

Dialysis Access in children

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- 1 month old
- Excessive crying & Seizures
- Hyperammonemia 1232mmol/L



- 10 months old
- Sepsis; MODS; Shock; AKI
- Anuric

Access?

The System is Down due to poor Access!



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Core Curriculum in Nephrology
 Am J Kidney Dis. 2014;63(2):329-345

Pediatric Vascular Access: Performance = Blood Flow

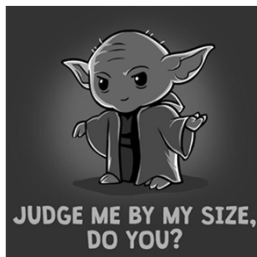
- Minimum 30 to 50 ml/min to minimize access and filter clotting
- Maximum rate in CRRT 400 ml/min/1.73m² or
 - 10-12 ml/kg/min in neonates and infants
 - 4-6 ml/kg/min in children
 - 2-4 ml/kg/min in adolescents

Unique Considerations in Renal Replacement Therapy in Children:
 Core Curriculum 2014

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Vascular Access Wisdom

"Size matters!"



Vascular Access- Poiseuille's Law

$$\text{Volume Flowrate} = f = \frac{P_1 - P_2}{R} = \frac{\pi(\text{Pressure difference})(\text{radius})^4}{8(\text{viscosity})(\text{length})}$$

$$\text{Resistance to Flow } R = \frac{8\eta L}{\pi r^4}$$

- Smaller diameters offer greater resistance to flow
- Longer lengths offer greater resistance to flow
- Decreasing the diameter by 1/5th is the same as doubling the length (roughly a 2 French size difference)

Vascular Access for Pediatric CRRT: Pros and Cons of Femoral Site

PROS

- Relatively larger vessel may allow for
 - larger catheter
 - higher flows
- Ease of placement
- No risk of pneumothorax
- Preserve potential future vessels for chronic HD

CONS

- Shorter femoral catheters with increased % recirculation
- Poor performance in patients with ascites/increased abdominal pressure
- Trauma to venous anastomosis site for future transplant

Vascular Access for Pediatric CRRT: Pros and Cons of IJ/SCV Site

PROS

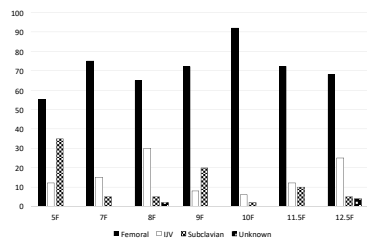
- Tip placement in right atrium decreases recirculation
- Not affected by ascites
- Preserve potential vein needed for transplant

CONS

- SCV stenosis (SCV)
- Superior vena cava syndrome
- Risk of pneumothorax in patients with high PEEP
- Trauma to veins needed potentially for future HD access

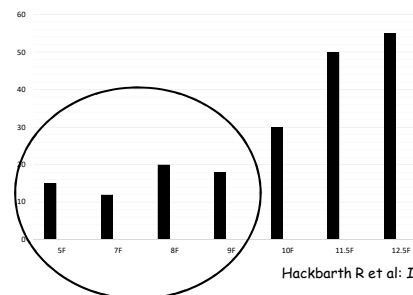
The effect of vascular access location and size on circuit survival in pediatric continuous renal replacement therapy: A report from the PPCRRT registry

- 13 Pediatric Institutions
- 376 patients
- 1574 circuits
- Circuit survival by Catheter size, site, and modality



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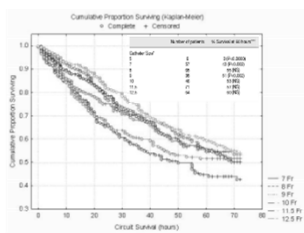
Catheter selection: Acute HD/CRRT



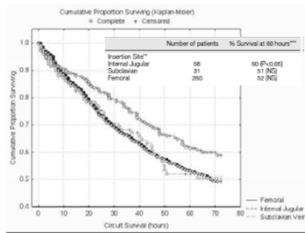
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Circuit Survival

Size



Site



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CRRT Circuit Survival & Access Size

n=122; 1996-2006
Pediatric CRRT
Spain

Univariate Analysis		
Circuit Life Span (hours)		
	Mean	p
Two 4 French catheters	12.5	
Double-lumen 5 French	25.7	0.07
Double-lumen 6.5 French	34.2	
Double lumen 8-9 F	22.8	
Double lumen 10-11 F	36.1	
4-5 F	25	0.04
6.5-11 F	33	

Multivariate Analysis
Catheter Size 6.5-11F p 0.093
Filter Size; HDF & Heparin Dose

Critical Care 2008, 12:R93

Access Wisdom for Children

- Don't use a 5 French catheter.
- Choose the largest diameter that is safe for the child.
- Choose the smallest catheter that will achieve the necessary flow easily.
- Choose the minimum length to position the tip for optimal flow.
- In the femoral position, longer catheters will minimize recirculation

PATIENT SIZE	CATHETER SIZE & SOURCE	SITE OF INSERTION
NEONATE	Single-Lumen 5 Fr (COOK)	Femoral artery/vein
	Dual-Lumen 7.0 French (COOK/EDCOOP)	Femoral vein
3-6 KG	Dual-Lumen 7.0 French (COOK/EDCOOP)	Internal External-Jugular, Subclavian or Femoral vein
	Triple-Lumen 7.0 Fr (MEDCOOP)	Internal External-Jugular, Subclavian or Femoral vein
6-30 KG	Dual-Lumen 8.0 French (KENDALL/ARROW)	Internal External-Jugular, Subclavian or Femoral vein
>15-KG	Dual-Lumen 9.0 French (MEDCOOP)	Internal External-Jugular, Subclavian or Femoral vein
>>30KG	Dual-Lumen 10.0 French (KENDALL, ARROW)	Internal External-Jugular, Subclavian or Femoral vein
>>30 KG	Triple-Lumen 12 French (KENDALL/ARROW)	Internal External-Jugular, Subclavian or Femoral vein

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Long term dialysis

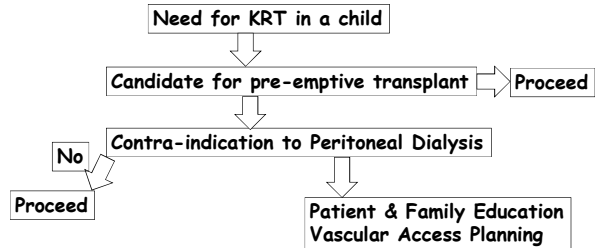


5 yrs, female
Bilateral Wilm's
Unfavourable
Post bilateral nephrectomy



6 yrs, female
FSGS
ESRD within 2 years
Tracheostomy
Permacath Right IJV
Genetic assessment -

KRT Discussion



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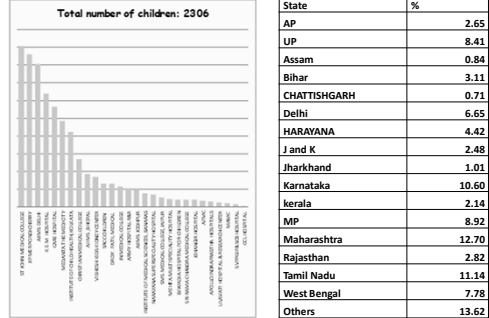
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June 2018
28 centres; 2306 patients



