Teaching Model for Ventilation and Perfusion Mismatching

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Overview of Presentation

• Client: Dr. Chris Green - Pediatric Pulmonologist at UW-Health

- Project Description:
 - Teaching model to explain Ventilation/Perfusion Mismatching
 - Need:
 - Leading cause of Hypoxemia Ventilation/Perfusion Mismatching
 - No relevant representation of this concept other than a textbook diagram by John West
 - Medical Students have a hard time understanding the concept

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Problem Statement

- Lack of adequate teaching models
- Expand on previous work
- Create intuitive model



Figure 1. Passage through capillaries at different V/Q ratios¹

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Background Material

• V/Q Ratio

- Mismatch
- 0.8 is normal



Figure 2. Depiction of alveolar ventilation versus perfusion²

Summary of PDS

- Accurate representation
- Adjustable V/Q ratios
- Digital display
 - Partial pressure oxygen
 - Partial pressure carbon dioxide
- Interactive for students
- Durable
- Convenient size for teaching and storage



Figure 3. Depictions and defining factors of different V/Q ratios³

Design Alternatives (Winning design)

- Two sliders adjust V/Q ratio
- LEDs represent concentration
- Advantages
 - High adjustability
 - Great learning outcomes
- Disadvantages
 - Require programming and circuits building skills

Slider with LEDs and Screen



Figure 4. Visualization of the slider with LEDs and screen design

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Design Alternatives

- Animation of the ventilation and perfusion process
- Advantage
 - Able to change V/Q ratio precisely
 - Ease of use
- Disadvantage
 - Require high programming skills
 - No physical teaching model





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Computer Animation

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Design Alternatives

- Dye concentration represent oxygen level
- Utilize valve to change dye concentration
- Advantage
 - Great learning outcome
- Disadvantage
 - Difficult to utilize
 - Disable to change perfusion ratio





Figure 6. Visualization of the water/dye concentrations design

Design Matrix

Criteria (Weight)	Slider with LEDs and Screen*		Computer Animation*		Water/Dye Concentrations	
	Vertlatan Vertlatan Talverlar Blood stream				alveolar Blood stream	
Intuitive use (30%)	5/5	30%	4/5	24%	2/5	12%
Learning Outcomes (30%)	4/5	24%	2/5	12%	4/5	24%
Adjustability (20%)	4/5	16%	5/5	20%	4/5	16%
Ease of fabrication (10%)	3/5	6%	2/5	4%	1/5	2%
Cost (5%)	2/5	2%	5/5	5%	2/5	2%
Safety (5%)	4/5	4%	5/5	5%	5/5	5%
Total	82%		70%		61%	

Future Work

- Fabrication Plans
 - Redesign the position of the LEDs
 - Better representation of an alveolus
 - Clearer flow rate
 - 3D print housing for LEDs/electrical components
 - Order sliders, digital display
- Testing Plans
 - Check if:
 - Sliders adjust accurately
 - LEDs move accurately based on V/Q ratio
 - The model is interactive and hands on
 - Client Feedback/Classroom Review

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