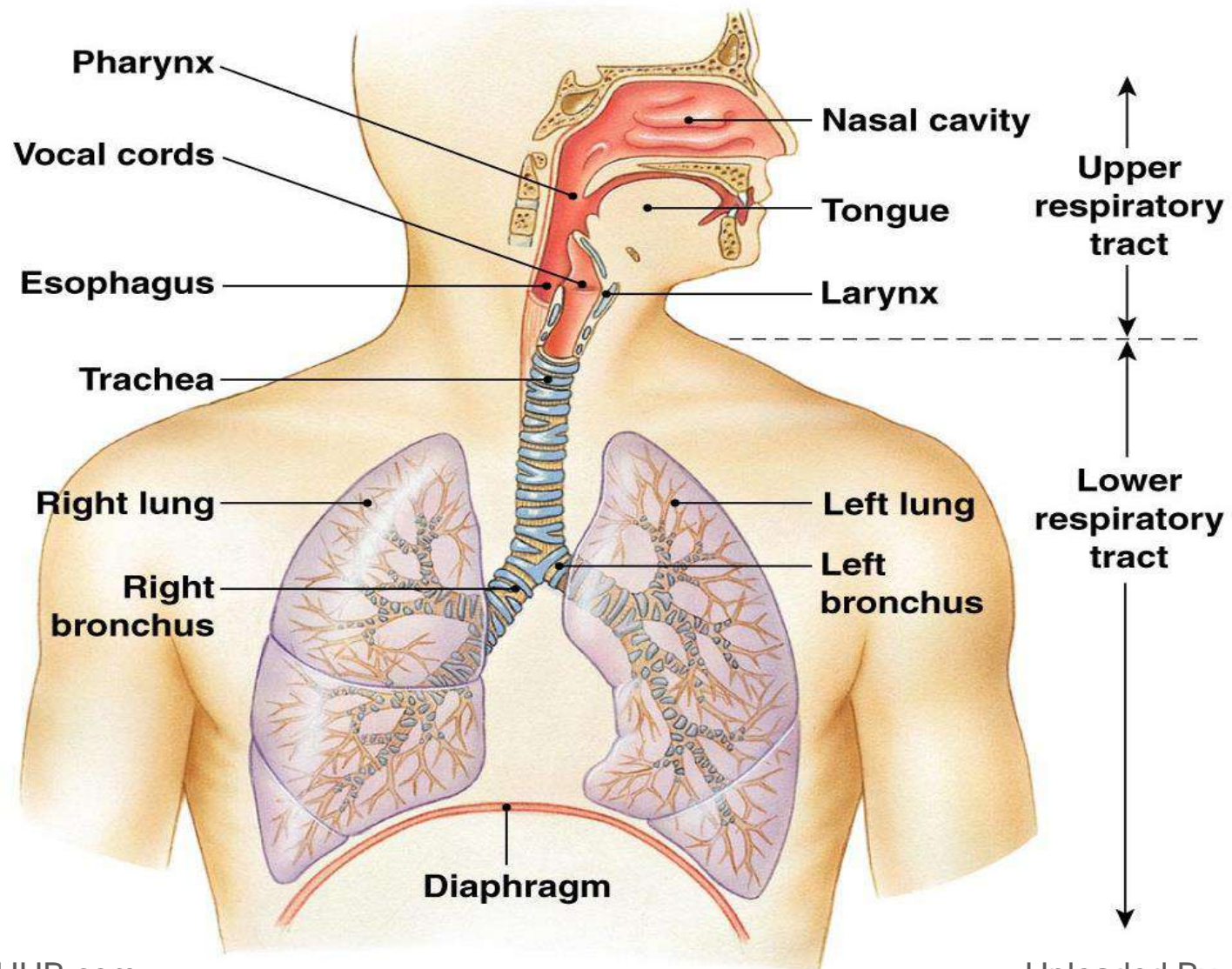


Respiratory System

Respiratory System

- Consists of the respiratory and conducting zones
- **Respiratory zone:**
 - Site of gas exchange
 - Consists of bronchioles, alveolar ducts, and alveoli
- **Conducting zone:**
 - Conduits for air to reach the sites of gas exchange
 - Includes all other respiratory structures (e.g., nose, nasal cavity, pharynx, trachea)
- **Respiratory muscles:**
- Diaphragm, Intercostals, Abdominal and other muscles that promote ventilation

Respiratory System



Respiration – four distinct processes

- **Pulmonary ventilation** – moving air into and out of the lungs
- **Chemical Respiration** – gas exchange between the lungs and the blood
- **Transport** – transport of oxygen and carbon dioxide between the lungs and tissues
- **Internal respiration** – gas exchange between systemic blood vessels and tissues

Major Functions of the Respiratory System

- To supply the body with oxygen and dispose of carbon dioxide

• **WHAT ELSE?????**

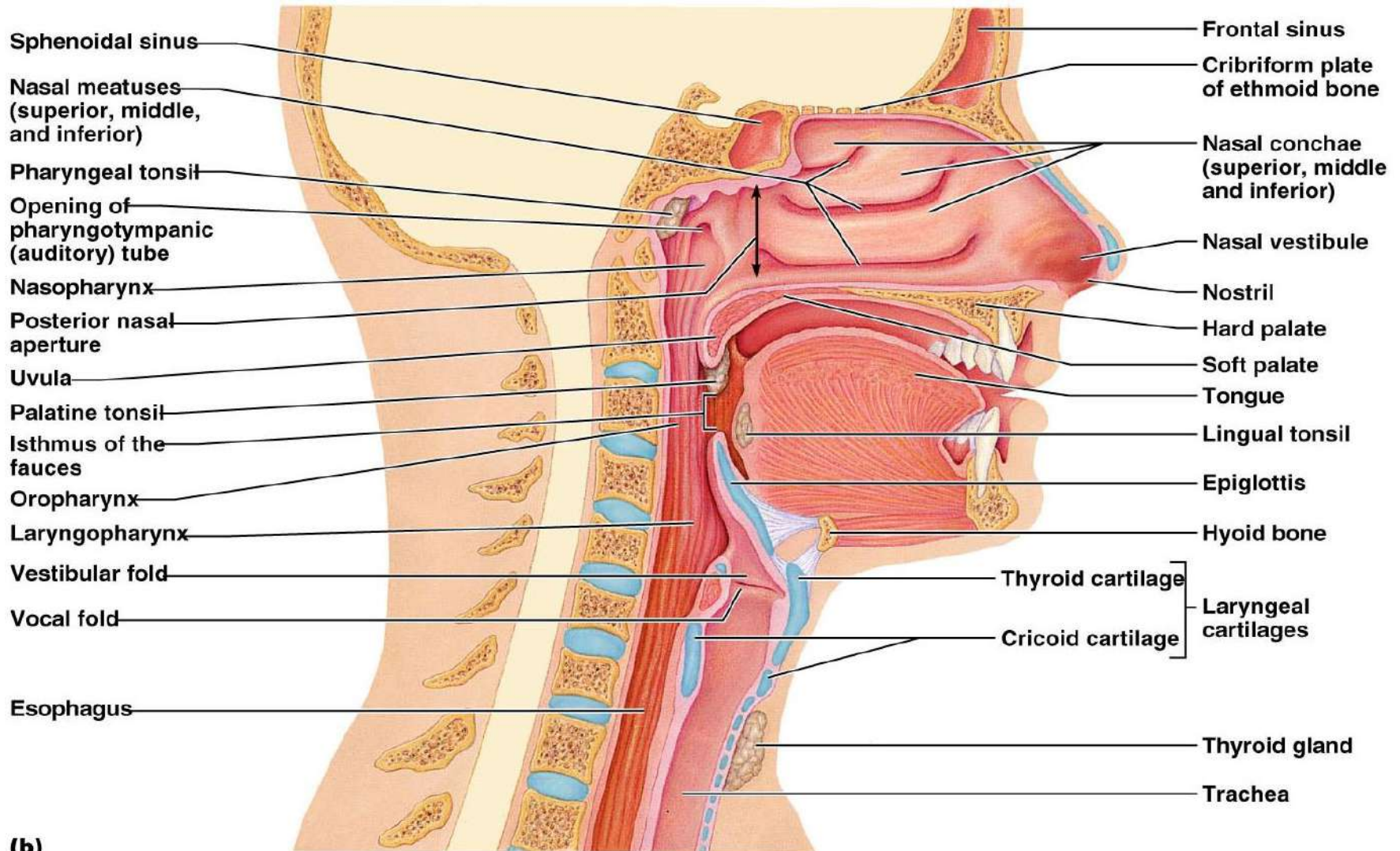
Function of the Nose

- The only externally visible part of the respiratory system that functions by:
 - Providing an airway for respiration
 - Moistening and warming the entering air
 - Filtering inspired air and cleaning it of foreign matter
 - Serving as a resonating chamber for speech
 - Housing the olfactory receptors

Nasal Cavity

- **Vestibule** – nasal cavity superior to the nares
 - Vibrissae – hairs that filter coarse particles from inspired air
- **Olfactory mucosa**
 - Lines the superior nasal cavity
 - Contains smell receptors
- **Respiratory mucosa**
 - Lines the balance of the nasal cavity
 - Glands secrete mucus containing lysozyme and defensins to help destroy bacteria

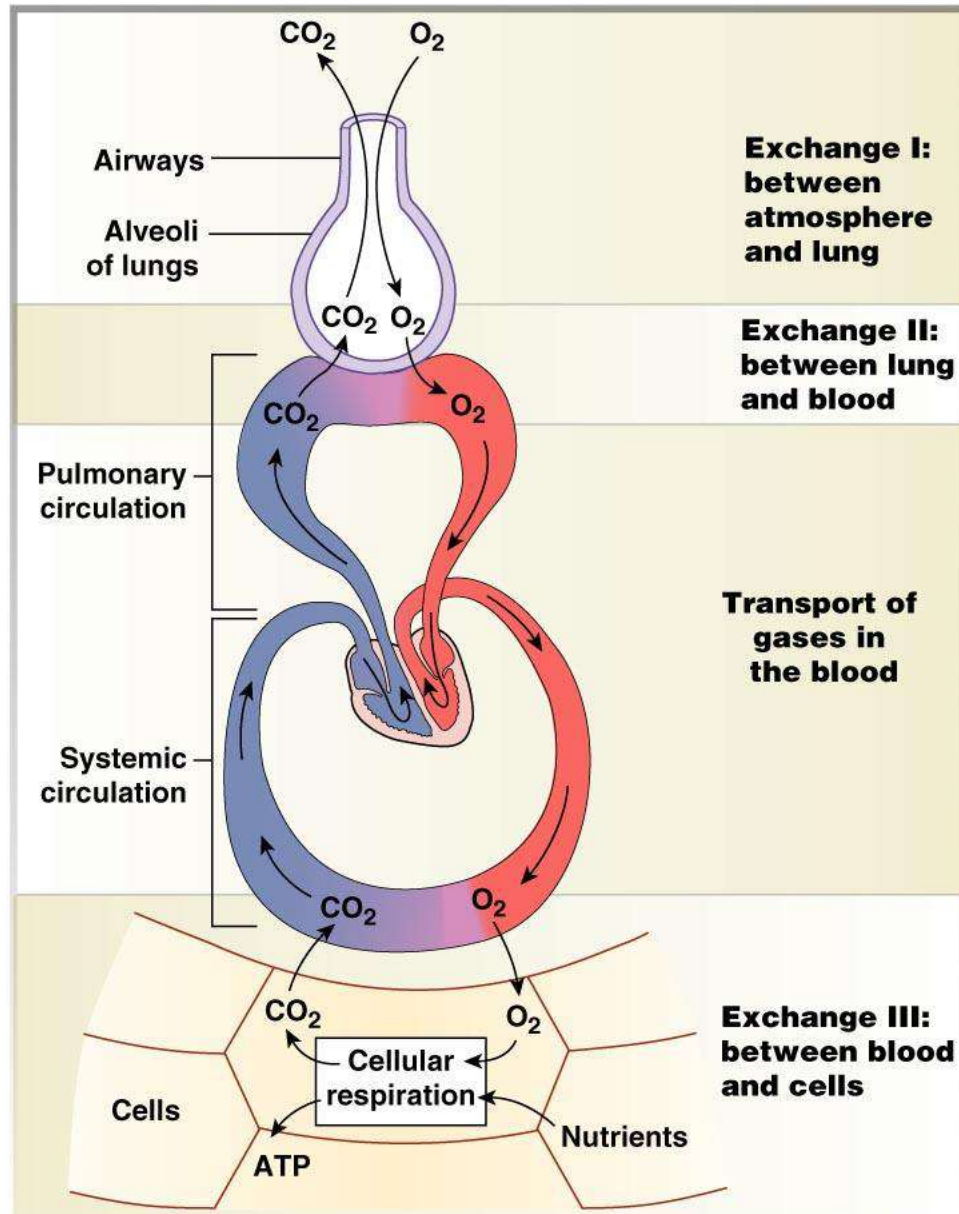
Nasal Cavity



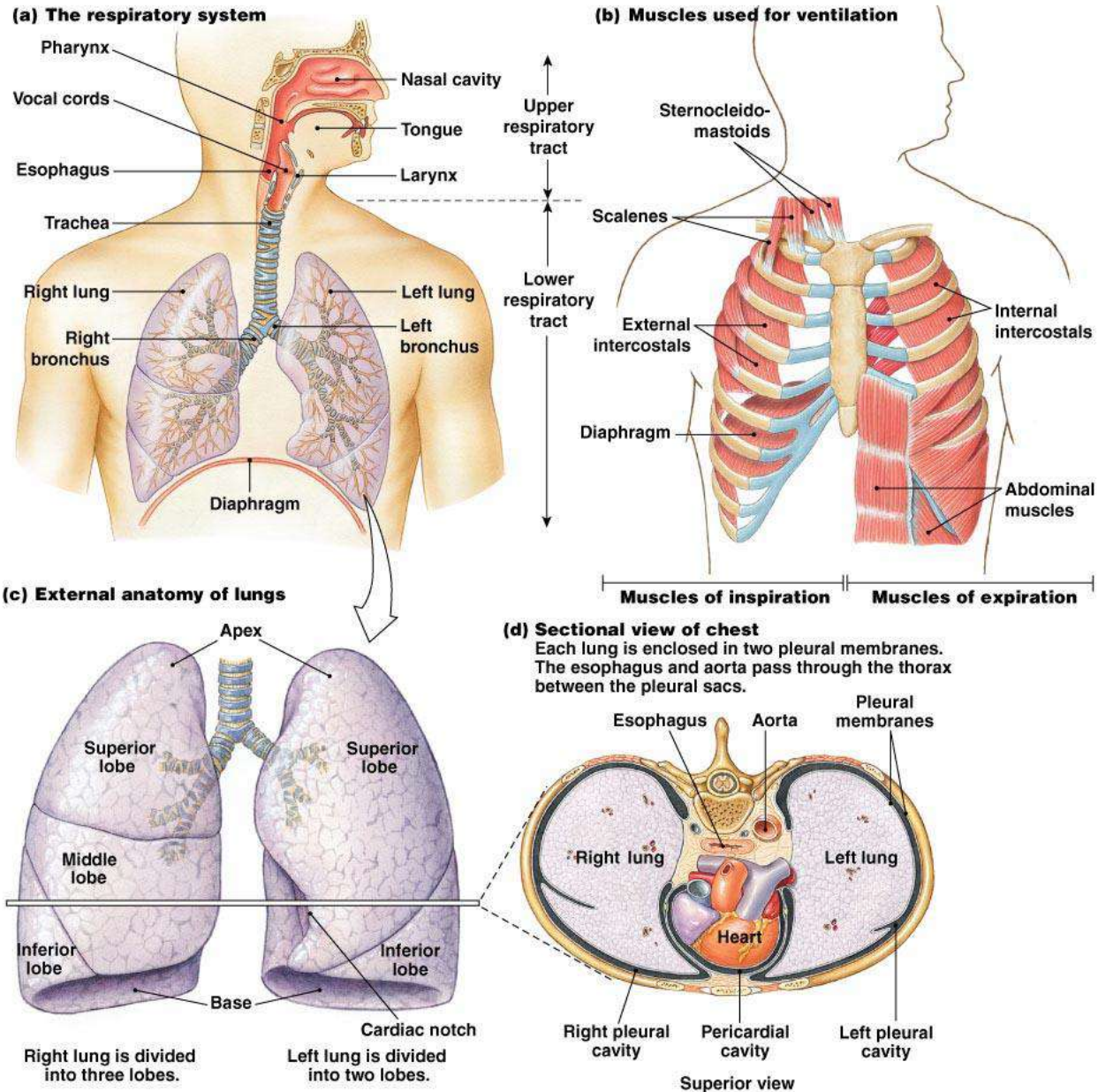
(b)