2008 to 2010
&
2017 to 2020

TOTAL NUMBER OF CENTRES: 28

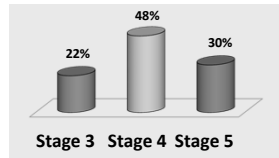


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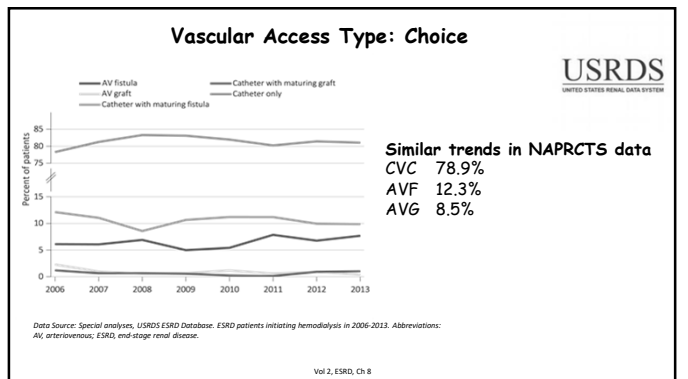
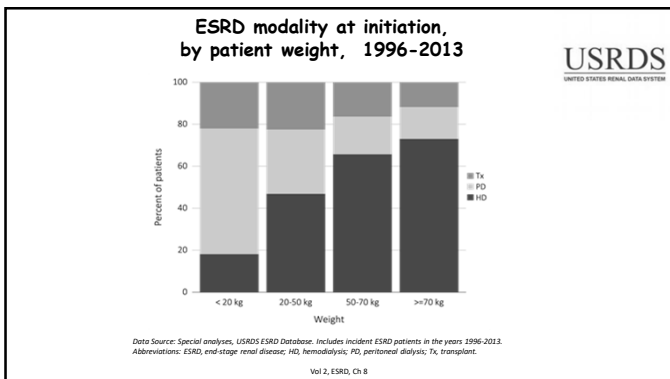
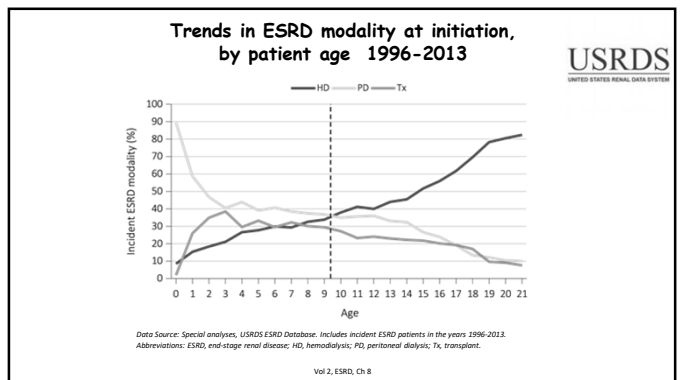
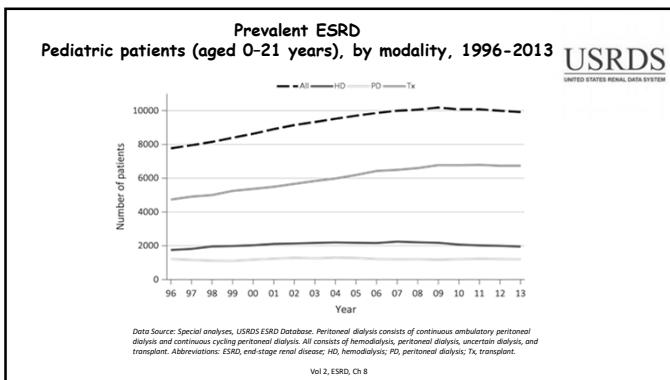
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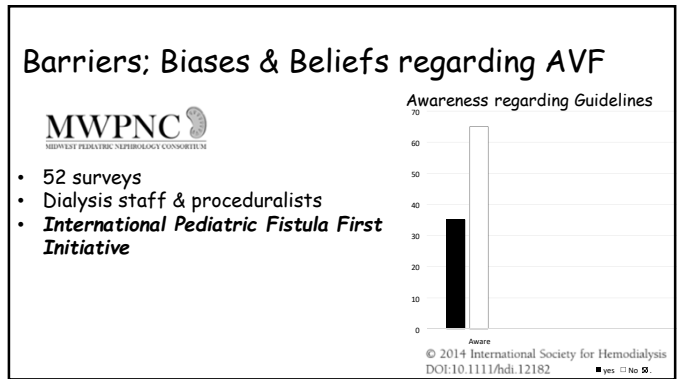
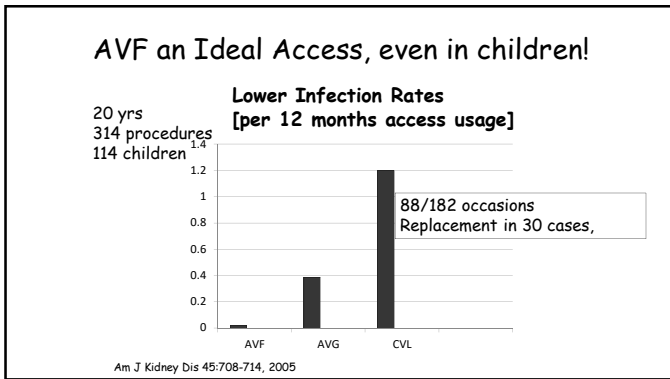
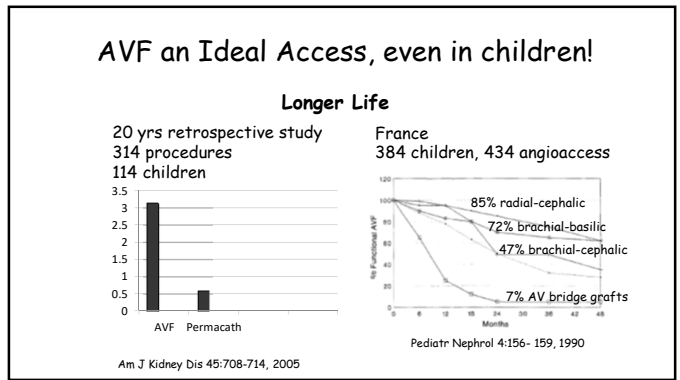
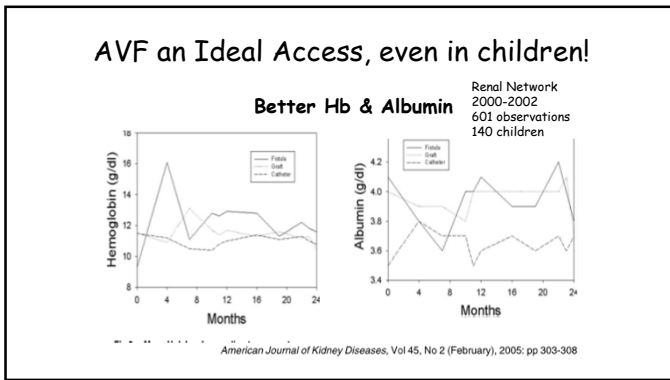
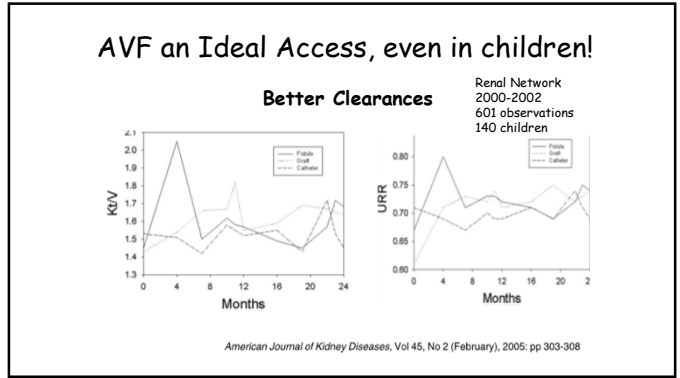
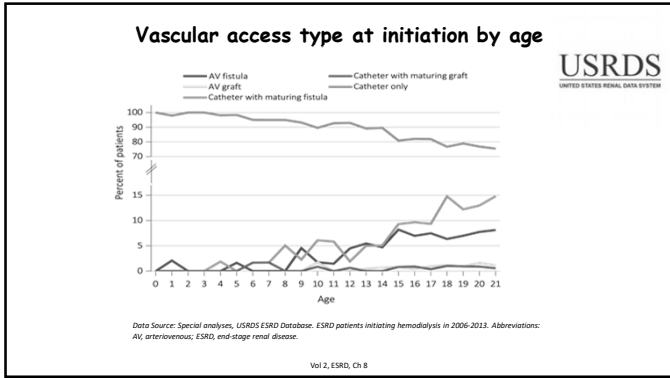
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Treatment of ESRD	n	%
PALLATIVE	51	18.15
MHD	127	45.20
CAPD	103	36.65

