

# Obstructive sleep apnoea (OSA)

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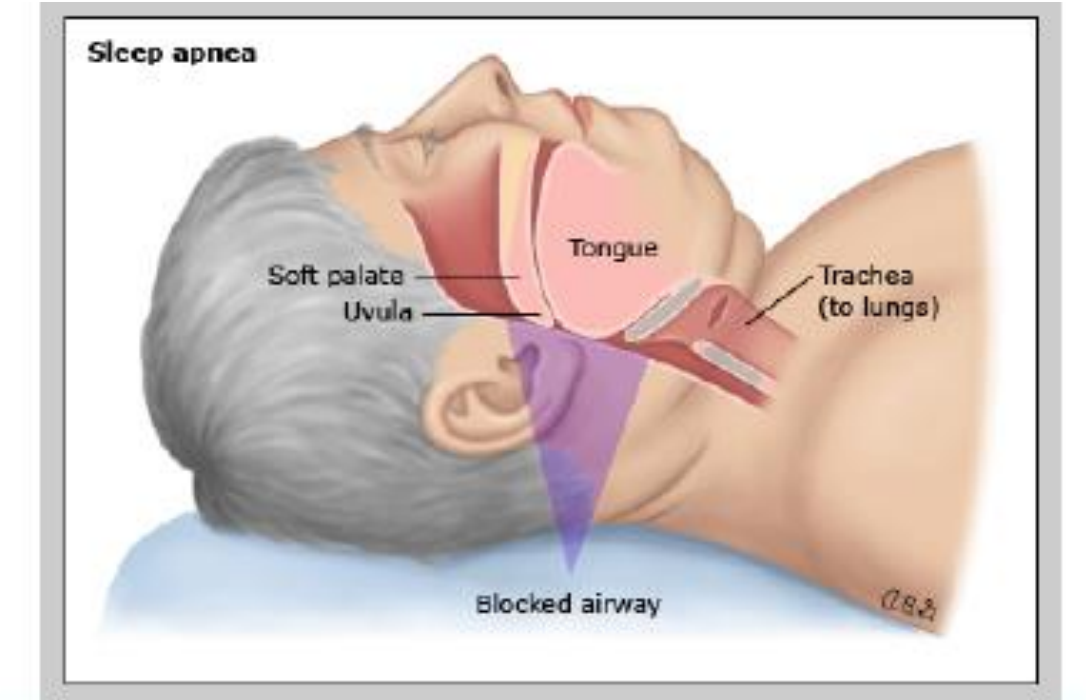
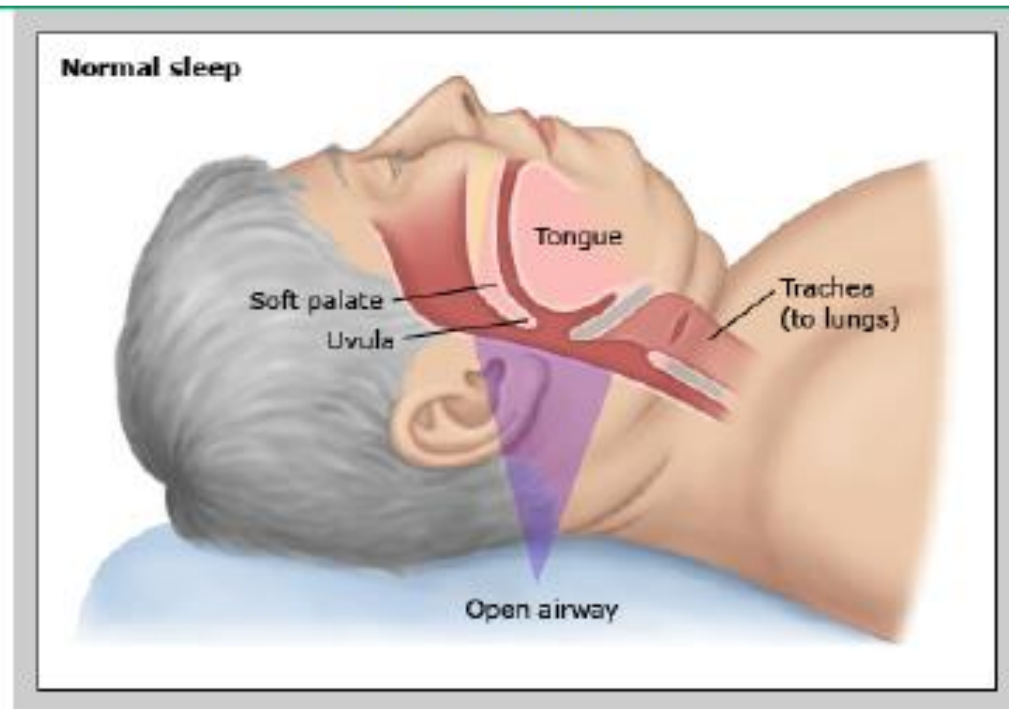
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1. Pathophysiology of OSA.
2. Diagnosis and severity.
3. Treatment options and treatment efficacy.

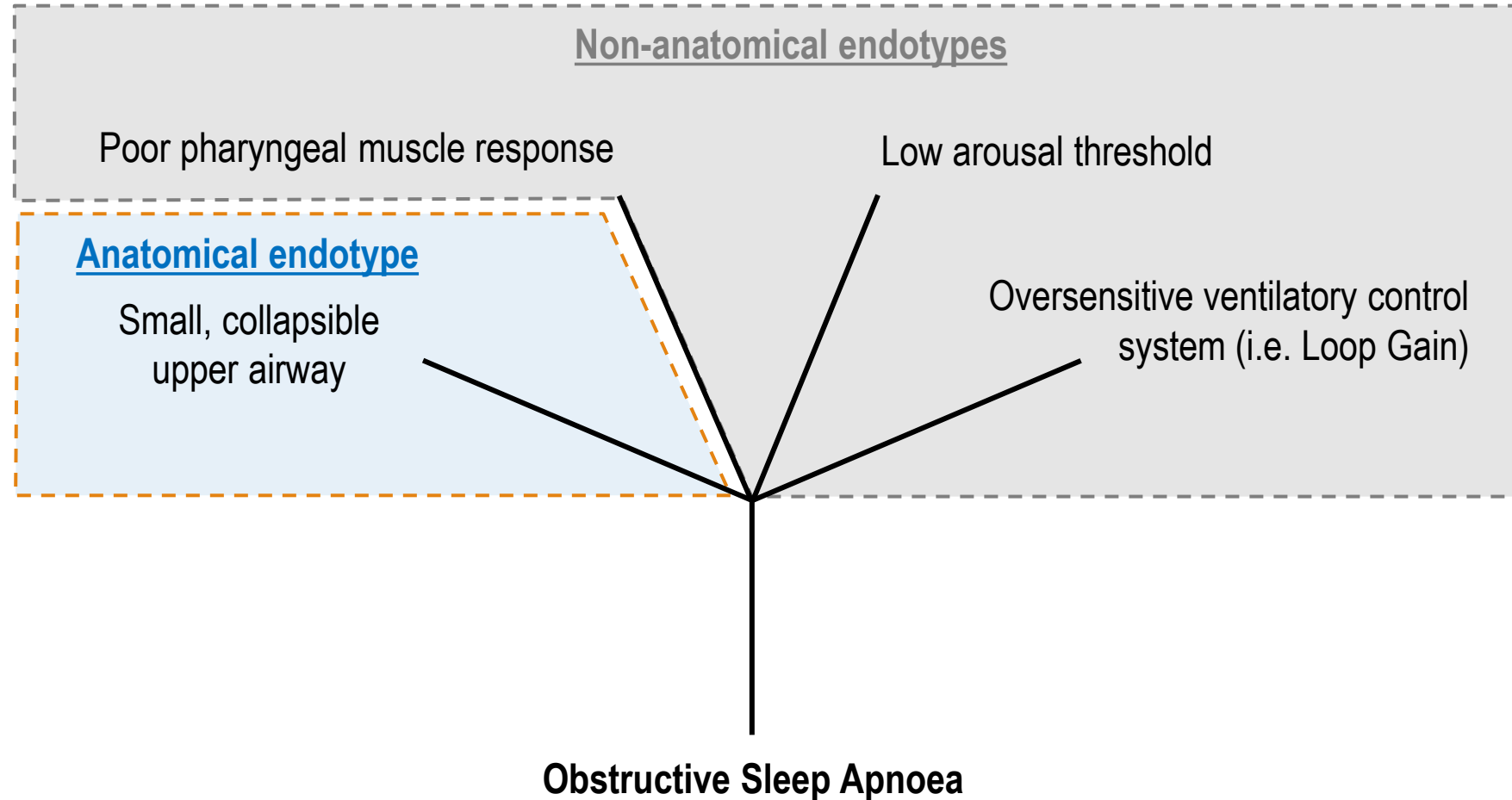
How to refer to RHH Sleep Clinic.

# What is OSA?

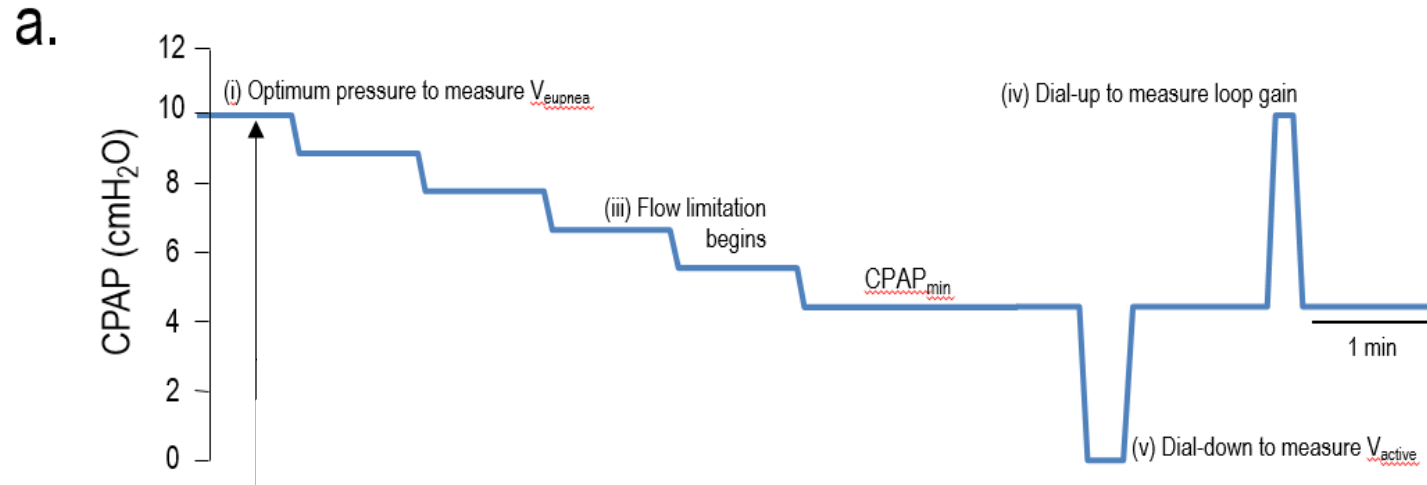
Affects 1 billion people (Benjafield 2019).



