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Practical management of one-lung anesthesia

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GOALS

- Indications and options for achieving lung isolation
- Preoperative assessment and physiology
- Management and practical problem solving
- Analgesia for thoracic surgery

INDICATIONS FOR ONE-LUNG VENTILATION

Absolute

1. Isolation of each lung to prevent contamination of a healthy lung
 - a. Infection (abscess, infected cyst)
 - b. Massive hemorrhage
2. Control of distribution of ventilation to only one lung
 - a. Bronchopleural fistula
 - b. Bronchopleural cutaneous fistula
 - c. Unilateral cyst or bullae
 - d. Major bronchial disruption or trauma
3. Unilateral lung lavage
4. Video-assisted thoracoscopic surgery

Relative

1. Surgical exposure – high priority
 - a. Thoracic aortic aneurysm
 - b. Pneumonectomy
 - c. Upper lobectomy
2. Surgical exposure – low priority
 - a. Esophageal surgery
 - b. Middle and lower lobectomy
 - c. Thoracoscopy under general anesthesia

SURGICAL INDICATIONS

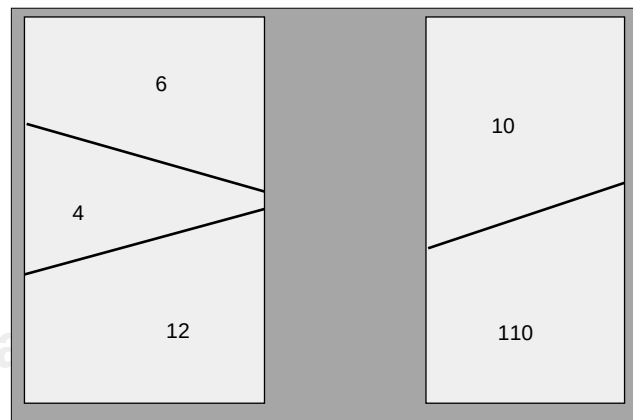
- Vast majority of thoracic surgery is for lung cancer

- Except for video thoracoscopy, one-lung anesthesia is usually optional
- Decision to proceed should be based on relative benefit and ability to tolerate single lung ventilation

PREOPERATIVE ASSESSMENT

- Asymptomatic patient, good exercise capacity- no screening
- Respiratory mechanics
- Cardiopulmonary reserve
- Lung parenchymal function
- Respiratory mechanics: FEV₁
- Cardiopulmonary reserve: VO₂ max (2 flights stairs)
- Lung parenchymal function - DLCO
capillary alveolar surface area
(PaO₂ > 60, CO₂ < 45 mmHg)

LUNG ANATOMY



Lobe sub-segmental anatomy helps predict the postoperative FEV₁ and DLCO

POSTOPERATIVE FEV₁

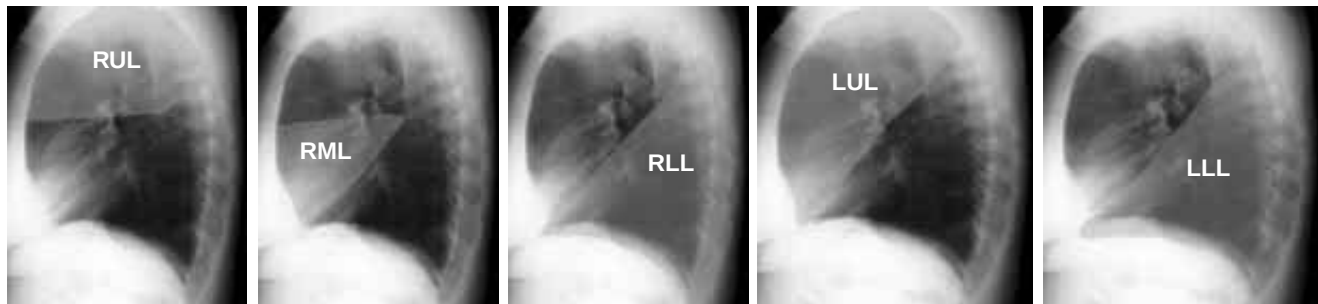
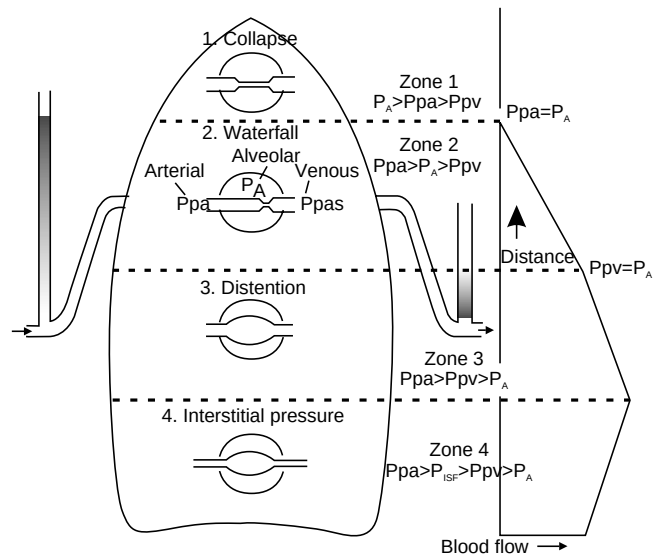
- > 40% Few and minor respiratory complications
- < 30% Majority require postoperative mechanical support
- 30-40% Outcome dependent on secondary factors
Comorbid conditions and fitness
Airway secretions/inflammatory processes
Perioperative fluid balance/mechanical features
Thoracic analgesia

