

Respiratory physiology I.

Respiratory mechanics, ventilation
Learning objectives: 25-26.

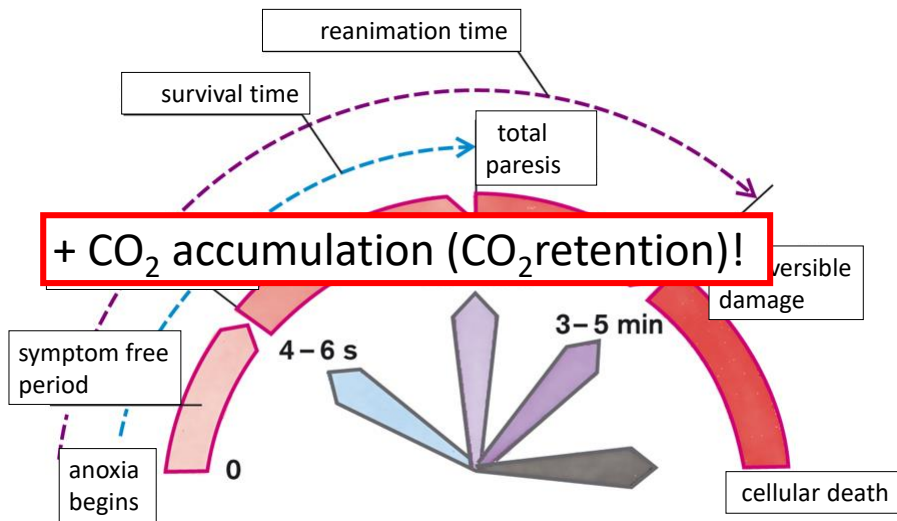
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- Respiratory muscles and movements
- Lung volumes
- Compliance of the lung and chest
- Surface tension in the airways

- Pressure changes during respiration
- Airway resistance
- Dead space of ventilation
- Respiratory minute volume

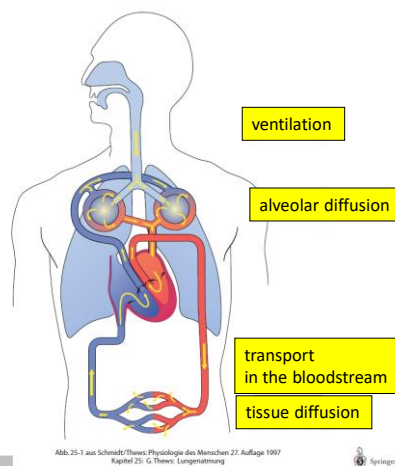
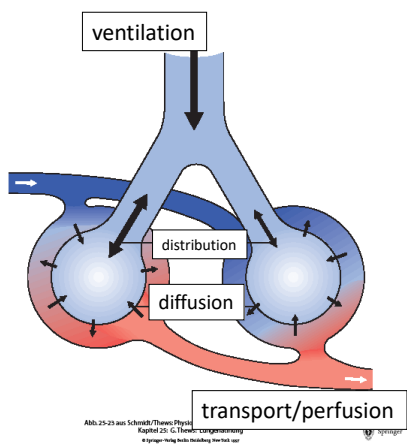
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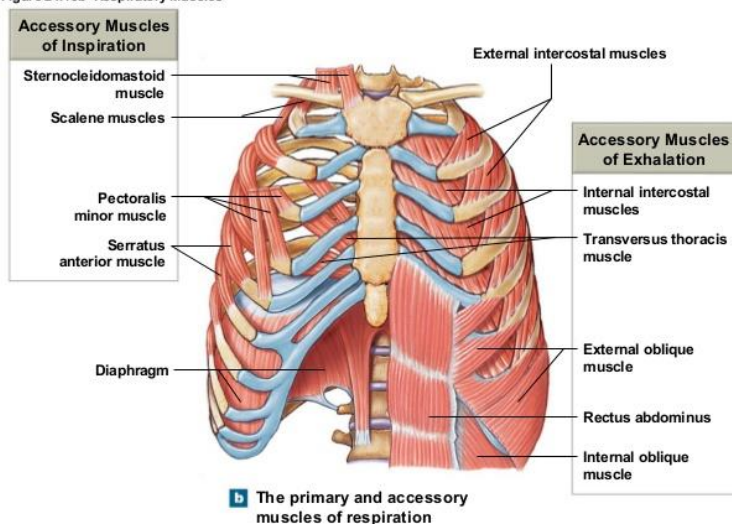
Respiration: main phases



