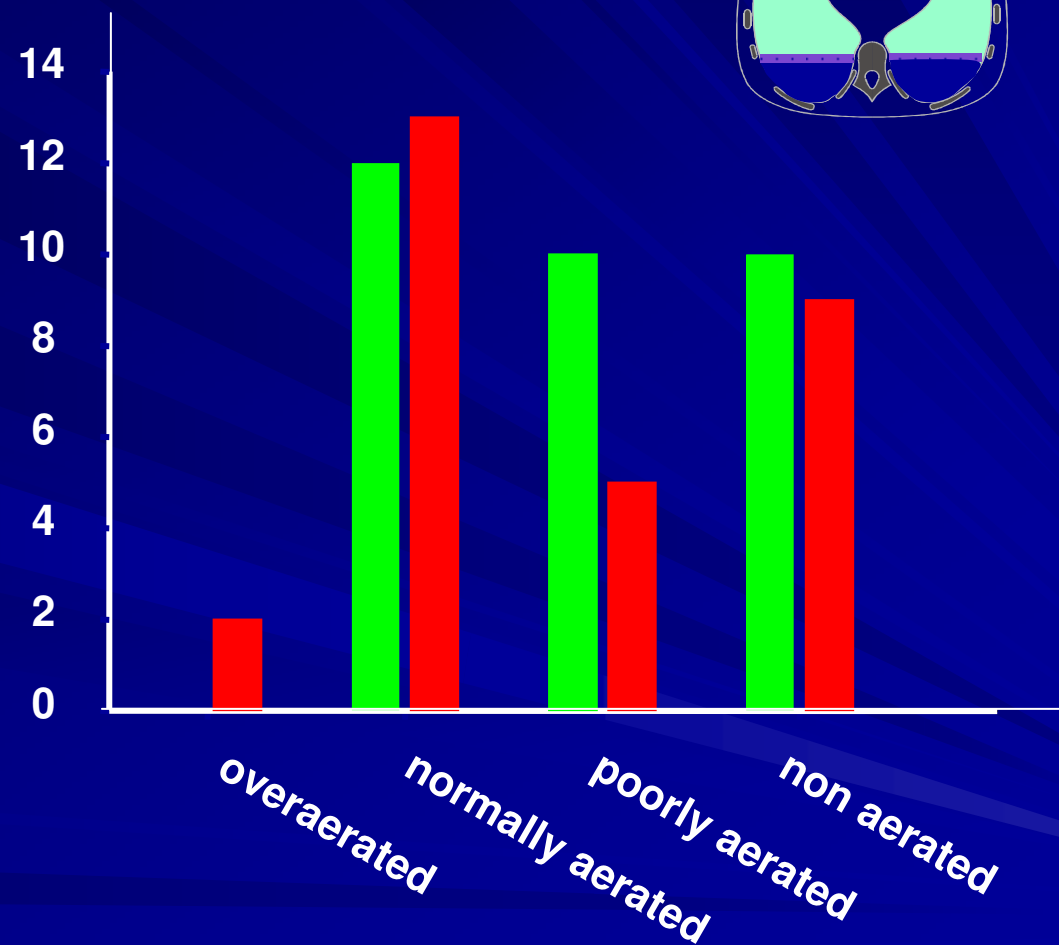
Peep 5 cmH<sub>2</sub>O



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Non recruiter

Weight (grams)



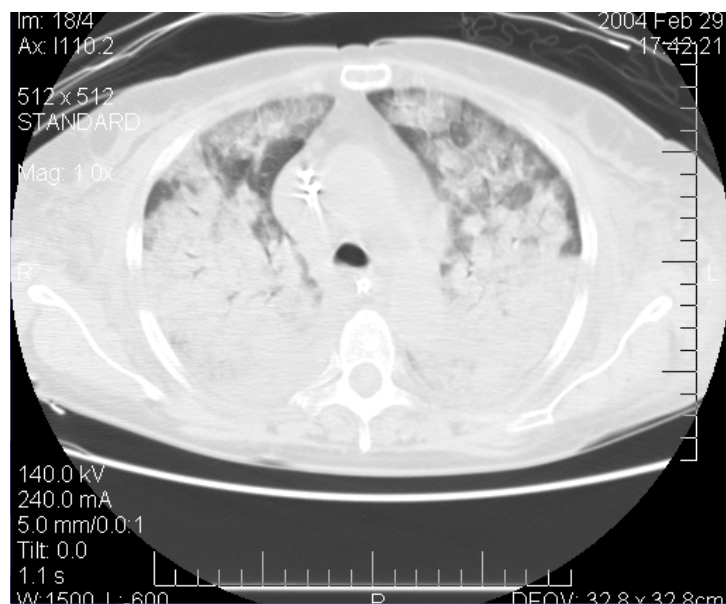
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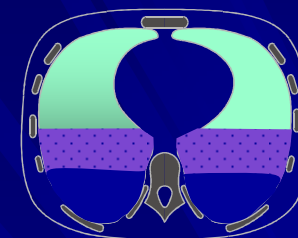


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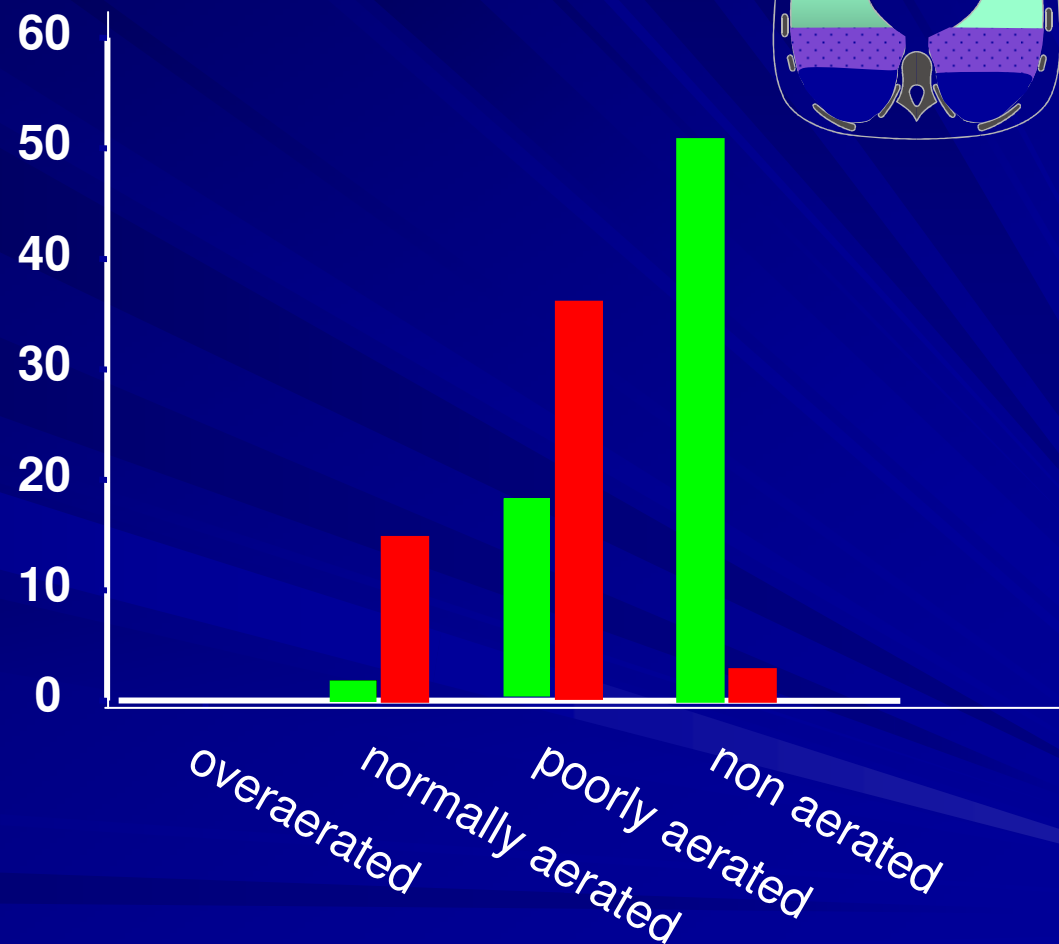


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Recruiter



Weight (grams)

