

Oxygen & Carbon dioxide Transport

OBJECTIVES :

- Understand the forms of oxygen transport in the blood, the importance of each.
- Differentiate between O_2 capacity, O_2 content and O_2 saturation.
- Describe (Oxygen- hemoglobin dissociation curve).
- Define the P50 and its significance.
- How DPG, temperature, H^+ ions and PCO_2 affect affinity of O_2 for hemoglobin and the physiological importance of these effects.
- Describe the three forms of carbon dioxide that are transported in the blood, and the chloride shift.

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COLOR INDEX :

- **Red = important**
- Grey = additional notes

1- OXYGEN TRANSPORT :

Terminology

When blood is **100% saturated** with O_2

Each gram of **Hb** carry : **1.34 ml** O_2

O_2 content = $15g \text{ Hb} \times 1.34 O_2 = 20 \text{ ml}$

N.B ideal concept by calculations
HOWEVER not found in reality .

O_2 Content: actual Amount of O_2 in blood (mL O_2 /100 mL blood)

O_2 binding capacity: Maximum amount of O_2 bound to hemoglobin (mL O_2 /100 mL blood) measured at 100% saturation.

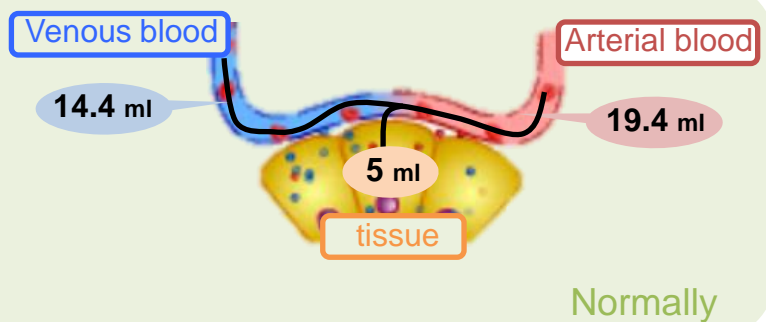
Percent saturation (%) : Percentage (%) of heme groups bound to O_2 of Hb = $\frac{\text{oxygen content}}{\text{oxygen capacity}} \times 100$

Dissolved O_2 : Unbound O_2 in blood (mL O_2 /100 mL blood)

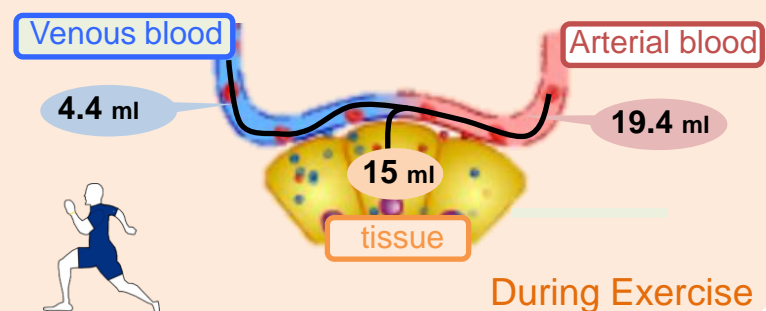
✓ The blood is only **97% saturated with O_2** (Each 100 ml blood contain 19.4 ml O_2)

