

Dynamic Spirometry

Dynamic spirometry is used to determine the flow of air moving in and out of the lungs.

How is the Test Performed?

- **Equipment:**

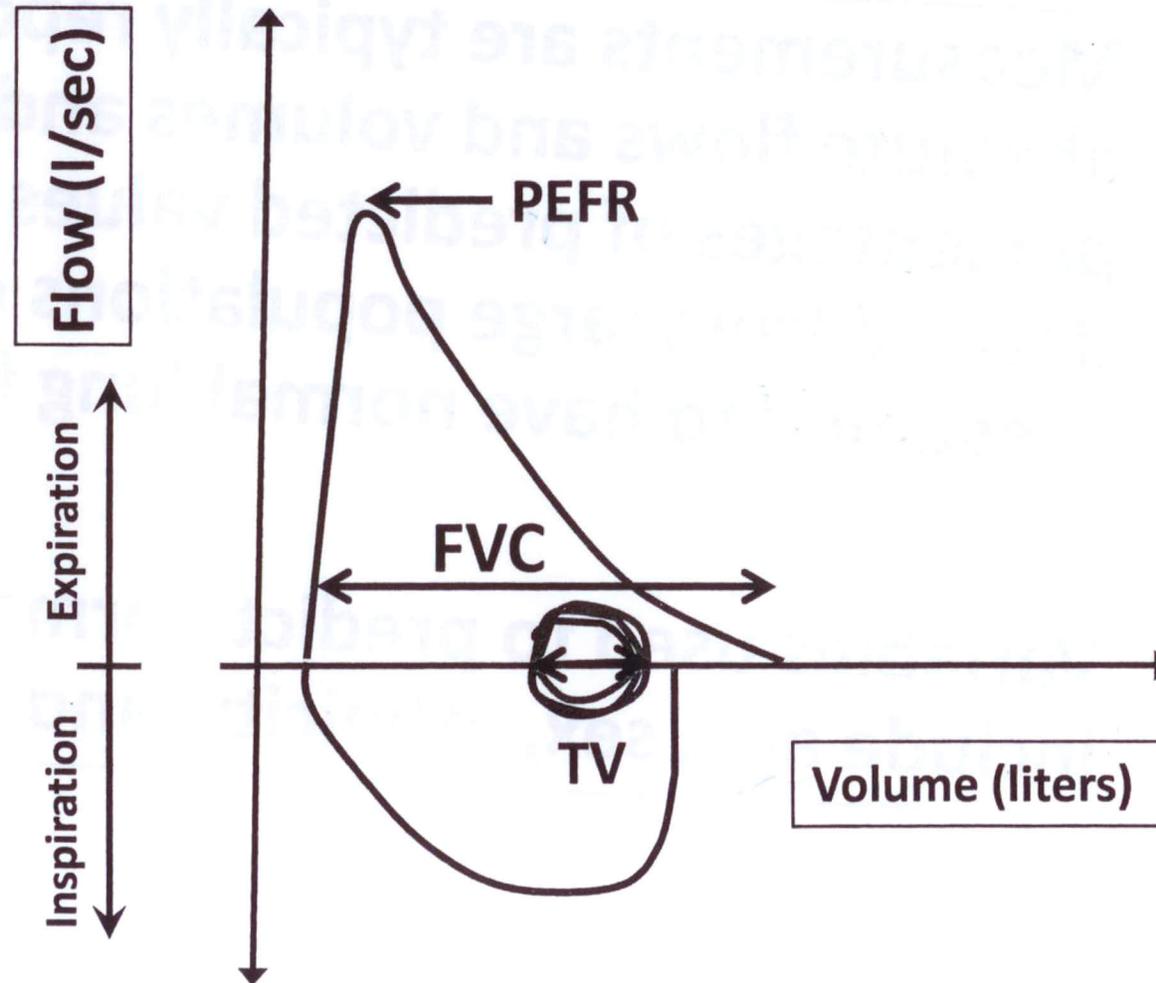
- Spirometer.
- Nose clips.
- Disposable mouth piece.

- **Method:**

- Enter subject data.
- Apply nose clip to avoid air escaping through nose.
- Perform the test.

Cont. Performing test

- First, the subject takes a series of 3-4 normal breaths.
- Then, the subject takes a maximal deep inspiration followed immediately by a forceful complete expiration.
- No hesitation for approximately 6 seconds.

