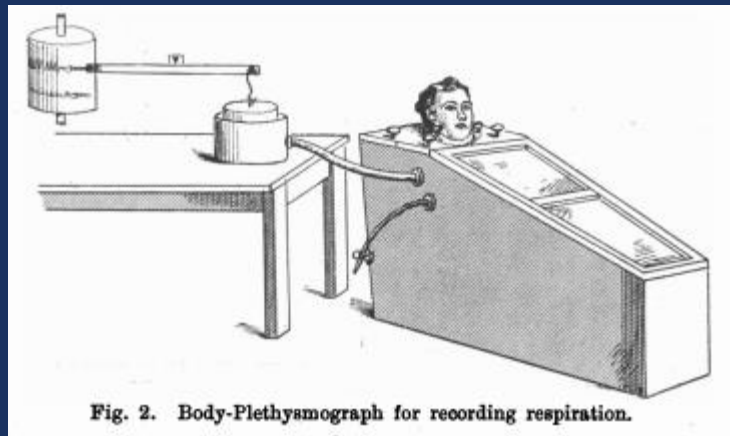


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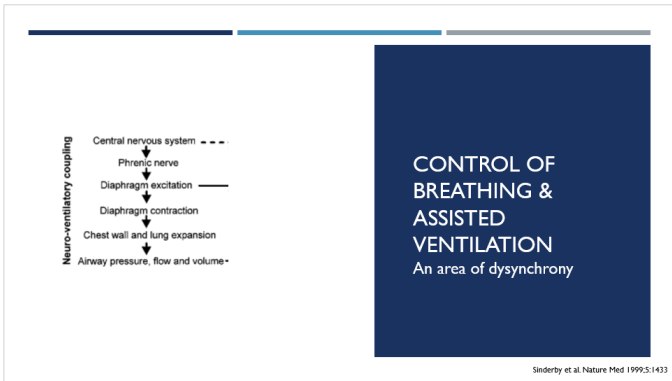
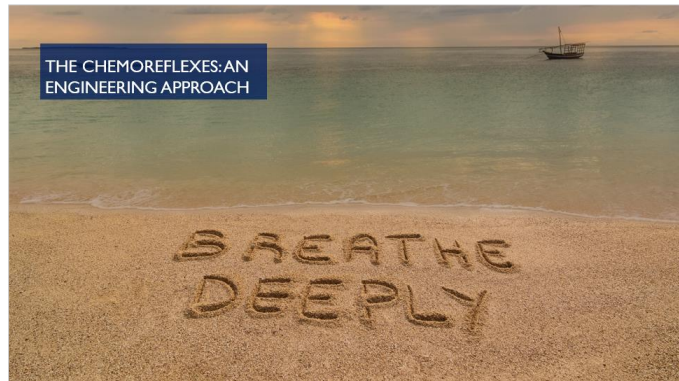
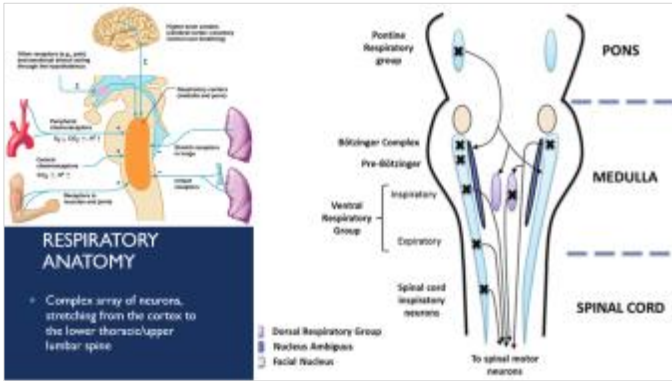


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- ### CONCLUSIONS
- Ventilatory control aims at achieving stable P_{aO_2} , P_{aCO_2} and pH throughout various circumstances during life
 - This task is achieved through complex neural networks, scattered throughout the CNS, but mostly in the medulla
 - Three sources of input: chemoreceptors, mechanoreceptors, central command
 - Different inputs predominate in different circumstances
 - Chemoreception in non-RBM sleep
 - Central command in exercise and RBM sleep
 - High loop-gain systems are unstable (instability expressed as periods of hypoventilation and periods of hyperventilation)
 - Control of breathing is active during assisted mechanical ventilation and necessitate patient-ventilator synchrony (operator's mind)
 - Novel technologies in the area of patient-ventilator synchrony are promising

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PURPOSE OF VENTILATORY CONTROL SYSTEM

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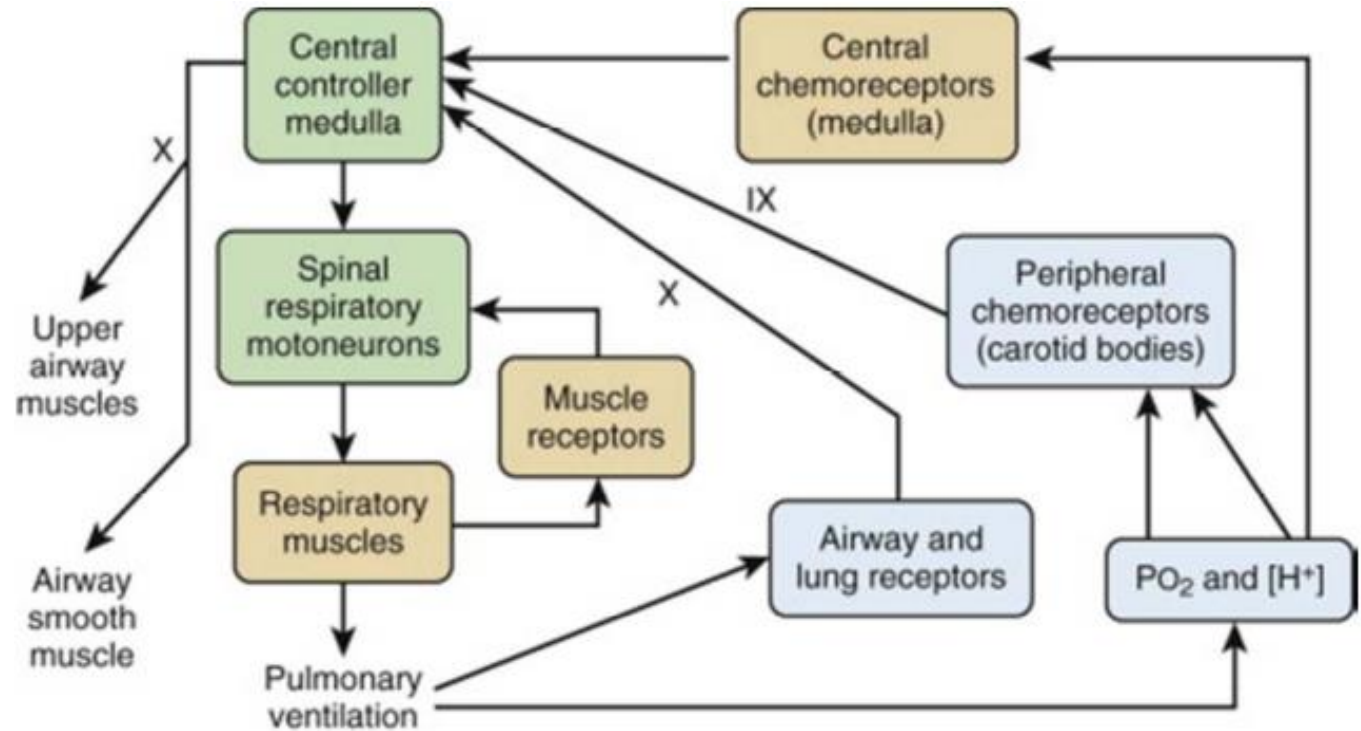
- Regulation of exchange of respiratory and blood gases, particularly arterial PaCO_2 , and maintenance of acid-base status within a relatively narrow range

Blood Gas Analyte	Normal Ranges	Value Meaning and Interpretation
Arterial carbon dioxide partial pressure (PaCO_2)	35–45 mm Hg	An indicator of metabolic production of CO_2 . Hypercapnia refers to an elevated PaCO_2 owing to hypoventilation. Hypocapnia refers to a reduced PaCO_2 owing to hyperventilation.
Arterial oxygen partial pressure (PaO_2)	75–100 mm Hg	Intermittent or sustained reductions in PaO_2 indicate poor oxygenation or hypoxemia.
pH	7.34–7.44	Hydrogen ion concentration [H^+]. Increased levels result in alkalemia ($\text{pH} > 7.45$). Decreased levels result in acidemia ($\text{pH} < 7.35$).
H^+	35–45 nmol/L	$\text{H}^+ > 45$: acidemic or $\text{H}^+ < 35$: Alkalemic.
HCO_3^-	22–26 mEq/L	Bicarbonate ion (HCO_3^-) is a blood CO_2 -buffering electrolyte. Low HCO_3^- results in metabolic acidosis. High HCO_3^- results in metabolic alkalosis.

- while minimizing the work & metabolic cost of each breath

OVERVIEW OF THE VENTILATORY CONTROL SYSTEM

- Simple purpose: Control of
 - pH
 - $p\text{CO}_2$
 - $p\text{O}_2$
- Complex process
- Central & peripheral chemoreceptors
- Proprioceptive information (Peripheral pulmonary stretch receptors)
- Central command (not depicted)



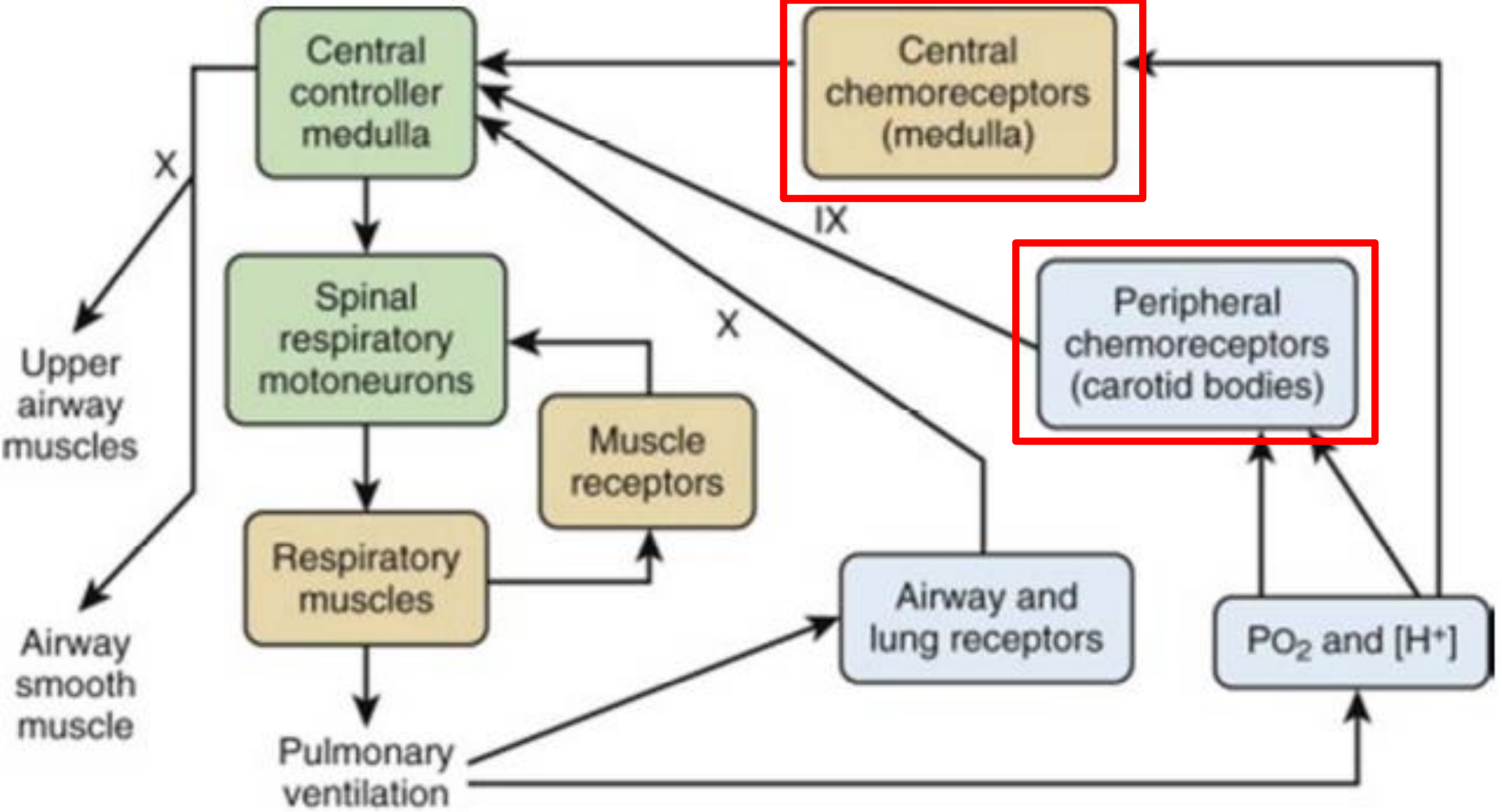
PRE-REQUISITES OF AN EFFECTIVE VENTILATORY CONTROL SYSTEM

(central medullary)
rhythm/pattern generator &
integrator

extensive sensory inputs to the
central integrator

precise synchronous distribution
of motor output

- respiratory musculature of upper airways
- chest & abdominal wall musculature





INPUTS TO THE VENTILATORY CONTROL SYSTEM

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**Corneille
Heymans
(1892-1968)**

• Provides visceral sensory

innervation for the:

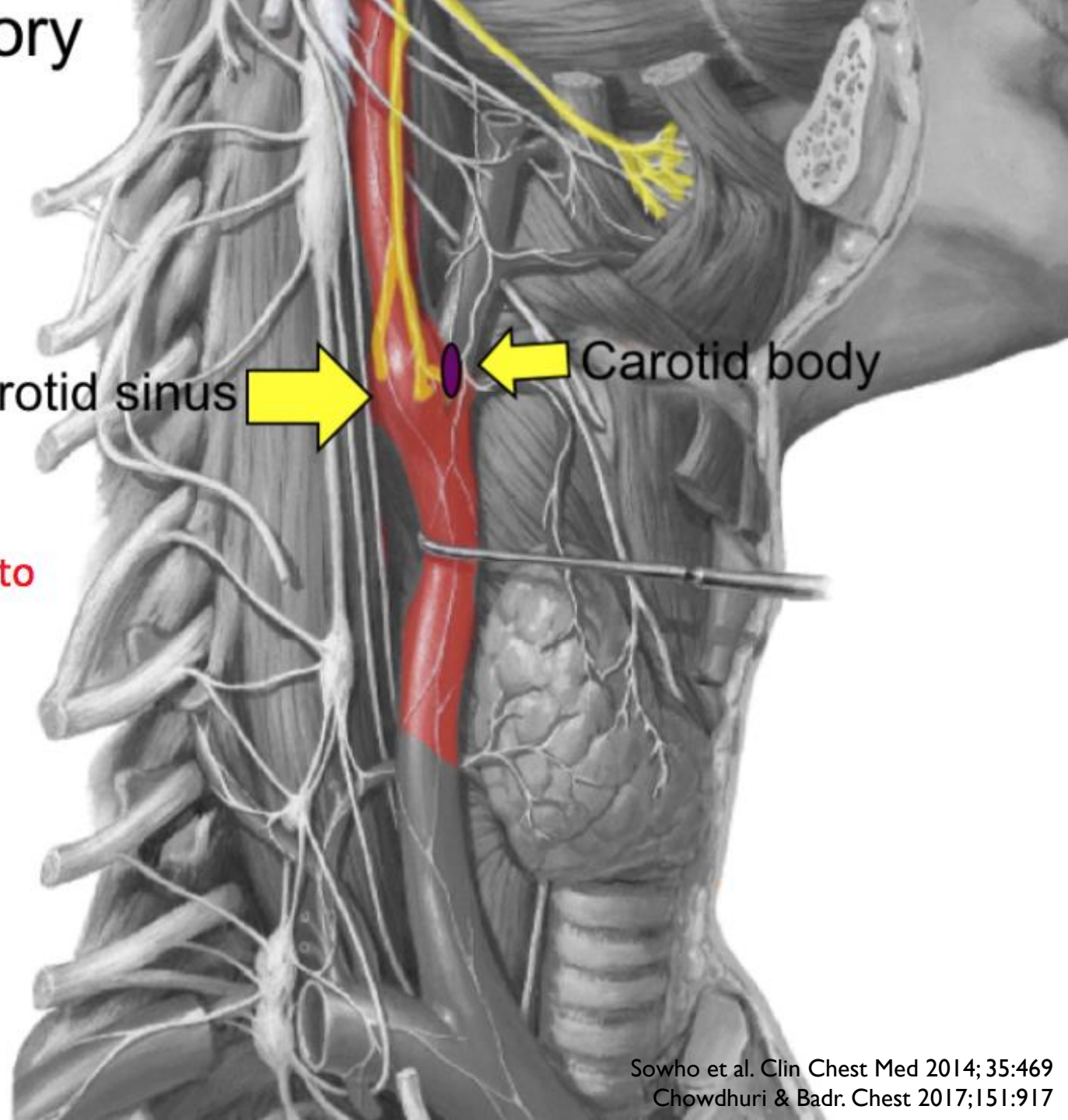
CAROTID BODY

- Located in bifurcation of carotid artery
- Highly vascular
- Highly sensitive to PaO_2 , PaCO_2 and pH glomus cells
- Interconnected with central chemoreceptors