LUNG ANATOMY

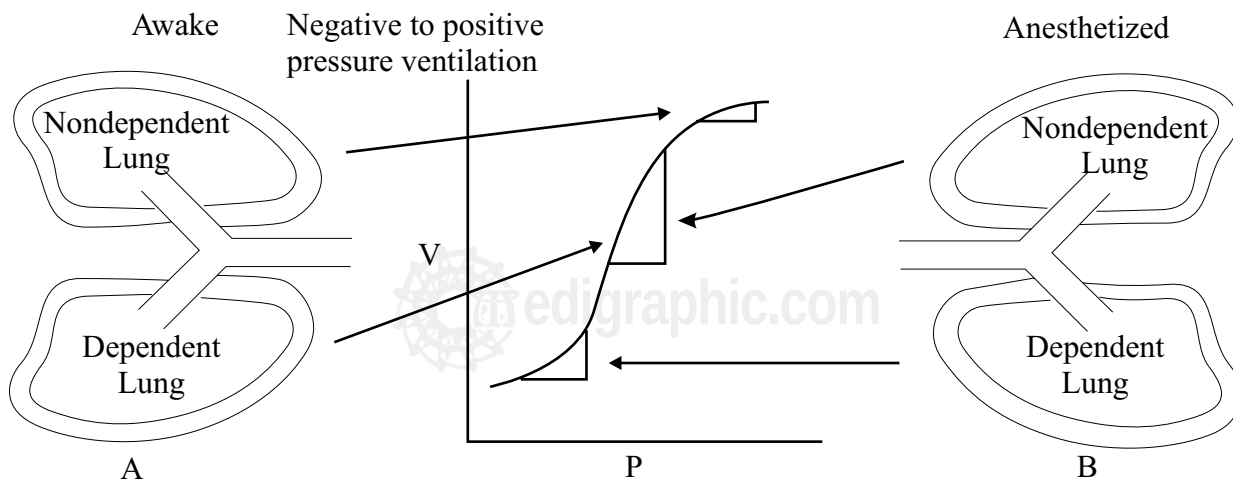
Ventilation and perfusion

- Majority of perfusion to dependent lung zones
- Majority of ventilation to non-dependent lung zones
- Gradient of V/Q matching throughout the lung

The four zones of the lung

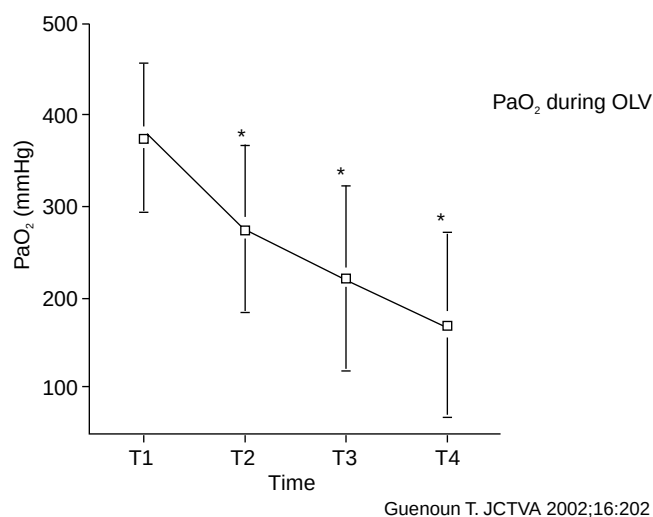


DISTRIBUTION OF VENTILATION



With one-lung ventilation, perfusion of non-ventilated lung results in a large shunt

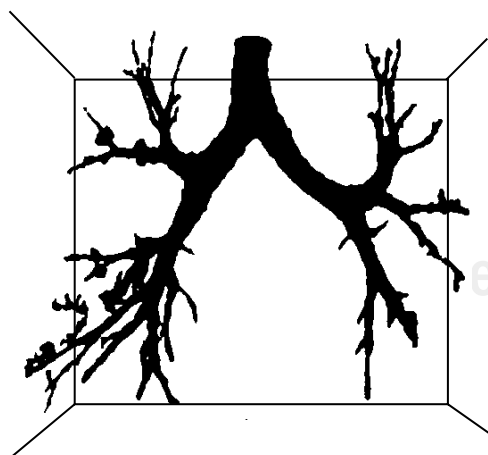
Alveolar-arterial (A-a) gradient reduced by hypoxic pulmonary vasoconstriction



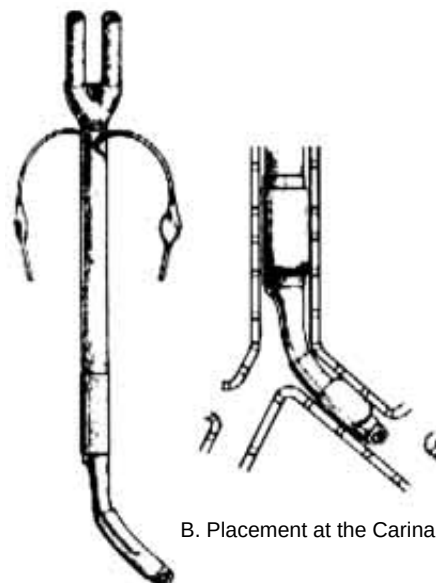
OPTIONS FOR LUNG ISOLATION

- Double lumen ETT
- Single lumen tube and endobronchial blocker
 - Integrated (Univent tube)
 - Stand alone blocker (Fogerty catheter)
 - Hybrid (Arndt endobronchial system)
- Endobronchial intubation
- Intermittent ventilation