Functions of the Nasal Mucosa

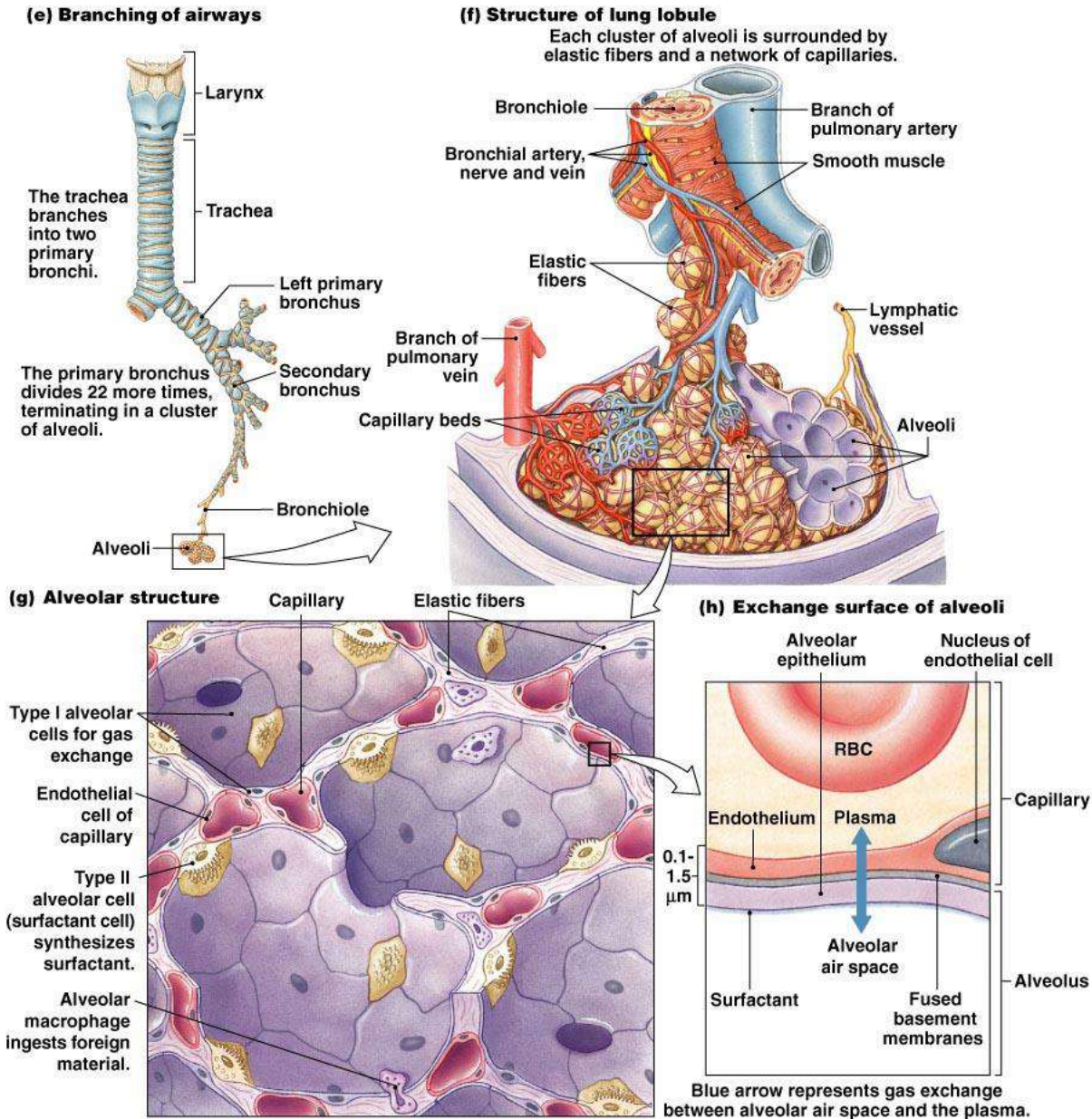
- During **inhalation** the conchae and nasal mucosa:
 - **Filter, heat, and moisten air**
- During **exhalation** these structures:
 - Reclaim heat and moisture
 - Minimize heat and moisture loss



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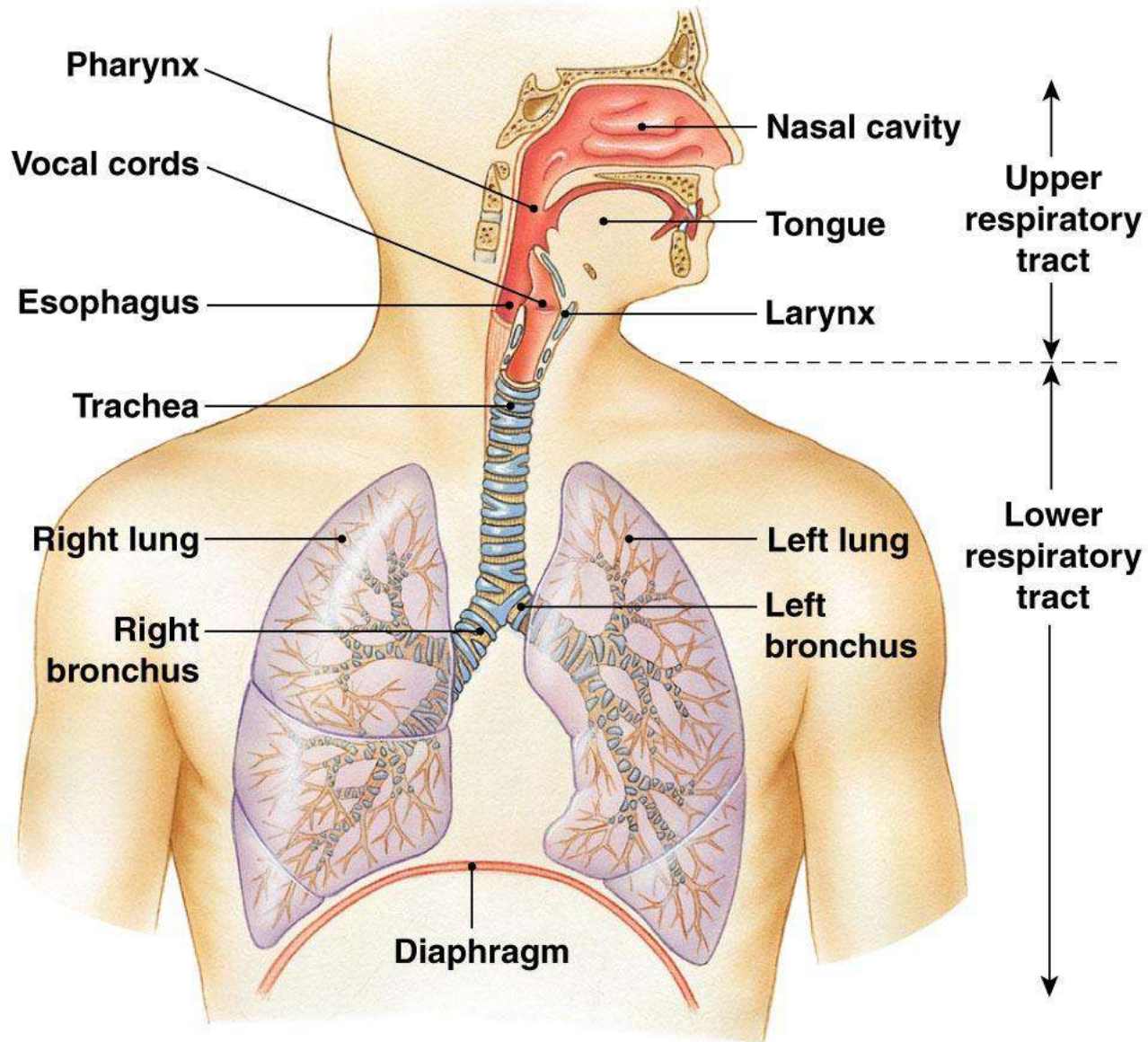


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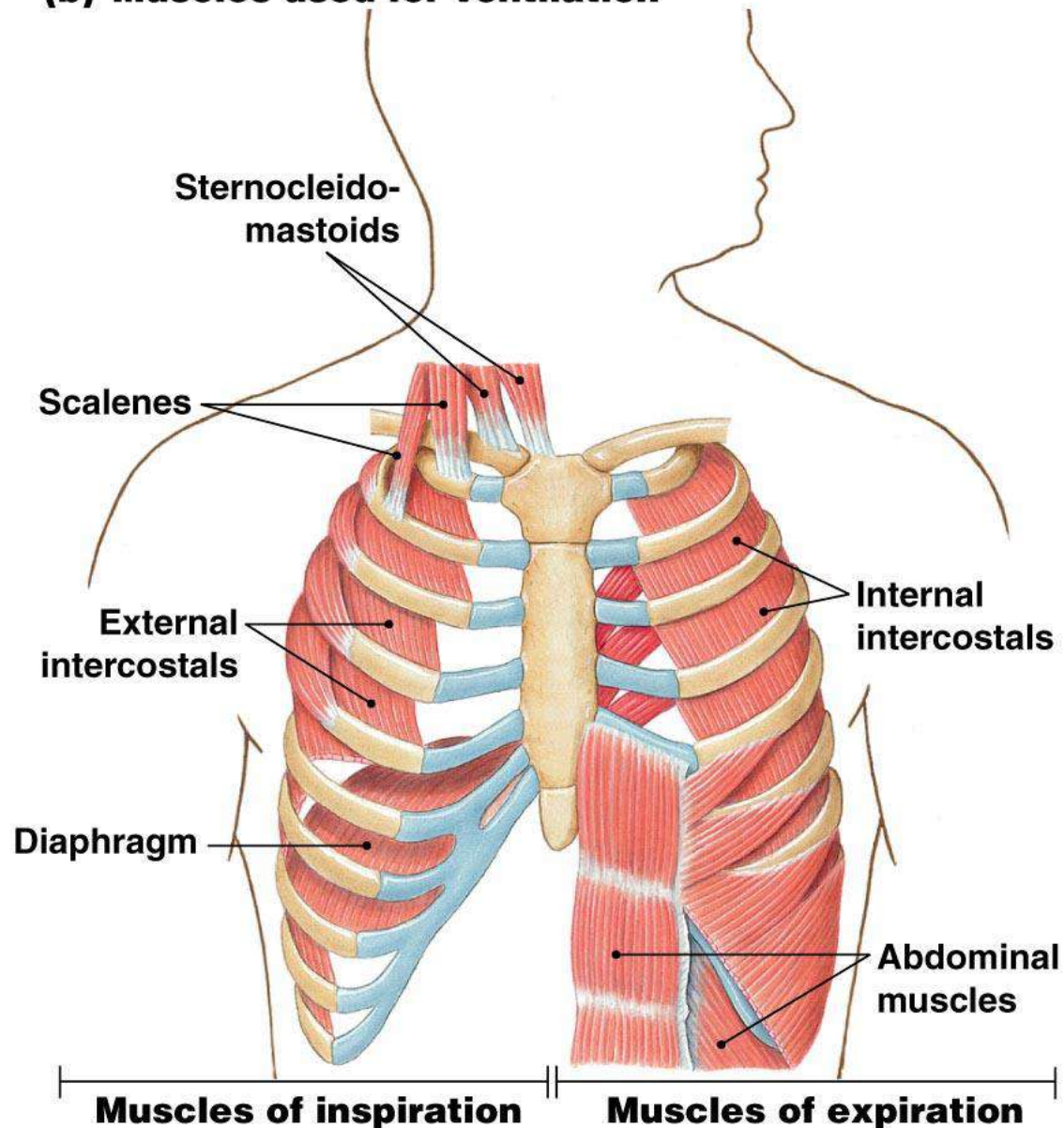
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(a) The respiratory system



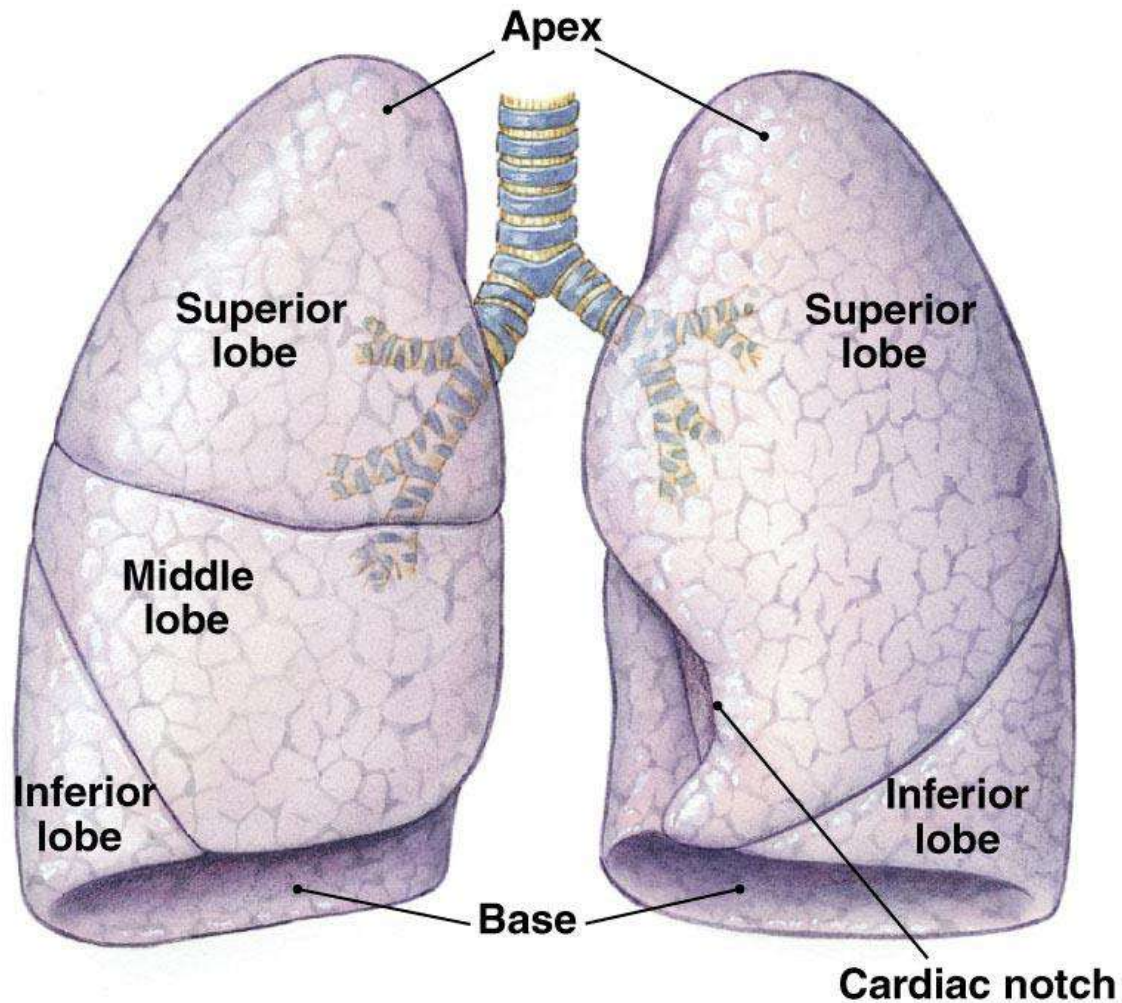
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(b) Muscles used for ventilation



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(c) External anatomy of lungs



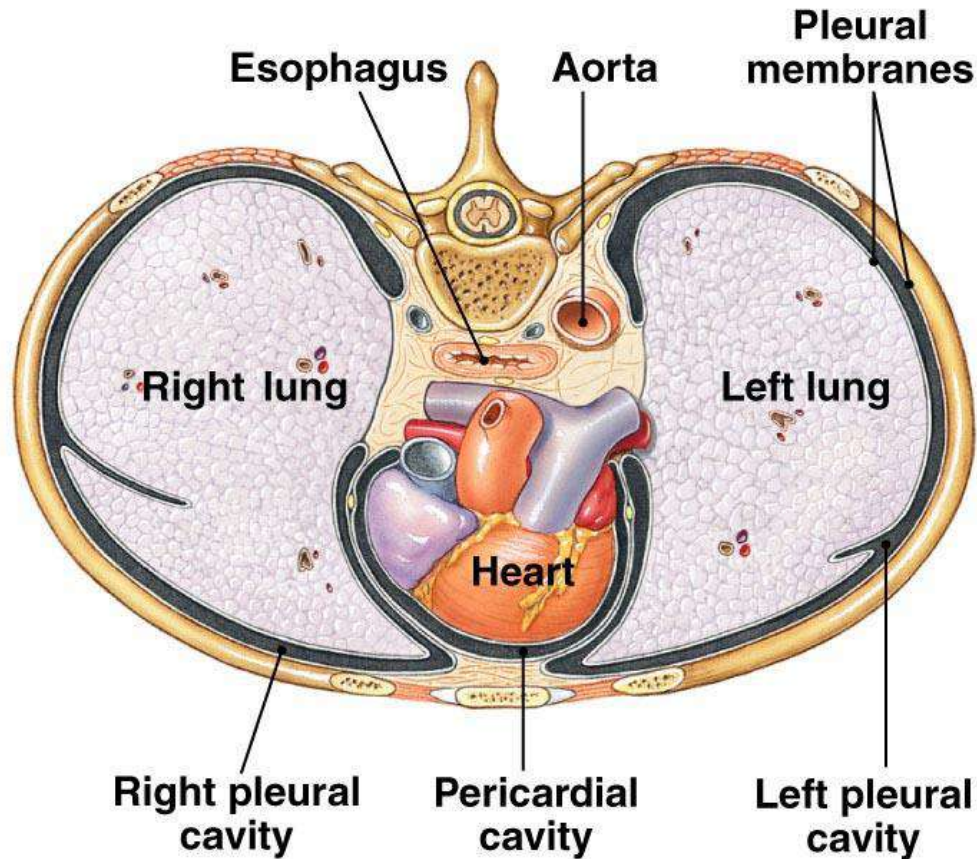
**Right lung is divided
into three lobes.**

**Left lung is divided
into two lobes.**

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(d) Sectional view of chest

Each lung is enclosed in two pleural membranes. The esophagus and aorta pass through the thorax between the pleural sacs.

