



Introduction of Mechanical Ventilation

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- Ventilator Operation
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Physiologic aspects of MV

- Provide warmed and humidified air
- Serves as the energy source for inspiration
- Replacing the muscles of the diaphragms and chest wall
- Expiration:
passive, by the recoil of the lungs and chest wall.
- Positive end-Expiratory pressure (PEEP)
 - Maintain patency of alveoli and small airways
 - 0-10 cmH₂O

Respiratory Failure

inadequate blood oxygenation or CO₂ removal

A syndrome rather than a disease

PaO₂ < 60 mmHg or PaCO₂ > 50 mmHg

Hypoxemic

Hypercapnic

**PaO₂ < 55~60 mmHg or SaO₂ < 90%
with FiO₂ ≥ 60%**

PaCO₂ > 45~50 mmHg

This two types of respiratory failure almost always coexist!

Acute: develops in minutes to hours, pH < 7.30

Chronic: develops over several days or longer

Indications for Mechanical Ventilation

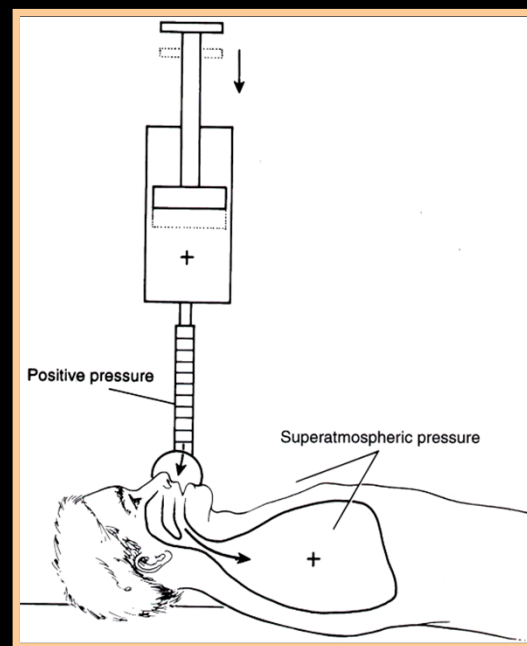
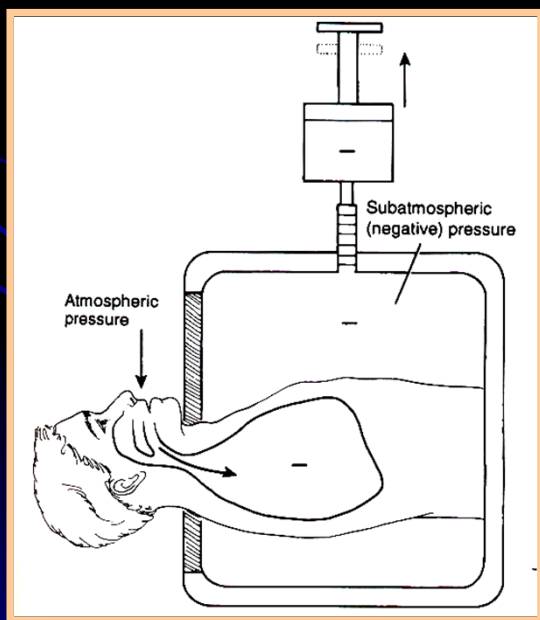
- **Respiratory failure**: inadequate blood oxygenation or CO₂ removal
 - **Hypoxemia**: PaO₂ < 55~60 mmHg or SaO₂ < 90%
with FiO₂ ≥ 60%
 - **Hypercarpnia**: PaCO₂ > 45~50 mmHg
- **Severe impaired gas exchange**
- **An inadequate response to less invasive medical treatment**
- **Increased work of breathing**
with evidence of respiratory muscle fatigue
- Hyperventilation for **IICP**
- Prevent **aspiration** (absent gag or cough reflex)

Types of Mechanical Ventilation

- Negative pressure ventilation vs. Positive pressure ventilation
- Non-invasive ventilation vs. Invasive ventilation
- Volume ventilation vs. Pressure ventilation
- Full ventilatory support vs. Partial ventilatory support

Methods of Assisted Ventilation

- **Negative pressure ventilation:**
 - exposure to negative extra-thoracic pressure
 - Iron lung/chest cuirass
 - Disadvantage: variable tidal volume, airway pressure, large machine volume
- **Positive pressure ventilation:**
 - Positive pressure to increase alveolar pressures
 - Advantage: precise tidal volume, airway pressure, ... etc.
 - Invasive: intubation
 - Non-invasive (NIPPV)



Iron lung



- Iron lung ward filled with polio patients, Rancho Los Amigos Hospital, California (1953)

Non-Invasive Positive Pressure Ventilation

- **Indications** of NIPPV for Acute Respiratory Failure:
 - **Strong evidence** (multiple controlled trials):
 - COPD exacerbations
 - Acute cardiogenic pulmonary edema
 - Evidence strongest for CPAP
 - Immunocompromised patients
 - Facilitation of weaning in COPD patients
 - **Less strong evidence** (single controlled trial or multiple case series):
 - Asthma
 - Cystic fibrosis
 - Postoperative respiratory failure
 - Avoidance of extubation failure
 - DNI patients

Non-Invasive Positive Pressure Ventilation

- **Indications** of NIPPV for Acute Respiratory Failure:
 - **Weak evidence** (few case series or case reports):
 - Upper airway obstruction
 - Acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS)
 - Trauma
 - Obstructive sleep apnea, obesity hypoventilation

Non-Invasive Positive Pressure Ventilation

● **Contraindications:**

- Respiratory arrest
- Medically unstable
- Unable to protect airway
- Excessive secretions
- Uncooperative or agitated
- Unable to fit mask
- Recent upper airway or gastrointestinal surgery

NIV Contraindications

● Absolute contraindications

- Respiratory arrest
- Cardiac arrest
- Nonrespiratory organ failure (eg., severe encephalopathy, severe gastrointestinal bleeding or surgery, hemodynamic instability with or without unstable cardiac angina)
- Upper airway obstruction
- Inability to protect the airway or high risk of aspiration (for both)
- Inability to clear secretions
- Facial or head surgery or trauma

● Relative contraindications

- Cardiovascular instability (hypotension, dysrhythmias, acute myocardial infarction)
- Uncooperative patient (impaired mental status, hypersomnolence)
- Copious or viscous secretions
- Fixed nasopharyngeal abnormalities
- Extreme obesity

NIV changed to Invasive Ventilation

- Respiratory arrest
- Respiratory rate > 35 breaths/min
- Severe dyspnea with use of accessory muscles and possibly paradoxical breathing
- Life-threatening hypoxemia:
 $\text{PaO}_2 < 40$ mm Hg or $\text{PaO}_2/\text{FIO}_2 < 200$
- Severe acidosis ($\text{pH} < 7.25$) and hypercapnia ($\text{PaCO}_2 > 60$ mmHg)
- Hypersomnolence, impaired mental status
- Cardiovascular complications (hypotension, shock, heart failure)
- Failure of noninvasive positive pressure ventilation
- Other circumstances
(e.g., metabolic abnormalities, sepsis, pneumonia, pulmonary embolism, barotrauma, massive pleural effusion)

Official ERS/ATS clinical practice guidelines: noninvasive ventilation for acute respiratory failure

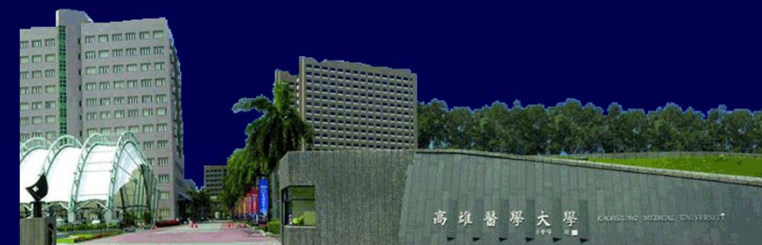
Clinical indication (in the setting of acute respiratory failure)	Certainty of evidence¶	Recommendation
Prevention of hypercapnia in COPD exacerbation	⊕⊕	Conditional recommendation against
Hypercapnia with COPD exacerbation	⊕⊕⊕⊕	Strong recommendation for
Cardiogenic pulmonary oedema	⊕⊕⊕	Strong recommendation for
Acute asthma exacerbation		No recommendation made
Immunocompromised	⊕⊕⊕	Conditional recommendation for
De novo respiratory failure		No recommendation made
Post-operative patients	⊕⊕⊕	Conditional recommendation for
Palliative care	⊕⊕⊕	Conditional recommendation for
Trauma	⊕⊕⊕	Conditional recommendation for
Pandemic viral illness		No recommendation made
Post-extubation in high-risk patients (prophylaxis)	⊕⊕	Conditional recommendation for
Post-extubation respiratory failure	⊕⊕	Conditional recommendation against
Weaning in hypercapnic patients	⊕⊕⊕	Conditional recommendation for

¶: certainty of effect estimates: ⊕⊕⊕⊕, high; ⊕⊕⊕, moderate; ⊕⊕, low; ⊕, very low.