# OSA pathophysiology is complex

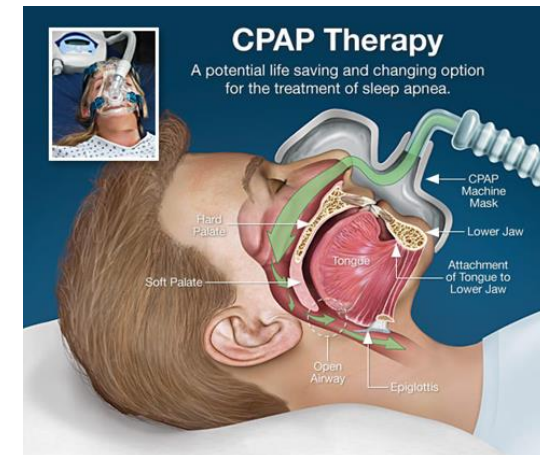


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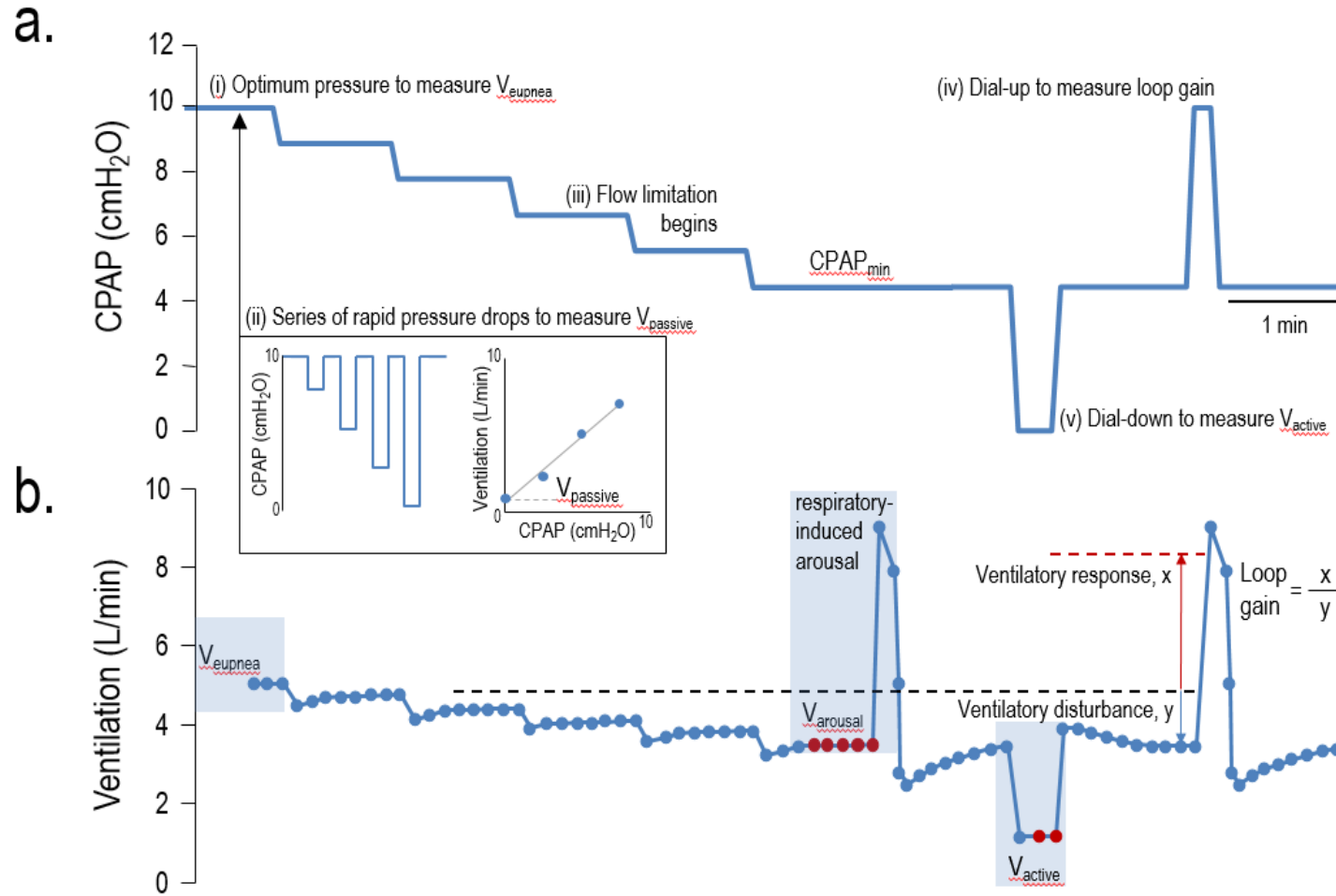
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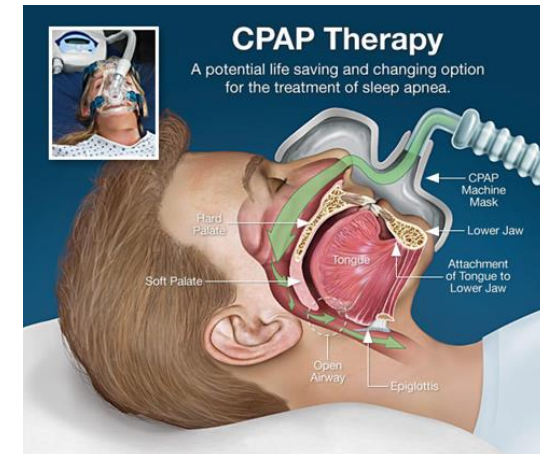
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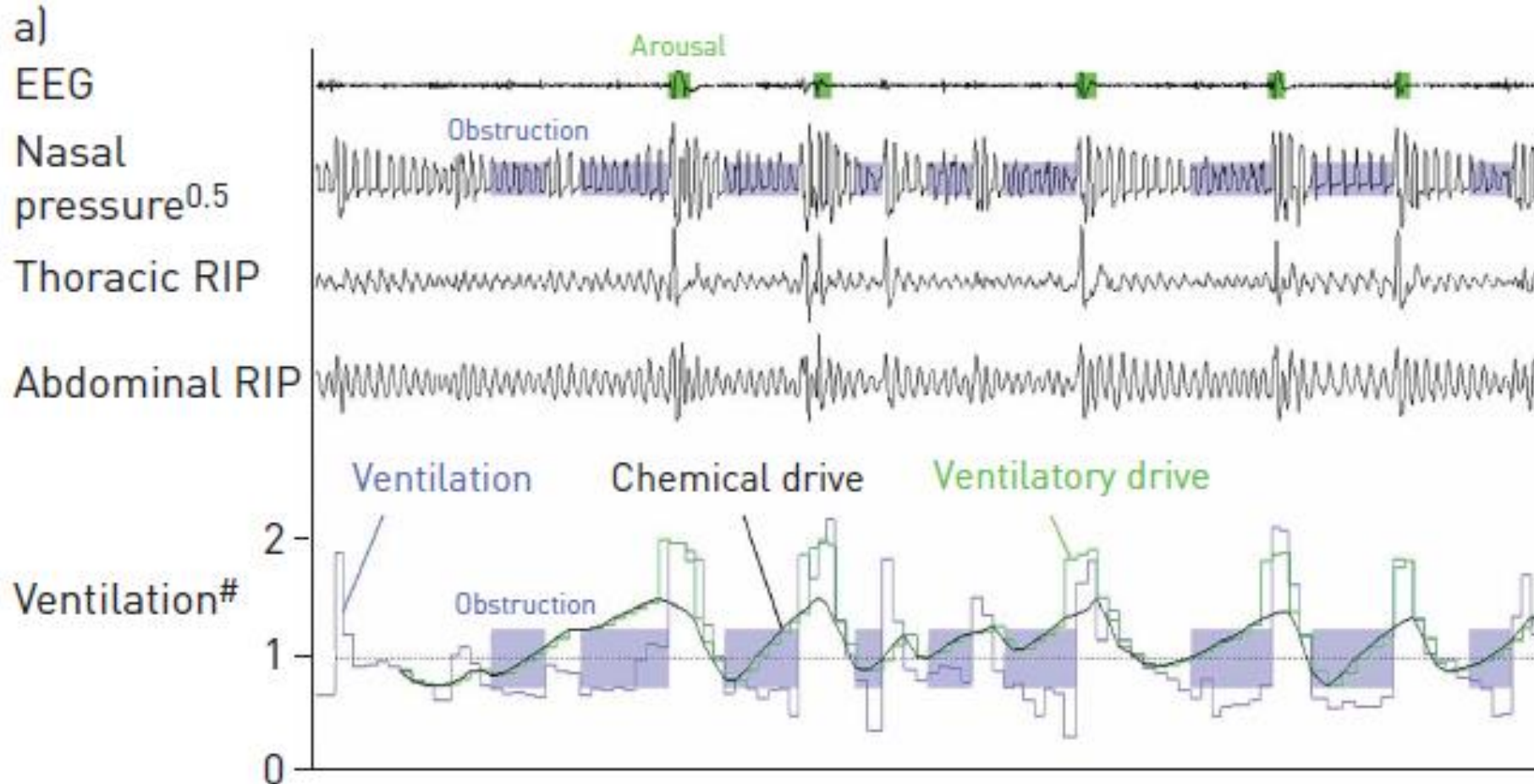
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# Non invasive endotyping (from clinical polysomnography)



## Benefits:

- Simple (software-based)
- Obtain from routine clinical PSG

## Issues:

- Requires validation
- Not readily available

Terrill et al. (2015) ERJ, Sands et al. (2018) SLEEP, Sands et al. (2018) AJRCCM

# Why a patient seeks evaluation?

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Snoring → social disruption or embarrassment

Symptoms of un-refreshing sleep, daytime fatigue and sleepiness & its social/professional consequence

Concerns that suspected sleep apnoea may contribute to adverse health outcomes

After a motor-vehicle accident

Pre-operative high risk screening



# OSA Complications and Associations

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Hypertension

Atrial fibrillation

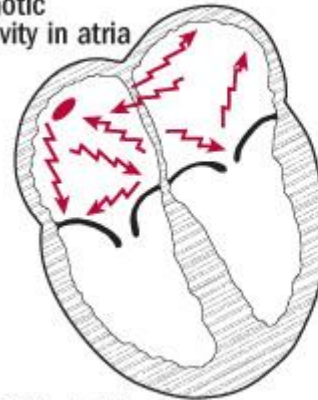
Stroke – 2-3x

Diabetes mellitus

OSA can co-exist with other conditions

- Sleep (eg. Restless legs, insomnia)
- Pulmonary disease
- Depression, PTSD

**B. Atrial fibrillation**  
Chaotic  
activity in atria



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**Atrial fibrillation**



# How is OSA diagnosed?

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Clinical history and examination