Carotid sinus



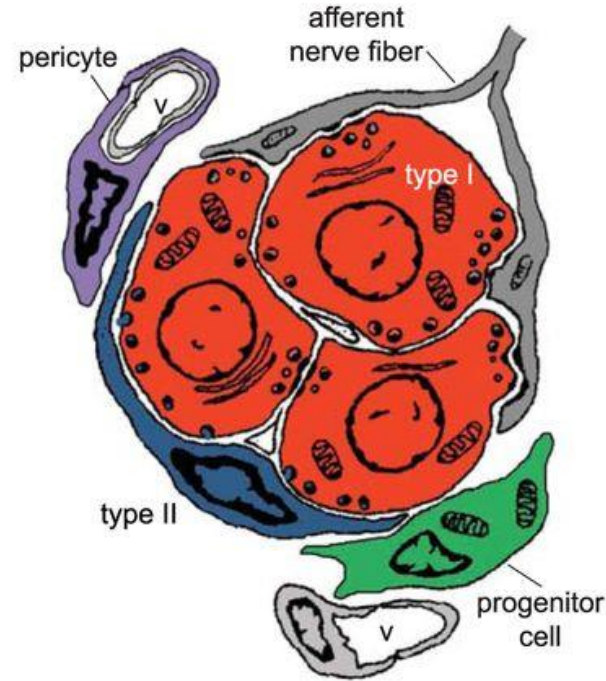
Carotid body



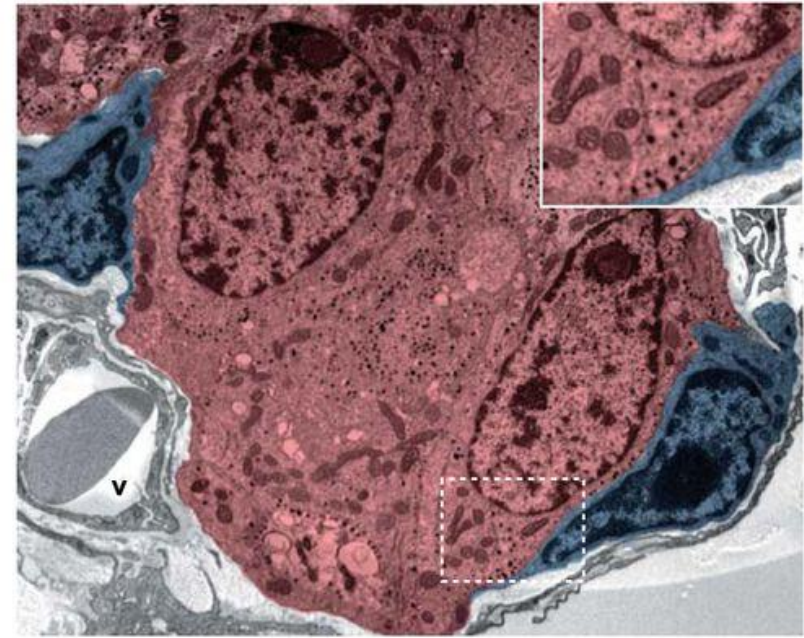
A Human carotid artery bifurcation



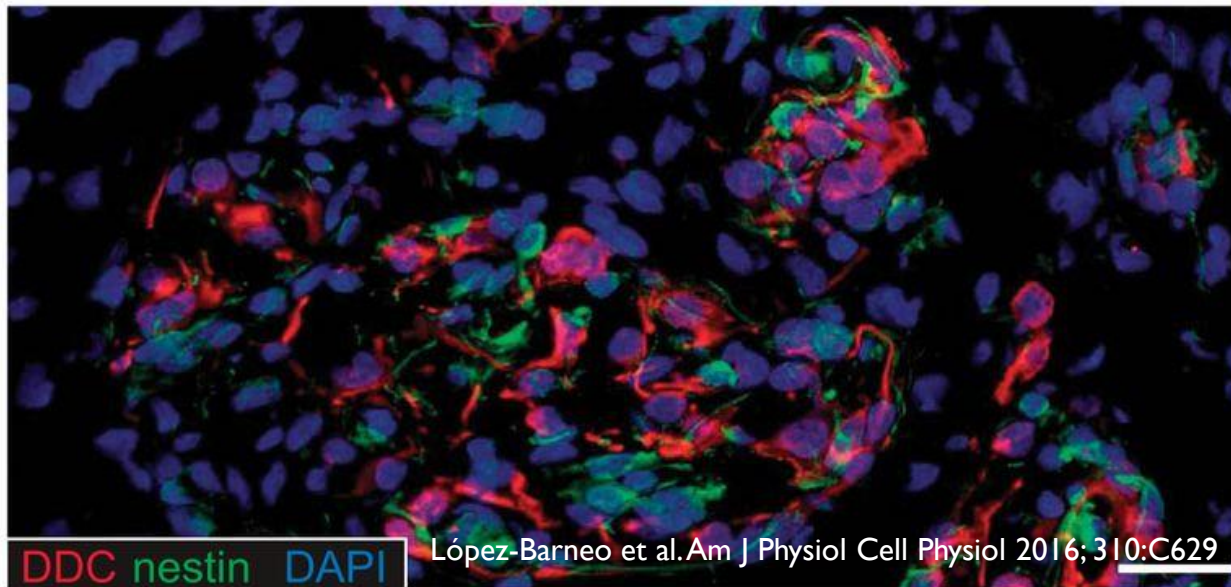
B Carotid body glomerulus



C Carotid body electron microscopy

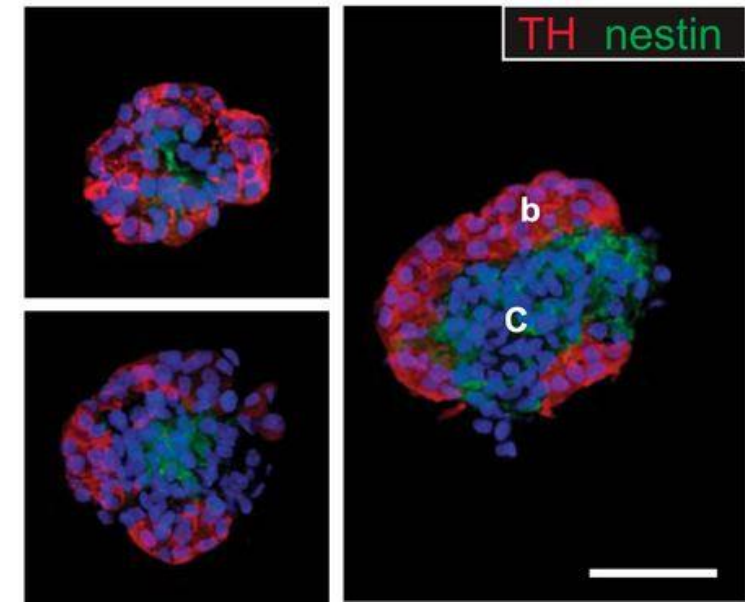


D Human carotid body neurogenic niche

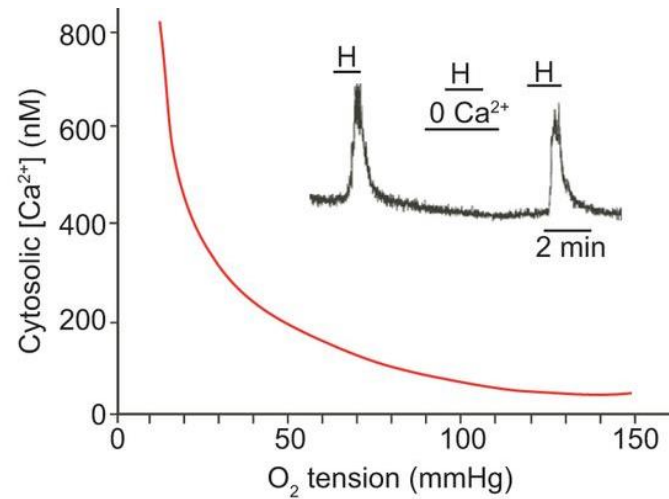
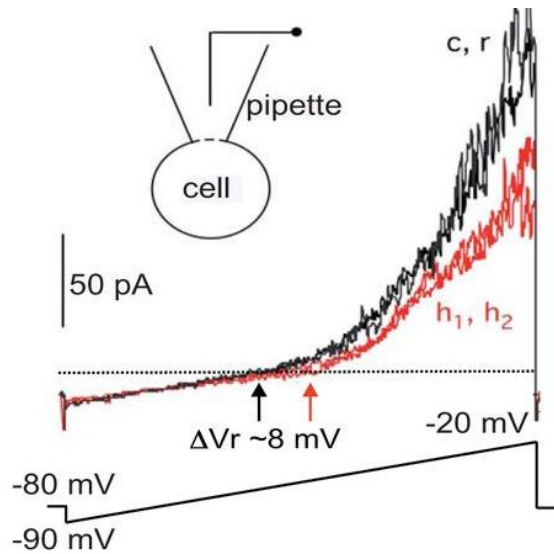


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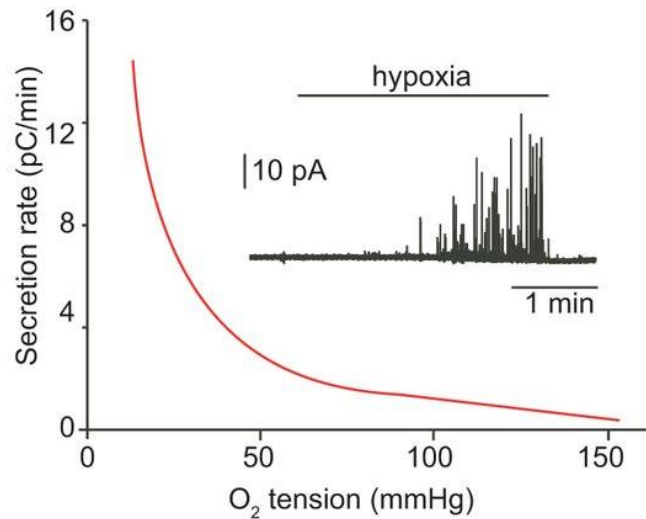
E Rat carotid body neurospheres



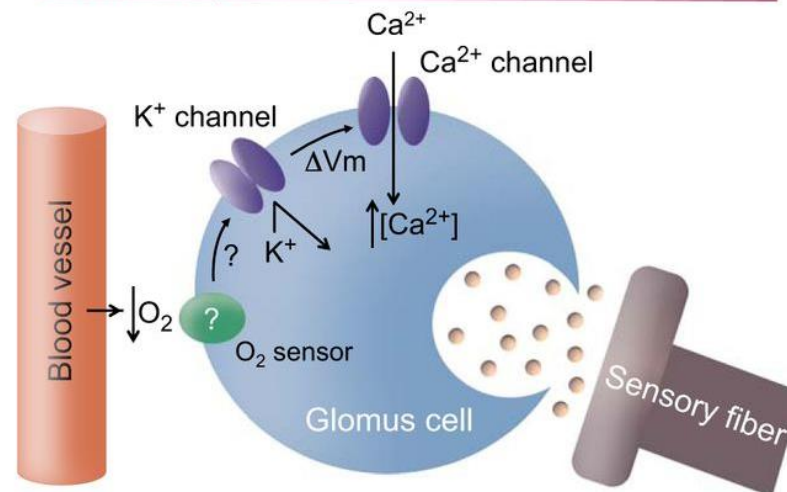
CAROTID BODY FUNCTION OXYGEN SENSING

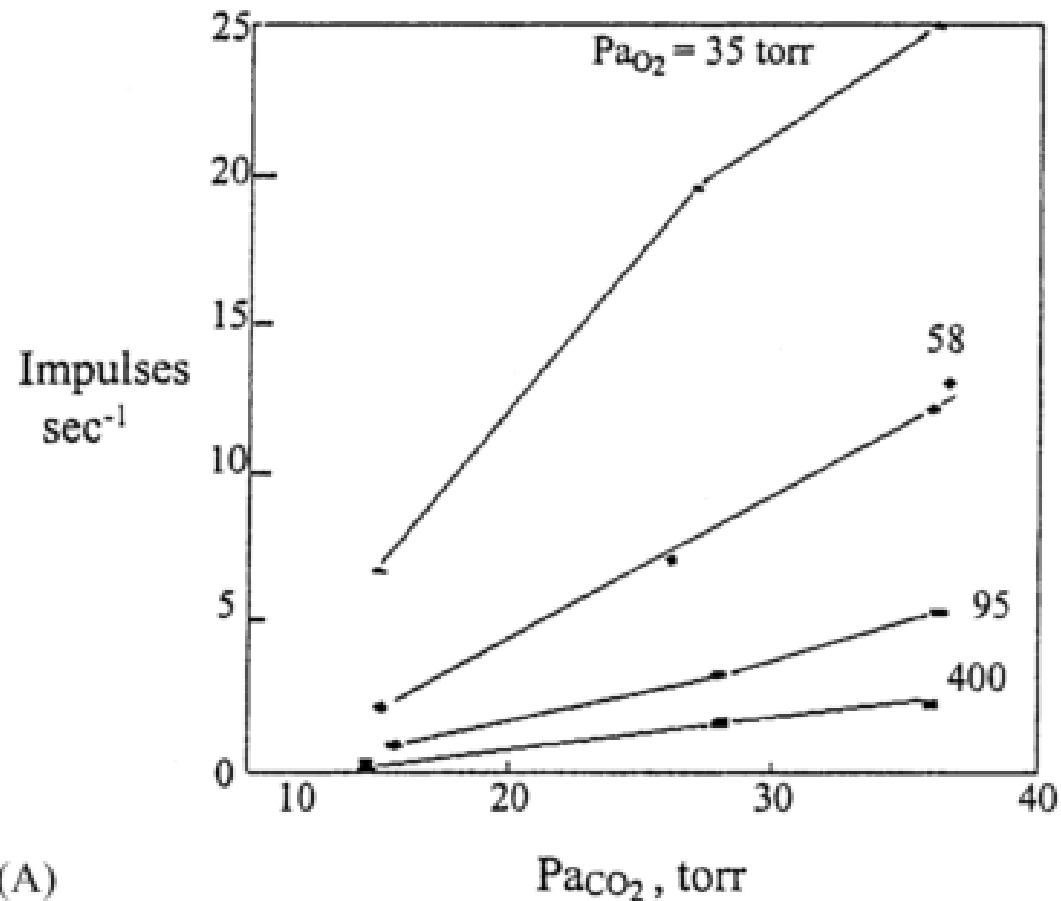


C Secretory response to hypoxia



D Membrane model of acute O₂-sensing by arterial chemoreceptors





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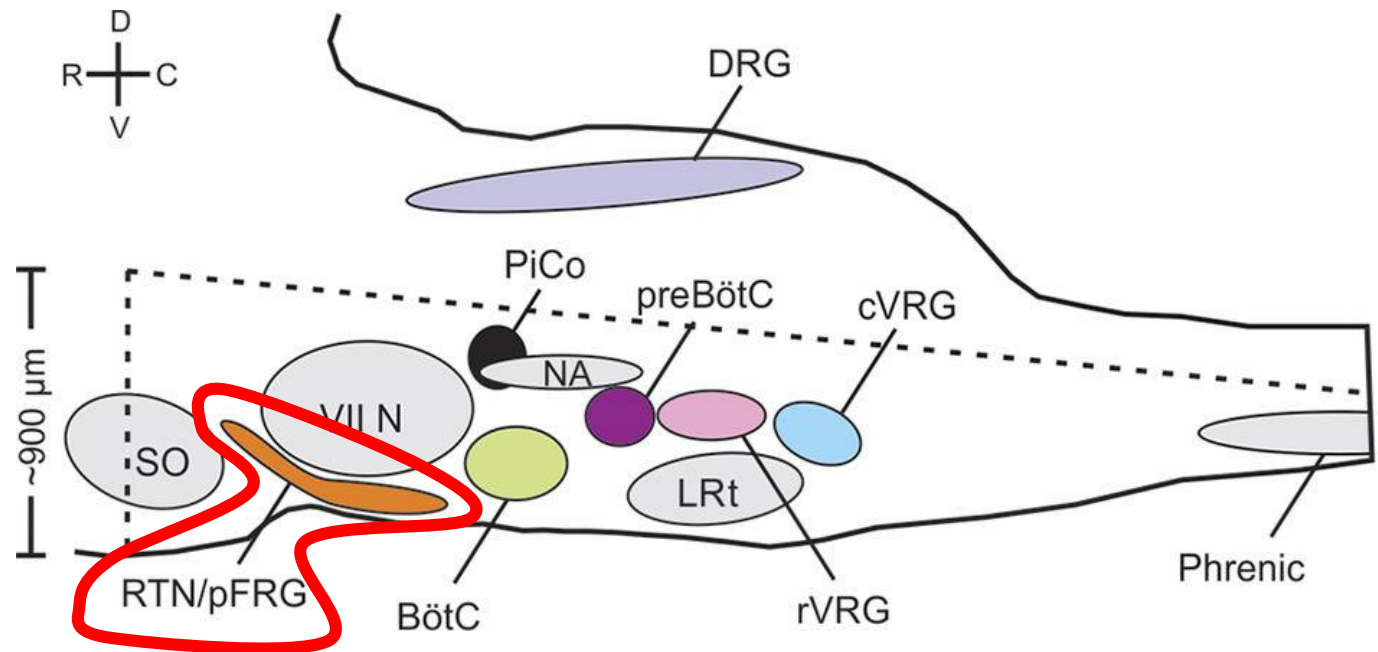
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Effects on carotid chemoreceptors activities of PaCO_2 changes, at given levels of PaO_2

