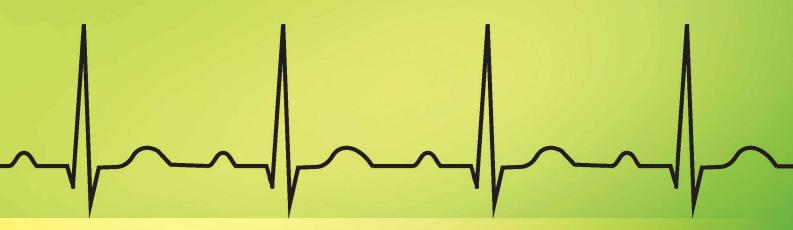
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#### **Preface**

# **Message From the Authors**

Anesthesia for Dental and Oral Maxillofacial Surgery was developed to provide essential information in basic medical knowledge and anesthesia care. This valuable resource will act as a convenient perioperative reference and serve as an excellent study guide in preparation for written and oral board examinations in Dental Anesthesiology and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

This text is not only designed for the resident or new graduate studying for their oral or written boards, but is also useful to those out in practice who want to refresh themselves on anesthetic concepts. It is set up in bullet point format to give you, the reader, high-yield information at a glance and space to highlight, draw, and write in your own explanations to help connect the dots. This will

personalize the book to your own learning style to enhance your learning experience.

This book is not going to be a substitute for residency experience and dedicated studying throughout your training. Many of the topics included here are covered in greater depth in other anesthesia textbooks. However, this text should give you solid foundational knowledge as well as guide your studying where knowledge deficits arise.

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Disclaimer: This book is not a substitute for crafting an anesthetic plan on a specific patient/procedural basis.

# **Oral/Written Boards**

It is a great honor and significant career accomplishment to earn a board certification in your chosen specialty. Board certification is certainly worth the time and sacrifice to achieve.

Time management is the most important aspect of preparation when it comes to an oral or written board certification examination. Having an efficient strategy for finding vital topics pertinent to the exam is critical to doing well. One way to demonstrate mastery of core skills and knowledge is to show that you understand how to use resources efficiently and appropriately.

#### In-Service Training Examination (ITE)

These are secure examinations developed by specific specialty boards for residents in training. The content areas cover the breadth of the specialty with basic science and clinical questions. The exam tests your foundational knowledge in the entire training curriculum. These exams predominately function in gauging your knowledge among your peers, as well as track your progression in the curriculum.

#### The Written Board Examination

Passing this exam is a prerequisite for being able to sit for the Oral Examination.

Written Examinations are psychometrically valid computer-based exams administered to test your knowledge in core principles of the specialty. Questions range from direct, factual information to specific clinical techniques, and span from basic to complex in breadth.

## The Oral Examination

Once you have successfully completed the Written Examination, you are eligible to begin your application for

the Oral Examination. This exam is designed to test your clinical judgment and ability to apply and verbalize the cognitive knowledge that was successfully demonstrated on the Written Examination.

The format of the Oral Examination allows you to demonstrate your ability to assess and manage patients presenting for treatment, as well as your ability to effectively communicate these relevant issues with both patients and colleagues.

The Oral Examination seeks to evaluate your ability to analyze and act appropriately and expediently in all situations. The exam encompasses several aspects of anesthesiology practice, including perioperative management and proper responses to urgent and emergency situations.

You will be given case scenarios and asked to interpret and discuss findings, make a clinical judgment, and defend your position. You may request additional information that is relevant to aid in your assessment and management.

The focus of each discussion can change as new issues develop in a given case. You will be evaluated throughout the preoperative, operative, and postoperative periods.

#### **Oral Board Examination Tips**

The Oral Examination, in Dental Anesthesiology and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery can be intimidating and require intense preparation. Adequate preparation is measured in many months of study post-residency. For most candidates, this will be the first oral exam they have ever encountered. Residents who participate in frequent verbal discussions with their attendings regarding clinical scenarios will find themselves better prepared to succeed in this type of exam, and such discussions are strongly encouraged throughout your training. Many residents and candidates also find it useful to take turns asking each other potential board questions to practice talking through the management of patients.