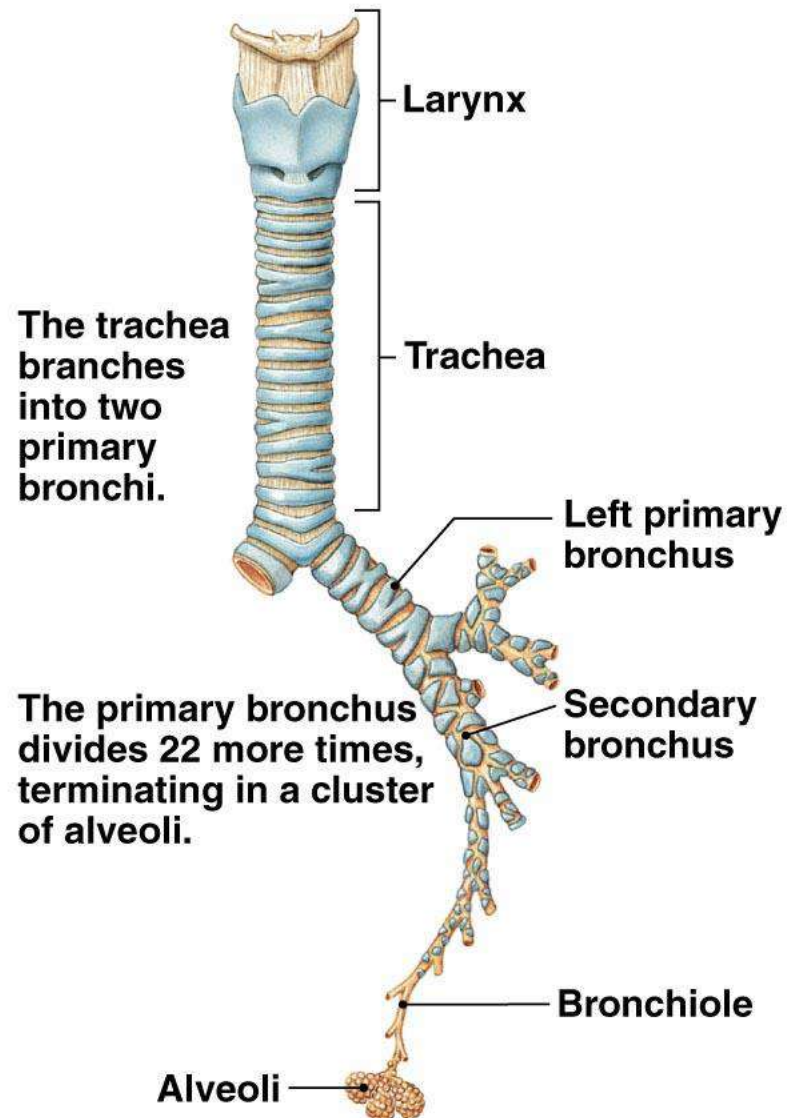


Superior view

Trachea

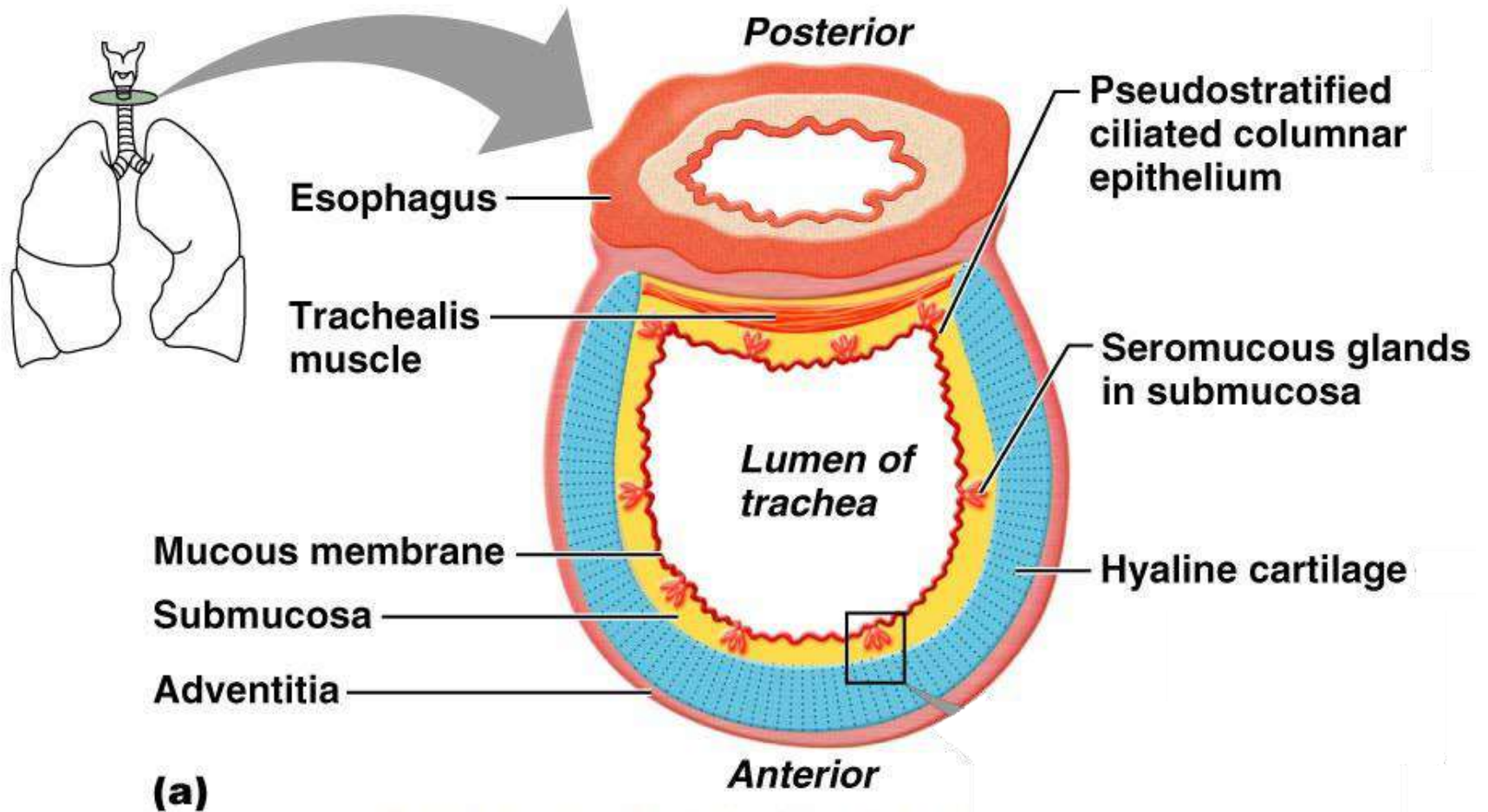
- Flexible and mobile tube extending from the larynx into the mediastinum
- Composed of three layers
 - **Mucosa** – made up of goblet cells and ciliated epithelium
 - **Submucosa** – connective tissue deep to the mucosa
 - **Adventitia** – outermost layer made of C-shaped rings of hyaline cartilage

(e) Branching of airways



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Trachea



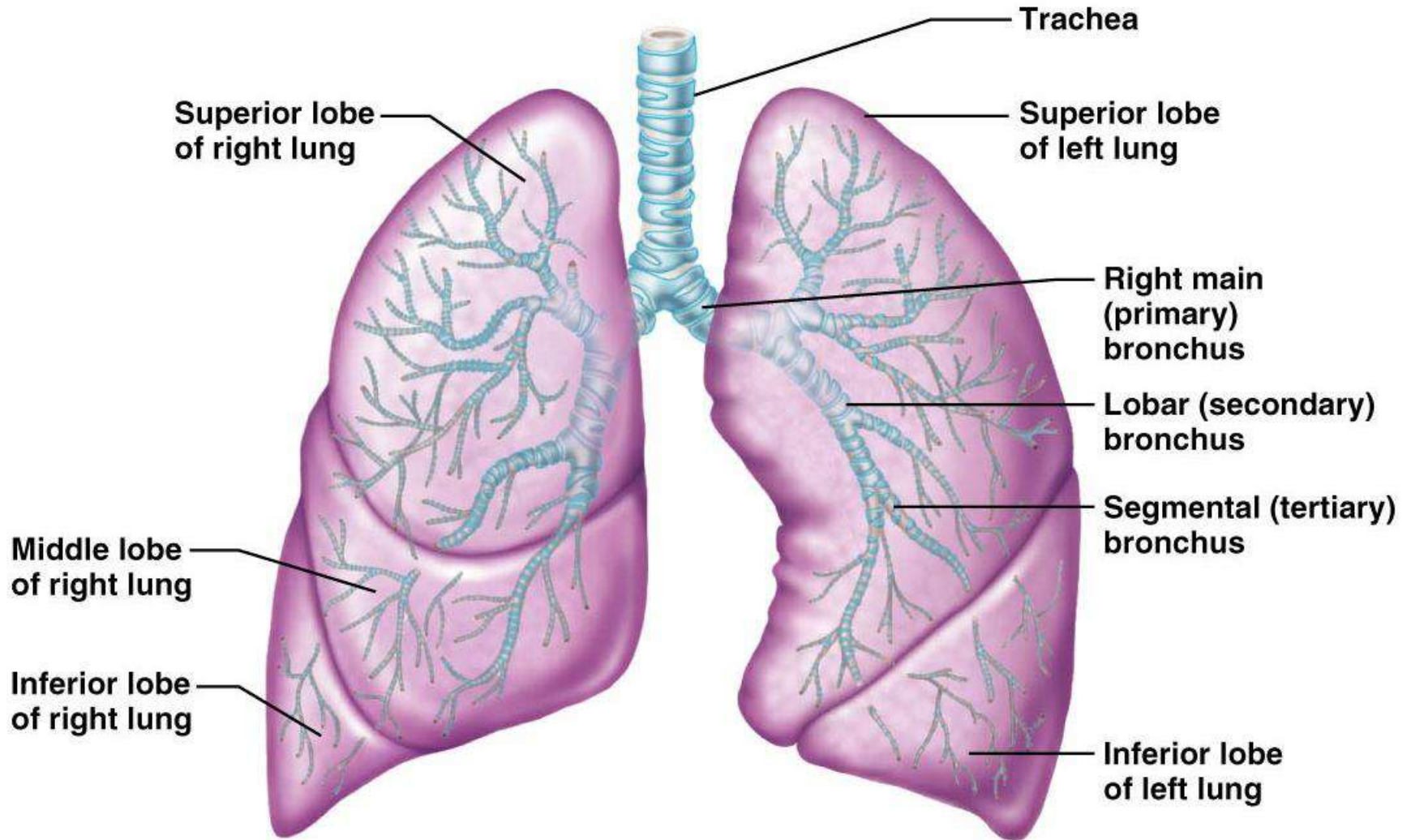
Conducting Zone

- **Carina** of the last tracheal cartilage marks the end of the trachea and the beginning of the bronchi
- Air reaching the bronchi is:
 - Warm and cleansed of impurities
 - Saturated with water vapor
- Bronchi subdivide into secondary bronchi, each supplying a lobe of the lungs
- Air passages undergo 23 orders of branching

	Name	Division	Diameter (mm)	How many?	Cross-sectional area (cm ²)
Conducting system	Trachea	0	15–22	1	2.5
	Primary bronchi	1	10–15	2	↓
	Smaller bronchi ↓	2	1–10	4	
		3			
		4			
		5			
	6–11	1 x 10 ⁴	↓		
	Bronchioles	1–23	0.5–1	2 x 10 ⁴ ↓ 8 x 10 ⁷	100 ↓ 5 x 10 ³
Exchange surface	Alveoli	24	0.3	3–6 x 10 ⁸	>1 x 10 ⁶

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Conducting Zones



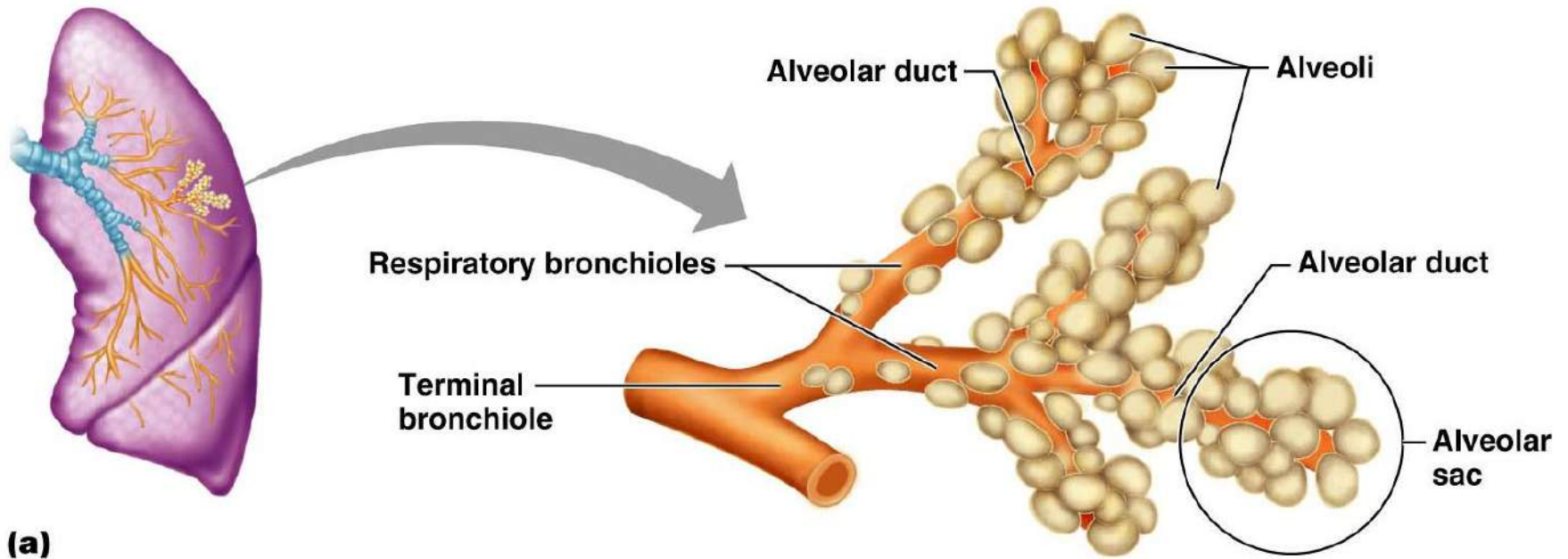
Dead Space

- **Anatomic**
- **Physiologic**

Respiratory Zone

- Defined by the presence of alveoli; begins as terminal bronchioles feed into respiratory bronchioles
- Respiratory bronchioles lead to alveolar ducts, then to terminal clusters of alveolar sacs composed of alveoli
- Approximately 300 million alveoli:
 - Account for most of the lungs' volume
 - Provide tremendous surface area for gas exchange

Respiratory Zone

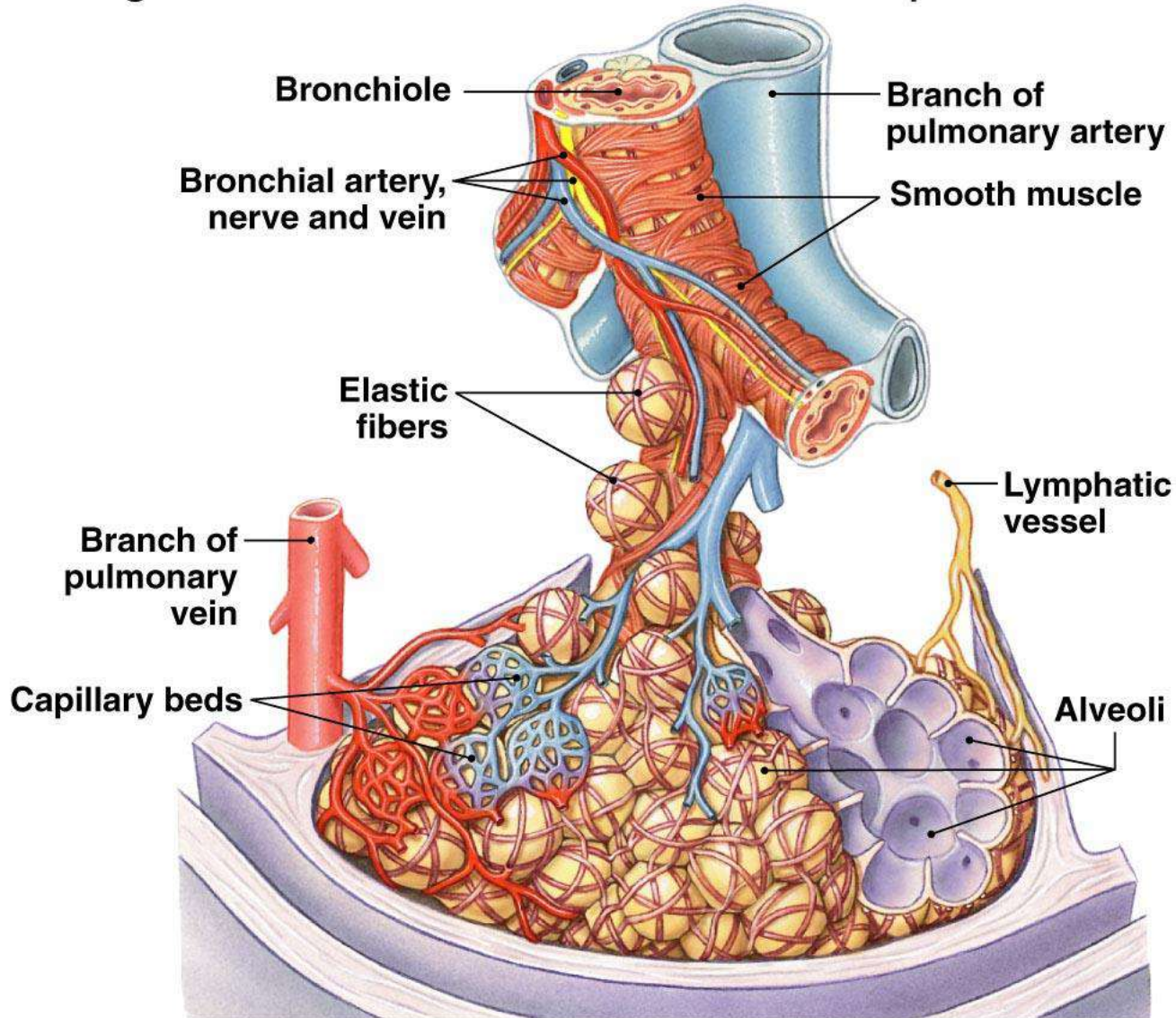


Alveoli

- Surrounded by fine elastic fibers
- Contain open pores that:
 - Connect adjacent alveoli
 - Allow air pressure throughout the lung to be equalized
- House macrophages that keep alveolar surfaces sterile

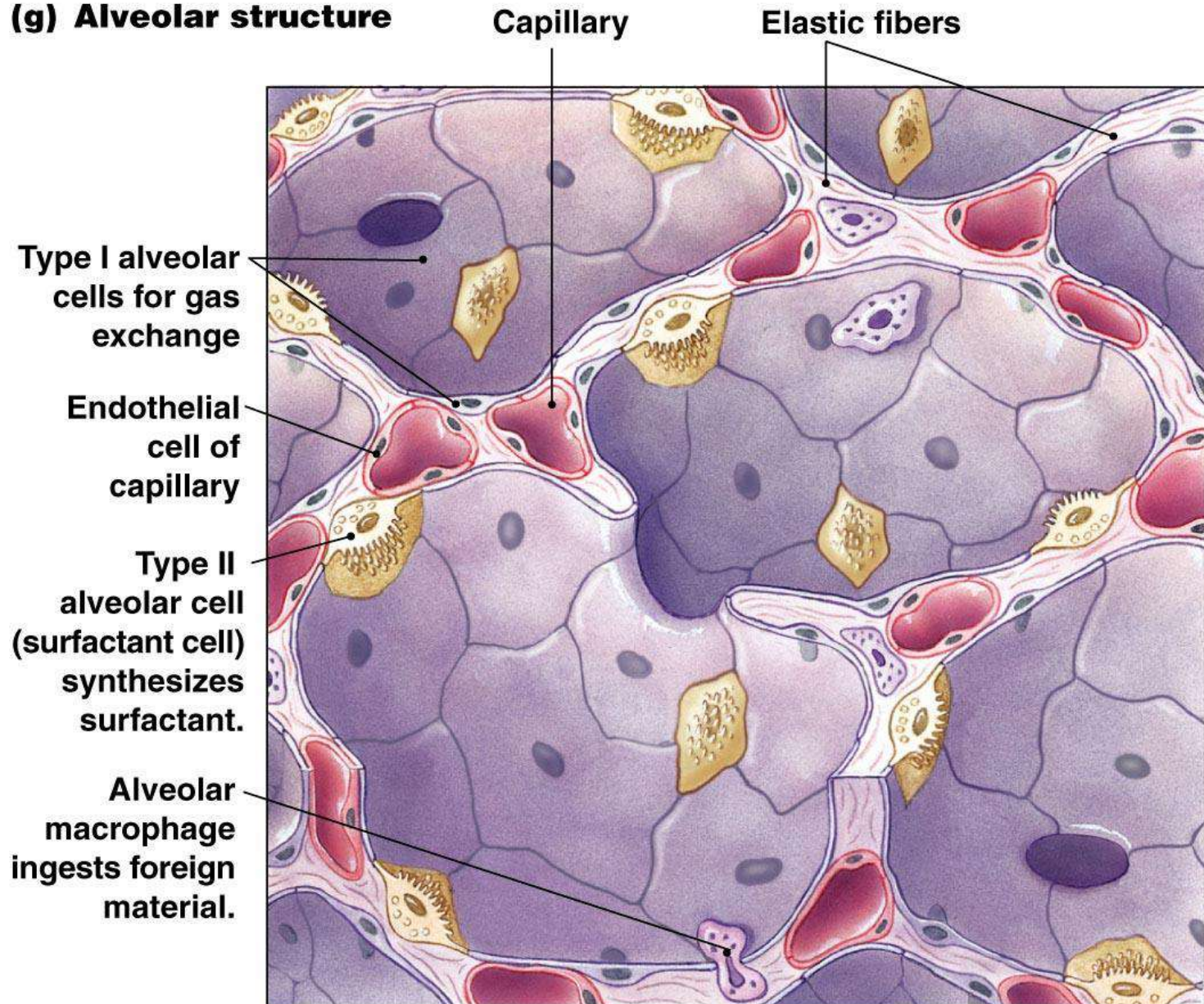
(f) Structure of lung lobule

Each cluster of alveoli is surrounded by elastic fibers and a network of capillaries.