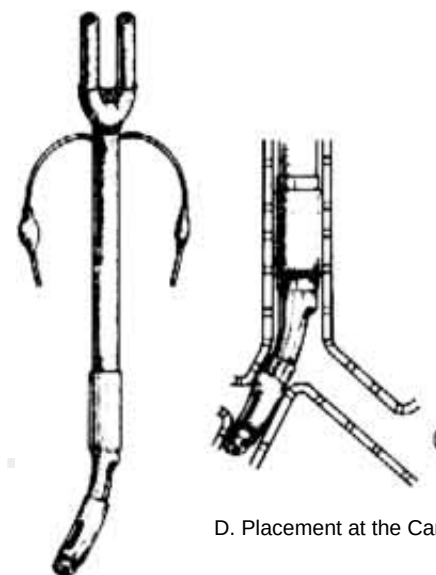
BRONCHIAL ANATOMY



DOUBLE-LUMEN ENDOTRACHEAL TUBES

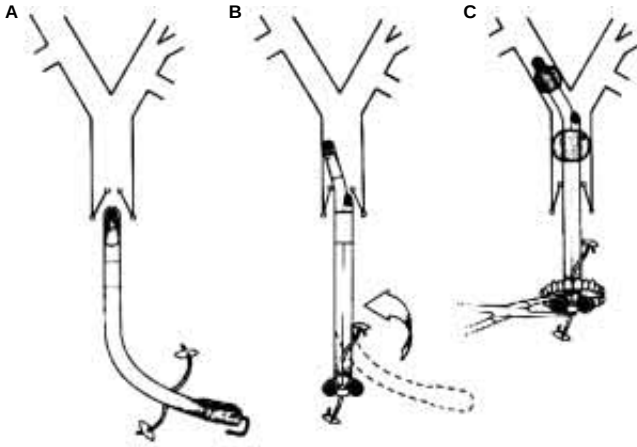


A. Left Robertshaw tube

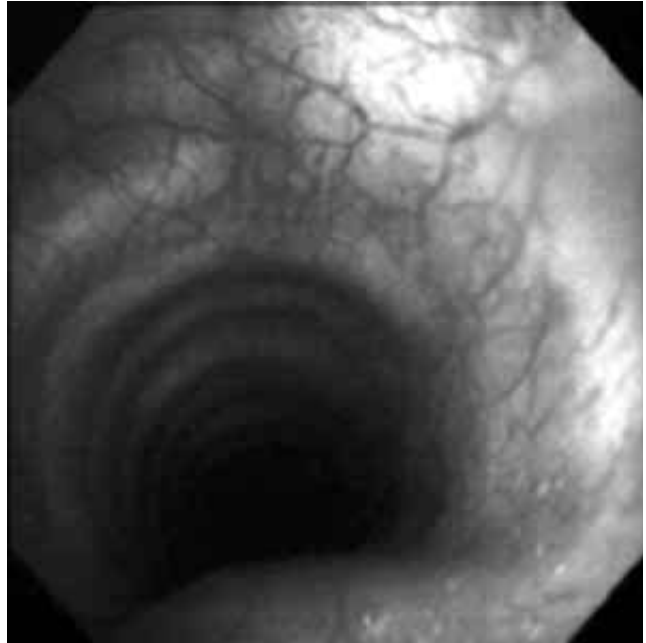


C. Right Robertshaw tube

DOUBLE-LUMEN ETT PLACEMENT



Trachea:
Membranous and Cartilaginous



CONFIRMING ENDOBRONCHIAL INTUBATION

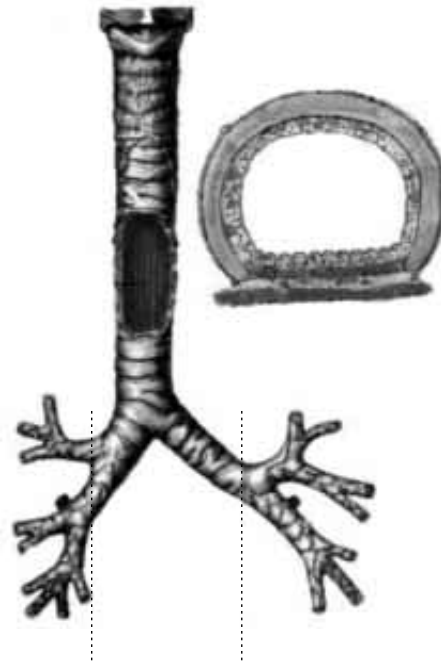
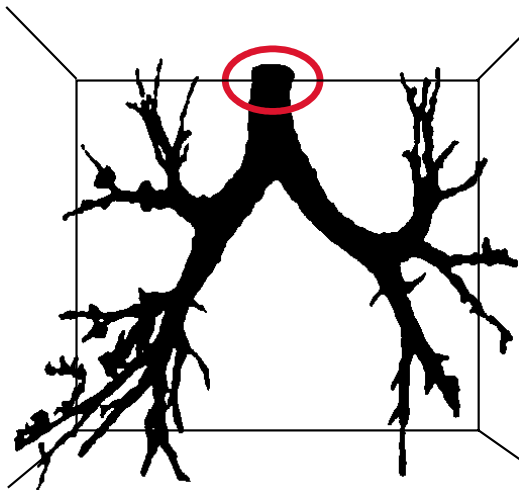
- Auscultation (left sided tube)