CAROTID BODY FUNCTION RESPONSE TO CO_2

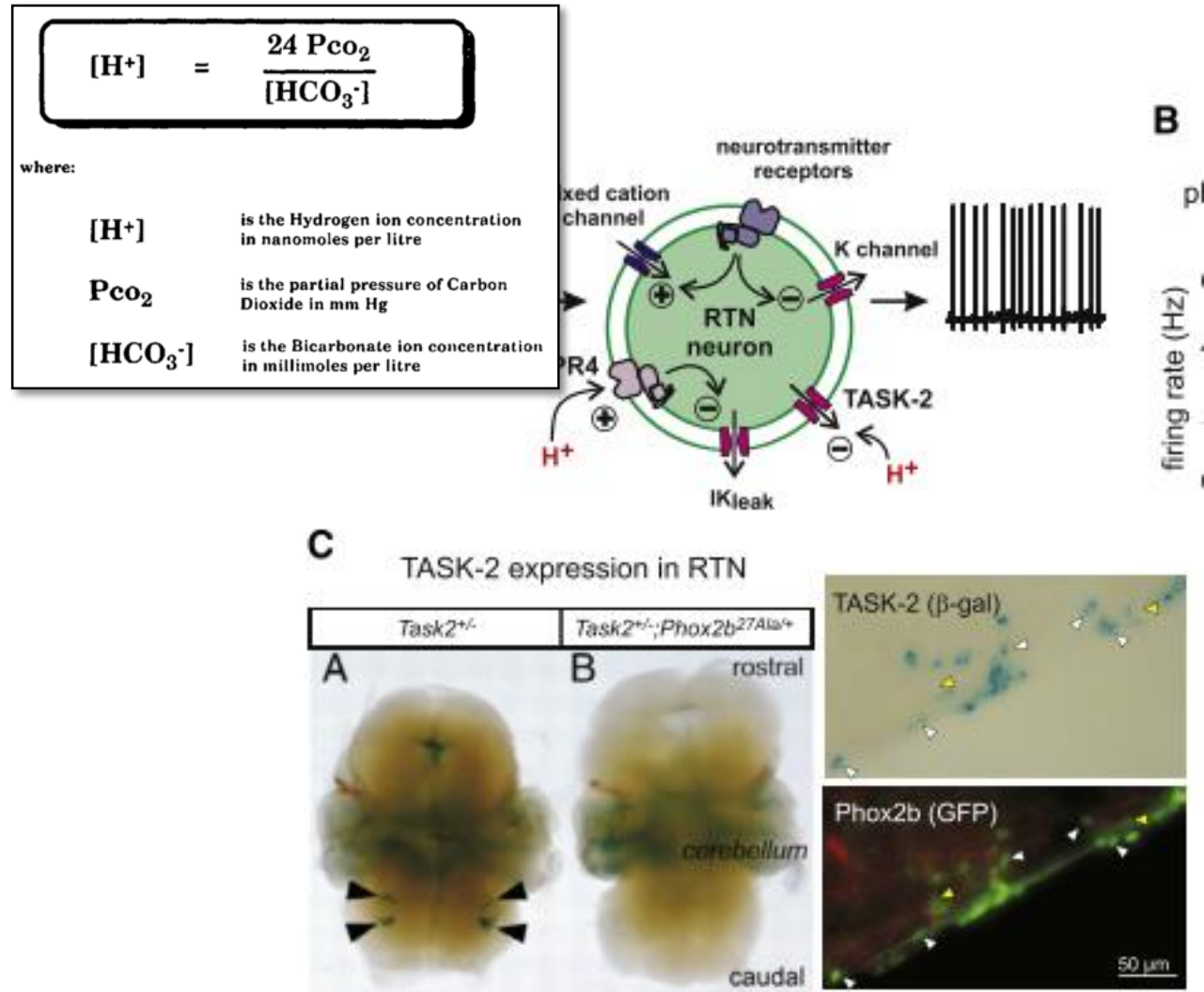
CENTRAL CHEMORECEPTION

- **Retrotrapezoid nucleus/parafacial region** (central chemoreceptors)
- **Botzinger complex** (expiratory neurons that modulate respiratory rhythm)
- **Pre-BotC** (core respiratory rhythm-generating circuit)
- **Rostral VRG** (inspiratory activities control)
- **Caudal VRG** (expiratory activities control)

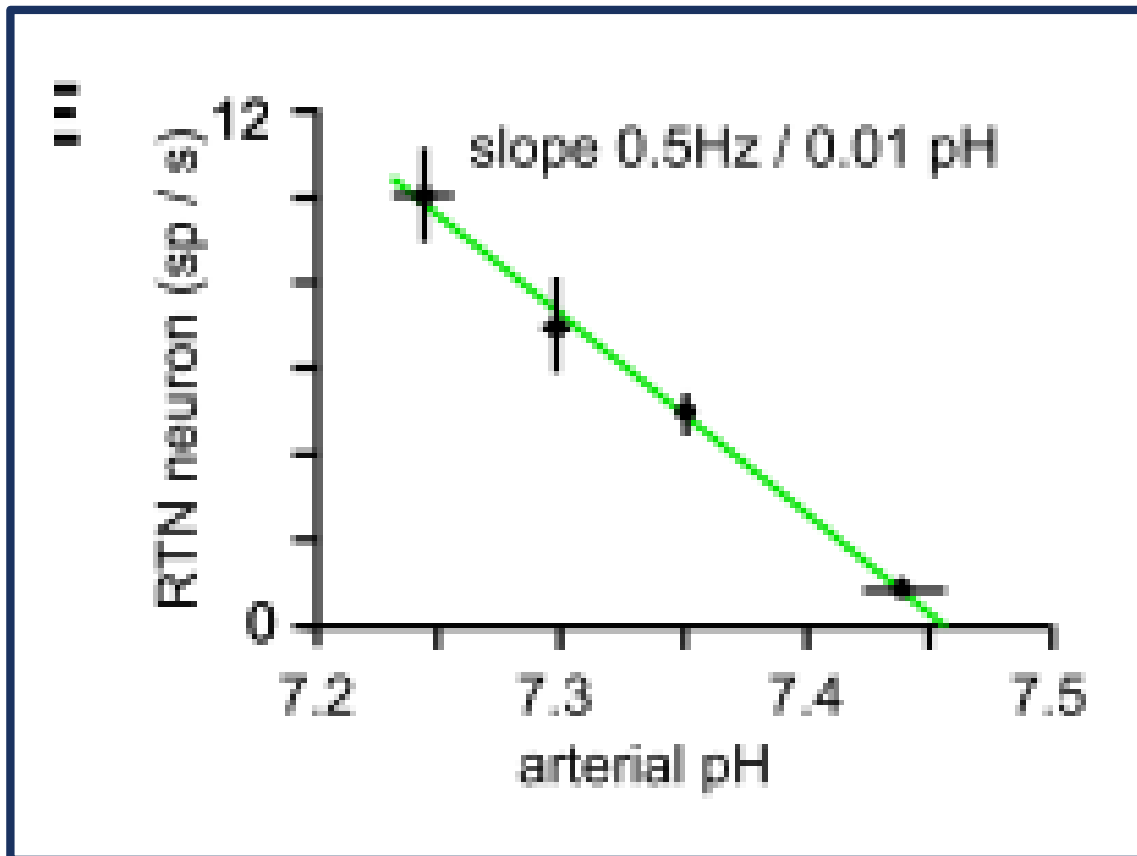


RETROTRAPEZOID NUCLEUS pH SENSING

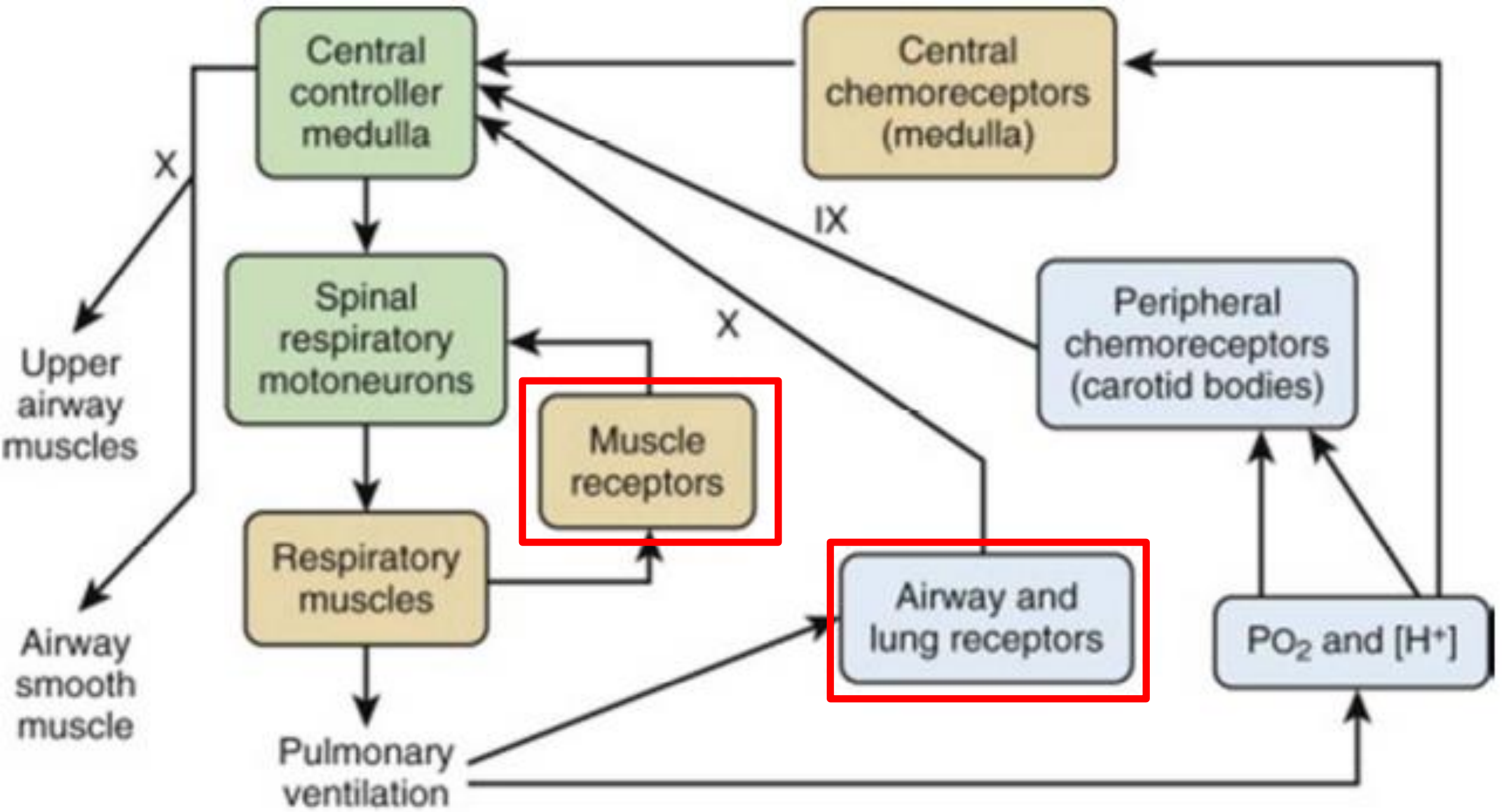
- $CO_2 + H_2O \leftrightarrow H_2CO_3 \leftrightarrow H^+ + HCO_3^-$
- effects of CO_2 on breathing are presumably mediated via changes in $[H^+]$
- (at least) two molecular proton detectors:
 - TASK-2
 - GPR4



RETROTRAPEZOID NUCLEUS



- This picture shows the current generated by RTN neurons according to pH (Low pH → High current)



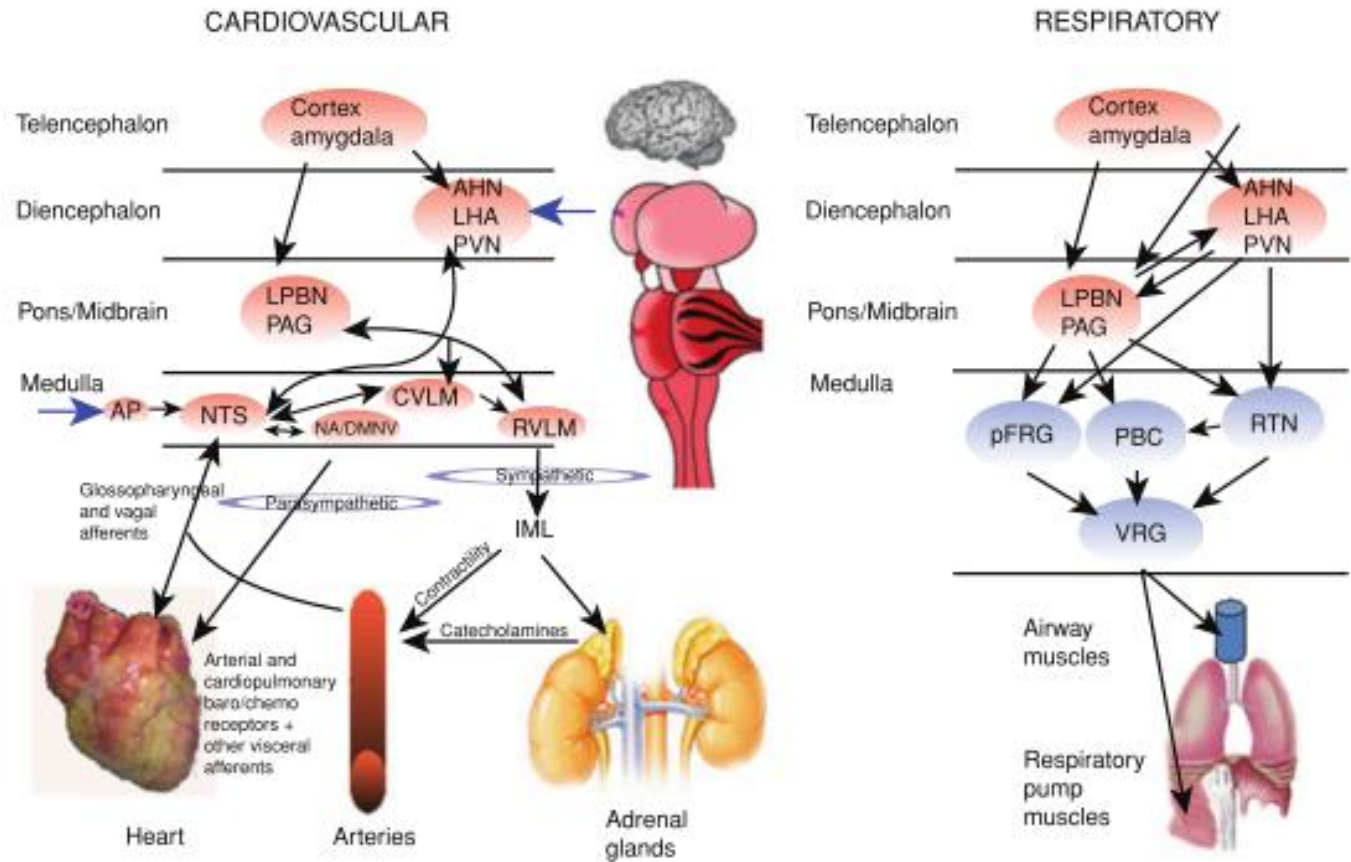
RECEPTORS OF THE RESPIRATORY SYSTEM

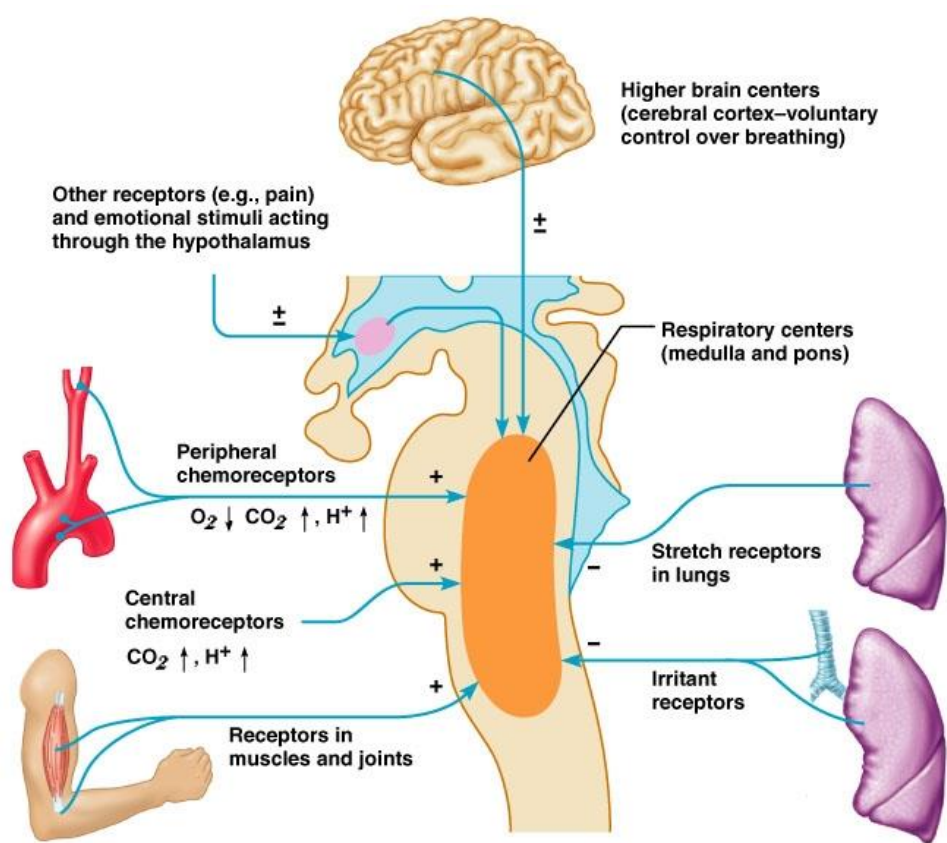
Sensor Type	Location	Action	
Chemoreceptors			
Central	pH-sensitive membrane bound proteins	Ventrolateral medulla	Signal respiratory efferent neurons for control of eupneic breathing; contribute to ~75% of the ventilatory response to small change in P_{aCO_2}
Peripheral	Glomus cells sensitive to PaO_2 , pH, and P_{aCO_2} sensitive	Carotid body, aortic body	Combined ~25% of the chemical control of ventilation; afferent signal of glossopharyngeal and vagus nerves
Lung and airway mechanoreceptors			
Stretch	Myelinated afferent fibers sensitive to pressure	Airway smooth muscle and extrapulmonary airway	Increased firing by elevated bronchial transmural pressure; afferent transmission via vagus nerve
Irritant	Myelinated afferent fibers stimulated chemically by nitrogen dioxide, sulfur dioxide, ammonia, inhaled antigens	Airway epithelial cells	Cough, bronchoconstriction, apnea and glottal closure
Unmyelinated C fibers	Unmyelinated afferent fibers and local receptors stimulated by chemical irritants	Lung interstitium and alveolar walls	Vagal afferent signal causing irritation, burning and choking sensations; localized vasodilation and mucosal swelling
Chest wall mechanoreceptors			
Joint	Receptors responding to deep pressure, stress or change in position	Joint capsules and associated ligaments	Proprioception of rib movement during inspiration and expiration
Muscle spindle	Stretch-sensitive nerve fibers imbedded in muscles	Muscle fibers of intercostal and abdominal wall muscles	Spindle afferent fibers project to the cerebral cortex; posture and rib cage stabilization response to increases in airway resistance or by decreases in lung compliance
Tendon organs	Branched nerve endings respond to stretch	Tendons	Response proportion to stimulus; causes relaxation of the attached muscle

