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### Flow-Triggering

- Trigger = the variable that causes the vent to begin the inspiratory phase
- Common triggers
  - 1-
  - 2-
  - 3-
- Effort required to trigger =

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### Flow-Triggering

Goal -  
Minimal effort required by the patient to  
trigger inspiration, i.e. make the vent as  
sensitive to patient effort as possible  
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## Flow-Triggering

- Flow-triggering is available on the Bennett 7200, Hamilton Galileo, Servo 300, Drager, Bear Cub, etc.

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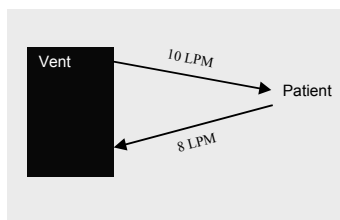
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## How Does It Work?



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## Ventilator Differences

*Bennett 7200*

Base Flow: variable 0 - 20 lpm

Flow Sensitivity: variable 1 - 1/2 base flow

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## Ventilator Differences

### *Servo 300*

Base Flow: preset

Flow Sensitivity:	adult	2 lpm
	pedi	1 lpm
	neo	.5 lpm

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## Effects of Flow-Triggering

patient insp effort → fresh gas *immediately*  
available to patient → ↓ delay time  
between insp effort & supply of gas  
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## Modes - Pressure

- Began with IPPB treatment
- Fell out of use for CMV
- Returned with new technology
- PCV, PSV, PRVC, PCIRV

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### Modes - Pressure

- Remember - volume ventilation:
  - operator sets volume
  - vol delivered until preset vol or time
  - press generated prop. to  $C_L$ ,  $R_{AW}$
- When set V, F  $\rightarrow$  sets  $T_I$   $\rightarrow$  press varies
- When set V,  $T_I$   $\rightarrow$  sets F  $\rightarrow$  press varies

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### Modes - Pressure

*Important to remember!*

*If patient flow demand > set flow*  
 $\Downarrow$   
*“flow starvation”*  
 $\Downarrow$   
 $\uparrow$  WOB

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### Modes - Pressure

Pressure ventilation  
 $\downarrow$   
operator sets pressure  
 $\downarrow$   
volume varies with  $C_L$ ,  $R_{AW}$

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### Modes - Pressure

If patient “fights” vent, splints pain,  $C_L$   
↓ and/or  $R_{AW}$  ↑  
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### Modes - Pressure

- Time or flow-cycled
- Pressure-limited
- Set press reached quickly & maintained t/o inspiratory time
- Vent delivers whatever flow is necessary to maintain press & meet patient demand

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### Modes - Pressure

***The most significant difference  
between volume & pressure-based  
ventilation is how the flow is  
delivered!***

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### PCV vs. PSV

	<i>PCV</i>	<i>PSV</i>
<i>Cycled</i>	T	F
<i>Limited</i>	P	P
<i>PEEP</i>	yes	yes
<i>Set Rate</i>	yes (AC)	no

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### PCV vs. PSV

	<i>PCV</i>	<i>PSV</i>
<i>Set Rate</i>	yes PCV (C) PCV (AC) SIMV (PC) SIMV (PC)+PS PCIRV	no Patient has control over RR, $T_b$ , flow, $V_T$  $V_T$ depends on $\Delta P$ , pt. effort, $C_L$ , $R_{AW}$

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### Clinical Advantages of PCV

- Little published on optimal flow pattern
- Evidence suggests decelerating flow pattern:
  - improves gas distribution in lungs allowing ventilation with same  $V_T$  but lower PIP
  - increases patient comfort when flow responsive to demand

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### ① PV Reduces V/Q Mismatch

- Difficult to ventilate if  $C_L$ ,  $R_{AW}$  differ from one lung region to another
- Some areas over-ventilated, some under-ventilated
- Airways with  $\uparrow R_{AW}$  take longer to receive  $V_T$

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### ① PV Reduces V/Q Mismatch

With PV, gas flow is high early in insp  $\rightarrow$  flow reaches small airways early  $\rightarrow$  allows more time for gas to be distributed according to regional  $C_L$  &  $R_{AW}$

as press gradient  $\downarrow \rightarrow$  flow slows  $\rightarrow$  laminar flow when gas enters small airways

better gas distribution ( $\downarrow$  V/Q mismatch)

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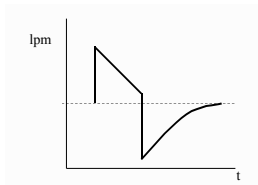
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### ② PV Optimizes $T_I$

- By observing flow pattern,  $T_I$  can be optimized



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### ③ PV Matches Flow with Patient Demand

With volume ventilation, sometimes  
difficult to match vent flow to patient  
demand → patient/vent asynchrony



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### ③ PV Matches Flow with Patient Demand

- Use of PS helps only on spontaneous breaths
- Increasing flow rate > demand causes turbulent flow → PIP ↑, hit press limit, risk of barotrauma

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### ③ PV Matches Flow with Patient Demand

Use of pressure ventilation with  
decelerating flows matches flow rate to  
patient demand



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### Remember!

- *PCV* -  $V_T$  delivered varies with:
  - $C_L$
  - $R_{AW}$
  - Set pressure
  - $T_I$
  - PEEP level

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### Remember!