Sleep questionnaires

Diagnostic sleep study



# History

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Partner/collateral history

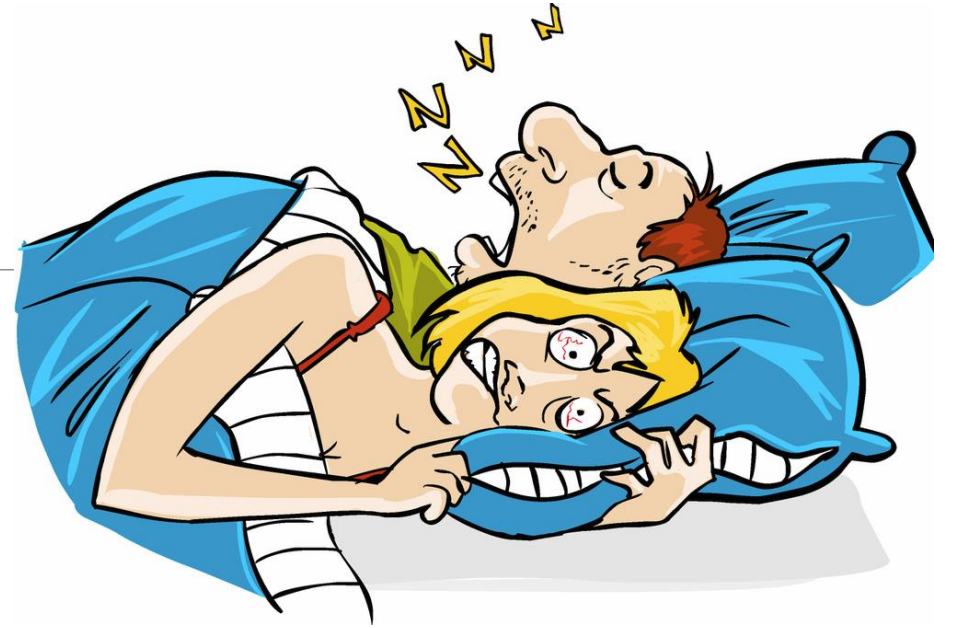
Snoring

Dry mouth

Fatigue vs Sleepy

- Ask for total caffeine consumption ?mask sleepiness
- Ask specific questions: Do you fall asleep →
  - watching TV after dinner? Reading?
  - during work meetings?
  - whilst driving, stopped at a traffic light?

(Alcohol consumption); Sleeping position



# Bedside examination

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Body Mass Index (BMI)

Neck circumference (>40cm)



Clinical predictors (OSA in Sao Paulo Epidemiological Sleep Study 2010; n=1000 with AHI > 5 & symptoms OR AHI >15)

- Male gender (OR 4.1)
- Obese (OR 10.5)
- Age > 50 (OR >10+)

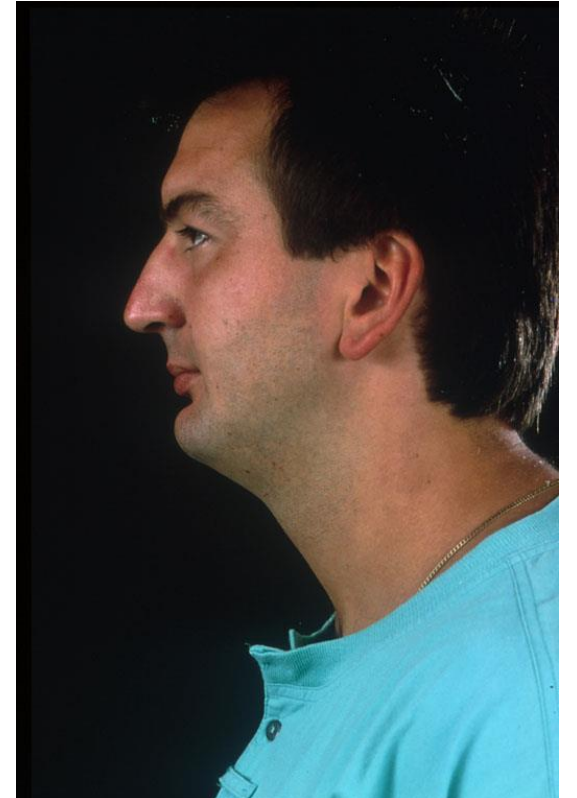
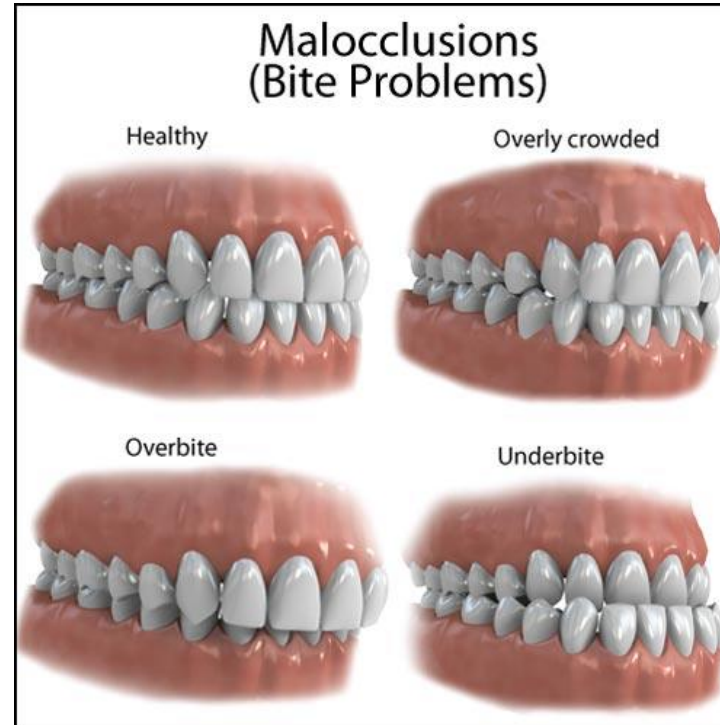
# Bedside examination – Upper Airway and facial structure

## Oropharyngeal/dental, including:

- Palate position and tonsil
- Malocclusion & overlapping teeth →  
?small oral cavity
- ?Bruxism



Figure 105-4 Photograph of high arched palate.



# Bedside examination – Upper Airway

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## Nasal

- Can contribute to increased airway resistance

## Nasoendoscopy

(ENT surgeons)



**Figure 105-5** Abnormal nasal anatomy in a patient with upper airway resistance syndrome. Note the deviation of the septum, the asymmetrical size of the nares, and the collapse of the nasal external valves.

# Bedside examination

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## Modified Mallampati Score (MMP)

- Head in neutral position, tongue is NOT protruded, (NO) phonation
- Used to predict the ease of endotracheal intubation
- High score (3 or 4) is associated with more difficult intubation & higher incidence of OSA

### The Mallampati Score



**CLASS I**  
Complete  
visualization of  
the soft palate



**CLASS II**  
Complete  
visualization of  
the uvula



**CLASS III**  
Visualization  
of only the  
base of the uvula



**CLASS IV**  
Soft palate  
is not  
visible at all

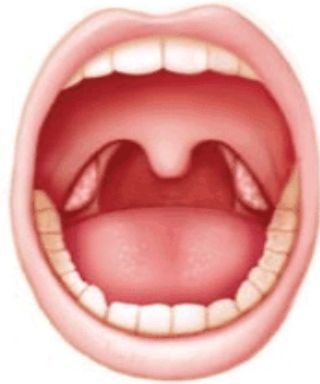
# Tonsil size

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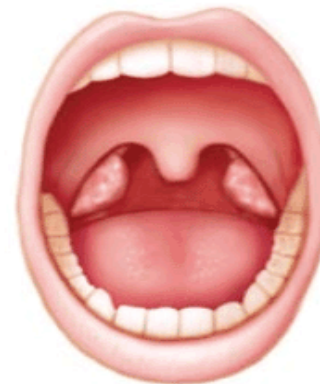
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Surgically removed tonsils



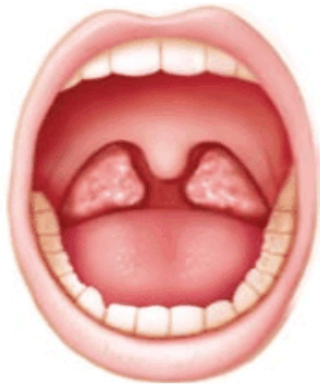
**1**

Tonsils hidden within tonsil pillars



**2**

Tonsils extending to the pillars



**3**

Tonsils are beyond the pillars



**4**

Tonsils extend to midline



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Murray Johns

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Difficulty maintaining the alert/awake state

### ESS Score:

Normal 0-10

Mild 11-14

Mod 15-17 (?significant if 16+)

Severe  $\geq 18$

- Patient cooperation
- Weak correlation with OSA severity
- Not sensitive or specific for screening on its own
- Re-test reliability not well studied

# STOP-Bang Questionnaire


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## **STOP-Bang Questionnaire**

*Please answer the following questions by checking "yes" or "no" for each one*

	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
Snoring (Do you snore loudly?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tiredness (Do you often feel tired, fatigued, or sleepy during the daytime?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Observed Apnea (Has anyone observed that you stop breathing, or choke or grasp during your sleep?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
High Blood Pressure (Do you have or are you being treated for high blood pressure?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BMI (Is your body mass index more than 35kg per m <sup>2</sup> ?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Age (Are you older than 50 years?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Neck Circumference (Is your neck circumference greater than 40 cm [15.75 inches]?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gender (Are you male?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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# Types of sleep studies

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# Types of sleep studies

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## Type 2 Ambulatory Polysomnography

Sleep in own bed

Lack of video monitoring

Signal issues



# Types of sleep studies

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## Type 3 sleep study

Limited channel, at least four variables are measured



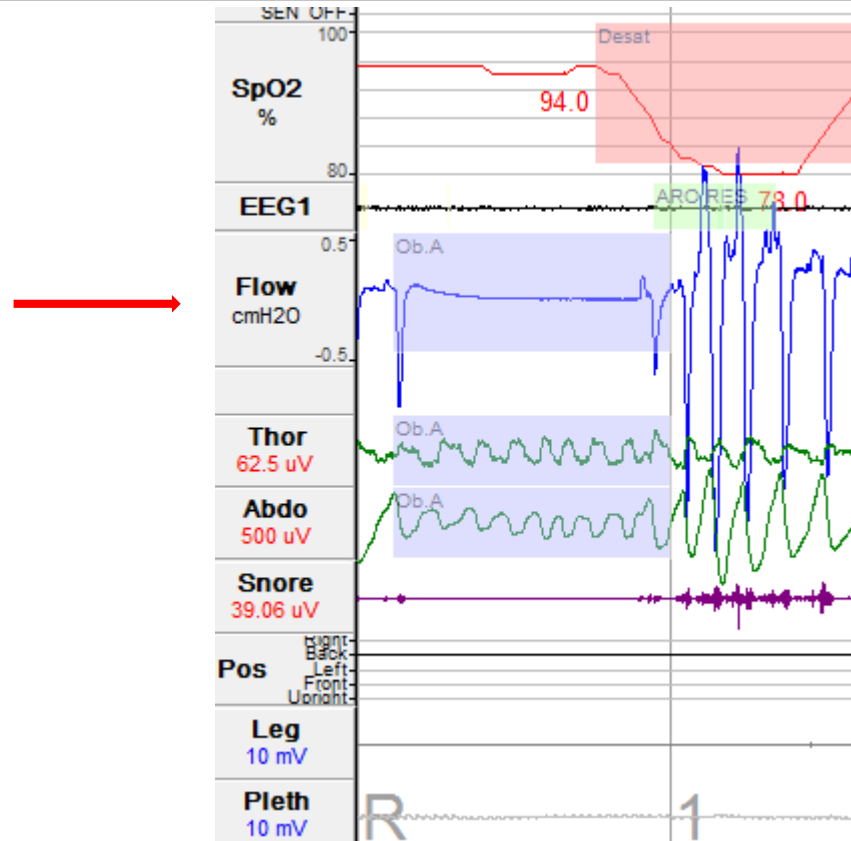
# Which sleep study should I get?