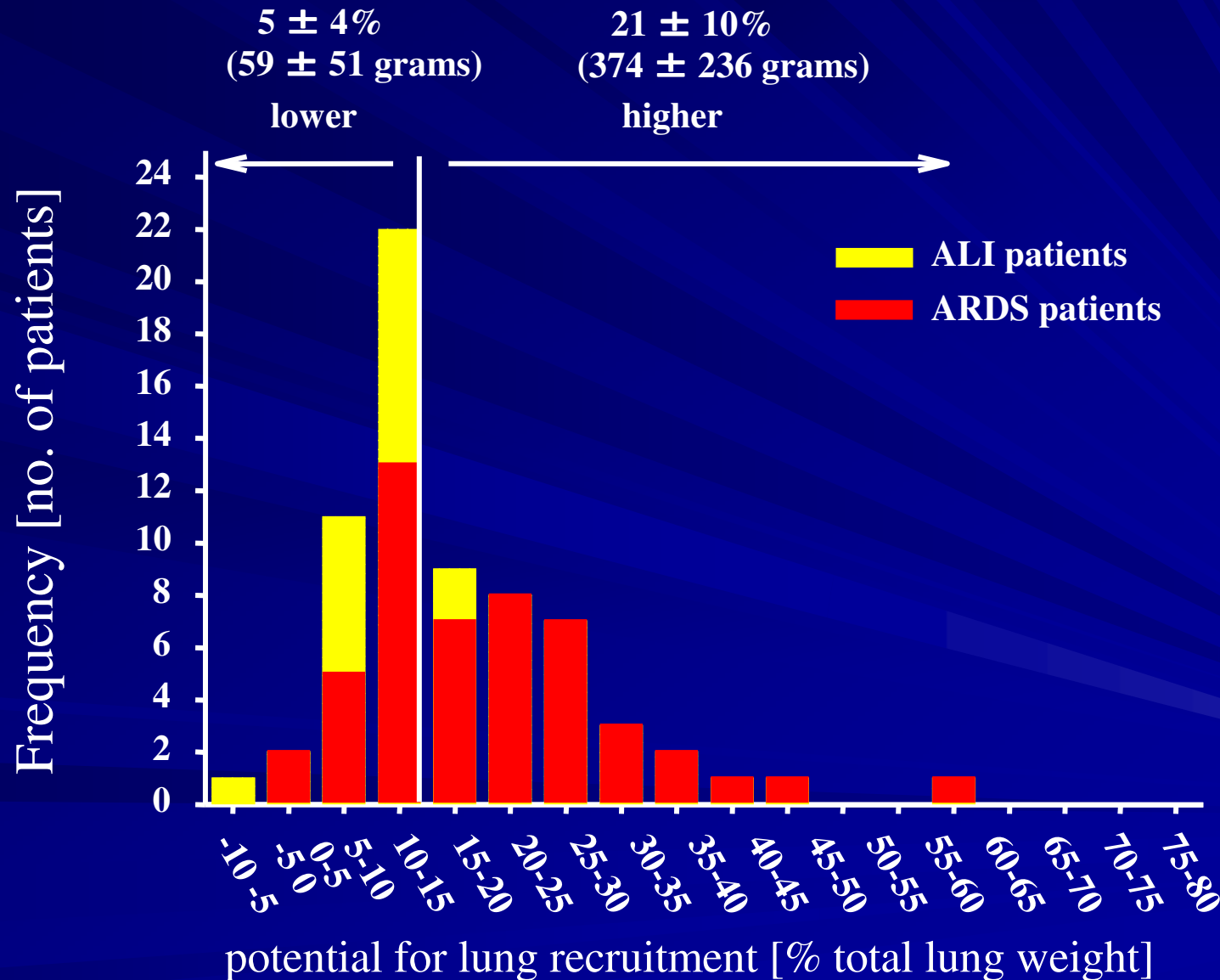


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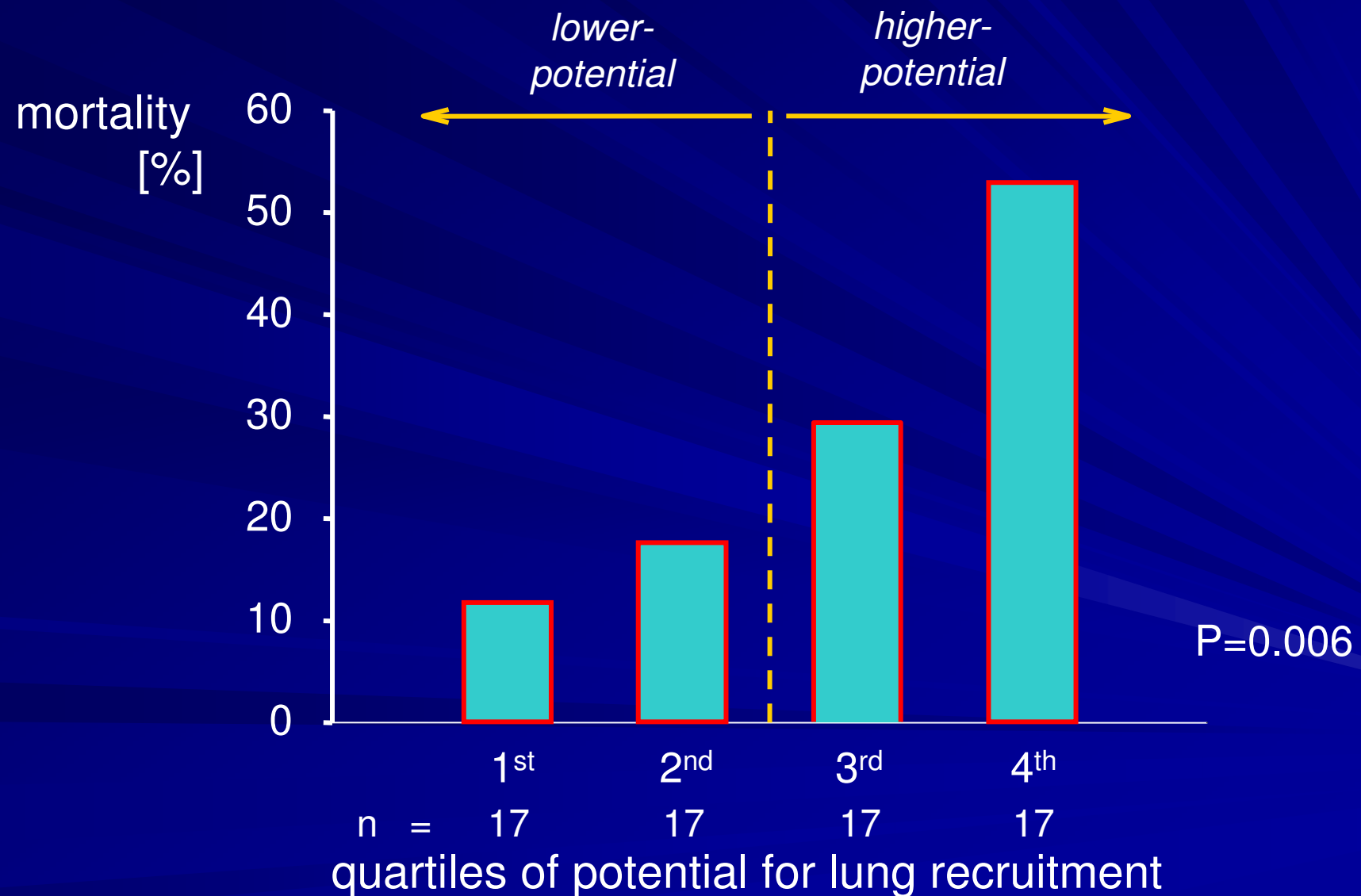
# Potential for lung recruitment

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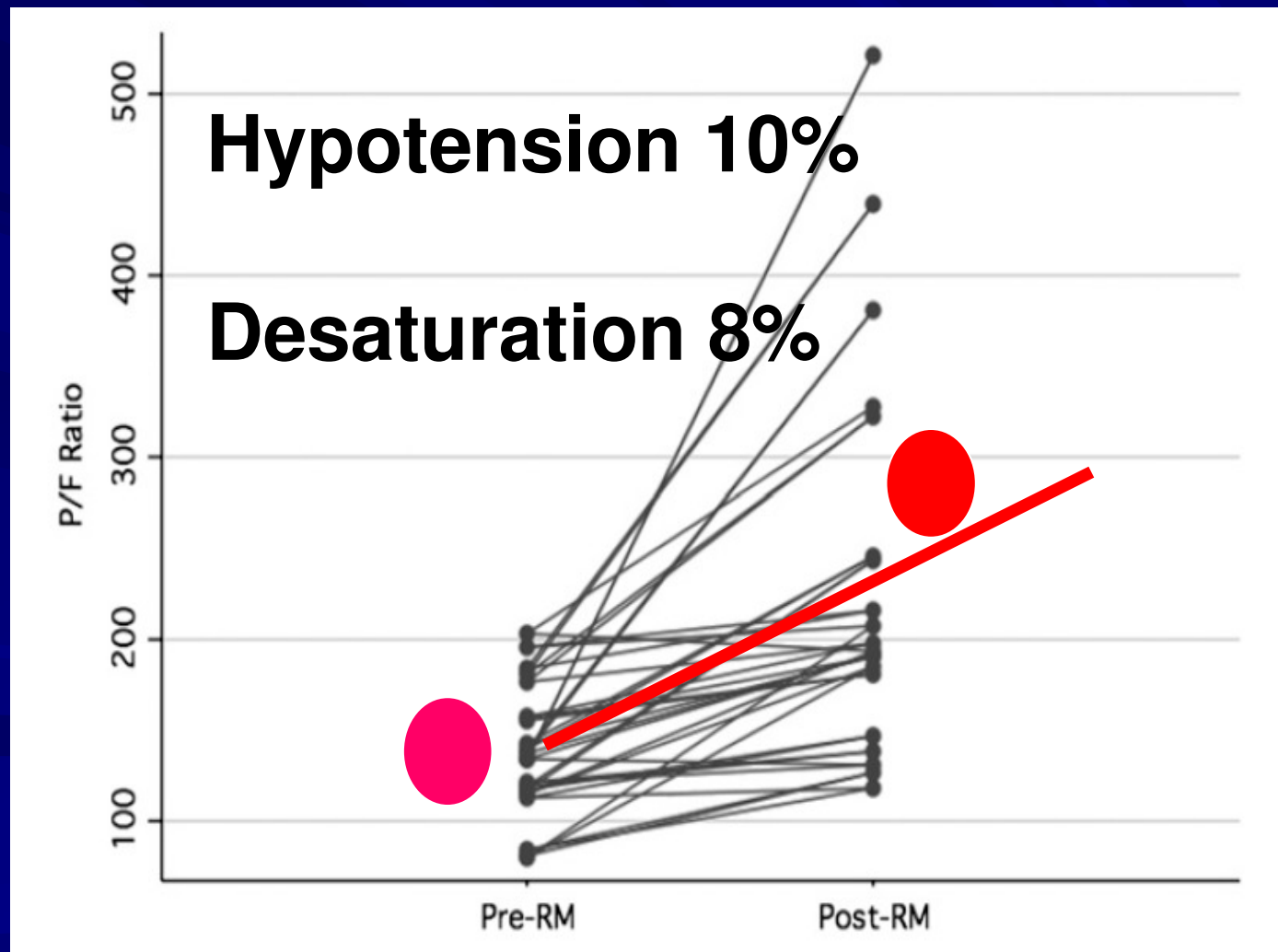
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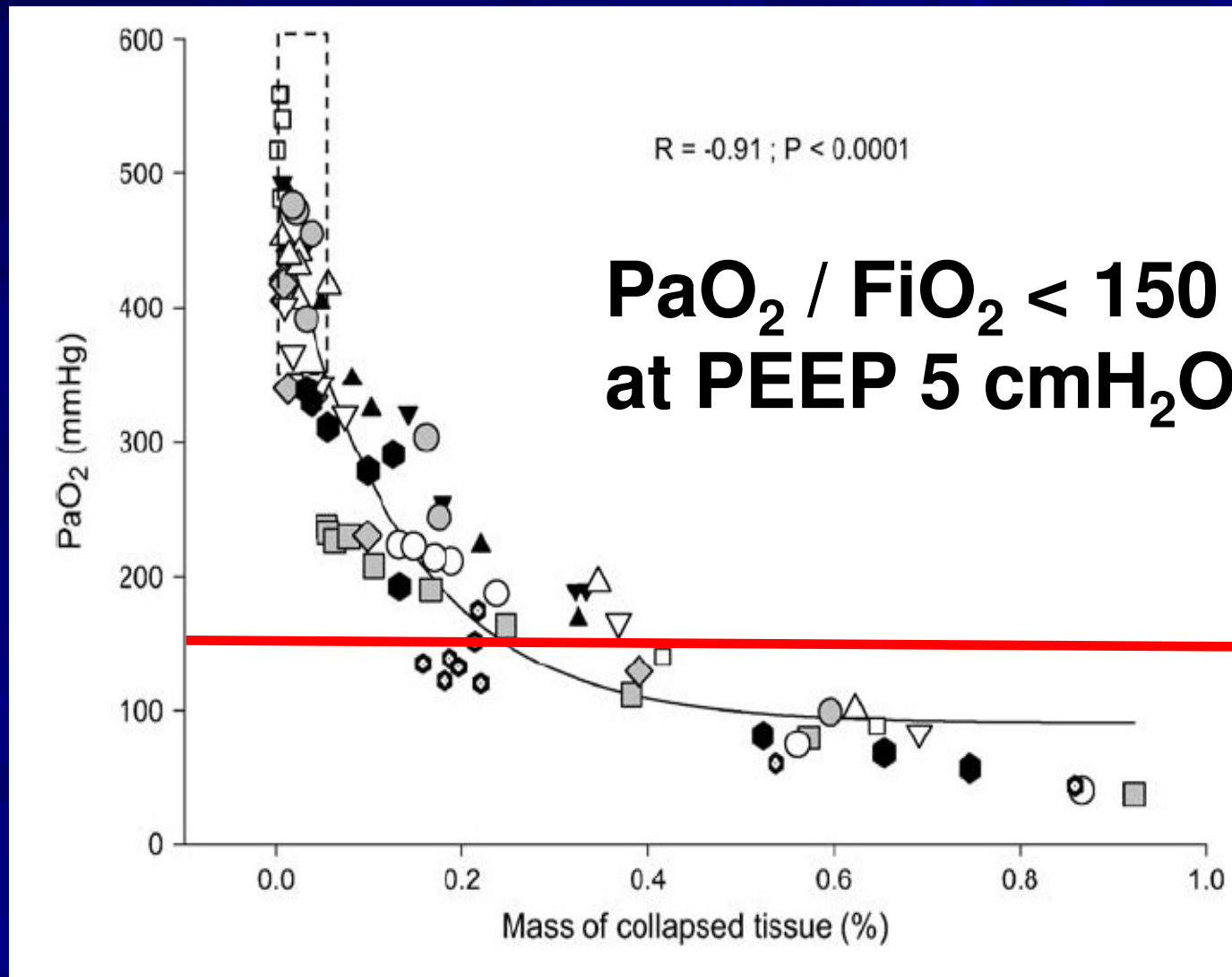
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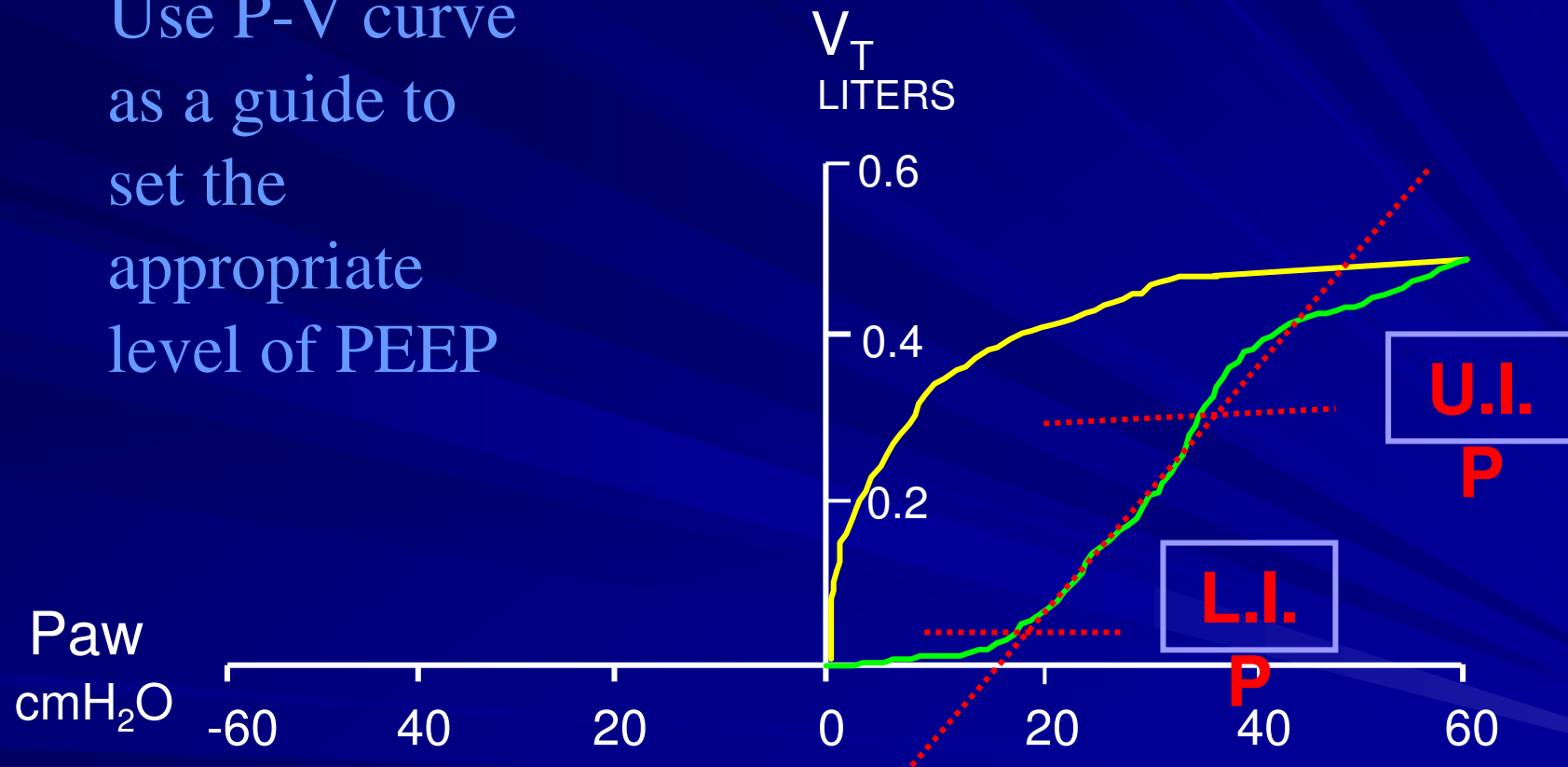
# Oxygenation and collapsed tissue