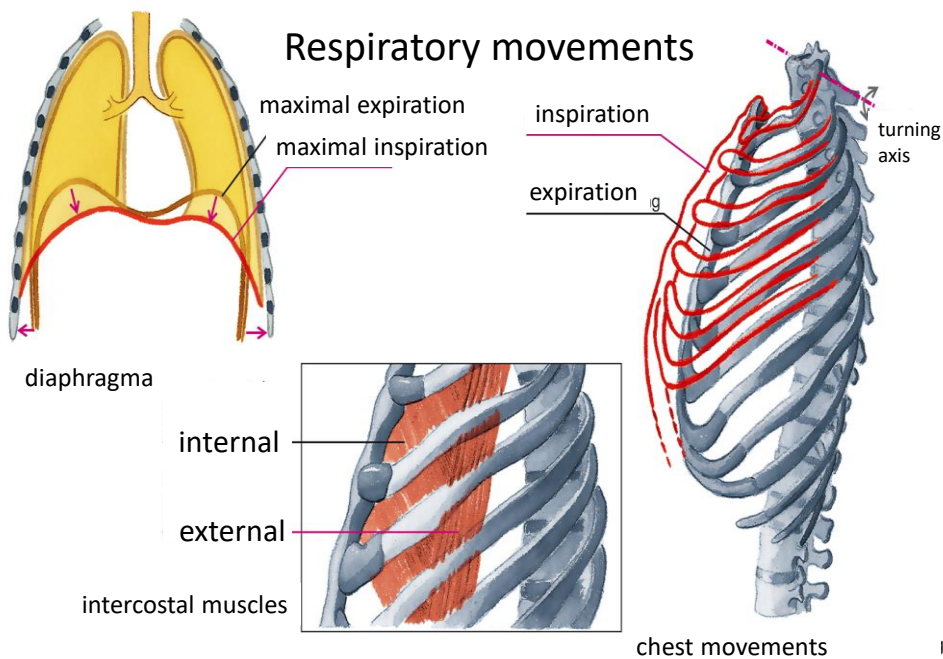
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Muscles of inspiration and (active) expiration

Figure 24.16b Respiratory Muscles

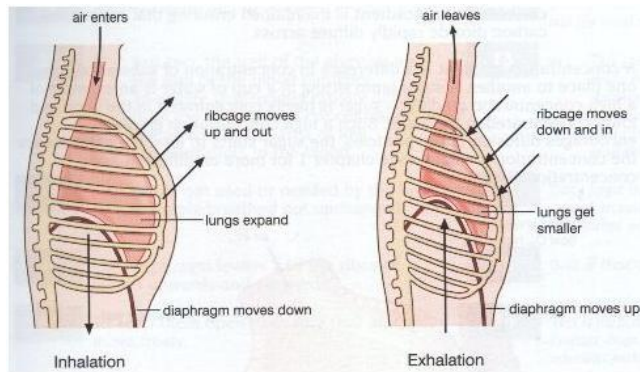


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Volume changes during respiration



diaphragma: vertical movements

chest: antero-posterior and sideways movements

chest breathing / diaphragma breathing

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The principle of spirometry, measuring lung volumes

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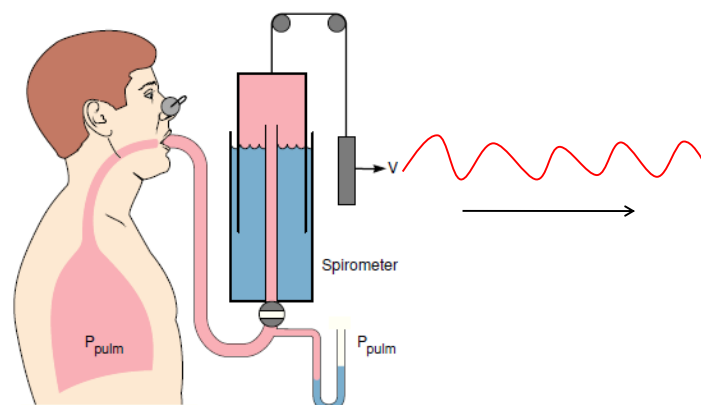
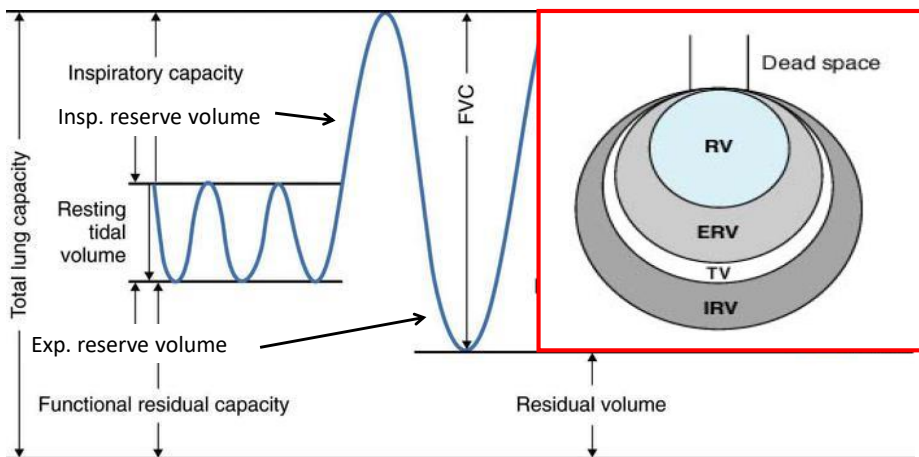


Abb. 8-6 Messung von Lungenvolumina und intrapulmonalem Druck mit Spirometer und Manometer.