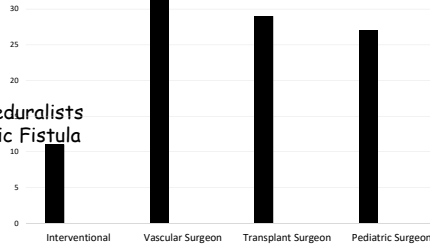




Barriers; Biases & Beliefs regarding AVF



- 52 surveys
- Dialysis staff & proceduralists
- International Pediatric Fistula First Initiative

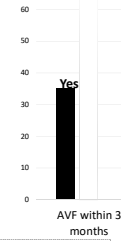


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Major Barrier- Interdisciplinary Communication Problems

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Growth of the PCRRT-ICONIC Group

The Beginning
Stu Goldstein MD and Tim Bunchman MD originated the concept and identified a group who work well together to initially look at "what is being done as standard of practice" to perform studies on their device. Drug clearance & What can be done for future research.

Early Works
The following guidelines and manuscript topics were created:
 • Anticoagulation and CRRT
 • CRRT demographics
 • CRRT and Stem cell Transplant
 • Protein and Calorie prescription for CRRT use

Increased Productivity
The PCRRT groups create guidelines on the following:
 • CRRT in LHM patients
 • Fluid Overload
 • Nonrenal indicators of CRRT

Expanding Fields of Topic
The PCRRT group creates the following guidelines:
 • Dexamethasone in primary FSGS
 • RRT and Septic Shock
 • Pediatric intradialytic Hypotension
 • RRT and Intoxication
 • CRRT and Hyperammonemia
 • RREIT in Critically ill children

2022
2019-2020
2010-2018
2005-2008
Early 2000s

PCRRT's Most productive year
The PCRRT group creates a multitude of guidelines from Intoxication to Hyperammonemia along with the publishing of a Springer's Guideline book for clinicians along with the following guidelines:
 • Advances in Pediatric AKI
 • Telemedicine and Nephrology
 • Long term vascular access
 • Anticoagulation in AKI and RRT
 • Neonatal AKI prospective registry (TRAKER study)
 • Telemedicine Survey

Union of Two Groups
At this time the PCRRT and ICONIC groups join together in a shared mission to better extend their reach along with the publication of the following guidelines:
 • Non-Anticoagulation in CRRT for cirrus life
 • Blood filters in COVID-19 and AKI
 • STARZ study
 • Validation of STARZ Study
 • Extracorporeal Anticoagulants in CRRT
 • DGS in pediatric patients and dialysis
 • AKI in Hematopoietic cell transplantation
 • PCRRT-ICONIC TRAKER study

Timeline of Landmark Studies in Pediatric AKI

KIDNEY RESEARCH IN CLINICAL PRACTICE

2010-2011
Kidney Res Clin Pract 2021;40(1):40-51
 • Renal Angina Concept developed for risk stratification
 • PCRRT Group report on worse impact of fluid overload in sick children

2012-2013
Specialized Pediatric dialysis equipment developed: CARPEDEM, NEDUS, Aquadex
 • Renal Angina index validated along with biomarkers incorporated
 • pRRT, E, ARON & KIDIGO completed in children
 • Prospective Pediatric AKI Research Group established

2014-2015
NINJA electronic health record alert developed
 • NRC Neonatal Kidney Collaborative established
 • KIDIGO AKI Criteria developed
 • HF20 CRRT use report on infants

2017-2018
Neonatal AKI/AVEN Study
 • Incidence and Outcomes of Neonatal Acute Kidney Injury
 • Impact of fluid balance in neonatal
 • Neonatal Hypertension
 • Association between AKI risk factors
 • Pediatric AVASSE Study
 • Epidemiology of Acute Kidney Injury in critical children
 • Neonatal AKI Definition (NADK group)
 • Pediatric SLED & SLED-F reports

2019-2020
PCRRT Guidelines
 • Intracranial Intradialytic Hypotension
 • Hyperammonemia
 • Prolonged Intermittent Renal Replacement Therapy
 • Springer's guidelines book published

Pediatric acute kidney injury: new advances in the last decade.
 Sethi SK, Bunchman T, Chakraborty R, Raina R.
 Kidney Res Clin Pract. 2021 Mar;40(1):40-51.

Suggested Reading

PCRRT
Pediatric Critical Care Renal Replacement Therapy

ICONIC
INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION OF NEPHROLOGISTS & INTENSIVISTS FOR CRITICAL CARE IN CHILDREN

Critical Care Pediatric Nephrology and Dialysis: A Practical Handbook
 Sidharth Kumar Sethi
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POCUS in Critical Care Nephrology



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What is POCUS?

Ultrasonography performed at the patient's bedside (= point of care) by the clinician to answer focused questions.