On the whole, it is wise to take the exam soon after completion of residency. You will be more likely to remember

detailed information about complicated patients and surgical management. Once you enter private practice, your scope naturally narrows, and some of these minute details can get lost and forgotten.

General Tips

- Your oral exam begins the moment you meet your examiners. Greet your examiners with a smile, look interested, pay attention to every detail of your examiner's instruction. You will be nervous and your examiners will do their best to put you at ease. They will do everything they can to help you relax and perform well.
- Make sure to look and act professional. Business casual is appropriate for the oral exam.
- Realize that your visual appearance and your body language are vital forms of communication during the exam.
   Your body language should be deliberate; it should exude confidence and communicate that you are happy to be there.
- Make every attempt to answer questions as rapidly and completely as you can. The clearer and more concise you are, the more likely you are to finish the cases and positively impact your grade.

- If you do not know the answer to a specific question, admit this but try to quickly offer information appropriate to the topic which demonstrates your knowledge of the subject and how you would address the situation.
- Always be prepared to articulate your rationale and be prepared to defend your course of action.
- It is important to verbalize your thought process for every stage of case management. Do not assume that the examiners know why you are ordering particular labs and tests, or how you reached a particular conclusion. When in doubt, talk it out.

The Board exam, especially the oral exam, has evolved considerably over time. They are no longer adversarial with intimidating examiners probing the candidates' cognitive and psychological limits. Specialty boards in both Dental Anesthesiology and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery are directed by our brightest, most accomplished practitioners who truly care about presenting the exam that will fairly evaluate you to join the ranks of the specialty. To be board certified is an extraordinary accomplishment and identifies you as someone who meets the standards of training, education, and professionalism necessary to earn the title of Diplomate.

# **Dentist Contributions to Anesthesiology**

- For millennia, the fear of the pain of surgery was not worth the procedure
- Death was often the preferred option to surgery
- Early efforts included strangulation, freezing, alcohol, opiates, and hallucinogens; none were predictably safe or effective
- Since the 1960s, a series of published articles documented dental outpatient GA safety. Initial mortality estimates of 1/400000 are now at 1/720000, supporting an astounding record of safety

# The History of Anesthesiology

- 1799: Sir Humphry Davy published that N<sub>2</sub>O may be an advantage in surgery
- 1842: Crawford W. Long, MD, observed, but did not make known, the effects of N<sub>2</sub>O
- 1842: William E. Clark administered ether for a dental extraction, but did not make known
- 1844: Horace Wells, DDS, observed and made known ("discovered") the predictably safe and effective analgesic effects of N<sub>2</sub>O. Wells is the Discoverer of Anesthesia
- 1846: William T.G. Morton, DDS, used ether to assist with tooth extraction and, later that year, neck tumor removal
- 1847: First sexual assault by Parisian dentist convicted on two counts of assault on two anesthetized girls
- 1848: First published anesthesia death involving chloroform for ingrown toenail surgery

- 1865: William T.G. Morton, DDS, provides over 3000 ether anesthetics during the Civil War
- 1868: Alfred Coleman, DDS, invented the first CO<sub>2</sub> absorber
- 1883: G.V. Black, DDS, promoted the use of bromide of ethyl as an anesthetic
- 1902: Charles Teeter, DDS, introduced the first machine capable of delivering N<sub>2</sub>O/O<sub>2</sub>, ether, and chloroform.
   Later, Teeter was elected President of both the ASA and IARS
- 1912: Jay Heidbrink, DDS, first used color-coded anesthesia gas tanks and invented the pin index safety system
- 1910: Edgar Rudolph Randolph "Painless" Parker, DDS, advocated for the routine use of local anesthesia in dentistry. The ADA did not recommend local anesthesia until the 1930s
- 1940: Adrian Orr Hubbell, DDS, introduced sodium thiopental as an effective agent for outpatient surgery
- 1944: Leonard Monheim, DDS, published "A,B,C" preanesthesia risk categories
- 1963: The ASA published the Physical Status Classification
- 1963: Hoffmann-La Roche introduced Diazepam. The oral formulation became the most prescribed drug in the world
- 1970s: Medicine begins to adopt half of the 1844 dental paradigm for outpatient anesthesia, i.e. allowing a patient to leave from and return to home after GA and surgery the same day
- 2010s: Medicine begins to adopt the other half of dentistry's 1844 model, i.e. GA in facilities outside the OR

