

# Mechanical ventilation

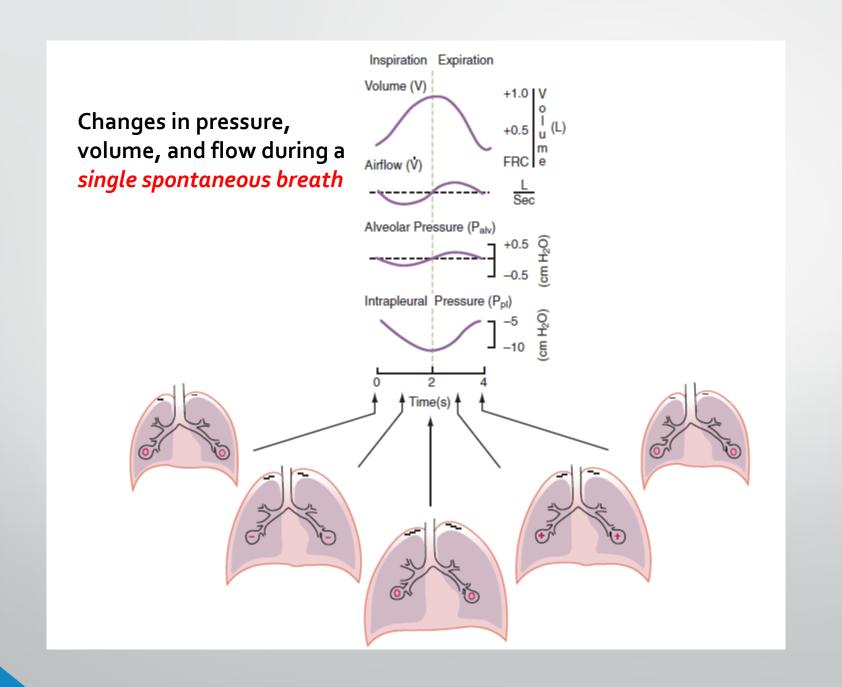
Positive Versus Negative Pressure Ventilation

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# Box 4.1 The Four Phases of the Respiratory Cycle

- 1. Changeover from expiration to inspiration
- 2. Inspiration
- 3. Changeover from inspiration to expiration
- 4. Expiration



Children in iron lungs during a polio outbreak in the US in the 1950s. Photograph: Science History Images