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(g) Alveolar structure

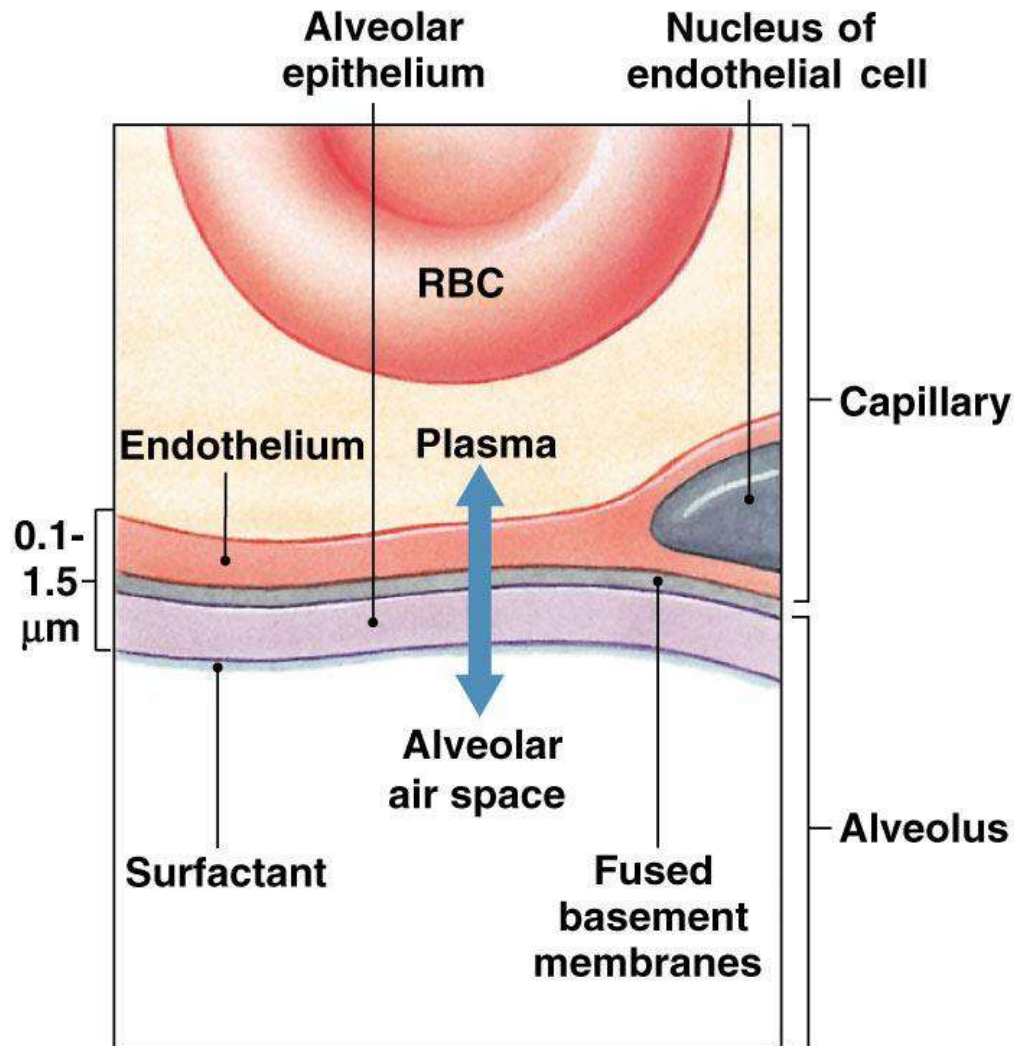


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Respiratory Membrane

- This air-blood barrier is composed of:
 - Alveolar and capillary walls
 - Their fused basal laminas
- Alveolar walls:
 - Are a single layer of type I epithelial cells
 - Permit gas exchange by simple diffusion
 - Secrete angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE)

(h) Exchange surface of alveoli



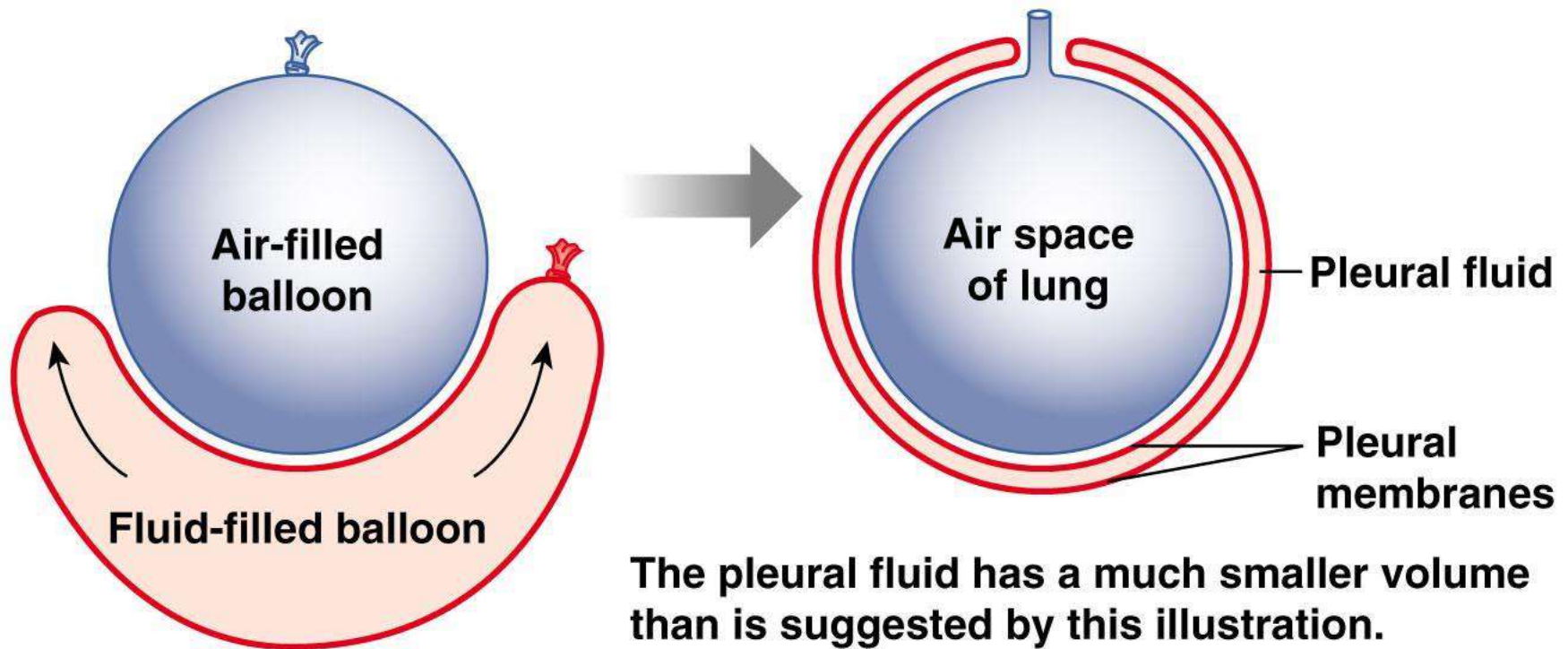
Blue arrow represents gas exchange between alveolar air space and the plasma.

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Pleurae

- Thin, double-layered serosa
- **Parietal pleura**
 - Covers the thoracic wall and superior face of the diaphragm
 - Continues around heart and between lungs
- **Visceral pleura**
 - Covers the lungs

The pleural sac forms a double membrane surrounding the lung, similar to a fluid-filled balloon surrounding an air-filled balloon.



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TABLE 17-1	Gas Laws
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|---|
| 1. The total pressure of a mixture of gases is the sum of the pressures of the individual gases (Dalton's law). |
| 2. Gases, singly or in a mixture, move from areas of higher pressure to areas of lower pressure. |
| 3. If the volume of a container of gas changes, the pressure of the gas will change in an inverse manner (Boyle's law). |

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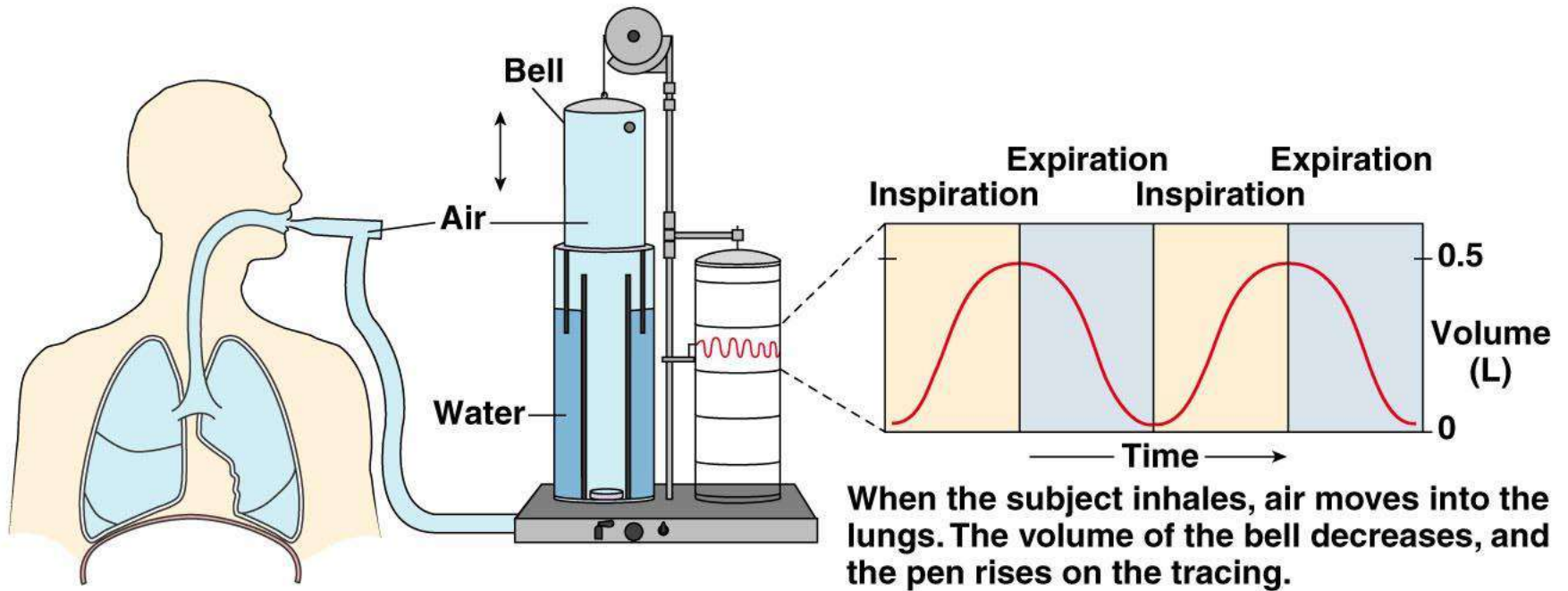
TABLE 17-2 Partial Pressures (P_{gas}) of Atmospheric Gases at 760 mm Hg

GAS AND ITS PERCENTAGE IN AIR	P_{gas} IN DRY, 25° C AIR	P_{gas} IN 25° C AIR, 100% HUMIDITY	P_{gas} IN 37° C AIR, 100% HUMIDITY
Nitrogen (N_2) 78%	593 mm Hg	574 mm Hg	556 mm Hg
Oxygen (O_2) 21%	160 mm Hg	155 mm Hg	150 mm Hg
Carbon dioxide (CO_2) 0.033%	0.25 mm Hg	0.24 mm Hg	0.235 mm Hg
Water vapor	0 mm Hg	24 mm Hg	47 mm Hg

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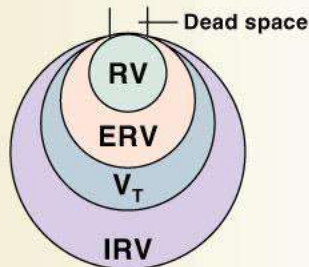
Respiratory Volumes

- **Tidal volume (TV)** – air that moves into and out of the lungs with each breath (approximately 500 ml)
- **Inspiratory reserve volume (IRV)** – air that can be inspired forcibly beyond the tidal volume (2100–3200 ml)
- **Expiratory reserve volume (ERV)** – air that can be evacuated from the lungs after a tidal expiration (1000–1200 ml)
- **Residual volume (RV)** – air left in the lungs after strenuous expiration (1200 ml)



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The four lung volumes

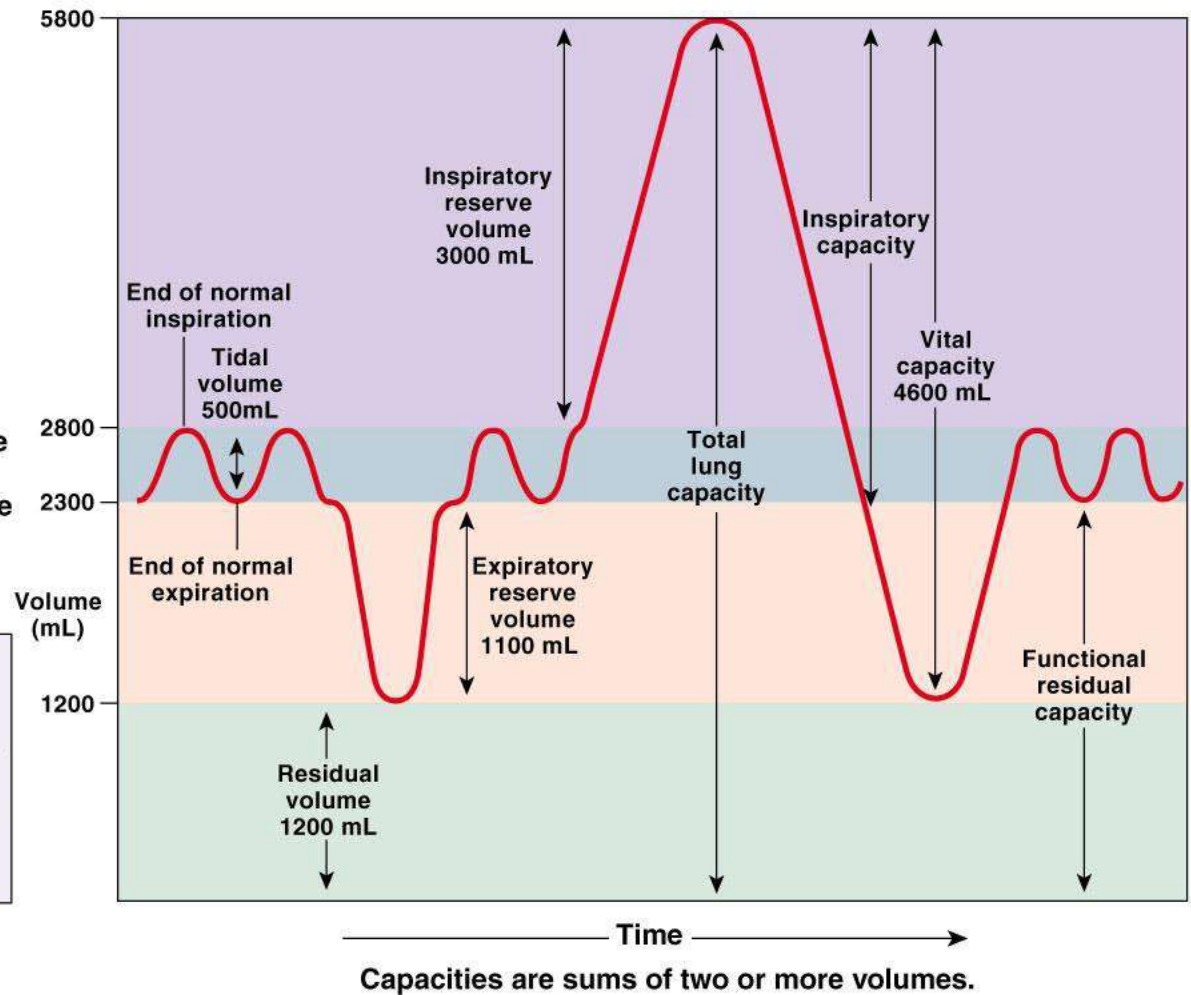


RV = Residual volume
 ERV = Expiratory reserve volume
 V_T = Tidal volume
 IRV = Inspiratory reserve volume

Pulmonary volumes

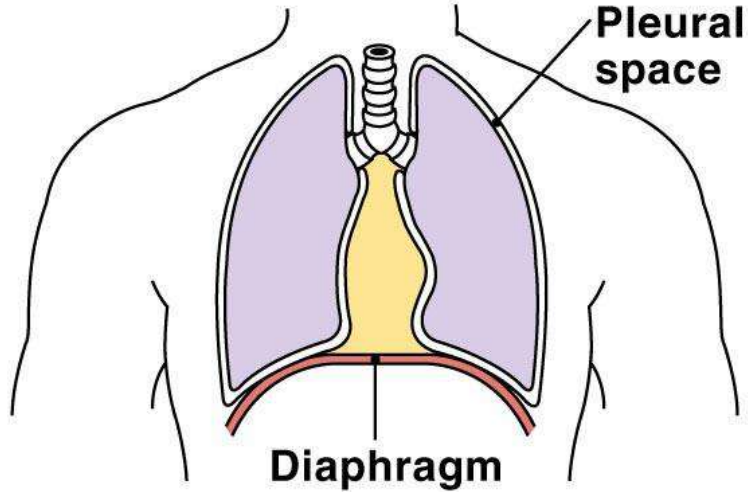
	Males	Females	
Vital capacity	IRV 3000	1900	Inspiratory capacity
	V_T 500	500	
	ERV 1100	700	Functional residual capacity
Residual volume	1200	1100	
	5800 mL	4200 mL	