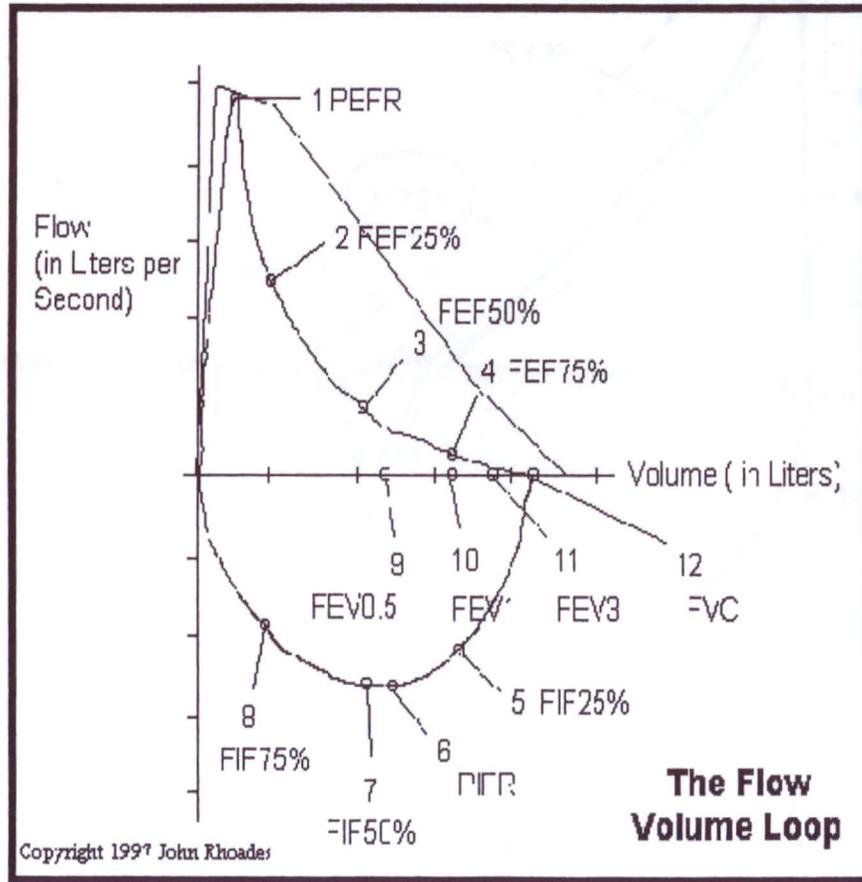


Results

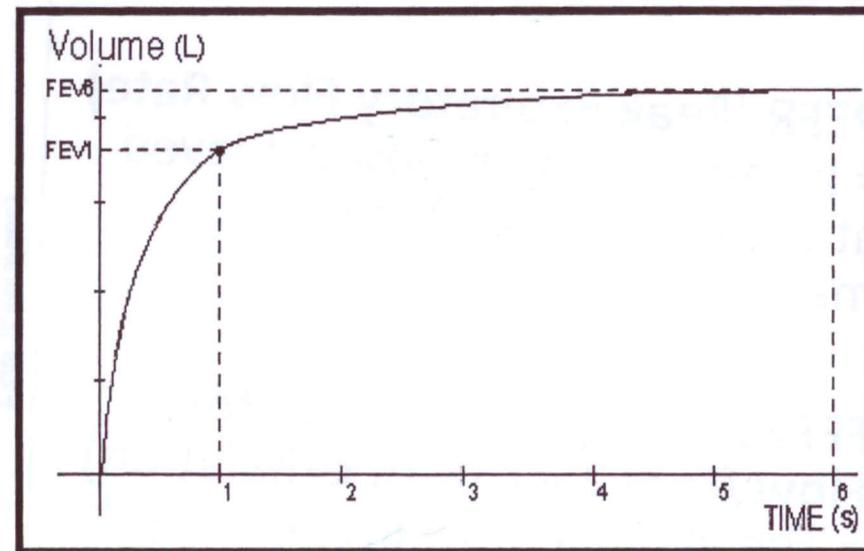
- **Measurements are typically reported as absolute flows and volumes and as percentages of predicted values using data derived from large populations of people presumed to have normal lung function.**
- **Variables used to predict normal values include age, sex, ethnicity, and height.**

