

neuromuscular
cause of acute
respiratory
failure [created
by Paul Young
08/11/07]

neuromuscular
junction

- (i) myaesthesia gravis
- (ii) botulism
- (iii) Lambert Eaton syndrome
- (iv) organophosphate poisoning
- (v) tick paralysis
- (vi) snake bite

muscle

- (i) polymyositis / dermatomyositis
- (ii) acute quadriplegic myopathy
- (iii) eosinophilic myalgia syndrome
- (iv) muscular dystrophies
- (v) mitochondrial myopathy
- (vi) acute hypokalaemic paralysis
- (vii) stonefish myotoxin poisoning
- (viii) rhabdomyolysis
- (ix) hypophosphataemia

spinal
cord /
AHC
lesions

- (i) tetanus
- (ii) amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
- (iii) poliomyelitis
- (iv) rabies

peripheral
nerve

- (i) Guillain Barre
- (ii) critical illness polyneuropathy
- (iii) diphtheria
- (iv) porphyria
- (v) Ciguatera poisoning
- (vi) paralytic shellfish poisoning
- (vii) pufferfish poisoning (tetrodotoxin)
- (viii) thallium, arsenic or lead poisoning