

KEY CLINICAL RESEARCH SUMMARIES:

The Benefits of Open Ventilation and Increased Ambulation for COPD

AMBULATORY VENTILATION IMPROVES OUTCOMES















VENTILATION

- Reduce WOB¹
- Reduce Dyspnea²
- Improve PaCO₂³

OXYGENATION

 Increase and maintain SpO₂ levels at rest and during activity²

AMBULATION

- Increase exercise tolerance²
- Increase pulmonary rehab⁴
- Increase ADLs⁵

BETTER OUTCOMES

- Improve Quality of Life⁶
- Reduce CAT and mMRC⁶
- Reduce healthcare utilization and costs⁷

COPD is a leading cause of morbidity and mortality throughout the globe today. Within the US, it is the third leading cause of death, and costs the US healthcare system approximately \$36 billion annually.8 In 2012, over one million COPD patients were hospitalized for an acute exacerbation, at a mean cost of \$9,545 per event.9 To further compound the issue, approximately 21% of Medicare-aged COPD patients have a hospital readmission within 30 days of initial discharge, 10 and upwards of 49% have a readmission within 60 days. 11

In terms of treatment options, noninvasive ventilation (NIV) is commonly a part of the standard of care within the hospital for treatment of patients experiencing an acute exacerbation. Long-term NIV usage in the home has increased in the past several years, as physicians and hospitals look to reduce COPD-related readmissions. A recent study showed a 64% decrease in one-year mortality in COPD patients by utilizing home NIV.¹²

THE ROLE OF ACTIVITY IN COPD READMISSION REDUCTIONS

Activity outcomes in COPD have been studied for over two decades. Studies have shown that two hours of activity per week reduces hospital admissions and respiratory mortality by 30–40%, and for every additional 1000 daily steps taken, COPD hospitalization risk is reduced by 20%. 13,14 Attempts to combine activity and exercise with NIV have been challenging to date, as often times, the NIV devices are deemed by patients to be too uncomfortable and heavy for ambulatory use.

Hillrom (Life2000 and NIOV) ventilators address many of these therapy challenges. Our 1-lb, wearable ventilators provide patients the opportunity to resume activities of daily living while reducing their dyspnea, work of breathing (WOB), and other COPD symptoms. Each wearable ventilator is connected to a lightweight, low-profile Breathe Pillows Interface that is both comfortable for long-term use and allows the patient to talk while on therapy.

The following pages highlight some of the key positive clinical outcomes and healthcare utilization savings that Hillrom ventilators can provide to patients and healthcare systems, when incorporated into treatment protocols for COPD.

HEALTH CARE UTILIZATION AND RESPIRATORY STATUS FOLLOWING THE ADDITION OF A PORTABLE NON-INVASIVE OPEN VENTILATOR (NIOV) TO THE TREATMENT REGIMEN

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METHODS

Retrospective analysis of 16 stable oxygen-dependent patients with moderate to severe chronic lung disease.

- Diagnosis, demographic/clinical characteristics
- Respiratory function
- Physician visits, ER visits, hospital and ICU admissions
- Inpatient and ICU days, mechanical ventilation days
- 2 patient-reported measures of respiratory status (CAT and mMRC)

RESULTS

 Statistically significant health care utilization across four of five health care utilization measures: emergency room visits, hospital days, hospital ICU days and mechanical ventilations.

- Estimated total cost reductions across the study population of between 68 and 96 percent. Office visits were the only measure that did not achieve significant decreases in frequency or cost.
- COPD Assessment Test (CAT) and modified Medical Research Council (mMRC) scores improved significantly in the post-NIOV implementation period (p < 0.0001 and p = 0.0001, respectively).

CONCLUSIONS

In this group of ambulatory patients with chronic respiratory insufficiency, introduction of the **NIOV** System was associated with significantly decreased utilization of inpatient health care services and improved self-reported respiratory status.

