# INVESTIGATIONS OF LUNG DISEASE

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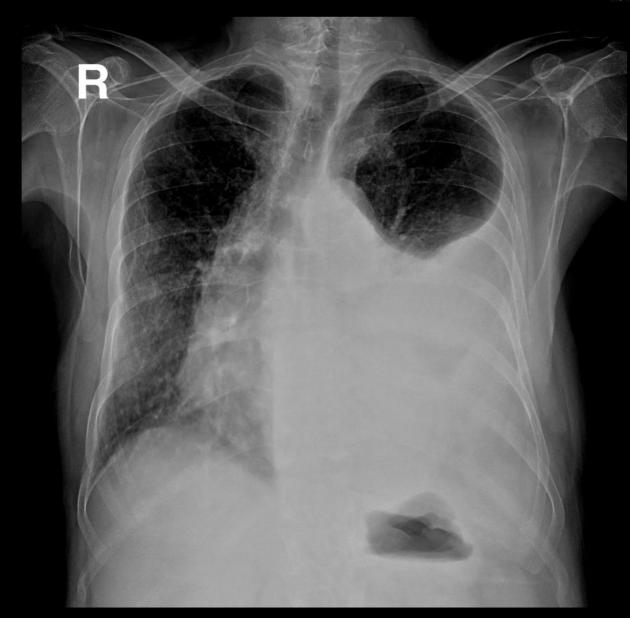
#### Objectives

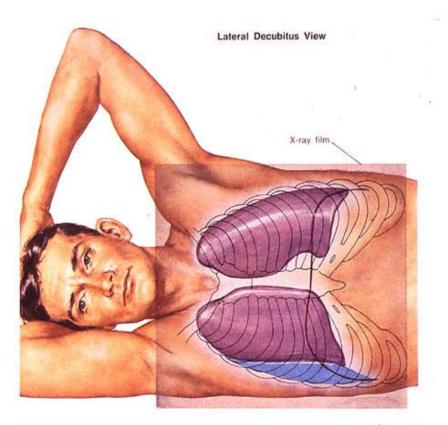
- Describe the types of pulmonary diagnostic tests and procedures.
- Explain each type of pulmonary diagnostic test and procedures.
- Explain the role of each pulmonary diagnostic tests & procedures in diagnosing lung diseases.
- Explain when and how to apply each diagnostic tests & procedures.

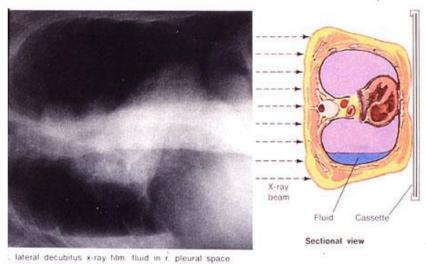
#### Pulmonary Diagnostic Procedures

- Thoracentesis
- Chest tube
- Pleural biopsy
- Bronchoscopy
- Pulmonary function tests
- Computed tomography

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#### **Thoracentesis**

- Appearance
- Gram stain, and cultures
- pH
- Chemistry (glucose, amylase, LDH, protein)
- Cytology

#### Separation of Transudates from Exudates

- Pleural fluid protein divided by the serum protein greater than 0.5
- Pleural fluid LDH divided by the serum LDH greater than 0.6
- Pleural fluid LDH greater than two-thirds of the upper limit of normal for the serum LDH

