

## Self Assessment: RSPT 2350 Module E

1. Given the following ABG, calculate the amount of dissolved oxygen in the blood  
pH 7.36, PaCO<sub>2</sub> 43 mm Hg, PaO<sub>2</sub> 88 mm Hg, HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> 26 mEq/L

$$88 \times 0.003 = 0.26 \text{ mm Hg}$$

2. The oxygen saturation is a good indicator of the amount of total oxygen carried in the blood.  
A. A. True                      B. **False**
3. Explain, given the following ABG, if tissue hypoxia could be present.  
pH 7.25, PaCO<sub>2</sub> 20 torr, HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> 14 mEq/L, PaO<sub>2</sub> 98 mm Hg, SaO<sub>2</sub> 97%  
**The patient is exhibiting a metabolic acidosis, which could be lactic in origin (tissue hypoxia). Assessment of other causes of hypoxia (including anemic and histotoxic) is needed.**
4. If we graphically expressed the relationship of PaO<sub>2</sub> and the amount of dissolved oxygen in the blood we would see a  
A. **Linear shaped curve**  
B. Square shaped curve  
C. Sigmoidal shaped curve
5. List factors that will shift the oxygen dissociation curve to the left  
A. **Decreased hydrogen ions (Increased pH)**  
B. **Decreased 2,3 DPG levels**  
C. **Decreased temperature**  
D. **Increased Carboxyhemoglobin levels**  
E. **Increased Methemoglobin**
6. A left shift in the oxygen dissociation curve is normally seen in the **LUNGS**.
7. A right shift in the oxygen dissociation curve is normally seen at the **TISSUES**.
8. Name two factors that will decrease oxygen affinity at the tissue level and help oxygen unloading.  
A. **Increased PaCO<sub>2</sub>**  
B. **Reduced pH**
9. The effect of CO<sub>2</sub> on the oxygen dissociation curve is called the **Bohr Effect**.
10. If you have 100 binding sites for oxygen, and 60 sites are occupied, the oxygen saturation would be **60%**.
11. If you have 50 binding sites for oxygen, and 25 sites are occupied, the oxygen saturation would be **50%**.

12. Performing a tracheostomy on a patient will result in a change in (circle all that apply)
- A. **Anatomic  $V_d$**       B. Alveolar  $V_d$       C. **Physiological  $V_d$**       D. Mechanical  $V_d$
13. Oxygen hooks to: (circle all that apply)
- A. beta chains of the globin molecule  
 B. alpha chains of the globin molecule  
 C. **the heme portion of the molecule**  
 D. **the same site as CO**
14. The normal  $P_{50}$  is **27 mm Hg**
15. Given the following, calculate the " /# ratio and indicate if it is high, low or normal. Then indicate the type of " /# relationship that is present.
- A. Alveolar Ventilation ( $"_A$ ) is 0 L/min, Cardiac Output ( $\#_t$ ) is 4 L/min  
 " /# ratio is **0**. " /# relationship is **True Shunt**.
- B. Alveolar Ventilation ( $"_A$ ) is 2 L/min, Cardiac Output ( $\#_t$ ) is 5 L/min  
 " /# ratio is **0.4**. " /# relationship is **Relative Shunt**.
- C. Alveolar Ventilation ( $"_A$ ) is 3 L/min, Cardiac Output ( $\#_t$ ) is 0 L/min  
 " /# ratio is  **$\infty$** . " /# relationship is **True Deadspace**.
- D. Alveolar Ventilation ( $"_A$ ) is 0 L/min, Cardiac Output ( $\#_t$ ) is 0 L/min  
 " /# ratio is **Zero**. " /# relationship is **Silent Unit**.
- E. Alveolar Ventilation ( $"_A$ ) is 4 L/min, Cardiac Output ( $\#_t$ ) is 5 L/min  
 " /# ratio is **0.8**. " /# relationship is **Normal**.
- F. Alveolar Ventilation ( $"_A$ ) is 6 L/min, Cardiac Output ( $\#_t$ ) is 2 L/min  
 " /# ratio is **3.0**. " /# relationship is **Relative Deadspace**.
- G. Alveolar Ventilation ( $"_A$ ) is 10 L/min, Cardiac Output ( $\#_t$ ) is 4 L/min  
 " /# ratio is **2.5**. " /# relationship is **Relative Deadspace**.
- H. Alveolar Ventilation ( $"_A$ ) is 4 L/min, Cardiac Output ( $\#_t$ ) is 10 L/min  
 " /# ratio is **0.4**. " /# relationship is **Relative Shunt**.
16. Given the following, indicate the shift in the oxygen dissociation curve
- A.  $PaO_2$  40,  $SaO_2$  80% **LEFT**
- B.  $PaO_2$  60,  $SaO_2$  85% **RIGHT**
- C.  $PaO_2$  27,  $SaO_2$  50% **NORMAL**
- D.  $PaO_2$  250,  $SaO_2$  100% **NORMAL**