- 3 types of (mechanosensors):
 - C-fiber receptors
 - Rapidly Adapting Receptors (RARs, sustained activation to irritants)
 - Slowly Adapting Receptors (SARs, responsible for iHBr)
- Hering-Breuer reflex (1868): Lung inflation suppresses inspiratory activity and promotes expiration (Hering-Breuer inflation reflex, iHBr), where lung deflation stimulates inspiratory efforts by increasing respiratory rate and inspiratory force (Hering-Breuer deflation reflex, dHBr)
- Mediation via the vagal myelinated pathway

CENTRAL COMMAND

- Central command refers to the influence of brain structures involved in locomotion on the respiratory network

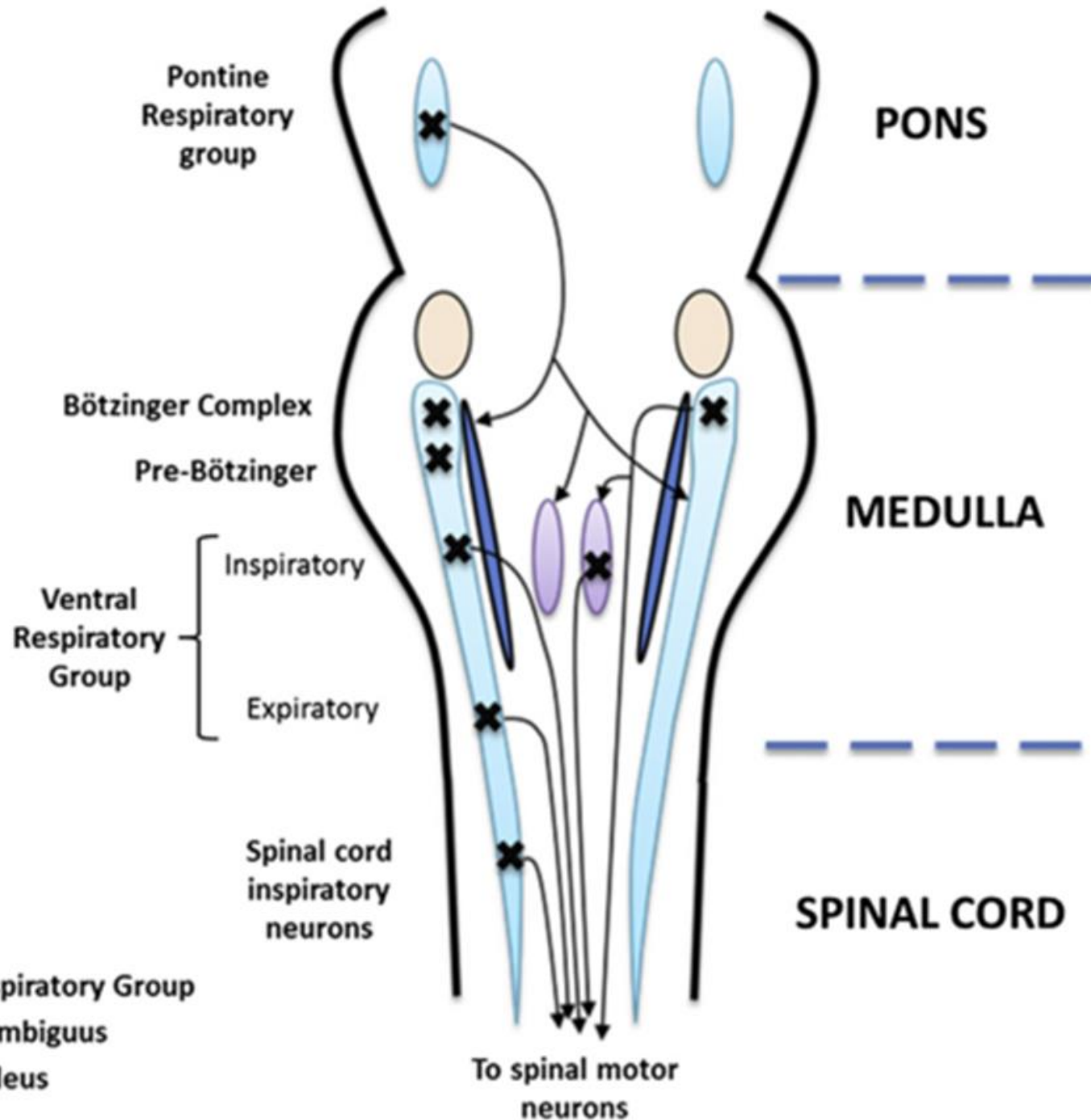


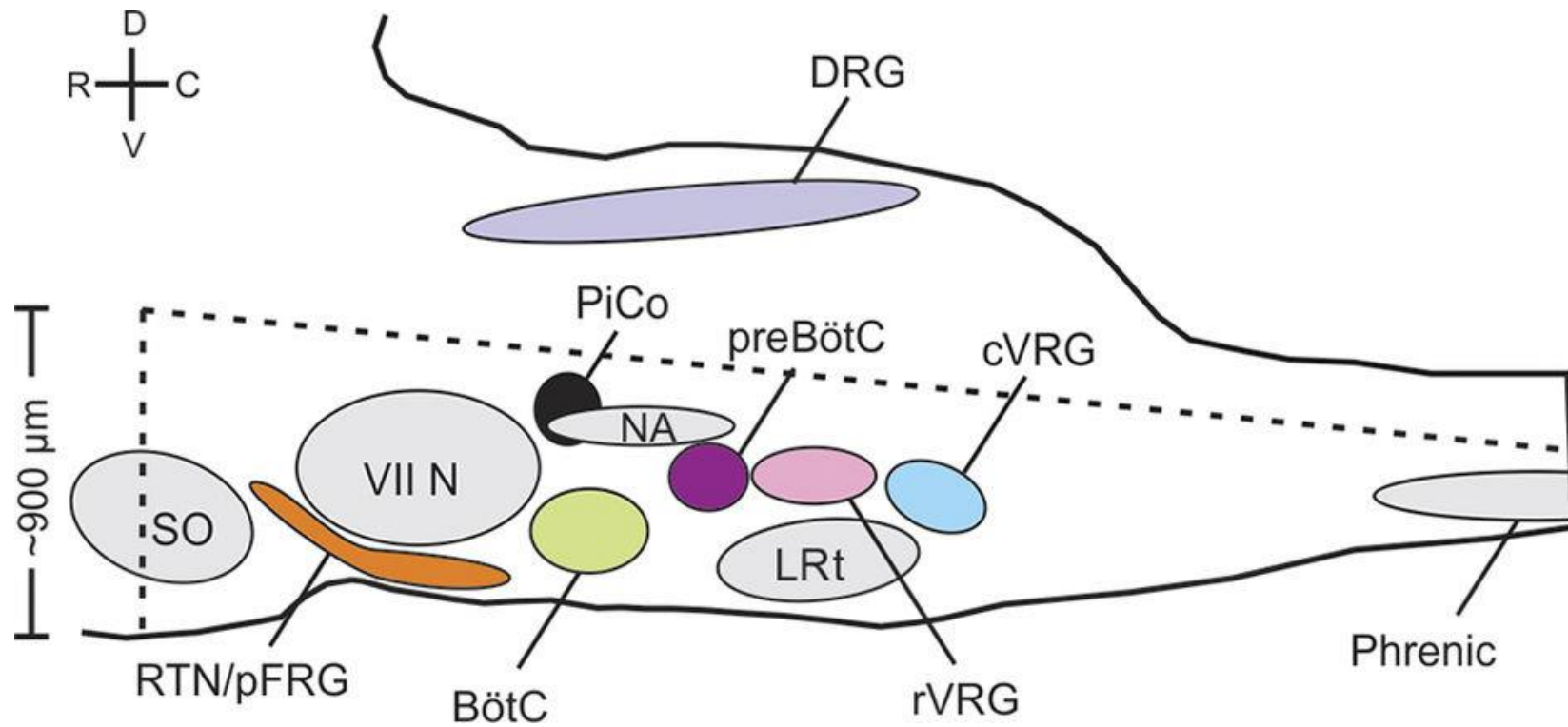


RESPIRATORY ANATOMY

- Complex array of neurons, stretching from the cortex to the lower thoracic/upper lumbar spine

- Dorsal Respiratory Group
- Nucleus Ambiguus
- Facial Nucleus



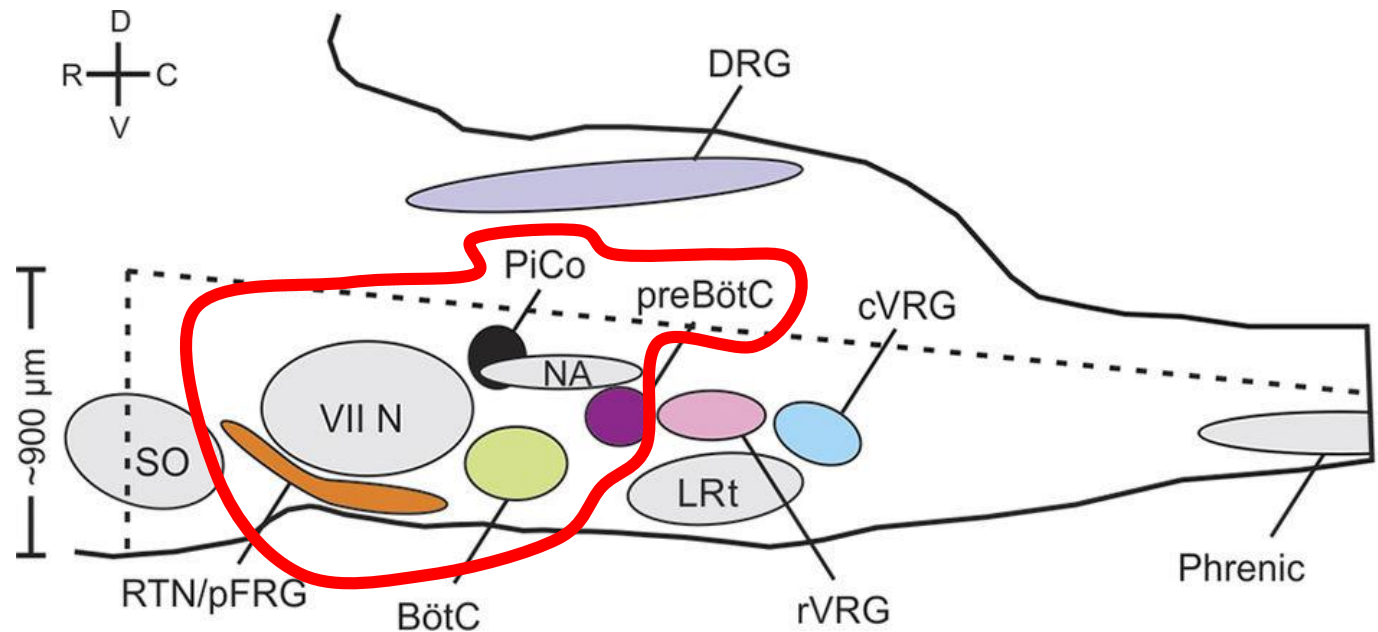


Various types of inspiratory and expiratory neurons

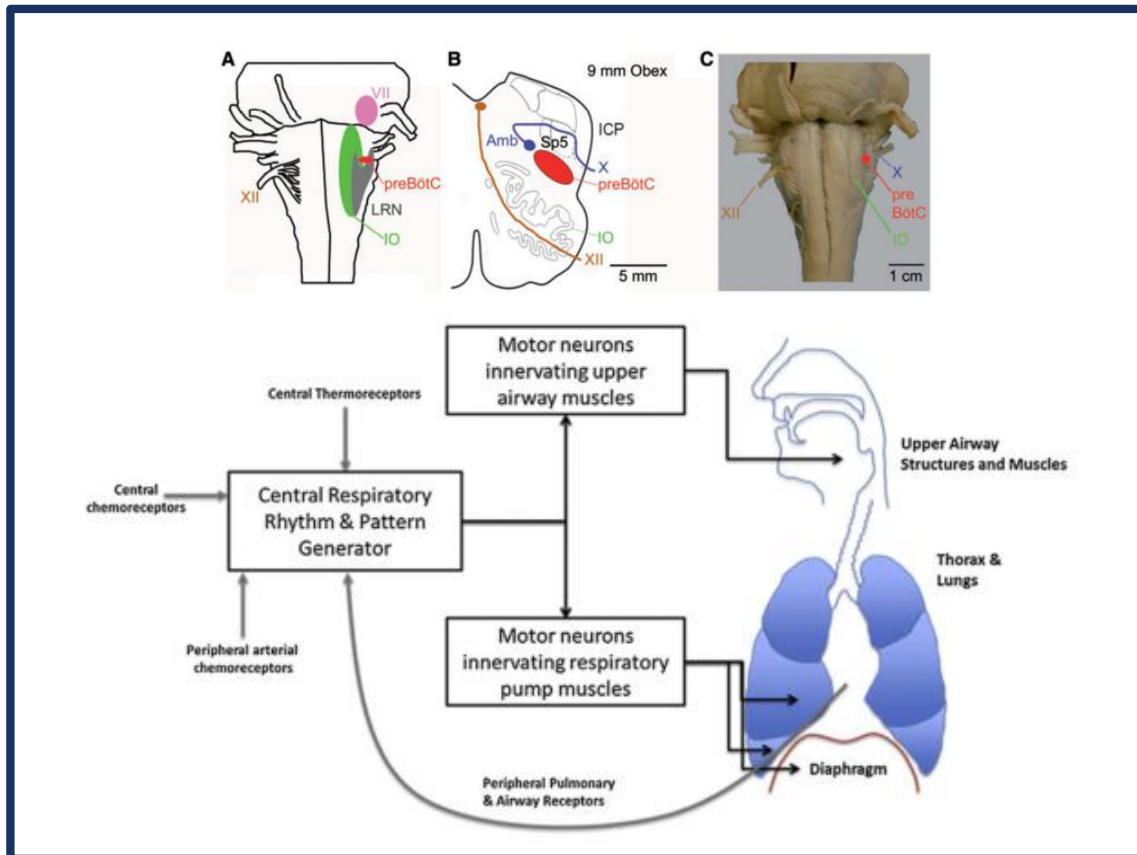
VENTRAL RESPIRATORY COLUMN (VRC)

ROSTRAL VENTRAL RESPIRATORY COLUMN

- **Retrotrapezoidal nucleus**
 - Central chemoreception
- **Botzinger complex**
 - expiratory neurons that modulate respiratory rhythm
- **Pre-Botzinger Complex**
 - core respiratory rhythm-generating circuit
- **Parafacial Respiratory Group**
 - Expiratory rhythm generator