A spirometer tracing showing lung volumes and capacities

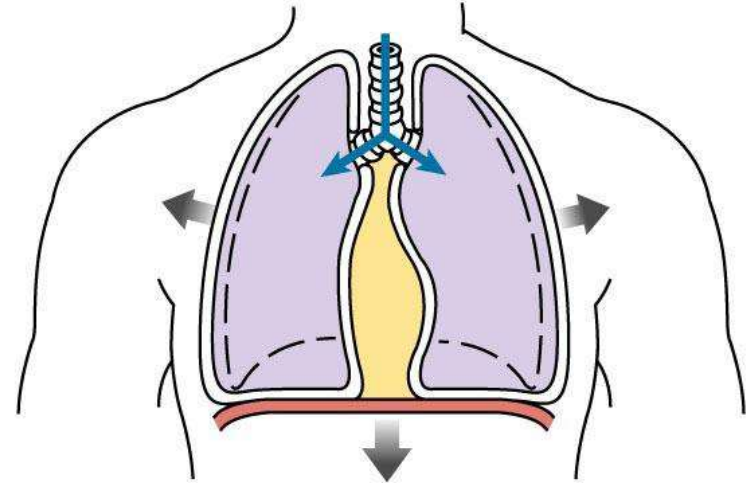


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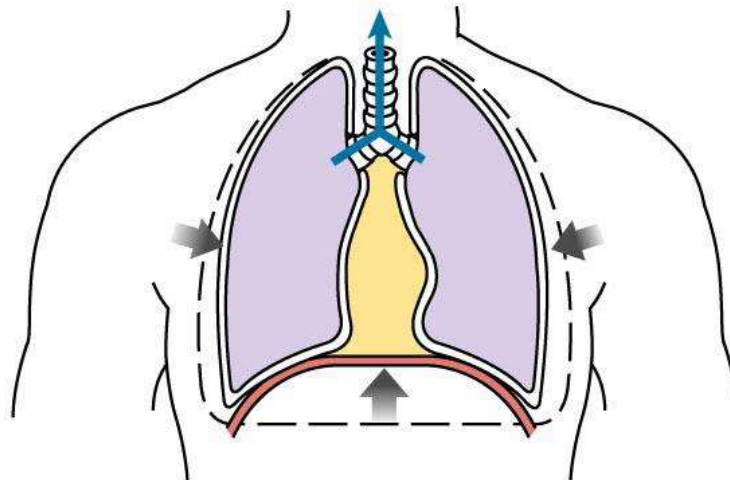
(a) At rest, diaphragm is relaxed.



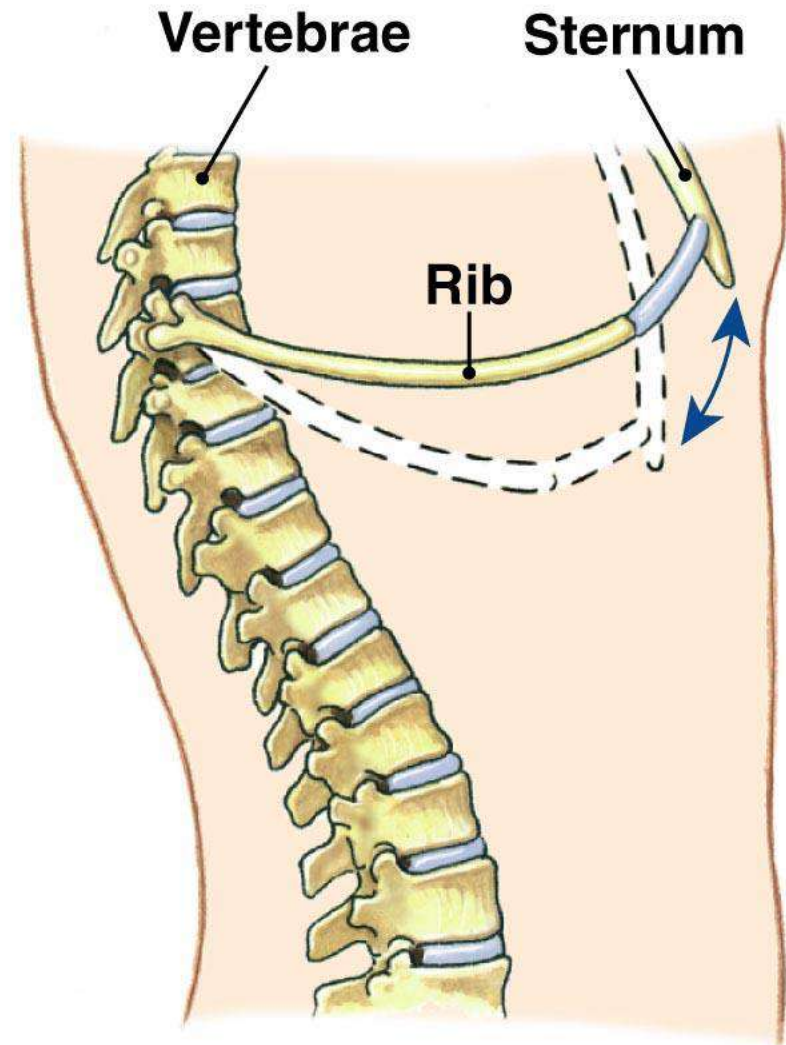
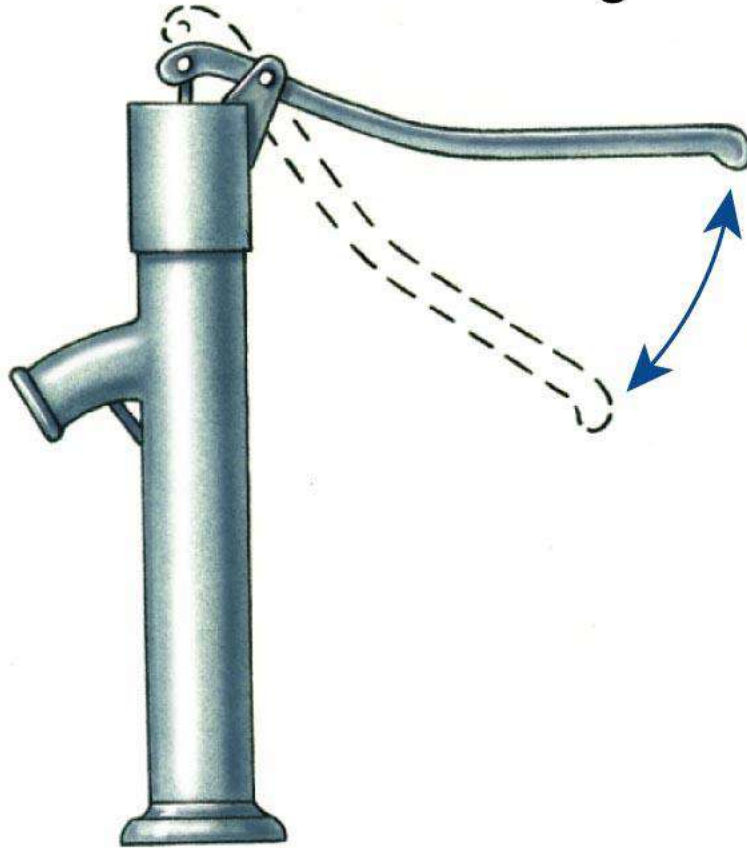
(b) Diaphragm contracts, thoracic volume increases.

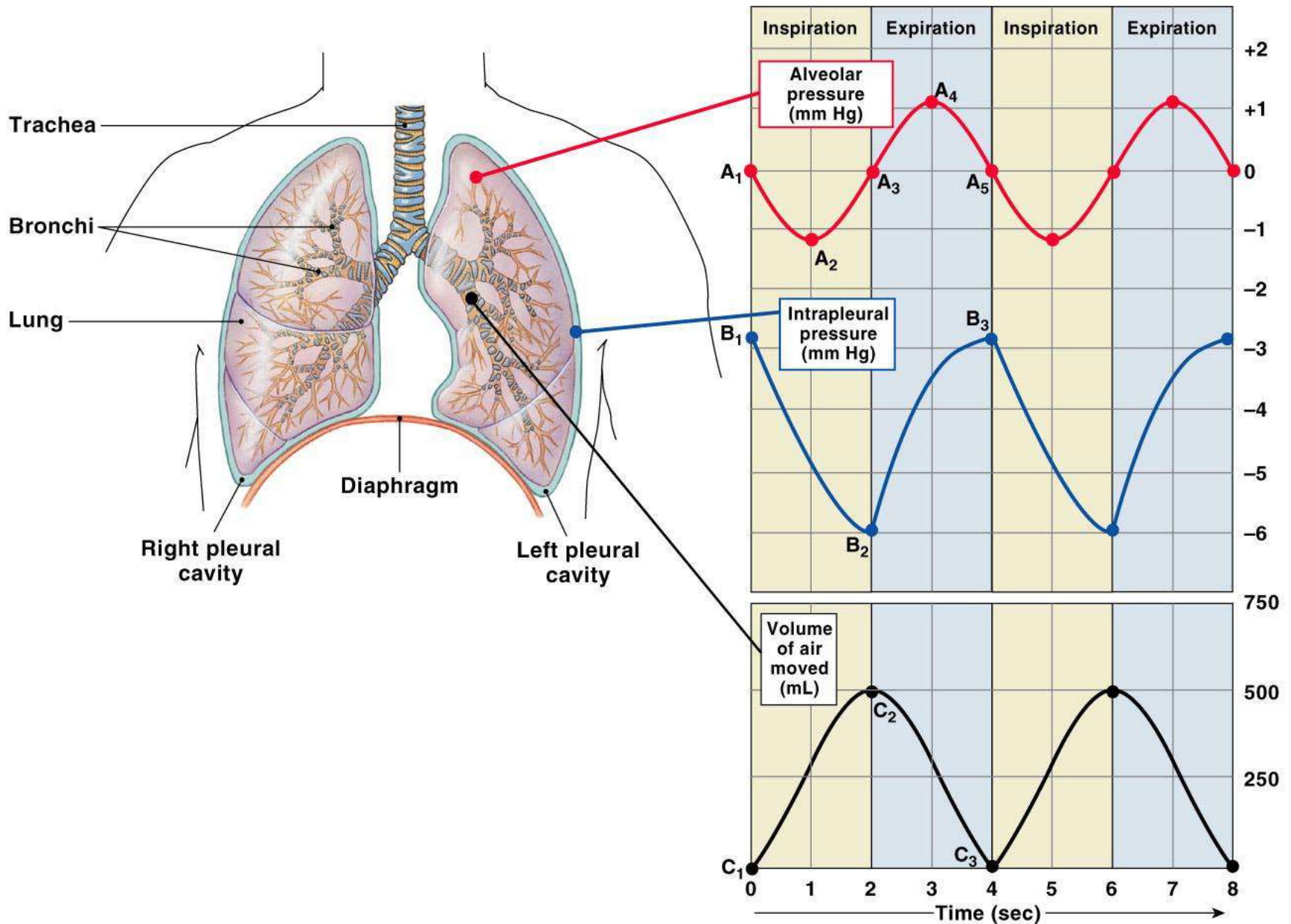


(c) Diaphragm relaxes, thoracic volume decreases.



(a) “Pump handle” motion increases anterior-posterior dimension of rib cage.



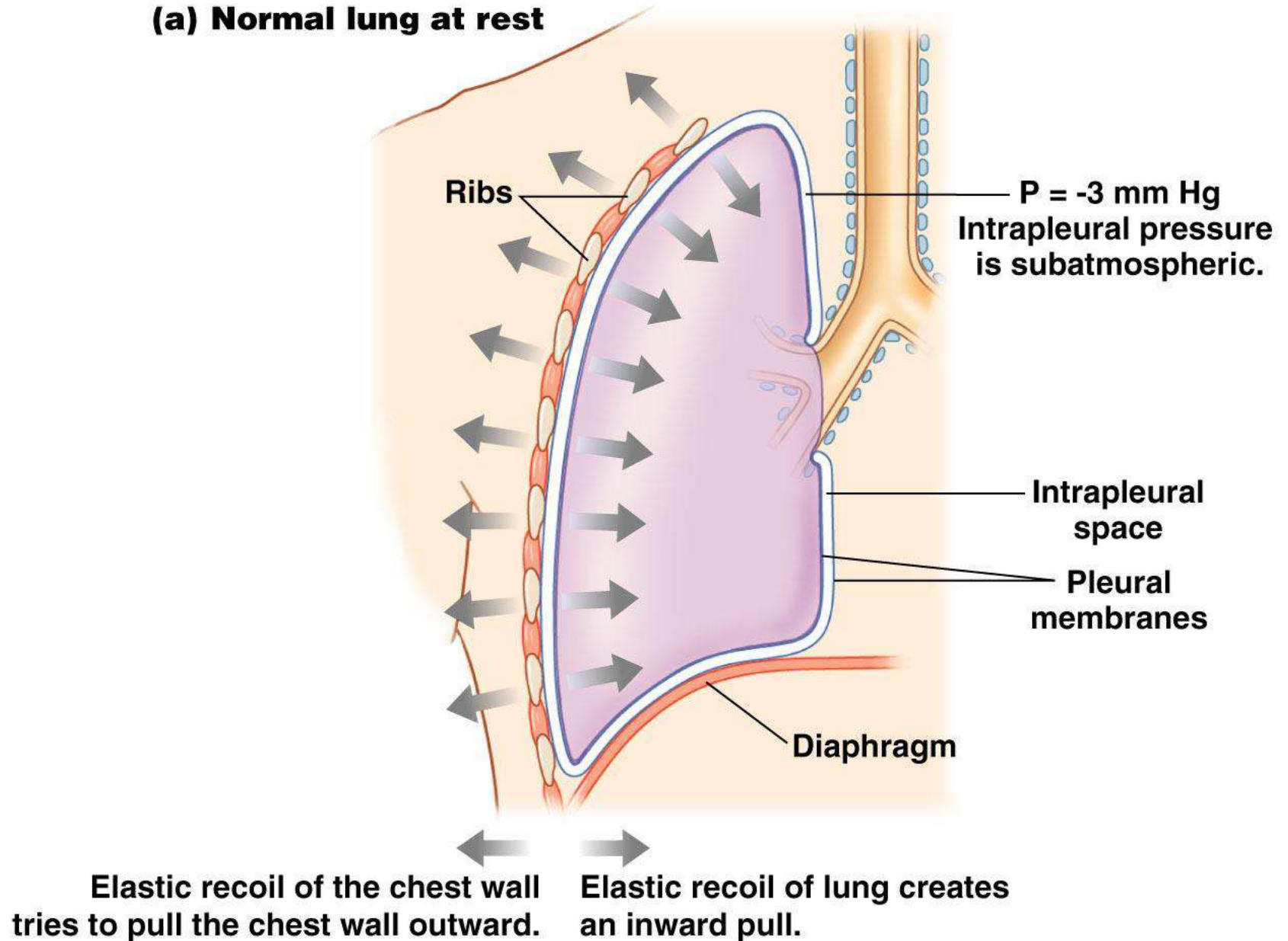


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Lung Collapse

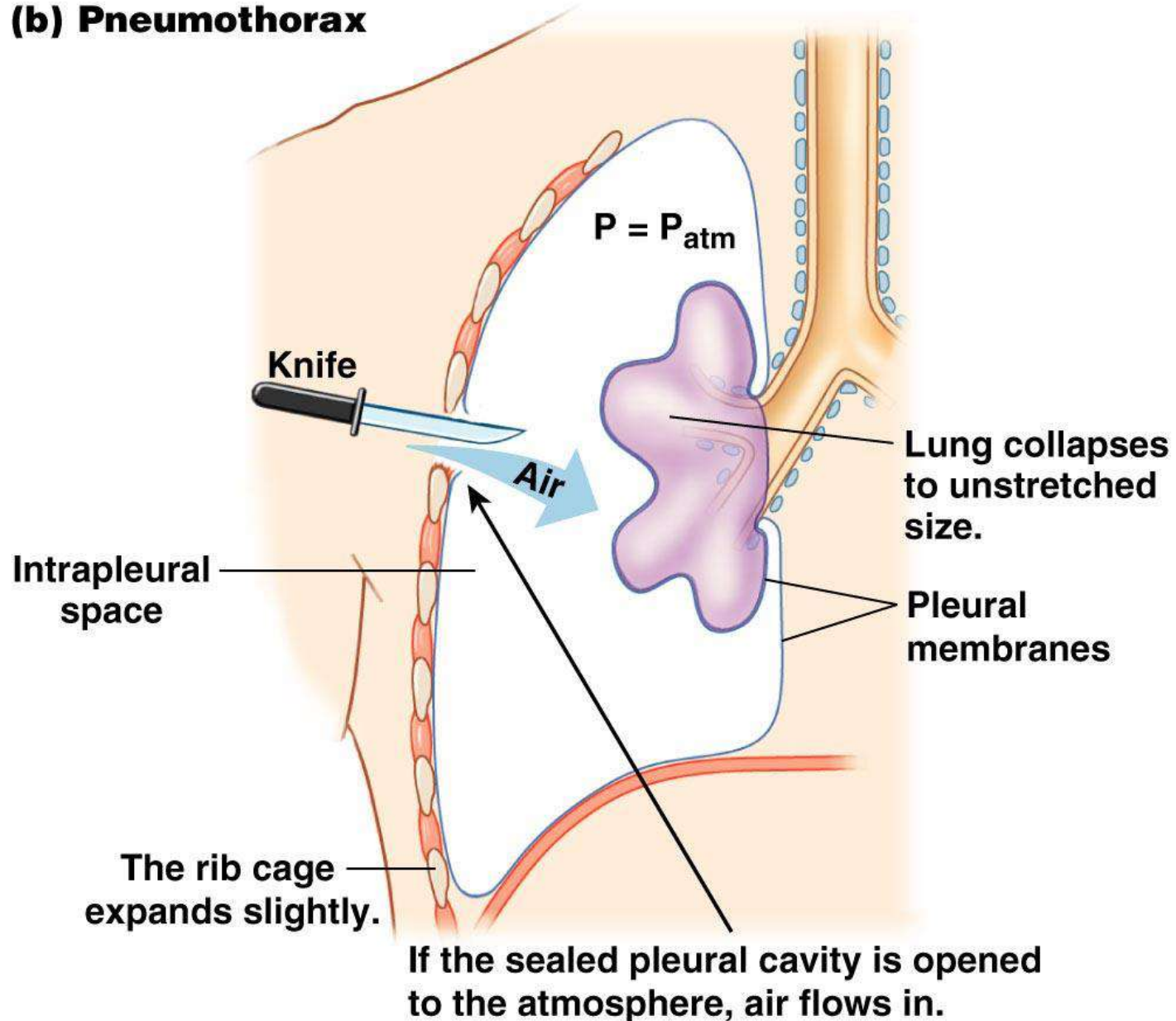
- Caused by equalization of the intrapleural pressure with the intrapulmonary pressure
- Transpulmonary pressure keeps the airways open
 - Transpulmonary pressure – difference between the intrapulmonary and intrapleural pressures
 $(P_{pul} - P_{ip})$