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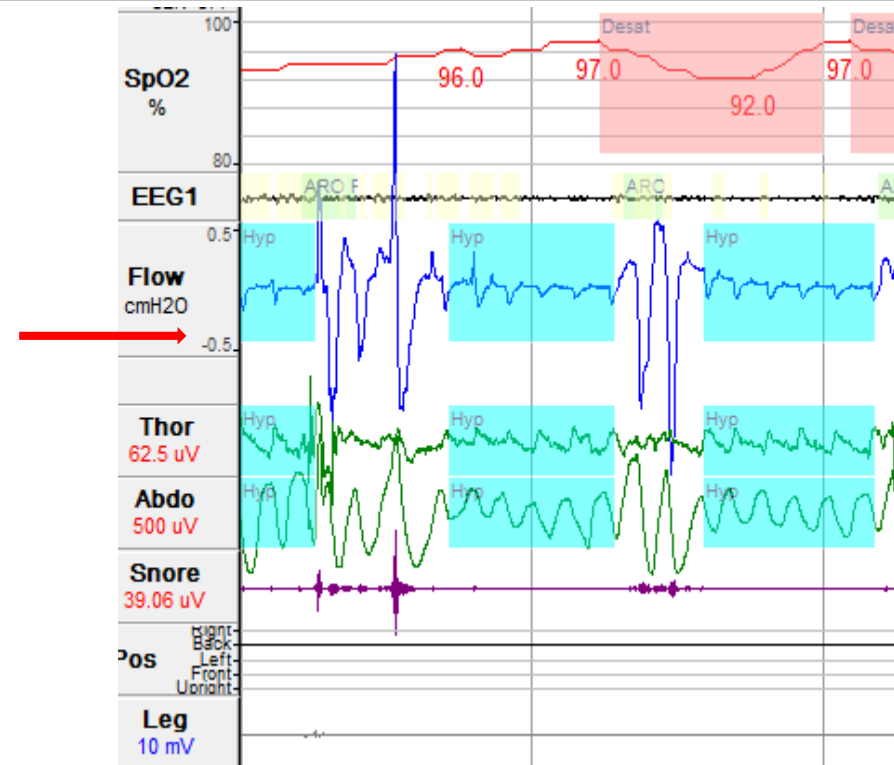
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# What is the AHI?

## Apnoea



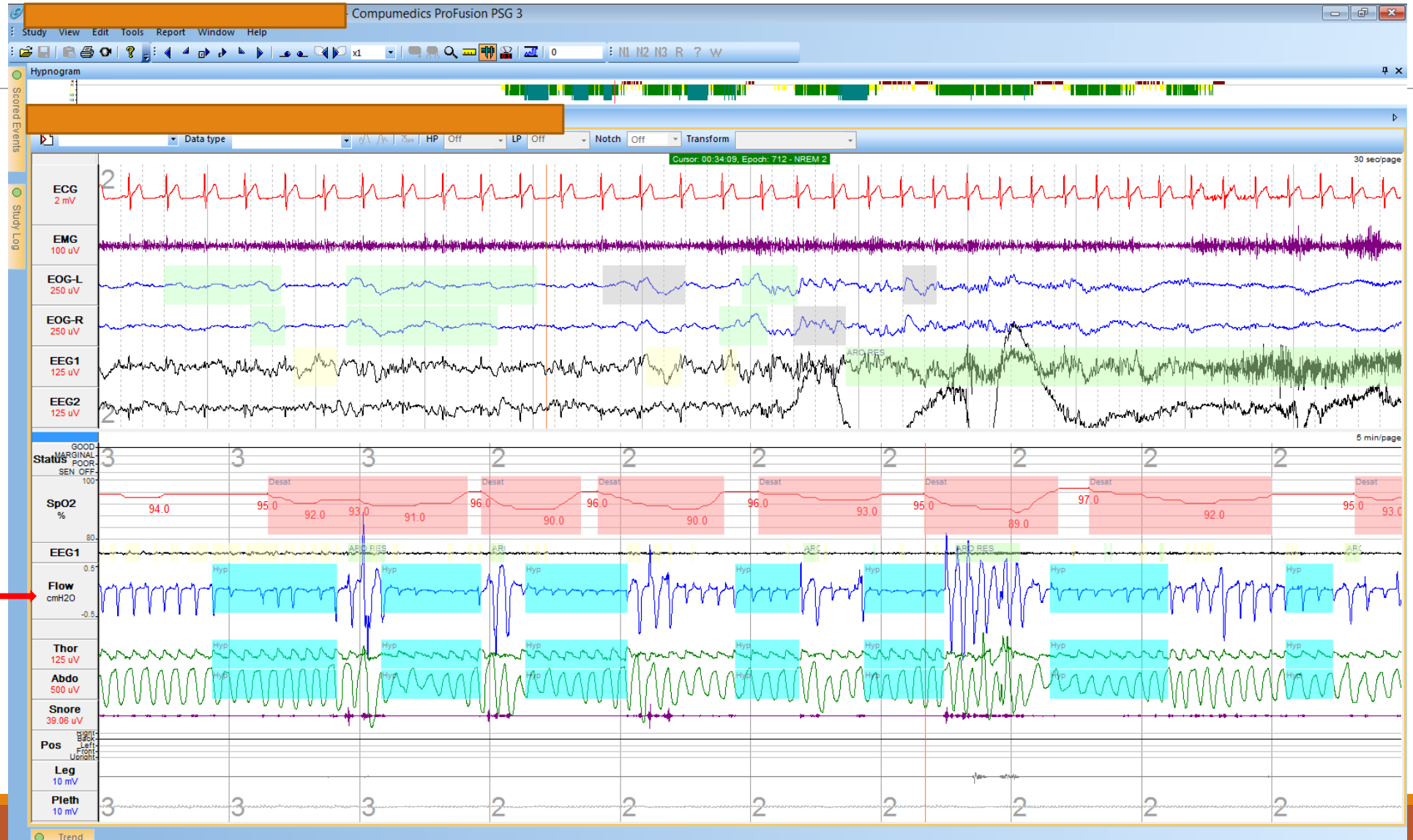
## Hypopnoea



# Apnoeas in REM



# Hypopnoeas in NREM





# Apnoea-Hypopnoea Index (AHI)

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Denotes OSA severity

AHI (events/hr)	Severity
< 5	Normal
5 - <15	Mild
15 - <30	Moderate
≥ 30	Severe

# Apnoea-Hypopnoea Index (AHI)

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Other ways this may feature on the sleep study report:

RDI = Respiratory disturbance index

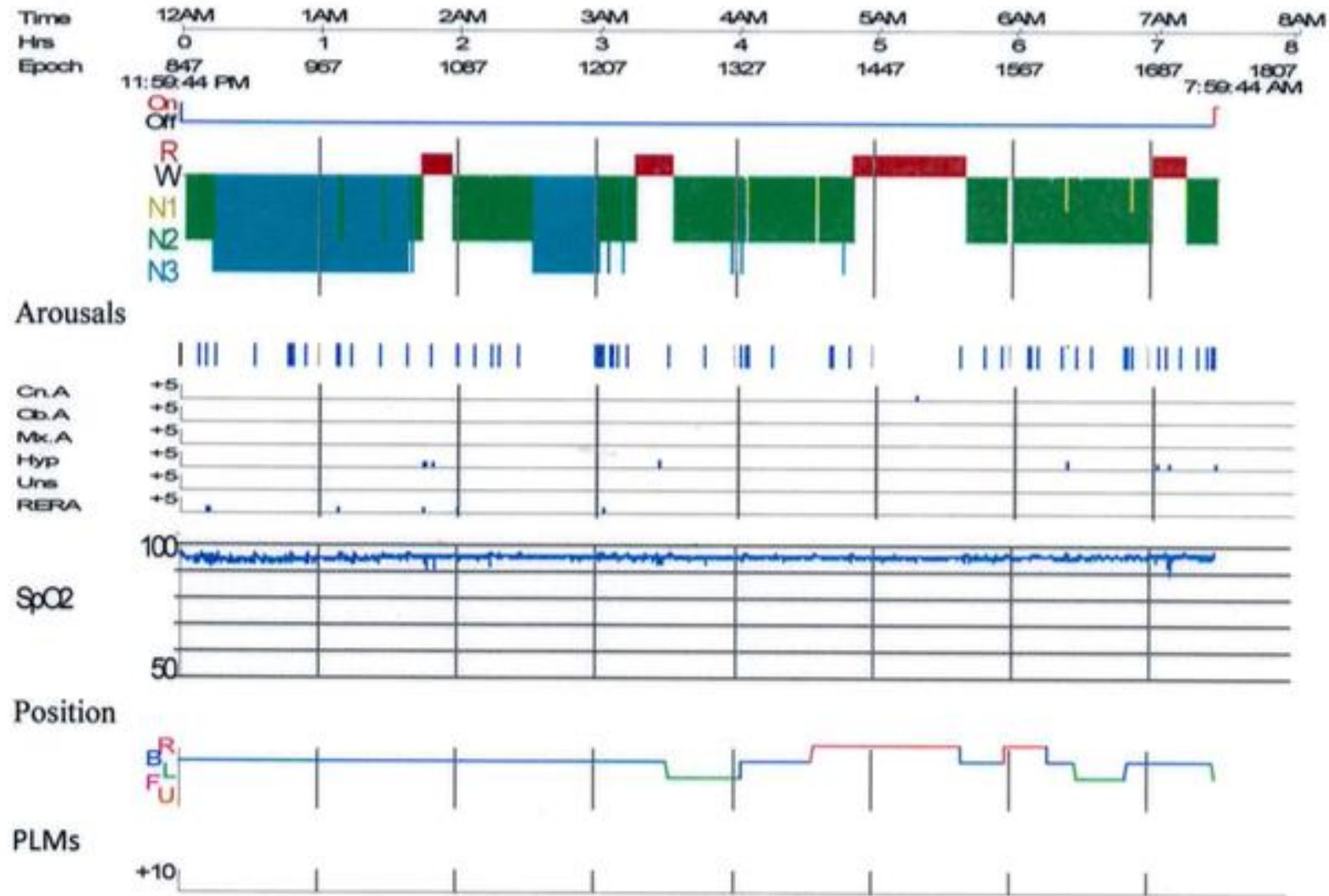
*\* old method of scoring; now – it includes “apnoea + hypopnoea + RERA”*