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Major Parameters of MV

- Mode
- FiO_2
- Minute volume (V_E): $V_E = V_T * f$
 - Tidal volume (V_T)
 - Rate (RR, f)
- PEEP (positive end-expiratory pressure)
- I:E ratio
 - Inspiratory time (T_I)
 - Expiratory time (T_E)
- Trigger sensitivity
- Alarms

FiO₂

- Initially, set FiO₂ as 100%.
- Maintain the FiO₂ ≤ 60% to reduce the risk of oxygen toxicity.
- 100%氧氣暴露時間與生理反應：
 - 0~12小時 → 正常肺功能、氣管支氣管炎、
胸骨下胸痛
 - 12~24小時 → 肺活量減少
 - 24~30小時 → 減低肺可張性、P(A-a)O₂增大、
運動時PO₂下降
 - 30~72小時 → 減少擴散容積

Minute ventilation

- Minute ventilation (minute volume):

$$\dot{V}_E = V_T \times f_b \quad (\text{tidal volume} \times \text{respiratory rate})$$

- Initial tidal volume: ~8 mL/kg
 - Use ideal body weight!
- Respiratory rate: 10-15 cpm
- Adjust the minute ventilation to achieve the patient's baseline PaCO₂,
not a normal PaCO₂

Positive End-Expiratory Pressure

- **Definition:**
maintenance of positive airway pressure at the end of expiration.
- Increases lung compliance and oxygenation while decreasing the shunt fraction and the work of breathing.
 - ARDS
 - Chest trauma
 - Postoperative atelectasis
 - Cardiopulmonary edema
 - Auto-PEEP
 - Artificial airway: 5 cmH₂O

Positive End-Expiratory Pressure

- Increase peak and mean airway pressure and intrathoracic pressure
 - Decrease venous return and cardiac output
- Intracranial pressure:
 - Used cautiously in IICP patients
- Not to remove PEEP abruptly for it can result in collapse of distal lung units, the worsening of shunt and life-threatening hypoxemia.

I:E Ratio

- Physiological: 1:2
- Set T_I in some machines
- e.g.: $RR = 20, T_I = 1 \text{ sec}$
→ $T_E = 2 \text{ sec}, I:E = 1:2$

I:E Ratio

● Inverse ration ventilation (IRV)

- I:E ratio that is greater than the standard 1:2-1:3 ratio to stabilize terminal respiratory units.
- Goal of IRV
 - Decrease peak airway pressure
 - To maintain adequate alveolar ventilation
 - Improve oxygenation
- Need sedation and often muscle paralysis.
- Indications:
 - $\text{PaO}_2 < 60$ mmHg with FiO_2 of greater than 60%.
 - Peak airway pressure greater than 40-45 cmH₂O.
 - Need for PEEP of greater than 15 cmH₂O.

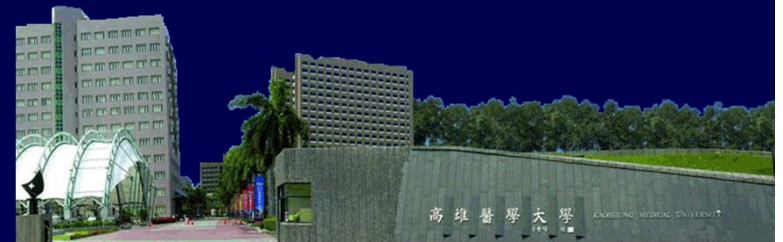
Trigger sensitivity

- Pressure trigger
 - -1 ~ -2 cmH₂O
- Flow trigger (flow-by):
 - 2 ~ 3 L/min
 - more response than are pressure triggered system and result in a decreased work of breath.
- Difficult to trigger in the presence of **auto-PEEP**
 - Increase the flow (reducing T_I)
 - Reducing minute volume (reducing V_T or rate)
 - Suctioning the patient
 - Changing modes to allow for more spontaneous breath
 - Addition of extrinsic PEEP



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Mode

- Definition:

- How a ventilator ventilates a patient.
- Breath types given or allowed.
- 病人與呼吸器間交互作用
完成一個呼吸器通氣循環（ventilator cycle）
的方法。

Mode

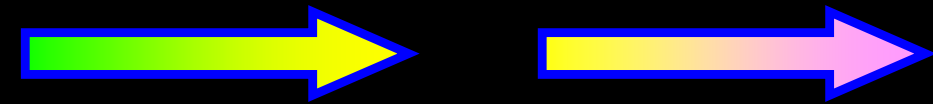
- Classification:

How insp. breaths:

Start

Sustain

End



Terminology:

Trigger

Limit

Cycle

Controlled variables

(控制變項):

MV

P't

MV

P't

MV

P't

Time

Press
Vol
Flow
Neural

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Time

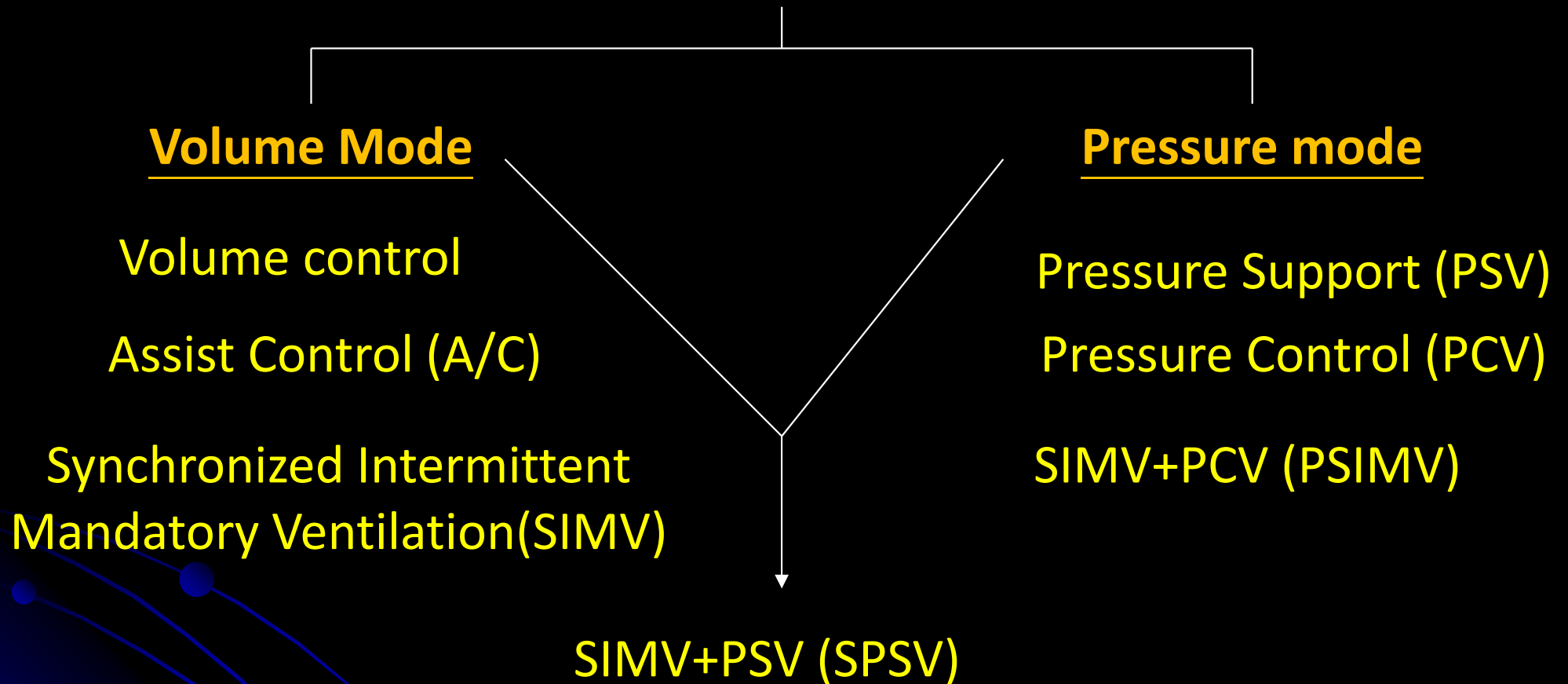
Press
Vol
Flow
Neural

Mode → Breath

- Breath types:

