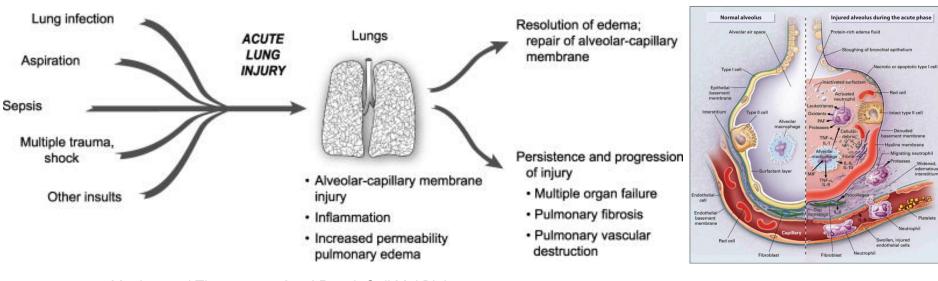
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Pathogenesis of ALI/ARDS



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- ➤ Oxidative stress, inflammation, and cell death are common pathways in the pathogenesis of ALI/ARDS.
- ➤ Acute inflammation results in damage to the **alveolar-capillary barrier**, leading to alveolar edema and severe impairment of oxygenation.
- ➤ Injury to the **pulmonary capillary endothelium is the primary cause** of increased-permeability pulmonary edema in ALI/ARDS.

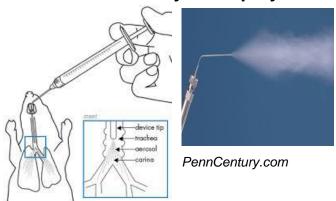
Animal Models of Human ALI/ARDS

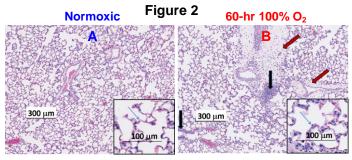
- Animal models have been developed to evaluate the time course, severity and pathophysiological mechanisms of ALI/ARDS.
- Two well-established rat models (direct insult):
 - Exposure to 100% O₂ (hyperoxia).
 - Treatment with intratracheal endotoxin (lipopolysaccharide, LPS).
- Both models reproduce the cardinal features of clinical ALI/ARDS:
 - Bilateral infiltration
 - Increased microvascular permeability
 - Low-pressure edema
 - Hypoxemia
 - Endothelial cell death

Hyperoxia chamber

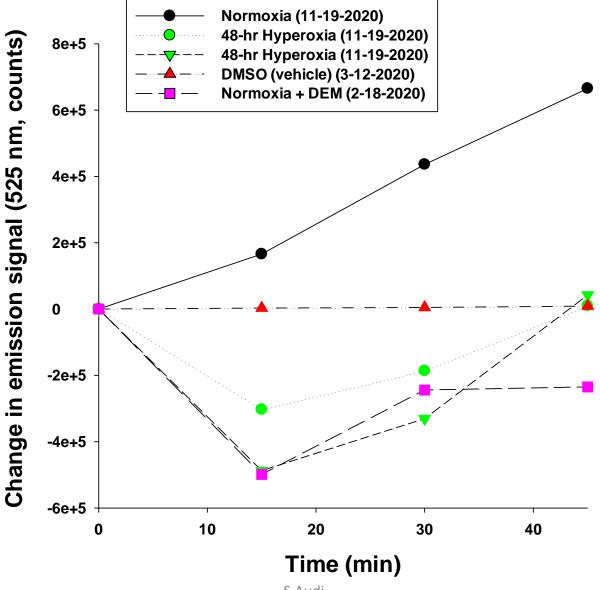


Penn-Century LPS sprayer

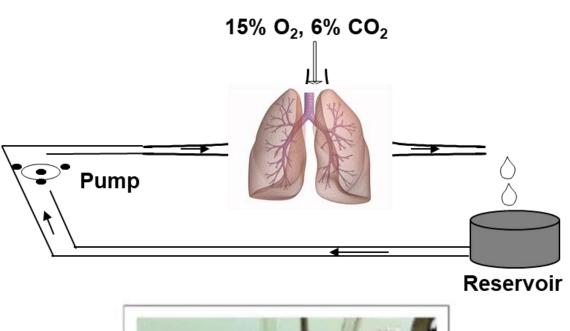


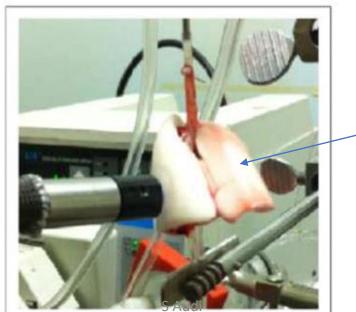


Preliminary results using DSSQ in lungs from rats exposed to room air (normoxia) or high oxygen (hyperoxia) as a model of human ARDS



Isolated Perfused Rat Lung Preparation





Rat lung

Preliminary results (DSSQ reduction) in plasma from rats exposed to room air (normoxia) or high oxygen (hyperoxia) as a model of human ARDS

DSSQ (50 mM) in plasma from normoxic and hyperoxic rats (Nrf2 WT, Nrf2 homo, NOX4 homo)

EX 485 nm, EM 525 nm