Both sides open, listen to right, then left
Clamp endotracheal lumen, inflate endobronchial cuff
listen to left then right (use large TV of same size)

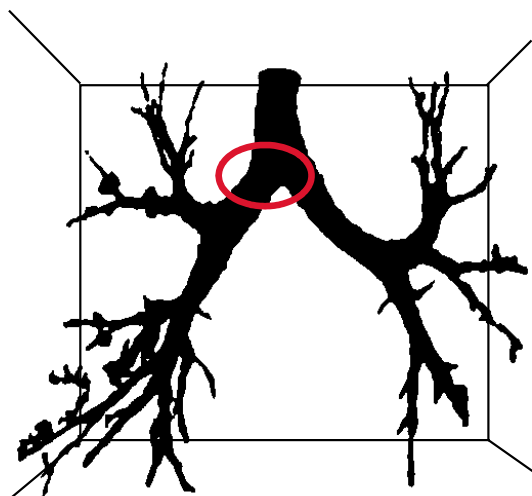
Auscultation not completely reliable
Up to 48% still require adjustment
Auscultation may be impractical or of poor quality
Confusing if tube misplaced

- Fiberoptic bronchoscopy

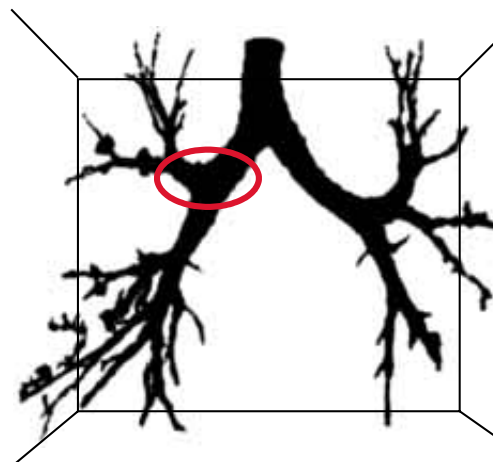
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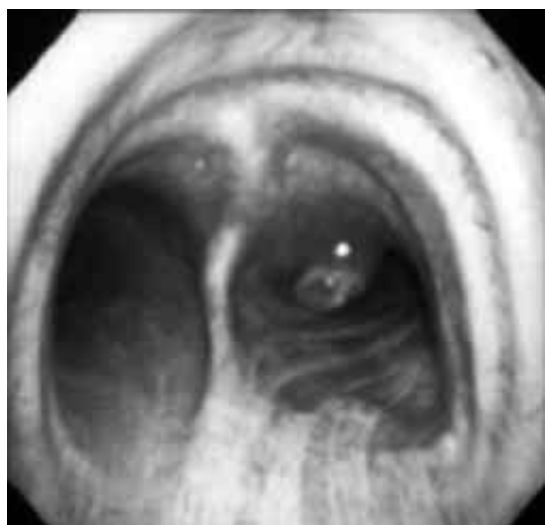


About 2 cm from the carina, the R main bronchus divides to the R upper lobe bronchus and the bronchus intermedius



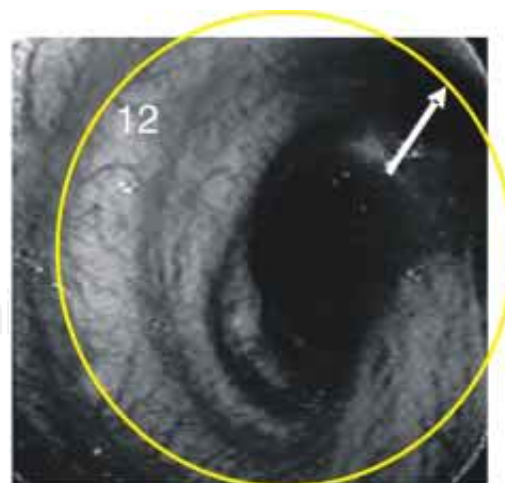
Carina

- Acuity of carinal angle
- Striations of membranous trachea
- Lesser acuity of right mainstem bronchus