	Inspiratory phase variables		
	Trigger	Limit	Cycle
Machine-cycled breaths:			
Mandatory (control) breath	Machine-triggered	Machine-limited	Machine-cycled
Assisted breath	Patient-triggered	Machine-limited	Machine-cycled
Patient-cycled breath:			
Supported breath	Patient-triggered	Machine-limited	Patient-cycled
Spontaneous breath	Patient-triggered	Patient-limited	Patient-cycled

Positive Pressure Ventilation



Positive Pressure Ventilation

**Continuous
Mandatory
Ventilation
(CMV)**

**Intermittent
Mandatory
Ventilation
(IMV)**

Spontaneous

**Assist Control
(A/C)**

**Synchronized IMV
(SIMV)**

Volume Control (VCV)

SIMV (+PSV)

**Pressure Support
(PSV)**

Pressure Control (PCV)

PSIMV (+PSV)

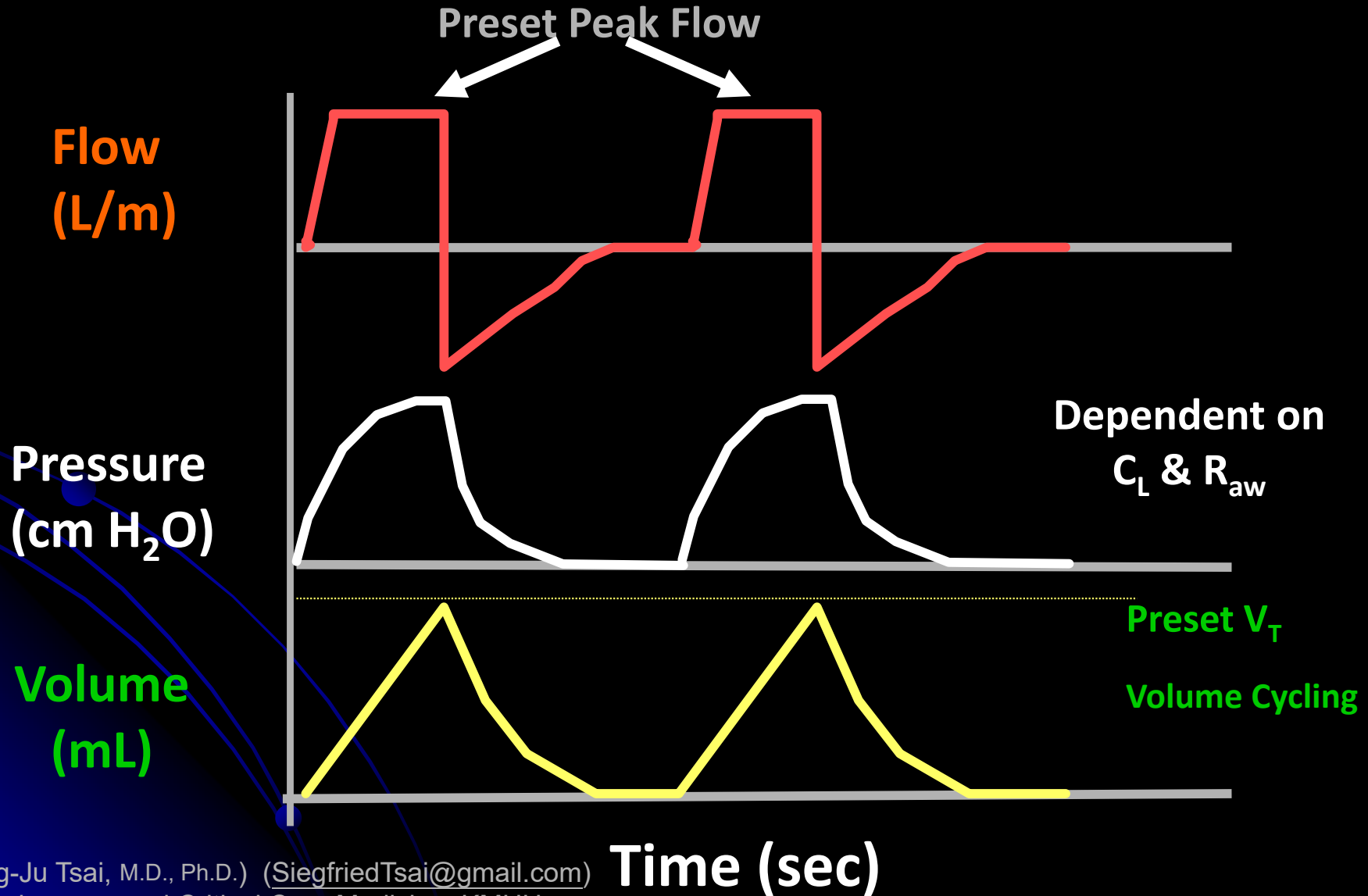
**Continuous Positive
Airway Pressure
(CPAP)**

Volume Assistant/Control (VC, A/C)

- Independent variable (set by user)
 - FiO_2 , tidal volume, rate, PEEP, inspiratory flow pattern, peak inspiratory flow, pressure limit
- Dependent variables
 - Peak airway pressure, PaO_2 , PaCO_2 , mean airway pressure, I/E ratio
- Trigger/cycle limit
 - Patient/timer, flow limit
- Advantage
 - Timer backup, patient-ventilator synchrony, patient controls minute ventilation
- Disadvantages
 - Not useful weaning, potential dangerous respiratory alkalosis
- Initial setting
 - FiO_2 : 100%, $V_T = 10\text{-}15$ ml/kg, $f = 12\text{-}15$ /min, PEEP = 0-5 cmH₂O
 - Inspiratory flow = 60 L/min

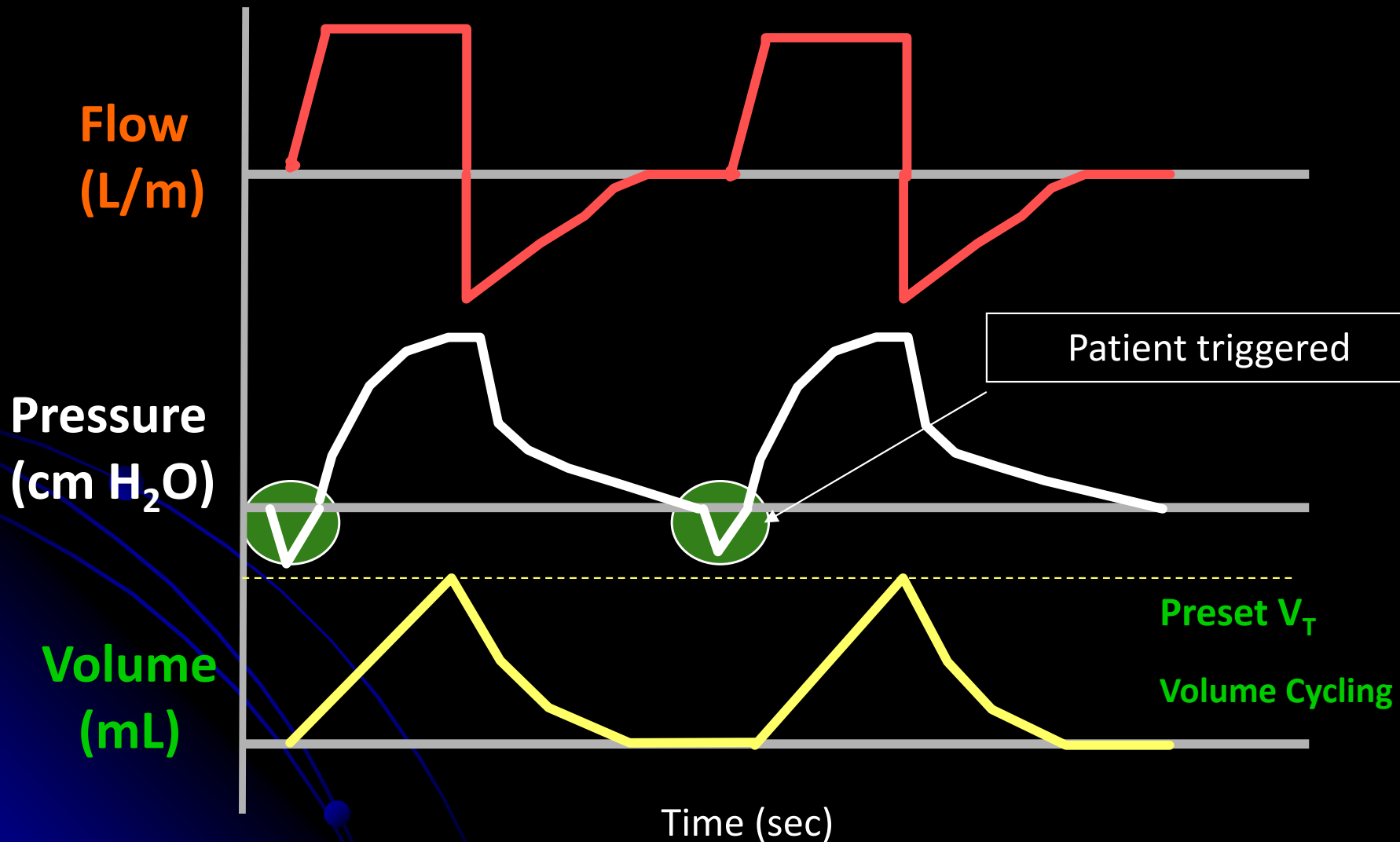
Controlled Mode (volume-targeted ventilation)