# **Glossary of Abbreviations**

AA	Anesthesiologist assistant	BSSO	Bilateral sagittal split osteotomy
AAOMS	American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial	BUN	Blood urea nitrogen
	Surgeons	BW	Birth weight
AAP	American Academy of Pediatrics	°C	Celsius
ABG	Arterial blood gas	CABG	Coronary artery bypass grafting
ABO/Rh	Blood group classification	CAD	Coronary artery disease
ABOMS	American Board of Oral and	$CaO_2$	Arterial oxygen content
	Maxillofacial Surgery	CBF	Cerebral blood flow
ACC	American College of Cardiology	CBC	Complete blood count
ACE	Angiotensin-converting enzyme	CC	Correlation coefficient
ACEi	Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors	CCB	Calcium channel blocker
ACLS	Advanced cardiac life support	CD	Cluster of differentiation (CD4 cells)
ACTH	Adrenocorticotropic hormone	CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
ADA	American Dental Association	CHD	Congenital heart disease
ADBA	American Dental Board of Anesthesiology	CHF	Congestive heart failure
ADH	Antidiuretic hormone or vasopressin	CI	Confidence interval
ADHD	Attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder	CKD	Chronic kidney disease
ADSA	American Dental Society of Anesthesiology	CL	Cleft lip
AED	Automated external defibrillator	CLP	Cleft palate
AHA	American Heart Association	cm	Centimeter
AHI	Apnea–hypopnea index	CMP	Comprehensive metabolic panel
AIDS	Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome	$CMRO_2$	Cerebral metabolic oxygen consumption rate
AMA	American Medical Association	CMS	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
AMS	Altered mental status	CN	Cranial nerve
AOP	Apnea of prematurity	CO	Cardiac output
APL	Adjustable pressure limiting	$CO_2$	Carbon dioxide
ARB	Angiotensin receptor blockers	COMT	Catechol-O-methyltransferase
ASA	American Society of Anesthesiologists	COPD	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
ASC	Ambulatory surgery center	COX	Cyclooxygenase
ASD	Atrial septal defect <b>or</b> autism spectrum disorder	CNS	Central nervous system
ASDA	American Society of Dentist Anesthesiologists	CPAP	Continuous positive airway pressure
AV	Atrioventricular	CPP	Cerebral perfusion pressure
AVNRT	Atrioventricular nodal reentrant tachycardia	CPR	Cardiopulmonary resuscitation
AVRT	Atrioventricular reentrant tachycardia	CRH	Corticotropin-releasing hormone
BAR	Blunt autonomic response	CNRA	Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist
BBB	Blood-brain barrier	CSF	Cerebral spinal fluid
BiPAP	Bilevel positive airway pressure	CT	Computed tomography
BMI	Body mass index	CV	Cardiovascular
BMP	Basic metabolic panel	CVA	Cerebrovascular accident
BMS	Bare metal stent	CVR	Cerebrovascular resistance
BNP	B-type natriuretic peptide	DA	Dentist anesthesiologist
BP	Blood pressure	DAPT	
BPD	Bronchopulmonary dysplasia	DASI	