17. Given Alveolar Ventilation of 10 L/min and a cardiac output of 5 L/min, the " /# ratio would be **2.0** indicating which type of " /# ratio? **RELATIVE DEADSPACE.**
18. How much desaturated Hemoglobin must be present in the blood for cyanosis to be seen? **5 grams**
19. Calculate the amount of desaturated Hb given the following:  
SaO<sub>2</sub> 82%, Hb 22 gms%, SvO<sub>2</sub> 65%

$$\frac{(Hb \times \text{Arterial Desaturation}) + (Hb \times \text{Venous Desaturation})}{2} = \frac{(22 \times .18) + (22 \times .35)}{2} =$$

$$\frac{3.96 + 7.7}{2} = \frac{11.6}{2} = 5.83$$

A. Would the patient be cyanotic? **YES**

20. pH 7.20, PaCO<sub>2</sub> 80, HCO<sub>3</sub> 26, PaO<sub>2</sub> 77, FIO<sub>2</sub> .40. The patient is

- i. **Hypercarbic**
- ii. Hypocarbic
- iii. Eucapnic
- iv. Normal

B. The patient would be described as:

- i. Hyperventilating
- ii. Tachypneic
- iii. Bradypneic
- iv. **Hypoventilating**

21. Given the following information, determine if the patient is hyperventilating or hypoventilating: f 28/min, weight 156 lbs, V<sub>t</sub> 400 mL, CO<sub>2</sub> production 290 mL. Patient using his accessory muscles to breath.

$$V_{d_{anat}} = 156 \text{ mL} \quad \dot{V}_A = (V_t - V_d) \times f = (400 \text{ mL} - 156 \text{ mL}) 28 = 6,832 \text{ mL/min} = 6.832 \text{ L/min}$$

$$PaCO_2 = \frac{VCO_2 \times 0.863}{\dot{V}_A} = \frac{290 \text{ mL/min} \times 0.863}{6.832 \text{ L/min}} = 36.6 \text{ mmHg}$$

**The patient is neither hyperventilating nor hypoventilating.**

Calculate the PaO<sub>2</sub> if the barometric pressure is 3 atm at 100% oxygen and the patient has a normal A-a gradient of 60 torr.

$$P_{Baro} = 760 \times 3 = 2,280 \text{ torr} \quad PaO_2 = PAO_2 - 60 \text{ torr} = [(P_{Baro} - 47)1.0] - (PaCO_2 \times 1.25)$$

$$[(2280 - 47)1.0] - \frac{36.6}{0.8} = 2233 - 45.8 = 2188$$

**This assumes a normal RQ of 0.8.**

22. When placing a patient in a hyperbaric chamber to treat COHB% poisoning, the goal of therapy is to **Increase PAO<sub>2</sub> (and therefore PaO<sub>2</sub>) by increasing barometric pressure.**