✓ At rest tissues Consume **250ml O_2** and Produce **200ml CO_2**

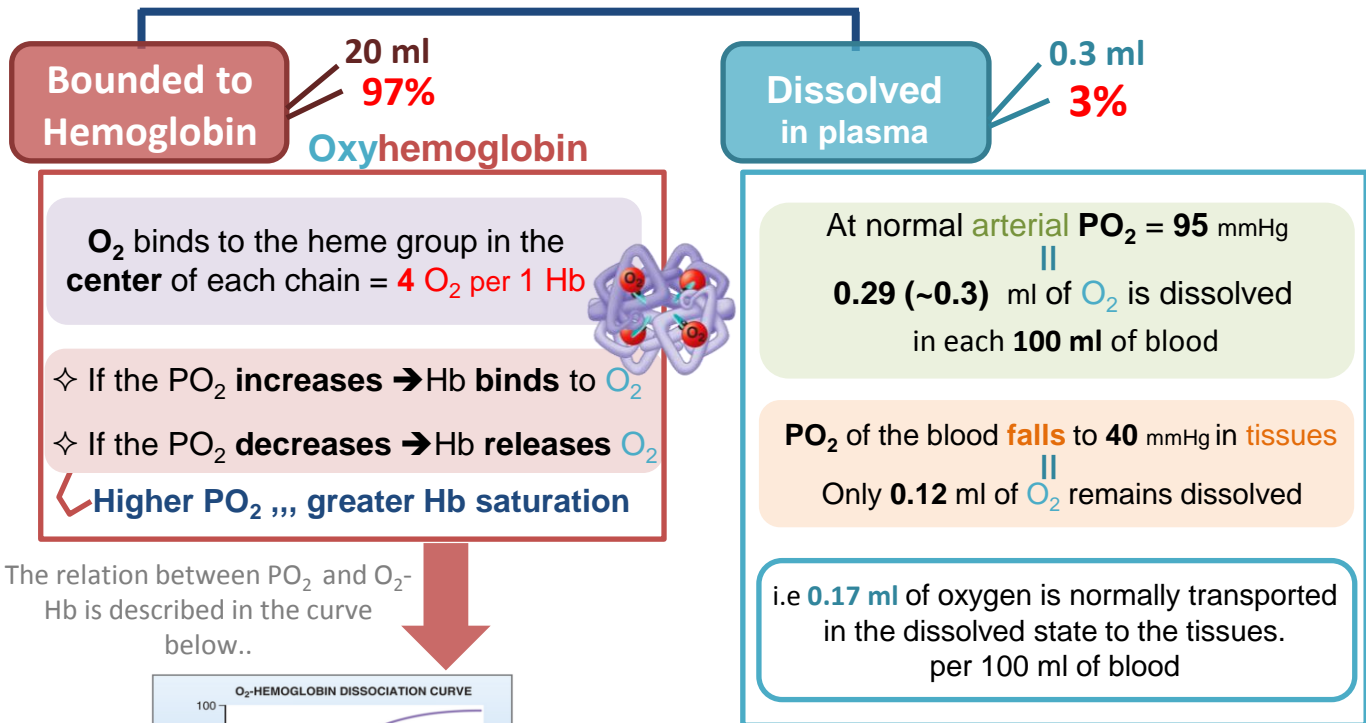
✦ The amount of O_2 released from **hemoglobin** → **tissues** is **5** (mL O_2 /100 mL blood)
We use this to calculate the **venous O_2 content** = $19.4 - 5 = 14.4 \text{ ml}$



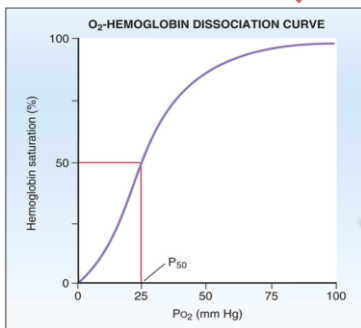
✦ **During strenuous exercise**
The oxygen uptake by the tissue **increases 3 folds**. → **15 ml O_2** is given.
 O_2 content in **venous** blood = $19.4 - 15 = 4.4 \text{ ml}$



2- FORMS OF OXYGEN TRANSPORT :

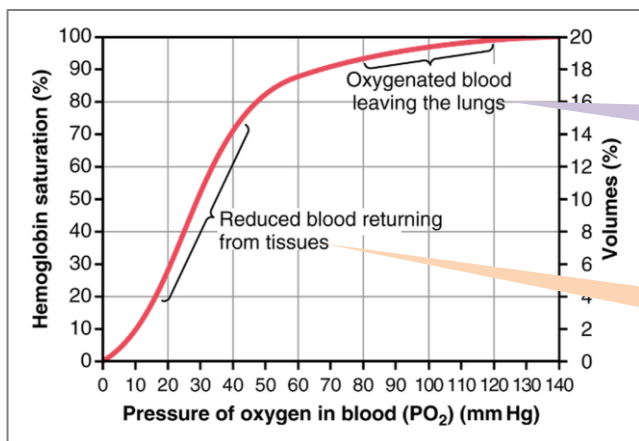


The relation between PO_2 and O_2 -Hb is described in the curve below..



