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Table 4 Time constant of the consecutive volume slices at different PEEP [τ time constant of the total system (respiratory system, endotracheal tube, expiratory ventilator circuit), τ_{rs} time constant of the respiratory system]

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In Tables 4 and 5, symbols and values were incorrectly rendered in the online PDF version and in print. Only in the online HTML version were the tables reproduced correctly. The tables should appear as follows:

Volume slice	PEEP (cmH ₂ O)								
	τ (s)			τ_{rs} (s)					
	0	5	10	0	5	10			
1 2 3 4 5	$\begin{array}{c} 1.19 \pm 0.6^{*} \\ 1.90 \pm 0.9^{*} \\ 2.58 \pm 1.2^{*} \\ 3.03 \pm 1.6^{*} \\ 3.75 \pm 2.3 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.20 \pm 0.6^{*} \\ 1.54 \pm 0.6 \\ 1.95 \pm 0.9 \\ 2.18 \pm 1.3^{+} \\ 2.15 \pm 1.0^{+} \end{array}$	0.87±0.3 [*] 1.16±0.4 ⁺ 1.32±0.4 ⁺ 1.50±0.7 ⁺ 1.58±0.7 ⁺	1.10±0.7 ^{*&} 1.80±1.0 ^{*&} 2.53±1.3 [*] 3.00±1.7 [*] 3.75±2.3	$\begin{array}{c} 1.06 \pm 0.6^{*\&} \\ 1.41 \pm 0.7^{\&} \\ 1.82 \pm 0.9^{+\&} \\ 2.04 \pm 1.3^{+\&} \\ 1.97 \pm 1.0^{+\&} \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.70 {\pm} 0.4^{\&} \\ 0.95 {\pm} 0.5^{+\&} \\ 1.11 {\pm} 0.4^{+\&} \\ 1.28 {\pm} 0.7^{+\&} \\ 1.33 {\pm} 0.7^{+\&} \end{array}$			

* Significantly different from the corresponding value (for a given PEEP) at the fifth volume slice (end of expiration)

Significantly different from the corresponding value (for a given volume slice) at zero PEEP

[&] Significantly different from the corresponding value (for a given PEEP and volume slice) of the total system

Table 5 Total and respiratory system expiratory resistance of the consecutive volume slices at different PEEP [*Rtot* expiratory resistance of the total system (respiratory system, endotracheal tube, expiratory ventilator circuit), *Rrs* expiratory resistance of the respiratory system)

Volume slice	$\frac{\text{PEEP (cmH}_2\text{O})}{\text{Rtot (cmH}_2\text{O}/\text{I/s})}$			Rrs (cmH2O/I/s)		
	0	5	10	0	5	10
1 2 3 4 5	23.83±8.1 [*] 31.36±12.3 [*] 36.94±15.9 [*] 40.22±22.3 46.61±28.9	$24.92\pm7.426.55\pm7.128.98\pm10.728.42\pm14.3+26.34\pm12.0+$	21.13±6.3 20.50±4.3 ⁺ 19.22±3.7 ⁺ 18.12±4.6 ⁺ 17.82±7.4 ⁺	20.94±11.0 ^{*&} 29.02±15.6 ^{*&} 35.82±17.2 [*] 39.56±23.1 46.61±28.9	21.29±9.3 ^{&} 23.69±9.1 ^{&} 26.71±12.3 ^{&} 26.28±15.6 ^{+&} 23.93±12.2 ^{+&}	$\begin{array}{c} 16.68{\pm}7.4^{\&} \\ 16.50{\pm}5.7^{+\&} \\ 15.85{\pm}4.4^{+\&} \\ 15.20{\pm}4.7^{+\&} \\ 15.00{\pm}7.5^{+\&} \end{array}$

* Significantly different from the corresponding value (for a given PEEP) at the fifth volume slice (end of expiration)

⁺ Significantly different from the corresponding value (for a given volume slice) at zero PEEP

& Significantly different from the corresponding value (for a given PEEP and volume slice) of the total system