Results

Flow-Volume Loop

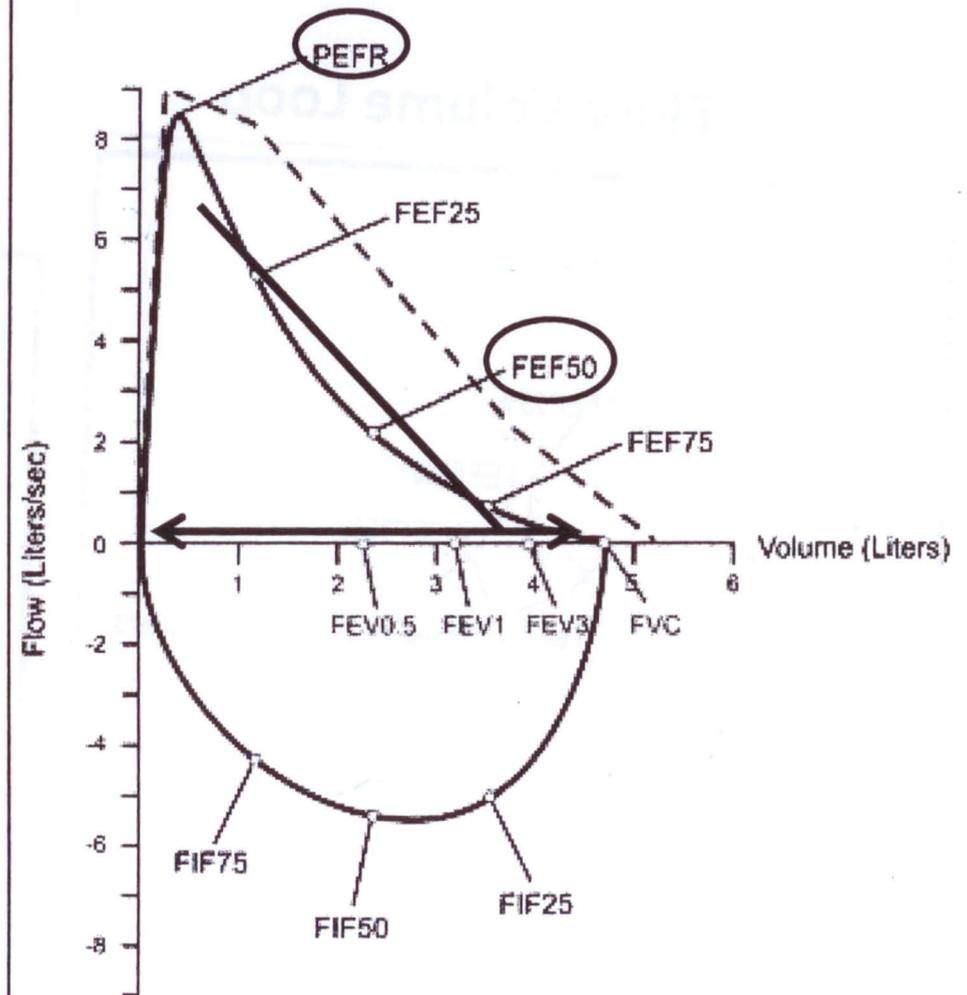


Volume-Time Curve

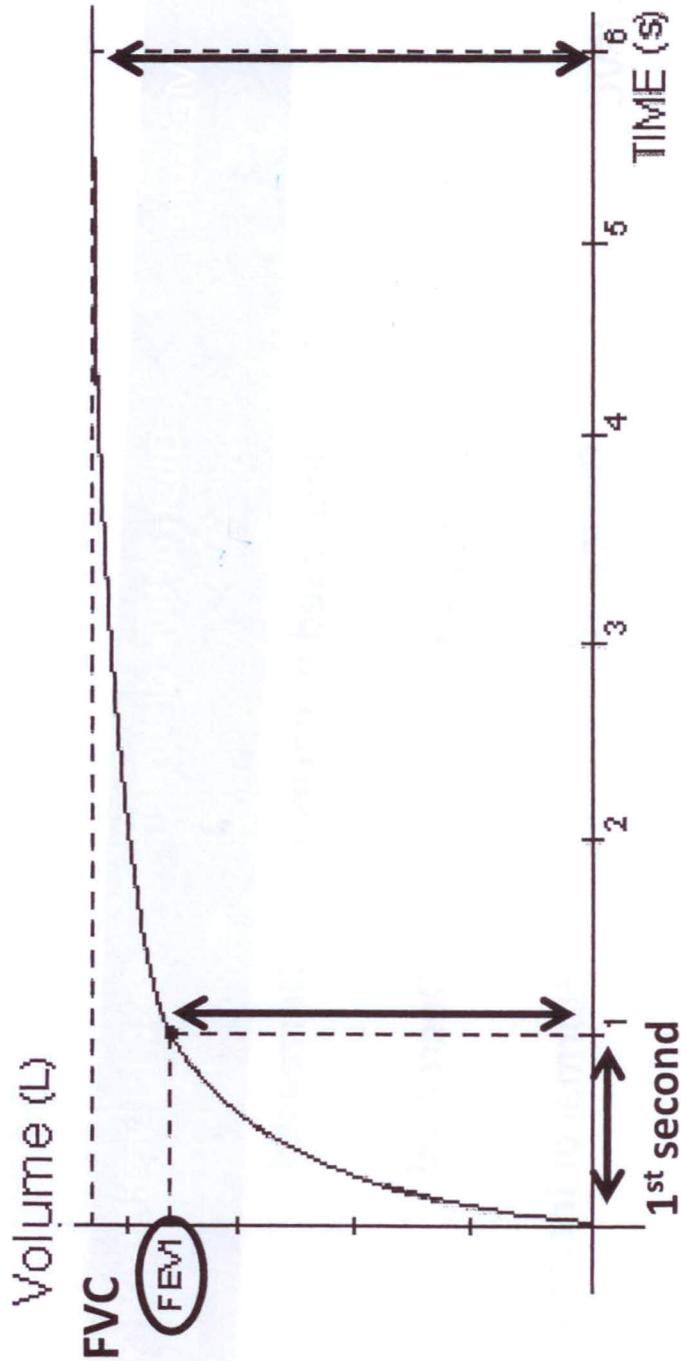


Flow-Volume Loop

- **FVC (Forced Vital Capacity)** = the largest amount of air that can be forcefully exhaled after maximal inspiration.
- **PEFR (Peak Expiratory Flow Rate)** = is the maximum flow achieved at the beginning of the FVC maneuver.
- **FEF25-75% (Forced Expiratory Flow from 25-75% of exhalation)** = The average flow rate during the middle half of the FVC.
- **FEF50% (MEF50%)** = Forced expiratory flow at 50% FVC.