Borges et al Am J Respir Crit Care Med 174; 268-278, 2006



# Lung Compliance: Pressure-Volume Curve

Use P-V curve  
as a guide to  
set the  
appropriate  
level of PEEP

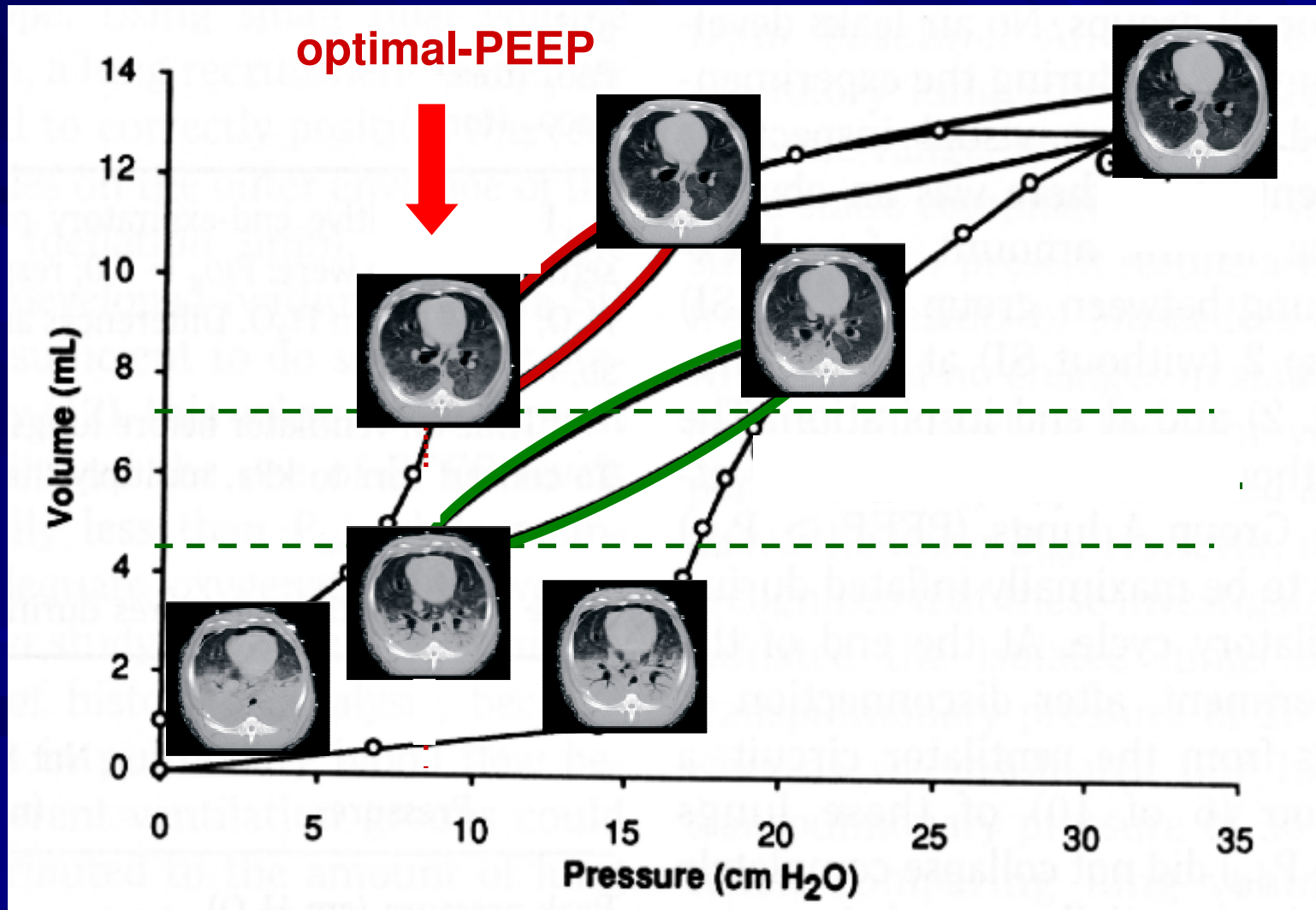


# Setting PEEP

- First maximally re-expand consolidated areas (recruitment manoeuvre)
- Then perform decremental PEEP trial

# The concept of PEEP and Recruitment

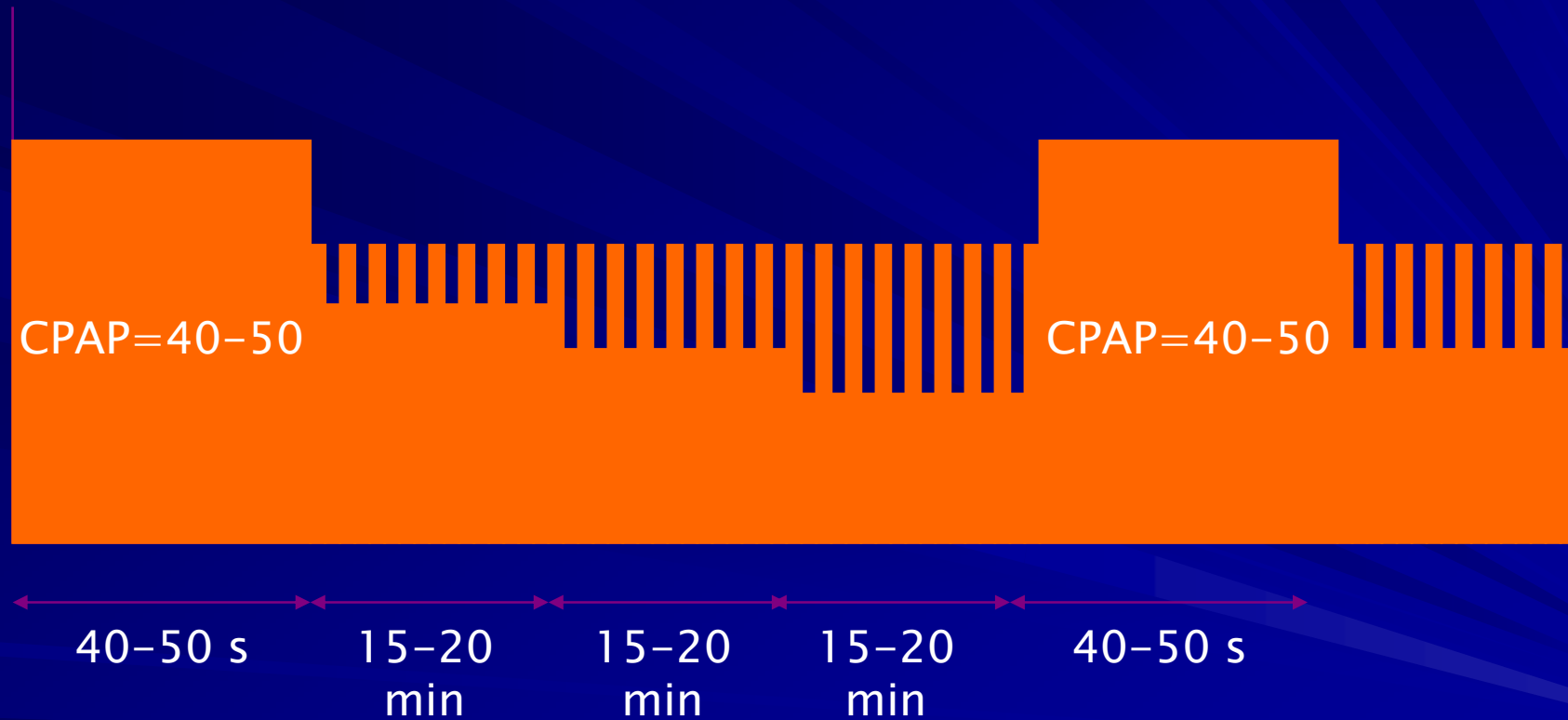
Pelosi P et al. Crit Care. 2010 Mar 9;14(2):210-218



# Setting PEEP

- Find PEEP that results in greatest lung compliance and oxygenation
- Should represent optimal balance between re-expansion and over-distension

# Putting it together



# The National Heart Lung and Blood Institute ARDS Clinical Trials Network. Higher versus lower positive end-expiratory pressures in patients with the acute respiratory distress syndrome.

