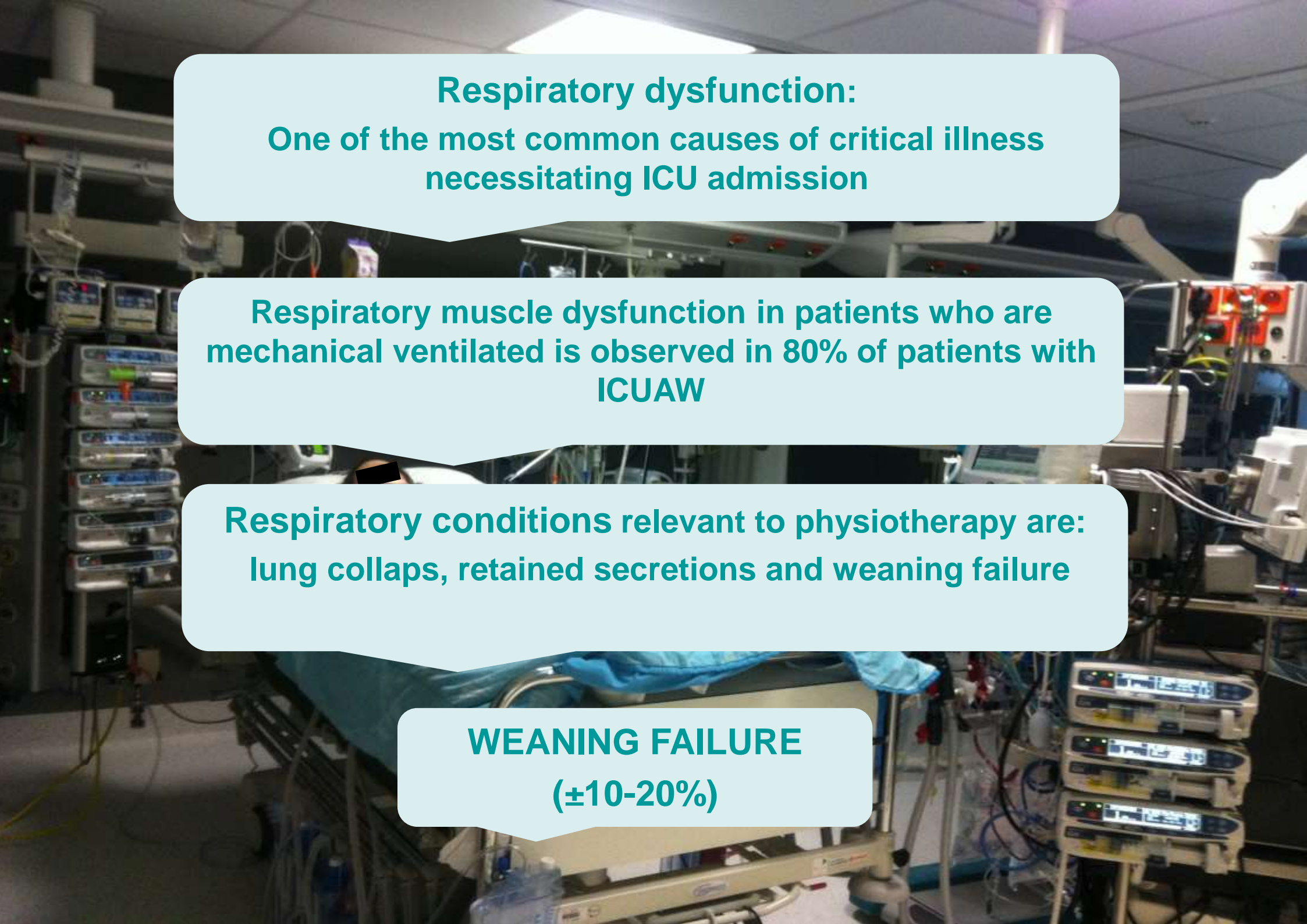


Recovery from ICU-acquired weakness; do not forget the respiratory muscles!