HEALTHCARE UTILIZATION

	BEFORE OPEN	I VENTILATION	I (1 YEAR)		Al	TER OPEN VEN	TILATION (1 YE	AR)
Type of Service	Estimated Cost Per Service (2022)	Mean Number of Events	Mean Cost per Patient (2023)	Mean Total Cost (16 patients)	Mean Number of Events	Mean Cost per Patient (2023)	Mean Total Cost (16 patients)	Mean Total Cost Change (%)
Office Visit ¹⁵	\$434	5.4	\$2,346	\$37,539	5.9	\$2,563	\$41,015	9%
Emergency Room Visits ¹⁶	\$1,057	1.9	\$2,009	\$32,144	0.6	\$634	\$10,151	- 68%
Hospital Days ^{15,17}	\$2,485	7.6	\$18,886	\$302,176	1.3	\$3,231	\$51,688	- 83%
Hospital ICU Days ¹⁶	\$4,357	2.6	\$11,329	\$181,259	0.3	\$1,307	\$20,915	- 88%
Mechanical Ventilation ¹⁸	\$2,682	2.6	\$6,972	\$111,551	0.1	\$268	\$4,290	- 96%
			Total	\$664,669		Total	\$128,058	- 79%

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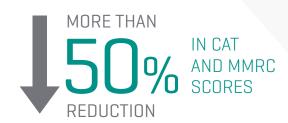
IMPROVEMENTS IN THE HEALTH STATUS OF PATIENTS WITH RESPIRATORY INSUFFICIENCY WITH THE USE OF A NON-INVASIVE OPEN VENTILATION SYSTEM (NIOV)

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PRESENTED AS A LATE-BREAKING ABSTRACT AT CHEST 2014

METHODS

- Retrospective analysis of 21 patients with chronic lung disease*
- Comparison of CAT and mMRC dyspnea scores preand post-NIOV System use
- Patients used standard therapy[†] plus the NIOV System for 10.2 months



	PRE-NIOV	POST-NIOV
Average CAT score	26.71	12.33
Average mMRC dyspnea score	3.38	1.43

ABOUT CAT & MMRC

COPD Assessment Test (CAT) is a short, simple, patient-completed health status tool developed to assist patients and their clinicians to quantify the impact of COPD on patients' health. The CAT is validated via scientific development process as well as clinical research studies and has properties very similar to much more complex health status questionnaires such as the St. George Respiratory Questionnaire (SGRQ).¹⁹ A CAT score can range between 0–40 with a score of 10–20 representing medium, 20–30 high, and 30–40 representing very high impact level. The CAT score has also been shown to provide a reliable score of exacerbation severity—the higher CAT scores resulted in higher exacerbation severity.²⁰ The minimum clinically important difference (MCID) of the CAT is estimated to be > 2 points.²¹

The Medical Research Council (MRC) and the modified Medical Research Council (mMRC) scales are well established and frequently used clinical tools for determination of dyspnea. The mMRC and MRC are very similar in format and outcomes when used to measure severity of dyspnea. Variations of 1 point in the MRC scale have been shown to signify a perceived clinical improvement.²²

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^{*} A group of 21 patients had a variety of chronic lung diseases including COPD, alpha-1 antitrypsin, bronchiolitis obliterans and pulmonary hypertension

[†] Standard therapy included prescription medications, oxygen and other equipment as prescribed by a physician

EFFECTS OF A HIGHLY PORTABLE NONINVASIVE OPEN VENTILATION SYSTEM ON ACTIVITIES OF DAILY LIVING IN PATIENTS WITH COPD

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CARLIN BW, ET AL. JCOPDF, JAN 2015 ABSTRACT

BACKGROUND

For patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), an increase in exercise tolerance and ability to perform activities of daily living (ADLs) can mean an improved quality of life with fewer exacerbations and lower health care expenses. We evaluated a wearable, noninvasive open ventilation (NIOV) system designed to enhance exercise capacity and increase mobility.

METHODS

Patients with stable, oxygen-dependent COPD were recruited for this prospective, open-label, crossover study. Inclusion criteria included supplemental oxygen use, elevated dyspnea score, and the ability to perform ADLs. Patients performed a selected ADL for as long as tolerable while using standard oxygen therapy. Following a rest period, the same ADL was repeated using the **NIOV** system. ADL endurance time, oxyhemoglobin saturation measured by pulse oximeter (SpO₂), dyspnea, fatigue, and discomfort scores were recorded.