*N Engl J Med 2004; 351:327-336*

**Table 1.** Summary of Ventilator Procedures in the Lower- and Higher-PEEP Groups.\*

| Procedure                                                                | Value                                                                                                                                            |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|-----|-----|---------|-----|-----|-------|-------|--|
| Ventilator mode                                                          | Volume assist/control                                                                                                                            |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
| Tidal-volume goal                                                        | 6 ml/kg of predicted body weight                                                                                                                 |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
| Plateau-pressure goal                                                    | ≤30 cm of water                                                                                                                                  |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
| Ventilator rate and pH goal                                              | 6–35, adjusted to achieve arterial pH ≥7.30 if possible                                                                                          |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
| Inspiration:expiration time                                              | 1:1–1:3                                                                                                                                          |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
| Oxygenation goal                                                         |                                                                                                                                                  |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
| PaO <sub>2</sub>                                                         | 55–80 mm Hg                                                                                                                                      |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
| SpO <sub>2</sub>                                                         | 88–95%                                                                                                                                           |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
| Weaning                                                                  | Weaning attempted by means of pressure support when level of arterial oxygenation acceptable with PEEP ≤8 cm of water and FiO <sub>2</sub> ≤0.40 |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
| Allowable combinations of PEEP and FiO <sub>2</sub> †                    |                                                                                                                                                  |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
| Lower-PEEP group                                                         |                                                                                                                                                  |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
| FiO <sub>2</sub>                                                         | 0.3                                                                                                                                              | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.7     | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.8     | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9   | 1.0   |  |
| PEEP                                                                     | 5                                                                                                                                                | 5   | 8   | 8   | 10  | 10  | 10      | 12  | 14  | 14      | 14  | 16  | 18    | 18–24 |  |
| Higher-PEEP group (before protocol changed to use higher levels of PEEP) |                                                                                                                                                  |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
| FiO <sub>2</sub>                                                         | 0.3                                                                                                                                              | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4     | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5–0.8 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.0   |       |  |
| PEEP                                                                     | 5                                                                                                                                                | 8   | 10  | 12  | 14  | 14  | 16      | 16  | 18  | 20      | 22  | 22  | 22–24 |       |  |
| Higher-PEEP group (after protocol changed to use higher levels of PEEP)  |                                                                                                                                                  |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |         |     |     |       |       |  |
| FiO <sub>2</sub>                                                         | 0.3                                                                                                                                              | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5–0.8 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.0     |     |     |       |       |  |
| PEEP                                                                     | 12                                                                                                                                               | 14  | 14  | 16  | 16  | 18  | 20      | 22  | 22  | 22–24   |     |     |       |       |  |

\* Complete ventilator procedures and eligibility criteria are listed in the Supplementary Appendix (available with the full text of this article at [www.nejm.org](http://www.nejm.org)) and at [www.ardsnet.org](http://www.ardsnet.org). PaO<sub>2</sub> denotes partial pressure of arterial oxygen, SpO<sub>2</sub> oxyhemoglobin saturation as measured by pulse oximetry, FiO<sub>2</sub> fraction of inspired oxygen, and PEEP positive end-expiratory pressure.

† In both study groups, additional increases in PEEP to 34 cm of water were allowed but not required after the FiO<sub>2</sub> had been increased

**Table 4. Main Outcome Variables.\***

| Outcome                                                                                                 | Lower-PEEP Group | Higher-PEEP Group | P Value |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------|
| Death before discharge home (%)†                                                                        |                  |                   |         |
| Unadjusted                                                                                              | 24.9             | 27.5              | 0.48    |
| Adjusted for differences in baseline covariates                                                         | 27.5             | 25.1              | 0.47    |
| Breathing without assistance by day 28 (%)                                                              | 72.8             | 72.3              | 0.89    |
| No. of ventilator-free days from day 1 to day 28‡                                                       | 14.5±10.4        | 13.8±10.6         | 0.50    |
| No. of days not spent in intensive care unit from day 1 to day 28                                       | 12.2±10.4        | 12.3±10.3         | 0.83    |
| Barotrauma (%)§                                                                                         | 10               | 11                | 0.51    |
| No. of days without failure of circulatory, coagulation, hepatic, and renal organs from day 1 to day 28 | 16±11            | 16±11             | 0.82    |

\* Plus-minus values are means ±SD.

† The primary outcome measure was the proportion of patients who died before they were discharged home while breathing without assistance. Patients who were in health care facilities at 60 days were considered to have been discharged home while breathing without assistance.

‡ The number of ventilator-free days is the mean number of days from day 1 to day 28 on which patients had been breathing without assistance for at least 48 consecutive hours.

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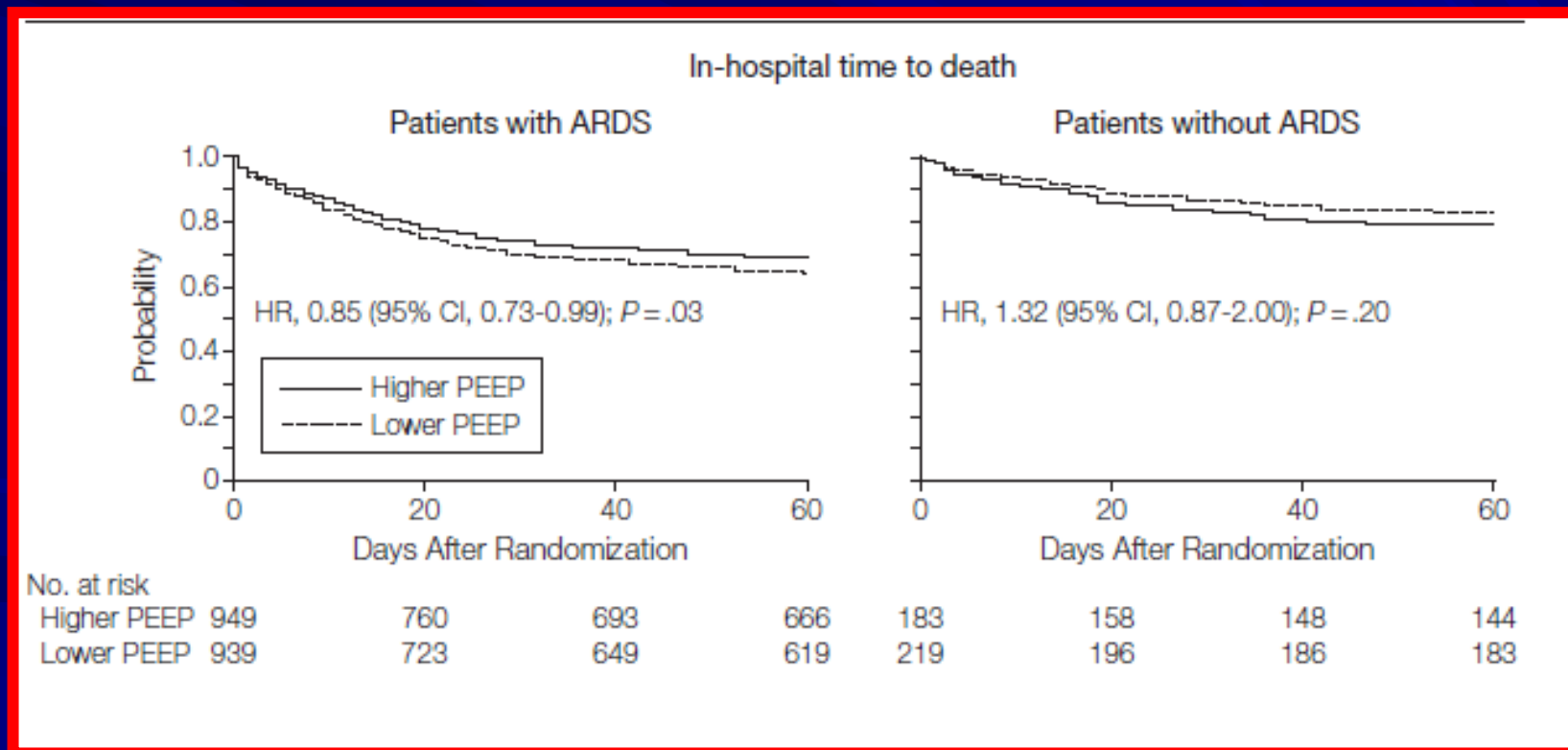
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## Rescue Therapies and ICU Mortality: Lower vs Higher PEEP at the same $V_T$

|                | Patients,n | Low PEEP<br>At Low VT | High PEEP<br>At Low VT | Odds ratio<br>(95% CI)                              |
|----------------|------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Meade, 2008    | 983        | 45/508                | 20/475                 | 0.45(0.26-0.78)                                     |
| Mercat, 2008   | 767        | 62/382                | 37/385                 | 0.55(0.36-0.85)                                     |
| <b>Summary</b> |            |                       |                        | <b>0.51(0.36-0.71)</b><br>P<0.01; I <sup>2</sup> =0 |

# Higher vs lower positive end-expiratory pressure in patients with ALI/ARDS : systematic review and meta-analysis

*Briel M et al. JAMA. 2010;303(9):865-873*



**Tidal volume  
(Strain)**



$\times E (TOT)$

**Plateau pressure**



$\times E (L/TOT)$

**Transpulmonary pressure  
(Stress)**



**VILI**

E : Elastance  
L : Lung  
TOT : Total

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### Esophageal-Pressure–Guided Group

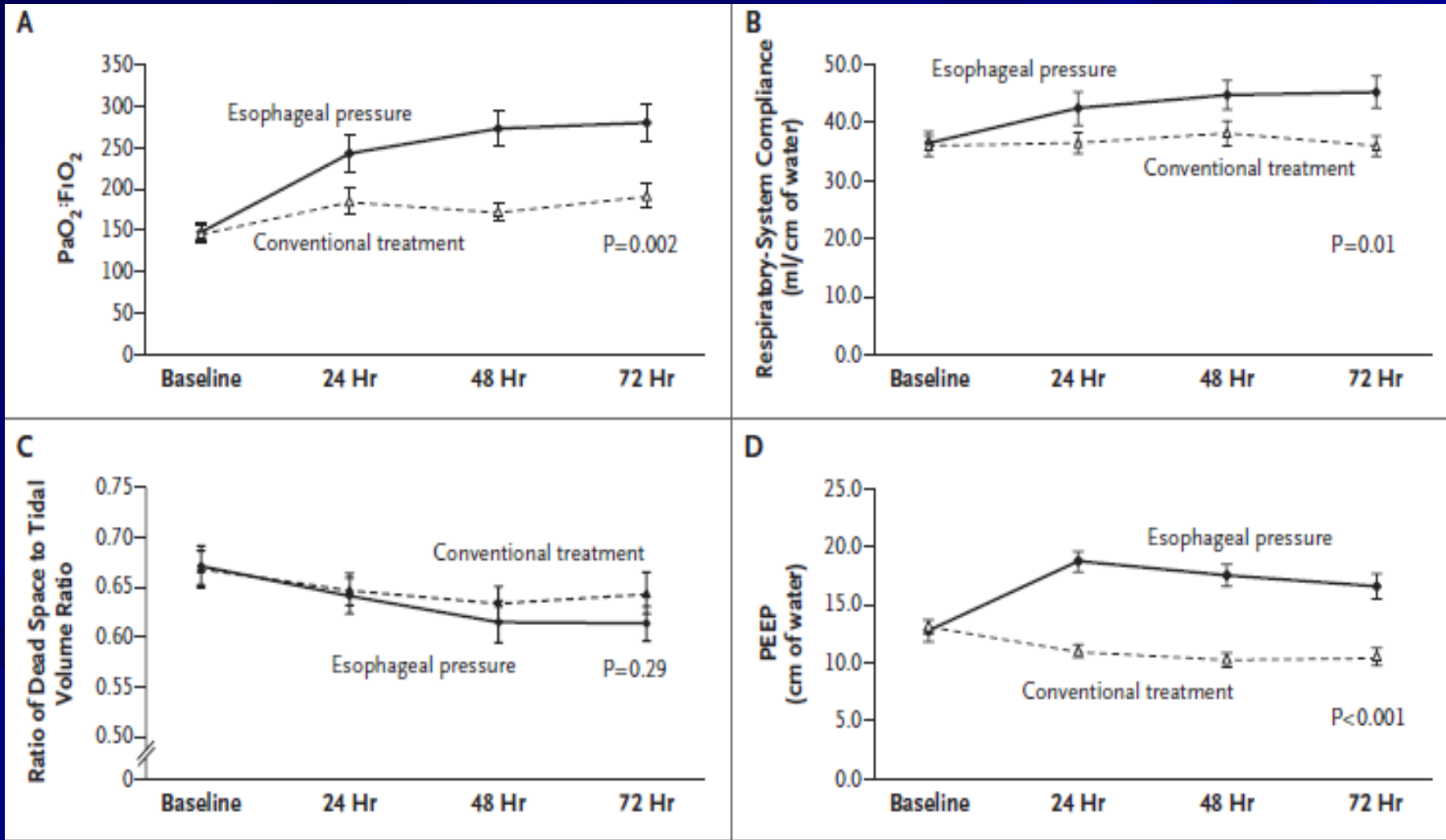
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| F <sub>I</sub> O <sub>2</sub> | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| P <sub>Le<sub>xp</sub></sub>  | 0   | 0   | 2   | 2   | 4   | 4   | 6   | 6   | 8   | 8   | 10  | 10  |