- General info ..**
- The curve is called **Oxyhemoglobin saturation curve** OR Hb- O_2 dissociation curve
 - The relation between PO_2 and Hb- O_2 is not linear rather S- shaped or sigmoid

3- OXYHEMOGLOBIN DISSOCIATION CURVE :



****During rest**

$PO_2 = 100$ mmHg
 Hemoglobin is **saturated** with oxygen **98%**

↓ **23% will be released**

$PO_2 = 40$ mmHg
 Hemoglobin is **saturated** with oxygen **75%**

✓ The position of the dissociation curve can be determined by measuring the

P50

Normal value= **26.5**

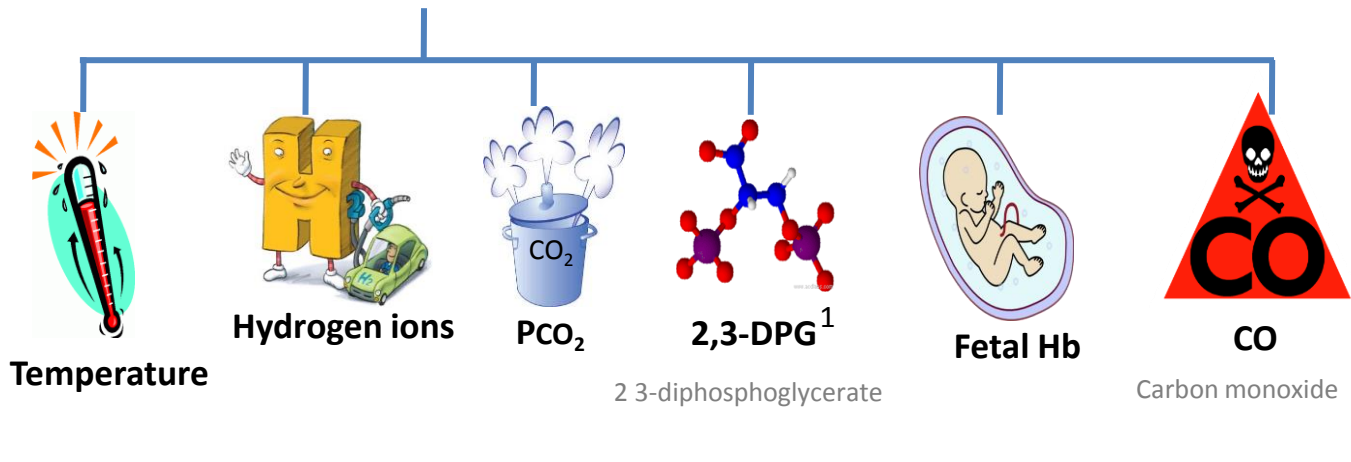
The arterial PO_2 at which **50%** of the Hb is saturated with O_2

← What is the P50?

4- CHANGES IN THE DISSOCIATION CURVE :

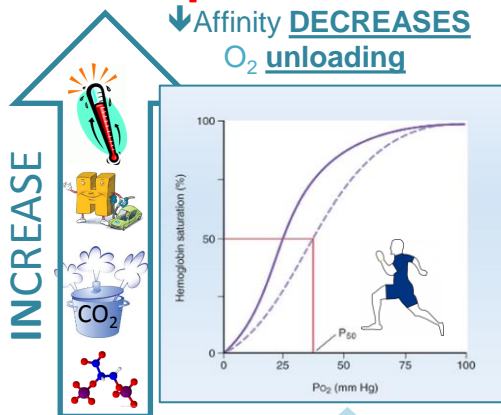
The curve can shift to the right or shift to the left. Without change in shape , such shifts reflect the changes in the affinity of Hb for O₂ , and produces changes in p50 (increase or decrease)...

FACTORS AFFECT THE SHIFTS:



Right shifted

↑P50 INCREASES
↓Affinity DECREASES
O₂ unloading

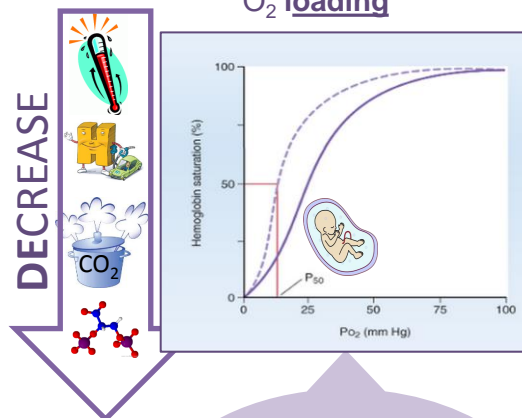


Increase temperature
Increase 2,3-DPG
Increase H⁺ (Decrease pH)
Increase PCO₂

Exercise

Left shifted

↓P50 DECREASES
↑Affinity INCREASES
O₂ loading









Fetal Hb
CO

Decrease temperature
Decrease 2,3-DPG
Decrease H⁺ (Increase pH)
Decrease PCO₂

1- Is synthesized in RBCs from the glycolytic pathway, it binds tightly to reduced Hb (Binds to oxyhemoglobin and act to stabilize low O₂ affinity state "T-state" of the O₂ carrier "Hb")