Time triggered, Flow limited, Volume cycled Ventilation



Assisted Mode (volume-targeted ventilation)

Patient triggered, Flow limited, Volume cycled Ventilation

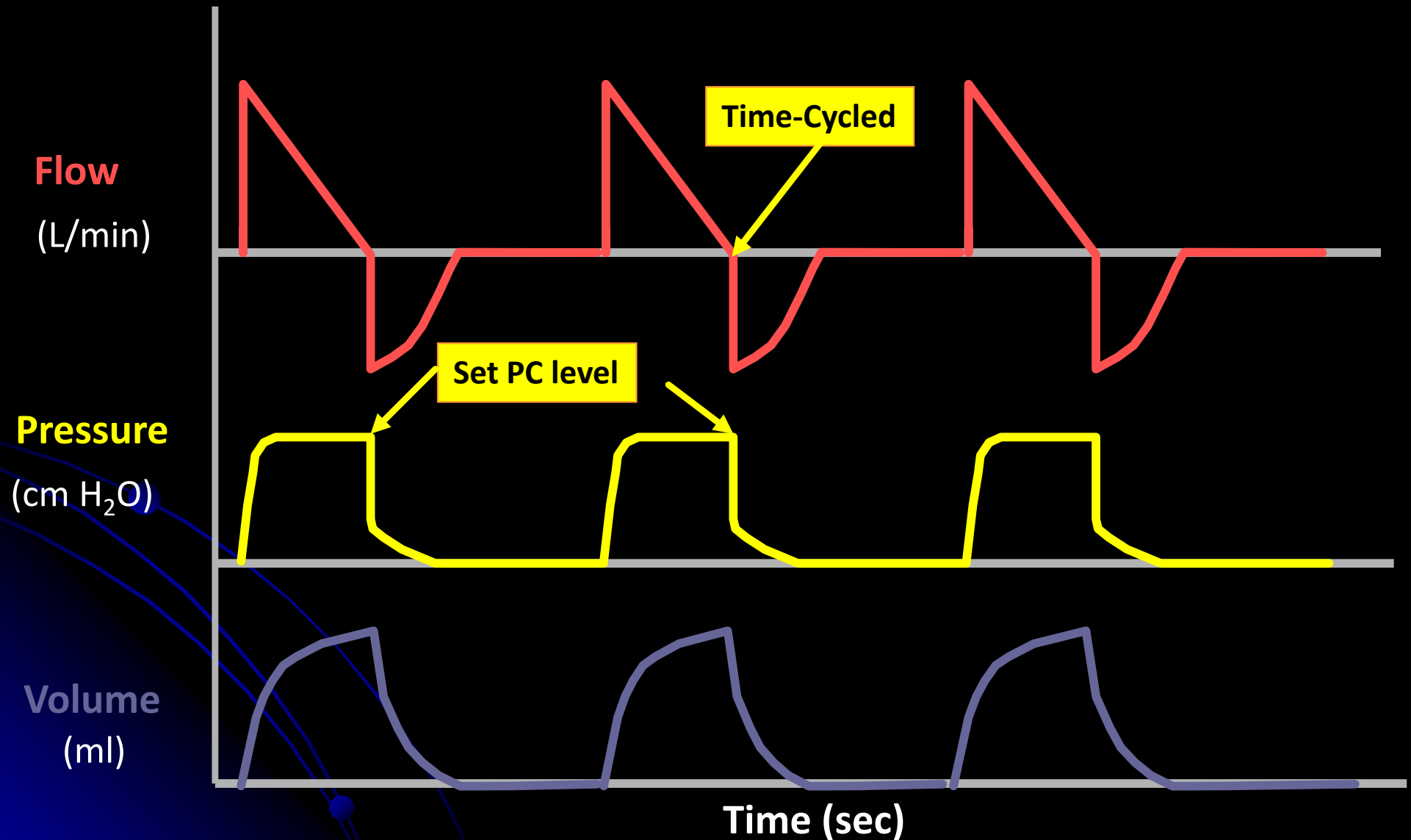


Pressure Control (PC)

- Independent variable (set by user)
 - FiO_2 , inspiratory pressure level, rate, PEEP, pressure limit, I/E ratio
- Dependent variables
 - Tidal volume, flow rate, pattern, minute ventilation, PaO_2 , PaCO_2
- Trigger/cycle limit
 - Time/patient, time/pressure limit
- Advantage
 - System pressures regulated, useful for barotrauma treatment, timer backup
- Disadvantages
 - Requires heavy sedation
- Initial setting
 - FiO_2 : 100%, PC = 20-40 cmH_2O , $f = 12-15/\text{min}$, PEEP = 5-10 cmH_2O
 - I/E : 0.7/1- 4/1

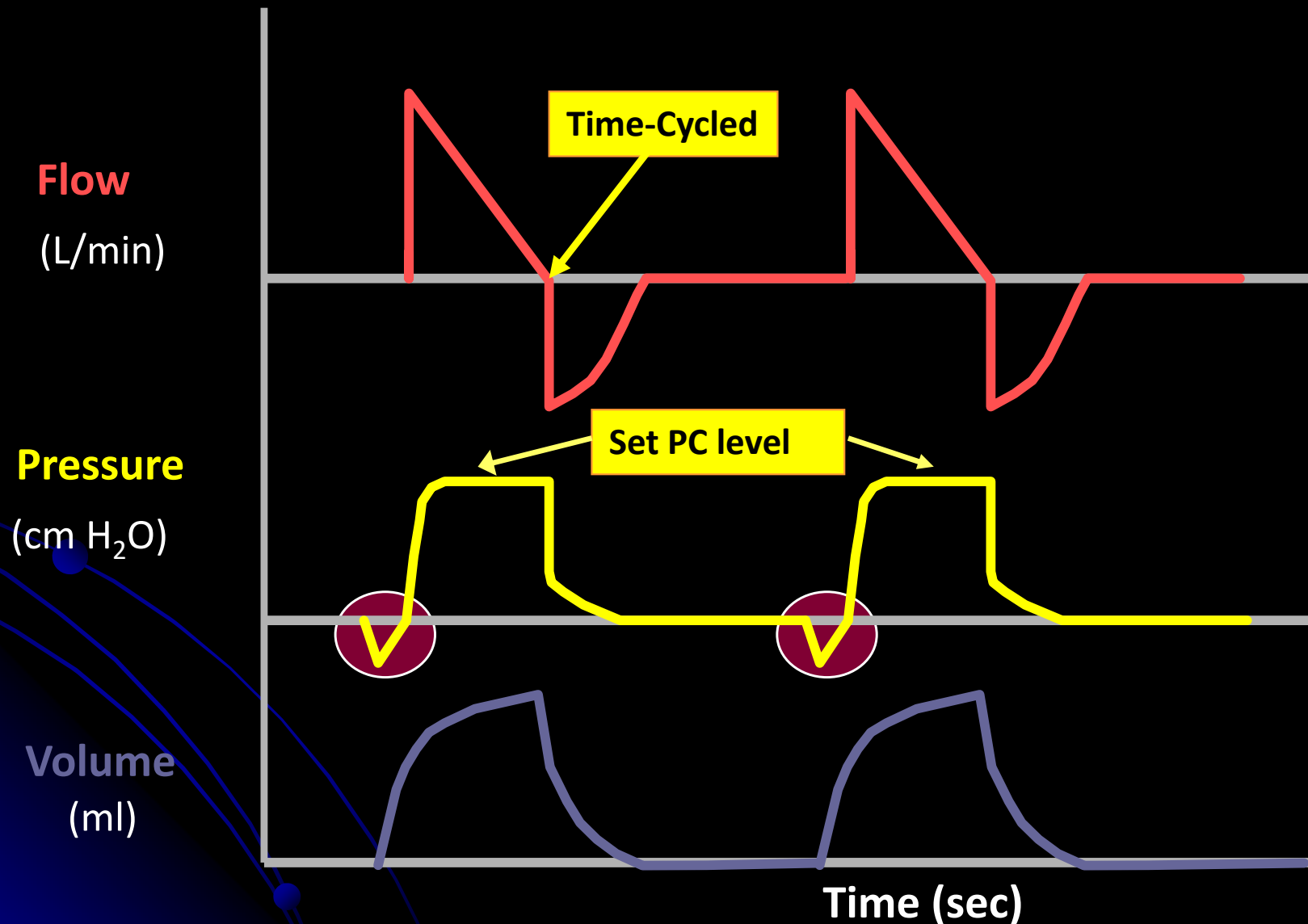
Controlled Mode (pressure-targeted ventilation)

