

### PTS FINALS REVISION SERIES: **RESPIRATORY**

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## INTRODUCTION & LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- 1. Introduction
- 2. 5 Exam style case based questions and explanations *I have seen*(with some OSCE style questions included)
- 3. Conclusion and questions
- 4. What to expect from the exams!

NB I will not be covering the whole syllabus, this session is aimed for testing knowledge you have (not teaching it for the first time)!



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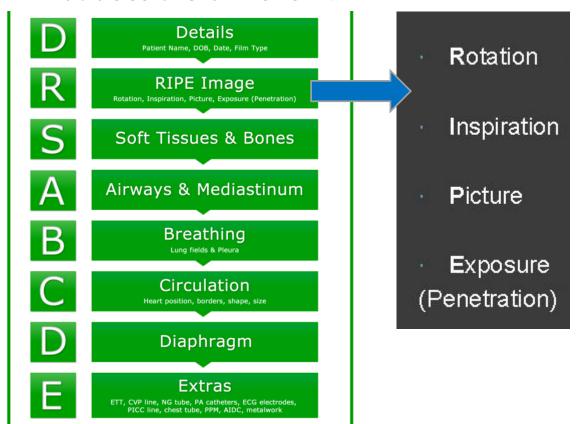
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# 2. A 36-YEAR-OLD PATIENT IS ADMITTED TO A+E. ?ACUTE EXACERBATION OF ASTHMA (CHILDHOOD DIAGNOSIS).

Initial SBAR handover from the ambulance graded his exacerbation as 'Acute severe':

- The severity of an exacerbation is graded as follows:
  - Moderate PEFR more than 50–75% best or predicted (at least 50% best or predicted in obtainen) and normal speech, with no features of a steepere or lifeth catening asthma.
- Acute severe PEFR 33-50% best or predicted, (less than 50% best or predicted in children) or respiratory rate of at least 25/min in people over the age of 12 years, 30/min in children between the ages of 5 and 12 years, and 40/min in children between 2 and 5 years old, or pulse rate of at least 110/min in people over the age of 12 years, 125/min in children between the ages of 5 and 12 years, and 140/min in children between 2 and 5 years old, or inability to complete sentences in one breath, or accessory muscle use, or inability to feed (infants), with oxygen saturation of at least 92%.
- Like threatening PEFR less than 33% best or predicted, or oxygen saturation of less than 92%, or the deconsciousness, or exhaustion or character arrhythmia, or hypotension, or cyanosis, or poor respiratory effort, or silent chest, or confusion.



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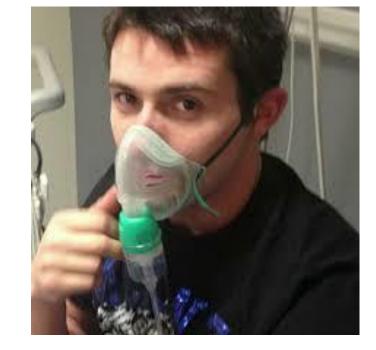
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U+Es – salbutamol can cause hypokalaemia!



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\*\*OSCE TIP\*\*

Make sure you know how to:

- Advise on inhaler technique
- Advise a patient on how to perform peak flow

- Etc etc

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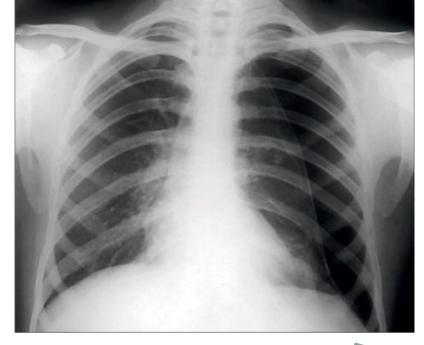


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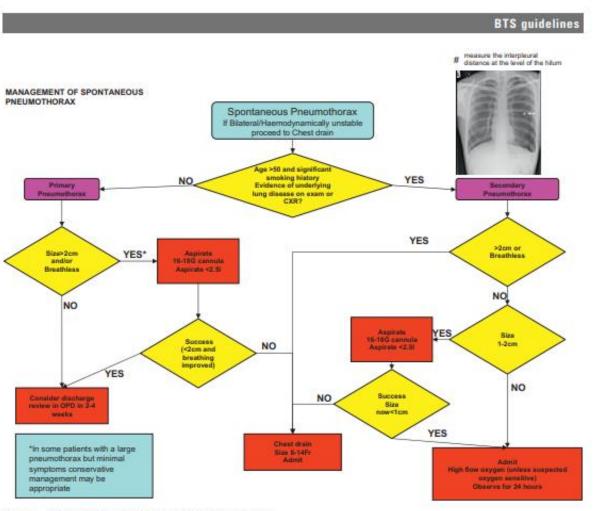


Figure 2 Flowchart of management of spontaneous pneumothorax.