Provide the diagnosis

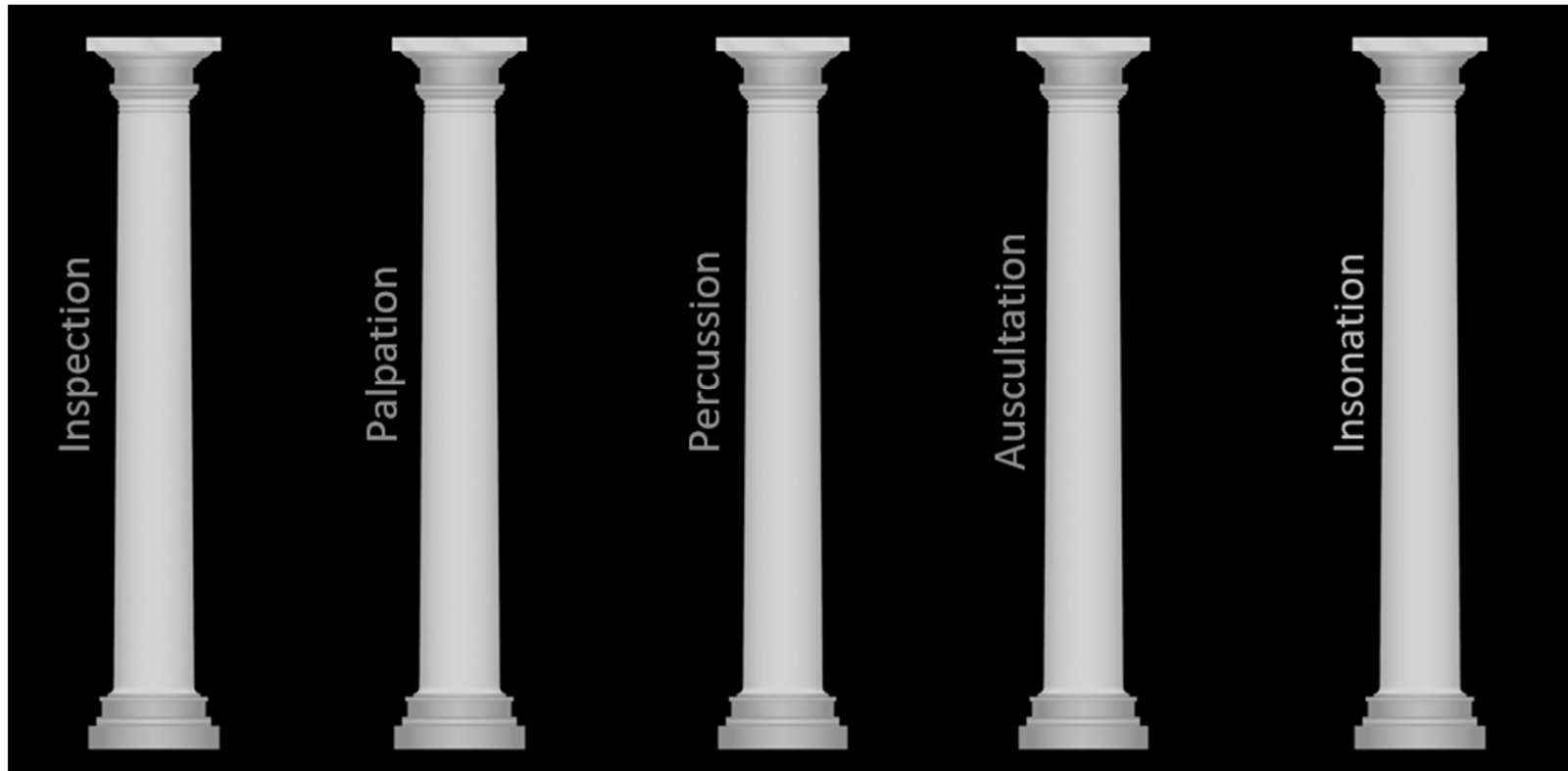
Narrow the differential

Guide a bedside procedure

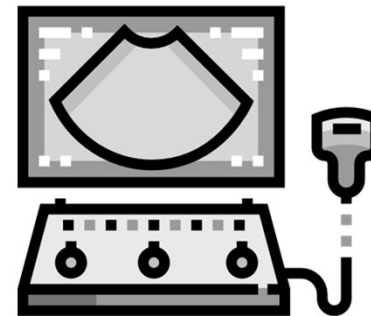
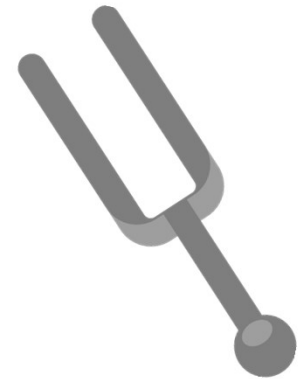
Examples of focused questions



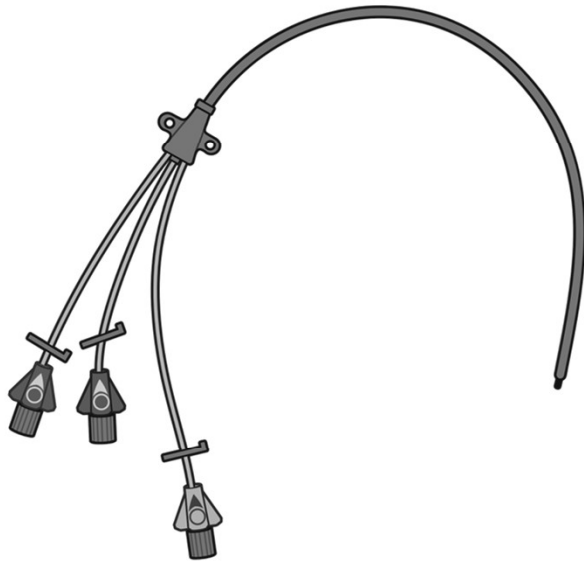
POCUS is a component of physical examination