ODI = Oxygen desaturation index

*\* oximetry, and using either 3% or 4% oxygen desaturation to score a ‘respiratory event’*

*RERA = respiratory effort-related arousal*

# Polysomnography signals (Sleep study) – Type 1 and 2



# What about the Apnea-Link Air (type III sleep study)?



Reasonable choice if clinical question and mod-high probability of OSA

5 signals:

Nasal flow

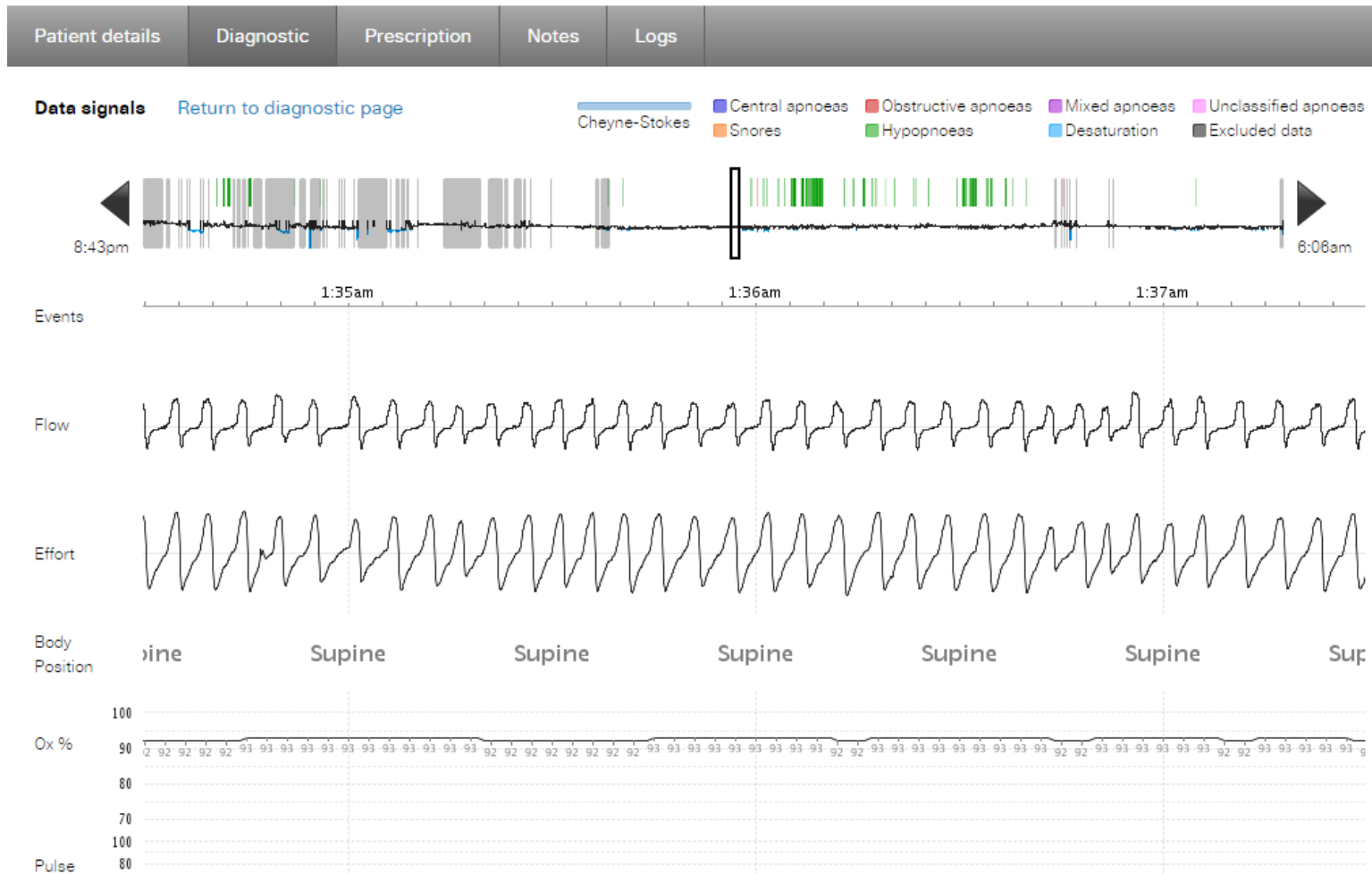
Thoracic bands (Effort)

Oximetry

Pulse

Snoring

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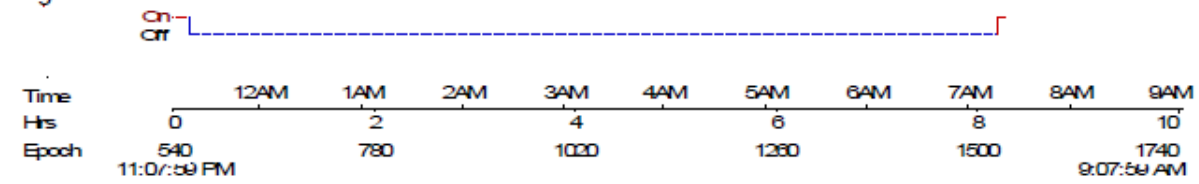
1. Is this wake or sleep?
2. Flow limited breathing or hypopnoea?
3. Position sensor accuracy?

AHI 6.2 events/hr

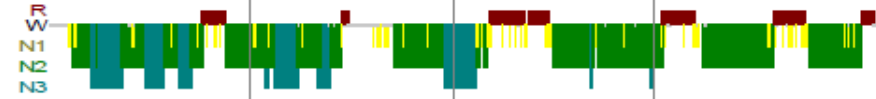
# How do I interpret a sleep study?

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### Lights



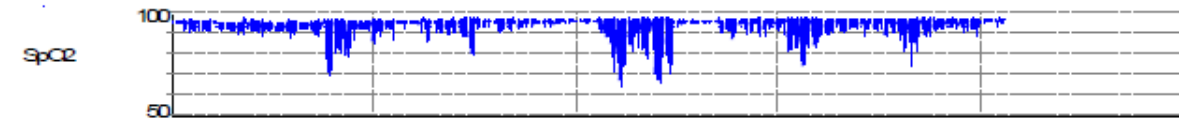
### Hypnogram



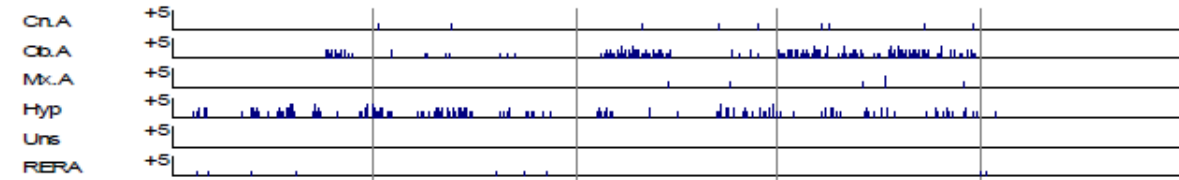
### Arousals



### Position



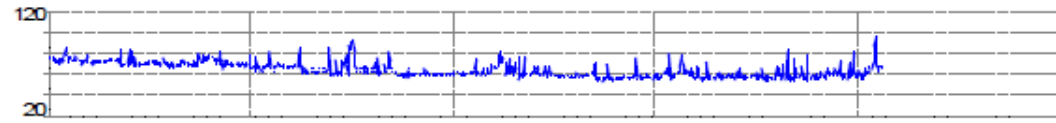
### Respiratory events



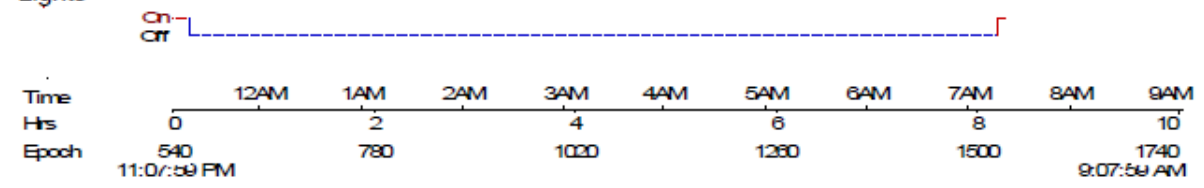
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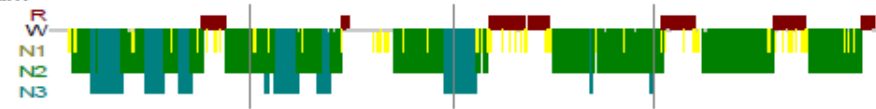
### Heart Rate epoch average



### Lights



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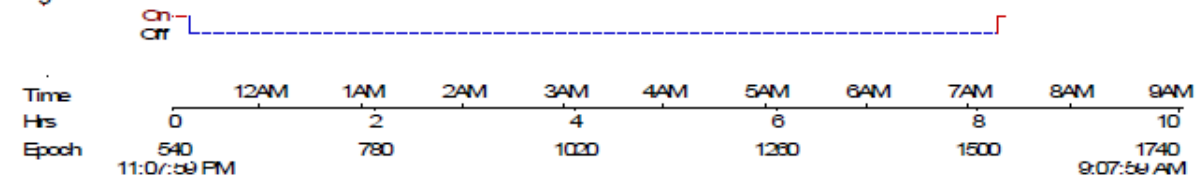


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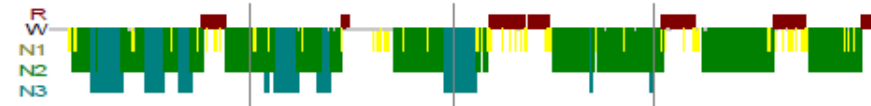