DBP	Diastolic blood pressure	ICD	Implantable cardioverter defibrillator
DDAVP	Desmopressin	ICP	Intracranial pressure
DDS	Doctorate of Dental Surgery	IDDM	Insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus
DEA	Drug Enforcement Agency	IE	Infective endocarditis
DES	Drug eluting stent	IM	Intramuscular
DHEA	Dehydroepiandrosterone	IN	Intranasal
dL	Deciliter	INR	International normalized ratio
DMARD	Disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs	IV	Intravenous
DMD	Doctor of Medicine in Dentistry	IVH	Intraventricular hemorrhage
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic acid	J	Joule
DO	Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine	kg	Kilogram
$DO_2$	Oxygen delivery	1	Liter
DOS	Day of surgery	LBW	Lean body weight
DPG	2,3 diphosphoglyceric acid	LFT	Liver function tests
DPP-4	Dipeptidyl peptidase-4 inhibitors	LMA	Laryngeal mask airway
DVT	Deep vein thrombosis	LMWH	Low molecular weight heparin
ECG	Electrocardiography	LR	Lactated ringer's
Echo	Echocardiogram	LV	Left ventricle
ED	Emergency department	LVAD	Left ventricular assist device
EDV	End diastolic volume	LVEF	Left ventricular ejection fraction
EEG	Electroencephalogram	LVF	Left ventricular function
EGD	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy	LVH	Left ventricular hypertrophy
ESRD	End-stage renal disease	m	Meter
ESV	End systolic volume	m.	Muscle
$ETCO_2$	End tidal carbon dioxide	MAC	Minimum alveolar concentration or
ETT	Endotracheal tube		monitored anesthesia care
FA	Alveolar concentration of anesthetic gas	MACE	Major adverse cardiac events
FDA	Food and Drug Administration	MAOIs	Monoamine oxidase inhibitors
$FEV_1$	Forced expiratory volume over one second	MAP	Mean arterial pressure
FGF	Fresh gas flow	MD	Doctor of Medicine
FI	Inspired concentration of inhaled anesthetic	MDI	Metered dose inhaler
$FIO_2$	Fraction of inspired oxygen	MET	Metabolic equivalent
FOI	Fiberoptic intubation	mEq	Milliequivalent
FRC	Functional residual capacity	MH	Malignant hyperthermia
FVC	Forced vital capacity	MI	Myocardial infarction
g	Gram	MIO	Mean incisal opening
G6PD	Glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase	ml	Milliliter
$G_{A}$	Gestational age	mm	Millimeter
GA	General anesthesia	mm.	Muscles
GABA	γ-Aminobutyric acid	MMA	Maxillary and mandibular advancement
GER	Gastroesophageal reflux	MMF	Maxillomandibular fixation
GERD	Gastroesophageal reflux disease	mmHg	Millimeters of mercury
GFR	Glomerular filtration rate	MRI	Magnetic resonance imaging
GI	Gastrointestinal	MRSA	Methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus
GLP-1	Glucagon-like peptide 1 receptor agonists	MTHFR	Methylenetetrahydrofolate reductase
h	hour(s)	ms	Millisecond
HAART	Highly active antiretroviral therapy	mV	Millivolt
HbA1c	Hemoglobin A1c	MV	Minute ventilation
HBF	Hepatic blood flow	n.	Nerve
HCL	Hydrochloric acid	$N_2O$	Nitrous oxide
HIV	Human immunodeficiency virus	N/A	Not applicable
HMG-CoA	3-hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl coenzyme A	NAS	Neonatal abstinence syndrome
HR	Heart rate	NEC	Necrotizing enterocolitis
HTN	Hypertension	NETT	
IANB	Inferior alveolar nerve block	NG	Nasal-
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NGA	Natural guarded airway	RAD	Reactive airway disease
NICU	Neonatal intensive care unit	RAE	Right angle endotracheal
NIDDM	Non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus	RBCs	Red blood cells