 Observation is the treatment of choice for small PSP without significant breathlessness. (B) Up to 80% of pneumothoraces estimated as smaller than 15% have no persistent air leak, and recurrence in those managed

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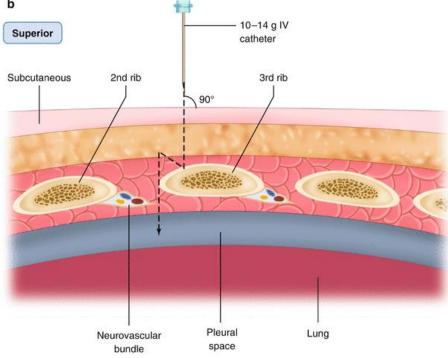
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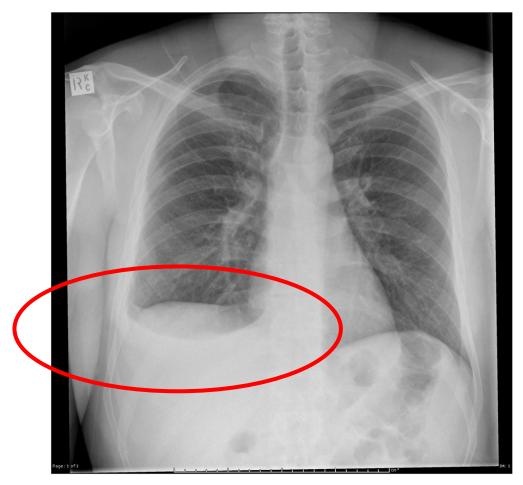
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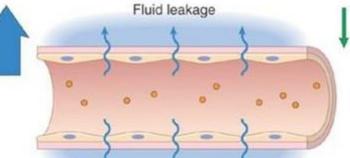
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What car causes?

Increased hydrostatic pressure (venous outflow obstruction, e.g., congestive heart failure)



Decreased colloid osmotic pressure (decreased protein synthesis, e.g., liver disease; increased protein loss, e.g., kidney disease)

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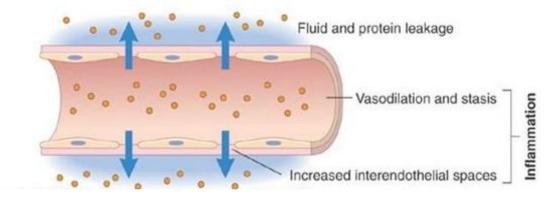
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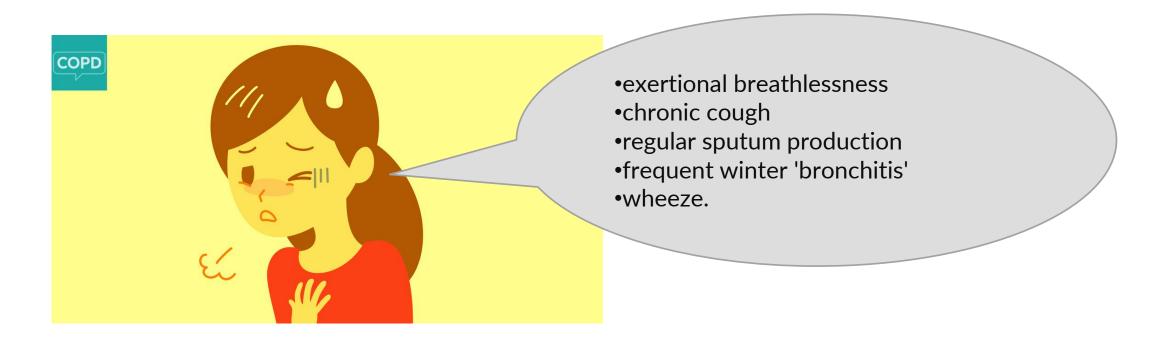
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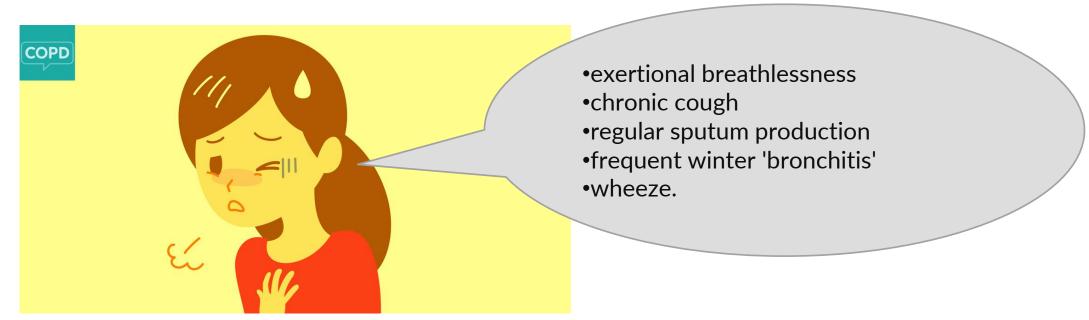


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# 5. A PATIENT ATTENDS YOUR GP SURGERY WITH ALL THE 'CLASSIC' SYMPTOMS OF COPD.