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Respiratory dysfunction:
One of the most common causes of critical illness
necessitating ICU admission

**Respiratory muscle dysfunction in patients who are
mechanical ventilated is observed in 80% of patients with
ICUAW**

**Respiratory conditions relevant to physiotherapy are:
lung collabs, retained secretions and weaning failure**

**WEANING FAILURE
(±10-20%)**

Weaning succes

‘The absence of the requirement for ventilatory support within 48 hours after extubation (translaryngeal tube) or withdrawal (tracheostomy tube) of MV.

Pressure support versus T-tube for weaning from mechanical ventilation in adults (Review)

Ladeira MT, Vital FMR, Andriolo RB, Andriolo BNG, Atallah ÁN, Peccin MS



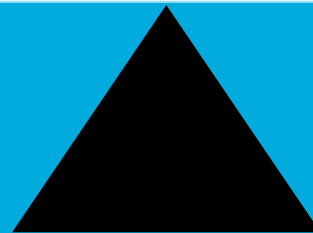
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In the weaning process we must take into account:

**CNS output
Respiratory drive**



**Respiratory
muscle pump**



**Pump
Capacity**

**Load on
the pump**



**Ventilatory
Failure**

After Moxham J.

In analogy with the UZL 'start to move ASAP' protocol



Start to breathe protocol = start to wean

Task: training of inspiratory muscles

- **Respiratory Assessment**
- Training
 - Endurance training
 - Additional strength training (IMT)

Respiratory assessment (prior to treatment)

- Retained secretions – Atelectasis
 - Auscultation
 - Palpation
 - ABG
 - Chest X-Ray
- Respiratory weaning
 - **Inspiratory muscle strength ($MIP > -20/-25 \text{ cmH}_2\text{O}$)**
 - Forced Vital Capacity ($>10 \text{ ml/kg}$)
 - Clinical signs of muscle fatigue ($RSBI < 105 \text{ breaths/min}^* \text{L}$)

Assessment Respiratory Weaning

Inspiratory muscle strength
MIP (max. insp. airway pressure)