NIV	Noninvasive ventilation	RBF	Renal blood flow
NMB	Neuromuscular blockade	RDS	Respiratory distress syndrome
NMDA	N-methyl-D-aspartate	RQ	Respiratory quotient (Typically ~0.8)
NMJ	Neuromuscular junction	Rh	Rh immunoglobulin
NNT	Numbers needed to treat	ROM	Range of motion
NOE	Nasal-orbital-ethmoid	ROP	Retinopathy of prematurity
NPA	Nasal pharyngeal airway	ROSC	Return of spontaneous circulation
NPH	Neutral Protamine Hagedorn	RR	Respiratory rate
NPO	Latin "Nil per os" or nothing by mouth	RSI	Rapid sequence induction
NSAID	Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs	RSV	Respiratory syncytial virus
NYHA	New York Heart Association	RV	Right ventricle
OB	Obstetrics	RVH	Right ventricular hypertrophy
		RVOT	Right ventricular hypertrophy Right ventricular outflow tract
ODD	Oppositional defiant disorder Oral endotracheal tube		6
OETT		RVR	Rapid ventricular response Sinoatrial
OG	Oral-gastric	SA	
OMS	Otitis media	SBP	Systolic blood pressure
OMS	Oral and maxillofacial surgeon	SDB	Sleep disordered breathing
OPA	Oral pharyngeal airway	SGA	Supraglottic airway
OR	Operating room	SGL2	Sodium glucose cotransporter-2 inhibitors
OSA Pr-CO	Obstructive sleep apnea	SHS	Secondhand smoke
PaCO <sub>2</sub>	Arterial partial pressure of carbon dioxide	SIDS	Sudden infant death syndrome
PACU	Post-anesthesia care unit	SL	Sublingual
PaO <sub>2</sub>	Arterial partial pressure of oxygen	SpO <sub>2</sub>	Percent of oxygen-saturated hemoglobin
$P_AO_2$	Alveolar partial pressure of oxygen	SNRIs	Serotonin norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors
PAP	Pulmonary arterial pressure	SSRIs	Selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors
Patm	Barometric pressure (760 mmHg)	SV	Stroke volume
PCI	Percutaneous coronary intervention	SVR	Systemic vascular resistance
PDEi	Phosphodiesterase inhibitors	SVT	Supraventricular tachycardia
PE A	Pulmonary embolism	T&A	Tonsillectomy and/or adenoidectomy
PEA PEEP	Pulseless electrical activity Positive end-expiratory pressure	$T_3$	Triiodothyronine Thyroxine
		$T_4$	Thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysm
PEG	Percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy	TAAA	-
PFO	Patent foramen ovale	TCAs	Tricyclics
PFT	Pulmonary function test	TIA	Transient ischemic attack
pH	Potential of hydrogen (Measuring degree of acidity)	TIVA	Total intravenous anesthesia
PH <sub>2</sub> O	Partial pressure of water (47 mmHg)	TMJ	Temporomandibular joint
PO	Latin "Per os" or by mouth	TSH	Thyroid-stimulating hormone Tidal volume
PONV	Postoperative nausea vomiting	TV	
PPE	Personal protective equipment	TZDs	Thiazolidinediones
PPM	Permanent pacemaker	UPPP	Uvulopalatopharyngoplasty
pRBCs	Packed red blood cells	UTI	Urinary tract infection
PRN	Latin "Pro re nata" or as needed	URI	Upper respiratory infection
PPIs	Proton pump inhibitors	URTI	Upper respiratory tract infection
PPV	Positive pressure ventilation	VF	Ventricular fibrillation
PSI	Pounds per square inch	V/Q	Ventilation/perfusion
PT	Prothrombin time	VSD	Ventricular septal defect
PTT	Partial thromboplastin time	VT	Ventricular tachycardia
PVC	Polyvinyl chloride	VTE	Venous thromboembolism
PVCs	Premature ventricular contractions	vWF	von Willebrand factor
PVR	Pulmonary vascular resistance	WBCs	White blood cells
pVT	Pulseless ventricular tachycardia	WPW	
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ZMC

