Three Dimensional Kinematic Analysis of Regional Chest Wall Motion and Volume Changes During Respiration in Healthy Children

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### **Optoelectronic Plethysmography (OEP)** Introduction

- Motion analysis laboratory (gait lab)
- OEP measures chest wall motion during breathing maneuvers
- OEP correlates well with conventional spirometry FVC and TV in adults

## **OEP Basics**



- Markers on the chest
- Collect data during breathing maneuvers
- Define a triangle mesh with the markers
- Sum the volumes of the tetrahedra associated with each triangle
- Analyze in any plane





## **OEP** potential

- Study effect of interventions deformities or disease on chest wall motion
- " PFT "in EOS treatment
- Non invasive, no radiation





#### **OEP Validated in Adults**

- In normal subjects (Carnevali et al., 1996) speaking, breathing; exercising; flute
- With single-lung ventilation (De Groote et al., 2004)
- With hemiplegia (Lanini et al., 2003)

## **Regional analysis of motion**

- Marker subsets show L, R and abd.
- Using ultrasound, the motion of the diaphragm may be inferred from the motion of the abdominal region (Wang et al., 2009)



# Purpose

- Compare OEP to pneumotachometer spirometry in normal children aged 8 – 12
- Establish ratios for regional thoracic motion and contribution to FVC
- Validate the accuracy of this method for future 3D chest wall motion studies

#### **Materials and Methods**

- 10 boys and 2 girls < 13 yrs</p>
- No known respiratory disease, neuromuscular, skeletal problems, deformity, or chest wall trauma
- 10 Vicon infra-red cameras, 86 reflective markers (6mm), 42 front, 34 back, 10 lateral
- Each subject measured three times with simultaneous capture of OEP and Spirometry (Cosmed)®





**FIGURE 1**. Markers on the body to define the chest wall as described by Ferrigno et al, 1994.



**FIGURE 2**. The chest wall separated into three compartments and left and right sides as described by Aliverti et al., 2002.

## Results

- Mean age 9.90 ± 1.39 (8.08-12.2) years
- Mean FVC 2.07 ± 0.44 L by spirometry; Mean FVC 2.08 ± 0.42 L by OEP Pair T-test (*p* =.62)
- % error spirometry vs OEP was 2.19% ± 1.55 %
- Error close to five percent between different spirometry systems (Aliverti et al, 2000)



**FIGURE 3**. Scatterplot of FVC measured using spirometer and OEP.

FVC measures from the spirometer and OEP are strongly correlated.

- Linear regression slope of 0.9503 (p<0.001) and an intercept of 0.0987 (p<0.05)</li>
- Pearson product-moment correlation coefficient = 0.9924 (p<0.001).



**FIGURE 4**. Bland-Altman analysis. The dotted lines are the ninety-five percent limits of agreement (mean  $\pm$  1.96 standard deviation), and the solid line is bias value (mean of difference).

Bland–Altman plot showed good agreement between OEP and spirometry over the entire range of measurements.

Section	V <sub>UT</sub>	V <sub>LT</sub>	V <sub>AB</sub>	V <sub>TOT</sub>
FVC (L)	0.65 ± 0.14	0.41 ± 0.18	1.02 ± 0.26	2.08 ± .44
Contributions to total volume	31%	20%	49%	

- Contribution to FVC differed significantly across the three compartments. F (2, 105) = 97.993, p <0.001. Post hoc analyses (Bonferroni): the average contributions to FVC are significantly different (p<0.001) between any two of the three compartments.</li>
- Contributions made by the left and right sides were fairly symmetrical with a difference of 2% on average. Paired Test (*p*=0.21).

## Spirometer (green) with OEP



#### **Cross Sectional Area** Changes at Each Level Relative to FVC





## **Quiet Breathing**





### FVC

1000 -





Forced FVC5, frames 1966-2366

## Discussion

- AB > UT >LT (at rest)
- Early fusion of the UT segments more detrimental to PFT (Karol et al., 1996)
- Proximal thoracic fusions worse lung development (Canavese et al., 2007)
- Motion of the AB section is correlated with diaphragmatic excursion in an ultrasound study (Wang et al., 2009)
- R & L thorax seem to contribute evenly.
  Consistent with adults using OEP (Tobin et al, 1986; Ferrigno et al., 1994; Cala et al., 1996; Aliverti et al., 2001)

## Limitations

• Only 12 subjects. However, results are very robust and consistent.

## Prospective Study



#### Adams FB view

## Conclusions

- 3D chest wall analysis: non-invasive evaluation of thoracic or abdominal motion
- Measures tidal volume, total volume, in EOS patients unable to do PFT
- Reliable for future chest wall motion studies

# Thank you



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