RESULTS

Thirty patients were enrolled and 29 patients completed the study. Mean ADL endurance increased by 85% (13.4 vs. 7.2 min) using **NIOV** compared with oxygen therapy (p < 0.0001). Mean SpO₂ was significantly higher during ADLs using **NIOV** versus oxygen therapy (p < 0.0001). Median dyspnea, fatigue, and discomfort scores were significantly lower using **NIOV** during ADLs compared to oxygen therapy (p < 0.01). No device-related adverse events were observed.

CONCLUSIONS

This study demonstrated that a novel, portable noninvasive open ventilation system can improve ADL performance in the home setting. Compared to standard oxygen therapy, the **NIOV** system provided statistically and clinically significant increases in ADL endurance time and oxygenation, while decreasing dyspnea, fatigue, and discomfort. The **NIOV** system appears to offer a practical option for increasing activity and exercise tolerance in oxygen-dependent patients with COPD.

ACTIVITY OF DAILY LIVING PERFORMANCE USING STANDARD OXYGEN THERAPY VERSUS NONINVASIVE OPEN VENTILATION (N=29)

VARIABLE	STANDARD OXYGEN THERAPY	NIOV SYSTEM	P VALUE
ADL Endurance (minutes)	7.24 ± 5.21	13.38 ± 7.50	p<0.0001*
SpO ₂ %	90.65 ± 4.87	94.78 ± 1.99	p<0.0001*
Borg	3.00	1.00	p<0.0001†
Borg (95% CI)	2.80 - 4.07	1.16 – 2.40	
Fatigue	5.00	2.00	p=0.0005†
Fatigue (95% CI)	2.56 – 5.15	2.03 – 3.77	
Discomfort	4.50	2.00	p=0.0105†
Discomfort (95% CI)	3.17 – 4.86	1.96 – 3.63	

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PHYSIOLOGIC EFFECTS OF AN AMBULATORY VENTILATION SYSTEM IN CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE.

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PORSZASZ J, ET AL. AJRCCM, AUG 2013

BACKGROUND

Exercise intolerance limits the ability of patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) to perform daily living activities. Noninvasive ventilation reduces dyspnea and improves exercise performance, but current systems are unsuitable for ambulatory use.

In patients with COPD experiencing exercise-induced desaturation, we evaluated improvements in exercise tolerance facilitated by a wearable, 1-lb, noninvasive open ventilation (NIOV) system featuring a nasal pillow interface during constant work rate (CWR) cycle ergometer exercise and associated effects on dyspnea, respiratory muscle activation, and pulmonary gas exchange efficiency.

METHODS

Fifteen men with COPD (FEV1 = $32.2 \pm 12.0\%$ predicted; FEV1/FVC = $31.6 \pm 7.1\%$; exercise oxygen saturation as measured by pulse oximetry [SpO₂] = $86.5 \pm 2.9\%$) participated. After incremental testing establishing peak work rate, subjects completed three visits in which they performed CWR exercise to tolerance at 80% peak work rate: (1) unencumbered breathing room air, (2) using **NIOV** + compressed air, (3) using **NIOV** + compressed O₂, or (4) using O₂ via nasal cannula. Assessments included exercise duration, surface inspiratory muscle EMG, SpO₂, transcutaneous PCO₂, and Borg dyspnea scores.

RESULTS

Exercise endurance was 17.6 ± 5.7 minutes using **NIOV** + 0_2 , greatly prolonged compared with unencumbered $(5.6 \pm 1.9 \text{ min})$, nasal 0_2 ($11.4 \pm 6.8 \text{ min}$), and **NIOV** + Air $(6.3 \pm 4.1 \text{ min})$. Isotime SpO₂ was higher and intercostal, scalene, and diaphragmatic EMG activity was reduced using **NIOV** + 0_2 compared with unencumbered, nasal 0_2 , and **NIOV** + Air, signifying respiratory muscle unloading. Isotime dyspnea reduction correlated with isotime EMG reduction (r = 0.42, p = 0.0053). There were no significant differences in isotime Vd / Vt or transcutaneous PCO₂ among treatments.

54% EXERCISE ENDURANCE

FROM 11.4 TO 17.5 MINUTES (P < .001)

CONCLUSIONS

NIOV + O₂ yielded substantial exercise endurance improvements accompanied by respiratory muscle unloading and dyspnea reductions in patients with severe hypoxemic COPD.