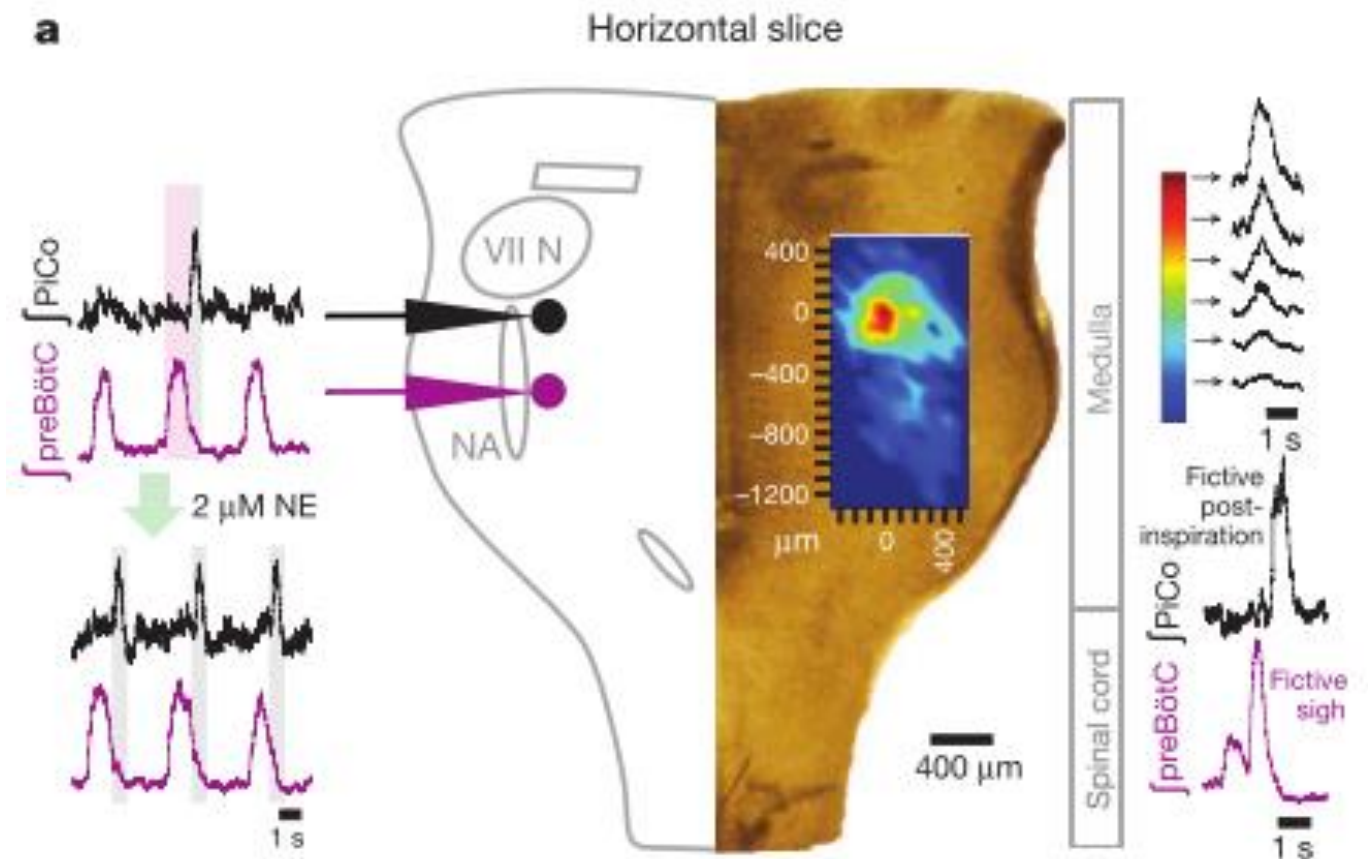
(OSCILLATING) CENTRAL RESPIRATORY GENERATOR



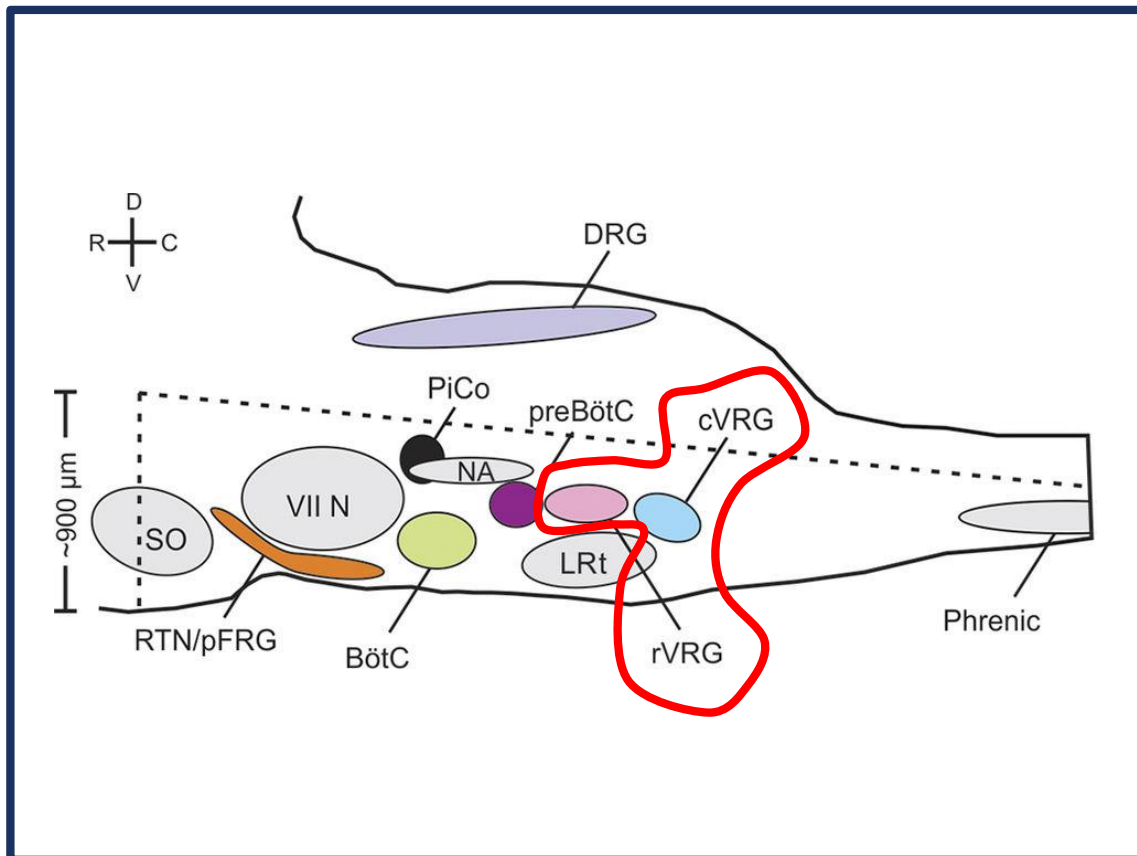
- Pre-Botzinger complex (Smith, 1991)
 - spontaneous inspiratory rhythm generator
- (respiratory) Parafacial respiratory group (Onimaru & Homma, 2003)
 - likely rhythm generator for active expiration
- Produces:
 - Respiratory drive (tonic activity)
 - based on peripheral & central chemoreception
 - Respiratory rhythm (phasic activity)
 - Inspiratory premotor VRG & DRG neurons → phrenic and intercostal neurons
- Inspiration termination: Projections from the Botzinger complex
- During expiration, pharyngeal muscles receive tonic projections from reticular formation

CONTROL OF POST-INSPIRATORY ACTIVITY

- Post-inspiratory Complex (PiCO)
- excitatory and rhythmogenic neuronal population that is specifically active during postinspiration
- might also contribute to the generation of other postinspiratory behaviours such as swallowing and vocalization



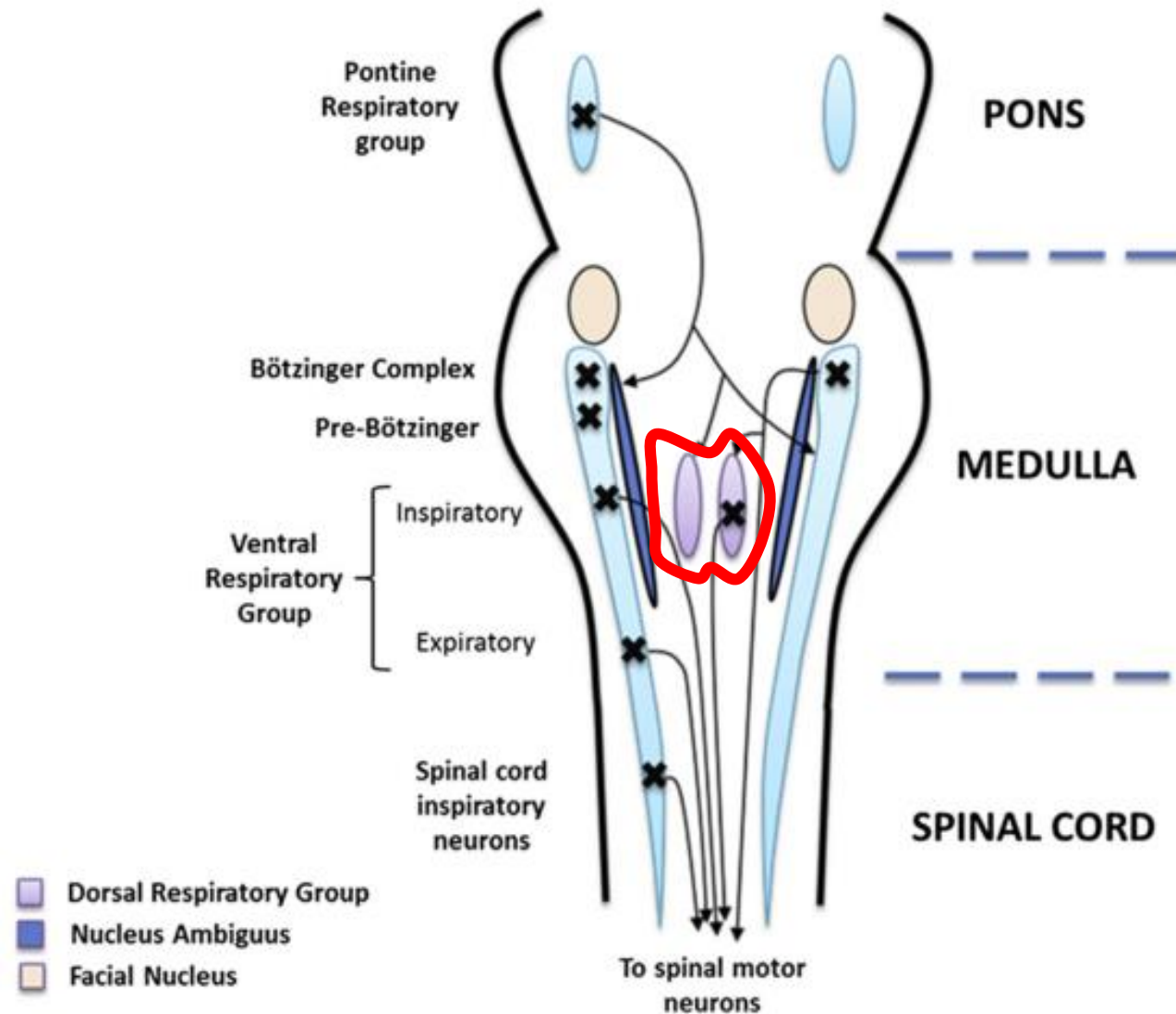
CAUDAL VENTRAL RESPIRATORY COLUMN



- Ventral Respiratory Group (VRG)
 - Rostral VRG: inspiratory neurons
 - Projections to phrenic nucleus and the cervical spine group
 - Caudal VRG: expiratory neurons
 - innervation of abdominal and expiratory internal intercostal motoneurons

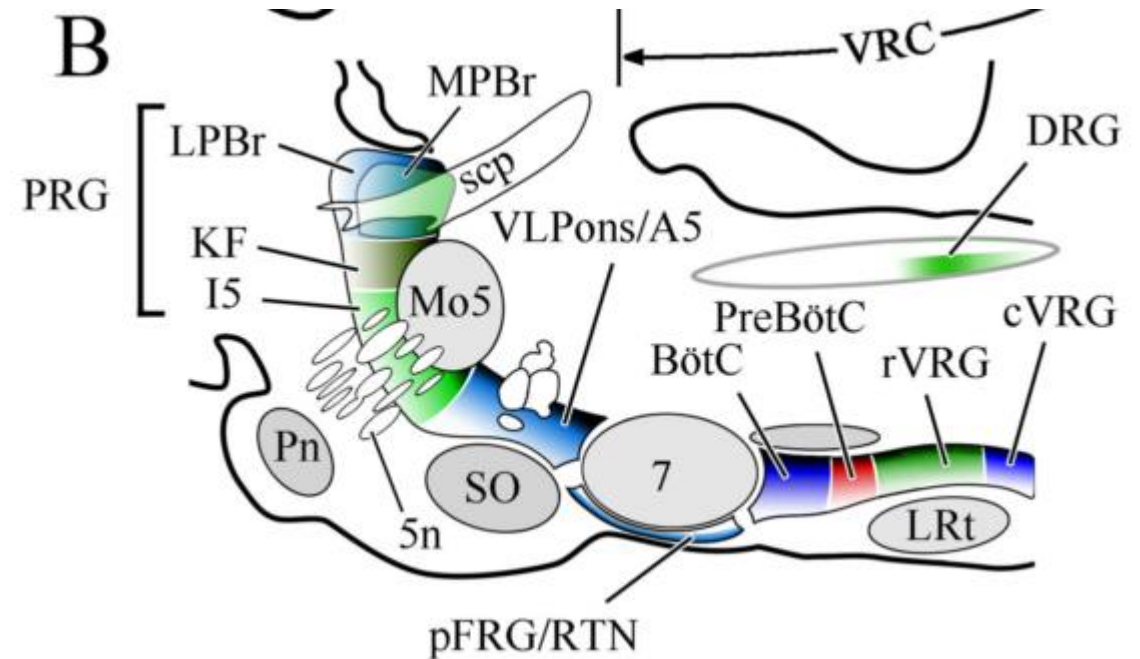
DORSAL RESPIRATORY GROUP

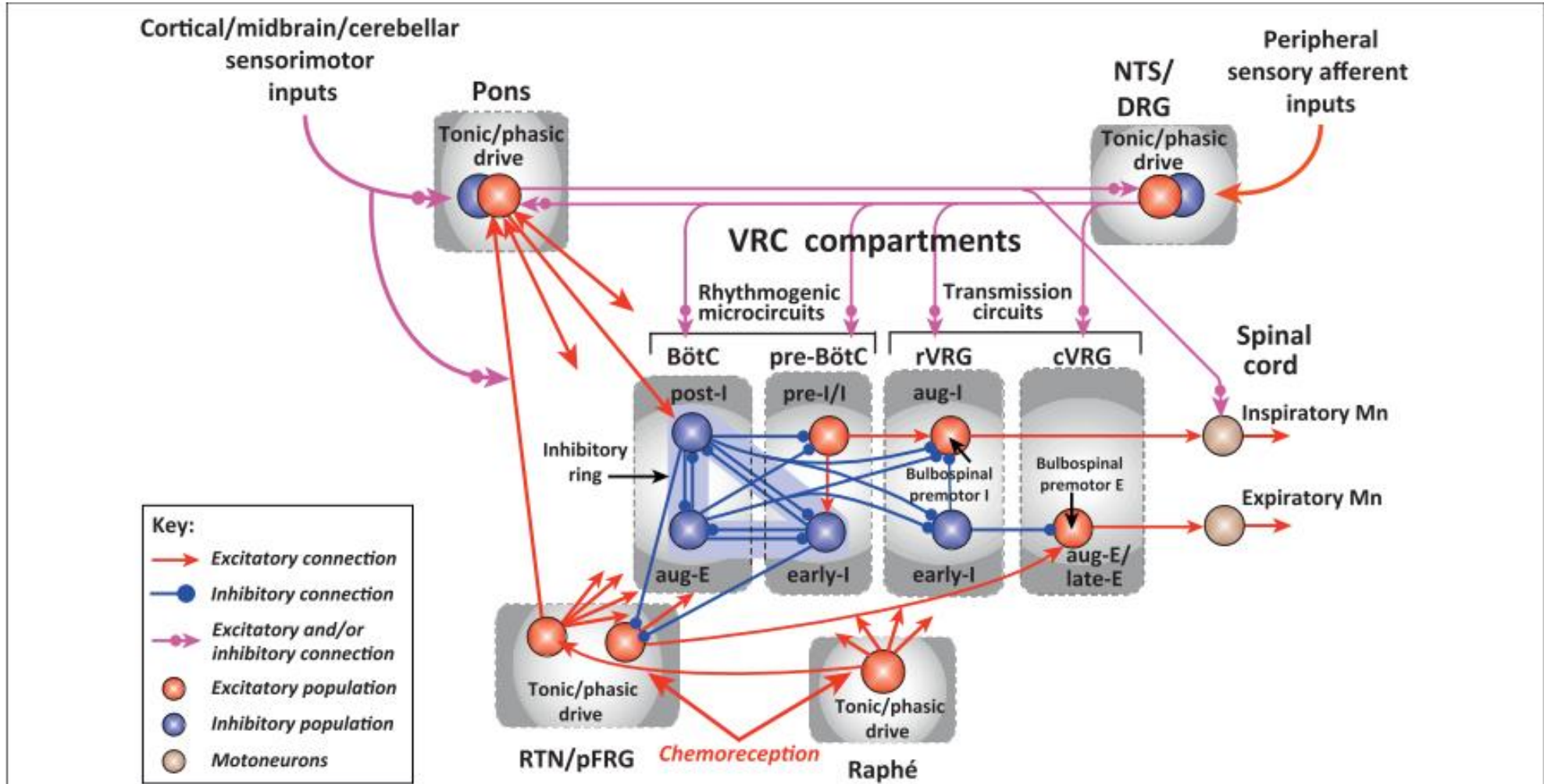
- Caudal third of the nucleus of the solitary tract (cNTS)
- Principal site of termination for sensory afferents
- First step in brain's processing of info from the periphery
- Mostly inspiratory neurons
- Connected with phrenic nucleus