Gross appearance is pus or

Gram stain positive or

• pH below 7.20

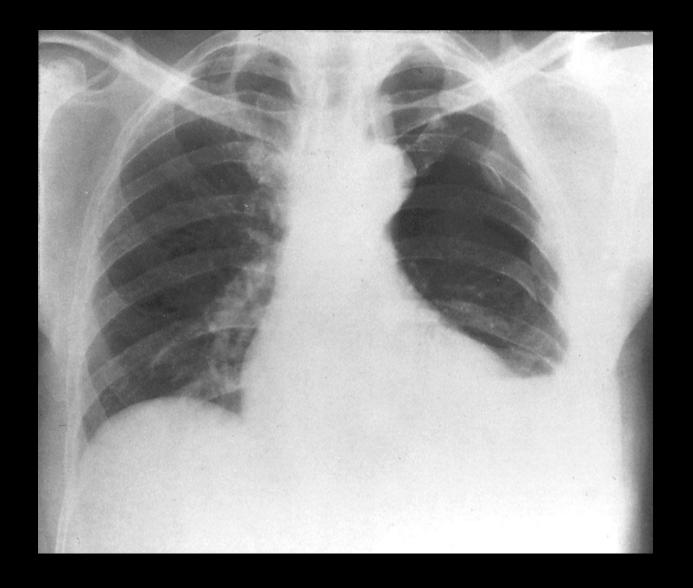
#### Chest tube

#### Indication for chest tube insertion

- Empyema
- Complicated parapheumonic effusion
- Symptomatic pleural effusion
- Hemothorax
- Pneumothorax

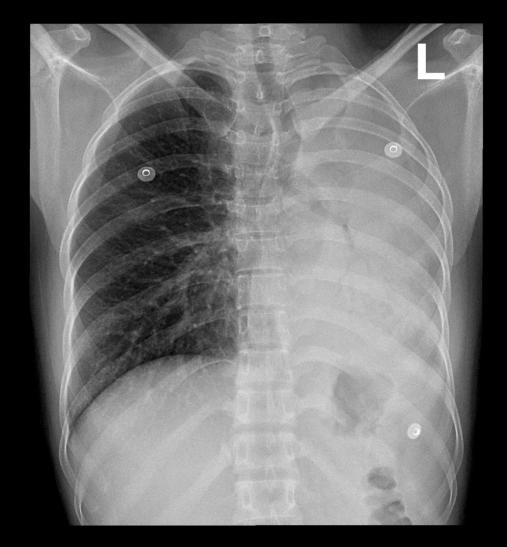
## Complication of Thoracentesis

- Pneumothorax
- Bleeding
- Infection
- Hypotension
- Hypoxemia
- Air embolism
- Splenic laceration



## Pleural biopsy

- Granulomatous disease
- Malignanancy



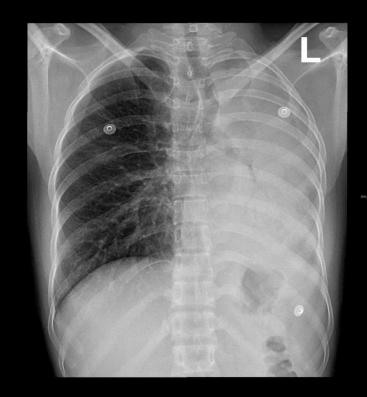
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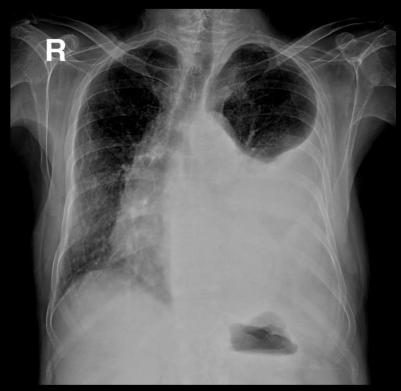
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## Bronchoscopy

Suspected lung cancer

Abnormal CXR

Hemoptysis

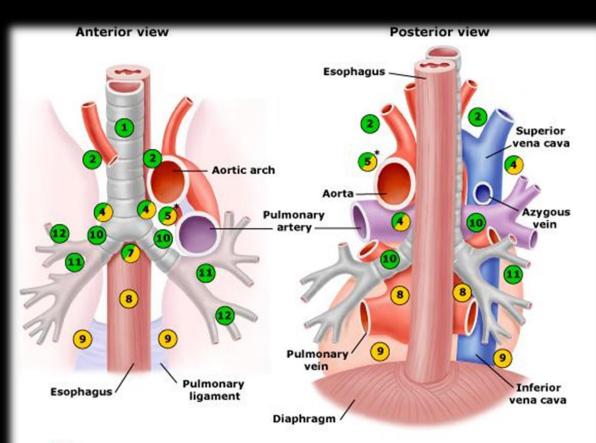
Unexplained cough

Localized wheeze

Positive sputum cytology

### Bronchoscopy

- Mediastinal lymph nodes
- Hemoptysis
- Refractory cough
- Unexplained pleural effusion
- Lung abscess
- Staging of lung cancer
- Obtain culture material
- Airway trauma
- Tracheoesophageal fistula
- Diffuse lung disease