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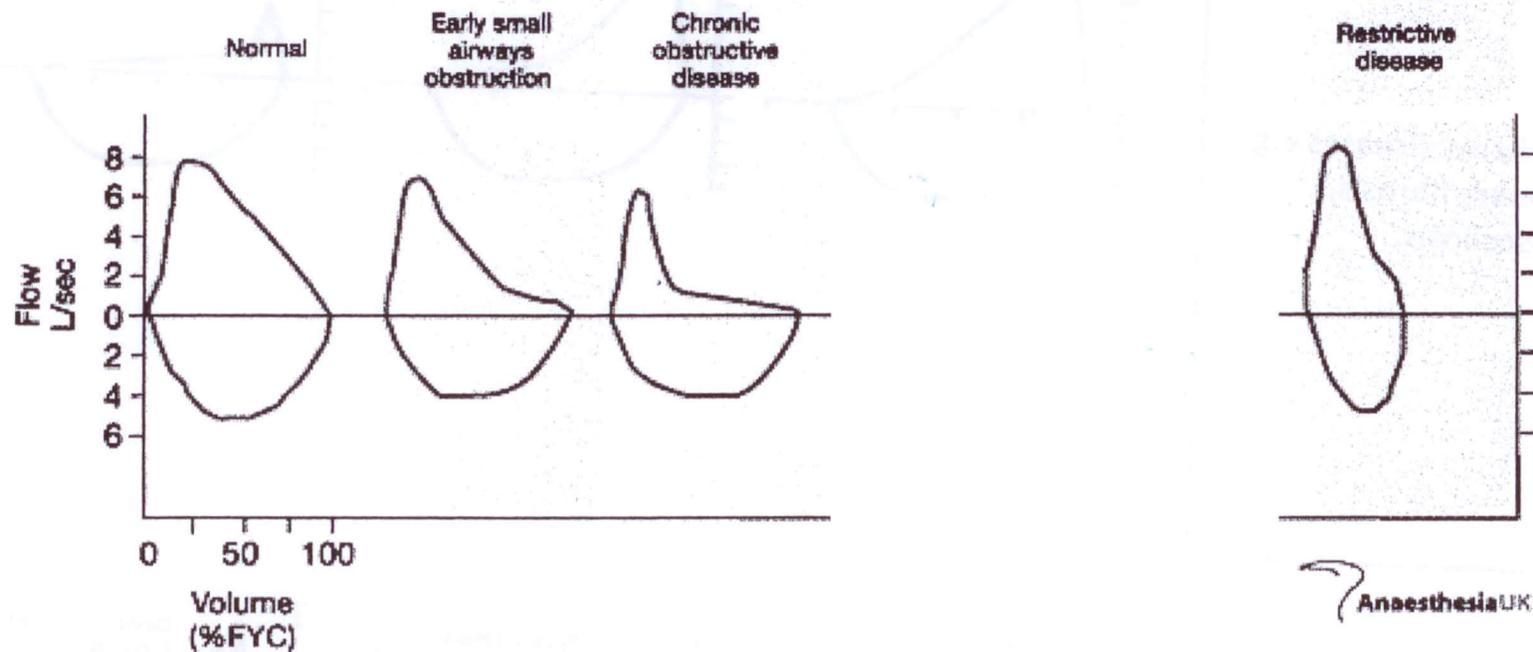


- **FVC.**
- **FEV1 = Forced expiratory volume in the 1st second.**
- **FEV1/FVC ≥ 80%.**

Changes seen in Different Pulmonary Diseases

Measure	Obstructive disorders	Restrictive disorders
FVC	Decreased or normal	Decreased
FEV1	Decreased	Decreased
FEV1/FVC	Decreased	Normal or Increased

Changes in flow-volume loop

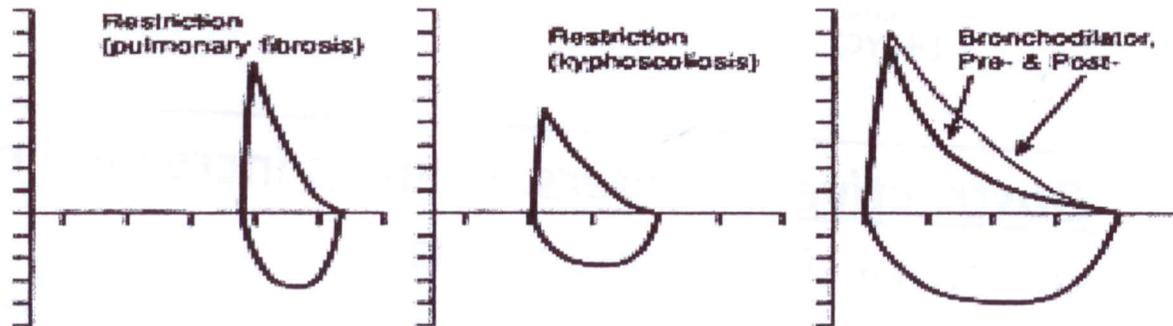
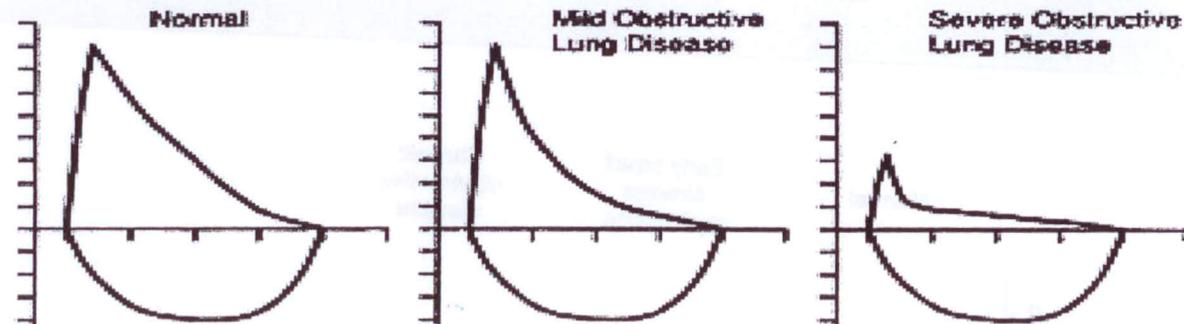