23. The ABG results from a patient in ICU are: pH 7.56, PaCO<sub>2</sub> 18, PaO<sub>2</sub> 80 torr on FiO<sub>2</sub> of .50. Based on this information, the P<sub>50</sub> would be
- Less than 25 mm Hg **Leftward shift**
  - Greater than 27 mm Hg
  - Between 25-27 mm Hg
24. ABG data provides us with information on three physiologic processes. They are
- Ventilation**
  - Acid-Base Balance**
  - Oxygenation**
25. List the composition of the atmosphere and the 4 major gas concentrations.  
**Nitrogen (78.08%), Oxygen (20.93%), Carbon Dioxide (0.03%), and Argon (0.9%)**
26. What is the partial pressure of oxygen 2 miles above sea level? **760-2(120)=760-240=520 mm Hg.**
27. Name two ways to treat CO poisoning **100% Oxygen & Hyperbaric Therapy.**
28. What is the relationship between PaO<sub>2</sub> and mean airway pressure (MAP). **Direct**
29. List the 3 formulas derived from Dalton's Law of partial pressure
- Alveolar Air Equation**
  - PiO<sub>2</sub>**
  - P(A-a)O<sub>2</sub>**
30. Write Fick law of Diffusion.  **$Diffusion \propto \frac{Area \times (P_2 - P_1) \times DiffusionConstant t}{Thickness}$**
31. An increased capillary transit time means that there is
- More time for oxygen diffusion
  - Less time for oxygen diffusion**
32. The partial pressure of oxygen (PaO<sub>2</sub>) is a good indicator of the total amount of oxygen carried in the blood.
- True
  - False**
33. The oxygen saturation of oxygen (SaO<sub>2</sub>) is a good indicator of the total amount of oxygen carried in the blood.
- True
  - False It is better, but CaO<sub>2</sub> is the best.**
34. If you have 100 binding sites for oxygen, and 80 sites are occupied, the oxygen saturation would be **80%**.

35. Performing a tracheostomy on a patient will result in a change in (circle all that apply):
- Anatomic  $V_d$
  - Alveolar  $V_d$
  - Physiological  $V_d$
  - Mechanical  $V_d$
36. List the factors that shift the curve to the right.
- Acidosis
  - Hypercarbia
  - Hyperthermia
  - Increased levels of 2,3 DPG
37. Why is the presence or absence of cyanosis unreliable in detecting tissue hypoxia?  
**Anemic patients may not have enough circulating hemoglobin to have 5 gms desaturated.**
38. Name the two factors that enhance oxygen unloading at the tissue level.
- Acidosis
  - Hypercarbia
39. Which of the following is the best indicator of tissue hypoxia
- $SaO_2$
  - $PvO_2$
  - Hb levels
  - $PaO_2$
  - $CaO_2$
40. Indicate three situations which will decrease venous values
- Reduced arterial oxygen levels
  - Increased oxygen consumption
  - Decreased cardiac output
41. Write the Fick Equation solving for Cardiac Output.
- $$CO = \frac{VO_2}{C(a - \bar{v})O_2}$$
42. Write the Fick Equation solving for  $VO_2$ .
- $$VO_2 = CO \times C(a - \bar{v})O_2 \times 10$$
43. Assuming oxygen consumption stays the same, if CO decreases, what happens to the  $Ca-vO_2$ ? **It increases (more is extracted – slower truck)**
44. When oxygen demand exceeds oxygen supply (delivery), then **anaerobic metabolism** results.