evaluation of respiratory muscle
weakness

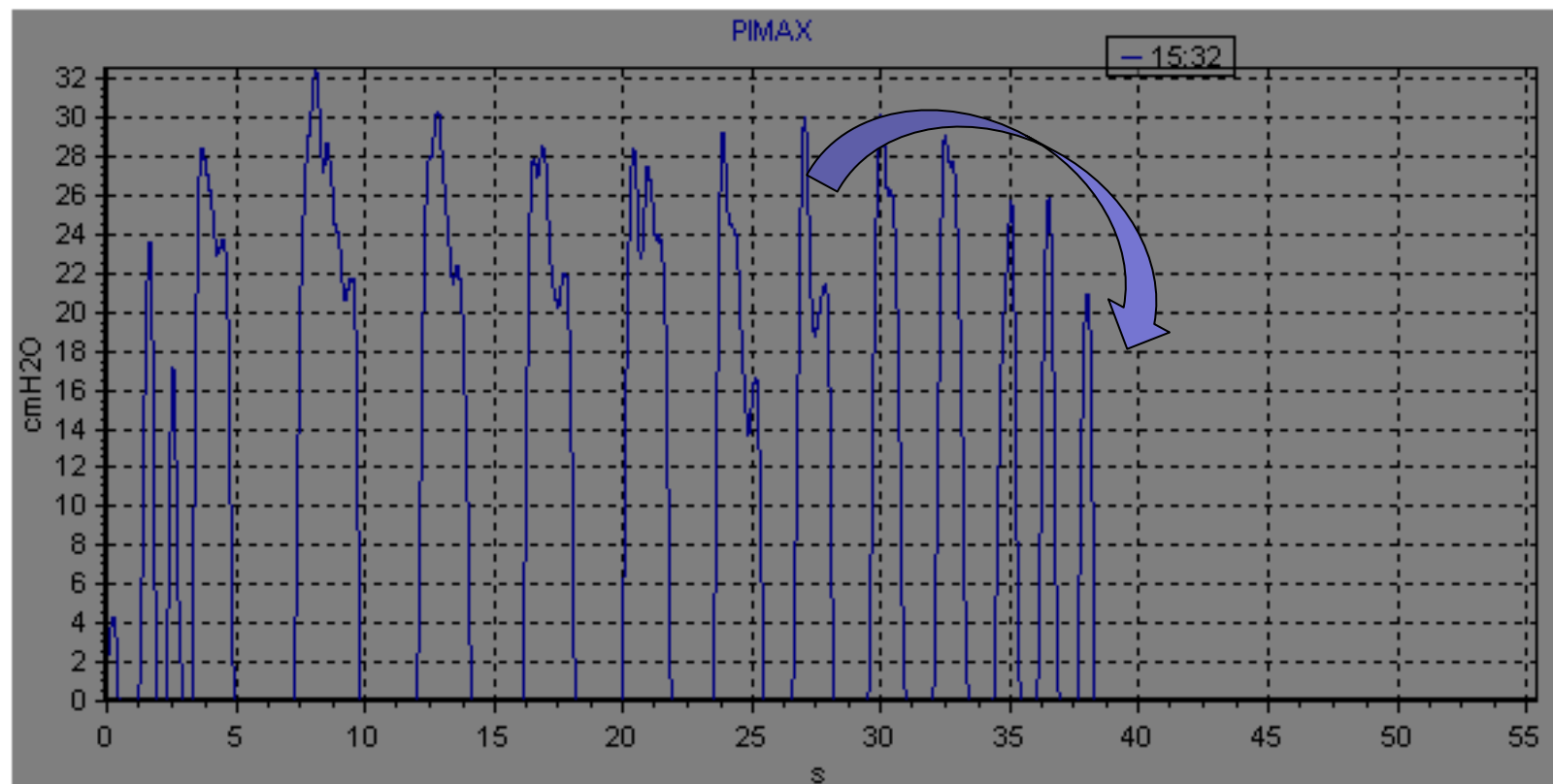
Assessment Respiratory Weaning



Maximal inspiratory pressure (≤ -20 -25cmH20)

MOUTH PRESSURE

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Plmax Plat.	cmH2O	86.47	30.60	35%							
Plmax Peak	cmH2O		33.85								



Task: training of inspiratory muscles

- Assessment
- **Training**
 - Endurance training
 - Additional strength training (= IMT)

Endurance training: Start to breathe protocol

3 activities:

- Spontaneous breathing
 - Cycling with legs, arms (bed-chair)
 - Chair (in bed/out of bed)
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- first activities separately
 - 2 activities at the same time
 - 3 activities at the same time

Endurance training: Start to breathe protocol

**AIM = increasing spontaneous breathing trial
and time**

Strength training: IMT

Intermittent loading of the respiratory muscles

AIM = increasing strength of the inspiratory muscles

Inspiratory muscle training

Training regimen:

- Intensity: perceived
- exertion 6-8 on 10 point scale (40-50% MIP)
- 6 à 8 breaths per set
- 3-5 sets per day



**Tapered flow resistive loading
(POWERbreathe KH1)**

Inspiratory muscle training (IMT) as an adjunct to enhance weaning success

What does literature say?



Inspiratory muscle training facilitates weaning from mechanical ventilation among patients in the intensive care unit: a systematic review

Mark Elkins^a, Ruth Dentice^b

Outcome measures

- Inspiratory muscle strength ↑
- Rapid shallow breathing index ↓
- Weaning duration
- Weaning success ↑
- Duration of mechanical ventilation
- Reintubation
- Tracheostomy
- Length of stay ↓
- Non-invasive ventilation ↓ (Shorter time)
- Survival
- Tolerability
- Adverse events

Comparison

- Inspiratory muscle training versus sham/no training

Case

Patient characteristics

Initials	B.J.
Sex	M
Age	38 years
Height	185 cm
Weight	67 kg
Diagnose	SSLTX, cystic fibrosis

ICU stay

Medical ICU	17 days
Surgical ICU	39 days
Duration MV	10 days
Duration weaning (+start IMT)	19 days PSV: 5p,10ass > 48u T-piece