- **Obstructive disorders**: there is increased concavity on the expiratory side of the curve.
- **Restrictive disorders**: the shape is the same but smaller.

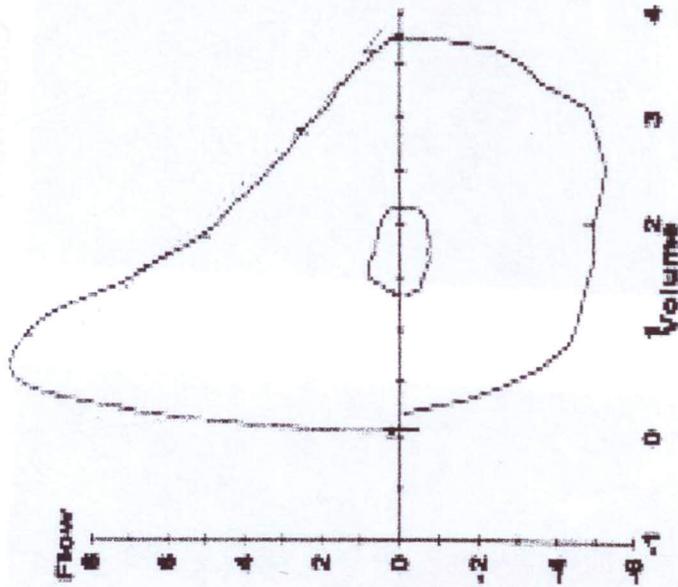
Examples

- Obstructive diseases e.g. asthma, COPD.

- Restrictive diseases e.g. pulmonary fibrosis, kyphoscoliosis.



Pulmonary Function Test



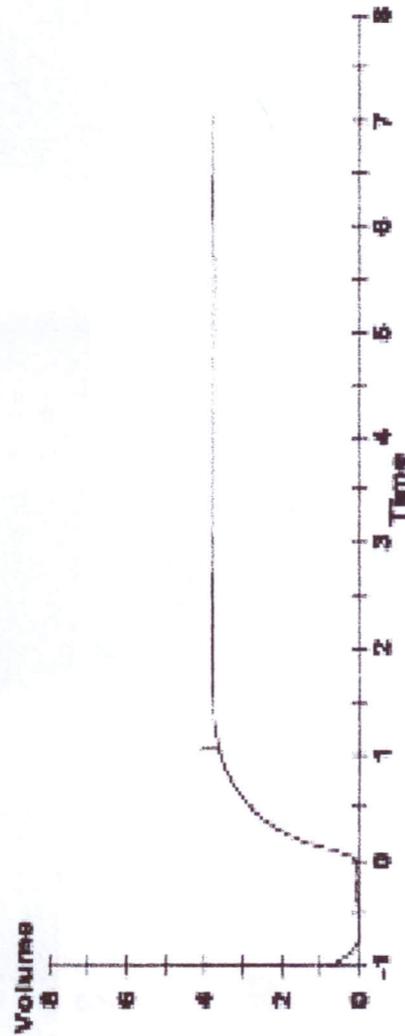
Long mechanics:

	Ref	Mass	%
PVC (liters)	4.07	3.88	95
REV1 (liters)	3.30	3.83	116
REVAFVC (%)		85	95
REF20% (liters)	8.24	9.73	117
REF50% (liters)	5.88	5.13	87
REF75% (liters)	3.14	3.41	109
PEP (liters)	9.82	10.09	102
REF25-75(liters)	4.31	4.66	108
REF75-85(liters)	1.44	2.09	145
PVAC (liters)	4.07	3.58	88

Long volumes:

	Ref	Mass	%
IRF50% (liters)		4.94	
IRF75% (liters)	1.00	1.04	104
IRV (liters)	1.79		
IC (liters)			
ERV (liters)			
VC (liters)	4.07		