- Endobronchial ultrasound-guided transbronchial needle aspiration (EBUS-TBNA)
- Endoscopic ultrasound-guided fine-needle aspiration (EUS-FNA)
- BBUS-TBNA or EUS-FNA
- Controversial

Lymph node stations: 1 = Supraclavicular, 2 = Upper paratracheal, 3 = Prevascular and retrotracheal (not shown), 4 = Lower paratracheal, 5 = Subaortic, 6 = Para-aortic (not shown), 7 = Subcarinal, 8 = Paraesophageal, 9 = Pulmonary ligament, 10 = Hilar, 11 = Interlobar, 12 = Lobar

### Bronchoscopy

#### Therapeutic

- Remove foreign bodies
- Remove abnormal endobronchial tissue
- Difficult endotracheal tube intubation
- Endobronchial stent placement

### Pulmonary function tests

- Spirometry
- Lung volumes
- Diffusion capacity
- Respiratory muscle strength

### Spirometry

- FVC (L)  $\frac{}{\text{predicted}} > 90\%$
- FEV1 (L) predicted >90%
- FEV1/FVC > 70

- Diagnose obstructive lung disease
- Suggest restrictive lung disease

### Lung volumes

- TLC (L) >90% predicted
- RV (L) > 90% predicted

- Diagnose restrictive lung disease
- Diagnose air trapping

### Diffusing capacity (DL)

- Measure the ability of gases to diffuse from the alveoli into the pulmonary capillary blood
- CO not normally present in lungs or blood
- More soluble in blood than lung tissues
- Dlco



Reflect loss or damage to the gas exchanging surface of the lung

Emphysema

Distinguish emphysema from chronic bronchitis or chronic asthma

Interstitial lung disease

Pulmonary vascular disease

### Respiratory muscle strength

- PImax, Pemax
- Measured by pressure transducer at the mouth when subject make a maximal inspiratory effort from full expiration or maximal expiratory effort from full inspiration
- PI reflect inspiratory muscles (diaphragm)
- PE expiratory muscles including abdominal
- Motor neuron disease, Guillian Barre syndrom

#### **DIAGNOSIS**

	Baseline				
Date and Time	03/02/2010	08:41			
SPIROMETRY	Pred	Pre	%Pred/P		
FVC (L)	5.04	3.13	62.1		
FEV 1 (L)	4.25	2.53	59.5		
FEV 1 FVC		80.91			
MMEF 75/25 (L/s)	4.93	2.46	49.9		
PEF (L/s)	9.73	7.88	81		
FIF (50 (L/s)		4.09			
FEF 50 (L/s)	5.45	4.23	77.6		
BODY PLETHYSMOGRAPH					
VC (L)	5.27	3.13	59.4		
TLC (L)	6.9	4.51	65.4		
ITGV (L)	3.25	3.58	110.2		
ERV (L)	1.59	2.2	138.4		
RV (L)	1.66	1.38	83.1		
RV % TLC	24.49	30.58	124.9		
PI MAX (kPa)	10.96	7.11	64.9		
PE MAX (kPa)	14.51	11.55	79.6		
DIFFUSING CAPACITY					
TLCO SB (mmol/min/kPa)	11.63	5.27	45.3		
Hb (g/100ml)		16.2			
TLCOc SB (mmol/min/kPa)	11.63	5.06	43.5		
KCO (mmol/min/kPa)	1.68	1.54	91.7		
TLC-He (L)	6.75	3.42	50.7		

- 50 yr old male with SOB and cough >3yrs
- Exam: clubbing and bilat insp crackles
- CXR: reticulation bilateral
- ABG: hypoxic respiratory failure
- PFT: restrictive defect with significant impairment in DLco

#### **HRCT**

• Designed for detailed evaluation of interstitial structures of the lung

• Use narrow slice thickness (1-2 mm) compared with 5-10 mm for routine scans

#### **HRCT**

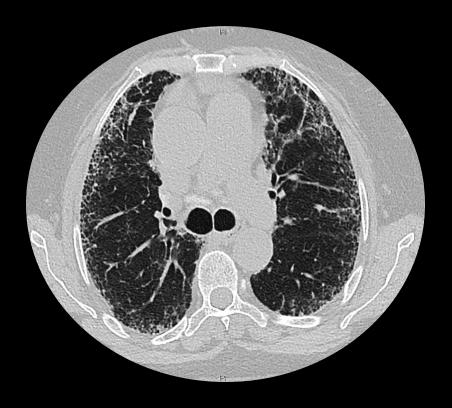
#### Principle indications

- Suspected interstitial lung disease
- Characterization of interstitial lung disease
- Characterization of solitary pulmonary nodules
- Diagnosis of bronchiectasis