(a) Normal lung at rest

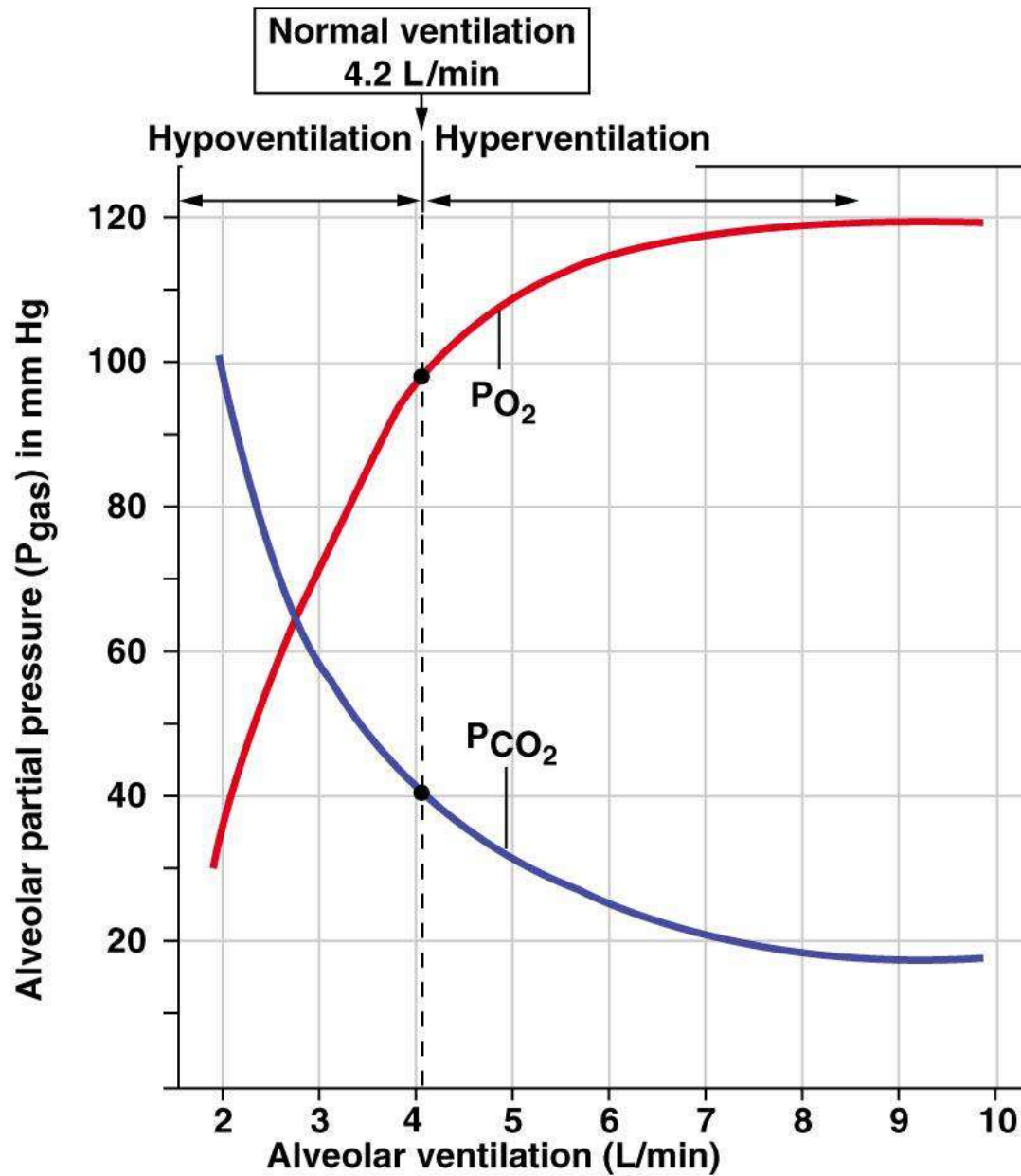


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(b) Pneumothorax

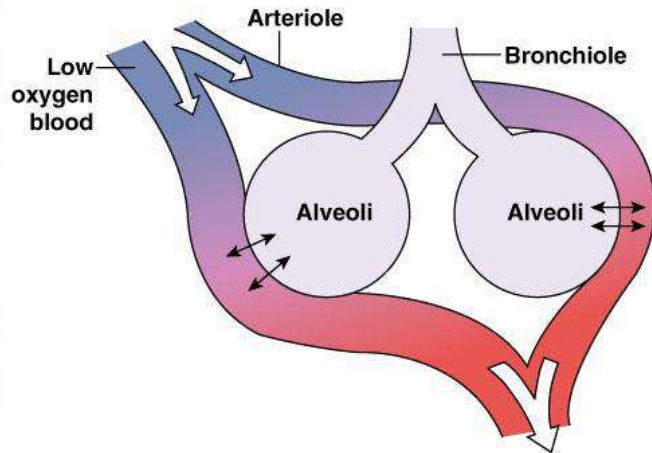


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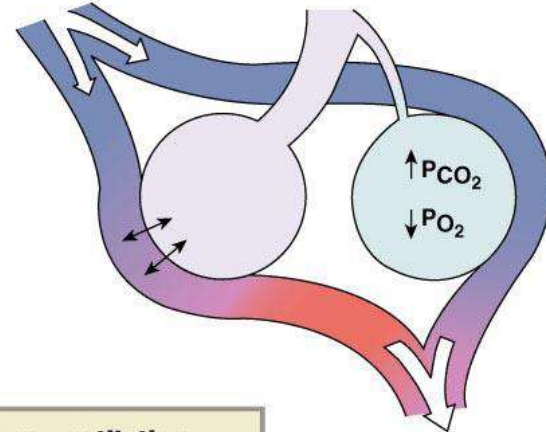
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(a) Ventilation in alveoli is matched to perfusion through pulmonary capillaries.



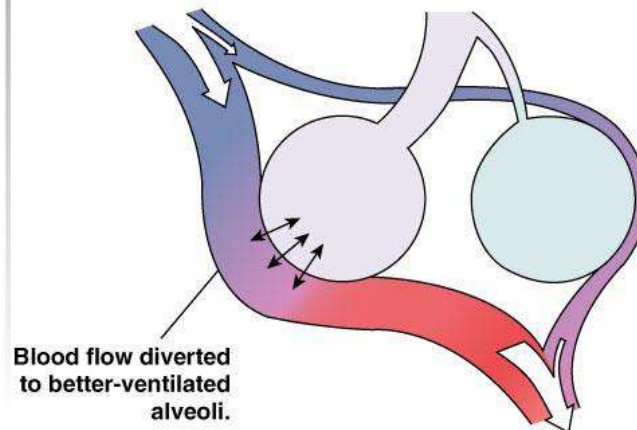
(b) Ventilation-perfusion mismatch.

If ventilation decreases in a group of alveoli (blue), PCO_2 increases and PO_2 decreases. Blood flowing past those alveoli does not get oxygenated.

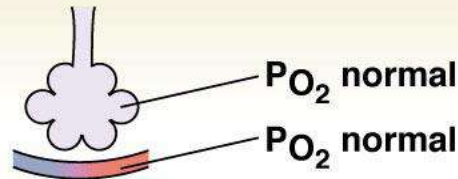


(c) Local control mechanisms try to keep ventilation and perfusion matched.

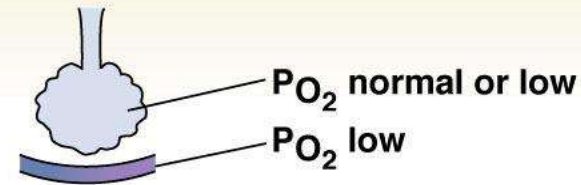
Decreased tissue PO_2 around underventilated alveoli constricts their arterioles, diverting blood to better-ventilated alveoli.



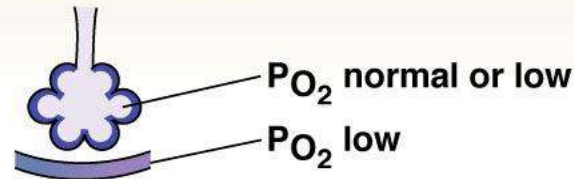
(a) Normal lung



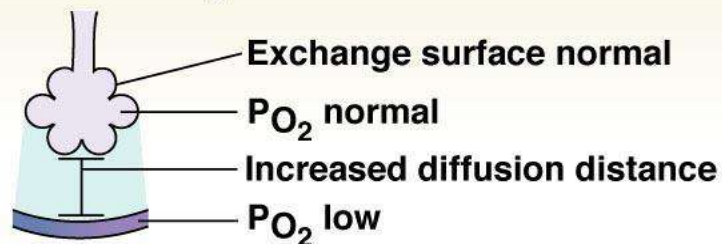
(b) Emphysema: destruction of alveoli reduces surface area for gas exchange.



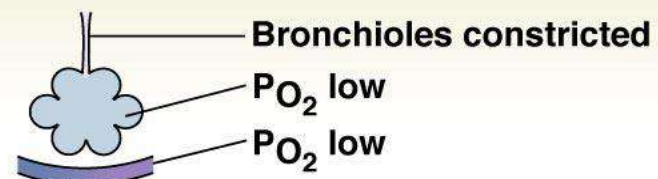
(c) Fibrotic lung disease: thickened alveolar membrane slows gas exchange. Loss of lung compliance may decrease alveolar ventilation.

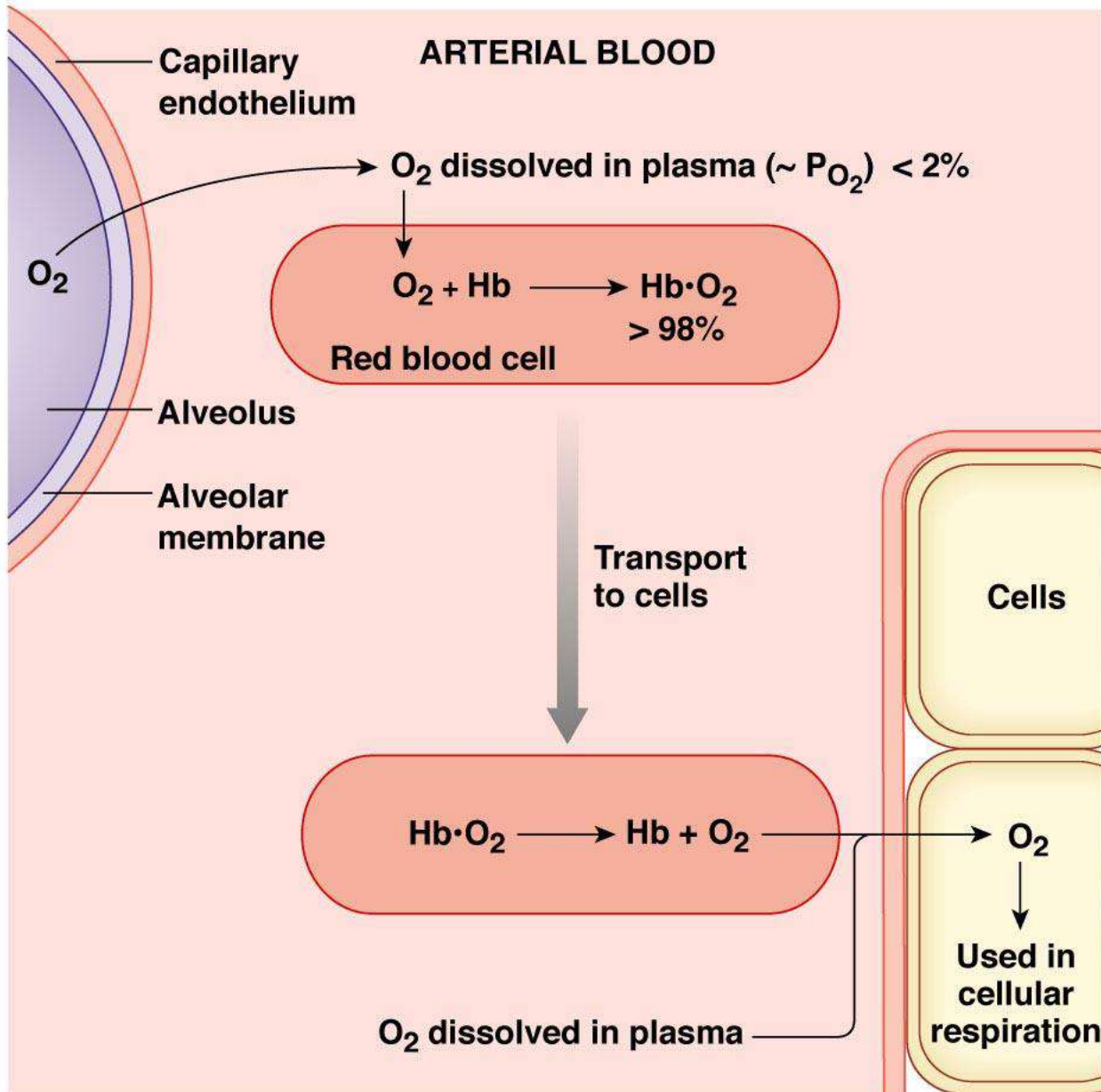


(d) Pulmonary edema: fluid in interstitial space increases diffusion distance. Arterial P_{CO_2} may be normal due to higher CO_2 solubility in water.



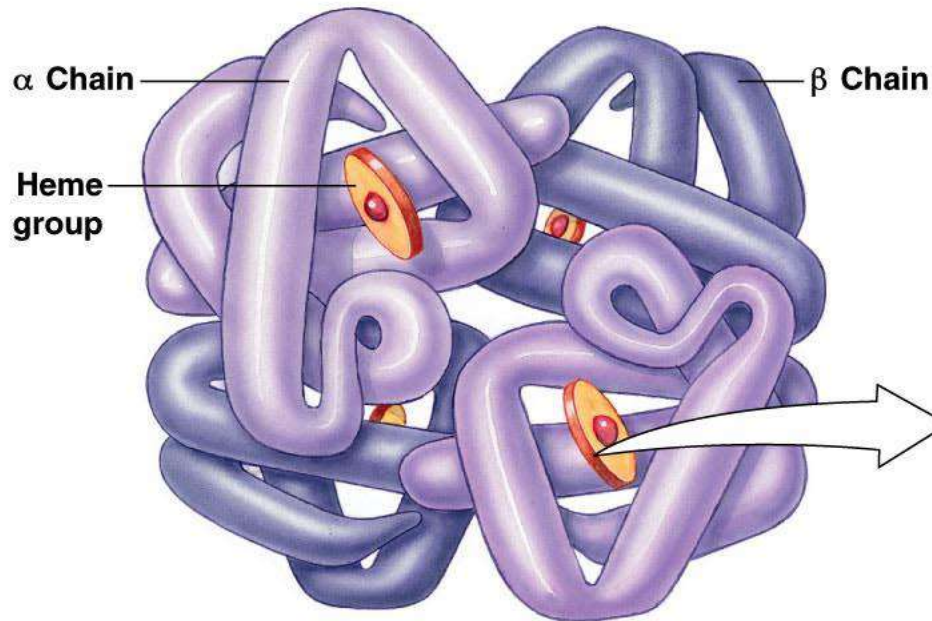
(e) Asthma: increased airway resistance decreases airway ventilation.





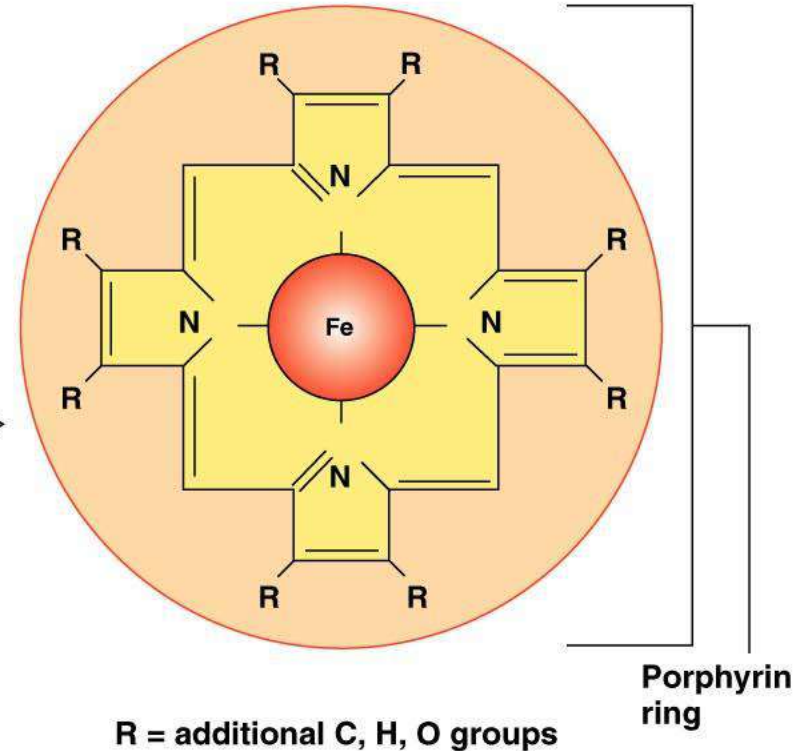
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(a) A hemoglobin molecule is composed of four protein globin chains, each surrounding a central heme group.

