Cardiopulmonary Anatomy and Physiology (RSPT 1207)

Credit: 2 semester credit hours (2 hours lecture, 1 hour lab)

Prerequisite: RSPT 1201

Co-requisite: RSPT 1213, RSPT 1329, RSPT 1207, RSPT 2210, RSPT 1325

Course Description

Anatomy and physiology of the cardiovascular and pulmonary systems.

Required Textbook and Materials

2. #2 pencils
3. Package of #882 scantrons
4. Calculator- not one within your phone or other electronic device.

Course Objectives

Upon completion of the course the student will be able to:

1. Describe and explain normal cardiopulmonary anatomy and physiology.

2. Describe/explain and use calculated values to assess/identify the functioning of the cardiopulmonary system.

Course Outline

A. Anatomy and physiology of the respiratory system
   1. Upper airway
      a. Structure
      b. Function
   2. Lower airway
      a. Tracheobronchial tree (cartilaginous and non-cartilaginous)
         1. Structure
         2. Function
   3. Lung segments
   4. Bronchial blood supply
   5. Sites of gas exchange
   6. Pulmonary vascular system
   7. Lymphatic system
   8. Neural control
   9. The thorax
   10. Muscles of ventilation
   11. Accessory muscles of ventilation

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B. Ventilation
   1. Pressure differences
   2. Diaphragm
   3. Compliance
   4. Hooke’s law
   5. Surface tension
   6. Poiseuille’s Law
   7. Airway resistance
   8. Ventilatory Patterns
   9. Alveolar ventilation
   10. Deadspace ventilation

C. Diffusion of Pulmonary gases
   1. Gas Laws
   2. Atmospheric gases
   3. Partial Pressure
   4. PAO2
   5. Movement across the alveolar-capillary membrane
   6. Perfusion limited
   7. Diffusion limited
   8. Conditions that decrease the rate of gas diffusion

D. Anatomy and physiology of the circulatory system
   1. The blood
   2. The heart
      a. Structure
      b. Function
      c. Blood supply
      d. Blood flow thru
      e. Cardiac output
   3. Pulmonary and systemic vascular system
      a. Neural control
      b. Receptors
      c. Blood pressure
      d. Mean arterial blood pressure
      e. Vascular resistance
   4. Distribution of blood flow

E. Oxygen transport
   1. Oxygen dissolved in blood
      a. Calculation
      b. Normal/abnormal value
   2. Oxygen bound to hemoglobin
      a. Calculation
      b. Normal/abnormal value
   3. Total oxygen content
      a. arterial
      b. venous
   4. Content difference
a. Normal
b. Abnormal
c. Factors that increase and decrease C(a-v)O2

5. Oxyhemoglobin dissociation curve
   a. Factors affecting affinity
   b. P50

6. Oxygen consumption
   a. Calculation
   b. Factors affecting

7. Oxygen extraction ratio
   a. Calculation
   b. Factors affecting

8. Saturation
   a. Arterial
   b. Venous
      1. Factors increasing SvO2
      2. Factors decreasing SvO2

9. Shunting
   a. Anatomic shunts
   b. Capillary shunts
   c. Calculation of shunts

10. Hypoxia
    a. Types of hypoxia
    b. Causes of hypoxia

11. Cyanosis

12. Polycythemia

F. Ventilation/ perfusion relationships
   1. Normal pulmonary capillary blood flow
   2. Normal alveolar ventilation
   3. Ventilation perfusion ratio
      a. Increased ratio
      b. Decreased ratio
   4. How the V/Q ratio affects capillary gases
   5. How respiratory disorders affect the V/Q ratio

G. Control of Ventilation
   1. The medulla oblongata
      a. Dorsal respiratory groups
      b. Ventral respiratory groups
   2. The pontine respiratory centers on the medulla oblongata
   3. Central Chemoreceptors
      a. Location
      b. Stimulation
   4. Peripheral Chemoreceptors
      a. Location
      b. Stimulation
5. Reflexes
   a. Hering-breur
   b. Deflation
   c. Irritant
   d. Juxtapulmoanry-capillary receptors
   e. Peripheral proprioceptor reflexes
   f. Hypothalamic control
   g. Cortical control
   h. Aortic and carotid sinus baroreceptors

H. Carbon dioxide transport and acid-base balance
   1. Carbon dioxide transport in the plasma
   2. Carbon dioxide transport in the red blood cell
   3. Carbon dioxide elimination at the lungs
   4. Carbon dioxide dissociation curve
   5. Acid base balance
   6. Buffer systems
   7. The respiratory system effects on acid base balance
      a. Respiratory acidosis
         1. Interpretation
         2. Causes
         3. Compensation
      b. Respiratory alkalosis
         1. Interpretation
         2. Causes
         3. Compensation
   8. The renal system effects on the acid base balance
      a. Metabolic acidosis
         1. Interpretation
         2. Causes
         3. Compensation
      b. Metabolic alkalosis
         1. Interpretation
         2. Causes
         3. Compensation

I. Renal failure and its effects of the cardiopulmonary system
   1. The kidneys
      a. Function
      b. Structure
      c. Urine formation
   2. Regulation of electrolytes
   3. Renal failure
      a. Causes
      b. Classification
      c. Cardiopulmonary disorders caused by renal failure

Grade Scale

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93 – 100       A  
85 – 92        B  
77 – 84        C  
68 – 76        D  
0 – 67         F  

Course Evaluation

Final grades will be calculated according to the following criteria:

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<td>Lab (assignments and homework)</td>
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Course Policies

1. No food or drink, or use of tobacco products in class
2. Beepers, telephones, headphones, and other electronic devices must be turned off while in class. No cell phones or electronic devices are to be out during an exam. This will result in a Zero for that exam and the Respiratory Care Handbook will be utilized for disciplinary action.
3. No children allowed in the classroom
4. No late assignments will be accepted
5. Abide by LIT policies
6. Abide by policies within the Respiratory Care Handbook
7. Abide by instructor specific policies; this will be distributed on the first class day.
8. Exam dates will be distributed the first class day.
9. Electronic communication will be thru your LIT e-mail.
10. Homework and assignments will be handed out in class. They are due at the beginning of class on the date they are due.

Technical Requirements (for courses using Blackboard)

The latest technical requirements, including hardware, compatible browsers, operating systems, software, Java, etc. can be found online at: 
A functional broadband internet connection, such as DSL, cable, or WiFi is necessary to maximize the use of the online technology and resources.

Disabilities Statement

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