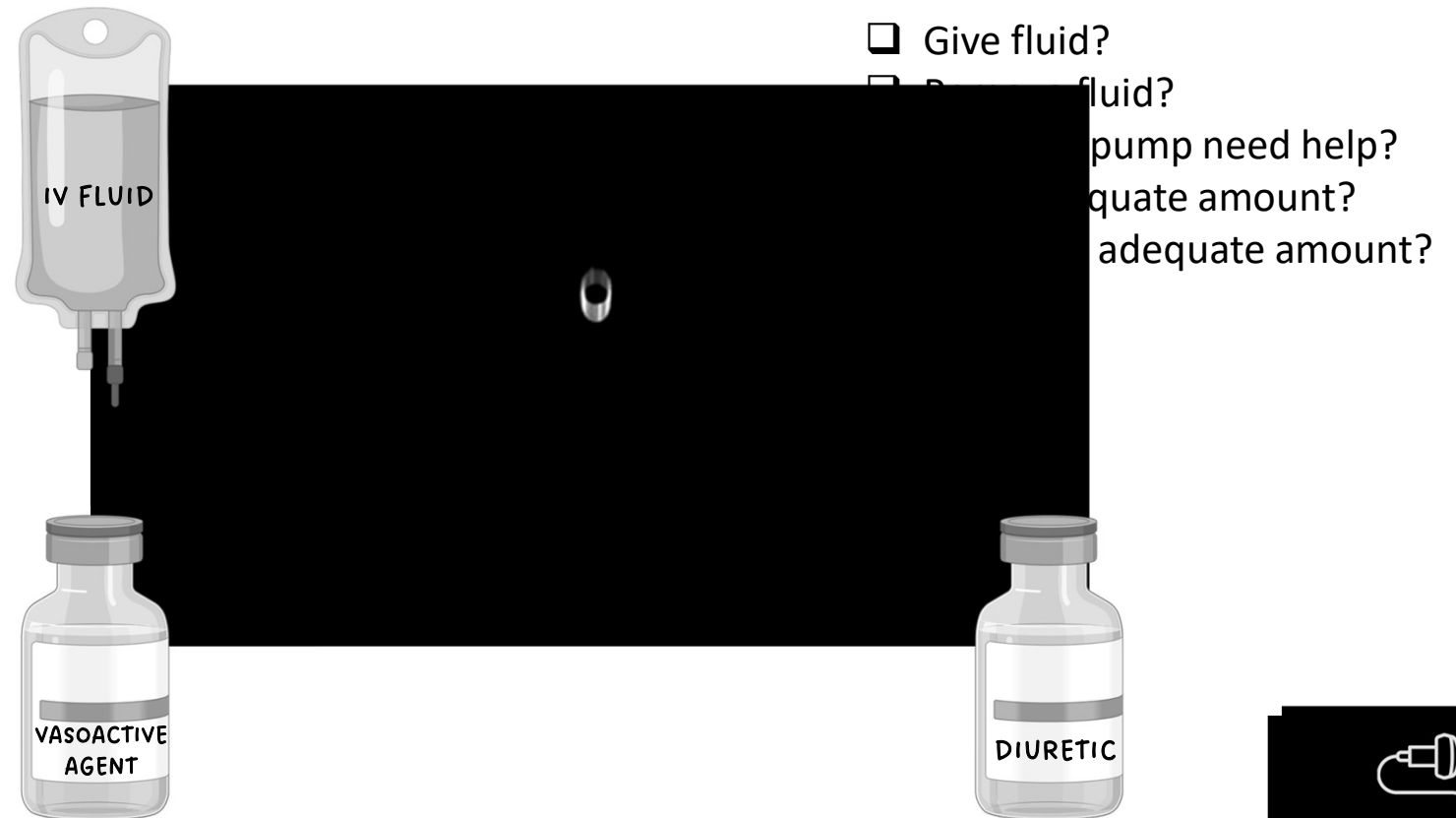
Point-of-care devices



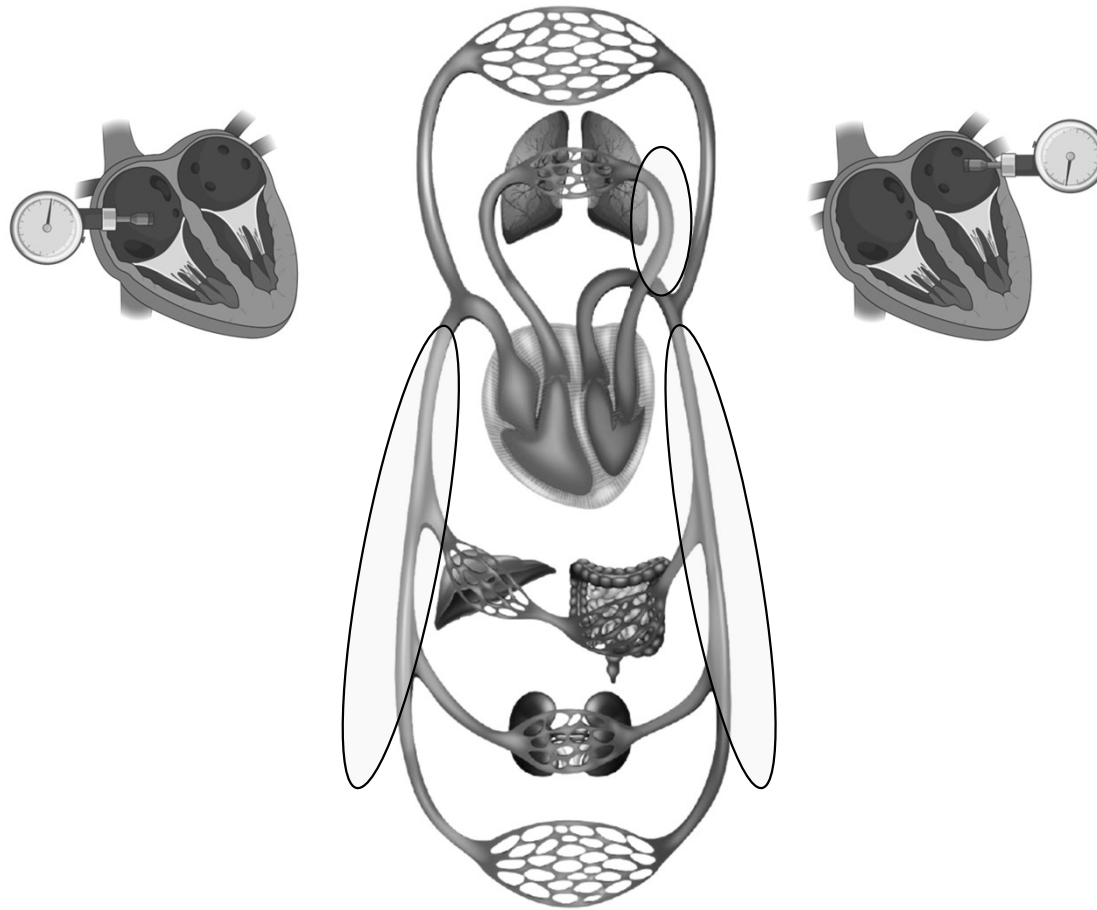
Nephrologist-performed POCUS



Focused questions in the ICU

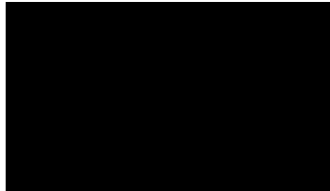
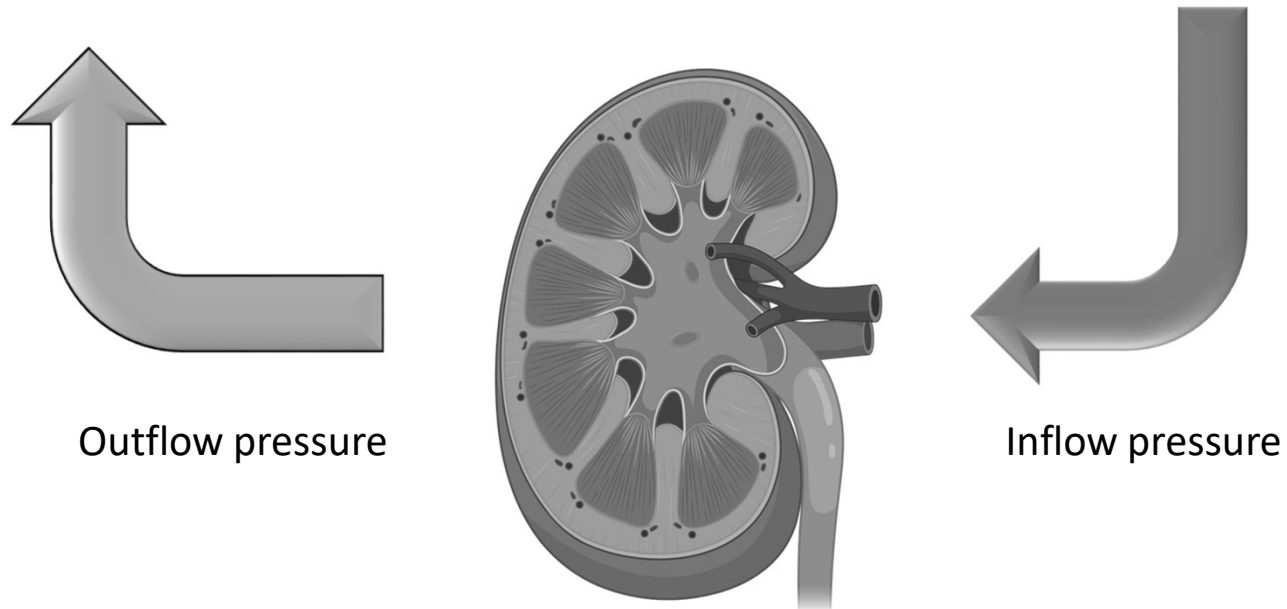


Hemodynamic circuit

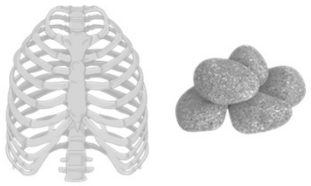


Organ perfusion pressure

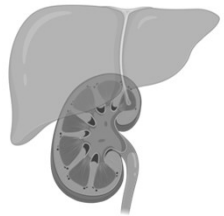
Perfusion pressure = inflow-outflow
= MAP – CVP (or IAP when elevated)