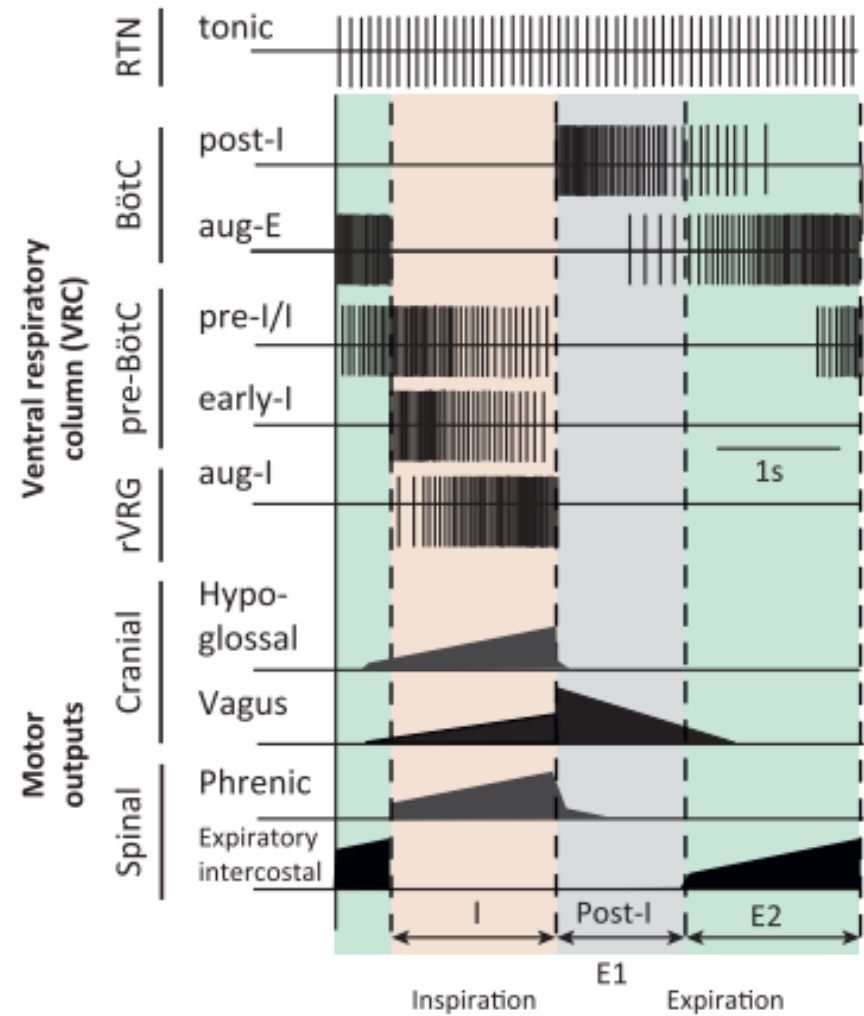


PONTINE RESPIRATORY GROUP

- Kolliker-Fuse & parabrachial nuclei
- Regulation of airway resistance (Kolliker-Fuse nucleus)
- Termination of RTN neurons
- Reflex and higher order CNS control of breathing
- Inspiratory-expiratory phase transition (KF)
- Dynamic control of airway patency (KF)
- Vagal and glossopharyngeal afferent inputs







TRENDS in Neurosciences



BREATHING CONTROL IN EXERCISE & SLEEP

TRIGGERING OF EXERCISE HYPERPNEA

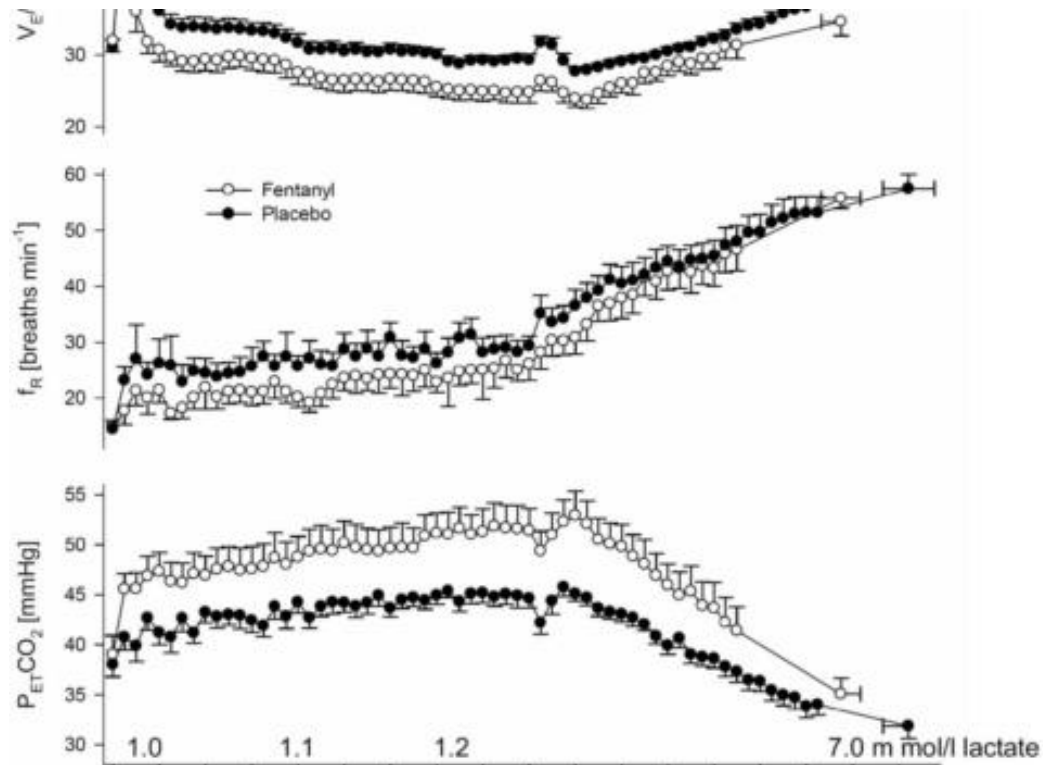
- Evidence of **central command** feedforward stimulus
 - Anticipatory hyperventilation
 - Immediate ventilatory increase at exercise onset
 - Hyperventilation responses in hypnotized humans with 'suggested exercise'
 - increased 'locomotor' drive accompanied by increased ventilatory responses

THE REGULATION OF RESPIRATION AND CIRCULATION DURING THE INITIAL STAGES OF MUSCULAR WORK. BY A. KROGH AND J. LINDHARD.

(From the Laboratory of Zoophysiology, University of Copenhagen.)

IN the present paper we propose to describe the changes in ventilation, blood flow, pulse rate, respiratory exchange and alveolar CO₂ tension taking place in man during the first few minutes of light or heavy work and we shall attempt further an inquiry into the mechanism of these changes. The experiments have been made by means of the bicycle ergometer and respiration apparatus described in another paper¹ in which also the main parts of the technique employed have been set forth in detail.

EXERCISE HYPERPNEA



Muscle afferent feedback

- Thinly myelinated afferents (mechanical distortion and/or metabolite accumulation)
- Dorsal horn of spinal cord → Solitary Tract Nucleus → Ventral Respiratory Column

**VENTILATION
CONTROL
DURING SLEEP**



BREATHING CONTROL DURING SLEEP (NON-REM)

Ventilation becomes dependent on chemoreceptor and mechanoreceptor stimuli



Reduced activity of upper airway dilators → upper airway narrowing



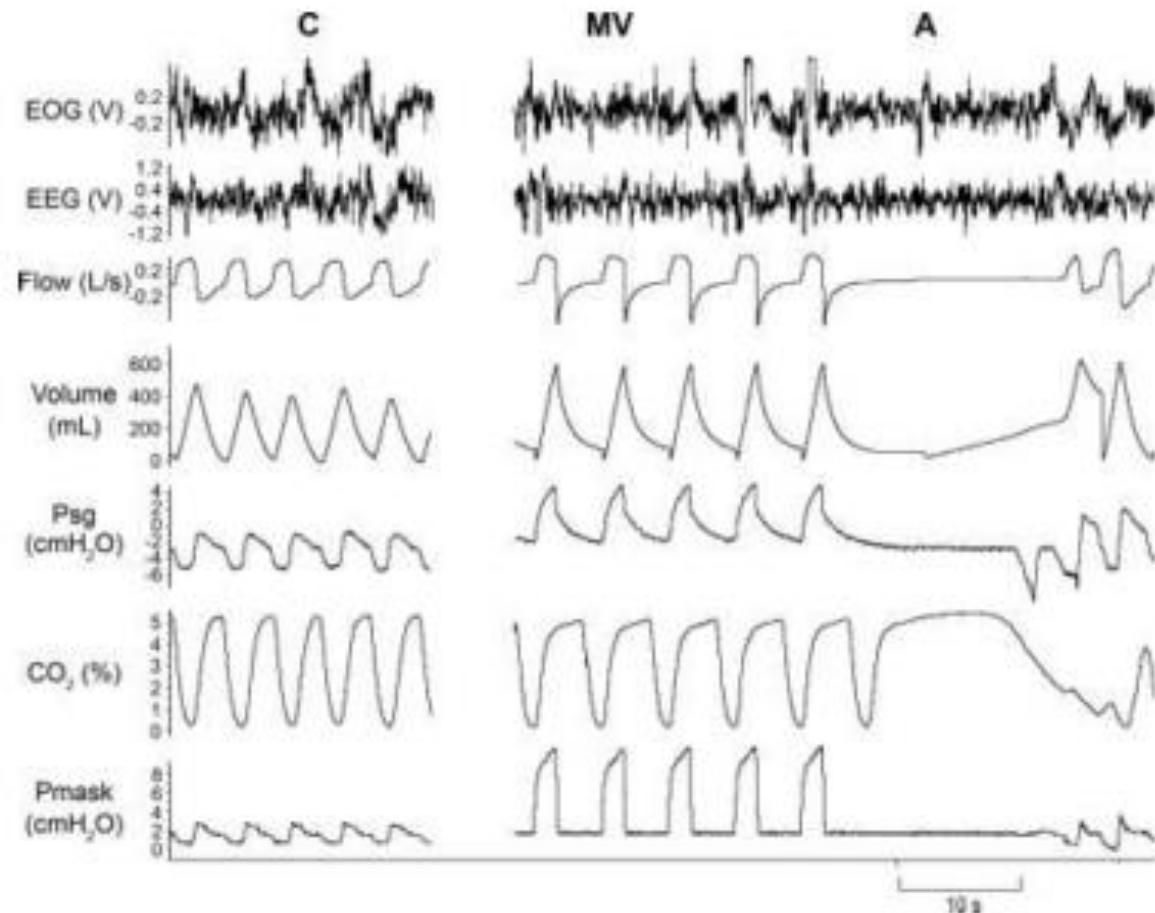
Absence of load compensation



Ventilation decrease -
PaCO₂ increased

APNEA THRESHOLD

- *CO₂ Reserve: Eupneic PaCO₂ – Apnea Threshold*



BREATHING CONTROL DURING SLEEP (REM)

- Ventilation is under predominantly behavioral rather than metabolic control (insensitive to PaCO_2 changes)
 - Central sleep apnea uncommon
- Retrotrapezoid nucleus no longer controls breathing frequency during REM sleep (controls Tidal Volume, however)

THE CHEMOREFLEXES: AN
ENGINEERING APPROACH

BREATHE
DEEPLY







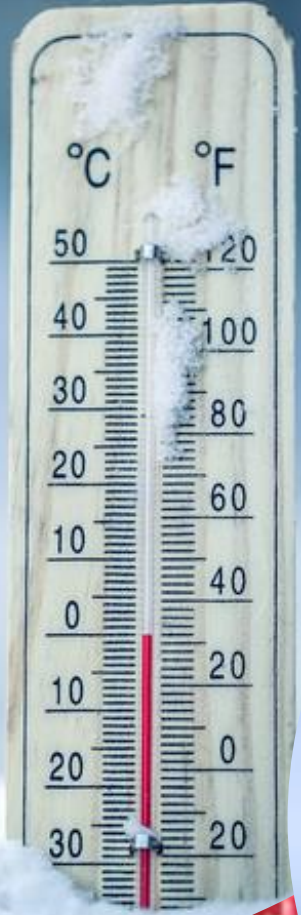
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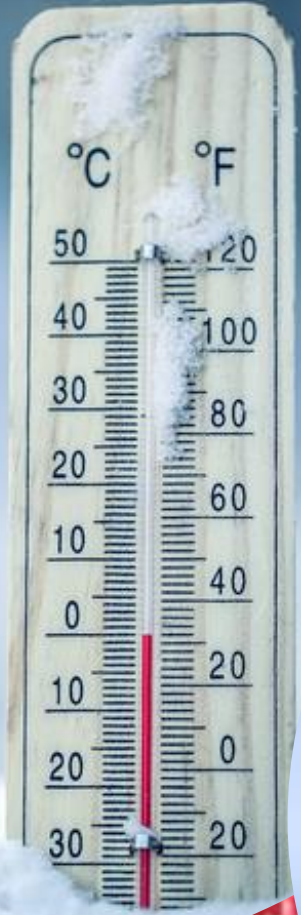
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 - Την ιδιότητα του καλοριφέρ να ανεβάζει πολύ τη θερμοκρασία θα την ονομάσουμε **High Plant Gain**
- Την ικανότητα του θερμοστάτη να ανταποκρίνεται στην πτώση της θερμοκρασία θα την ονομάσουμε **Controller Gain**
 - Την ιδιότητα του καυστήρα να δουλεύει έντονα (& για πολύ ώρα) όταν η θερμοκρασία πέσει στους 24 θα την ονομάσουμε **High Controller Gain**
- Το συνδυασμό αυτών των δύο θα τον ονομάσουμε **High Loop Gain**



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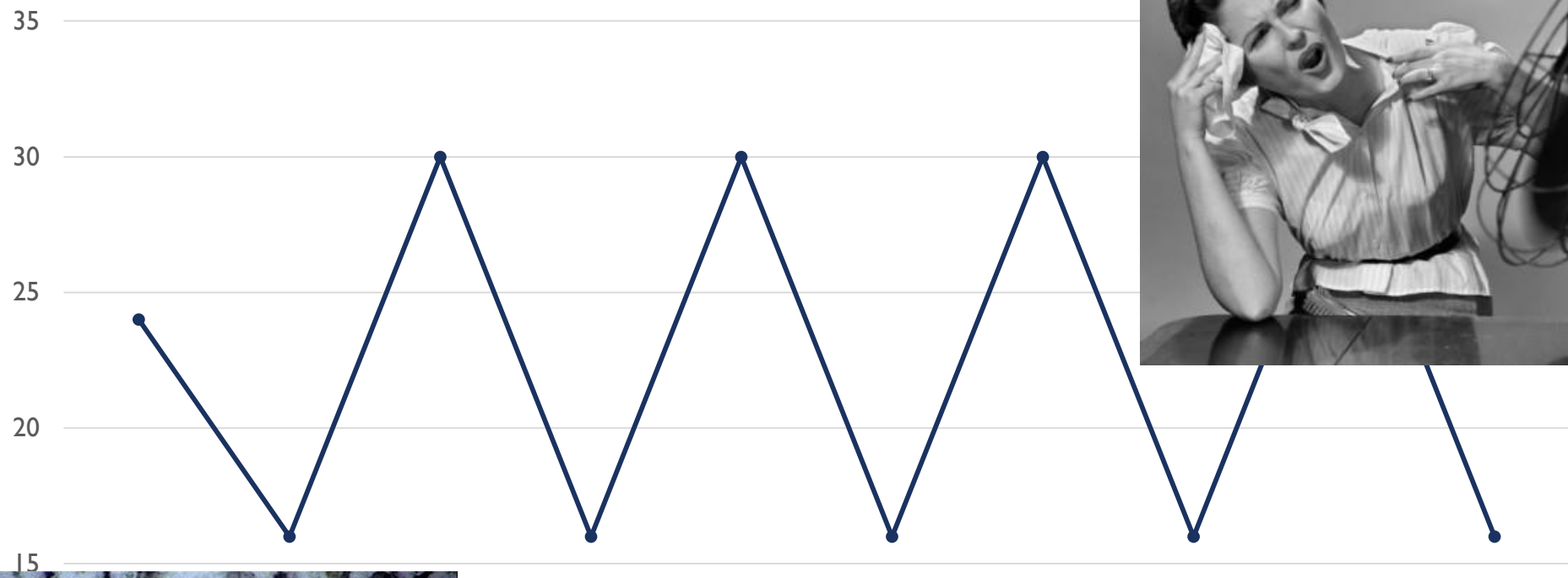