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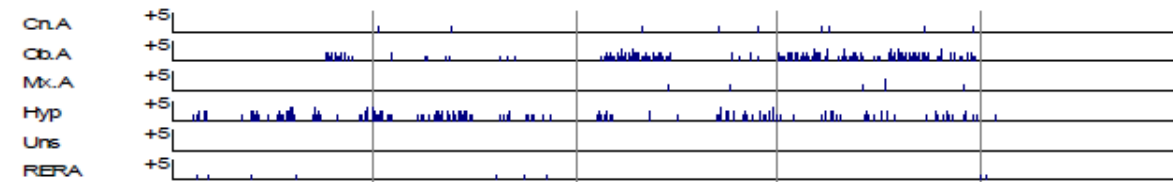
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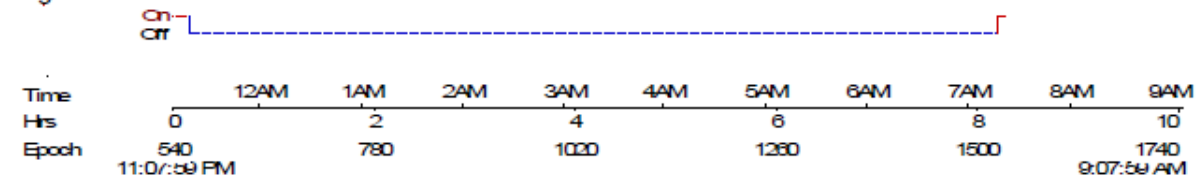
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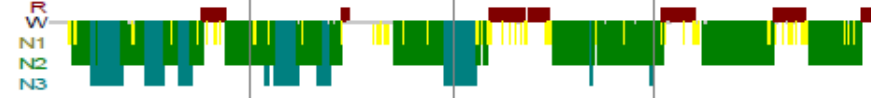
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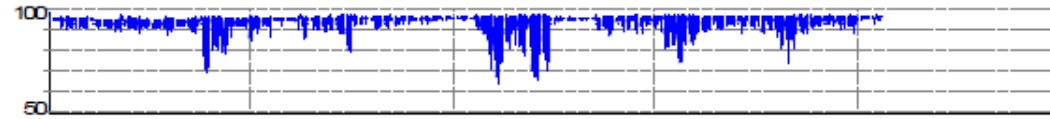
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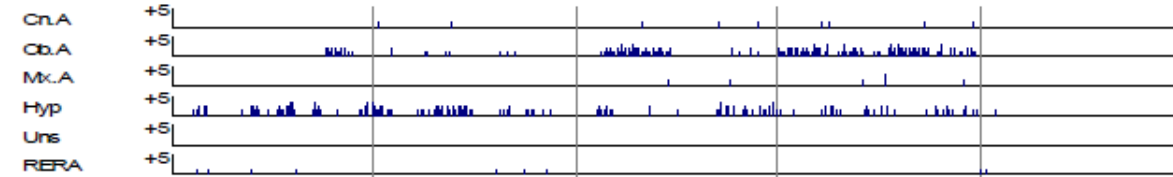
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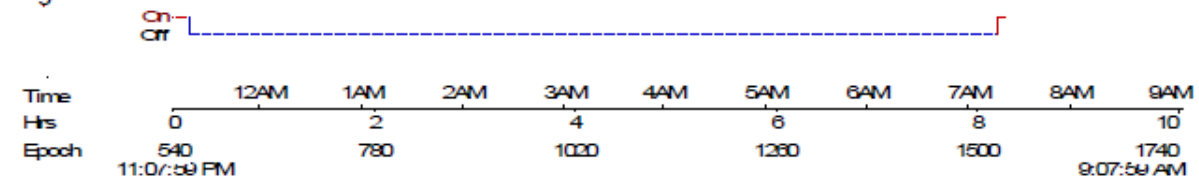
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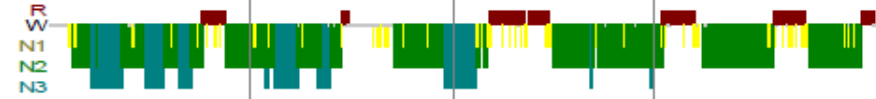
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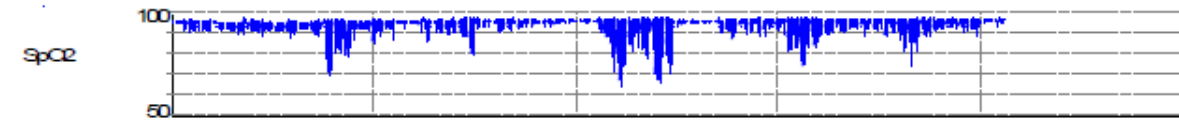
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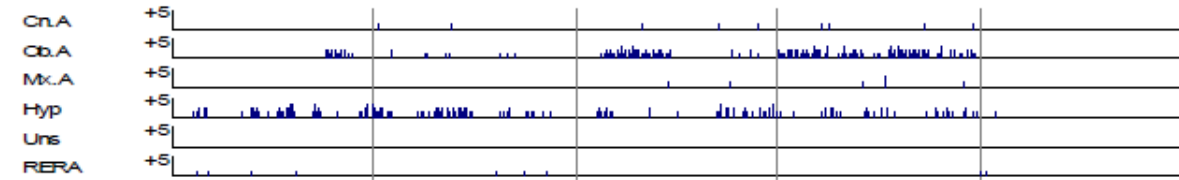
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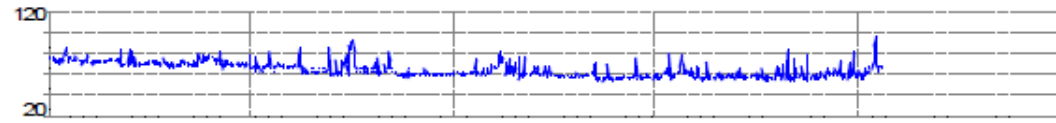
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### PLMs



### Heart Rate epoch average



### Sleep Statistics

Height:	171cm	Sex:	Male
Weight:	85kg	BMI:	29.1 kg/m <sup>2</sup>
Lights out clock time:	23:17:58	Lights on clock time:	07:17:29
Report time from 23:07:59-07:23:28:	495.5 min	Sleep latency:	1.0 min
Time available for sleep (lights out):	479.5 min	REM latency:	79.5 min
Sleep period from 23:18:59-07:17:28:	478.5 min	Total Sleep:	443.5 min
Total time awake during sleep period:	35.0 min	<b>Sleep Efficiency:</b>	<b>92.5%</b>
<b>NREM Sleep = 367.0 min:</b>		<b>REM Sleep:</b>	<b>76.5 min: 17.2%</b>
Stage N1 = 82.0 min	18.5%	Movement time:	0.0 min
Stage N2 = 218.0 min	49.2%	Unsure time:	0.0 min
Stage N3 = 67.0 min	15.1%		

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	NREM			REM		
	Back	Other	All	Back	Other	All
<b>Time during sleep</b>	<b>288.0</b>	<b>79.0</b>	<b>367.0</b>	<b>69.0</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>76.5</b>
SpO <sub>2</sub> % min average	93	95	93	84	95	85
<b>SpO<sub>2</sub>% lowest</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>64</b>
<b>Events/hr</b>						
Central Apnoea	0.8	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Obstructive Apnoea	21.0	0.0	16.5	72.2	0.0	65.1
Mixed Apnoea	1.3	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Hypopnoea	32.3	7.6	27.0	6.1	8.0	6.3
AHI	55.4	7.6	<b>45.1</b>	78.3	8.0	<b>71.4</b>
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Number of PLMs / hr of NREM	0.0
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<b>Total PLMI</b>	<b>0.0</b>

### Arousal Statistics

Per hour	REM	NREM	Total
ARO RES	50.2	26.6	30.7
ARO Limb	0.0	0.0	0.0
ARO SPONT	2.4	2.9	2.8
<b>Total</b>			<b>33.6</b>

### Summary of Respiratory Events

SpO <sub>2</sub> awake average:	94%
Average SpO <sub>2</sub> desaturation:	7%
% Sleep with SpO <sub>2</sub> < 89%	6%
ODI (3%)	46.8/hr
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# When do we treat OSA?

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## Patient's concern

Disruptive snoring/affecting partner

Unrefreshing sleep/Sleepiness

Perceived health risk

Effect on driving

## Clinician's concern

Patient's symptoms

Links with cardiovascular morbidity  
and effects on mental health

Safety (patient and society)

# Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP)

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Can “try before you buy”  
“100%” effective

Long term adherence with CPAP is ~  
30-60%



Colin Sullivan – Aus CPAP inventor



1980 Experiment



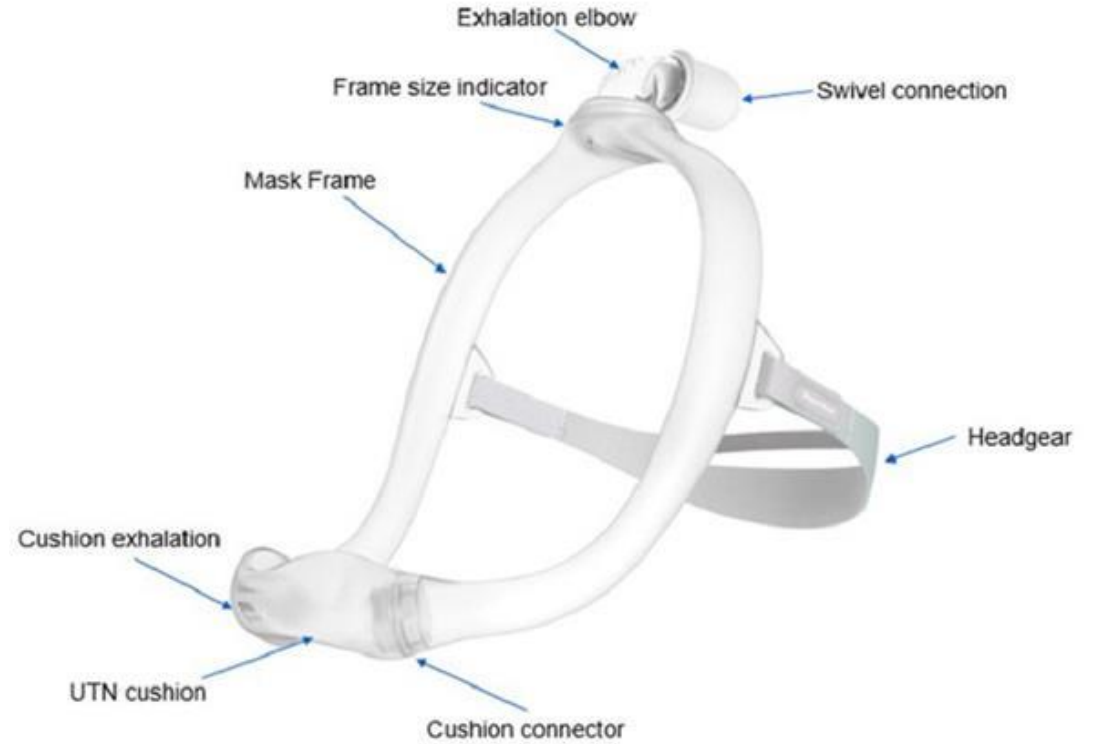
“Nasal” mask used



# Nasal CPAP masks have evolved



Nasal pillow



Nasal "cradle"

# How do I know my patient is adherent and CPAP is working?

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## CPAP Aims:

1. Use  $\geq 4$  hours/day *[Better: any time patient is asleep]*
2. Residual AHI  $< 5$  events/hour *[may be tailored to the patient]*
3. Any factors hindering patient adherence?  
e.g. mask leak, claustrophobia, partner

# How to start CPAP?

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## 1) Automatic Positive Airway Pressure (APAP)

4 week trial

Range CPAP: 4 to 20 cm H<sub>2</sub>O

What is the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile CPAP?