How do you quantify the breathlessness?

### Table 1 MRC dyspnoea scale

Grade	Degree of breathlessness related to activities
1	Not troubled by breathlessness except on strenuous exercise
2	Short of breath when hurrying or walking up a slight hill
3	Walks slower than contemporaries on level ground because of breathlessness, or has to stop for breath when walking at own pace
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5	Too breathless to leave the house, or breathless when dressing or undressing



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- Spirometry (inc with bronchodilator)
- -CXR > hyperinflation
- -High resolution CT scan > signs of emphysema/chronic airway disease (bloods, ECG, sputum culture, alpha1AT, echo etc)



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(+chest physio + lifestyle advice)

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- Consider T1RF and T2RF
- ❖T1 low oxygen- V/Q mismatch- low ventilation: bronchiolar constriction, low perfusion: PE
- T2- low oxygen and cannot get rid of CO2- low ventilation: MND, COPD i.e. obstruction, drugs reducing resp effort etc.
- Acidosis? Normal? Alkalosis? Resp or metabolic cause? Compensation?
- Top tip: practice these in your own time with a friend!

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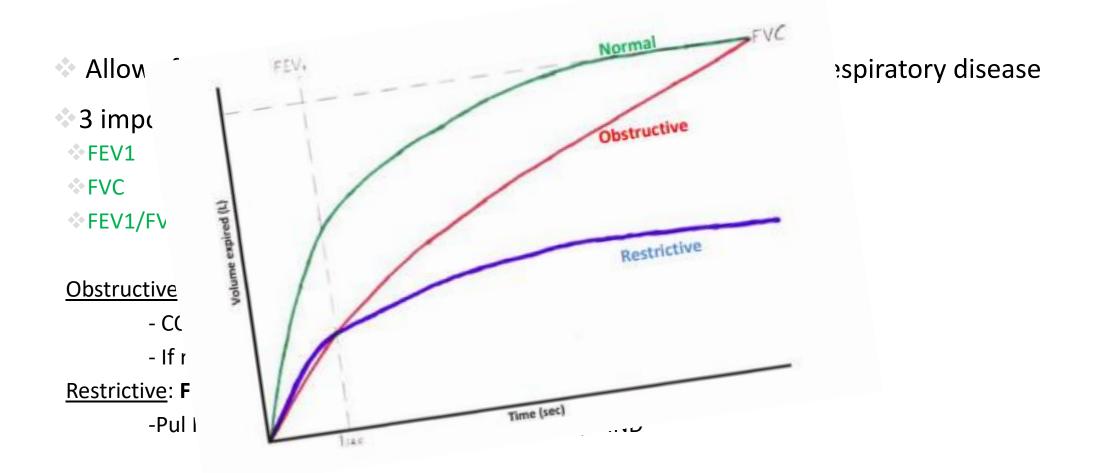
Obstructive: **FEV1** < 80%, **FVC** same/slightly reduced, **FEV1/FVC** < 0.7

- COPD, asthma, CF

- If reversible with SABA then asthma > COPD

<u>Restrictive</u>: **FEV1** < 80%, **FVC** < 80%, **FEV1/FVC** > 0.7

-Pul Fibrosis, ILDs, lobectomy, kyphoscoliosis, MND



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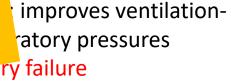
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<ul> <li>Continuous positive pressure which keeps the airways open</li> <li>This reduced effort of breathing and prevents airways from collapsing</li> <li>Used in type 1 respiratory failure (hypoxia)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Biphasic airway pressure: improves ventilation-both inspiratory and expiratory pressures</li> <li>Used in type 2 respiratory failure</li> </ul>



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- airways from collaps a non compliant patient- a common Used in type 1 ❖ Used in type 1 respir conversation had on my ward! Firacory failure





### FEEDBACK LINK



### **CONCLUSION AND QUESTIONS!**

Today's questions and answers

> any questions?

Topics not discussed today for you to go over:

- Lung cancers
- ◆ PE
- \* TB
- Management of non-acute asthma i.e. BTS step ladder
- \* ILDs
- Occupational lung diseases

## 2021 OSCE AND EXAM- WHAT TO EXPECT!







