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Practical Anesthesia

Stage Two

Lecture 1

Endotracheal intubation



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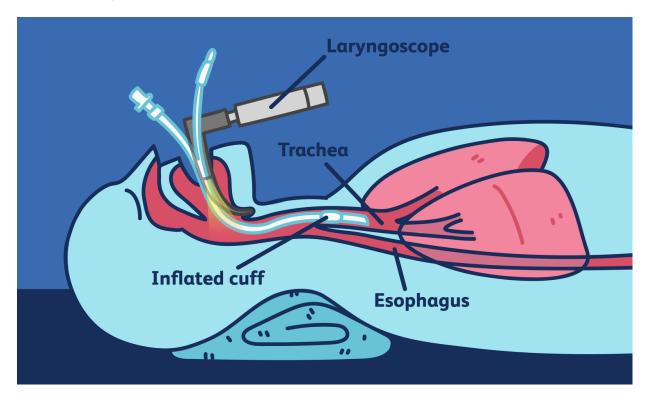
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Endotracheal intubation

Endotracheal intubation is a medical procedure in which a tube is placed into the (Trachea) through the mouth (Orotracheal intubation) or nose (Nasotracheal intubation).

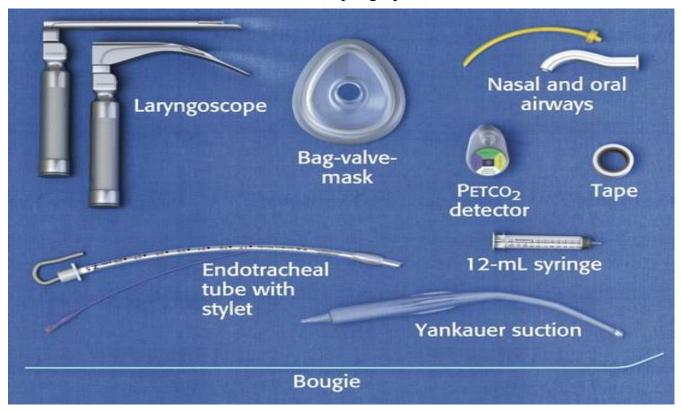


Indications of intubation

- 1. Inability to protect the airway against aspiration.
- 2. When muscle relaxation is required (e.g. abdominal surgery).
- 3. When IPPV is required (e.g. respiratory disease, prolonged surgery).
- 4. The bag and mask are ineffective.
- 5. CPR.

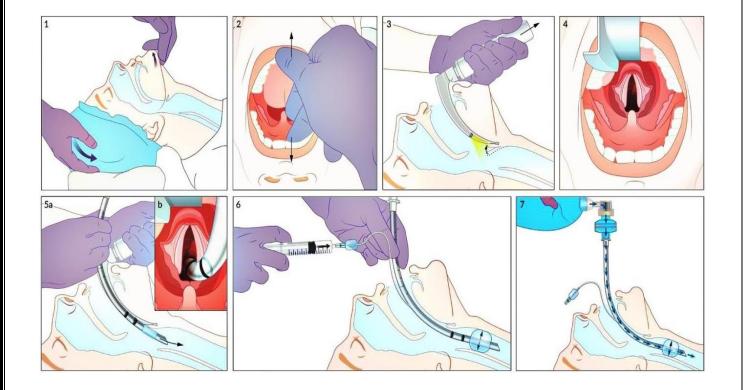
Equipment is prepared before the procedure

- 1. Face mask with an oxygen source.
- 2. Laryngoscopes (direct and video).
- 3. Several ETTs of different sizes with available styles and bougies.
- 4. Syringe for cuff inflation, stethoscope, and tape.
- 5. Pulse oximeter and CO2 detection (capnographic).



The procedure of orotracheal intubation

- 1. Preoxygenation with 100 % oxygen for 3 5 min before intubation (to denitrogenate and maximum oxygen storage).
- 2. The tip of a curved blade (Macintosh) is usually inserted into the vallecula.



Confirming placement of endotracheal tube

- 1. Chest movement.
- 2. Direct visualization.
- 3. Auscultation of breath sounds by stethoscope.
- 4. End-tidal CO2 (capnographic).
- 5. Vapor within the tube during expiration.

Complications of endotracheal intubation

- 1. Malpositioning (esophageal or bronchial intubation).
- 2. Teeth damage.
- 3. Laryngeal injury as well as vocal cord paralysis.

- 4. Laryngospasm.
- 5. Tachycardia
- 6. Hypertension.
- 7. Hypoxia.

Note:

- ♣ Size 7–8 for men, 6–6.5mm for women, when we used IPPV.
- ♣ The average suitable length is 20–21 cm in women and 22–23 cm in men.

