Teaching Model for Ventilation and Perfusion Mismatching

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Introduction

Our client, Dr. Christopher Green, is a pediatric pulmonologist and requested the creation of a model representing the mechanisms underlying ventilation/perfusion (V/Q) mismatching and its various complications, such as hypoxemia and dead space ventilation, to help medical students understand this concept.

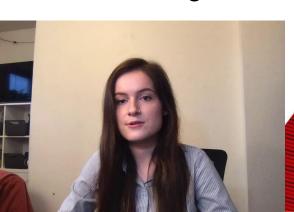
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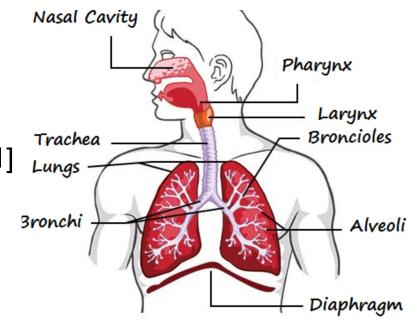
- An alveolus and corresponding bronchiole
- Capillary tube for perfusion
- Multiple ratios (High V/Q to low V/Q)
- Large enough to be seen on a projector of a lecture hall containing at least 180 people



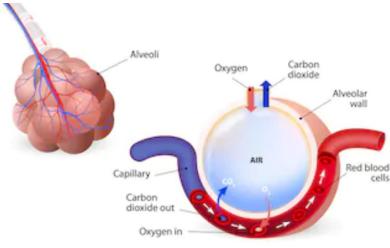
Background

- Air Flow
- Gas exchange occurs in the alveolus [1]
 - Ventilation (V)
 - Perfusion (Q)
- High V/Q
 - Dead space ventilation [2]
- Low V/Q
 - Shunt
- Common diseases can cause mismatching [3]
- Mismatching can lead to hypoxemia [4]





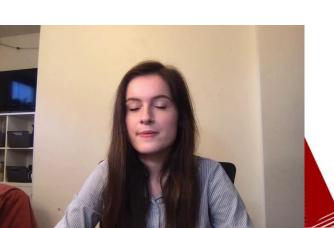
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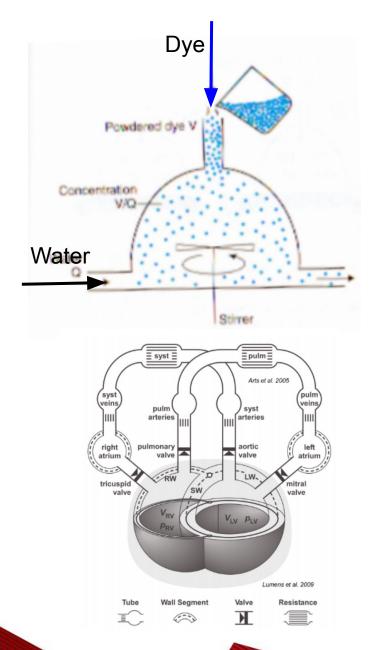


Gas Exchange [6]

Competing Designs

- Water Model
 - Powered Dye (ventilation)
 - Water (blood flow)
 - Concentration (V/Q) [7]
- Circ-Adapt
 - Computational (online) model of heart and circulation
 - Adjustable parameters
 - Focused on cardiac disease [8]





Design Specifications

- Model ventilation/perfusion mismatching within the respiratory system
- Interactive component for the user to change the V/Q ratios
 - Minimum of 5 different ratio settings
- The device should be able to be used multiple times within a lecture
- Large enough for a classroom of 180 people to see with the use of a projector
- Must be able to withstand storage for long periods of time
 - Life in service of at least five years
- Must weigh less than 6.8kg (15 lbs) for easy portability and