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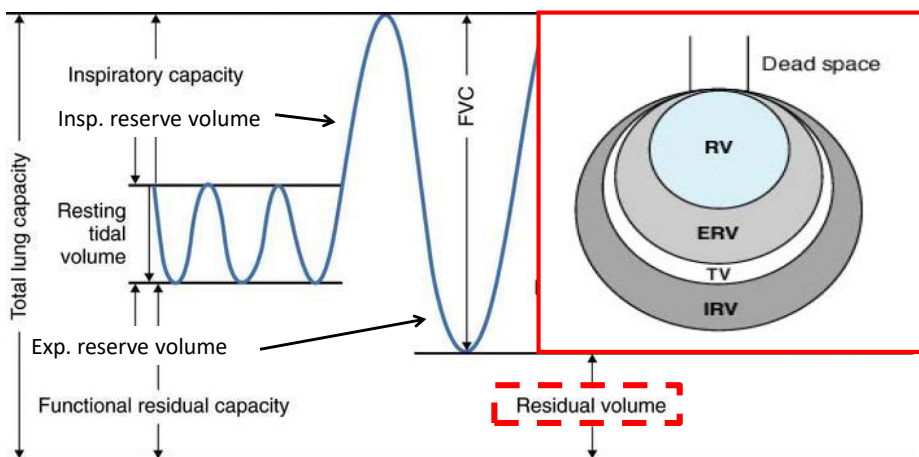
The normal spirogram



capacity= volume₁+volume₂+volume₃+....

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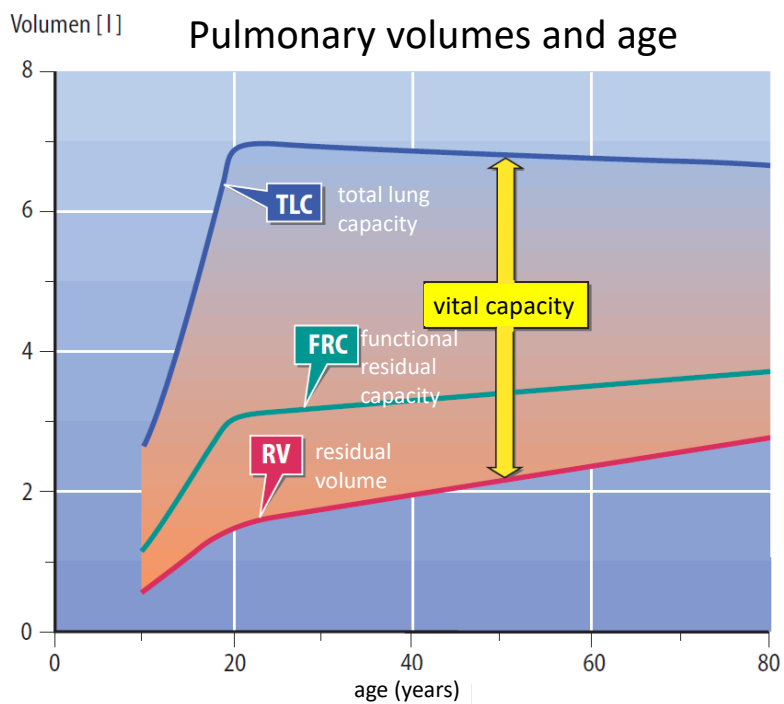
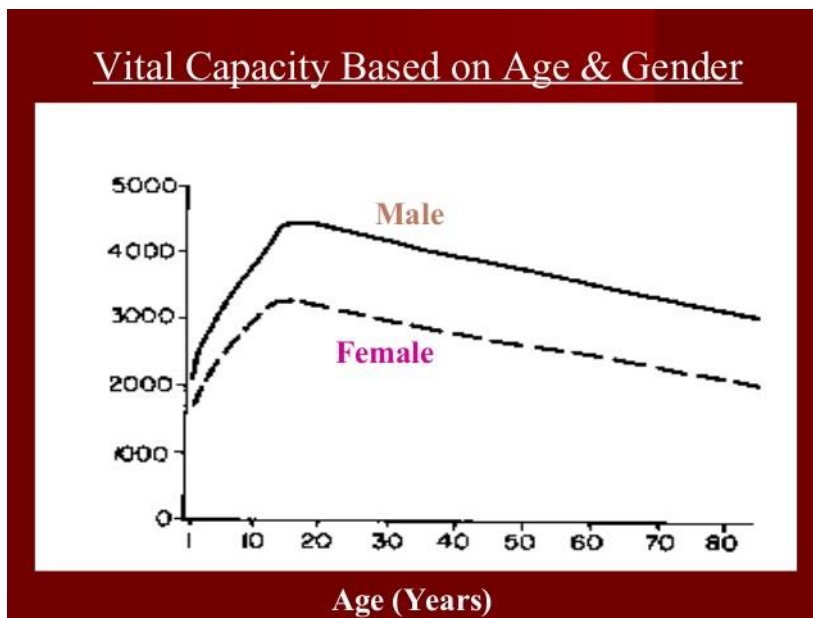
Lung volumes that can not be determined directly by spirometry