### Control Group

|                               |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |       |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| F <sub>I</sub> O <sub>2</sub> | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.0   |
| PEEP                          | 5   | 5   | 8   | 8   | 10  | 10  | 10  | 12  | 14  | 14  | 14  | 16  | 18  | 20–24 |

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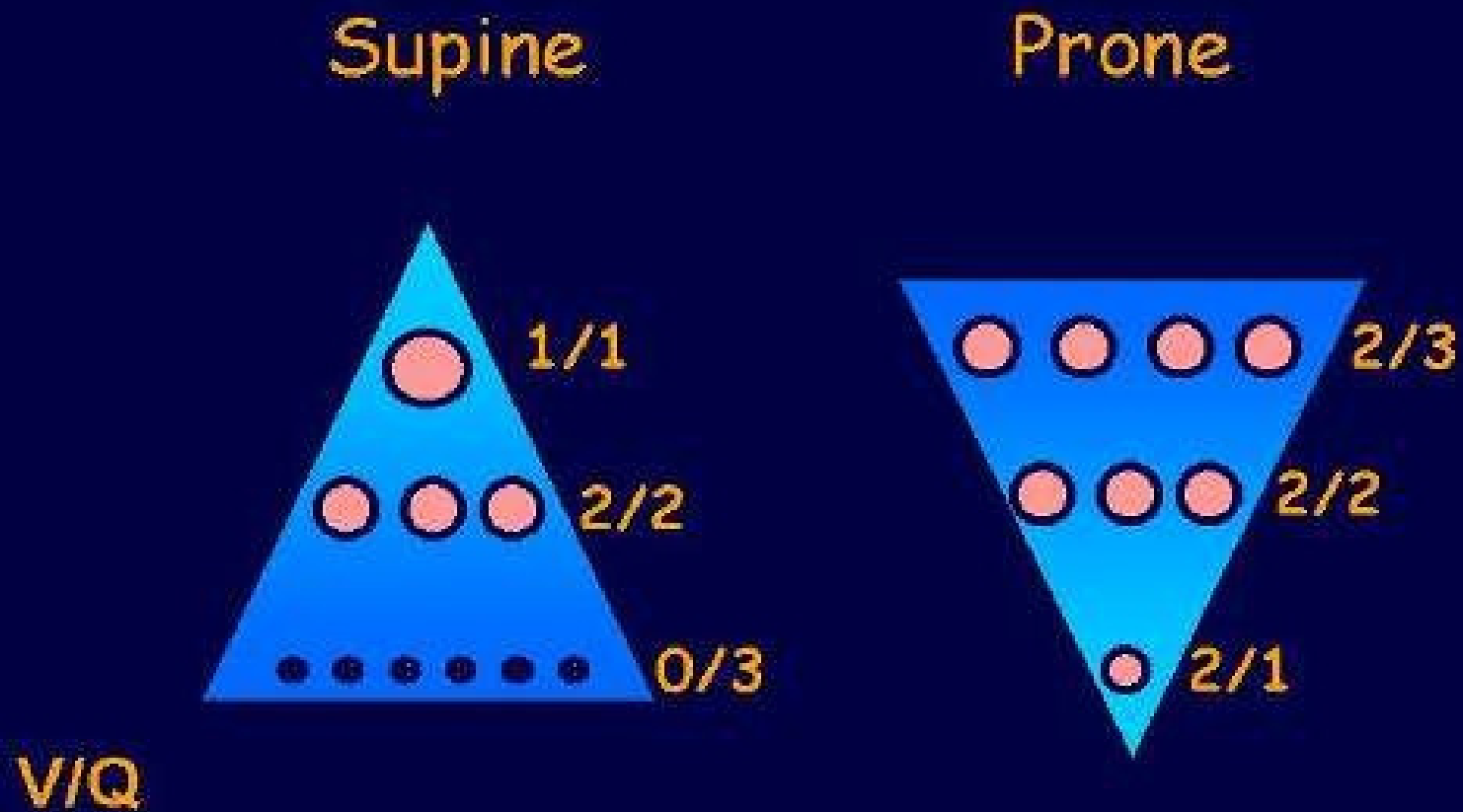
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| Outcome                                    | Esophageal-Pressure-Guided<br>(N=30) | Conventional Treatment<br>(N=31) | P Value |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------|
| 28-Day mortality — no. (%)                 | 5 (17)                               | 12 (39)                          | 0.055   |
| 180-Day mortality — no. (%)                | 8 (27)                               | 14 (45)                          | 0.13    |
| Length of ICU stay — days                  |                                      |                                  | 0.16    |
| Median                                     | 15.5                                 | 13.0                             |         |
| Interquartile range                        | 10.8–28.5                            | 7.0–22.0                         |         |
| No. of ICU-free days at 28 days            |                                      |                                  | 0.96    |
| Median                                     | 5.0                                  | 4.0                              |         |
| Interquartile range                        | 0.0–14.0                             | 0.0–16.0                         |         |
| No. of ventilator-free days at 28 days     |                                      |                                  | 0.50    |
| Median                                     | 11.5                                 | 7.0                              |         |
| Interquartile range                        | 0.0–20.3                             | 0.0–17.0                         |         |
| No. of days of ventilation among survivors |                                      |                                  | 0.71    |
| Median                                     | 12.0                                 | 16.0                             |         |
| Interquartile range                        | 7.0–27.5                             | 7.0–20.0                         |         |

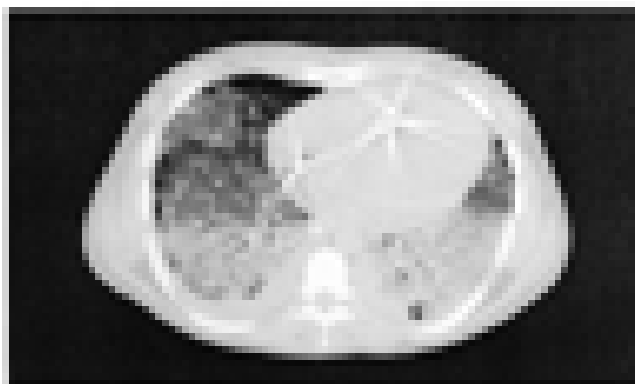
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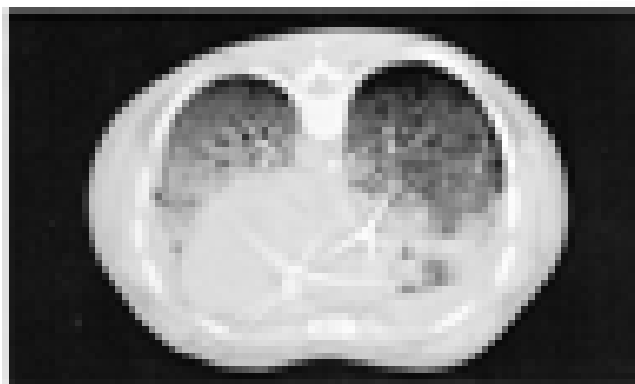


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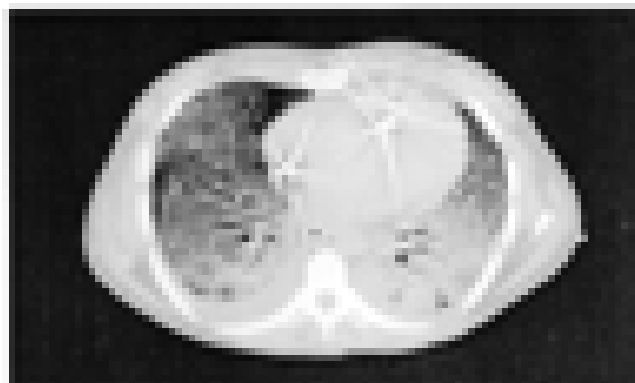
Supine