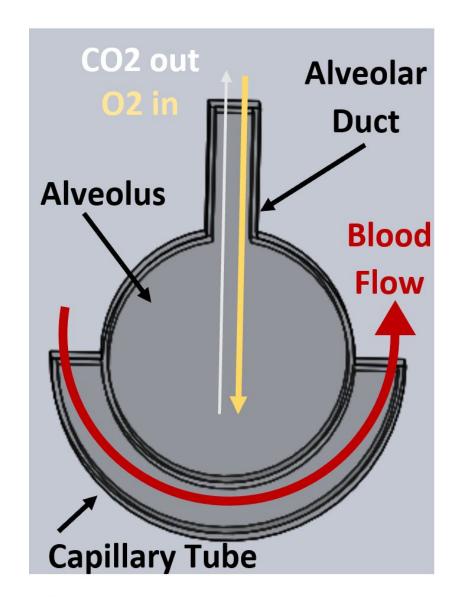


1. LED Model

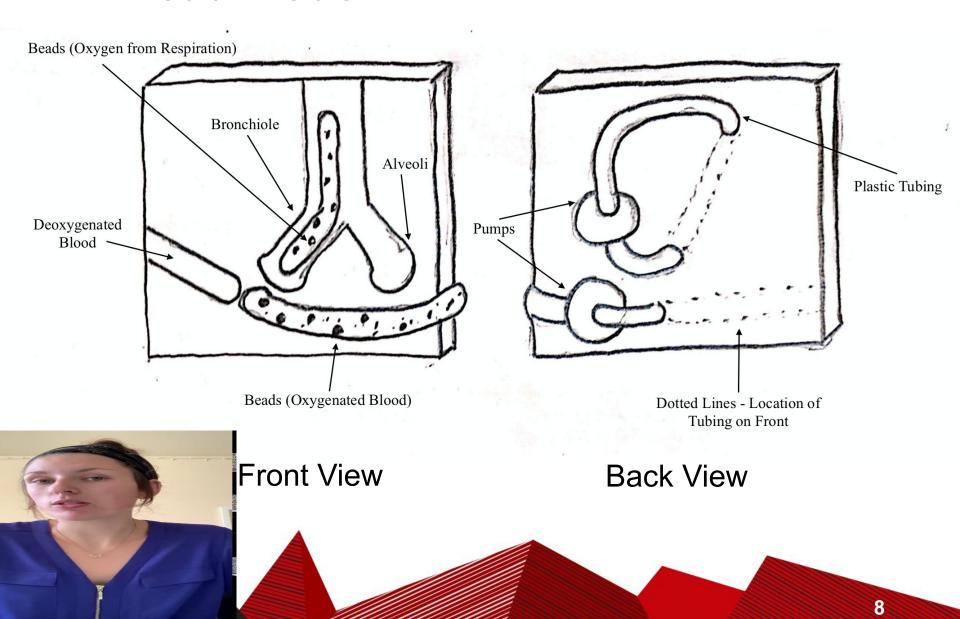
Pros

- Easy Fabrication
- Greater variability with color, shades, and brightness
- Great range of ratios that can easily be differentiated by the user
- Cons
 - No branching of alveoli





2. Bead Model



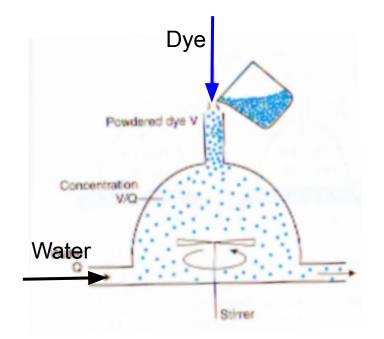
3. Water Model

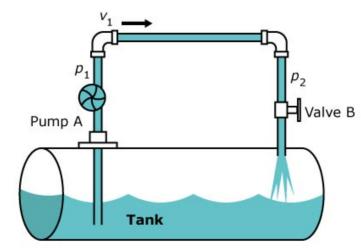
Pros

- Easily shows how the air mixes with the blood
- The original design our client recommended

Cons

- Requires a lot of setup/cleanup
- Can be messy
- Would require many moving parts
- Requires a larger system to contain a water reservoir





Closed Water System [9]

Flow Mechanisms Design Matrix

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	LEDS	BEADS	DYE	

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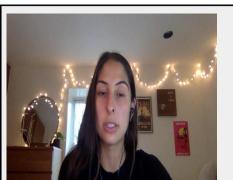
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Effectiveness (35)

(Competency)

Viability (10)

Safety (5)

Cost (5)

Total (100)

Ease of Use (30)

Ease of Fabrication (15)



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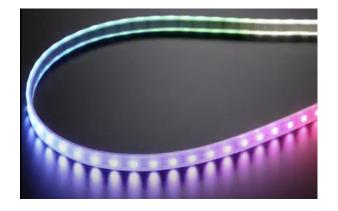
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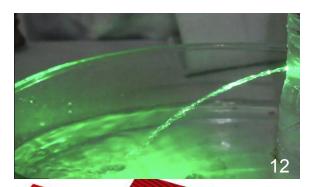
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LED Flow Models

- Original individual LED-lined model
 - Lack of flow representation
- Implanted string of LEDs inside tubing
 - Synchronous activity
 - Refraction of light for flow representation
- 3. LEDs submerged in water
 - Flow representation







LED Mechanism Design Matrix

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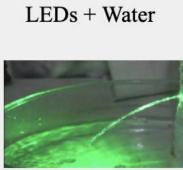
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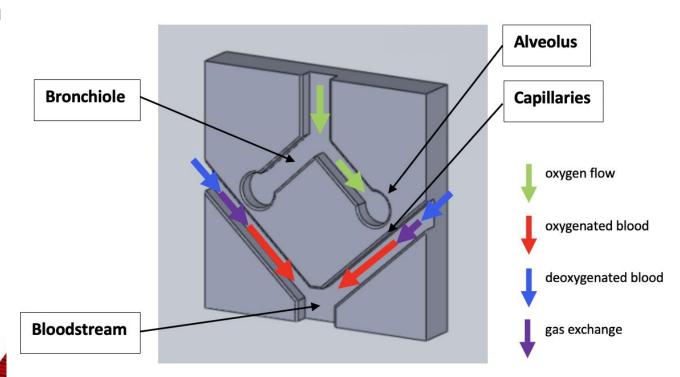
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Future Work

- Confirm final design with the client
- Determine materials to begin ordering
- Fabrication plan
 - 3D printing
 - **Electronics**
 - Code





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