Pathophysiology of weaning failure

Pre transplant on venovenous-ECMO



Severe critical illness, ICUAW



Inspiratory muscle weakness



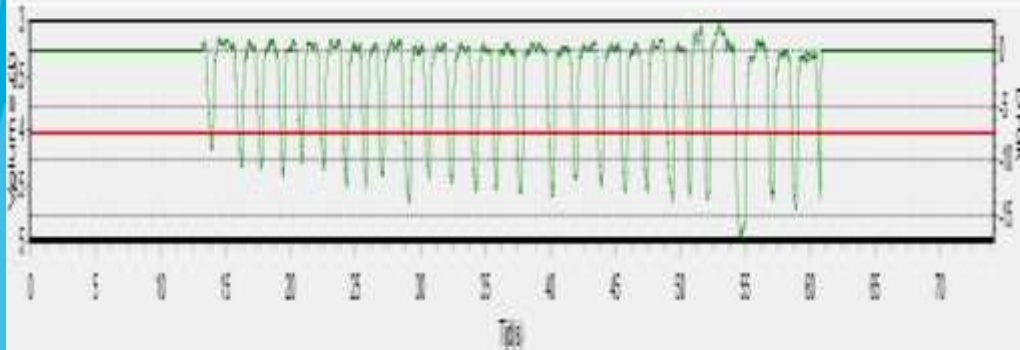
Prolonged weaning

MIP (before and after IMT)

DOB : 1978.02.19 Age : 38 Height 185
(cm) :
Sex: M Dr: Weight 78
(kg) :
Smoker: Medic :

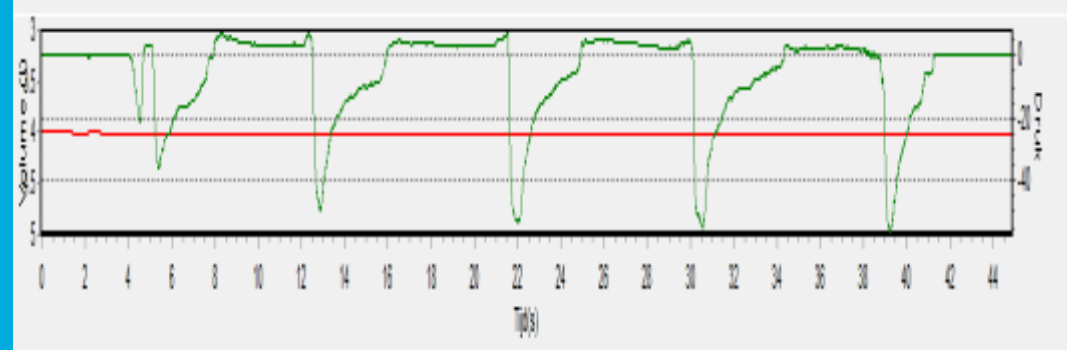
MOUTH PRESSURE Test date 16/06/2016

Para	E.	<u>Pre (1)</u>	%Theo.	Theo	SD
<u>Plmax</u>	kPa	1.39	13%	10.29	9.09
<u>PEmax</u>	kPa	0.00	0%	14.36	13.12



MOUTH PRESSURE Test date: 12/07/2016

Para	E.	<u>Pre (1)</u>	%Theo.	Theo	SD
<u>Plmax</u>	kPa	4.21	41%	10.29	9.09
<u>PEmax</u>	kPa	0.00	0%	14.36	13.12



Evolution of the weaning process

Endurance tr.