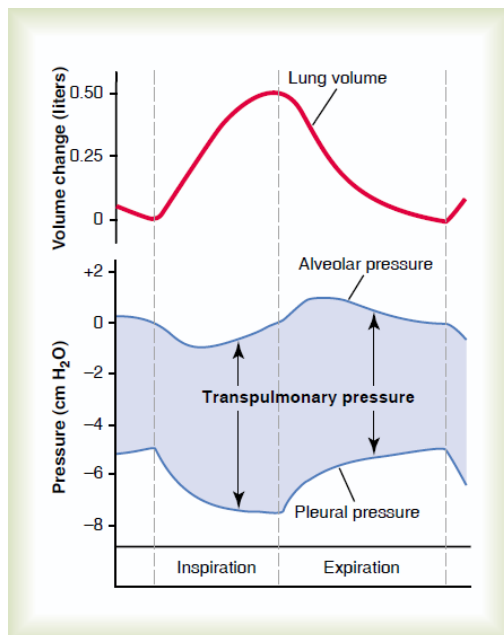
$$RV = V_0 \times \frac{C_a - C_e}{C_e}$$

V_0 = spirometer volume
 C_a and C_e helium concentration at beginning and after equilibrium¹⁰

Pulmonary volumes and age

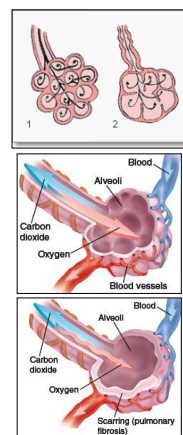
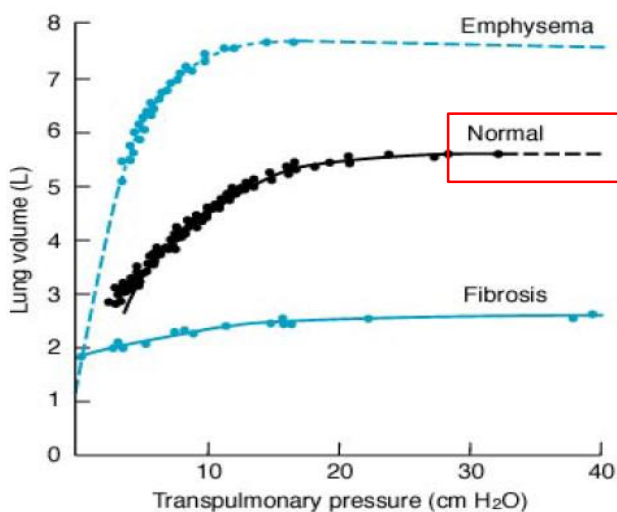


Changes in volume and pressure during respiration



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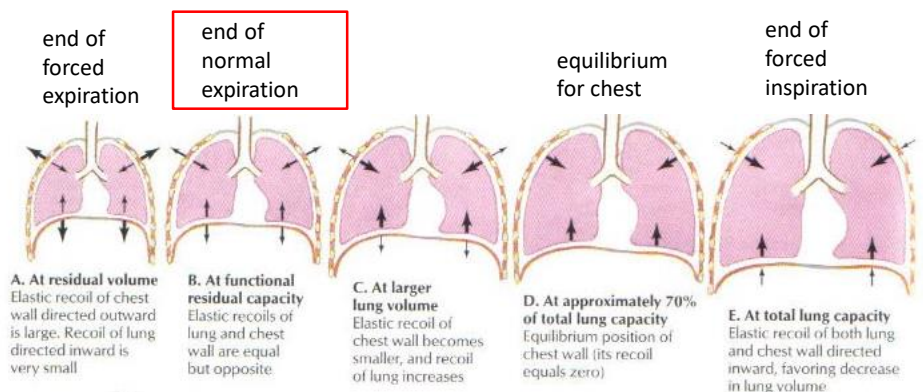
A distensibility of the lung (compliance)



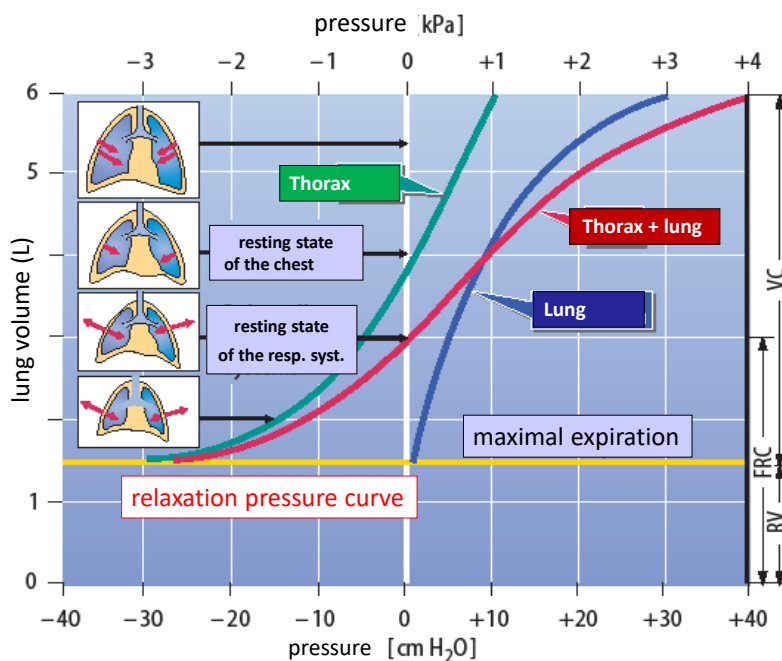
Volume changes per pressure units (L/cm H₂O)