Comments:
Spirometry data is ACCEPTABLE
and REPRODUCIBLE



Interpretation: Spirometry is within normal limits

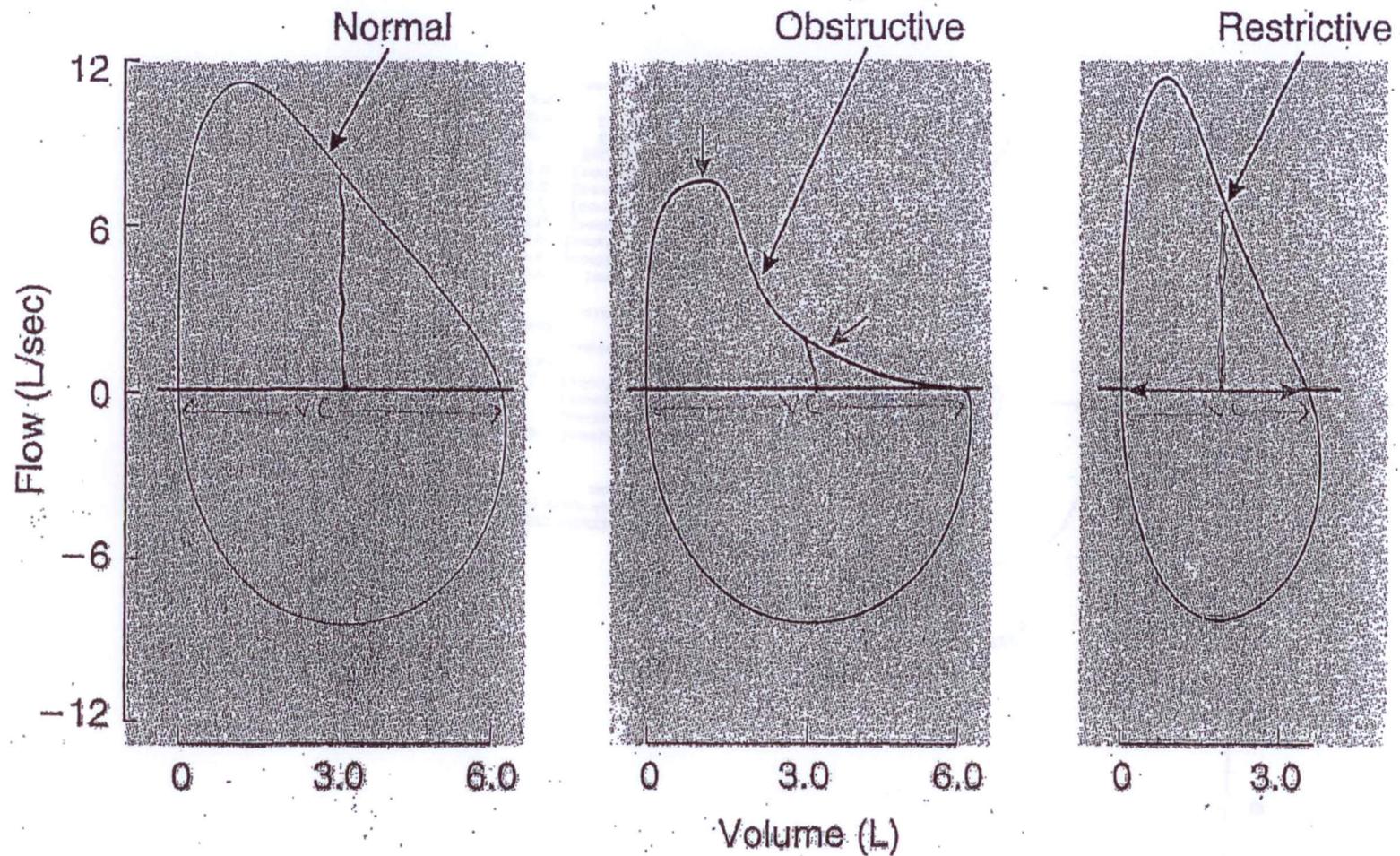


FIG. 11-20 Flow-volume loop forced vital capacity spiograms during normal, obstructive, and restrictive lung disease.

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From the flow volume loop produced by Microlab calculate:-

- d. the vital capacity (VC)
 - e. the peak expiratory flow rate (PEFR)
 - f. the peak inspiratory flow rate (PIFR)
 - g. the MEF50 (maximum expiratory flow at 50% vital capacity)
 - h. the MIF50 (maximum inspiratory flow at 50% vital capacity)
 - i. the MEF25 (maximum expiratory flow at 25% vital capacity)
2. Briefly describe the important characteristics of the flow-volume curve with a normal healthy person.
3. Why is the force-independent part of the expiratory loop curvilinear in obstructive lung disease?
4. What is the clinical significance of MEF50 and MEF25 measurements?

