Respiratory system

Measurement of lung volumes and capacities by Spirometry.

Spirometry: is a method for measuring lung volumes during ventilation or respiration or breathing.



The spirometry consist from two chamber;

1.large chamber which filled with water and a piece mouth attached to it.

2.small chamber which inverted inside the first one.

- Air blown into the inverted chamber
- causes it to rise and move an indicator along ascale.
- The scale is calibrated in liter to give lung volume measurement.

3.pen.4.paper speed.

Lung volumes: **1.Tidal volume:TV the air** entering the lung during a single inspiration is equal to the volume leave the lung during expiration.(500ml)

2.inspiratory reserve volume:(IRV) the maximum amount of air that can be inspired above normal inspiration during deep inspiration.(3000ml)

3.expiratory reserve volume: (ERV)the maximum amount of air that can be expired after normal expiration.(1200ml) 4.residual volume(RV): even after active expiration air still remain in the lung, this for aerated the alveoli between inspiration and expiration.(1000ml).



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Lung capacities: 1.vital capacity:(VC) IRV+TV+ERV

2.Total lung capacity:(TLC) VC+ residual volume RV

3.inspiratory capacity:(IC) TV+IRV

4.functional residual capacity(FRC): ERV+RV

Medical application:

- Two type of lung disorder can be identical by spirometry
- **1.obstruction lung disorder: such as**
- bronchitis and asthma, decrease
- ability to empty lung quickly during a forced expiration
- 2.restricted lung disorder: decrease in lung compliance such as emphysema.