- can use this information to determine “optimal”/ “fixed” CPAP pressure

## 2) CPAP titration sleep study

- in-laboratory polysomnography, to determine optimal CPAP pressure and CPAP mask

# How to read a CPAP download?

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## Statistics

08/12/2020 - 13/05/2021

Device: AirSense 10 Elite (S/N: 22201496091)

### Device Settings

Therapy Mode: **CPAP**  
EPR Level: **2.0 cmH2O**  
Ramp Enable: **AUTO**

➔ Set Pressure: **10.8 cmH2O**  
EPR Enable: **ON**  
Ramp Time: **20.0 minutes**

EPR: **RAMP\_ONLY**  
EPR Patient Enable: **ON**  
Essentials: **PLUS**

### Leak - L/min

Median: **1.2**

➔ 95th Percentile: **49.2**

Maximum: **62.4**

### Respiratory Indices - events/hr

Apnea index: **2.5**  
Obstructive: **0.0**  
% Time in CSR: **0.0**

Hypopnea index: **1.5**  
Central: **1.7**

AHI: **4.0**  
Unknown: **0.7**

### Total Usage

Used Days >= 4 hrs : **96**  
Days not used: **36**  
Median daily usage: **6:51**

Used Days < 4 hrs : **25**  
Total days: **157**  
➔ Average daily usage: **4:38**

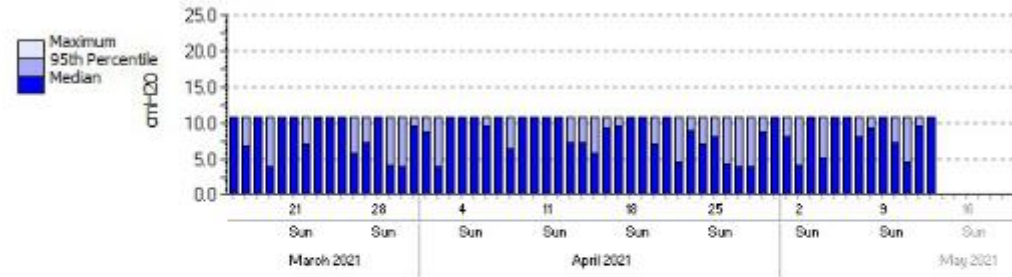
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Total hours used: **729:52**

# Summary Graphs

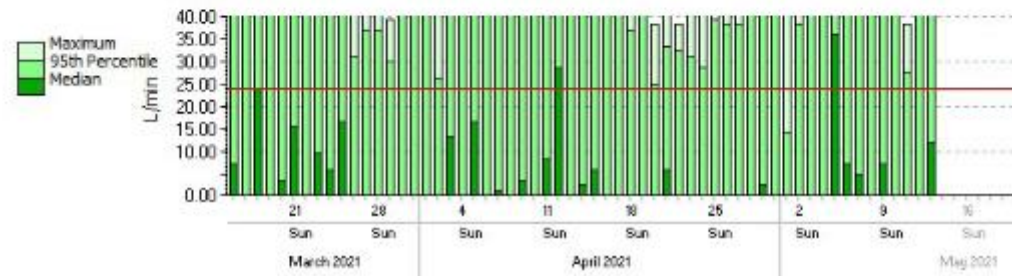
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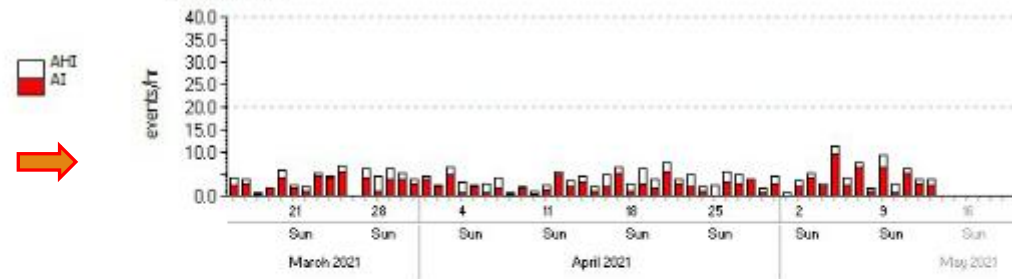
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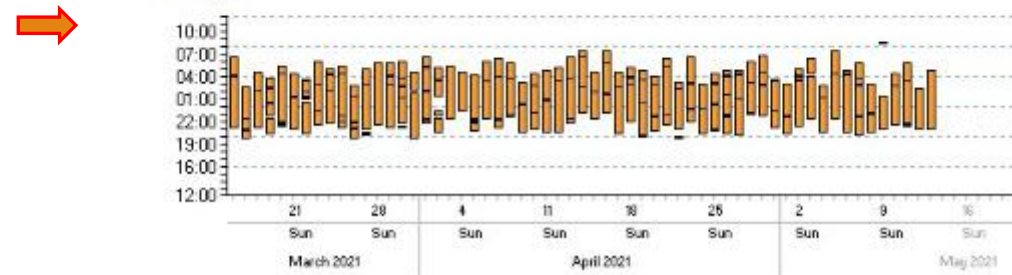
## Leak



## AHI & AI



## Usage



# OSA pathophysiology – Why is it important?

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Continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP)

- Gold standard treatment

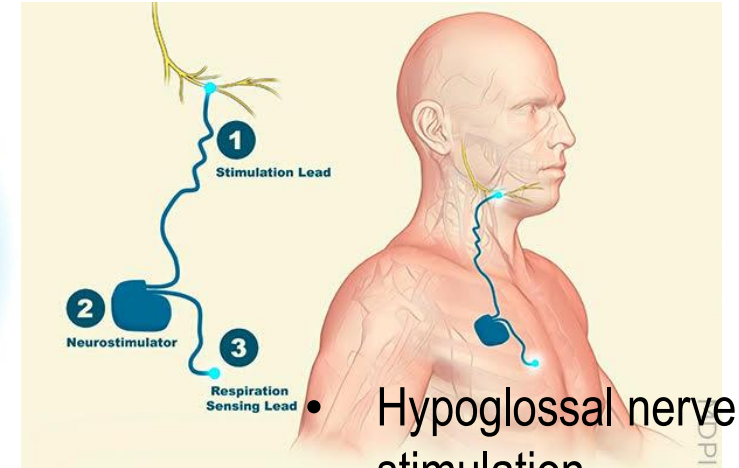
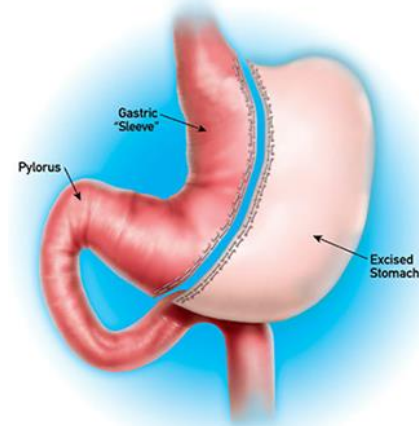
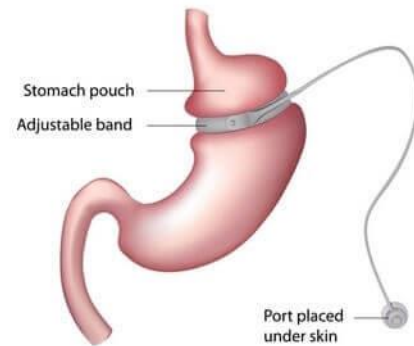
- 50% discontinue therapy beyond 3 months (Kribbs 1993)

We need other treatments!

# Alternative OSA treatments



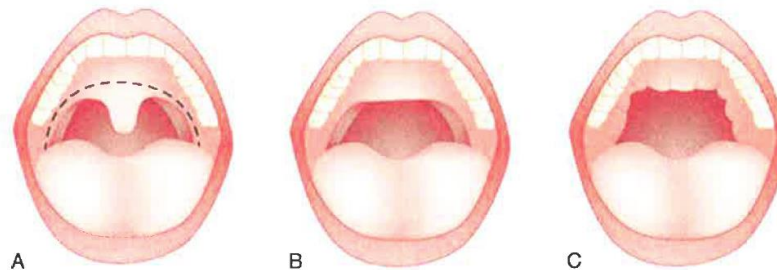
Adjustable Gastric Band (Lap Band)



Hypoglossal nerve stimulation



- Upper airway surgery



- “Drugs”\*
  - Oxygen therapy and acetazolamide (to lower loop gain)
  - Sedatives (to raise the arousal threshold)
  - NRI and anticholinergics (to improve genioglossus muscle responsiveness)

\* Edwards (2014); Wellman (2008); Carberry (2017); Taranto-Montemurro (2016, 2019)

# Mandibular Advancement Device (MAD)

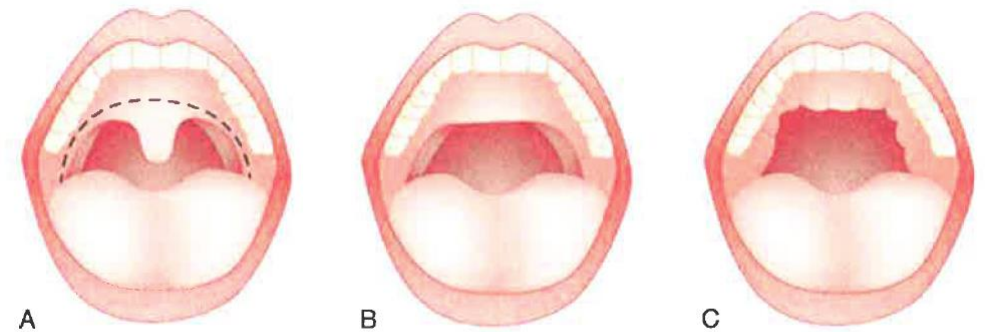
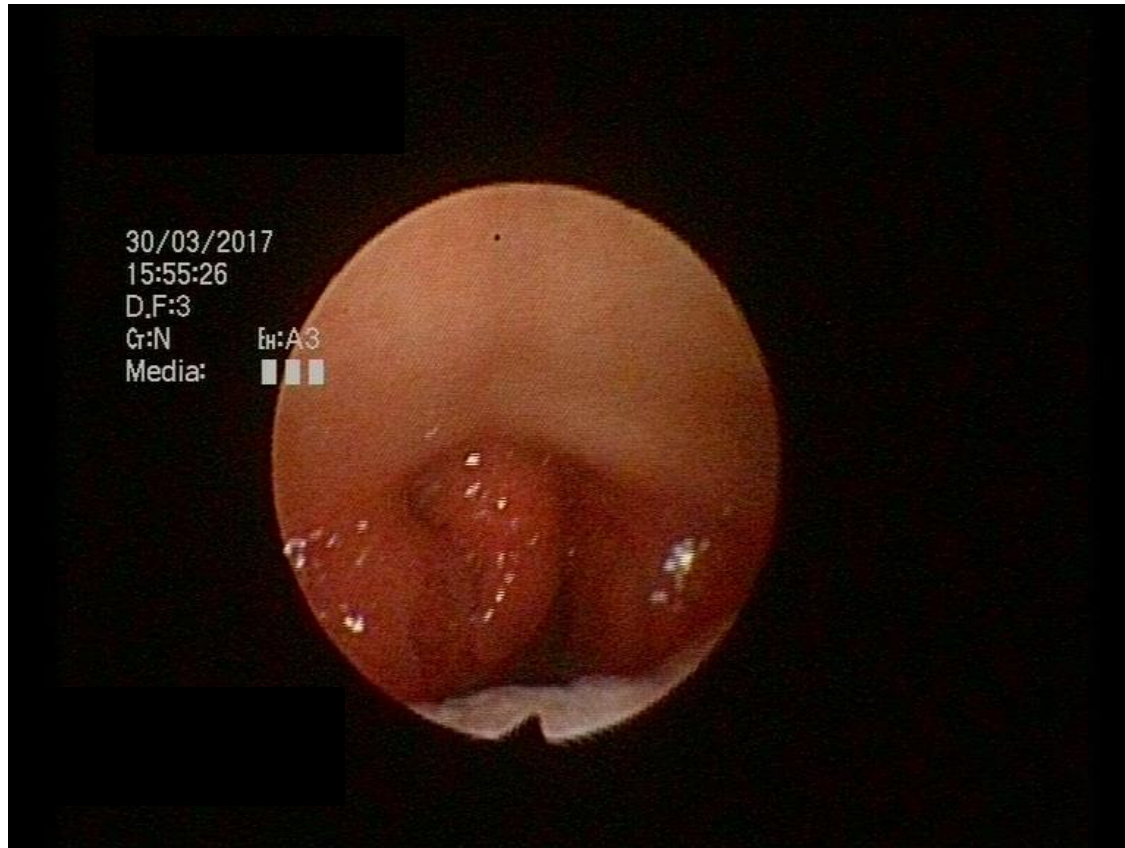
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Mild to Moderate sleep apnoea  
Recent report of success in severe OSA  
Efficacy less certain than CPAP  
Can cause teeth/jaw pain and teeth shift  
No trial before buy