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Elastic forces in the lung and in the chest during breathing



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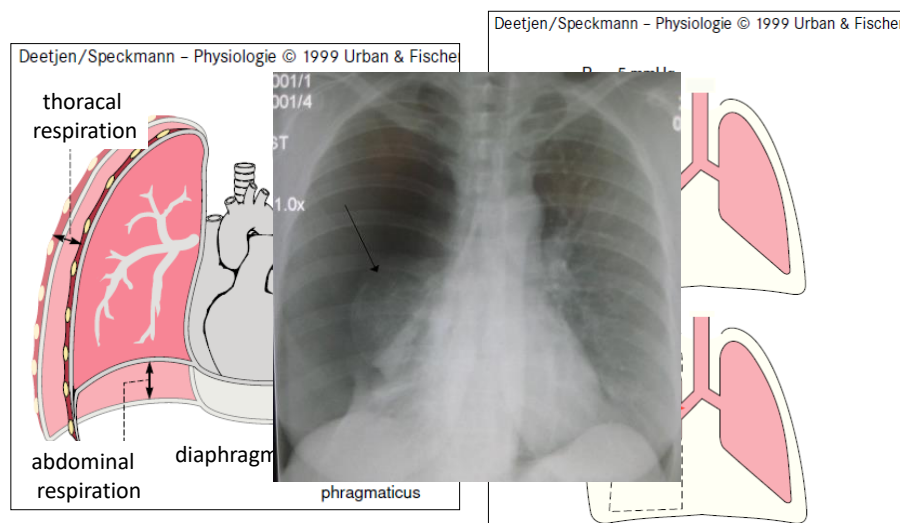


Summary

- Functional residual capacity (end of normal expiration) is determined by the interaction between lung tissue and chest.
- Total lung capacity (end of forced inspiration) is determined by the balance between chest-lung recoil and the force of inspiratory muscles.
- Residual volumen (end of forced expiration) is determined by the interaction between expiratory muscles and the elasticity of the chest.

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The role of the negative intrapleural pressure; pneumothorax



Positive pressure ventilation (anesthesia)

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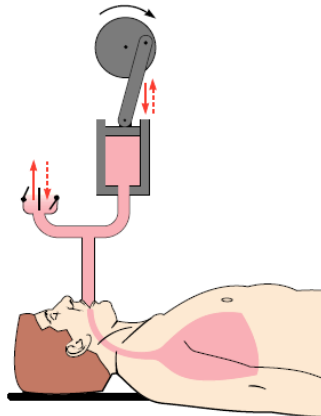


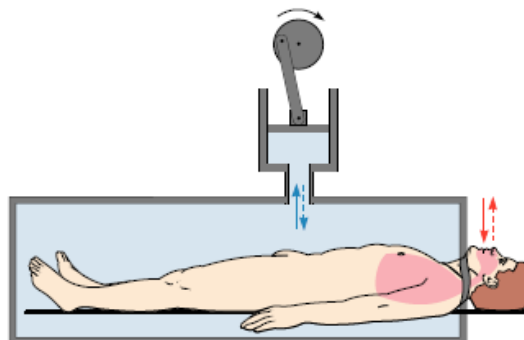
Abb. 8-11 Prinzip der Überdruckbeatmung.

- volume controlled
- pressure controlled
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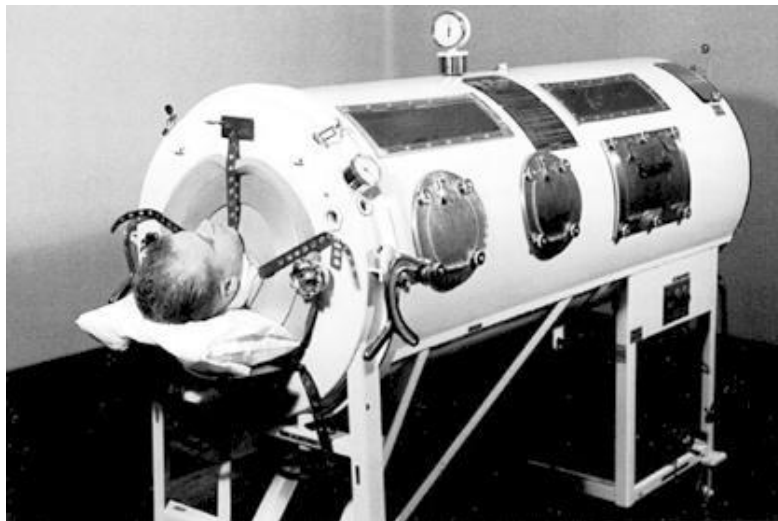
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Negative pressure ventilation (the „iron lung”)