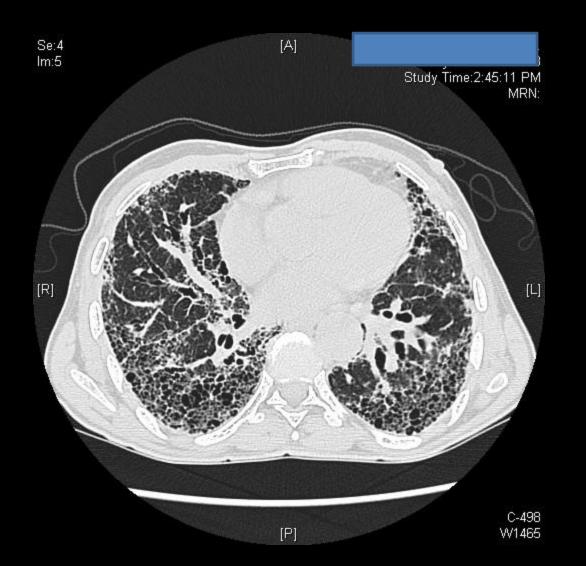


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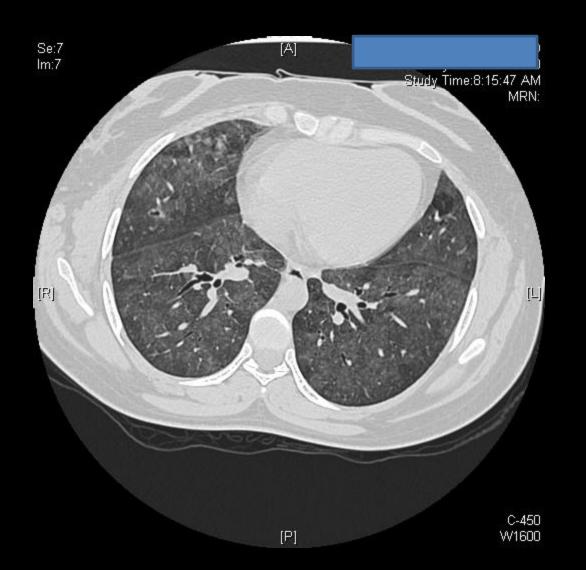


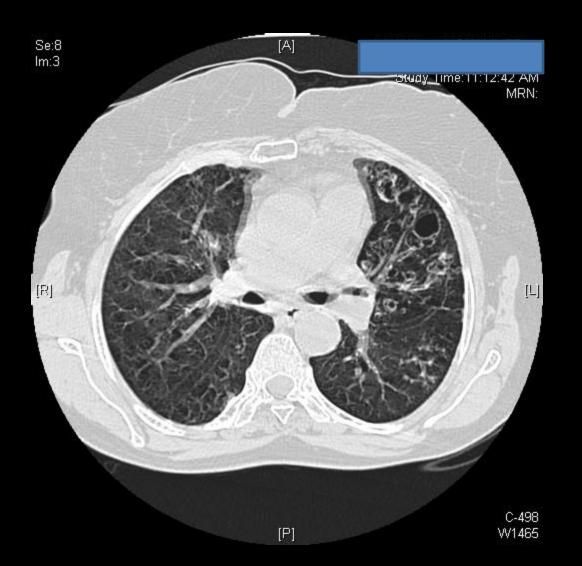












• 45 yrs old female with RT sided chest pain for 1 day

- ABG pH 7.32, PaCO<sub>2</sub> 28, PaO<sub>2</sub> 50, O<sub>2</sub>sat 88%
- EKG sinus tachycardia
- CXR normal
- Spiral CT

### CT Angiography

• Image data are acquired continuously as the tube and detector rotate within the gantry and the patient moves continuously through the gantry

#### Advantages

- Critically ill patients
- Children
- Less volume of intravenous contrast
- Permits greater processing of the raw data