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ADDITIONAL CONFERENCE POSTERS AND ABSTRACT PRESENTATIONS

STUDY	TITLE	KEY FINDINGS
Scasserra J, et al. COPD9USA, 2015 ⁴	Incorporating Noninvasive Open Ventilation (NIOV) System into a Pulmonary Rehabilitation Program: Effect on Exercise Endurance	The subjects in the NIOV group demonstrated a significantly greater improvement in mean exercise time versus the control group.
Tracy V, et al. CHEST, 2013 ³	Evaluation of Effect of Breathe Ventilation System on Work of Breathing in COPD Patients	NIOV System significantly: Increased Vt Decreased Respiratory Rate Decreased CO ₂
Hilling L, et al. Abstract, ATS, 2010 ²³	Improved 6MWT Distance with a Highly Portable Non-Invasive Ventilator	Compared to 0 ₂ , patients on NIOV : - Improved 6MWT distance by 37 m - 35–54 m improvement in 6MWT for subset of COPD patients
Garvey C, et al. Abstract, ATS, 2011 ²⁴	Open, Noninvasive Ventilation Using a 1-lb Ventilator, Oxygen, and a Low Profile Mask Improves 6MWT Distances In Advanced COPD	Compared to traditional O ₂ therapy, patients on NIOV: - Mean improved 6MWT distance by 34.1 m - Patients with low baseline 6MWT (<300 m) increased their 6MWT distance by 73.3 m
Stachura (2022) ²⁵	Proportional Open Ventilation Use in Acute Respiratory Failure of COVID-19 Patients as an Alternative to High Flow Nasal Cannula – A Length of Stay Reduction Pilot Study	 Proportional Open Ventilation (POV) significantly reduced length of stay (LOS) in COVID-19 patients admitted to the ICU Patients hospitalized with COVID-19 infection have a higher ventilatory support requirement that might not be best supported by High flow nasal canula (HFNC)

INVESTIGATOR-INITIATED POSTER PRESENTATIONS

STUDY	TITLE	KEY FINDINGS
Breiburg A, et al. Palo Alto VA and Stanford University Medical Center, ATS, 2016 ⁶	Impact of Non Invasive Open Ventilation on Dyspnea and Quality of Life in Patients with COPD and IPF	Reduction of Borg Dyspnea Score from 7.8 to 3.5 and continuous statistically significant reduction of mMRC and CAT scores at 1, 30, 180 days.
Lam K, et al. Palo Alto VA and Stanford University Medical Center, ATS, 2017 ²⁶	Long-term Impact of Non Invasive Open Ventilation (NIOV) on Dyspnea in Patients with Chronic Obstructive Disease (COPD) and Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF)	Results of one-year follow up shows significant, sustained reductions in mMRC and CAT scores.

BENCH STUDIES

TITLE	KEY FINDINGS
Work of Breathing using NIOV in a Low Compliance High Minute Ventilation Lung Model	Up to 70% reduction in WOB using the NIOV System.
Volume Assist Ventilation Using Non-Invasive Open Ventilation	NIOV delivered higher inspiratory flows to meet simulated inspiratory demand, thus providing increased Vt in each test condition.
Bench Comparison of Non-Invasive Open Ventilation to High Flow Therapy in Various Test Scenarios	 NIOV System provided positive pressure between 7–12 cmH20 vs. HFT (1 cmH20) NIOV augmented Vt by 200 mL vs. HFT by 0 mL"
Bench Comparison of Non-Invasive Open Ventilation to Home and Bilevel Ventilation in Non-Invasive Conditions	NIOV System provided similar positive pressure (avg. 9 cmH20) and Vt (avg. 709 mL) to bilevel and critical care ventilation devices.
	Work of Breathing using NIOV in a Low Compliance High Minute Ventilation Lung Model Volume Assist Ventilation Using Non-Invasive Open Ventilation Bench Comparison of Non-Invasive Open Ventilation to High Flow Therapy in Various Test Scenarios Bench Comparison of Non-Invasive Open Ventilation to Home and Bilevel Ventilation in

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