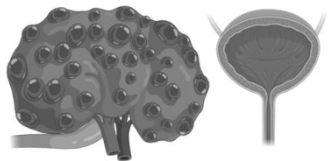
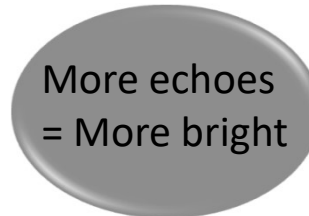
Sonographic appearance of various structures



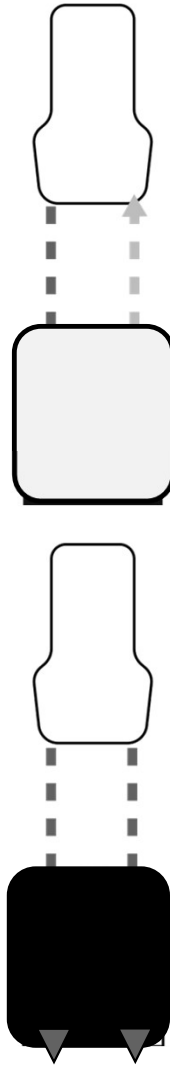
Stones
Bones
Fibrous structures
Air



Soft tissues



Blood
Urine
Serous fluid

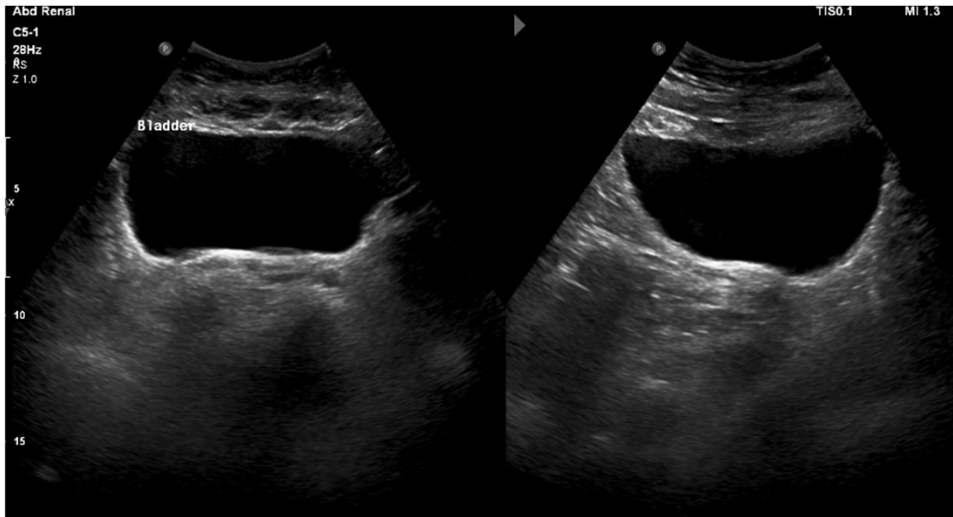


Case: A patient with AKI stage III is in the ICU. Was making urine till this morning but stopped now. Medicine PG asks if you want to place a catheter for dialysis?