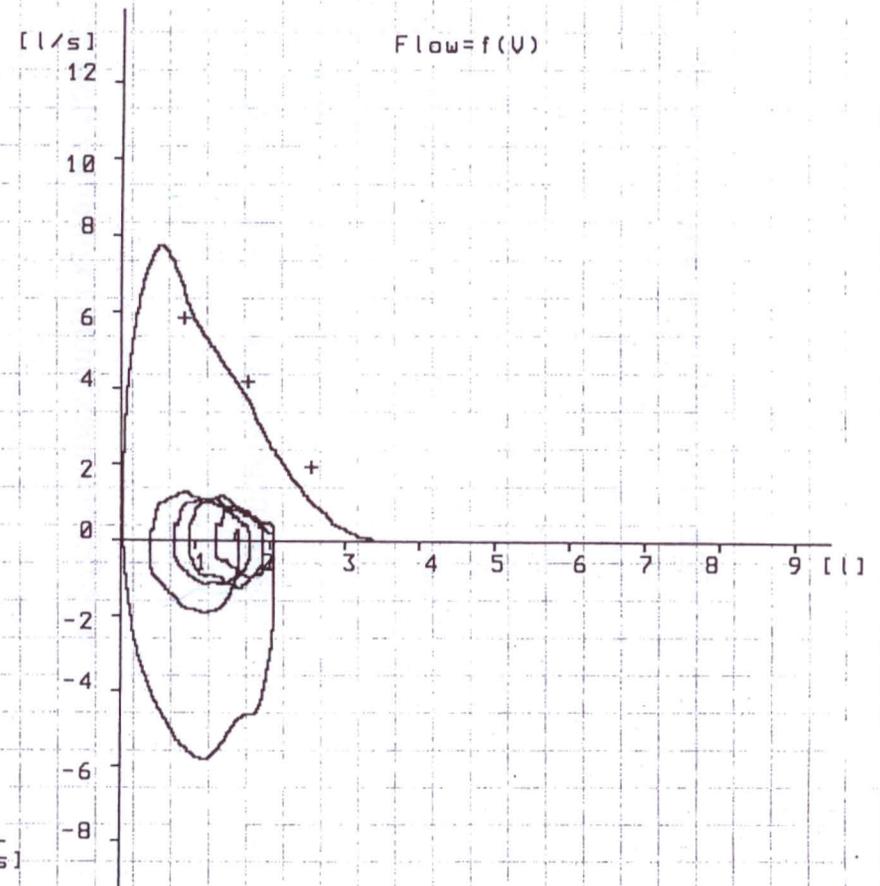
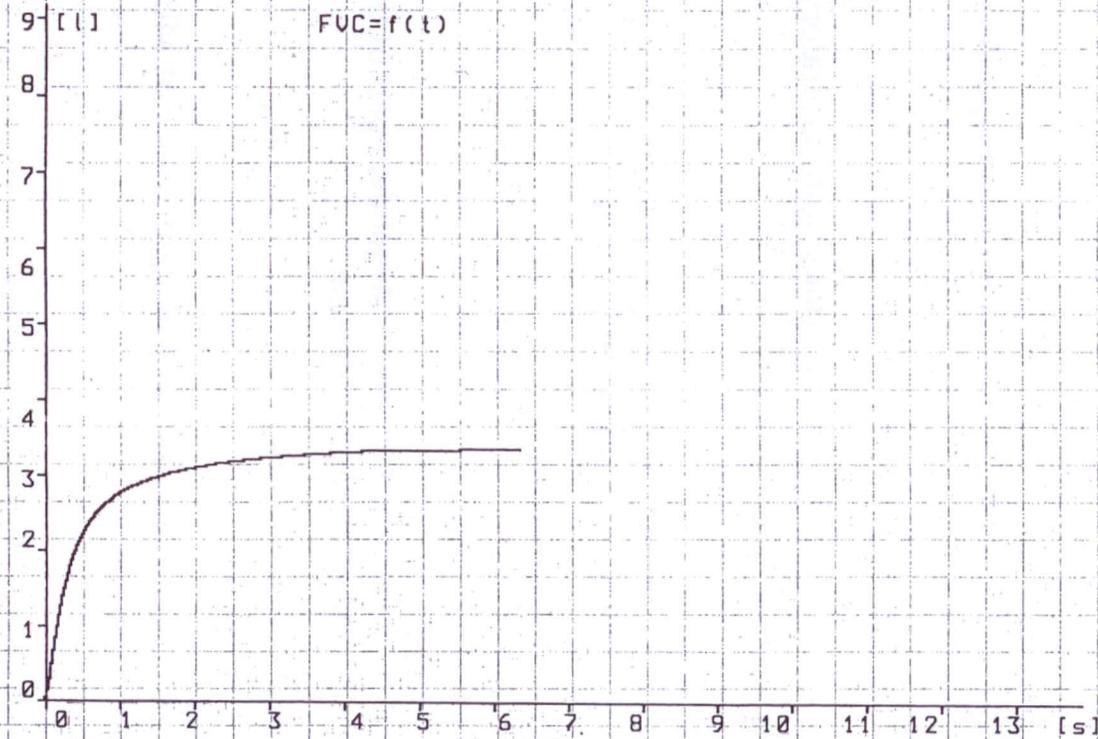
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123
33-year / F
158 cm / 66 kg
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Normals : ECCS/Quanjer

		MEAS1	PRED.	%PRED	MEAS2	MEAS3
FVC	l	3.37	3.25	104		
FEV1	l	2.78	2.82	99		
FEV1/FVC	%	82.4	82.8	100		
FEF.2-1.2	l/s	6.67				
FEF25-75%	l/s	2.88	3.78	76		
FEF75-85%	l/s	0.73				
PEF	l/s	7.67	6.59	116		
FEF25%	l/s	6.56	5.86	112		
FEF50%	l/s	3.79	4.20	90		
FEF75%	l/s	1.10	1.94	57		