Time Triggered, Pressure Limited, Time Cycled Ventilation



Assisted Mode (pressure-targeted ventilation)

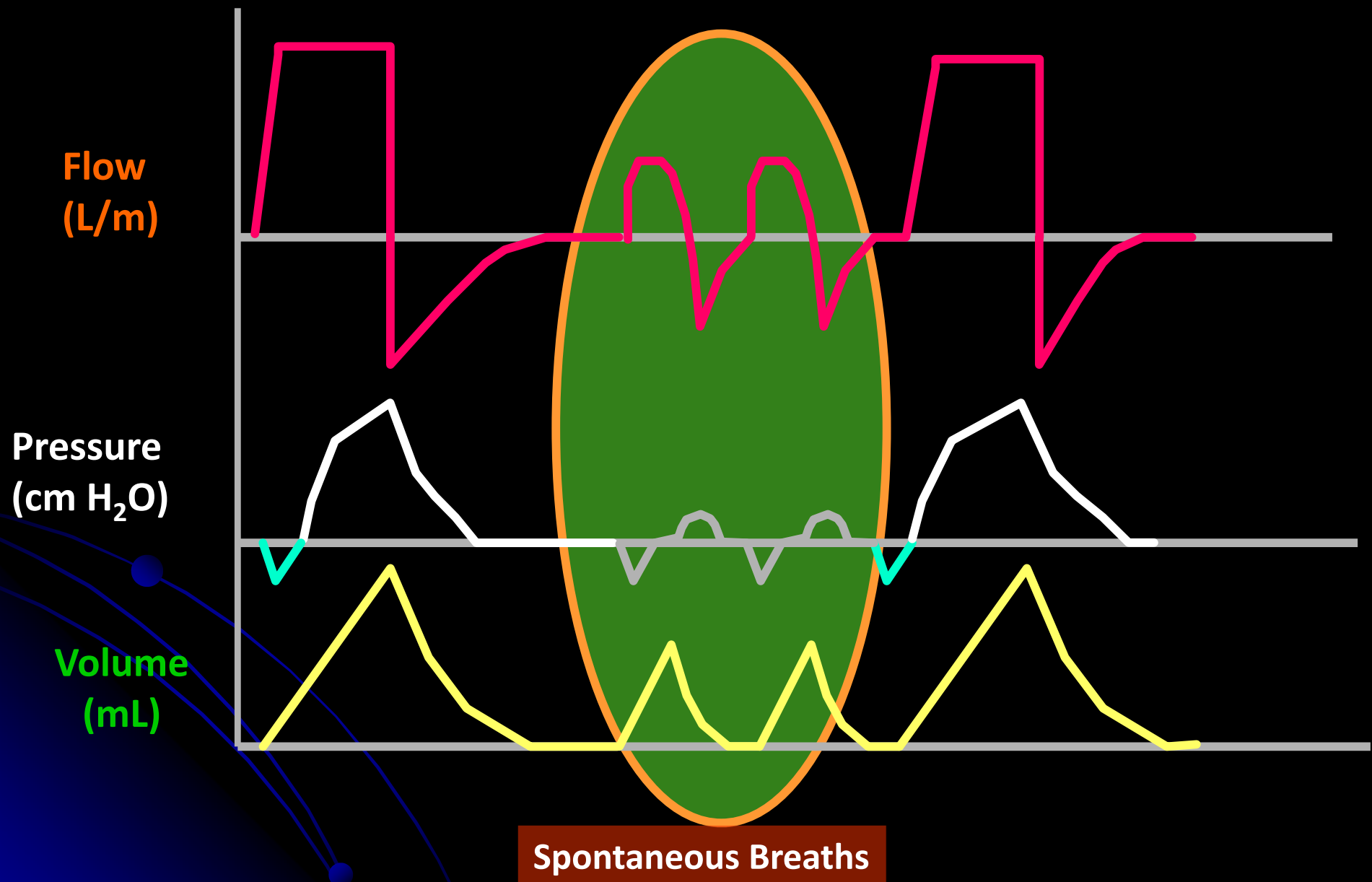
Patient Triggered, Pressure Limited, Time Cycled Ventilation



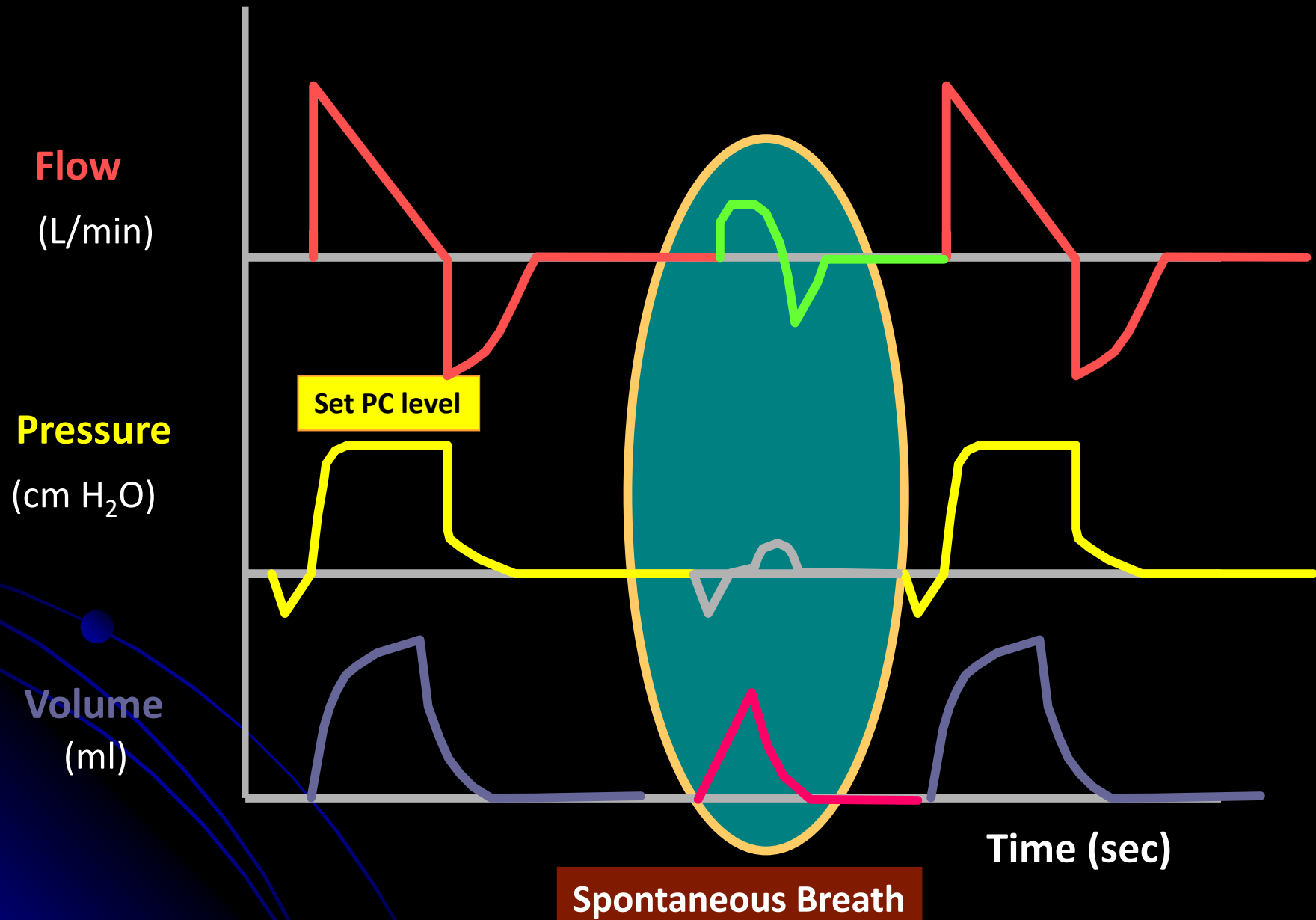
Synchronized Intermittent Mandatory Ventilation (SIMV)

