

# Stress & Strain during Mechanical Ventilation:

Clinical Application in ARDS

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- Stress = Transpulmonary pressure( $T_p$ )  
=  $P_{plat}$  – pleural pressure
- Strain =  $\Delta$ lung volume/FRC = TV/FRC
- Stress =  $K \times$  strain เมื่อ  $K$  = specific lung elastance ( $E_{Lspec}$ )
- $T_p = E_{Lspec} \times TV/FRC$

# Strain & TV

- Strain =  $\Delta$ lung volume/FRC = TV/FRC
- Heterogenous consolidation or atelectasis in ARDS: TV from each breath is delivered to the open alveoli.
- Alveoli
  - Open: low FRC; low TV
  - Recrutable: PEEP
  - Closed

Baby lung: alveolar overdistension

# Cyclic atelectasis: collapse alveoli cause overdistension of adjacent alveoli