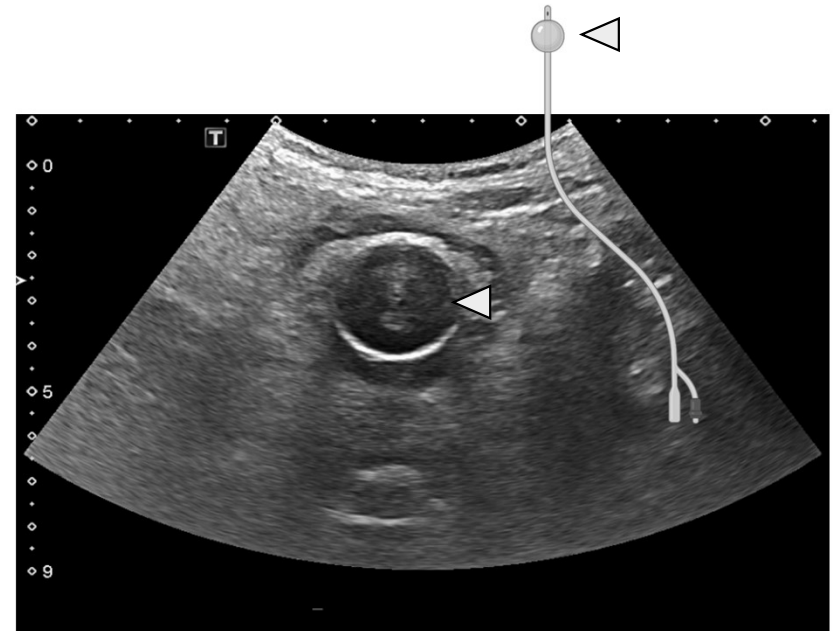


Normal urinary bladder

Filled with urine



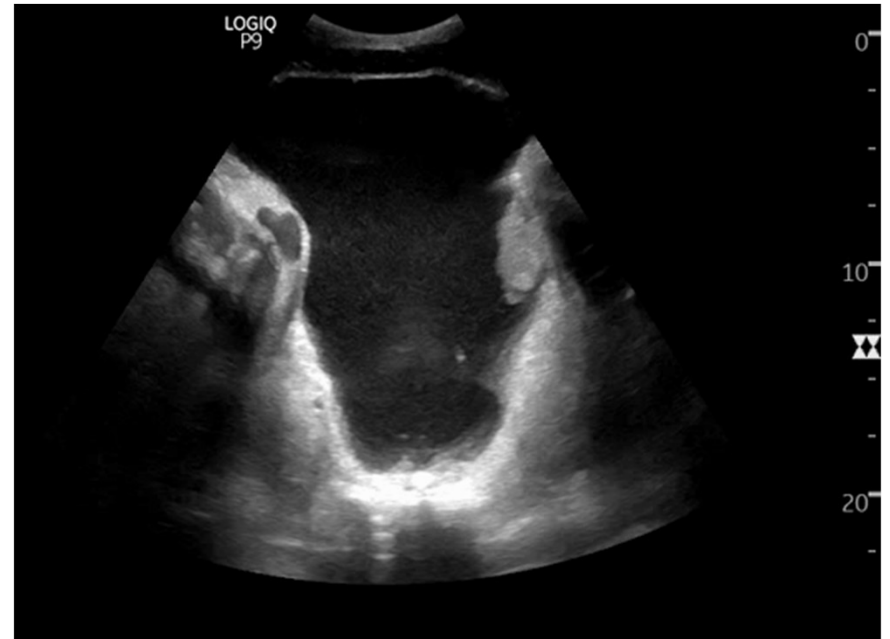
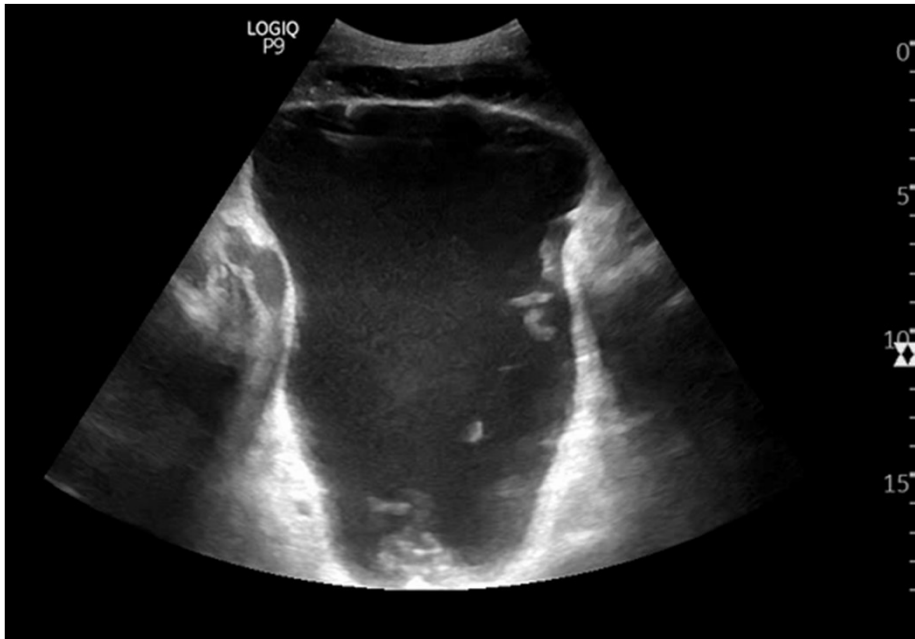
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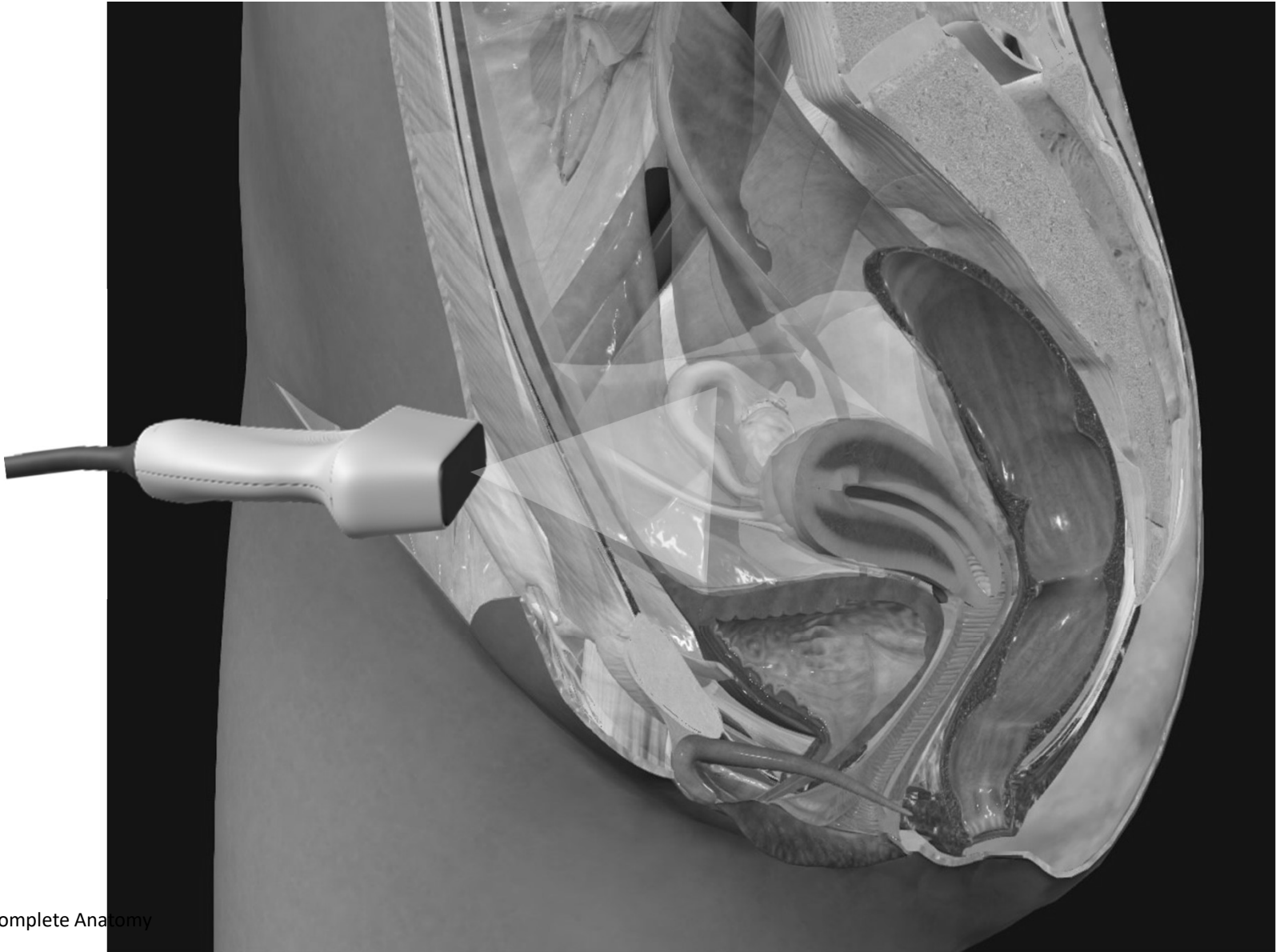