- Independent variable (set by user)
 - FiO₂, tidal volume, rate, PEEP, inspiratory flow pattern, peak inspiratory flow, pressure limit
- Dependent variables
 - Peak airway pressure, PaO₂, PaCO₂, mean airway pressure, I/E ratio
- Trigger/cycle limit
 - Patient/timer, pressure/flow limit
- Advantage
 - Timer backup, useful of weaning
- Disadvantages
 - Potential dyssynchrony
- Initial setting
 - FiO₂: 100%, V_T = 10-15 ml/kg, f = 12-15/min, PEEP = 0-5 cmH₂O
 - Inspiratory flow =60 L/min

SIMV (volume-targeted ventilation)



PSIMV (pressure-targeted ventilation)

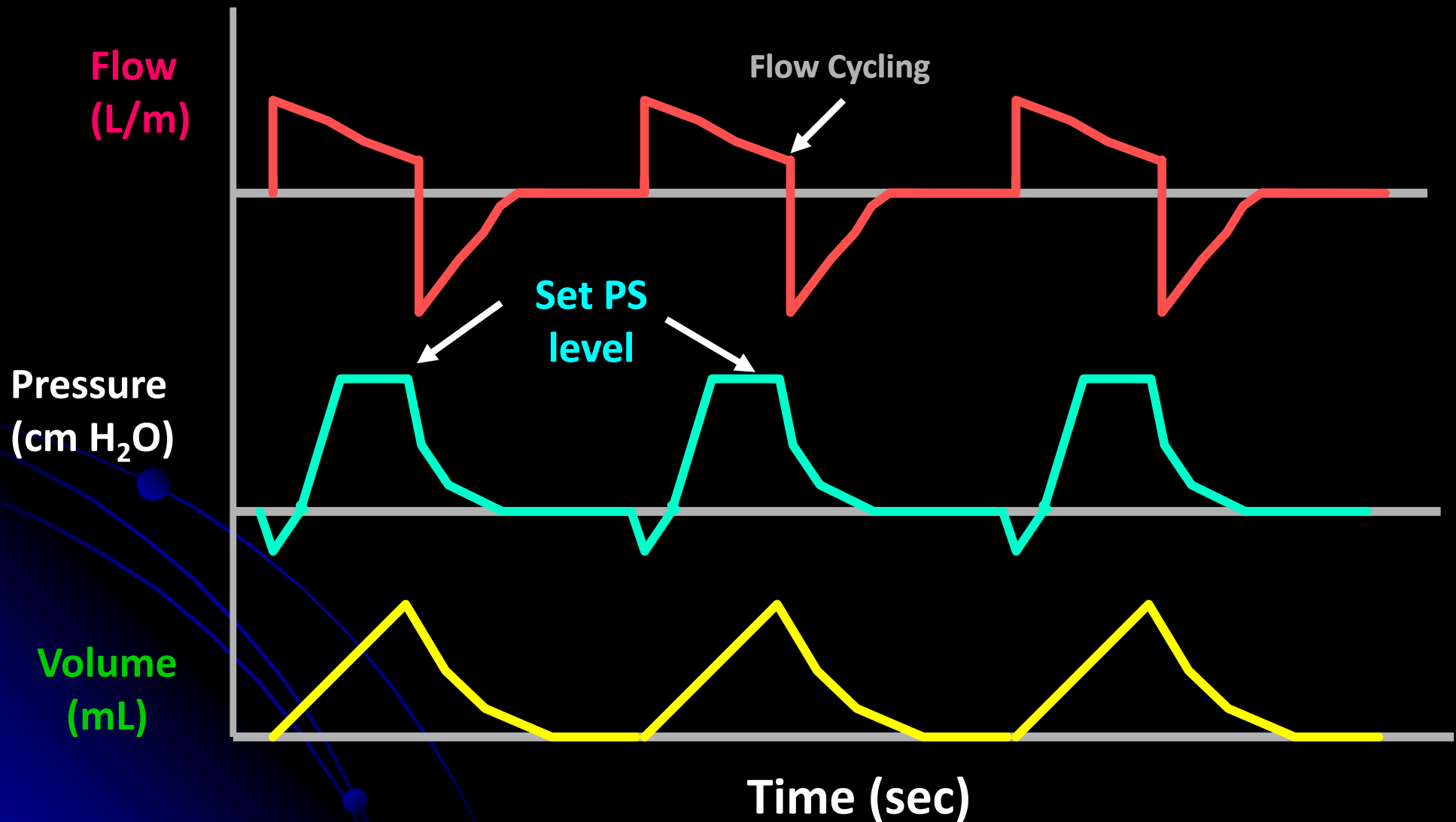


Pressure Support (PS)

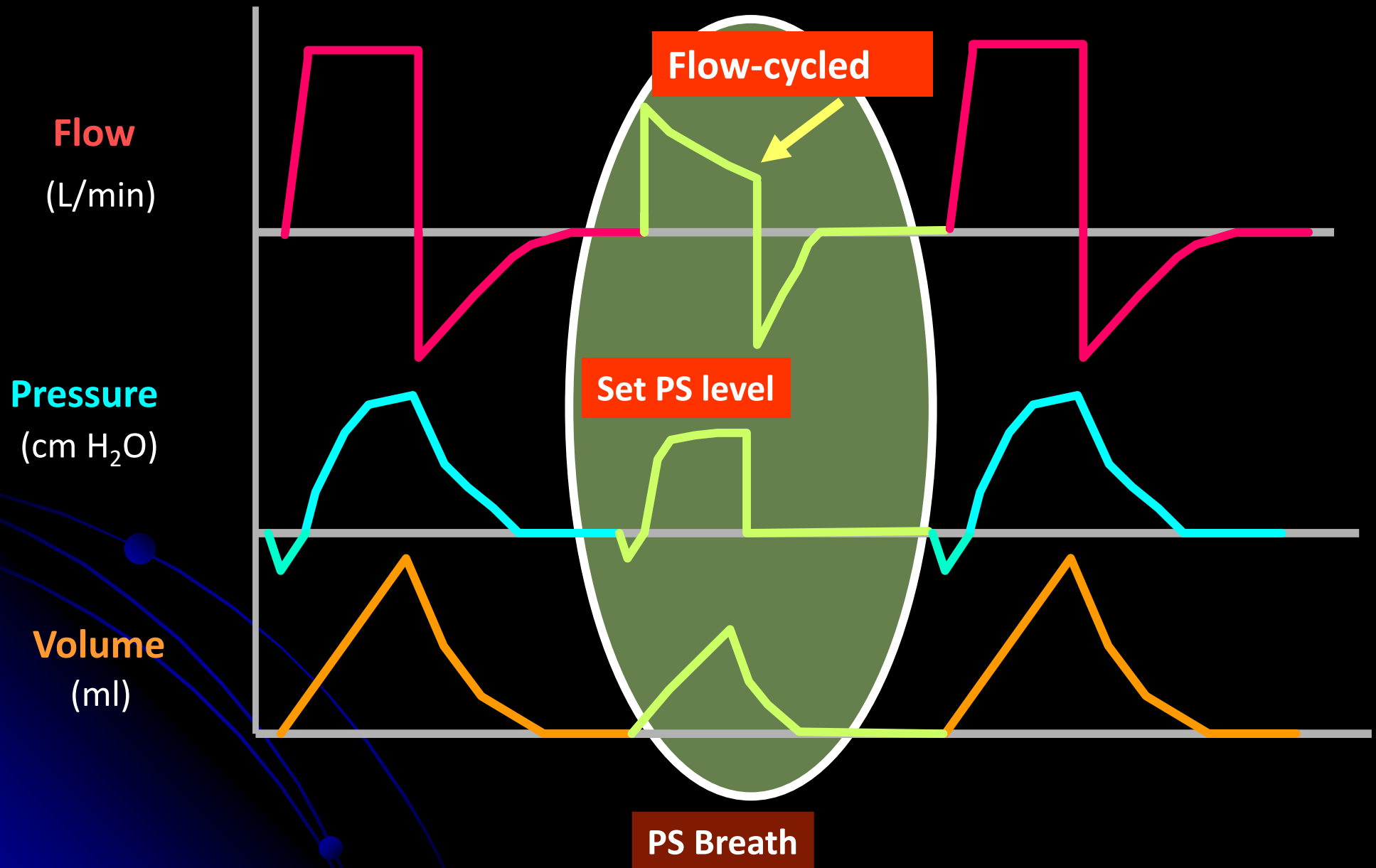
- Independent variable (set by user)
 - FiO_2 , tidal volume, PEEP, inspiratory pressure level, pressure limit
- Dependent variables
 - Same as for PCV +I/E ratio
- Trigger/cycle limit
 - Inspiratory flow, pressure limit
- Advantage
 - assures synchrony, good for weaning
- Disadvantages
 - No timer backup
- Initial setting
 - FiO_2 : 50-100%, V_T = 10-15 ml/kg, f = 12-15/min, PEEP = 0-5 cmH₂O
 - PS = 10-30 cmH₂O