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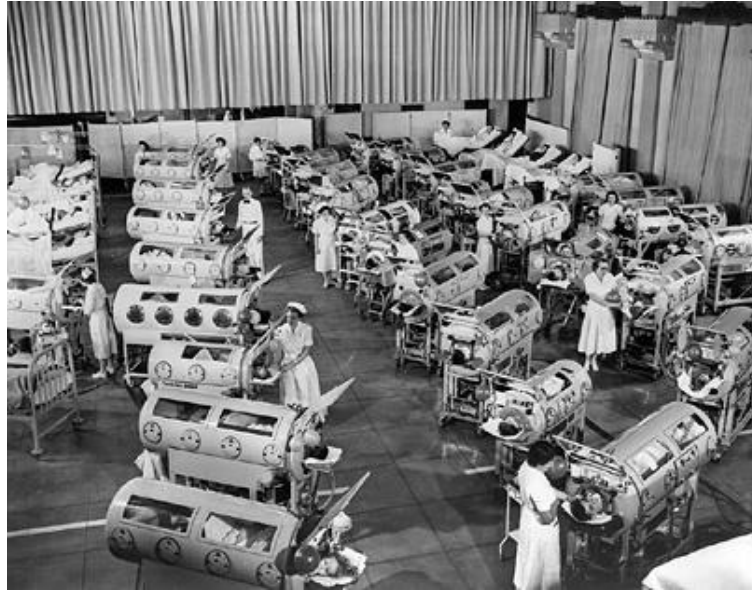
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Elasticity of the lung

Determined by:

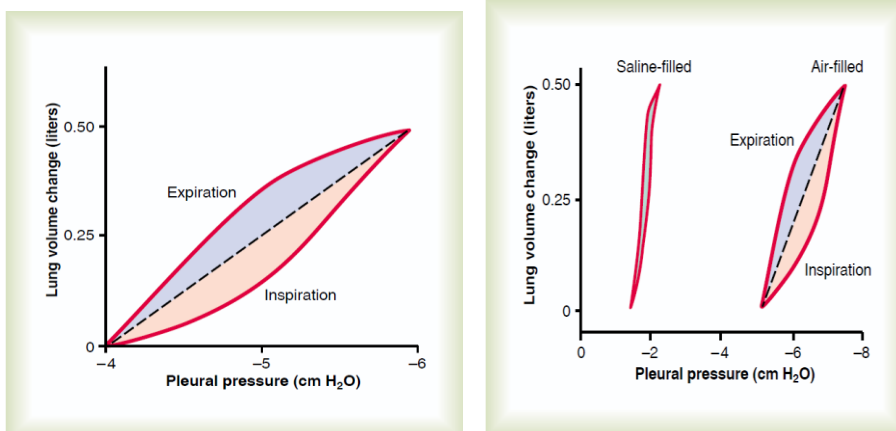
elastic fibres of the lung

surface tension and surfactant

interdependency of the alveoli

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Distensibility of the lung



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Surfactant, surface tension

Surface tension: why do falling water drops have a spherical shape?

Type II. alveolar cells: production of surfactant

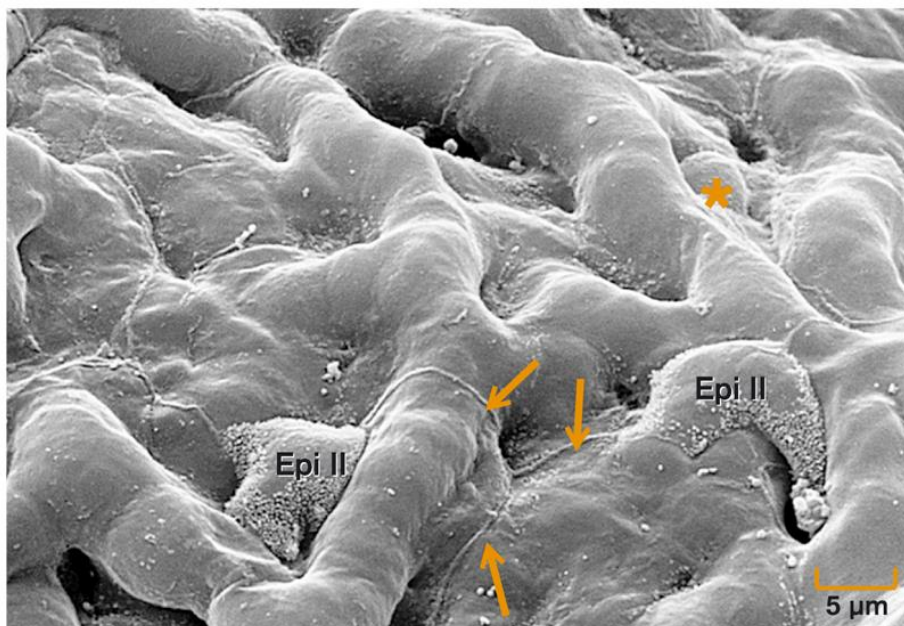
Surfactant:

- surface tension drops to 1/10 of the original value
- prevents edema

Premature babies:

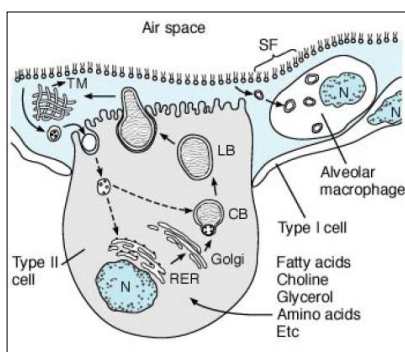
- infant respiratory distress syndrom (IRDS)
- atelectasis (no air in the alveoli)
- PEEP ventilation

