



# EucapSys

## Eucapnic voluntary hyperpnea

Innovation for asthma diagnosis

## BRONCHIAL PROVOCATION WITHOUT MEDICATION

The eucapnic voluntary hyperpnea (EVH) test is an alternative method to other indirect or direct bronchial challenge tests such as exercise challenge or methacholine challenge test<sup>1</sup>. The huge advantage of EVH is that no medication is needed. Traditionally it has been used for elite athletes<sup>2</sup> and is widely regarded as the gold standard for assessing exercise induced bronchoconstriction (EIB) among athletes<sup>3</sup>. As EVH mimicries perfectly the breathing while exercising, the provocative method is the best tool to diagnose exercise-induced airway narrowing. EucapSys is the first commercially available system which makes EVH applicable for a wide range of users. As it mixes the eucapnic gas concentration by itself, the test becomes more affordable and independent from expensive gas mixtures.



One step protocol saves time More comfortable for the patient

Drug free provocation with dry air



Easy to implement stand-alone device



High specifity Fewer false positive results



Low operating costs

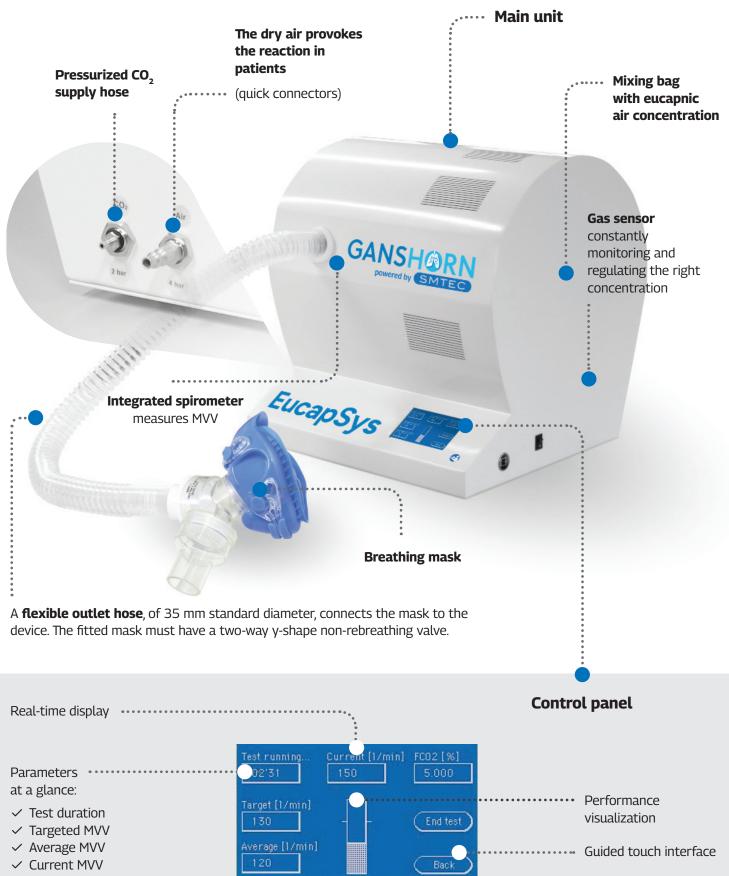
1 J W Dickinson, McConell, & Whyte; Br J Sports Med; 2011; 45(14) 1126-31

2 J W Dickinson et al.; Br J Sports Med; 2006; 40:179–183

3 J H Hull et al.; Br J Sports Med; 2016; 46:1083-1093

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## **THE EUCAPSYS**



 $\checkmark$  CO<sub>2</sub> fraction in %

Screen size: 8 x 11 cm

## **MEASUREMENT PRINCIPLE**



Before doing the provocation, a forced spirometry sets the baseline for pre FEV<sub>1</sub>. 557



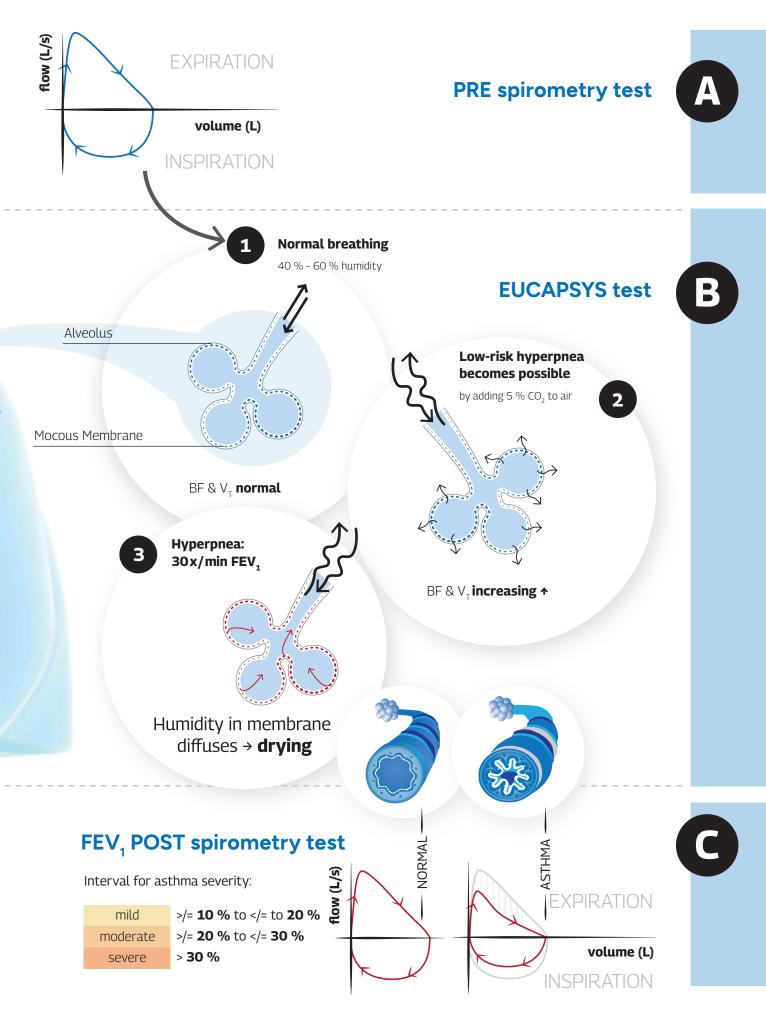
Then, a dry gas mixture enriched with 5 % CO<sub>2</sub> is hyperventilated at room temperature for about 6 minutes through a breathing mask.