Latin abbreviation of "quaque" or every

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#### 1.1 Statistics

#### Sampling

- Samples are subsets of the population
- Ideal samples are truly representative of the population
- Probability
  - The possibility of an outcome from any random event
  - Numerical value between 0 and 1
- Mean
  - The average value of a data set
- Median
  - The middle value of a set of data which has been arranged in order of magnitude
- Mode
  - The most frequent value in a data set
- Standard Deviation
  - Quantifies the variability of values from the mean
- Standard Error
  - Measures the accuracy of the sample mean to the population mean
- Correlation Coefficient
  - The strength of linear relationship between two variables
- Confidence Interval
  - A range of values defined that there is a specific probability that the true value of a parameter lies within it
- Number Needed to Treat
  - The estimated number of patients that need to be treated to impact one patient
- P-value
  - The primary goal of any statistical test/analysis is to determine if a result is statistically significant which is done by a p-value
  - A p-value less than 0.05 is generally considered statistically significant

# **Normal Distribution** (Figure 1.1)

- 1 Standard Deviation (68.2%)
- 2 Standard Deviations (95%)
- 3 Standard Deviations (99.7%)

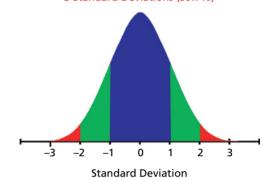


Figure 1.1

#### **Variables**

- Independent Variable
  - The variable being manipulated in a study
  - Typically on the X-axis
- Dependent Variable
  - The variable whose measurements depend on the independent variable
  - Typically on the Y-axis
- Continuous Variable
  - Numerical value that can include decimals
  - Examples
    - o Income
    - o Distance

#### • Categorical Variable

- Distinct categories of data
- Examples
  - o Demographics
  - o Days of the week
- Can include a number range

#### **Basic Statistical Tests**

#### Student's T-test

- Used when two categorical variables are tested against a continuous variable
  - Drug 1 vs. drug 2's (Categorical) effect on tumor size (Continuous)

# • Chi-Square $(\chi^2)$ Test

- Used when ≥2 categories are tested against ≥2 categorical outcomes
  - Drug 1 vs. drug 2's (Categorical) in eliminating depression (Categorical)

#### • Analysis of Variance

- Used when >2 categorical variables are tested against a continuous variable
  - Drug 1 vs. drug 2 vs. drug 3's (Categorical) effect on tumor size (Continuous)

# **Research Methodologies** (Figure 1.2)

#### • Systematic Review

 Synthesizing summaries and conclusions from the results of independent studies

#### • Randomized Controlled Clinical Trial

- Randomly assigns participants to two or more groups where at least one group receives treatment
  - E.g. The treatment group(s) receive a drug and the control group receives a placebo



Figure 1.2

#### • Cohort Study

- Subjects are grouped based on a risk factor to evaluate disease presence
- Retrospective cohort
  - Risk factor exposure and disease prevalence are recorded
- Prospective cohort
  - Following patients forward to see if disease will develop after exposure to a risk factor

#### • Case Control Study

 Subjects with a disease are investigated to find cause or risk factors and compared to subjects who do not have the disease

#### Case Series

- Subjects with a disease are investigated to find cause or risk factors
- There is no control group

# 1.2 Anesthetic Monitoring Standards

From The Committee of Origin: Standards and Practice Parameters on the Standards for Basic Anesthetic Monitoring by the American Society of Anesthesiologists

Standard I (Figure 1.3)

**Standard II** (Figure 1.4)

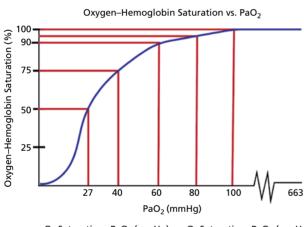
"Qualified anesthesia personnel shall be present in the room throughout the conduct of all general anesthetics, regional anesthetics and monitored anesthesia care." "During all anesthetics, the patient's oxygenation, ventilation, circulation, and temperature shall be continually evaluated."

Figure 1.3 Figure 1.4

# 1.3 Pulse Oximetry

#### **Function**

- Uses photoplethysmography and pulsatile blood flow to derive oxygen saturation of hemoglobin (Figure 1.5)
  - Deoxyhemoglobin 660 nm
  - Oxyhemoglobin 940 nm



O <sub>2</sub> Saturation	PaO <sub>2</sub> (mmHg)	O <sub>2</sub> Saturation	PaO <sub>2</sub> (mmHg)
100%	100+	90%	60
97%	90	75%	40
95%	80	50%	27

Figure 1.5

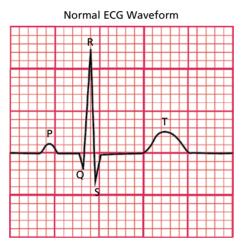
#### **Clinical Considerations**

- Factors affecting oxygen-hemoglobin affinity covered on page 47
  - Falsely Low Reading
    - o Nail polish
      - Debatable [1, 2]
    - o Shivering
    - o Poor circulation
    - o Hypotension
    - Vasoconstrictors
    - o Methemoglobinemia
      - Methemoglobinemia covered on page 285
    - o Sulfhemoglobinemia from sulfonamides [3]
- Falsely High Reading
  - Carbon monoxide poisoning
    - SpO<sub>2</sub> will read 95+% regardless of true PaO<sub>2</sub>
    - o Venous blood will appear cherry pink
    - Carbon monoxide binds with 200× greater affinity to hemoglobin than oxygen forming carboxyhemoglobin
    - Carboxyhemoglobin has a similar absorption wavelength to oxyhemoglobin
    - Common clinical/exam scenario for this occurring is the first case on a Monday after the anesthesia machine has been left on over the weekend, desiccating the absorbent, which in turn will react with volatile agents to produce carbon monoxide

