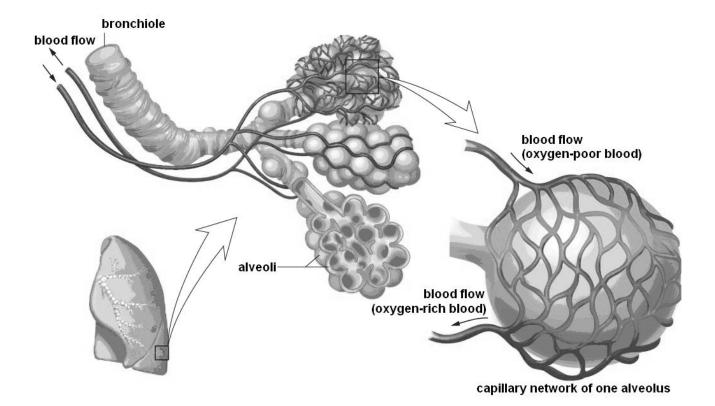
OVERHEAD Brochiole and Alveoli



Each bronchiole ends in several clusters of alveoli. Surrounding each alveolus is a fine network of capillaries from the circulatory system. Gas exchange occurs between the blood in the capillaries and the air in the alveolus, so that blood leaving the lungs has a high oxygen content.

**BLM 7.1.3**