45. Venous oxygenation indices should not be used to assess tissue hypoxia under what two clinical situations?
- A. **Cyanide Poisoning**
  - B. **ARDS**
  - C. **Septic Shock**
47. When evaluating an ABG, you note that the PaO<sub>2</sub> is 40 mm Hg and the SaO<sub>2</sub> is 60%. What does this indicate to you? **Rightward shift of the OHDC**
48. COHb, MethHB and Fetal Hb all shift the oxygen dissociation curve to the **LEFT**.
49. Indicate the Respiratory Quotient for the following substrate metabolism:
- A. Carbohydrate: **1.0**
  - B. Protein: **0.8**
  - C. Fat: **0.7**
50. Given the following information, which of the following clinical conditions would you most expect? pH 7.27, PaCO<sub>2</sub> 55 torr, PaO<sub>2</sub> 87 torr, FiO<sub>2</sub> .28, HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> 26, P<sub>ET</sub>CO<sub>2</sub> 25 torr
- A. Pneumonia
  - B. Atelectasis
  - C. Pulmonary edema
  - D. **Pulmonary embolism** **Note the P<sub>ET</sub>CO<sub>2</sub> to PaCO<sub>2</sub> gradient**
  - E. Mucous plugging
51. You are caring for an asthmatic patient on mechanical ventilation. As you enter the room, you notice the patient is more anxious and her respiratory rate has increased from 16/min to 30/min. You notice that the end tidal monitor was reading 36 and is now reading 20 resulting in a widened CO<sub>2</sub> gradient. The likely explanation is that: (Circle all that apply)
- A. She is developing shunting from mucous plugging.
  - B. **She is air trapping and developing auto PEEP.**
  - C. **She is developing a high V/Q ratio in the blood.** **All will cause deadspace**
  - D. She is developing a low V/Q ratio in the blood.
  - E. Her blood flow is increasing in relationship to ventilation.
52. When is cyanosis more easily seen?
- A. **Polycythemia**
  - B. Anemia
  - C. Normal RBC and Hb levels
53. List clinical situations which will increase oxygen consumption. **Fever, Shivering, Exercise**
54. A type of hypoxia in which cellular uptake of oxygen is abnormally decreased resulting from cyanide poisoning is called **histotoxic hypoxia**.
55. Normal oxygen delivery is **1,000 mL/min**.

56. Which of the following occurs with methemoglobinemia?
- The Fe<sup>++</sup> is reduced
  - The Fe<sup>++</sup> is oxidized
  - Iron is in the ferric state
  - Iron is in the ferrous state
- i and iii ONLY
  - ii only
  - ii and iv
  - ii and iii ONLY
  - iv ONLY
57. Increased **mixed** venous values may result from which of the following:
- PAC migration
  - Decreased" O<sub>2</sub>
  - Increased O<sub>2</sub> supply
  - Increased CO
  - All the above
58. If you wanted to evaluate venous values, name two ways to obtain/monitor these values  
**Mixed venous sampling from PA catheter, indwelling S% O<sub>2</sub> catheter**
59. Arterial blood gases tell us about **the pulmonary system** and mixed venous blood gases tell us about **balance of oxygen supply and demand**.
- After placing a patient on PEEP, you notice that the CvO<sub>2</sub> level decreases. Explain what this means to you. **Reduced oxygen delivery.**
60. The accuracy of the pulse oximeter is
- ± 2%
  - ± 3% **The error can be larger depending on sensor used.**
  - ± 4%
  - ± 5%
  - ± 10%
61. Which  $\frac{V_d}{V_t}$  ratio will result a widened gradient between the P<sub>et</sub>CO<sub>2</sub> and the PaCO<sub>2</sub>?  
**Deadspace**
62. What is the effect of shunting on the CO<sub>2</sub> gradient? **It usually has little effect.**
63. Draw the capnograph and label the four phases **SKIP. We will cover this at the end of the semester**
64. What is Point of Care Testing? What are some advantages to doing Point of Care Testing? **Point of care testing is testing that is done at the bedside. There are ABG machines that are portable and can be taken to the bedside for analysis.**

65. How does deeply pigmented skin affect the SpO<sub>2</sub> reading? **SKIP. We will cover this at the end of the semester**
66. When a patient's respirations result in a variation in the pulse oximeter waveform this often implies **SKIP. We will cover this at the end of the semester**
67. How does COPD change the shape of the CO<sub>2</sub> capnogram? **SKIP. We will cover this at the end of the semester**
68. Name two clinical situations in which the end tidal CO<sub>2</sub> would be reading 0. **SKIP. We will cover this at the end of the semester. The answer is cardiac arrest (or massive loss of perfusion) and loss of airway.**
69. ABG do not tell us about tissue oxygenation  
A. True **One could argue though that VBGs do!**  
B. False