

<h2 style="margin: 0;">Falling EtCO₂</h2> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 0.9em;">Unexpected persistent or sudden low end-tidal CO₂</p>	
<h3 style="margin: 0;">IMMEDIATE ACTION</h3>	
Declare to the team	
Oxygen	100%
Assess pulse	+/- CARDIAC ARREST
Assess BP	+/- HYPOTENSION
<h3 style="margin: 0;">CHECK</h3>	
Patient	Bilateral chest expansion
ETT	Position?
Circuit	Check ETT to ventilator
Ventilator	Airway pressures? Settings: Vt and RR
Capnograph	Exclude calibration/condensation/leak in sampling tube? Sampling line connected?
<h3 style="margin: 0;">DO</h3>	
Hand ventilation with Mapleson C (ensure tight seal and HME filter attached to the mask if ?Covid-19) Assess lung compliance	
<h3 style="margin: 0;">THINK CAUSES</h3>	
Tension Pneumothorax	Clinical or US features Consider decompression
Hypovolaemia/ reduced Cardiac output	Fluids +/- vasopressors (unless blood loss, in which case resuscitate with blood products)
Anaphylaxis	Adrenaline 500mcgIM
Hyperventilation	Assess Vt and RR to reduce minute ventilation
Pulmonary embolism	Consider ECHO