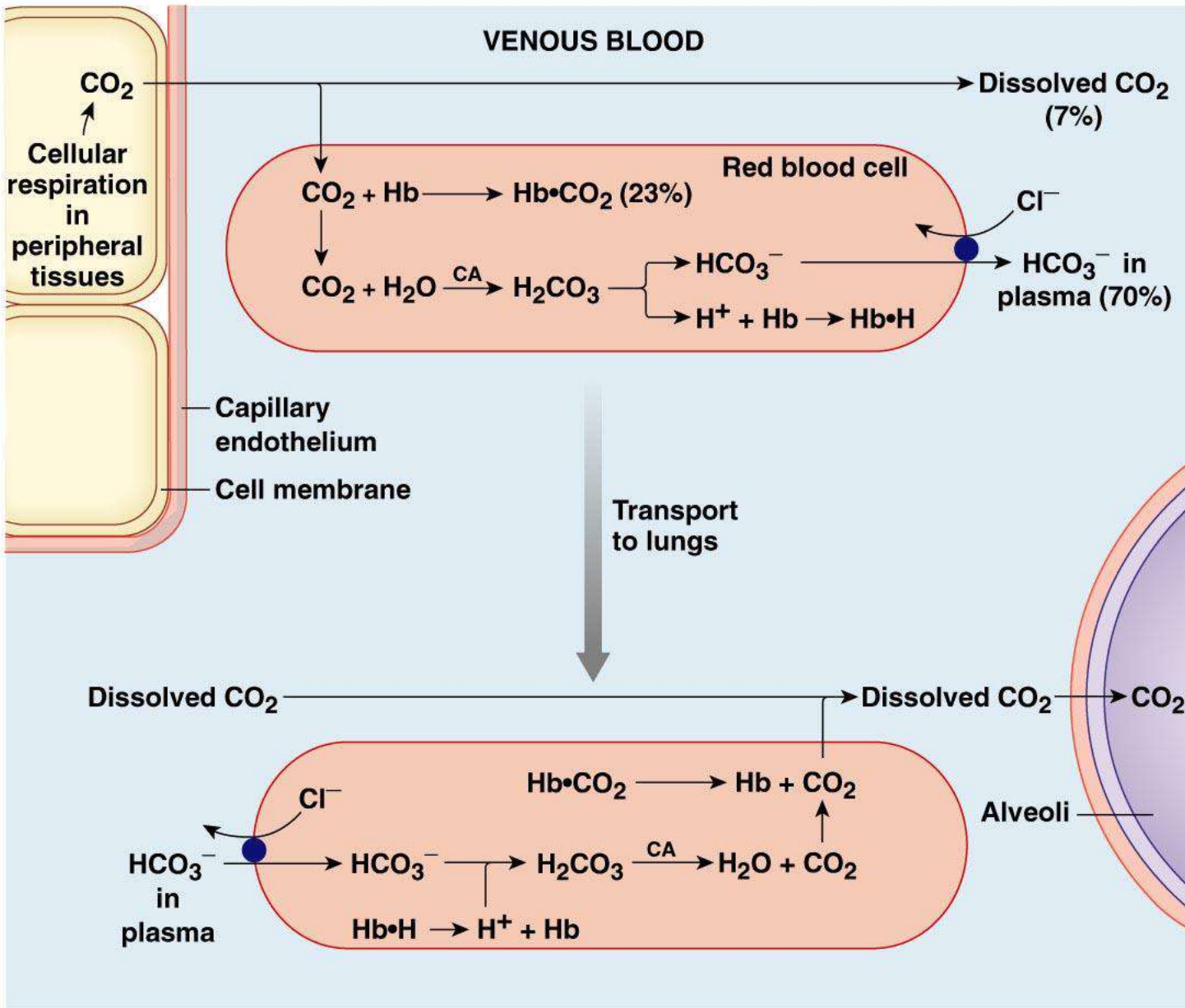


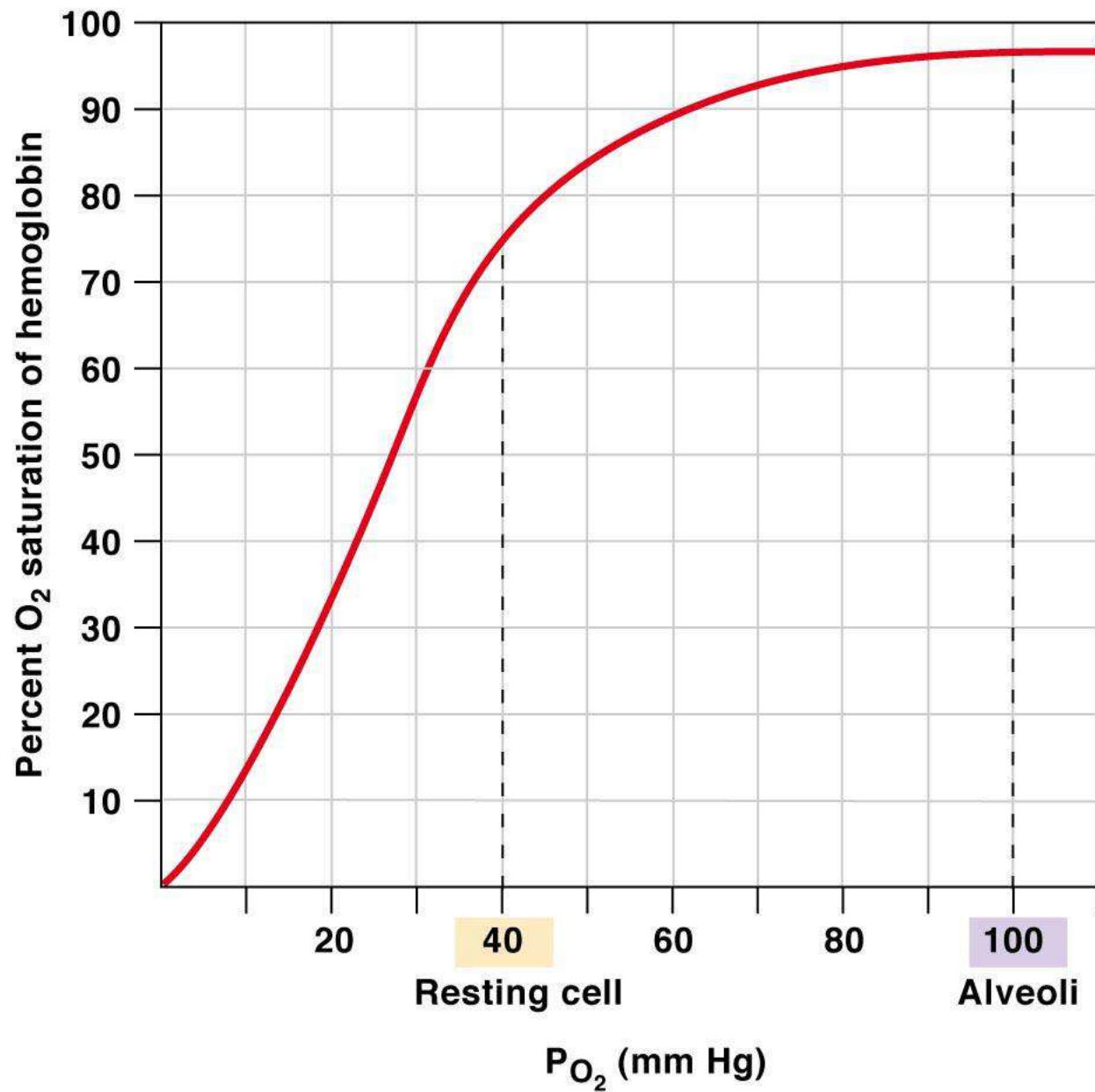
In most adult hemoglobin, there are two alpha chains and two beta chains as shown.

(b) Each heme group consists of a porphyrin ring with an iron atom in the center.



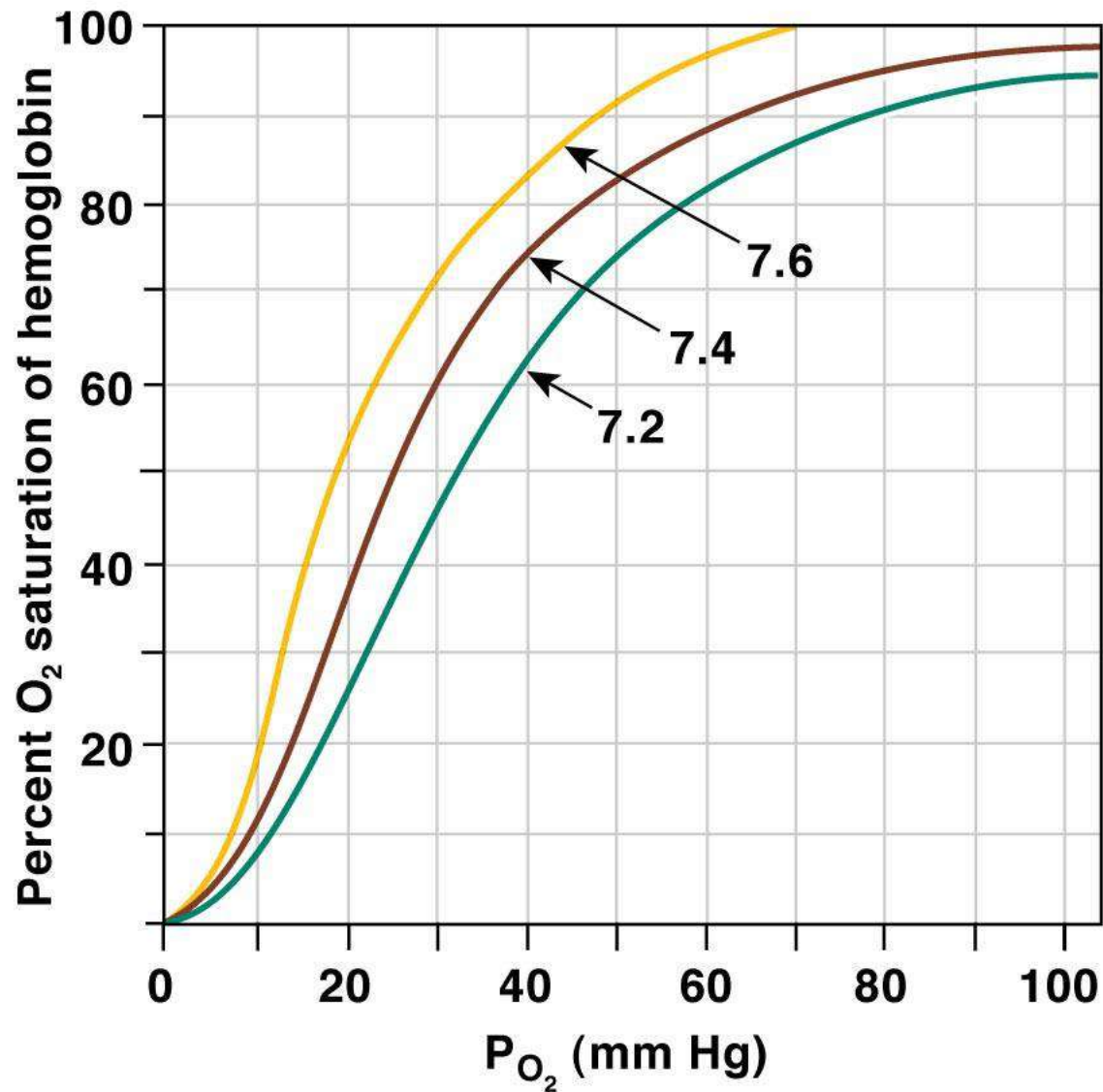
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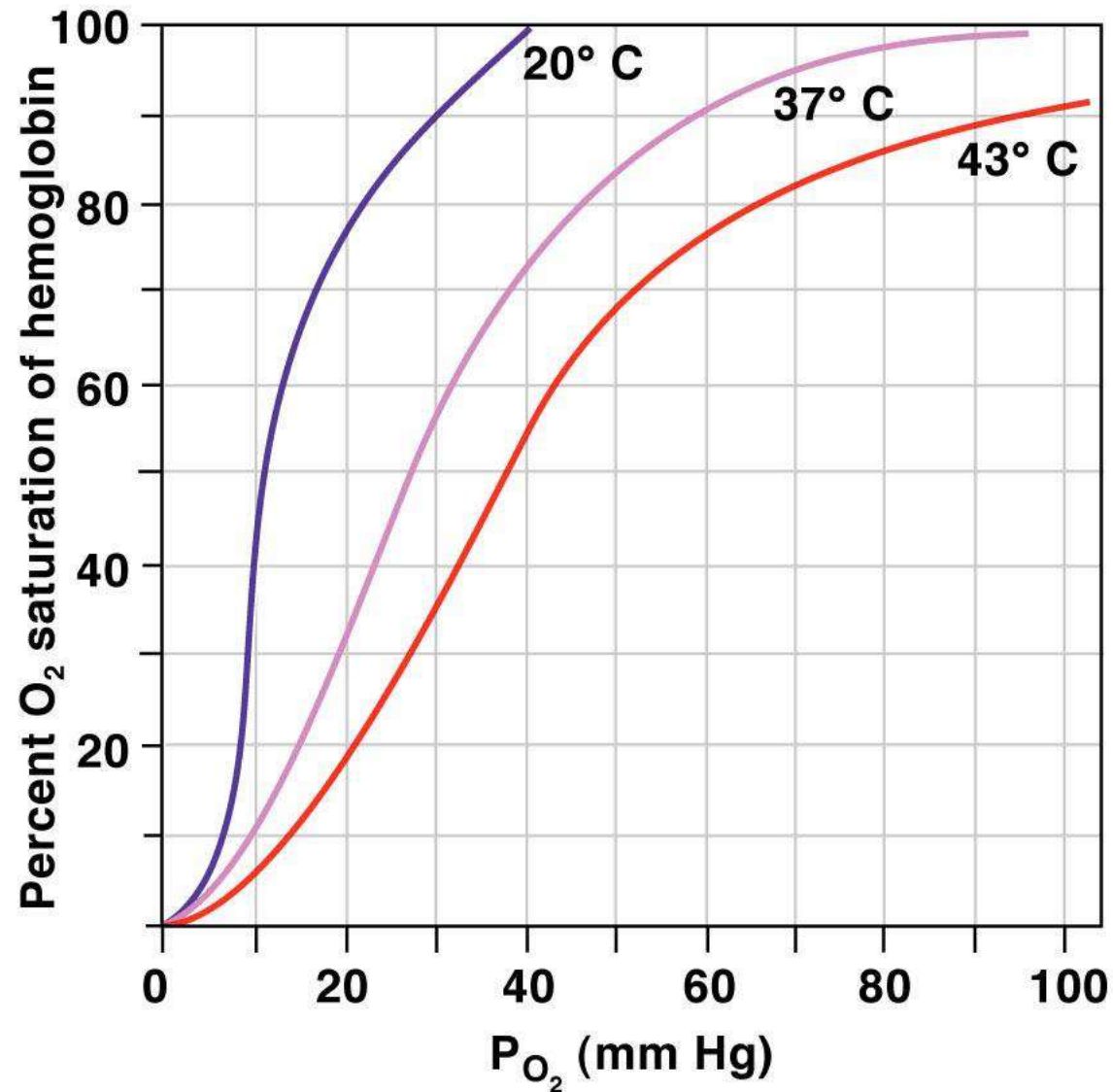
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(a) Effect of pH



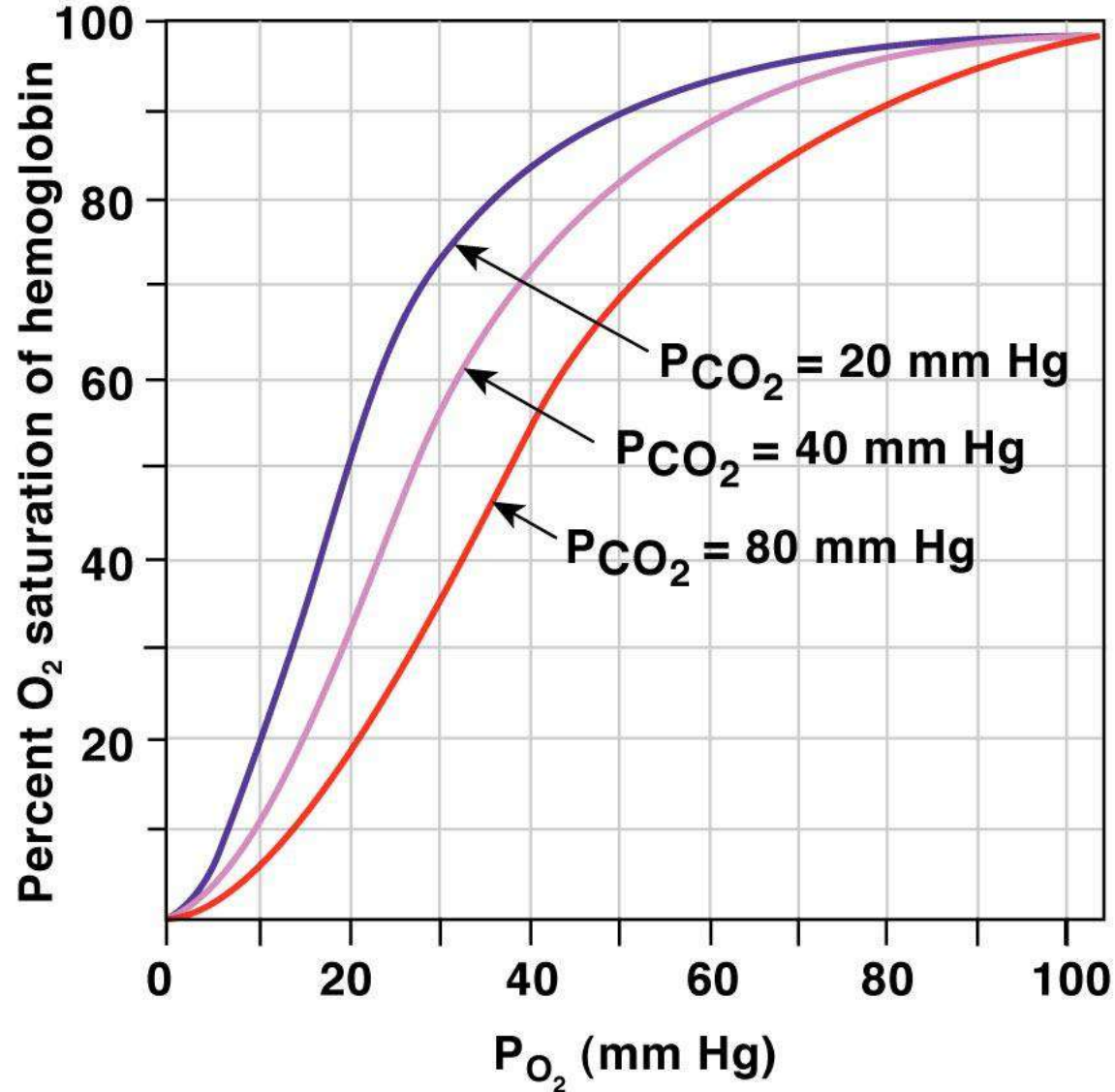
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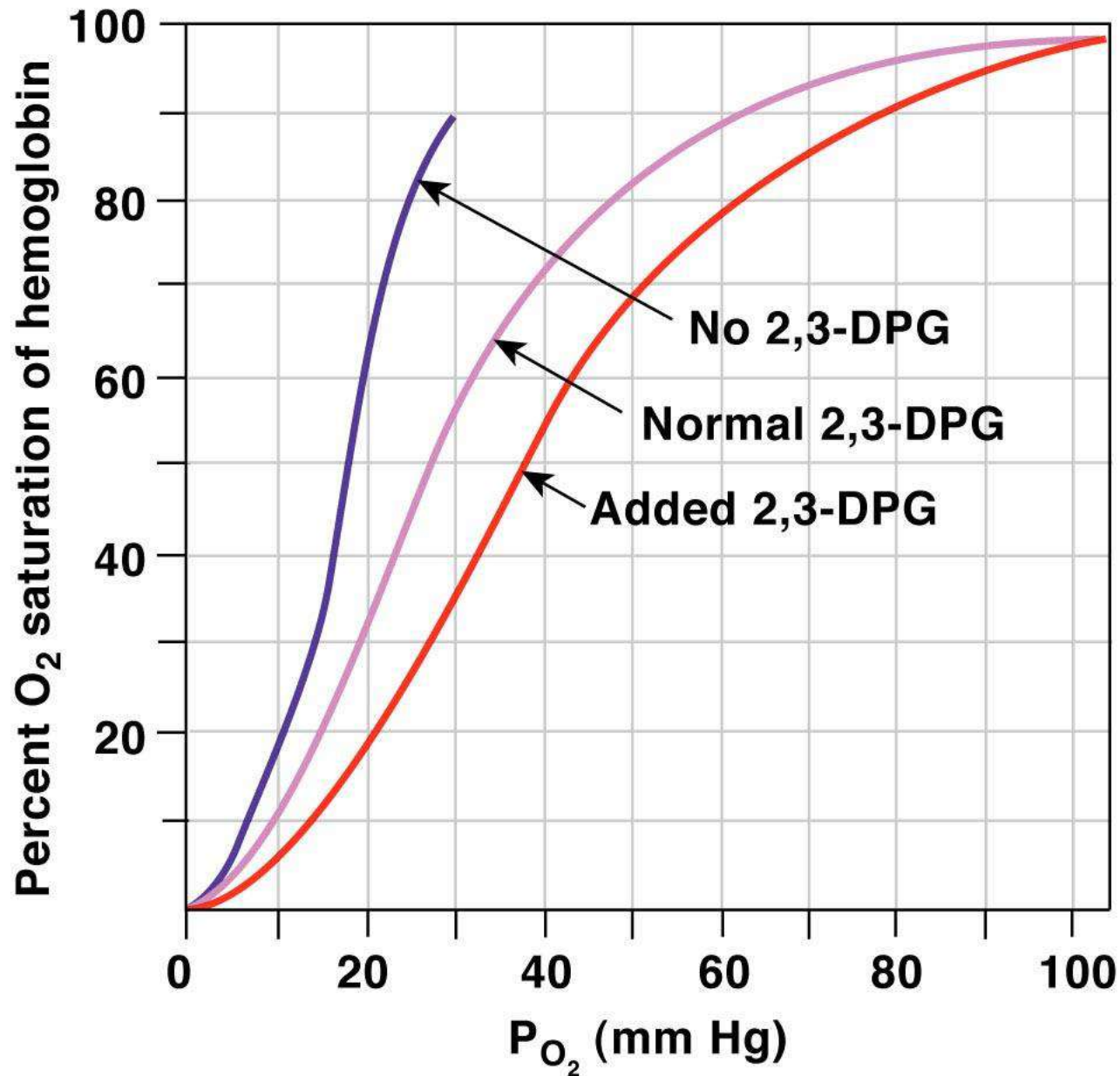