- *PSV* -  $V_T$  delivered varies with:
  - $C_L$
  - $R_{AW}$
  - Set pressure
  - Patient effort

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### Primary Indication for PV

- *ARDS* in patients that volume ventilation with PEEP does not seem to be working:
  - $F_{I}O_2$  1.0
  - $PIP \geq 50$  cmH<sub>2</sub>O
  - $PEEP \geq 15$  cmH<sub>2</sub>O
  - $RR \geq 16$ /min
  - decreasing  $PaO_2$  and  $C_L$

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### Initial Settings

- $PIP$  1/2 - 3/4 previous  $PIP$
- $I:E$  - 1:1 to 1:2

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### PCIRV

- Primary use - ARDS where  $C_L \downarrow \downarrow$
- Lungs empty very quickly so can use short  $T_E$
- Patients sedated and paralyzed
- 2:1, 3:1, 4:1, etc.

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### PCIRV

- *Results* -
  - oxygenation improves
  - gas exchange improves
  - $PIP$  decreases ( $\downarrow$  risk of barotrauma & CV side-effects)
  - decreases need for PEEP
  - MAP increases
  - can cause auto-PEEP

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### Monitoring PCIRV

$V_T$	SpO <sub>2</sub>	CVP
RR	ABG	PAP
$V_E$	HR	PCWP
PIP	UO	PVR
MAP	BP	P <sub>ET</sub> CO <sub>2</sub>
$C_L$	QT	P <sub>(a-ET)</sub> CO <sub>2</sub>
waveforms	PEEP	auto-PEEP

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### PRVC/APV

- Pressure Regulated Volume Control/Adaptive Pressure Ventilation
- PC with control over volume
- Assist-control
- Available on Servo 300 (PRVC)/Hamilton Galileo (APV)

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### PRVC/APV

- Set RR, T<sub>I</sub>, target  $V_T$
- Breath give at minimal pressure
- Exhaled  $V_T$  compared to target  $V_T$
- Pressure automatically adjusted to achieve target  $V_T$  (breath to breath)
- Set Pressure Limit high enough

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## PRVC/APV

*Advantage -*  
Guarantee of  $V_T$  with the least  
amount of pressure to  
deliver that volume

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## VS

- Volume Support (Servo 300)
- Automatic Pressure Support
- Works like PRVC/APV
- Spontaneous breathing mode (no rate set)
- Set target  $V_T$ , Pressure Limit

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## VS

- *Advantage - automatic weaning*
  - as patient assumes more of the work of breathing → reduce target volume to 5-7 ml/kg
  - apnea - vent switches to PRVC
  - when no apnea, spont  $V_T$  5-7 ml/kg,  $PS \leq 8 \text{ cmH}_2\text{O}$  → extubate

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## Modes - Review

<i>Mode</i>	<i>Trigger</i>	<i>Cycled</i>	<i>PEEP</i>	<i>Limited</i>
<i>AC</i>	T, Pt	V, T	yes	F
<i>PC</i>	T, Pt	T	yes	P
<i>SIMV (v)</i>	T, Pt	V, T	yes	F
<i>SIMV (p)</i>	T, Pt	T	yes	P
<i>PRVC/APV</i>	T, Pt	T	yes	P
<i>PS</i>	Pt	F	yes	P
<i>CPAP</i>	Pt	Pt	yes	P

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## AutoPEEP

- Intrinsic PEEP
- Unintended PEEP
- Inadvertent PEEP
  - Occult PEEP

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## AutoPEEP

- PEEP that develops when a new breath is delivered before expiration has ended
- Air-trapping, breath-stacking
- Cause = expiratory time is too short

↓  
WHY?

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### AutoPEEP

- Why is  $T_E$  too short?
  - COPD
  - $V_E > 10$  lpm
  - small ETT
  - $C_L \uparrow$
  - RR  $\uparrow$
  - insp flow rate slow
  - large  $V_T$

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### Complications of AutoPEEP

1. *Increased WOB due to air-trapping*  
(impairs respiratory muscle function)

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### Complications of AutoPEEP

2. *Decreased venous return*  
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3. *Barotrauma*

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### Complications of AutoPEEP

- Auto-PEEP can artificially look like LVF:
- But if give positive inotropic agents, diuretics → condition will get worse

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### Detecting Auto-PEEP

- Auto-PEEP can't be seen on pressure manometer
- If monitoring digital  $V_{TE}$  - transient reduction in volume, then lung volume stabilizes

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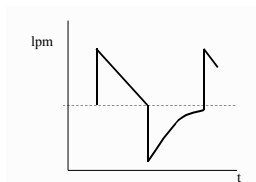
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### Detecting AutoPEEP

- Best way =

*Graphic Wave Forms*



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### Other - AutoPEEP

- Patient may not be able to trigger vent (neg. pressure trigger)
  - must 1<sup>st</sup> pull off autoPEEP, the pull sensitivity → Pt/Vent asynchrony, ↑ WOB
- $C_s$  calculation must include autoPEEP

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### Decrease AutoPEEP Effects

- Increase  $T_E$ 
  - ↑ flows → ↓  $T_I$
  - ↓  $V_T$
  - ↓ RR

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### Decrease AutoPEEP Effects

- Decrease  $R_{AW}$ 
  - secretion removal
  - bronchodilators
  - ↑ ETT size

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### Decrease AutoPEEP Effects

- Permissive hypercapnia
- Add PEEP (85% of autoPEEP)

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### Benefits of AutoPEEP

- AutoPEEP can improve oxygenation when using PCIRV

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