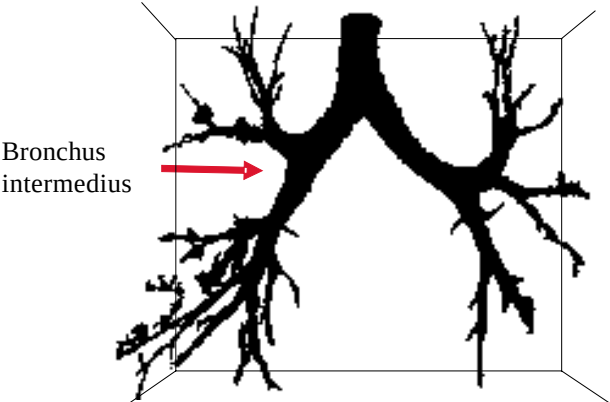


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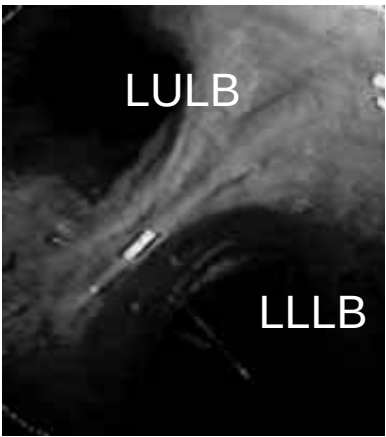
Carina and right upper lobe takeoff



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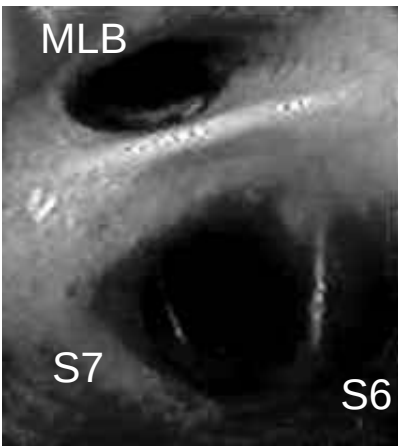


Right, middle, and lower bronchi

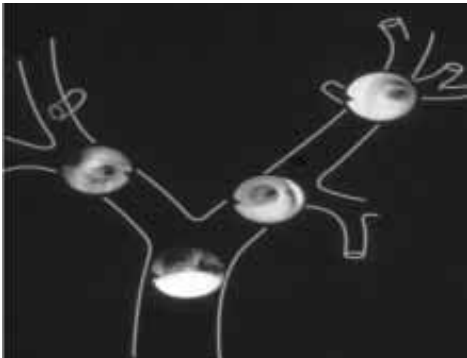


Left upper and lower bronchi

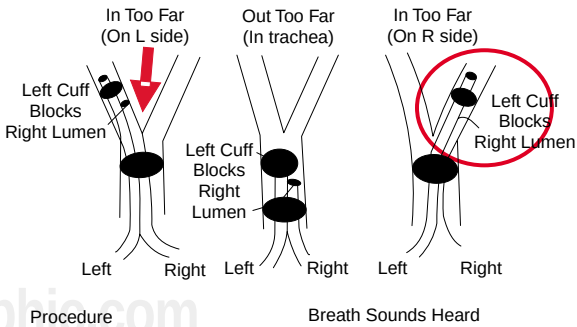
Summary of critical bronchoscopic anatomy



Bronchus intermedius divides into the middle lobe bronchus and the lower lobe bronchus

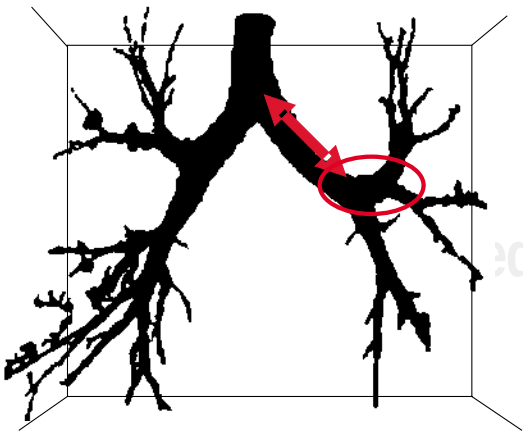


DOUBLE-LUMEN TUBE MISPLACEMENT

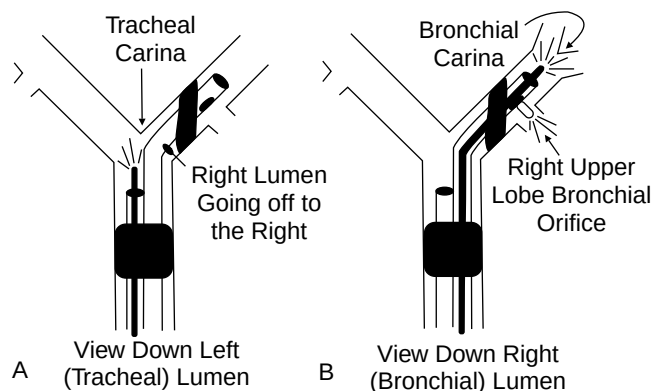


Procedure	Breath Sounds Heard			
Clamp Right Lumen Both Cuffs Inflated	Left	Left and Right	Right	
Clamp Left Lumen Both Cuffs Inflated	None or Very ↓↓	None or Very ↓↓	None or Very ↓↓	
Clamp Left Lumen Deflate Left Cuff	Left	Left and Right	Right	

