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High-Pressure Ventilators Hurt Patient’s Lungs

Dr. Cameron Kyle-Sidell, a New York City critical care physician said COVID-19 is not the disease they thought it was. Its lung disease…”is not a pneumonia and should not be treated as one.” Instead, the respiratory symptoms resemble “high altitude sickness” in which “patients are slowly being starved of oxygen.”

He also said that COVID-19 patients don’t look like patients dying of pneumonia. They look like patients dropped off on top of Mount Everest with no time to acclimate to low oxygen levels. Ventilators are for people too tired to breath, but the chest muscles of patients with Covid-19 are not working overtime. They need oxygen, not pressure, he says. Dr. Kyle-Sidell believes high-pressure ventilators are hurting their lungs and threatening their lives.