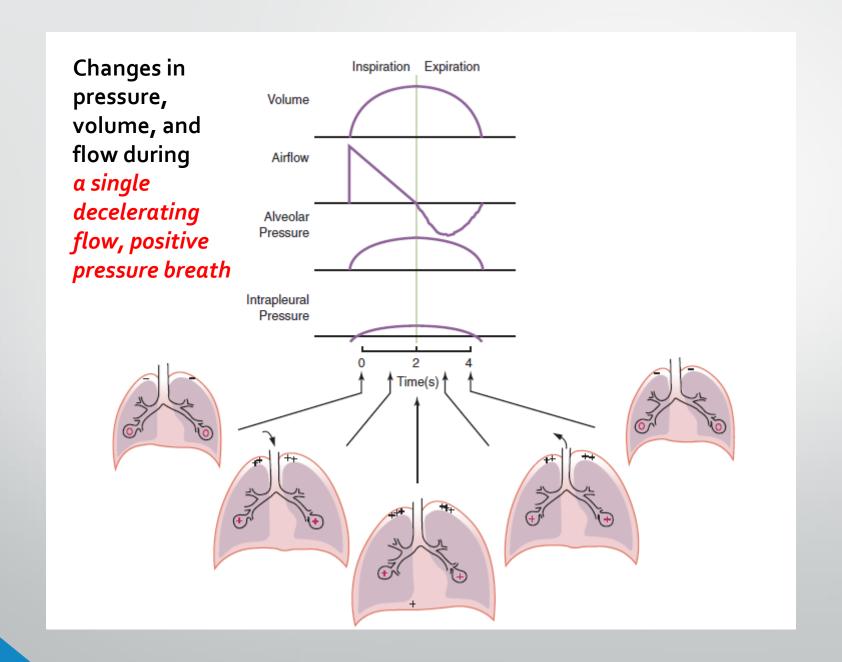


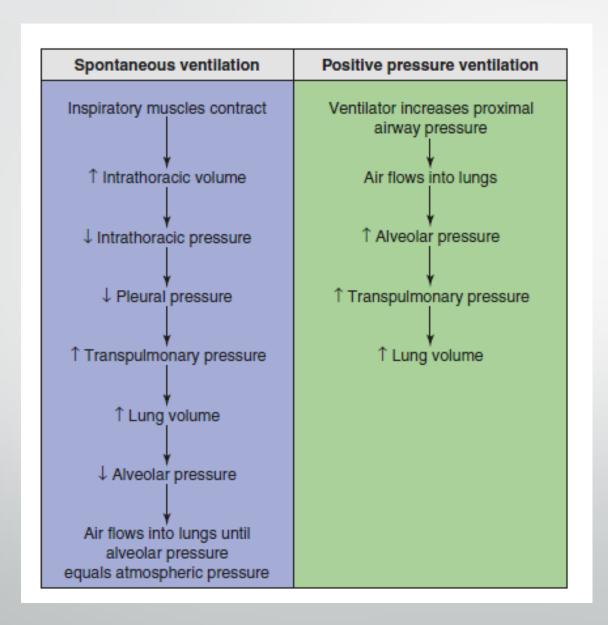


Paul Alexander in his iron lung



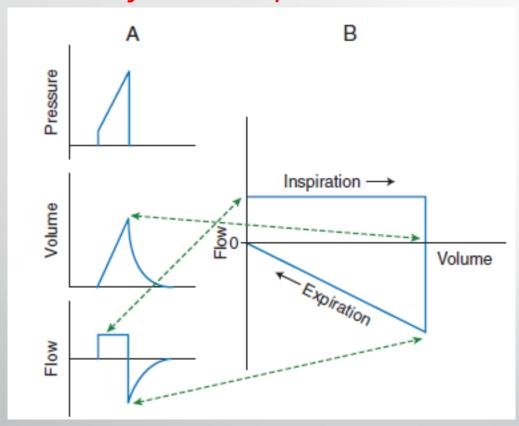
• The iron lung uses a negative pressure system. Powered by a motor, its bellows suck air out of the cylinder, creating a vacuum around the patient's body and forcing the lungs to expand and take in air. When the air is let back in, the same process in reverse makes the lungs deflate. The device needs a source of energy to function.



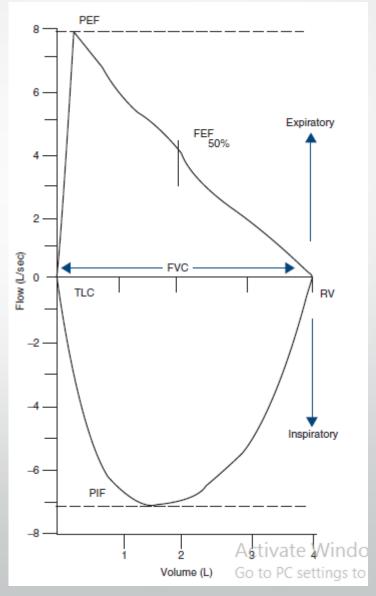


## Positive pressure ventilation

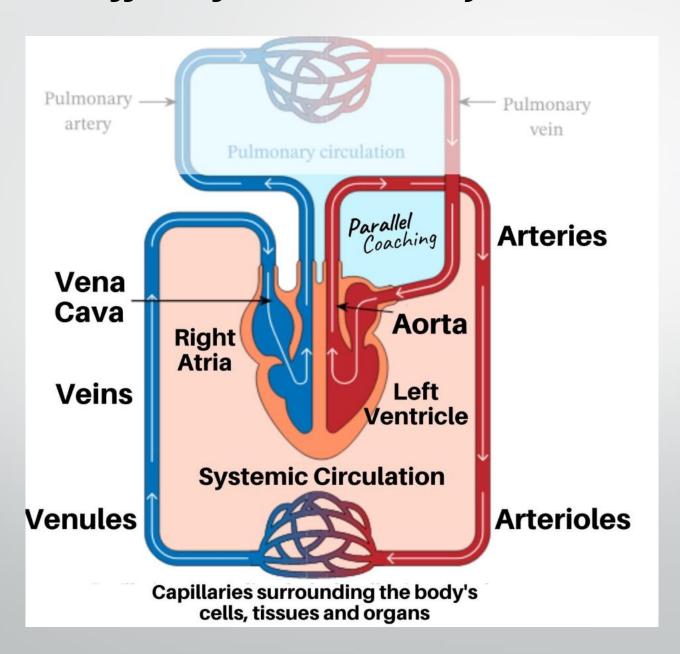
#### Waveforms and Loops



## Negative pressure ventilation



## The effect of PPV on hemodynamics



# The effect of PPV on hemodynamics

 During spontaneous inspiration, decreased intrathoracic pressure augments venous return and preload. Cardiac output is increased, and there is an increased pressure gradient between the left ventricle and aorta.

With the initiation of positive-pressure ventilation (PPV), the opposite
occurs: venous return is diminished, cardiac output falls, and there is a
decreased pressure gradient between the left ventricle and aorta.
Hypotension can occur after ventilatory support has been initiated and may
be exaggerated in patients with clinical hypovolemia or vasodilatory states.