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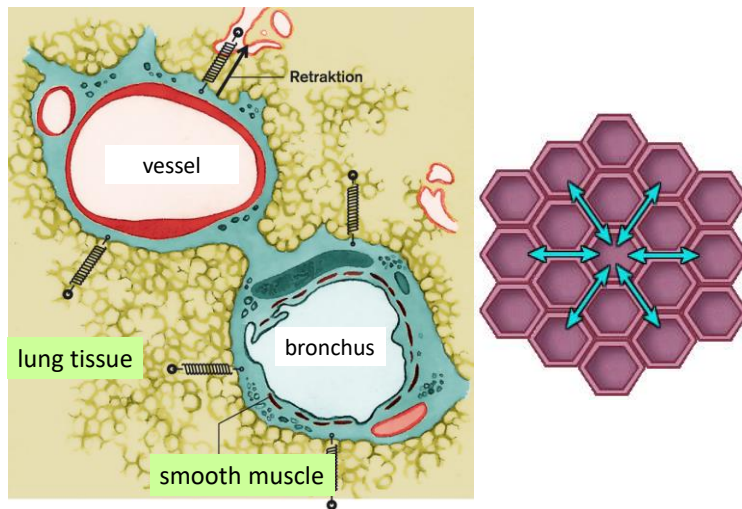
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Production of surfactant



- produced by type II. alveolar cells
- LB= lamellar bodies
- exocytosis (stimulus: distension of the lung)
- forms a thin film
- surface tension drops to 1/10
- phosphatidilcholine, albumin, IgA, apoproteins
- removed by phagocytosis (recycling!)
- produced from the 6.-7. intrauterine month
- premature babies:
 - infant respiratory distress syndrome (IRDS)
 - atelectasis
 - glycocorticoids stimulate

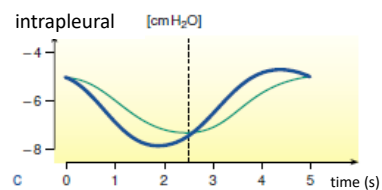
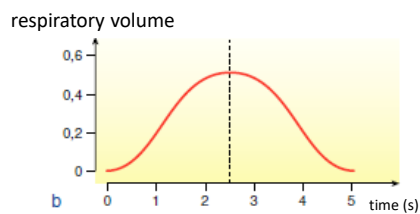
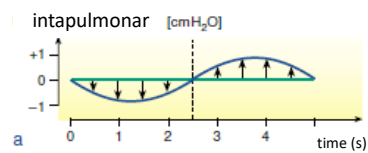
Interdependence of the alveoli



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Pressure changes during respiration

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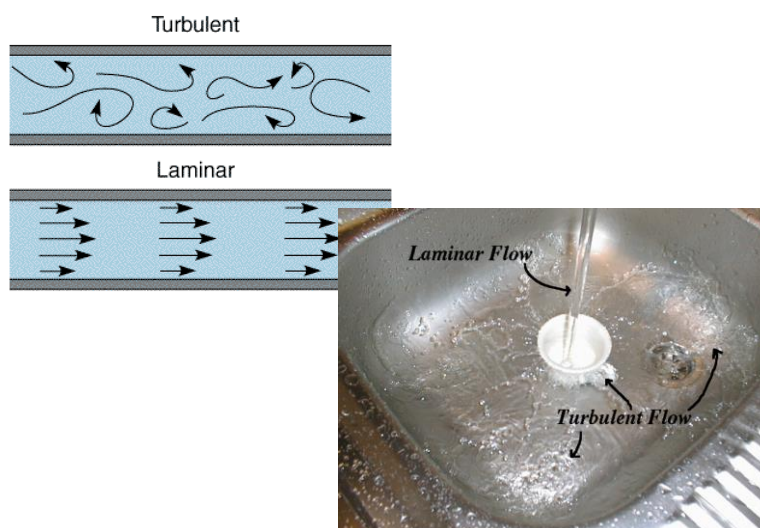
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Resistance of the lung against change in volume

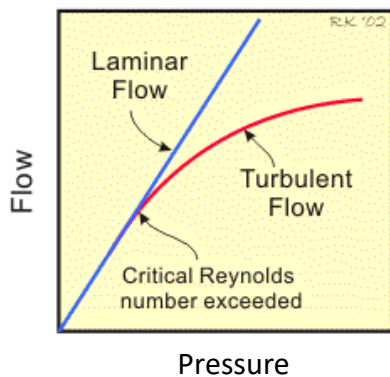
elastic resistance:
chest and lung elasticity

