

PROCEDURE PERFORMED: , Endotracheal intubation., INDICATION FOR PROCEDURE: , The patient was intubated secondary to respiratory distress and increased work of breathing and falling saturation on 15 liters nonrebreather. PCO₂ was 29 and pO₂ was 66 on the 15 liters., NARRATIVE OF PROCEDURE: , The patient was given a total of 5 mg of Versed, 20 mg of etomidate, and 10 mg of vecuronium. He was intubated in a single attempt. Cords were well visualized, and a #8 endotracheal tube was passed using a curved blade. Fiberoptically, a bronchoscope was passed for lavage and the tube was found to be in good position 3 cm above the main carina where it was kept there and the right lower lobe was lavaged with trap A lavage with 100 mL of normal sterile saline for cytology, AFB, and fungal smear and culture. A separate trap B was then lavaged for bacterial C&S; and Gram stain and was sent for those purposes. The patient tolerated the procedure well.