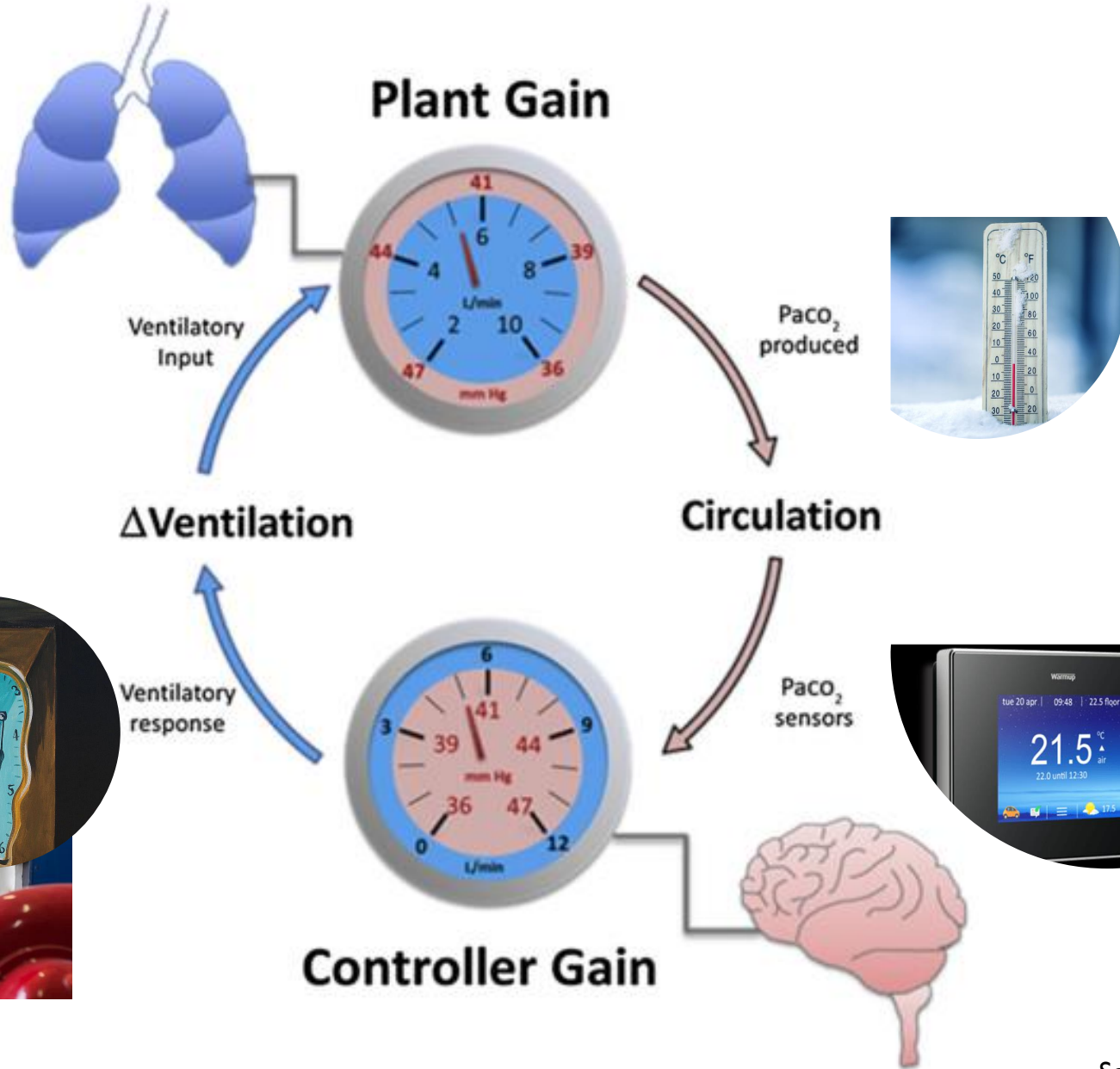


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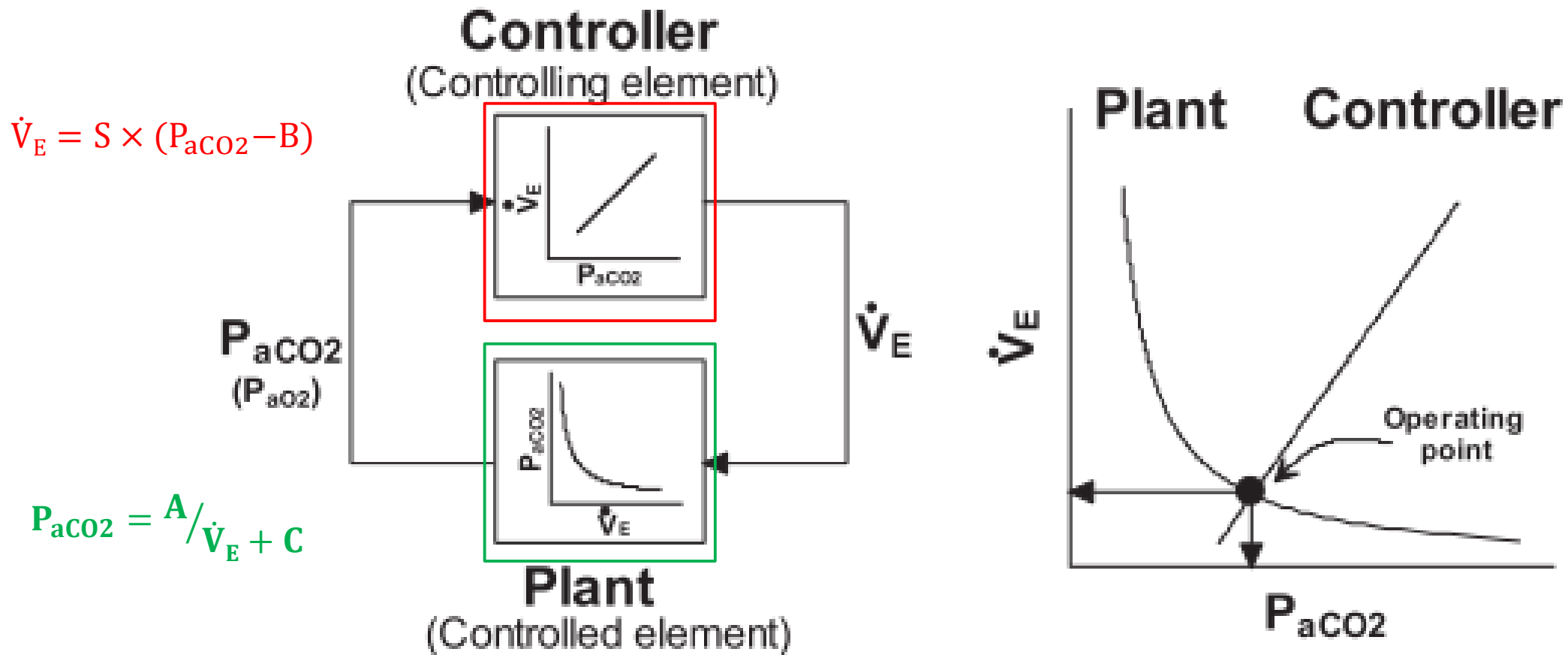




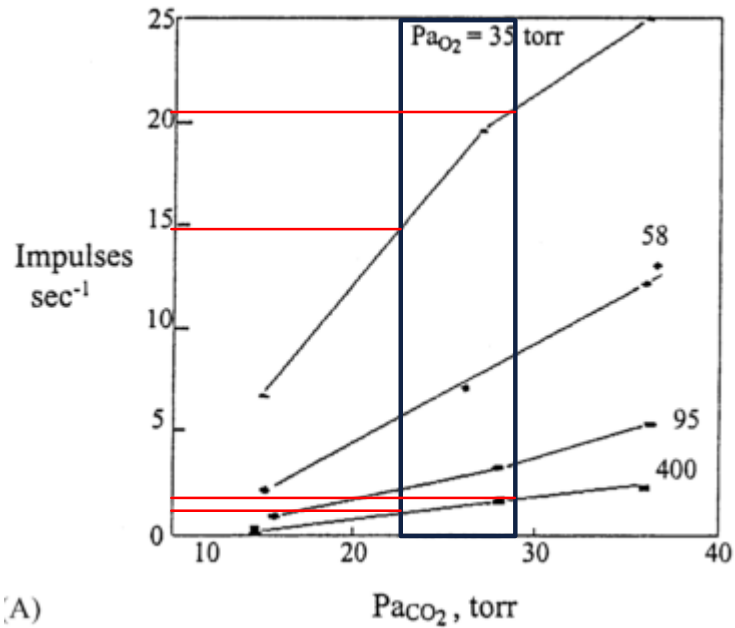
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EQUILIBRIUM DIAGRAM MODEL OF THE RESPIRATORY CHEMOREFLEX FEEDBACK SYSTEM (PROVIDED OXYGEN IS KEPT HIGH)

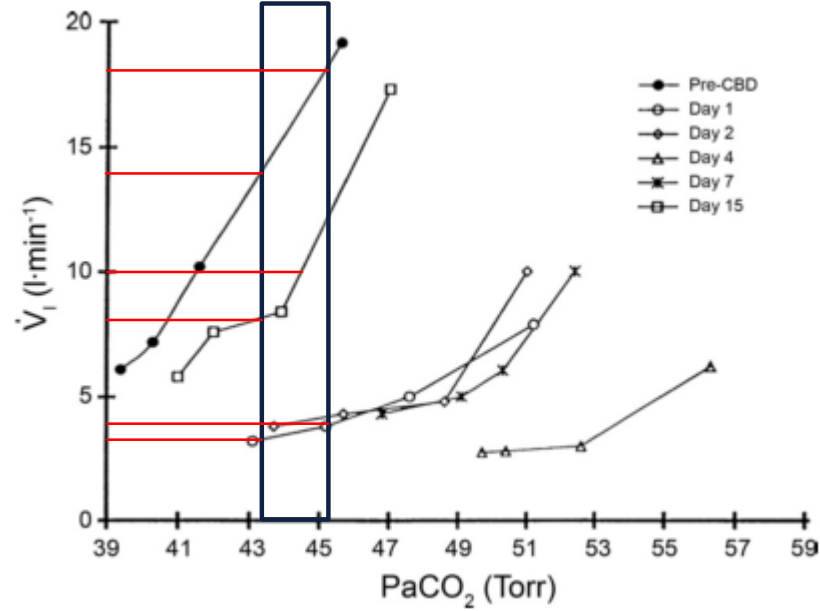


$A = 0.863 \times \alpha / (1 - VD/VT)$ α is the scaling factor reflecting VCO_2 unrelated to work of breathing
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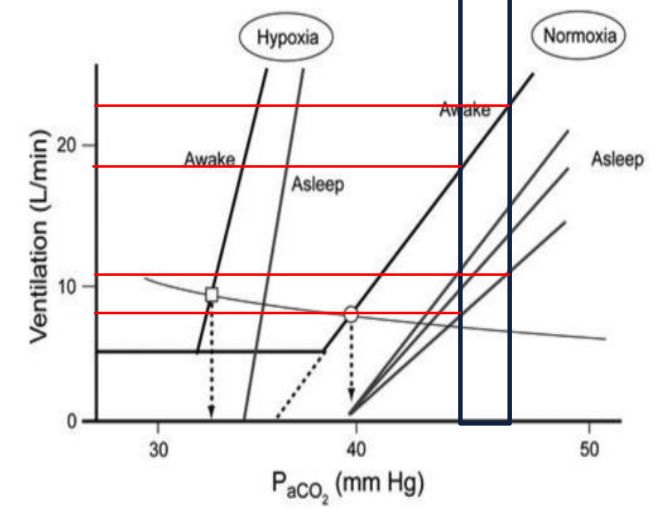


(A)

Hypoxemia



Excision of carotid body



Sleep

CONTROLLER GAIN

How much is ventilation increased for a given change in PaCO_2

PLANT GAIN

How much is P_{aCO_2} changed for a given change in ventilation

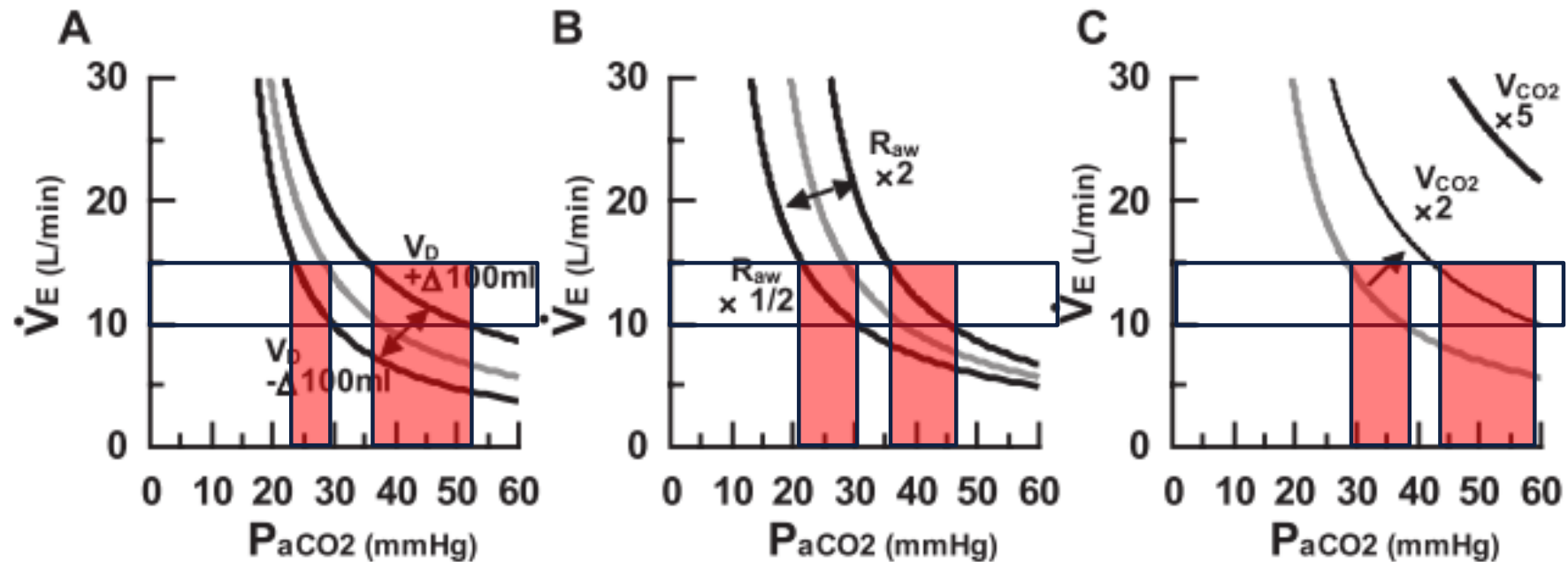


Fig. 5 Simulation of gas exchange dynamics of the plant subsystem element ($\dot{V}_E \rightarrow P_{aCO_2}$ input-output relationship) within the respiratory control system. \dot{V}_D : deadspace, R_{aw} : airway resistance, V_{CO_2} : carbon dioxide output.