NORMAL



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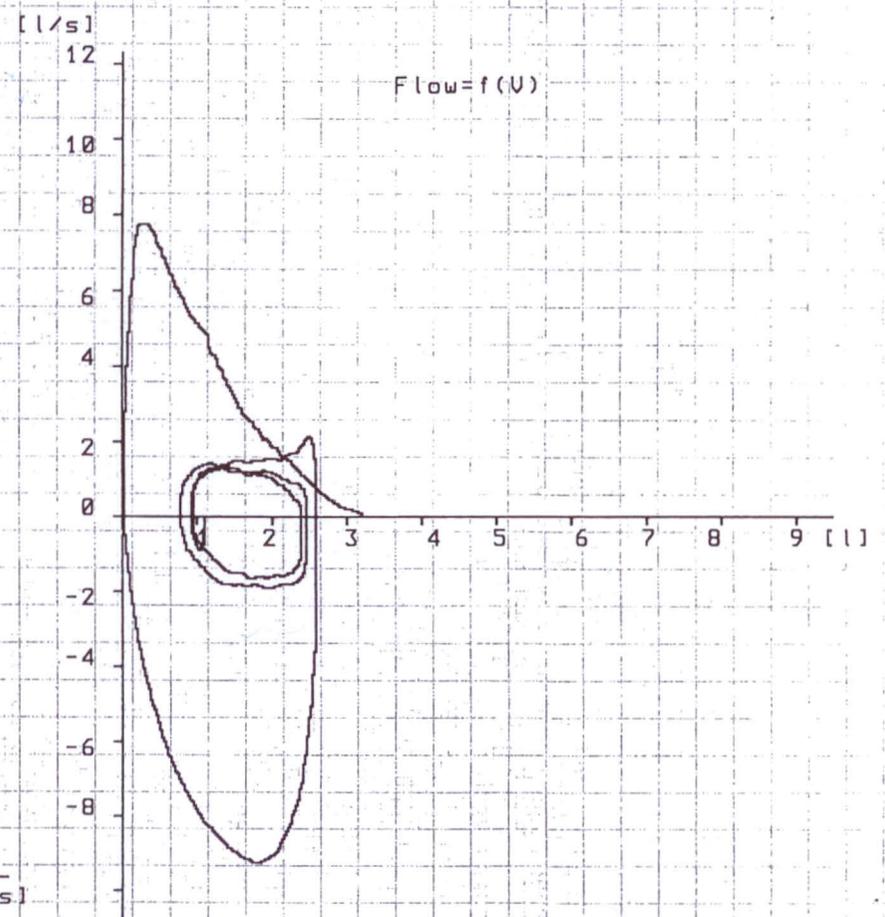
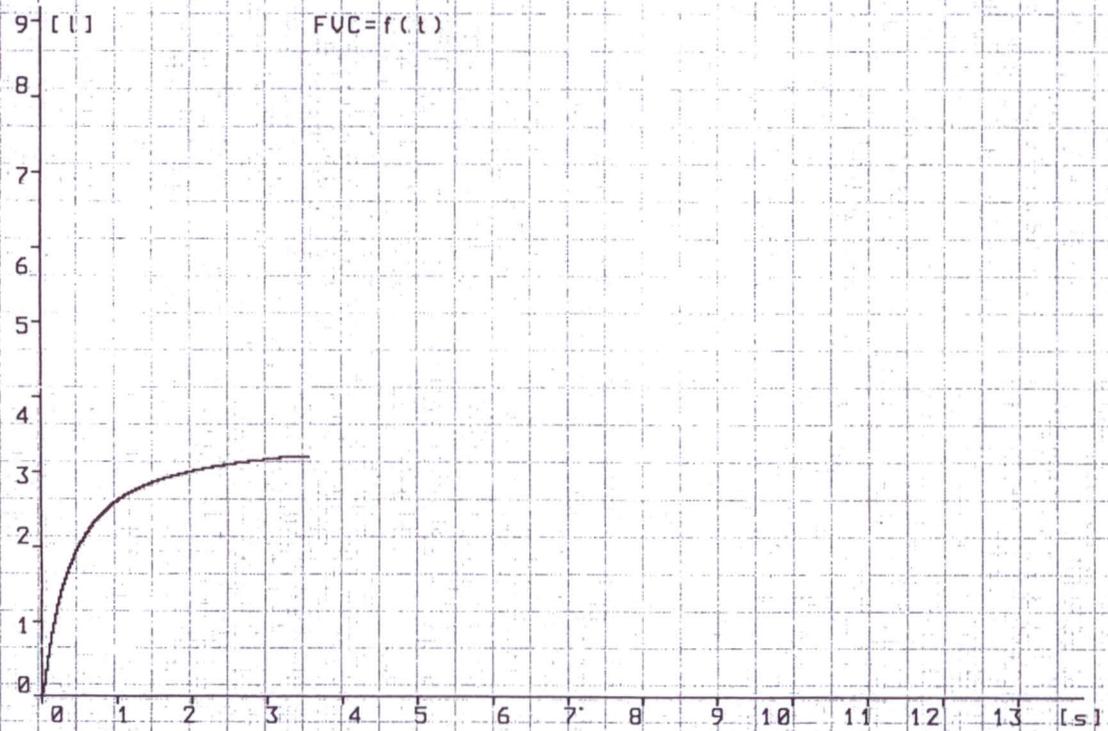
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MEAS2 MEAS3

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FEF25-75%	l/s	2.54
FEF75-85%	l/s	0.79
PEF	l/s	7.72
FEF25%	l/s	5.84
FEF50%	l/s	2.87
FEF75%	l/s	1.12

Normals : ECCS/Quanjer



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