Pressure Support (PS)

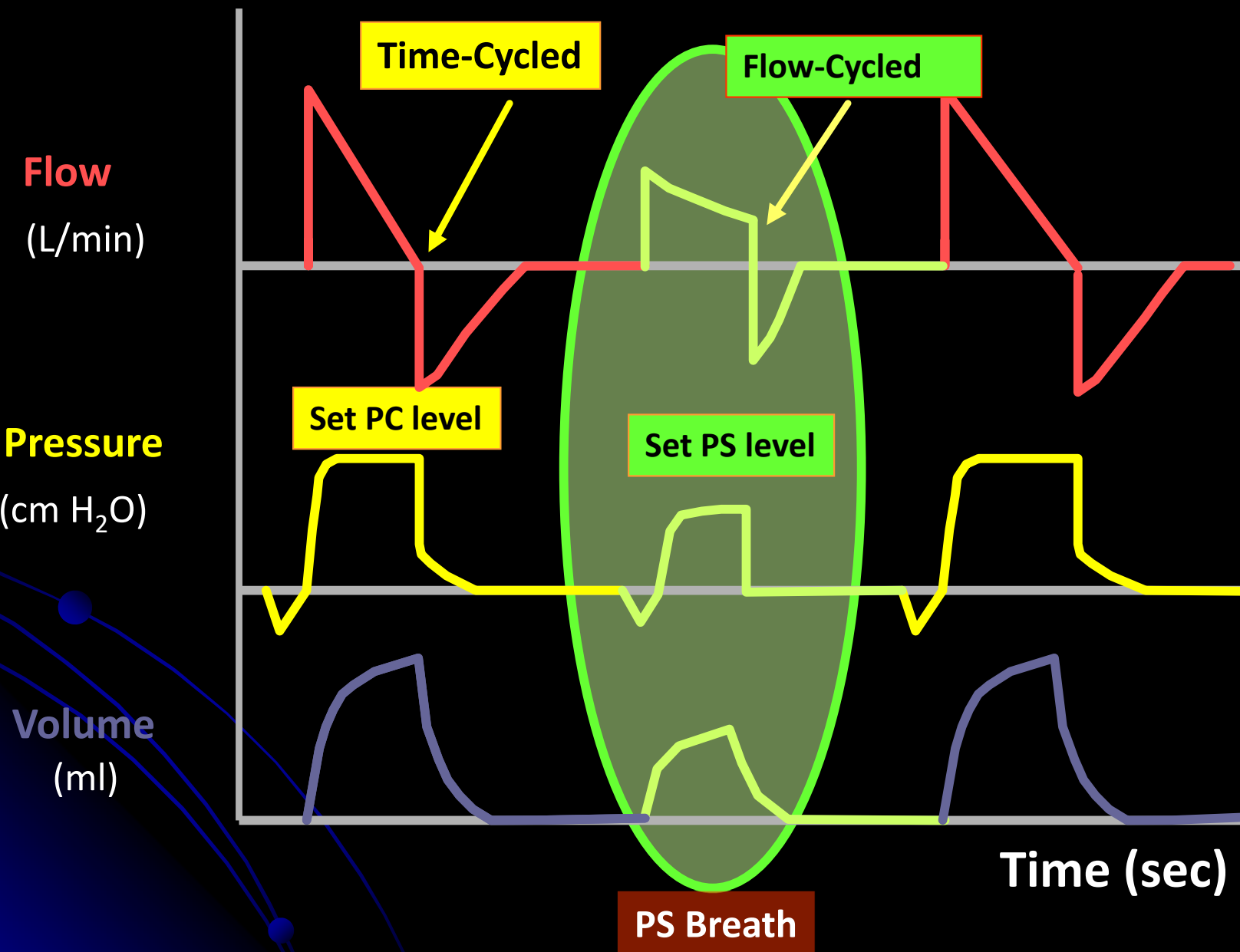
Patient Triggered, Flow Cycled, Pressure limited Mode



SIMV+PS (volume-targeted ventilation)



PSIMV + PS (pressure-targeted ventilation)



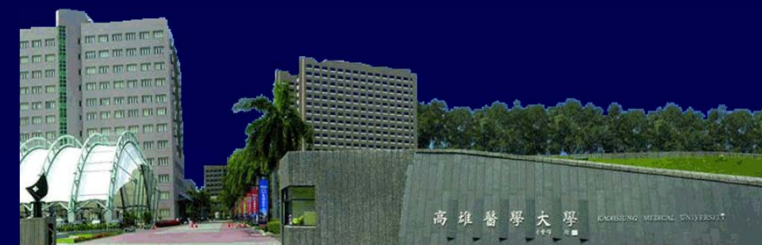
Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP)

- Independent variable (set by user)
 - FiO_2 , level of CPAP
- Dependent variables
 - Tidal volume, rate, flow pattern, PaO_2 , PaCO_2 , mean airway pressure, I/E ratio
- Trigger/cycle limit
 - No trigger, pressure limit
- Advantage
 - Allow assessment of spontaneous function, helps prevents atelectasis
- Disadvantages
 - No backup
- Initial setting
 - FiO_2 : 50-100%, CPAP = 5-15 cmH_2O



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ARDS

Setting	Recommendations
Mode	SIMV or A/C in most acute stages; PS in early stages and during recovery
Rate	12-20 /min; avoid auto-PEEP
Volume/pressure target	Pressure or Volume
Tidal volume	4-8 mL/kg and plateau pressure ≤ 35 cmH ₂ O
Inspiratory time	Extend to achieve oxygenation target, limited by development of auto-PEEP
PEEP	≥ 10 cmH ₂ O
FiO ₂	As needed to achieve PaO ₂ target, ≤ 0.80
Flow waveform	Decelerating
Mean airway pressure	Lowest level to achieve PO ₂ target ($> 20-25$ cmH ₂ O may be required)

ARDS

Setting	Recommendations
Mode	A/C (CMV) in most acute stages; PS in early stages and during recovery
Rate	20-40 /min; avoid auto-PEEP
Volume/pressure target	Pressure or Volume
Tidal volume	4-8 mL/kg and plateau pressure \leq 30 cmH ₂ O
Inspiratory time	Ensure synchrony in patient-triggered ventilation (0.5-0.8 sec), may incorporate a short end-inspiratory pause in passive ventilation
PEEP	10-20 cmH ₂ O; lowest level to achieve SpO ₂ /PaO ₂ target
FiO ₂	As needed to achieve SpO ₂ /PaO ₂ target

COPD

Setting	Recommendations
Mode	SIMV or A/C
Rate	6-8 /min; avoid auto-PEEP
Volume/pressure target	Pressure
Tidal volume	8-12 mL/kg and plateau pressure <30 cmH ₂ O
Inspiratory time	0.8-1.2 sec (peak flow \geq 60L/min with volume ventilation)
PEEP	\geq 5 cmH ₂ O to balance auto-PEEP
FiO ₂	Usually \leq 0.50
Flow waveform	Decelerating

COPD

Setting	Recommendations
Mode	A/C (CMV)
Rate	8-15 /min
Volume/pressure target	Pressure or volume
Tidal volume	6-8 mL/kg provided plateau pressure \leq 30 cmH ₂ O
Inspiratory time	0.6-1.0 sec
PEEP	5 cmH ₂ O or as necessary to counterbalance auto-PEEP
FiO ₂	Usually \leq 0.50