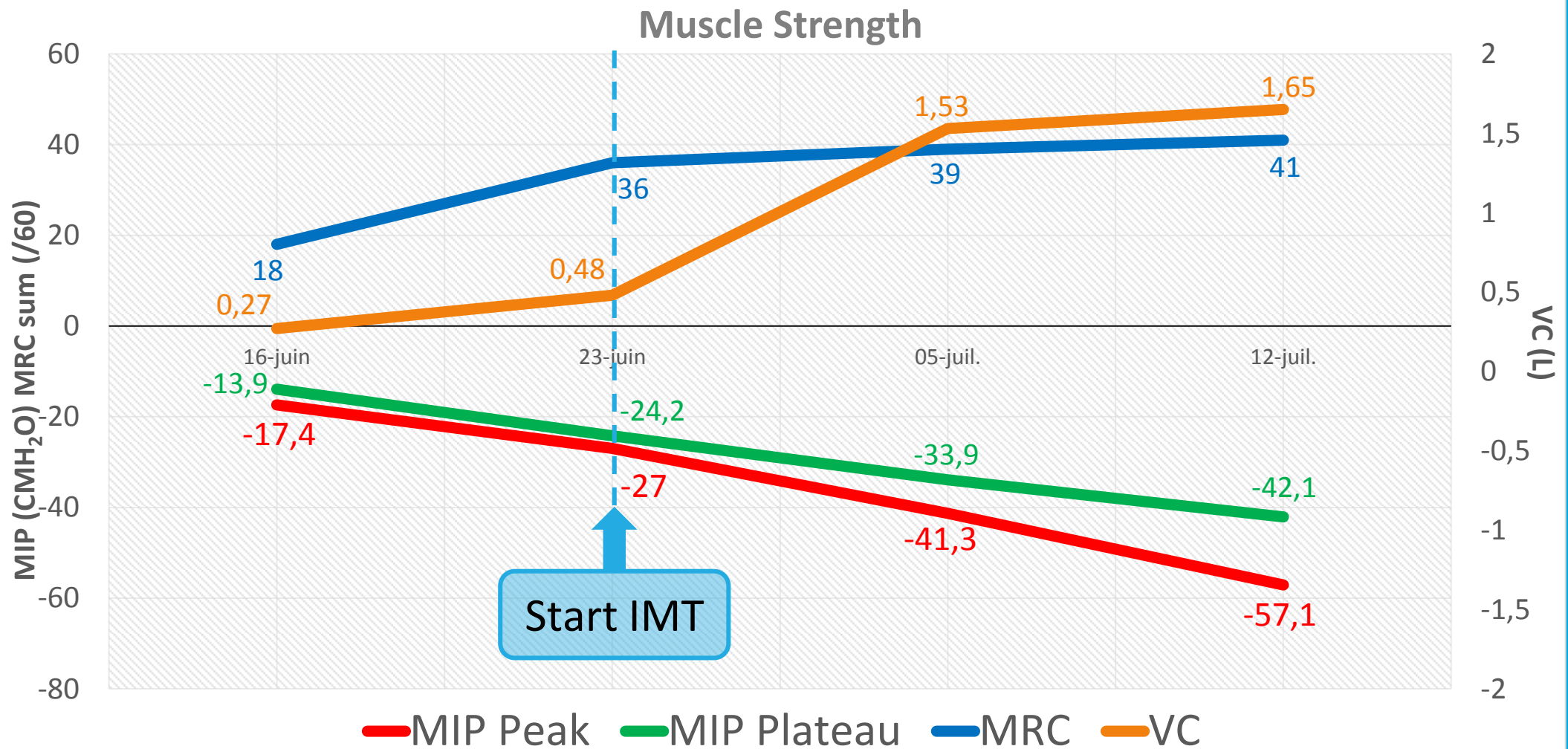


Strength tr.



DATE	VENT. MODE (SBT)	MIP Plateau (-cmH2O)	MIP Peak (-cmH2O)	VC (L)	IMT (cmH2O)
16/06/16	5p 10ass	14 (13% pred.)	17	0.27 (5% pred.)	Not feasible
Start to breathe					
23/06/16	5p 0ass (3X30')	24 (24% pred.)	27	0.48 (8% pred.)	8 Vt: 0.31L
29/06/16	5p 0ass (12u)			0.56 (10% pred.)	10 Vt: 0.56 L
05/07/16	T-piece (3x2u)	34 (33% pred.)	41	1.53 (26% pred.)	15 Vt: 0.92L
12/07/16	T-piece (24u)	42 (41% pred.)	57	1.65 (28% pred.)	20 Vt: 1.15L

MIP, VC and MRC-sum score



Tapered flow resistive loading (POWERbreathe KH1)



Conclusions

- Additional, inspiratory muscle training (IMT) can provide benefits such as improved resp. muscle strength, weaning success and decreased RSBI.
- Objective measurements such as MIP, VC and RSBI can assist to determine the probability of weaning success
- Our '*Start to Breathe*' protocol consists of 3 major activities: spontaneous breathing, (leg/arm) cycling and body positioning (chair sitting)
- Finally, during the weaning process we must always take into account a good balance between respiratory muscle (pump) workload and muscle (pump) capacity.

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THANK YOU!