viscous (non elastic) resistance:
most importantly against airflow

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Reynolds number

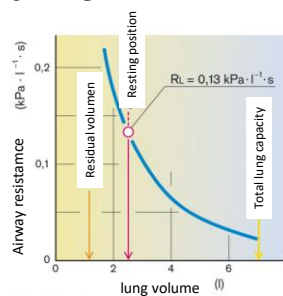
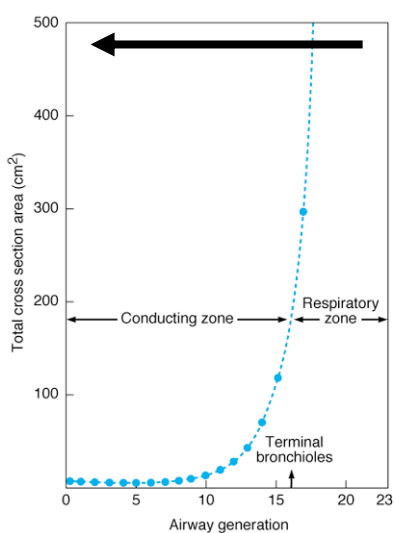
v= flow velocity
 ρ= density
 d= diameter
 η= viscosity

Reynolds number = $\frac{\text{velocity} \times \text{density} \times \text{diameter}}{\text{viscosity}}$

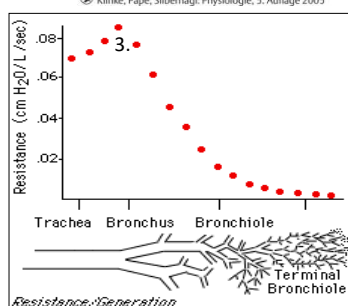
$$Re = \frac{v \rho d}{\eta}$$

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Resistance against airflow

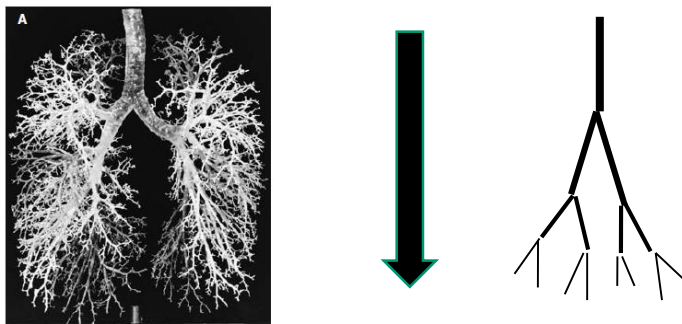


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Resistance against airflow

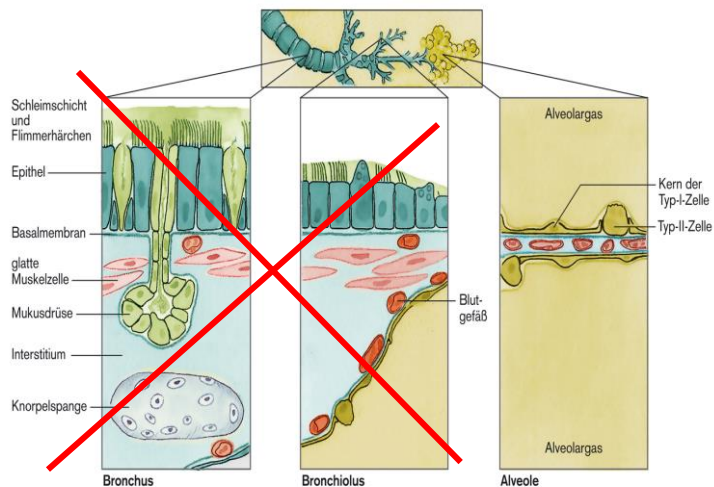


individual diameter > individual diameter
 total cross section area << total cross section area

airway resistance > airway resistance

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Dead space of respiration



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no gas exchange

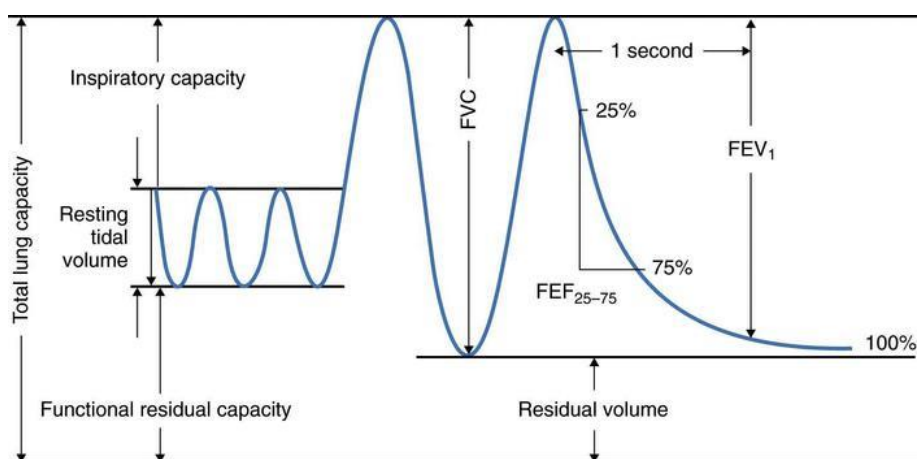
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Dead space of respiration

- Anatomical and physiological dead space
- Respiratory rate
- Respiratory minute volume
- Dead space ventilation
- Alveolar minute volume

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Spirogram: dynamic components



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Timed vital capacity