Right shifted

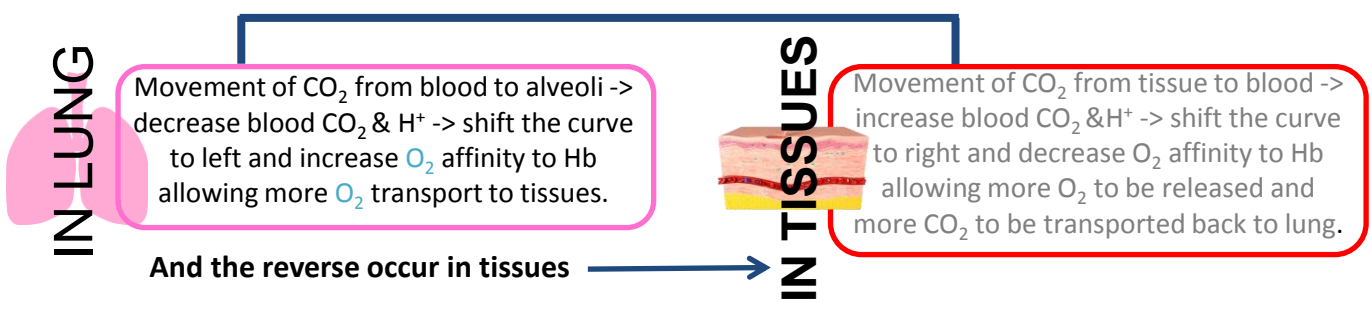
Left shifted

<p>Temperature </p>	<p>Increases During exercise as muscles are working they produce heat, which facilitates unloading of O₂.</p>	<p>Decreases facilitates loading of O₂</p>
<p>H⁺ ions </p>	<p>Increases When tissue metabolic activity increases -> production of CO₂ increases -> increases PCO₂ -> increase in H⁺ concentration -> decrease in pH => which facilitates unloading of O₂. (Bohr's effect)</p>	<p>Decreases When tissue metabolic activity decreases -> production of CO₂ decreases -> decreases PCO₂ -> decreases H⁺ concentration -> increase in pH => which facilitates loading of O₂ (Bohr's effect)</p>
<p>PCO₂ </p>	<p>Increases when it increases it facilitates unloading of O₂ increases within RBCs in <u>anemia</u> and <u>hypoxemia</u>, and thus serves as an important adaptive response in maintaining tissue oxygenation</p>	<p>Decreases It reflects decreased tissue metabolism and less O₂ is unloaded to tissue.</p>
<p>2,3-diphosphoglycerate </p>	<p>Increases when it increases it facilitates unloading of O₂ increases within RBCs in <u>anemia</u> and <u>hypoxemia</u>, and thus serves as an important adaptive response in maintaining tissue oxygenation</p>	<p>Decreases It reflects decreased tissue metabolism and less O₂ is unloaded to tissue.</p>
<p>Fetal Hb </p>		<p>Fetal Hb-type F has more affinity to O₂. Has a P50 of 20 mmHg in comparison to 27 mmHg of adult Hb.</p>
<p>Carbon monoxide </p>		<p>CO combines with Hb at the same point on the Hb molecule as does oxygen. But with much higher affinity (around 250 times) Called carboxy</p>

For easy recalling we advise you memorize only one of the shifts and know that the other one is exactly the opposite..

5- BOHR'S EFFECT:

Which is Effect of carbon dioxide and hydrogen ions on the curve.