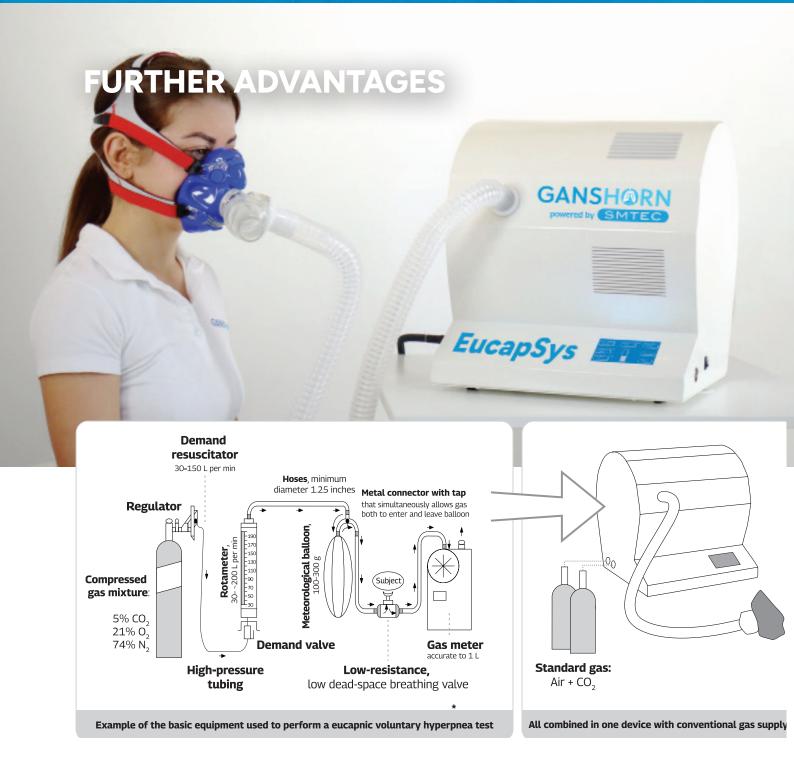
The patient breathes faster than normally, aiming to reach an precalculated individual target, which is constantly monitored by the EucapSys.





After the provocation phase, the post measurements are carried out. If the value falls below 10 % of the baseline FEV<sub>1</sub>, an asthma can be diagnosed.





#### ECONOMICAL

The EucapSys reduces gas-related costs

#### by **90 %**.

Gas supply is thus facilitated and guaranteed.

#### **OPERATION**

Using cost-efficient cylinders of pressured air and CO<sub>2</sub>, EucapSys produces the hypercapnic mixture you need. An innovative patented technology helps to produce a hypercapnic air mixture gradually and according to your needs, for up to 200 l/min.

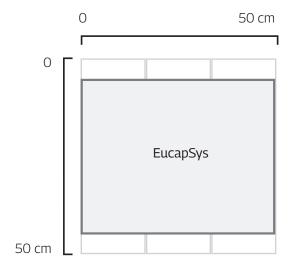
#### CO<sub>2</sub> CONTENT

Dynamically regulated at 5 % in order to be isocapnic, that is equivalent to 40 mmHg of PetCO<sub>2</sub>.

## **TECHNICAL DATA**

Manufacturer	SMTEC (Sport & Médical Technologies) S.A.
Display	Instant display of air flow in l/min CO <sub>2</sub> fraction in % test time in min/sec
Principle	in situ adjustable mixture of dry air and CO
Regular CO <sub>2</sub> fraction	5 %
Accuracy of CO <sub>2</sub> fraction	+/- 0.1 %
Production of mixture	as needed, in accordance with consumption
Air flow rate	up to 220 l/min
CO <sub>2</sub> supply	via a CO <sub>2</sub> cylinder
Air flow control	using a syringe
Electrical supply	110 - 220 Volts
Electrical consumption	50 W peak
PCO <sub>2</sub> monitoring	Thermoconductivity sensor
Control electronics	by microprocessor
Weight	approx. 15 kg
Dimensions	h: 55 cm; l: 50 cm; w: 40 cm
Breathing hose	ultra-flexible, 60 cm - 180 cm long
Mouthpiece or mask	two-way y-shape non-rebreathing valve
Regulation	electronic PID-type

### **Dimensions**



The device must be placed on a stable support, the upper part has a minimum size of: **50 cm x 50 cm** and the surface is not slippery.

Device height: **55 cm** 

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