Prone



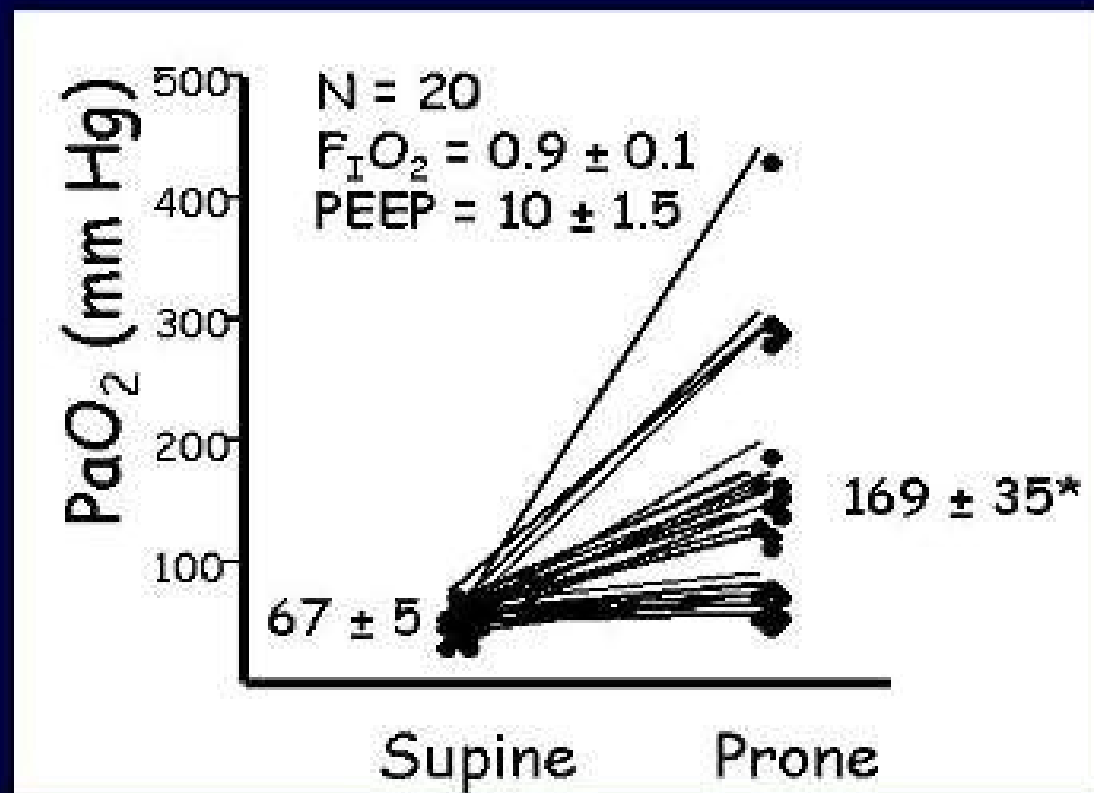
Supine



PEEP 10cm H2O

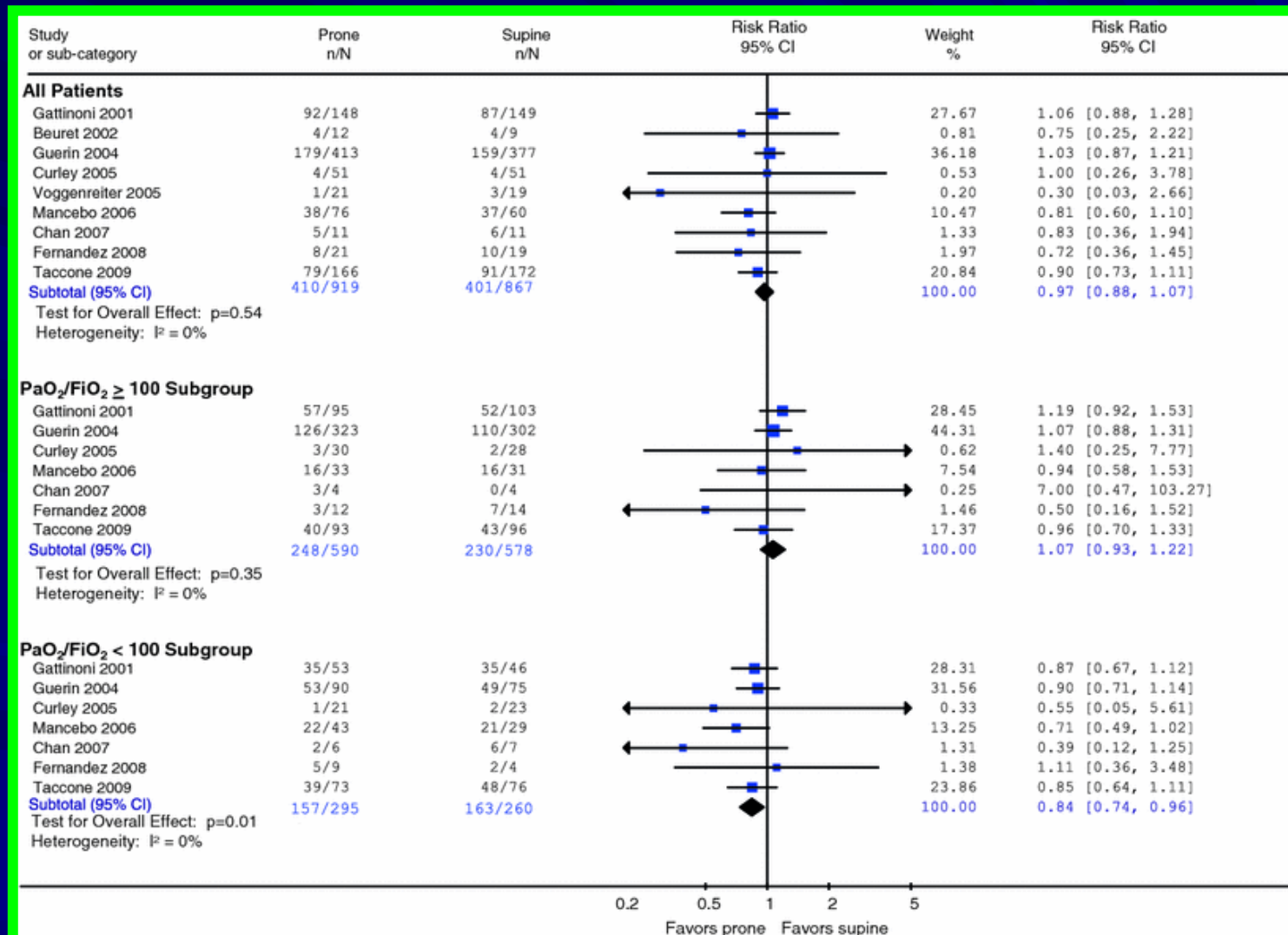
# Effect of Prone Position on PaO<sub>2</sub>

32 studies  
15 countries  
776 patients  
66-75% response  
PaO<sub>2</sub> ↑ 40-400 mmHg  
P/F ↑ 40-80 mmHg



# Effect of prone ventilation on mortality (hospital discharge or longest follow-up)

Sud S et al. Intensive Care Med. 2010 Apr;36(4):585-99



# Prone position reduces mortality in pts with ARF and severe hypoxemia: systematic review & meta-analysis

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## Other “effects” of Prone position

|                                             | RR(95%CI)        | P    |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------|------|
| ● Reduction in VAP                          | 0.81 (0.67-1.00) | 0.05 |
| ● Increase in ET obstruction                | 1.58 (1.24-2.01) | 0.01 |
| ● Increase in pressure ulcers               | 1.29 (1.16-1.44) | 0.01 |
| ● Increase in thoracostomy tube dislodgment | 3.14 (1.02-9.69) | 0.05 |

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- PP is an effective rescue maneuver for hypoxemia
- In ALI and moderate ARDS (likely low recruiters) PP does not influence mortality
- In severe ARDS ( $\text{PaO}_2/\text{FiO}_2 < 150$  at PEEP 5 cmH<sub>2</sub>O), likely higher recruiters, the available data strongly suggest that PP may provide survival benefits (about 10%)

# Inverse Ratio Ventilation (IRV)

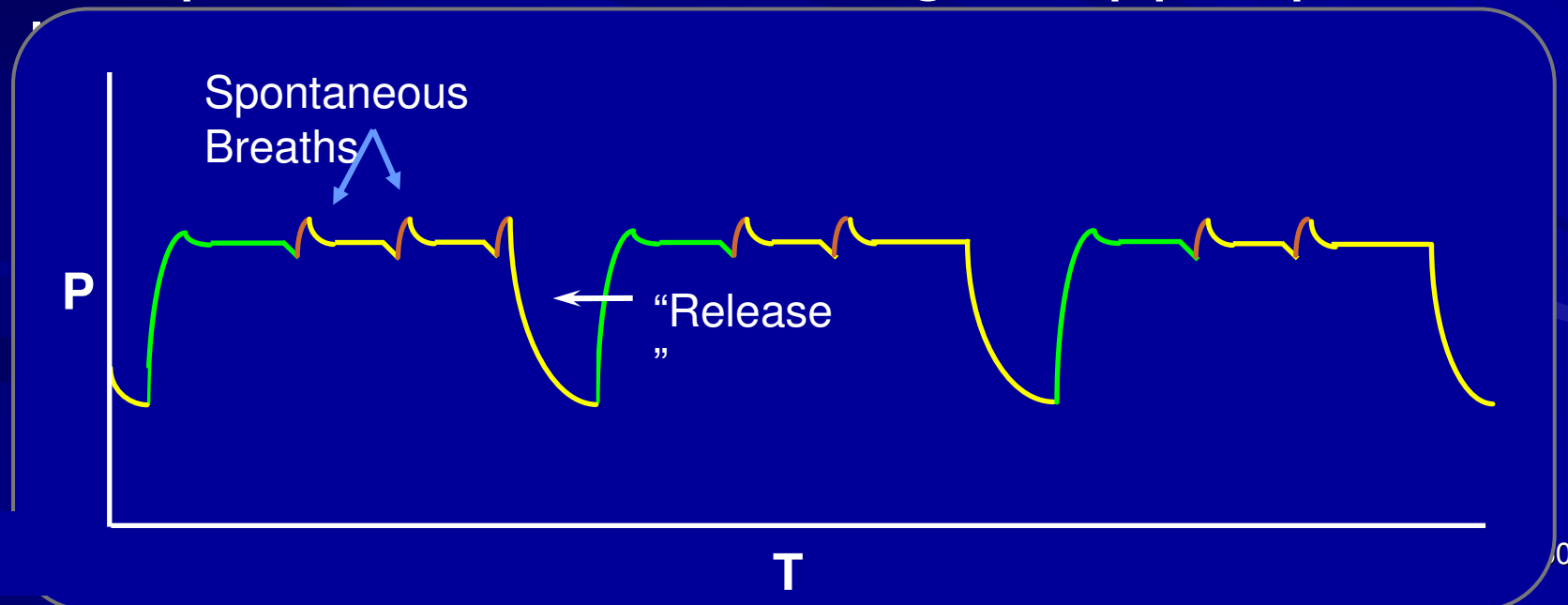
- Ratio of inspiratory to expiratory time  $> 1$
- Using either volume or pressure modes of ventilation
- Increased mean airway pressure
- Improves oxygenation

# Airway Pressure Release Ventilation (APRV)

- Uses high continuous airway pressure to promote alveolar recruitment and to maintain adequate lung volume
- A time-cycled release phase to a lower pressure to supplement spontaneous minute ventilation
- By allowing unrestricted spontaneous breathing throughout the ventilator cycle, APRV allows for better ventilation of dependent lung regions
- Improved ventilation-perfusion matching and better oxygenation have been demonstrated in patients with ARDS

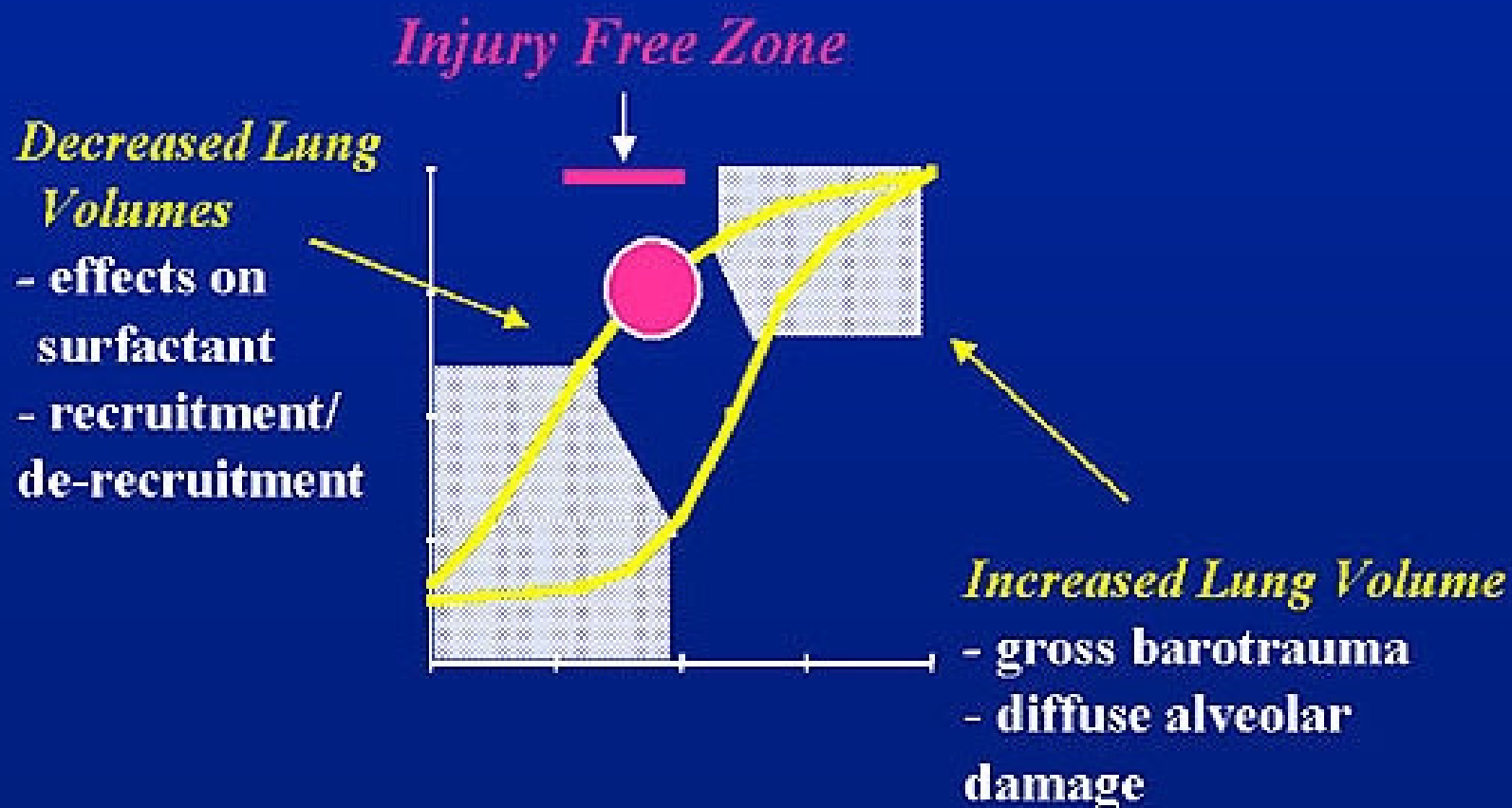
# What Is APRV?