BRONCHIAL ANATOMY



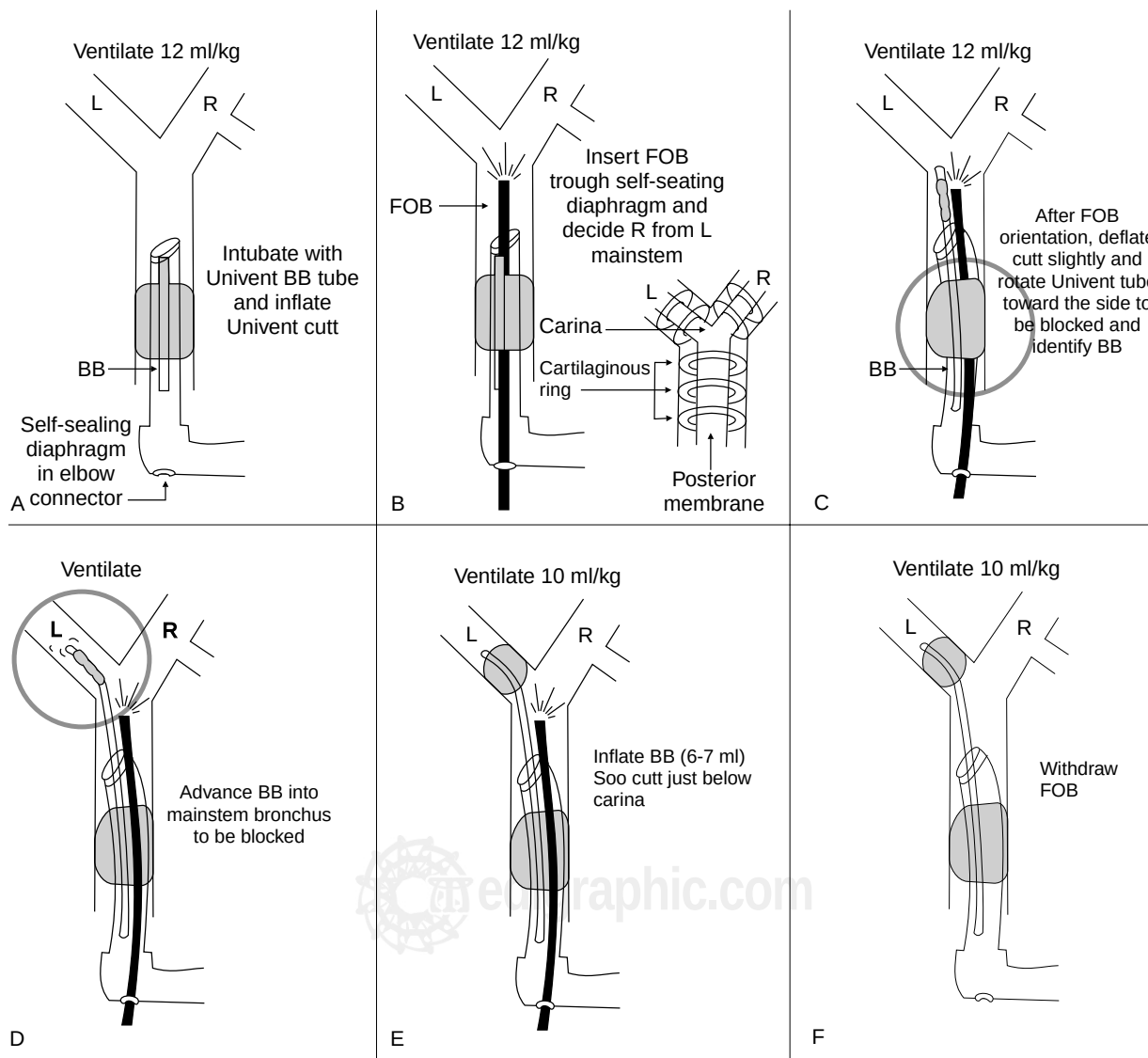
RIGHT DOUBLE-LUMEN ENDOTRACHEAL TUBE



UNIVENT OR "FUJI" TUBES



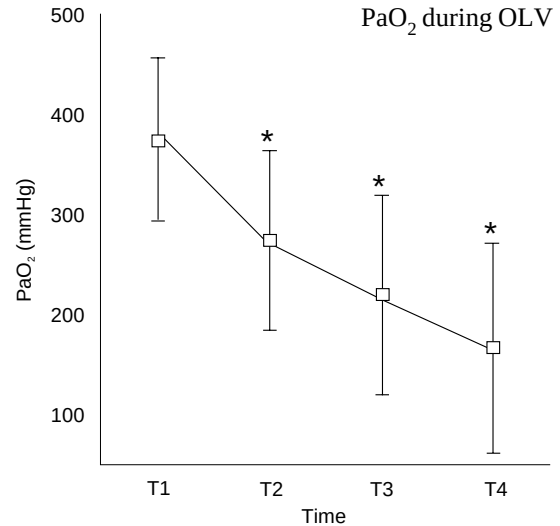
- Integrated blocker
- Lesser curvature
- Blocker is vented and angulated
- Blocker position can be "fixed" sizes???