6- UTILIZATION COEFFICIENT :

The percentage of the blood that gives up its oxygen as it passes through the tissues capillaries.



$$\frac{5 \text{ ml}}{20 \text{ ml}} = 25\%$$

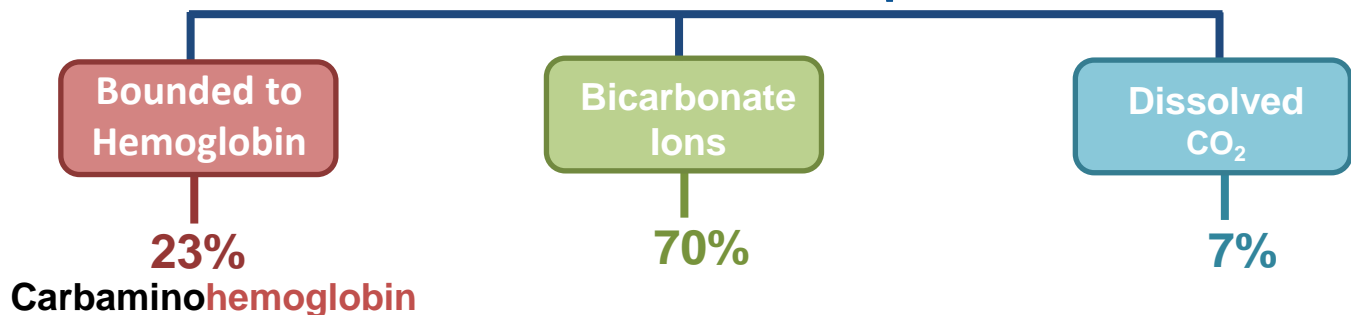
$$\frac{\text{O}_2 \text{ delivered to the tissues}}{\text{O}_2 \text{ content of arterial blood}}$$

$$75\% = \frac{15 \text{ ml}}{20 \text{ ml}}$$



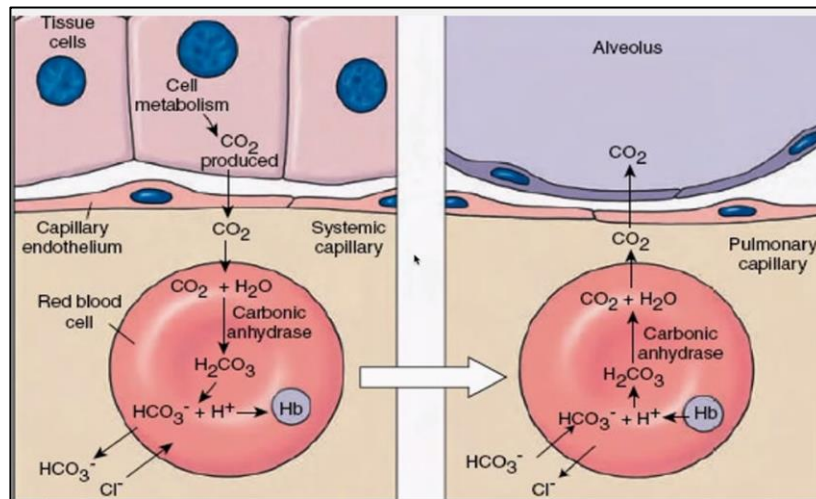
7- CARBON DIOXIDE TRANSPORT :

Forms of carbon dioxide transport



Each 100 ml of blood carry 4 ml of CO₂ from the tissues/min.

* FORMATION OF HCO₃⁻ AND CHLORIDE SHIFT:



IN TISSUE

IN PULMONARY
CAPILLARIES



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VINQnL_oVFY

8- HALDANE EFFECT :

When the O_2 binds to the Hb at the Lung \rightarrow Hb to become **stronger acid**.
This change in acidity make the CO_2 transport from blood to the alveoli

Note: Halden effect is the effect of O_2 on CO_2 transport while Bohrs effect is the effect of CO_2 on O_2 transport .

9- CHANGE IN BLOOD ACIDITY DURING CO_2 TRANSPORT :

Arterial blood has a pH of 7.41  (i.e change of 0.04 unit takes place)
venous blood has a pH of 7.37

As we can see above, the difference in acidity between the arterial and venous play an important role in transport

10- RESPIRATORY QUOTIENT Respiratory Exchange ratio :

$$R = \frac{\text{Rate of carbon dioxide output}}{\text{Rate of oxygen uptake}}$$

Normally

0.825
82%

Fat diet

0.7
70%

Carbs diet

1
100%

GOOD LUCK 😊



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