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(c) Effect of P_{CO_2}

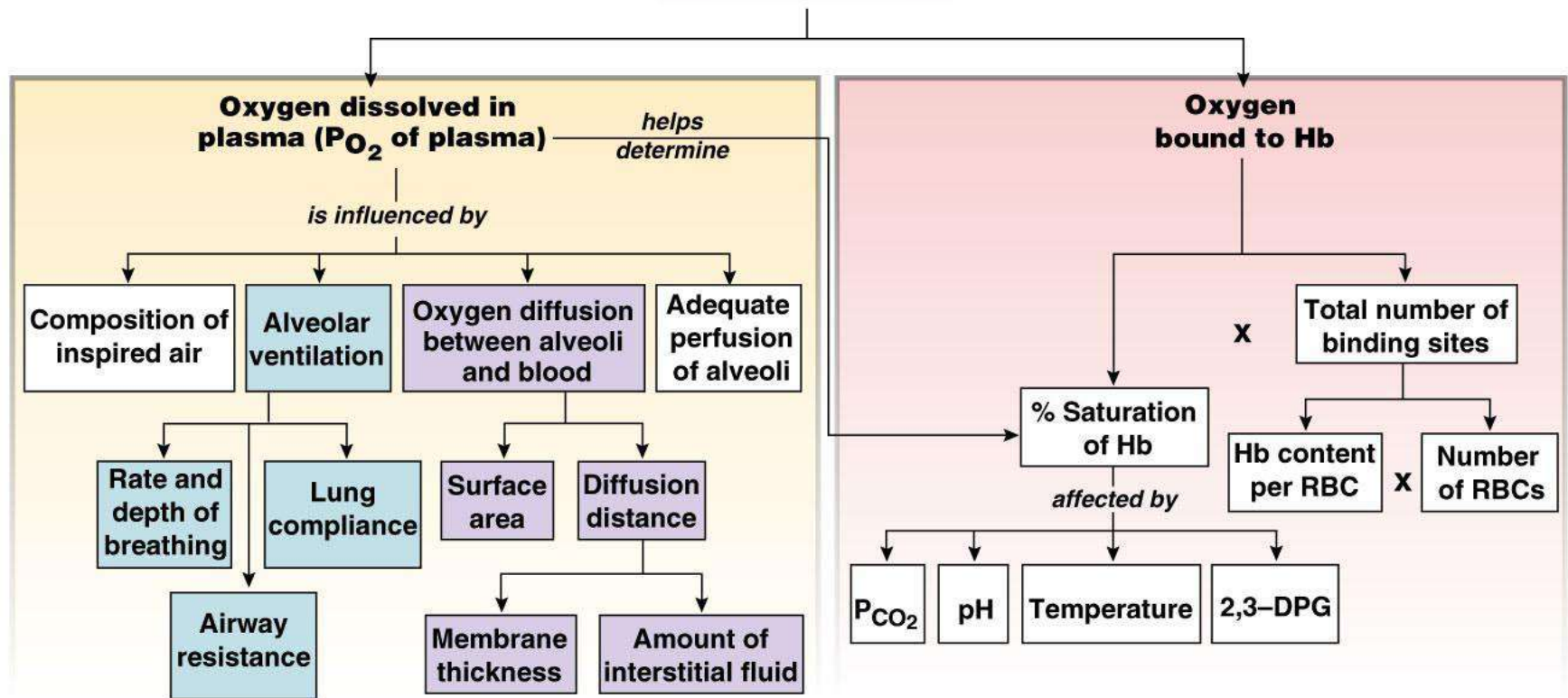


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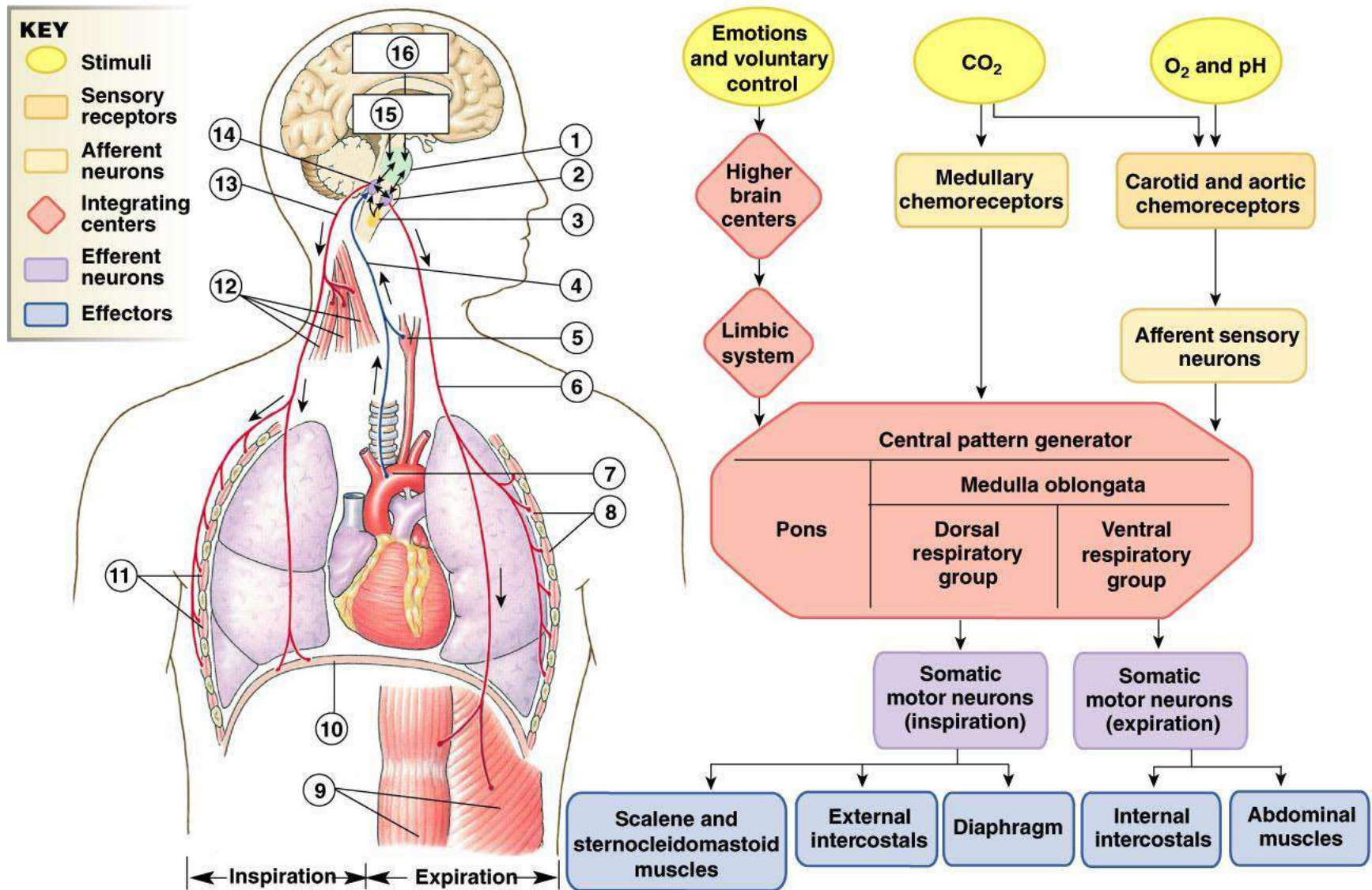


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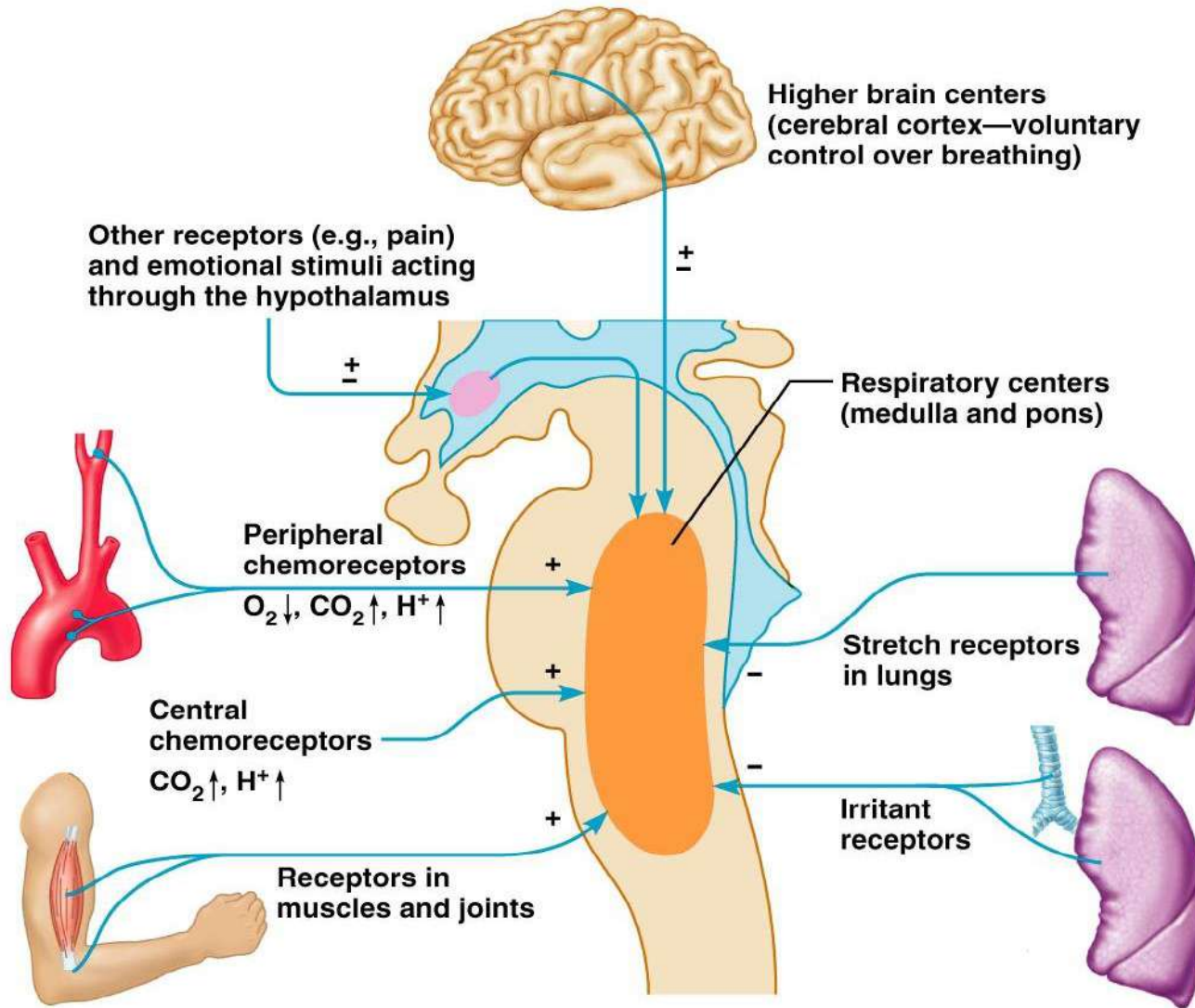


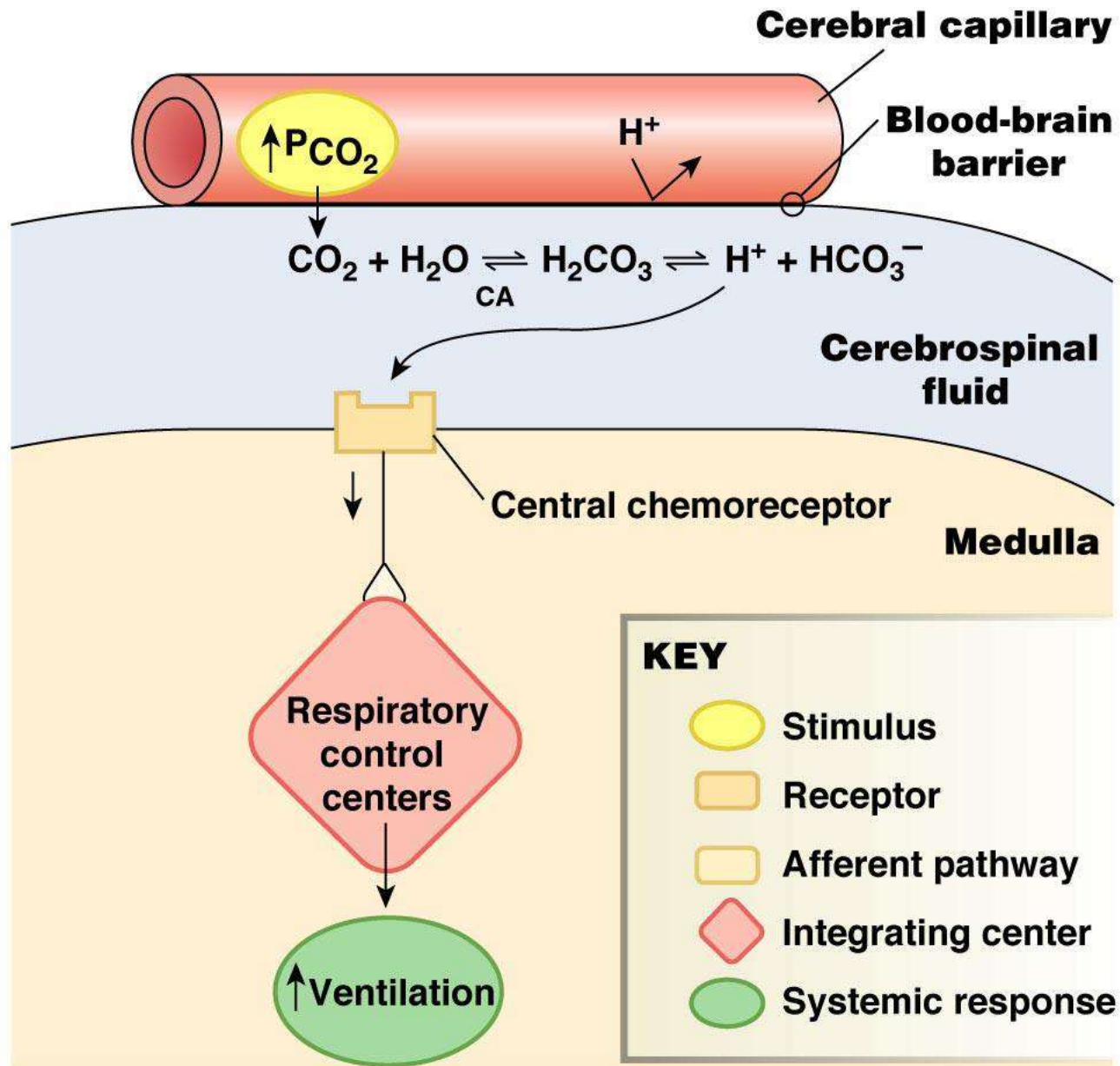
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