Arndt
Endobronchial
Blocker system

- Unique proximal adapter
- Blocker independent, vented, and has wire loop
- Blocker position can be "fixed"



ONE-LUNG ANESTHESIA: GOALS IN RESPIRATORY MECHANICS

- Limit inspiratory driving pressure < 20 (PIP - PEEP) = IDP
- Limit PIP < 35-40 cm H₂O
- Frequent manual lung recruitment maneuvers (CPAP at 30-40 cm H₂O for 30 seconds)
- RR < 25 breaths/minute

ONE-LUNG ANESTHESIA: PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS

- May be benefit to pressure controlled ventilation
- Adjust I:E ratios as indicated
- Watch for breath stacking: inadequate expiratory time
- If hypotension occurs go to manual ventilation to assess possible contribution of ventilatory mechanics
- If anesthetic is volatile based, give i.v. agents if interrupting ventilation
- Hypercarbia better tolerated than hypoxia

INCREASED RISK FOR ONE-LUNG HYPOXEMIA

- High A-a gradient with two lung ventilation when in lateral position
- V/Q scan showing high proportion of ventilation or perfusion to operative lung
- Right sided lung surgery
- Good preoperative spirometry (FEV₁ or FVC) (pts with airflow limitation develop auto-PEEP)



Arndt
Endobronchial blocker
system



Bronchoscopic guided
blocker

ONE-LUNG ANESTHESIA: PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS

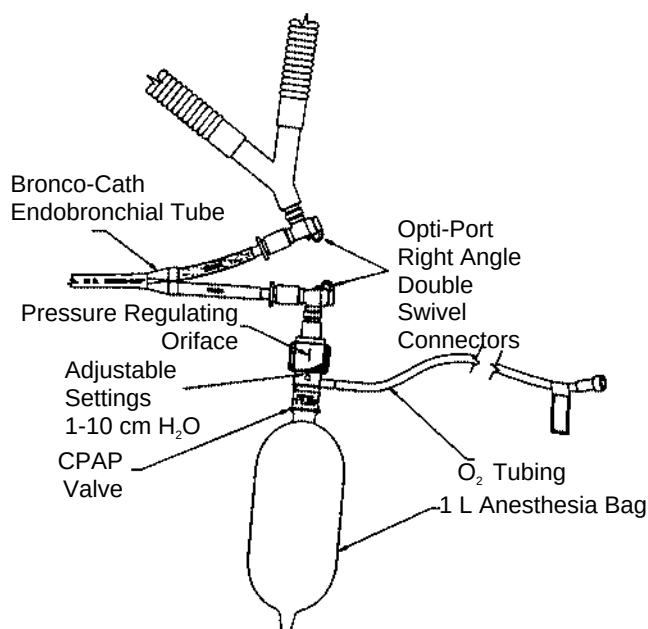
- For DLTs endobronchial portion should not be occlusive without the cuff up
- Dbl lumen tubes tend to migrate outward on lateral positioning
- Assess adequacy of isolation and oxygenation before it is critical

IMPROVING ONE-LUNG OXYGENATION

- 5-10 cm of CPAP to non-ventilated lung
- 5 cm PEEP to ventilated lung
- Recruitment maneuvers
- Intermittent ventilation
- Lobe isolation

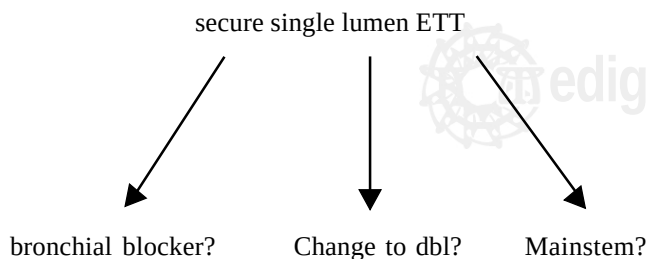
IMPROVING OXYGENATION: CPAP

Prior to major vascular surgery, coronary-



LUNG ISOLATION IN THE DIFFICULT AIRWAY

- Assess requirement for lung isolation (intraoperative and postoperative considerations)
- If dbl ETT impractical:



RIGHT VS LEFT-LUNG SURGERY?

- More lung to use if surgery is left-sided
- More options for right-sided ventilation
 - Left endobronchial dbl lumen ETT
 - Single lumen tube with left bronchial blocker
 - Single lumen right endobronchial intubation
- Better respiratory mechanics, easier secretion control if surgery is left-sided

THE RIGHT UPPER LOBE

- Limits ability to achieve adequate ventilation and oxygenation with right endobronchial intubation
42-26 (20 left and 6 right upper) = 14 (33%)
- If right sided surgery and a blocker is placed it is frequently dislodged

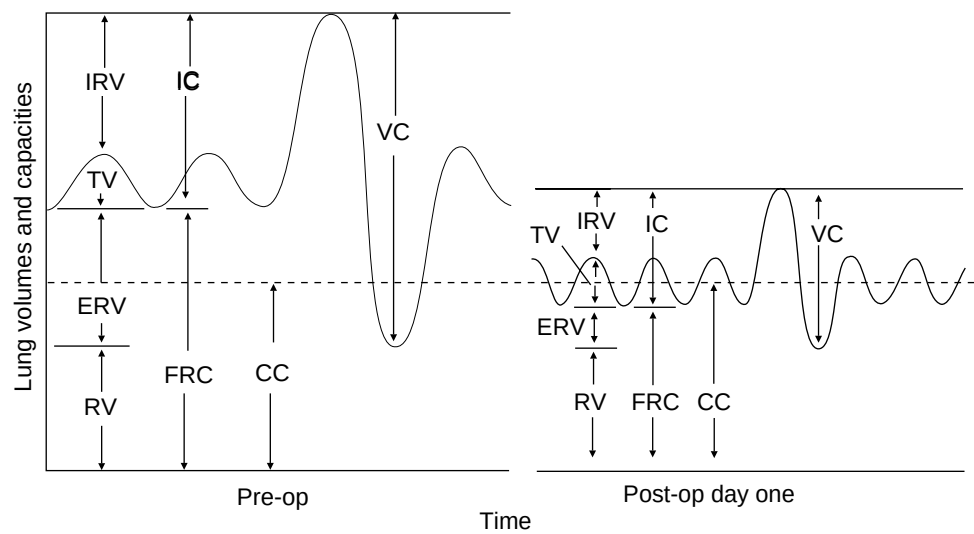
POSTOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT

- Determine predicted postoperative FEV1
- Extubation and postoperative status must be considered in choosing an isolation strategy
- Goal: extubate directly from double lumen ETT
- If anticipate postoperative mechanical ventilation, single lumen tube with bronchial blocker usually better than tube change

POSTOPERATIVE ANALGESIA

- Analgesia is fundamental to extubation and postoperative ventilatory mechanics
 - Narcotic-based analgesia
 - Intercostal/paravertebral blocks
 - Interpleural local anesthetics
 - Lumbar epidurals
- Thoracic epidural analgesia with PCA supplementation

POSTOPERATIVE PAIN AND RESPIRATORY MECHANICS



EPIDURAL INFUSIONS FOR THORACOTOMY

		Thoracic catheter	Lumbar catheter
Fentanyl	5 µg/ml 10 µg/ml	30-50 µg/h	Not recommended
Hydromorphone	5 µg/ml 10 µg/ml	30-50 µg/h	40-80 µg/h
Morphine	100 µg/ml	300-500 µg/h	400-800 µg/h
Bupivacaine	0.075%	All	Not recommended



Inpatient, Adult	Order Set																														
Epidural Analgesia Orders apply to adult patients (15 years of age and older). Mark the ☒ for desired orders. If ☐ are blank, order is inactive. All pre-printed doses are based on normal renal and hepatic function and must be assessed for adjustment against the individual patient's renal and hepatic function and for interactions with other medications. Height: _____ cm Weight: _____ kg Age: _____ Allergy module reviewed. ☐ No additional allergies identified, or Choose one: ☐ Additional allergies identified and MICS Allergy module updated, or ☐ Additional allergies. List (include reaction): _____	Name _____ Clinic Number _____ Room Number _____																														
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ALERTS All epidural solutions and additives must be preservative free. Prior notification of the Inpatient Pain Catheter Service is required before administration of: • Warfarin (Coumadin), intravenous Heparin, low molecular weight Heparin, thrombolytics or glycoprotein IIb/IIIa receptor inhibitor agents and all anticoagulants excluding subcutaneous Heparin. • Opiates, sedatives or hypnotics not included within this order set. Prescribers, write on the order that you have discussed with Inpatient Pain Catheter Service when writing orders for opiates, sedatives, hypnotics, Warfarin (Coumadin), intravenous Heparin, low molecular weight Heparin, thrombolytics, glycoprotein IIb/IIIa receptor inhibitor agents and all anticoagulants excluding subcutaneous Heparin. NOTE to Primary Service: New orders must be written for opiates and benzodiazepines, as applicable, when epidural treatment has ended.																															
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3. Following epidural loading dose, monitor respiratory rate every 1 hour for 12 hours, then resume respiratory rate checks standard for patient care unit. ☐ Pulse oximetry for _____ hours following epidural loading dose.																															
4. Ketorolac (Toradol®) (Select one) ☐ Discontinue all Ketorolac (Toradol®) orders. ☐ Continue Ketorolac (Toradol®) as ordered by primary service. ☐ 15 mg IV/IM every 6 hours as needed for 4 doses maximum (if not breast feeding). If also ordered by primary service, discontinue primary service's orders for Ketorolac (Toradol®). ☐ 30 mg IV/IM every 6 hours as needed for 4 doses maximum (if not breast feeding, age is less than 65 years, weight is 50 kg or greater, serum creatinine is less than 1.5, and urine output is 600 mL/day or greater). If also ordered by primary service, discontinue primary service's orders for Ketorolac (Toradol®).																															
5. For itching: (Select one) ☐ Diphenhydramine (Benadryl®) 25 mg orally or 12.5 mg IV every 6 hours PRN (oral route preferred). ☐ Nalbuphine (Nubain®) 5 mg IV every 4 hours times 2 doses PRN. ☐ Naloxone (Narcan®) IV infusion 20 mcg/hour PRN for 8 hours once.																															
6. For insomnia: (Select one medication and one dosage strength) ☐ Zolpidem (Ambien®) orally every bedtime PRN. ☐ 5 mg OR ☐ 10 mg ☐ Diphenhydramine (Benadryl®) orally every bedtime PRN. ☐ 25 mg OR ☐ 50 mg If ineffective, contact Pain Catheter Service or OB Anesthesiology as applicable.																															
7. ☒ For respiratory rate less than 8 breaths per minute or if patient is unarousable, give 0.2 mg Naloxone (Narcan®) IV once, apply oxygen and notify Inpatient Pain Consult Service or OB Anesthesiology as applicable.																															
8. ☒ For nausea/vomiting, follow Postoperative Nausea and Vomiting Protocol for Adults (MC1156-213). If physician needed, please call Inpatient Pain Catheter Service or OB Anesthesiology, as applicable, if epidural in place.																															
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