Severe Acute Asthma

Setting	Recommendations
Mode	Pharmacologically controlled full ventilatory support; SIMV or A/C
Rate	≤ 8 /min; allow permissive hypercapnia (pH > 7.10-7.20)
Volume/pressure target	Pressure (usually preferred for severe asthma) Volume
Tidal volume	≤ 10 mL/kg and plateau pressure ≤ 35 cmH ₂ O
Inspiratory time	$\leq 1-1.5$ sec (peak flow ≥ 60 L/min with volume ventilation); avoid auto-PEEP
PEEP	During spontaneous breathing, increase to match auto-PEEP; During controlled ventilation, increase to 80% of auto-PEEP with caution
FiO ₂	1.0 or sufficient to maintain PaO ₂ ≥ 60 mmHg
Flow waveform	Decelerating

Severe Acute Asthma

Setting	Recommendations
Mode	A/C (CMV)
Rate	8-20 /min; allow permissive hypercapnia
Volume/pressure target	Pressure or volume; volume necessary for severe asthma
Tidal volume	4-6 mL/kg and plateau pressure \leq 30 cmH ₂ O
Inspiratory time	1-1.5 sec; avoid auto-PEEP
PEEP	Use of PEEP is controversial; may attempt to counterbalance auto-PEEP but frequently this does not help
FiO ₂	Sufficient to maintain PaO ₂ 55-80 mmHg and SpO ₂ 88%-95%

Head Injury

Setting	Recommendations
Mode	SIMV or A/C
Rate	10-15 /min (15-20 /min if necessary to control ICP provided that auto-PEEP is not present)
Volume/pressure target	Volume; Pressure if there is high airway pressure due to low lung compliance (e.g., neurogenic pulmonary edema)
Tidal volume	12-15 mL/kg; plateau pressure ≤ 35 cmH ₂ O
Inspiratory time	1 sec
PEEP	5 cmH ₂ O provided that PEEP does not increase ICP
FiO ₂	1.0
Flow waveform	Decelerating

Head Injury

Setting	Recommendations
Mode	CMV (A/C)
Rate	15-25 /min
Volume/pressure target	Volume or pressure
Tidal volume	6-8 mL/kg provided that plateau pressure \leq 30cmH ₂ O
Inspiratory time	1 sec
PEEP	5 cmH ₂ O provided that PEEP does not increase ICP
FiO ₂	1.0

Lung-protective Ventilatory Strategy

- If possible, the lower the better!





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Causes of sudden respiratory distress in MV P'ts

● Patient-related

- Artificial airway problems
- Pneumothorax
- Bronchospasm
- Secretions
- Pulmonary edema
- Pulmonary embolus
- Dynamic hyperinflation
- Abnormal respiratory drive
- Alteration in body posture
- Drug-induced problems
- Anxiety
- Patient-ventilator asynchrony

● Ventilator-related

- System leak
- Circuit malfunction or disconnection
- Inadequate fractional inspired O₂ (FiO₂)
- Inadequate ventilatory support
- Inadequate trigger sensitivity
- Improper inspiratory flow setting
- Patient-ventilator asynchrony

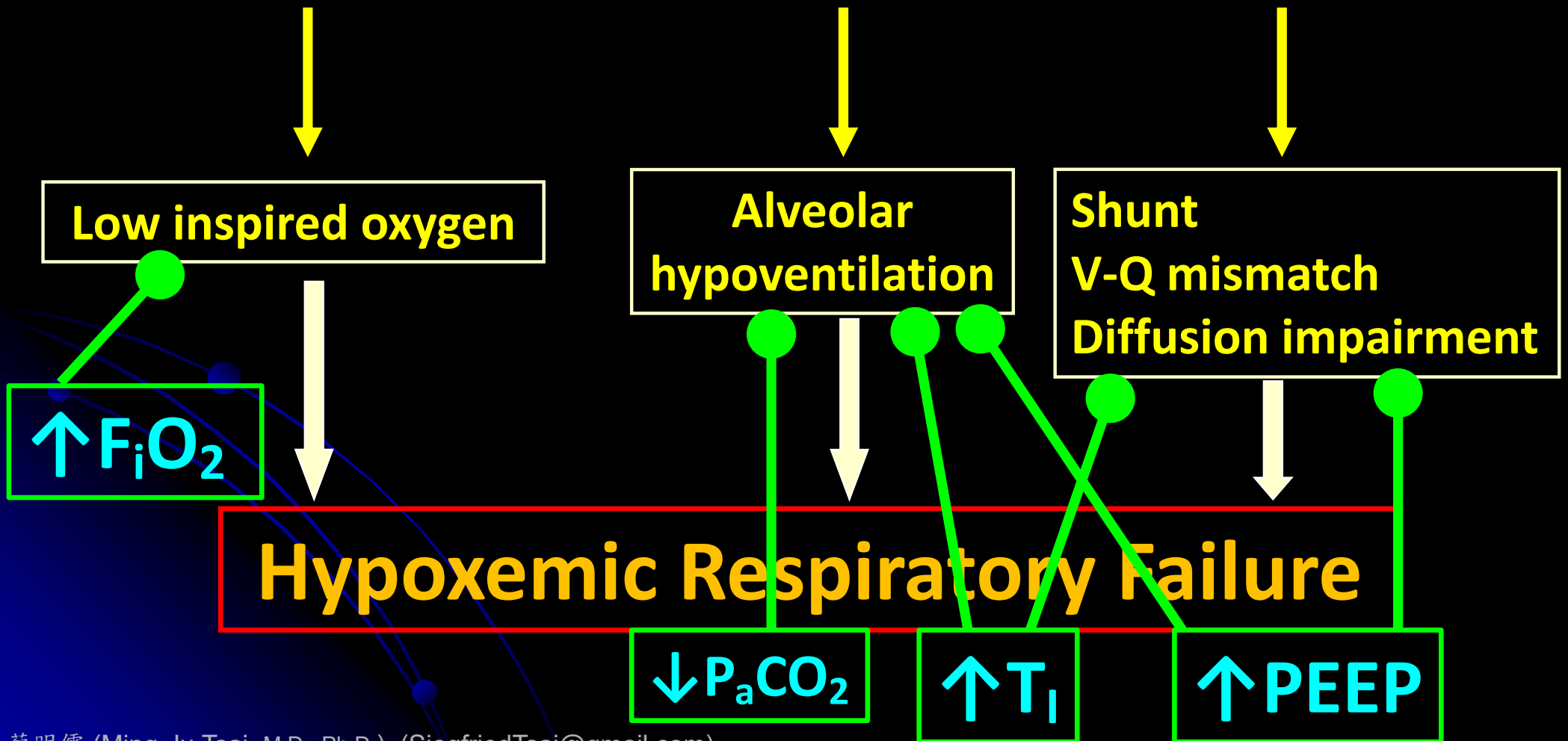
Trouble Shooting

- **Remove** the patient from the ventilator
- Initiate **manual ventilation** using a self-inflating resuscitation bag containing 100%
- Perform a rapid **physical examination** and assess **monitored indices**
- Check **patency of the airway** and pass a **suction** catheter
- If death appears imminent, consider and treat most likely causes: pneumothorax, airway obstruction
- Once the patient is stabilized, perform more detailed assessment and management → **ABG** is usually needed!

$$P_{A}O_2 = P_iO_2 - P_{A}CO_2/R$$

$$\text{A-a gradient} = P_{A}O_2 - P_aO_2$$

$$P_aO_2 = [F_iO_2 (P_{ATM} - P_{H2O}) - P_aCO_2/R] - [\text{A-a gradient}]$$



$$P_a\text{CO}_2 = K \cdot V\text{CO}_2 / V_A$$

$$V_A = V_E (1 - V_D/V_T)$$

↑ CO₂ production

↓ Minute ventilation

↑ Dead space ratio

Hypercapnic Respiratory Failure

↓ CO₂ production

↑ V_T

↑ RR

↑ T_E

↑ PEEP

Take-Home Message



- Major settings of MV:
 - Mode
 - CMV (A/C): VCV, PCV
 - SIMV: SIMV+PS, PSIMV+PS
 - PS
 - FiO₂
 - Minute volume (V_E) = Tidal volume (V_T) * Rate (RR, f)
 - PEEP (positive end-expiratory pressure)
 - I:E ratio (Inspiratory time (T_I), Expiratory time (T_E))
 - Trigger sensitivity
 - Alarms



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Danke schön für Ihre Beachtung!!
どうもありがとうございます！

敬請指教