# Tonsillectomy



**Figure 149-3** Classical uvulopalatopharyngoplasty technique. **A**, Redundant soft palate and pharyngeal pillar mucosa are outlined. **B**, Tonsils, pharyngeal pillar mucosa, uvula, and soft palate have been excised. The extent of soft palate excision is determined by placing traction on the uvula and noting the position of the mucosal crease. **C**, Mucosal flaps of the lateral pharyngeal wall and palatal muscle are advanced and closed with absorbable suture. (From Troell RJ, Strom CG. Surgical therapy for snoring. *Fed Pract* 1997;14:29–52.)

# Patient with OSA on CPAP, but still sleepy!

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1. Is CPAP working?

- Residual AHI

2. Is the patient compliant?

- Average daily use?

3. Sleep hygiene

- Is sleep restricted? Regular sleep and wake times?

4. Other contributors – e.g. Anxiety/depression; sedatives; metabolic disturbance; restless legs

**May perform CPAP review sleep study +/- Multiple sleep latency test (MSLT)**

**- ?alternative diagnosis e.g. Narcolepsy or Idiopathic hypersomnia**

**- ?addition of Dexamfetamine and/or Armodafinil/Modafinil**

# Patient with severe OSA, but not compliant with OSA treatment, can they drive?

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1. Confirm diagnosis and severity of OSA with polysomnography.
2. Assess why patient is unable to comply with OSA treatment.
  - CPAP, MAD, weight loss
3. **Consider need for Maintenance Wakefulness Test (MWT).**
  - assess level of alertness over 4-5 “40 minute” periods
  - this test may also be performed in patients with severe OSA on CPAP and wanting some objective measure of their ability to stay awake whilst stationary
  - not currently available in Tasmania

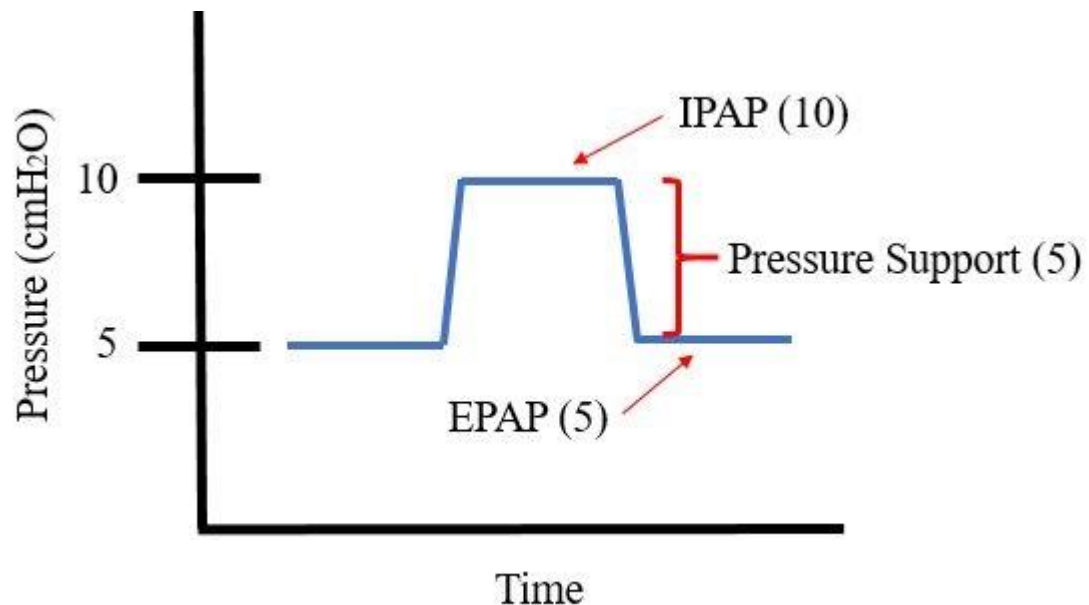
# CPAP? APAP? VPAP? BPAP? NIV? iVAPS? AVAPS?

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	Continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP)	Bilevel positive airway pressure (BPAP) or non-invasive ventilation (NIV)
<b>Auto-settings</b>	APAP	iVAPS – target alveolar ventilation AVAPS – tidal volume
<b>Conditions (e.g.)</b>	OSA Obesity hypoventilation syndrome (mild-mod)	Conditions associated with type 2 respiratory failure (hypercapnia) /hypoventilation e.g. Neuromuscular conditions; COPD/emphysema; Obesity hypoventilation syndrome.

# CPAP? APAP? VPAP? BPAP? NIV? iVAPS? AVAPS?

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## BPAP/NIV

**EPAP + Pressure Support (PS) = IPAP**

*If you suspect respiratory failure:*

- Arterial blood gas (ABG) [ $\text{PaCO}_2$ ]
- is serum  $\text{HCO}_3$  elevated? ( $\geq 28$  mmol/L)



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RHH Sleep Clinic Referral

**Patient Details**

Name:  Telephone 1:   
 Address:  Telephone 2:   
 DOB:   
 Health Care Card Number:  Nocturnal hypoventilation/Respiratory failure Yes  No

**Clinical History**

**Medical Co-Morbidities (Please complete as appropriate)**

Height (cm) =   Type 2 diabetes  Stroke/TIA  
 Weight (kg) =   Atrial Flutter  COPD  
 BMI (kg/m2) =   Cardiac Failure  Commercial Driver

**Other Co-Morbidities:**

**Epworth Sleepiness Scale**  
 How likely are you to doze off or fall asleep in the following situations?  
 Use the following scale to choose the most appropriate number:

0	1	2	3
no chance	slight chance	moderate chance	high chance

Sitting and reading 0 1 2 3  
 Watching television 0 1 2 3  
 Sitting inactive, in a public space 0 1 2 3  
 Lying down to rest in the afternoon when circumstances permit 0 1 2 3  
 Sitting and talking to someone 0 1 2 3  
 Sitting quietly after a lunch without alcohol 0 1 2 3  
 As a passenger in a car for an hour without a break 0 1 2 3  
 In a car, while stopped for a few minutes in traffic 0 1 2 3

Total Score:

**Referring Doctor**

Name:   
 Provider#   
 Unit:   
 Signature:   
 Phone:   
 Date:

Please fax this referral to  
 RHH Outpatient Clinics:  
 6234 3982

**STOP-Bang Questionnaire**  
 Please answer the following questions by checking "yes" or "no" for each one

	Yes	No
Snoring (Do you snore loudly?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tiredness (Do you often feel tired, fatigued, or sleepy during the daytime?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Observed Apnea (Has anyone observed that you stop breathing, or choke or gasp during your sleep?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
High Blood Pressure (Do you have or are you being treated for high blood pressure?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BMI (Is your body mass index more than 35kg per m2?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Age (Are you older than 50 years?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Neck Circumference (Is your neck circumference greater than 40 cm [15.75 inches]?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gender (Are you male?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outpatient Use Only

# How to refer to RHH Sleep Clinic?

[https://www.health.tas.gov.au/intranet/stho/medicine/respiratory\\_medicine](https://www.health.tas.gov.au/intranet/stho/medicine/respiratory_medicine)

RHH Sleep Clinics

*Monday afternoons*

VPAP/CPAP supplier (current)

Health Dynamics [equipment]

Chung F et al Anaesthesiology 2008 108(5): 812-21&Dr J Anaesth 2012;108(5): 768-75  
 Johns M Sleep 1991; 14(6) 540-545

# Take home messages

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1. What you give is what you get.

- Different sleep studies (pros and cons), how the AHI is measured and influenced.

2. CPAP works, if the patient can use it.

\*positional therapy; \*weight loss; ?mandibular advancement device (“buy before you try”).

3. Future directions: OSA pathophysiology, new non-CPAP therapies (?in combination) and prediction of OSA response to non-CPAP therapies.

# Thank you and Questions

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Ronald Grunstein

Sleep neurobiology,  
Weight loss and OSA



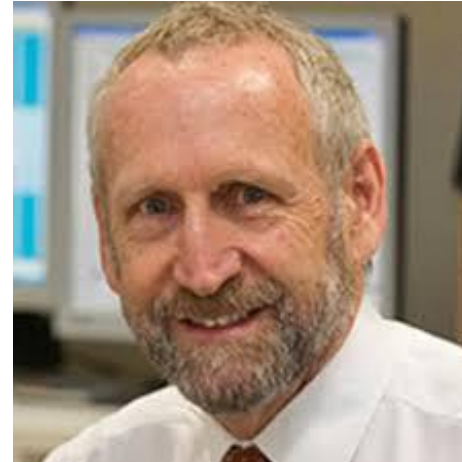
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Perioperative OSA



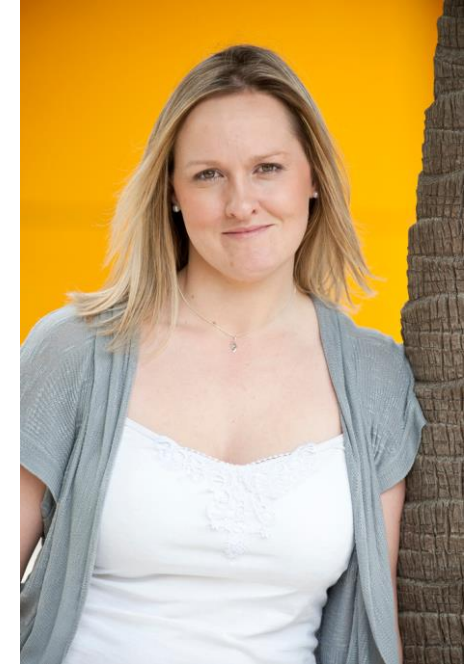
Peter Cistulli

Oral appliance  
therapy



Doug McEvoy

SAVE trial  
NEJM 2016



Clare Anderson

Drowsy driving - biomarkers