- APRV - Airway Pressure Release Ventilation
- utilizes a very short Exp. time for ***Pressure Release***
  - short time release time allows for CO<sub>2</sub> removal
- All spontaneous breathing at upper pressure

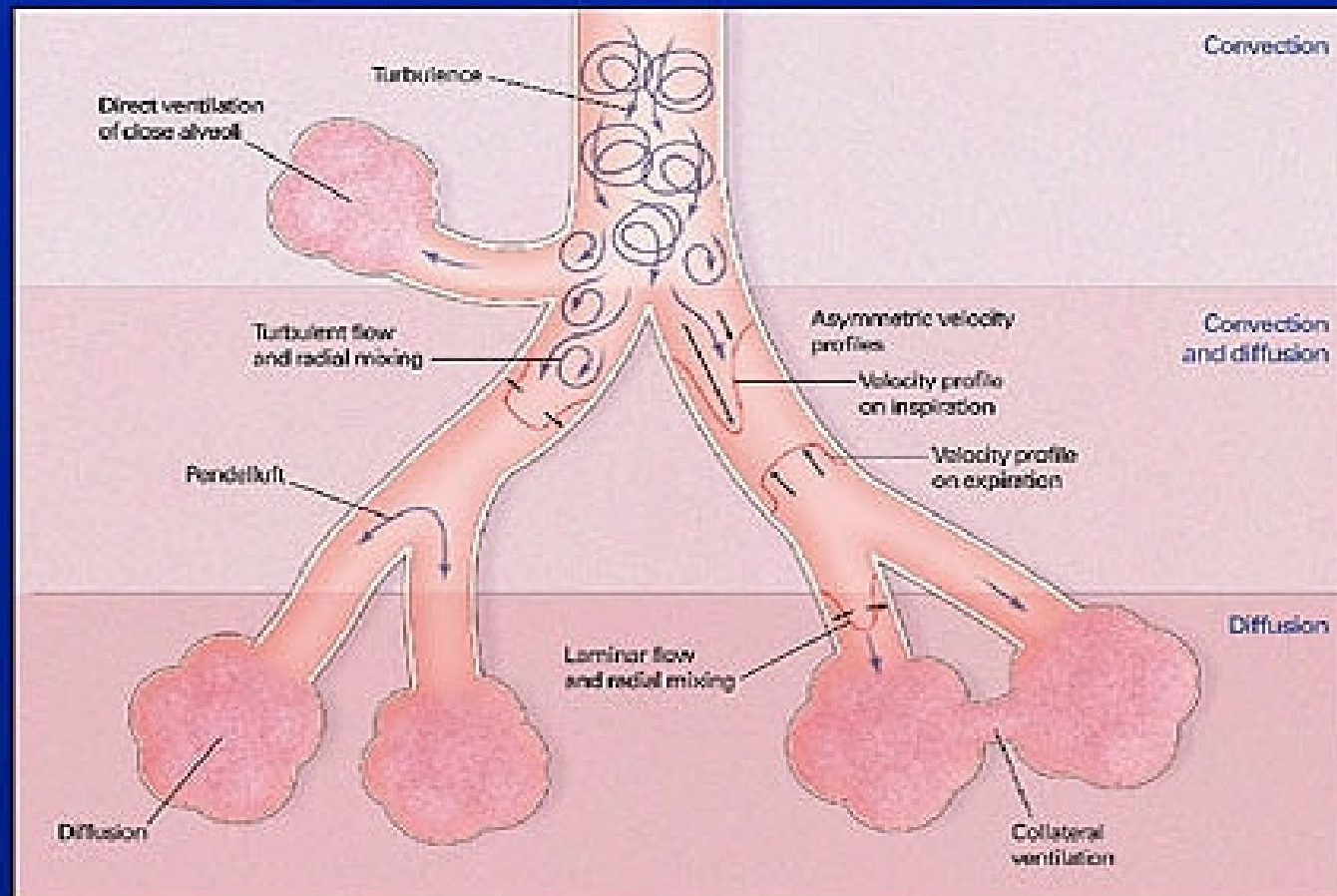


# *Theoretical Advantage of HFV: Lung Protection*

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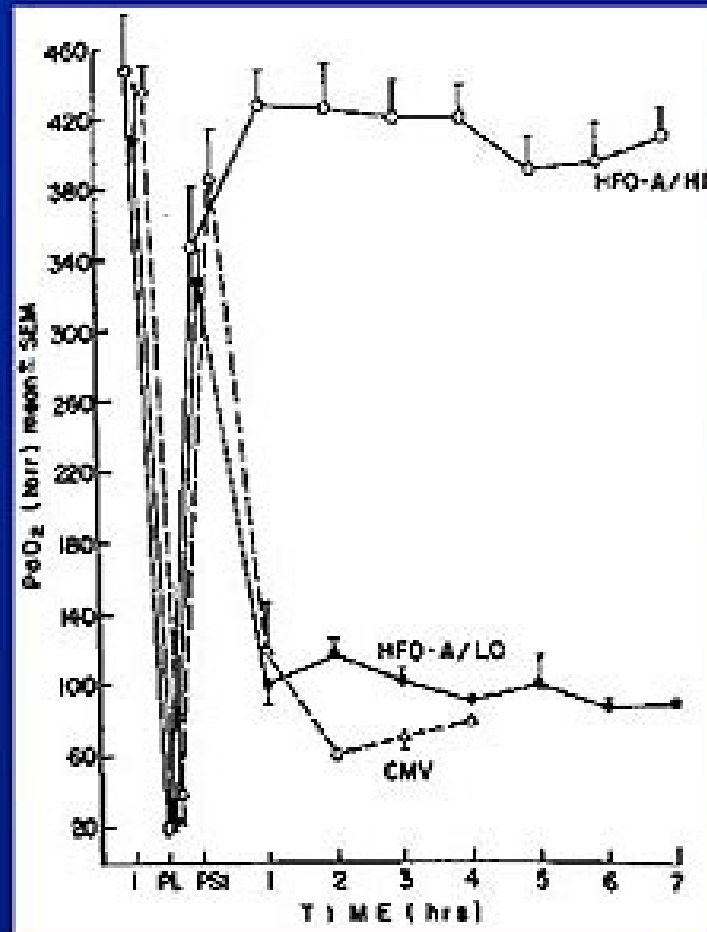


# High-Frequency Ventilation: Gas Transport Mechanisms



*Slutsky & Drazen N Engl J Med 2002;347:630-631*

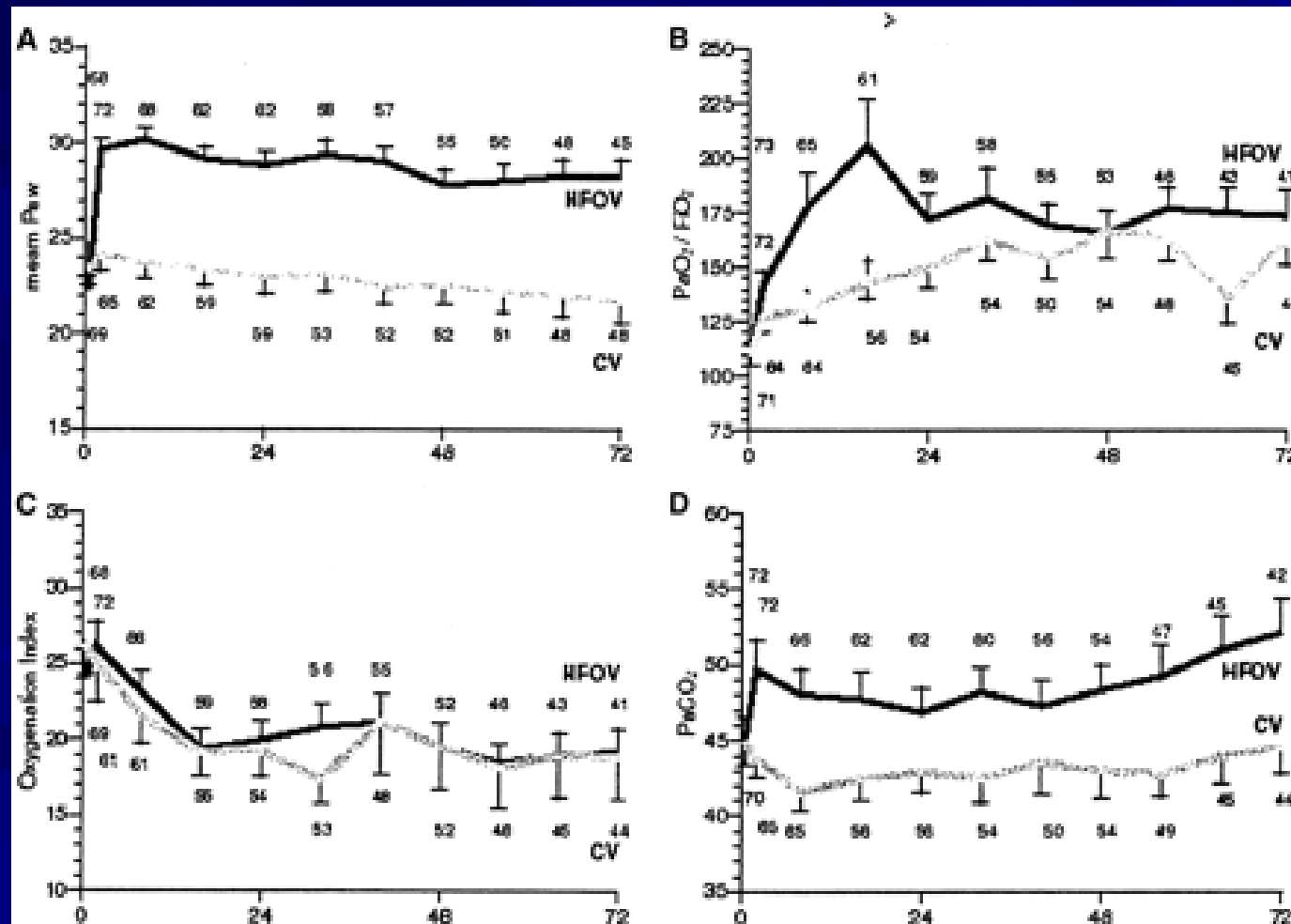
# *Lung Volume Maintenance prevents Lung Injury during HFOV in rabbits*