# 1.4 Electrocardiography

#### **Function**

- Measures electrical cardiac activity (Figure 1.6)
- Dysrhythmia management covered in Section VI



Small Box: 0.04 seconds Big Box: 0.2 seconds

Figure 1.6

#### **Clinical Considerations**

- Dysrhythmia Detection
  - Lead II is considered best for routine monitoring
- Ischemia Detection [4]
  - Lead II and V<sub>5</sub>, 80% sensitivity
  - Lead II, V<sub>4</sub>, and V<sub>5</sub>, 90% sensitivity
- P-Wave
  - Atrial depolarization

- Typically upright and originates from the SA node
- Normal
  - o Upright
- Inverted or absent P-wave
  - Likely due to rhythm propagation occurring inferior to the SA node or junctional rhythm

#### • P-R Interval

- Conduction delay at the AV node
- Normal
  - o ~120-200 ms
- Prolonged
  - o First-degree heart block

## • QRS Complex

- Ventricular depolarization
- Normal/narrow
  - o ~80-100 ms
- Delayed
  - o 100-120 ms
  - o Incomplete right or left bundle branch block
  - o Nonspecific intraventricular conduction delay
- Wide
  - o >120 ms
  - o Bundle branch block
  - o Severe vagal stimulation
  - $_{\odot}\,$  Second- or third-degree heart block
    - Can sometimes still be narrow depending on location of ectopic pacemaker
  - o Premature ventricular contractions
  - o Ventricular dysrhythmias

#### • T-Wave

- Ventricular repolarization
- Peaked T-wave
  - o Sign of hyperkalemia
- Inverted T-wave
  - o Sign of ischemia

# • QT Interval

- Time from ventricular depolarization to repolarization
- Normal
  - o ~350-440 ms
- Prolonged
  - o Drug-induced
  - o Prolonged QT syndrome

# • R-R Interval

- Time between QRS complexes
- Dependent on heart rate
- Normal
  - $_{\circ}~0.6\text{--}1.0~seconds$ 
    - 60 beats/min: RR is 1.0 seconds
    - 100 beats/min: RR is 0.6 seconds

# 1.5 Blood Pressure Monitors

#### **Noninvasive Blood Pressure Cuff**

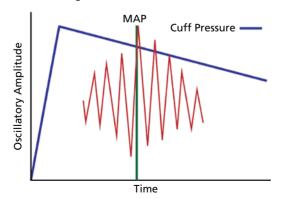
#### Function

- Measures blood pressure by an inflatable cuff
- Automated cuffs most commonly use oscillometry (Figure 1.7)

#### • Clinical Considerations

- The extremity should be measured at the level of the heart
- Bladder length should cover 80% of the upper arm circumference [5]
- Bladder width should be >40% of upper arm circumference [5]
- A cuff that is too small will give an artificially high reading
- A cuff that is too big will give an artificially low reading
- Morbidly obese patients may require a wrist cuff for accurate measurements

**Determining Blood Pressure on Automated BP Cuffs** 



MAP is determined by the maximum oscillatory amplitude An algorithm then extrapolates SBP and DBP from MAP

Figure 1.7

- Cuff unable to read
  - o Patient movement
  - o Leak/disconnect in the cuff
  - o Significant hypotension
  - o Surgeon leaning on cuff
  - o Kink in tubing
- During head and neck procedures, consider placing cuff on a lower extremity or wrist to avoid surgeon interference and easier access

#### **Arterial Line**

#### Function

- Measures beat-to-beat arterial blood pressure by a transducer (Figure 1.8)
- Access for ABG/blood samples
  - o Lab testing covered in Section III

#### Normal Arterial Wave Form

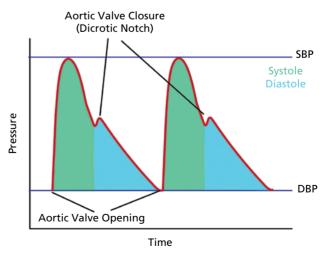


Figure 1.8