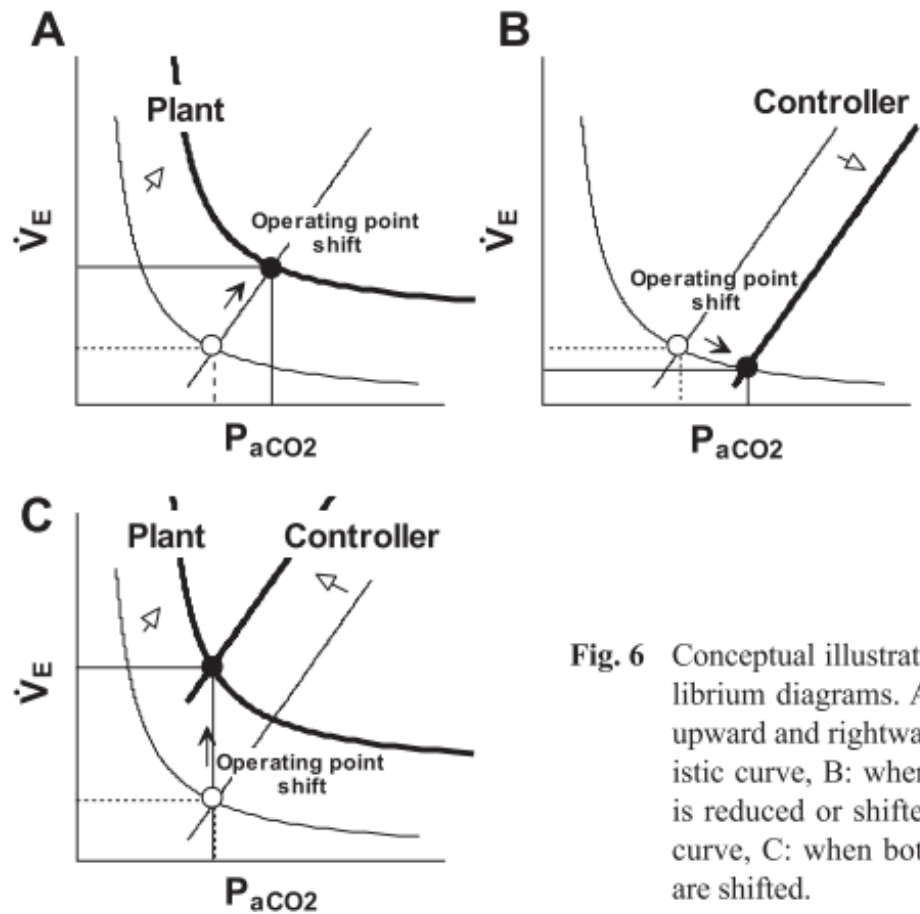


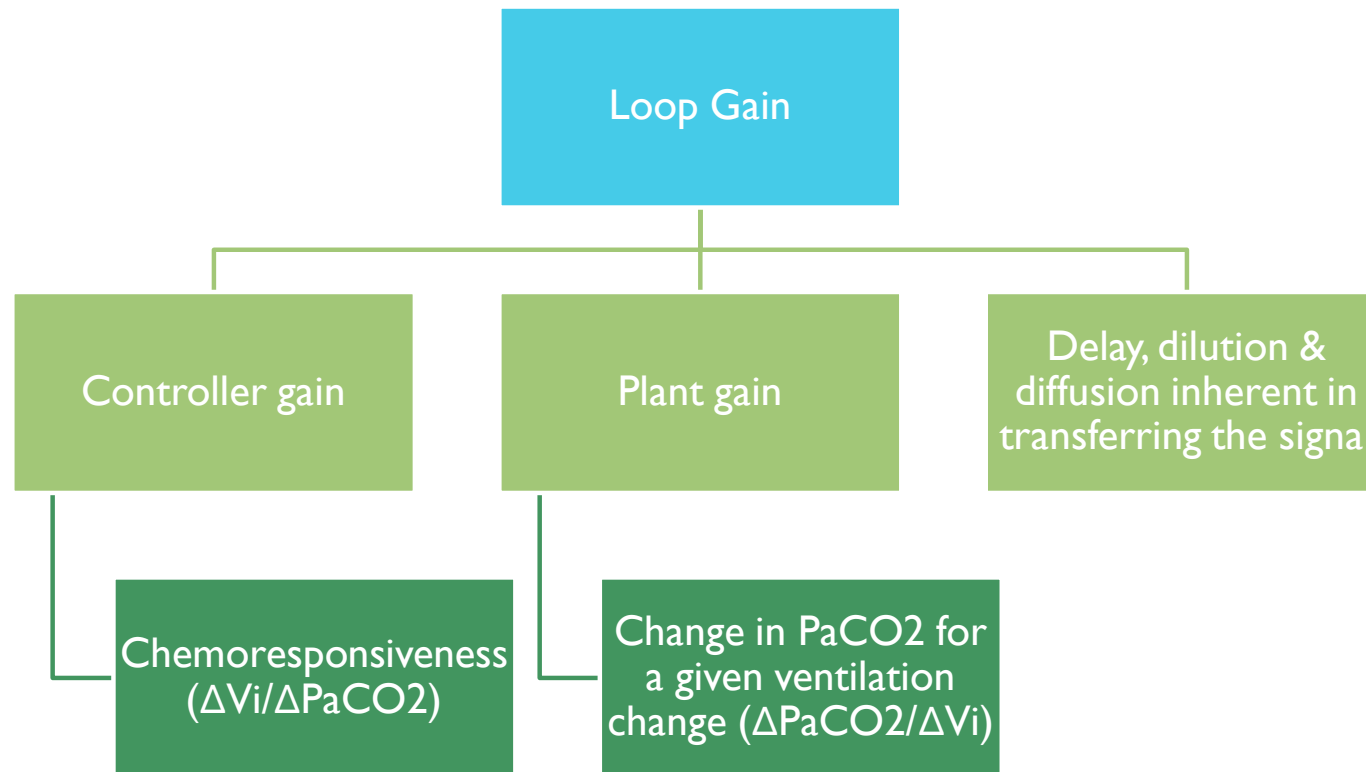
Fig. 6 Conceptual illustration of analytical approach using respiratory equilibrium diagrams. A: when the plant characteristics curve is shifted upward and rightward without any change in the controller characteristic curve, B: when the slope of the controller characteristics curve is reduced or shifted without any change in the plant characteristic curve, C: when both the controller and plant characteristics curves are shifted.

EQUILIBRIUM DIAGRAM ANALYSIS

CONCEPT OF LOOP GAIN

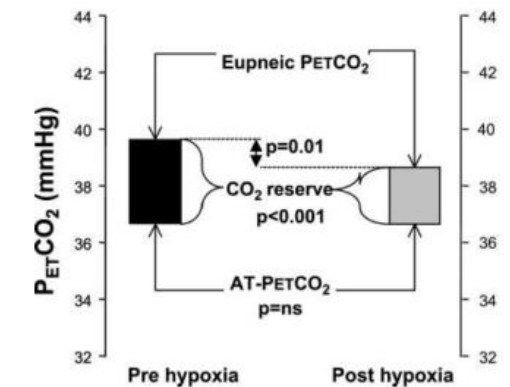
Increased controller gain:

- Sustained hypoxia
- Acute intermittent hypoxia
- Heart failure



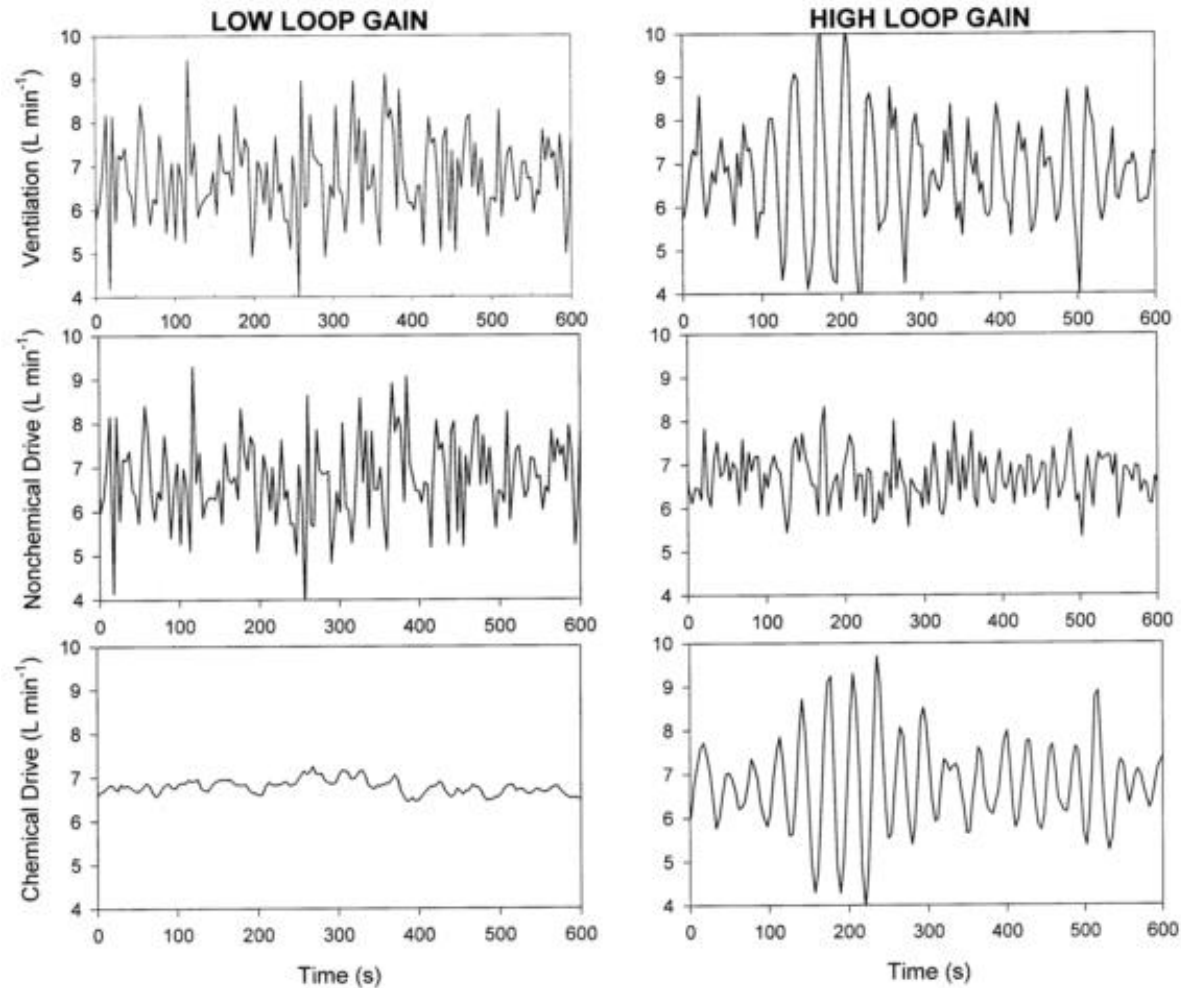
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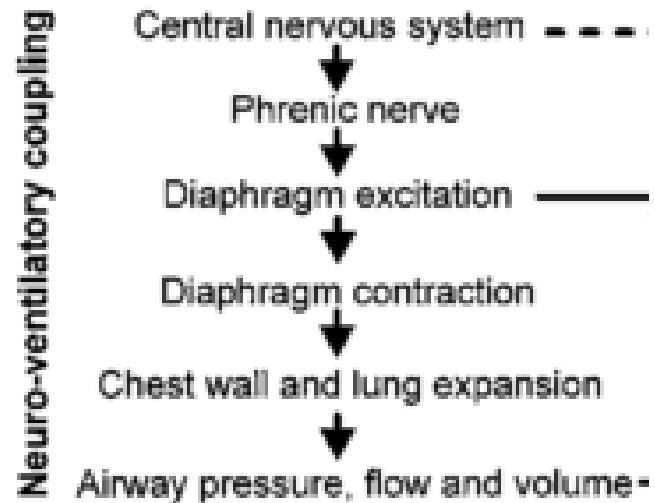
- Metabolic alkalosis
- Disorders of hypoventilation



Increase in loop gain leads to respiratory instability

IMPACT OF LOOP GAIN ON BREATHING STABILITY

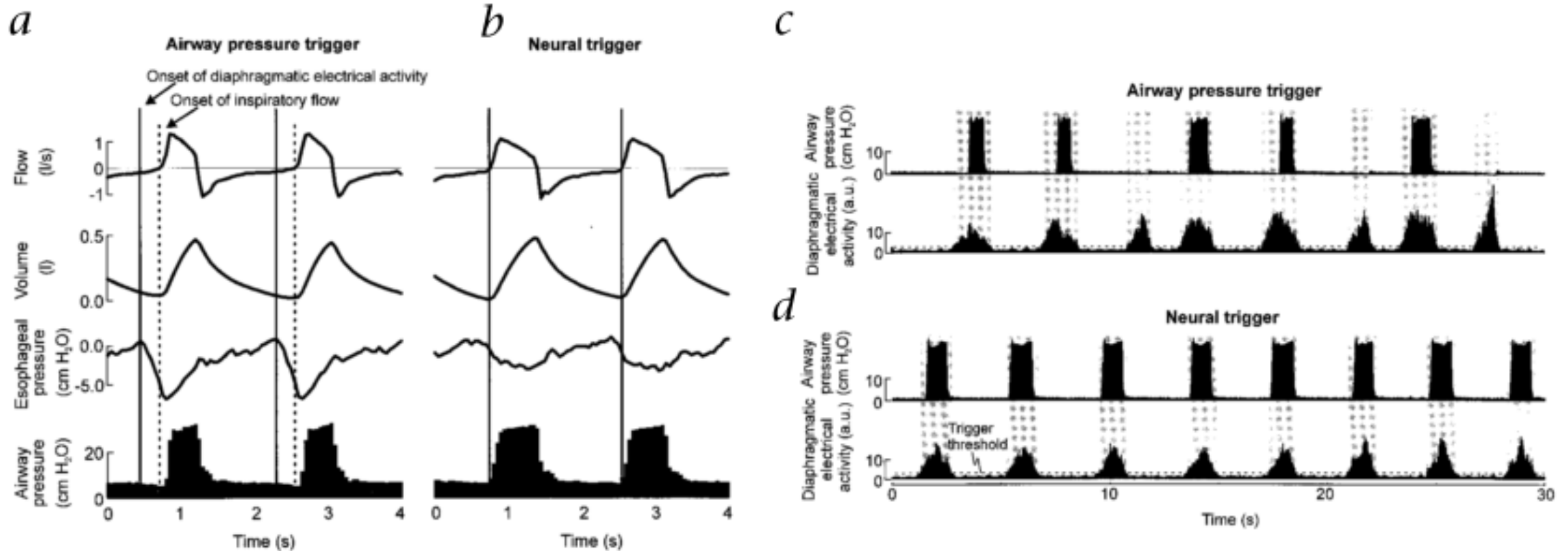




CONTROL OF BREATHING & ASSISTED VENTILATION

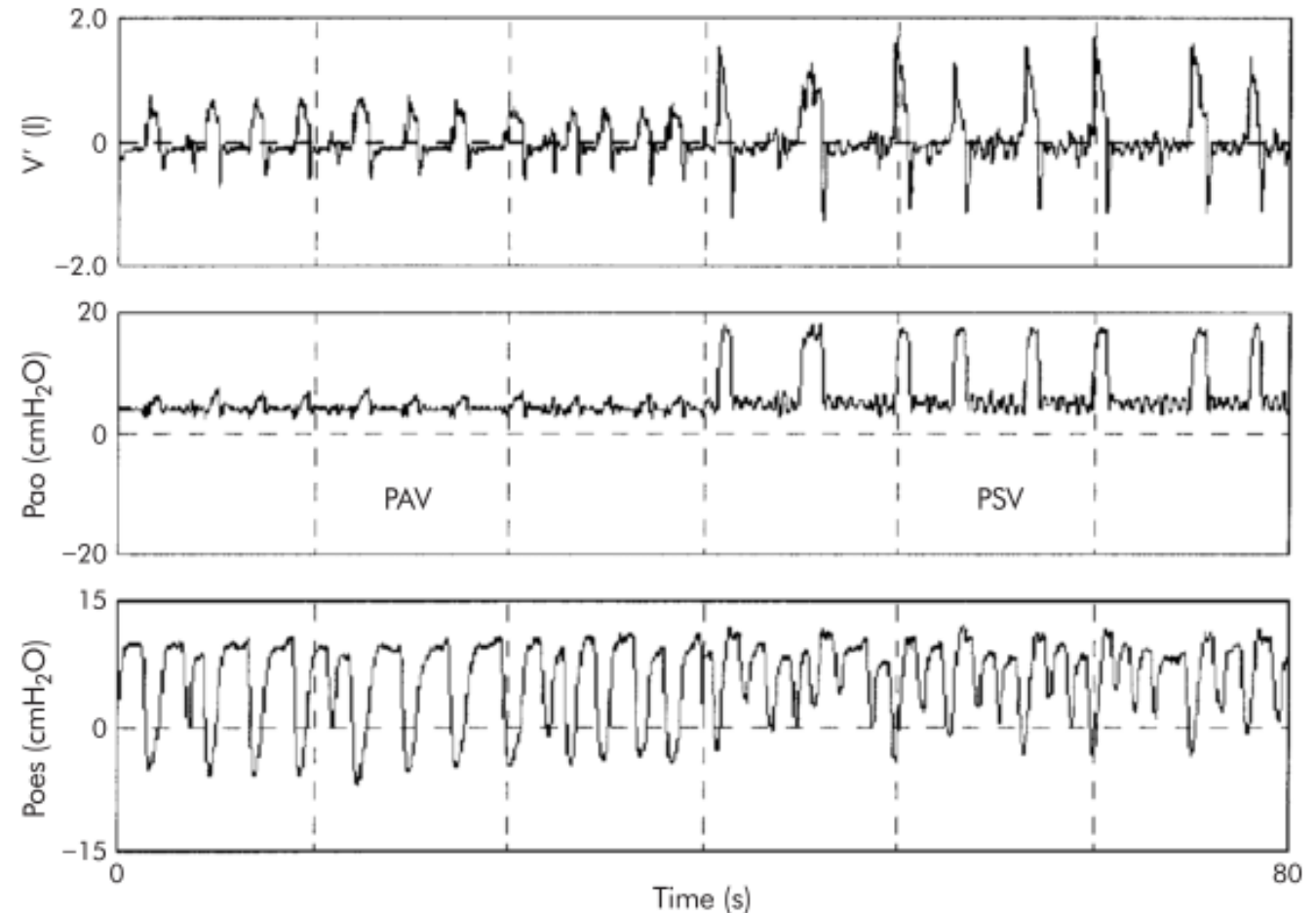
An area of dysynchrony

NEURAL TRIGGERING (NEURALLY ADJUSTED VENTILATORY ASSIST)



PROPORTIONAL ASSIST VENTILATION (PAV)

- Synchronized partial ventilatory assistance
- ‘The more the patient pulls, the more pressure the machine generates’
- Allowance of the patient to attain whatever ventilation and breathing pattern seems to fit the ventilatory control system
- Automatic measurement of compliance & resistance every 4-10 breaths
- Then share the work of breathing between the patient and the machine



CONCLUSIONS

- Ventilatory control aims at achieving stable PaO₂, PaCO₂ and pH throughout various circumstances during life
- This task is achieved through complex neural networks, scattered throughout the CNS, but mostly in the medulla
- Three sources of input: chemoreceptors, mechanoreceptors, central command
- Different inputs predominate in different circumstances
 - Chemoreception in non-REM sleep
 - Central command in exercise and REM sleep
- High loop gain systems are unstable (instability expressed as periods of hypoventilation and periods of hyperventilation)
- Control of breathing is active during assisted mechanical ventilation and necessitate patient-ventilator synchrony (operator's mind)
- Novel technologies in the area of patient-ventilator synchrony are promising