McCulloch, Forkert, Froese *ARRD* 137:1185-1192,1988

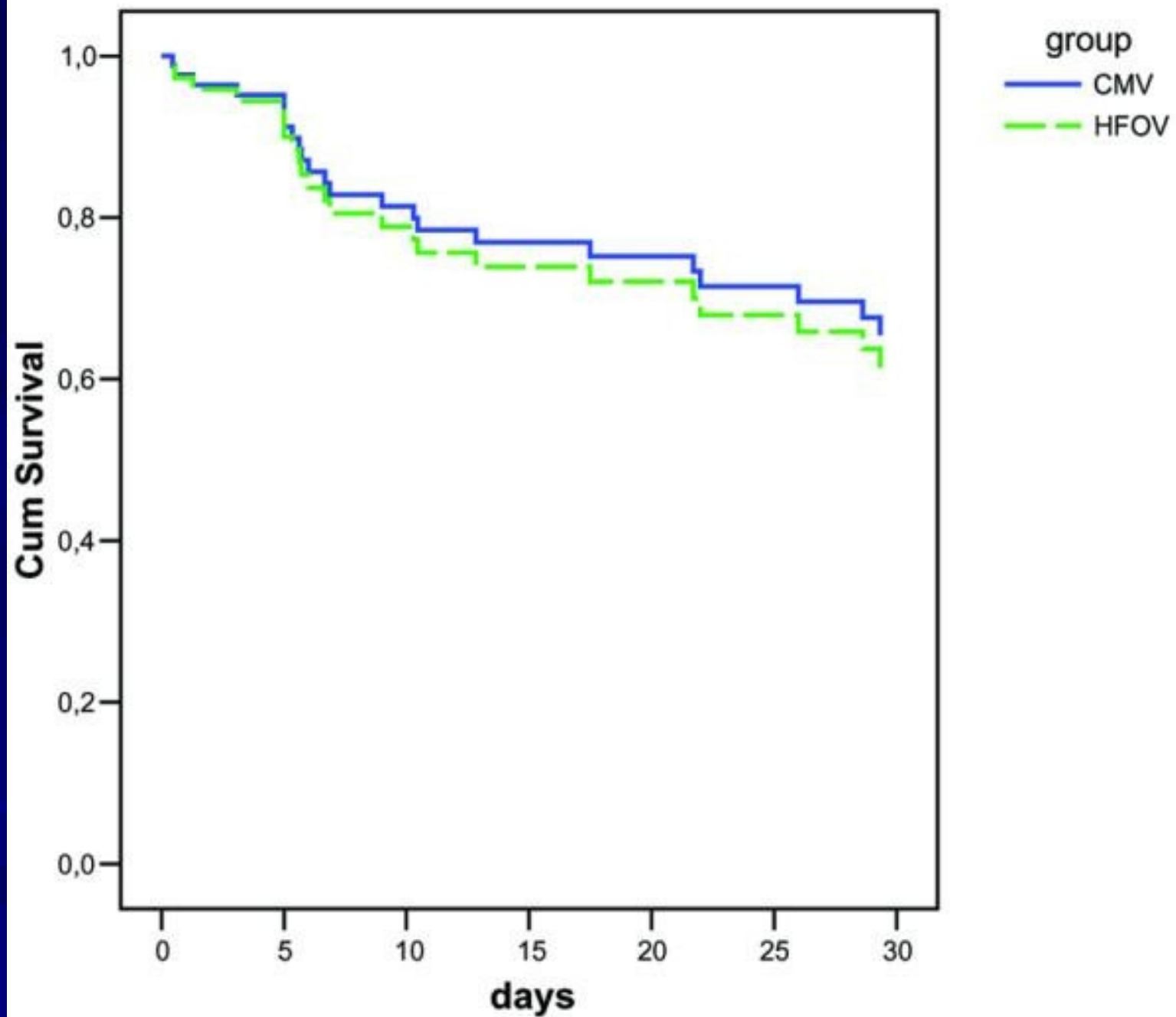
**Derdak S, Mehta S, Stewart TE, et al. High-frequency oscillatory ventilation for acute respiratory distress syndrome in adults: a randomized, controlled trial.**

Am J Respir Crit Care Med 2002; 166:801-808



**N=148**

**P=0.0008**



**Mortality**

**63%**

**48%**

**P=0.10**

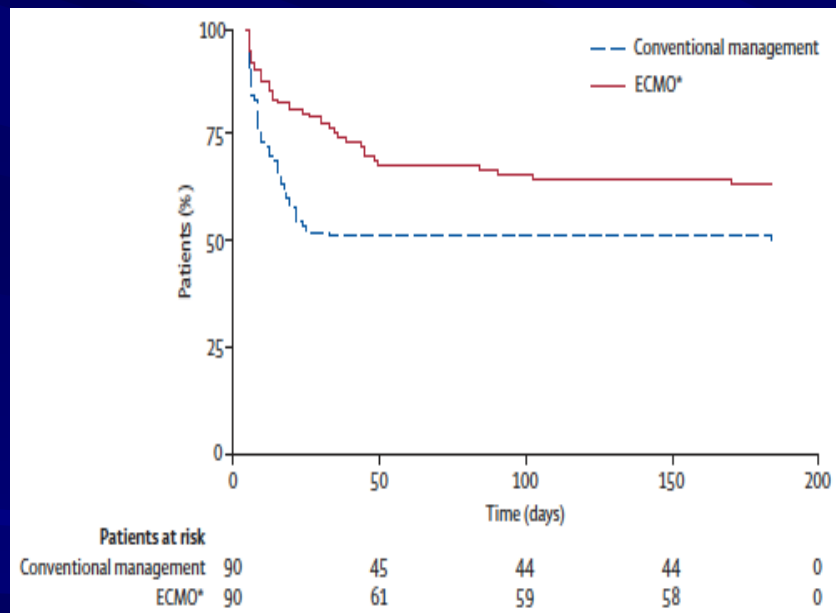
# Partial Liquid Ventilation



- Use perfluorocarbons
- Hirschl et al (2002)
  - No difference in mortality or duration of MV
- Kacmarek et al (2006)
  - No improvement in outcome

# Efficacy and economic assessment of conventional ventilatory support versus extracorporeal membrane oxygenation for severe adult respiratory failure (CESAR): a multicentre randomised controlled trial

Peek JL et al. Lancet 2009; 374: 1351–63



- Murray score > 3
- $\text{FiO}_2 > 90\%$  needed to maintain  $\text{SaO}_2 > 90\%$
- Respiratory metabolic acidosis  $\text{pH}_a < 7.2$
- Haemodynamically unstable

**Transfer to a centre with an ECMO-based management protocol**

# Ventilation strategies and outcomes of the ALI/ARDS : a Meta-analysis

Putensen C, Theuerkauf N, Zinserling J, Wrigge H, Pelosi P  
Ann Intern Med 2009; 151: 566-576

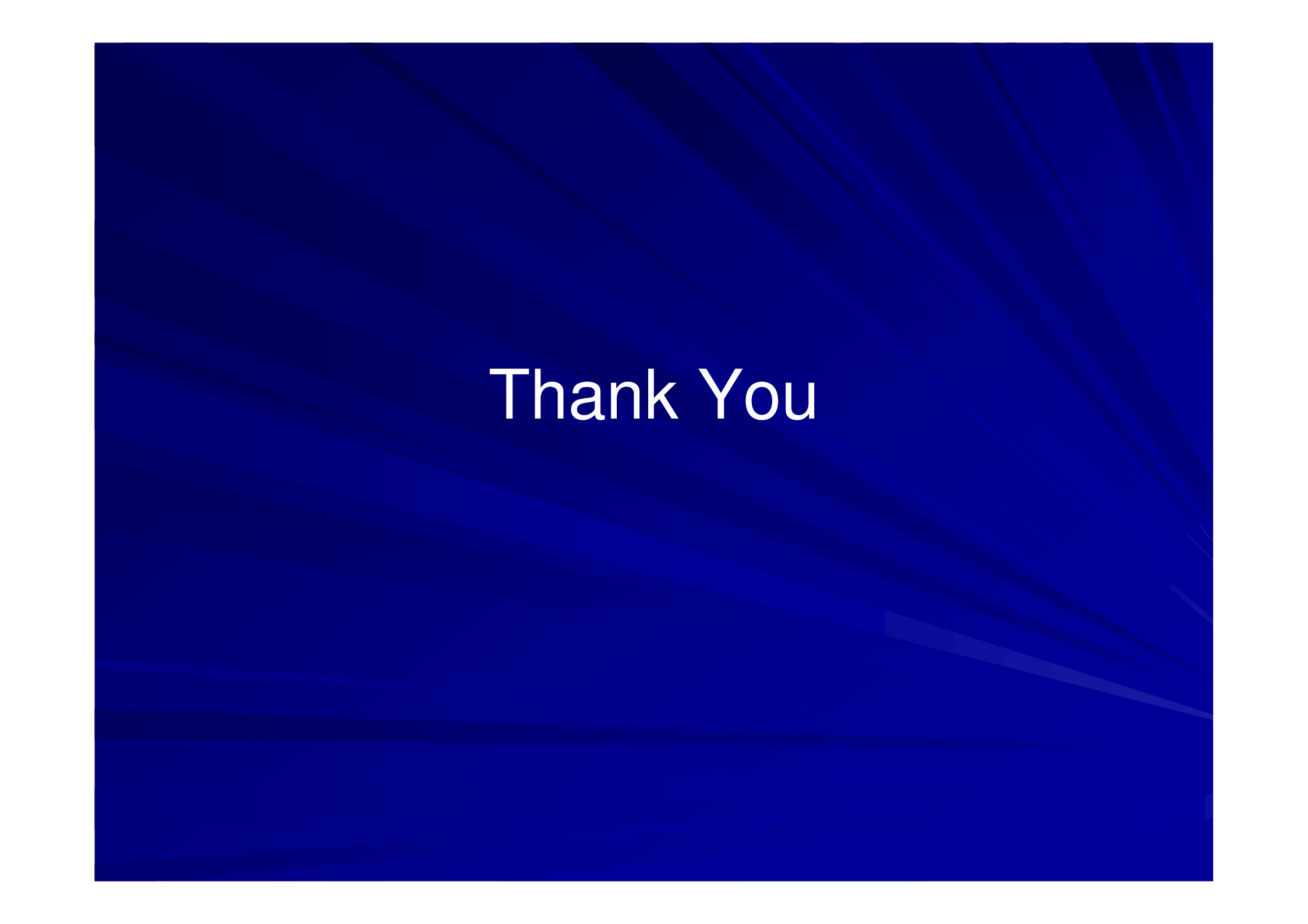
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- Based on available evidence from a limited number of RCTs **routine use of low  $V_T$  tends to be beneficial in all ALI/ARDS patients** (if potential side effects of hypercapnia and respiratory acidosis are not contraindicated)
- **Higher PEEP** strategies during lower  $V_T$  ventilation did not improve hospital mortality and cannot be recommended in unselected ALI/ARDS patients.
- **Higher PEEP** strategies during lower  $V_T$  ventilation may be suggested in **severe ARDS** ( $PaO_2/FiO_2 < 150$  at PEEP 5) and to **prevent life threatening hypoxemia**

# Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome

## ■ Ventilator Settings

- CMV, SIMV or newer modes Bi-Level or APRV
- VT (4-6 ml/kg), higher RR
  - Permissive Hypercapnia
- Limit plateau pressures to  $< 30$  cm H<sub>2</sub>O
- High-PEEP ventilation, alveolar recruitment maneuvers and prone positioning may be useful as rescue therapy in severe hypoxemia
- Longer inspiratory times?  $\uparrow$  MAP  $\rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  PaO<sub>2</sub>
  - Inverse ratio ventilation, I:E  $> 1:1$ ?

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