Going back to our case



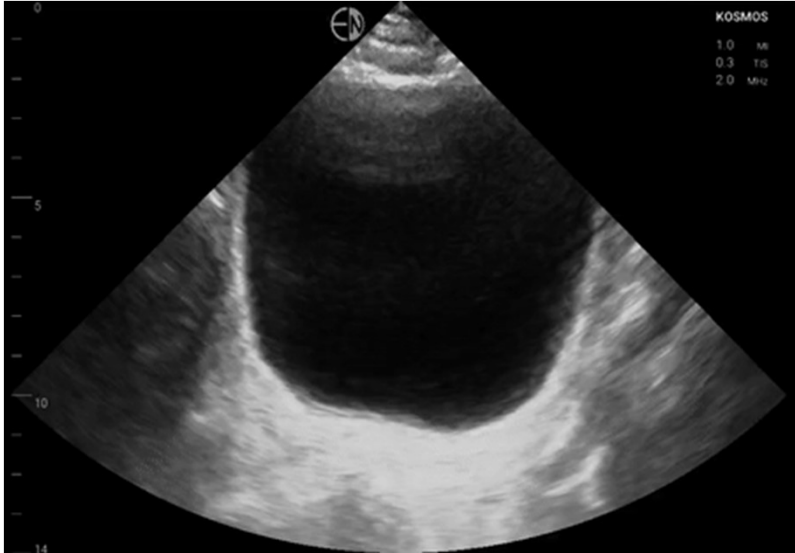
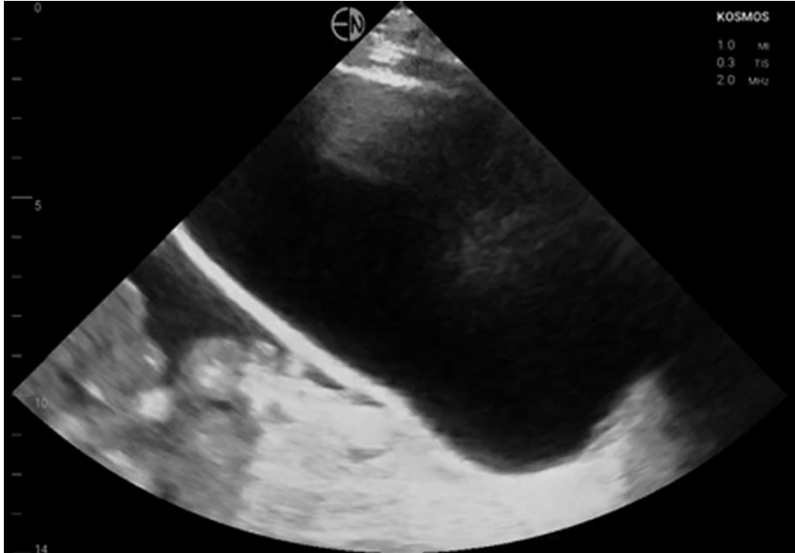
Case: A patient with cirrhosis and AKI is not making urine. Bedside automated bladder scanner reads 450 cc, but nothing comes out on straight cath. Call urology?



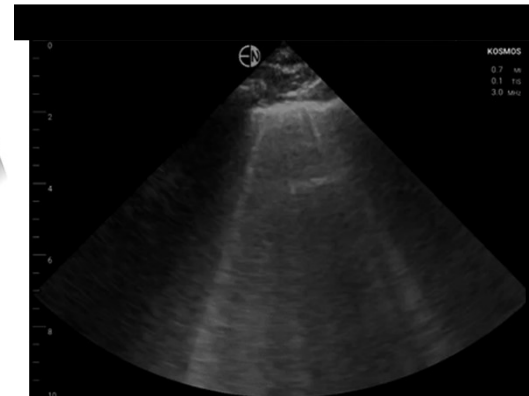
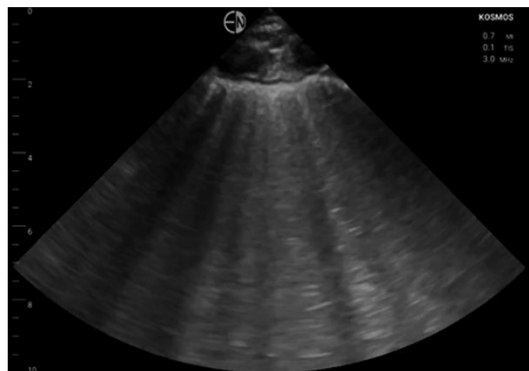
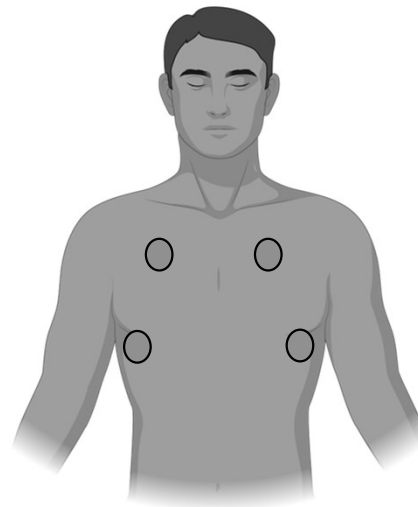
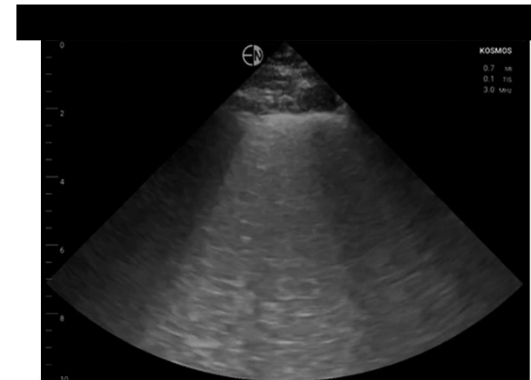
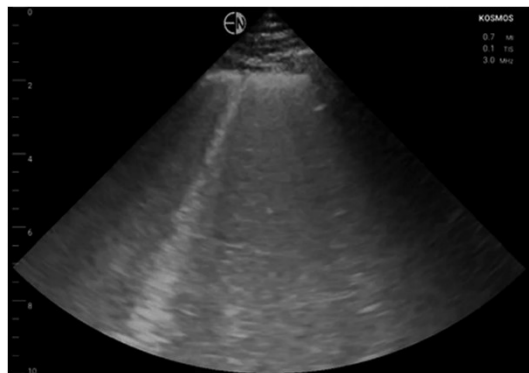


Courtesy: Complete Anatomy

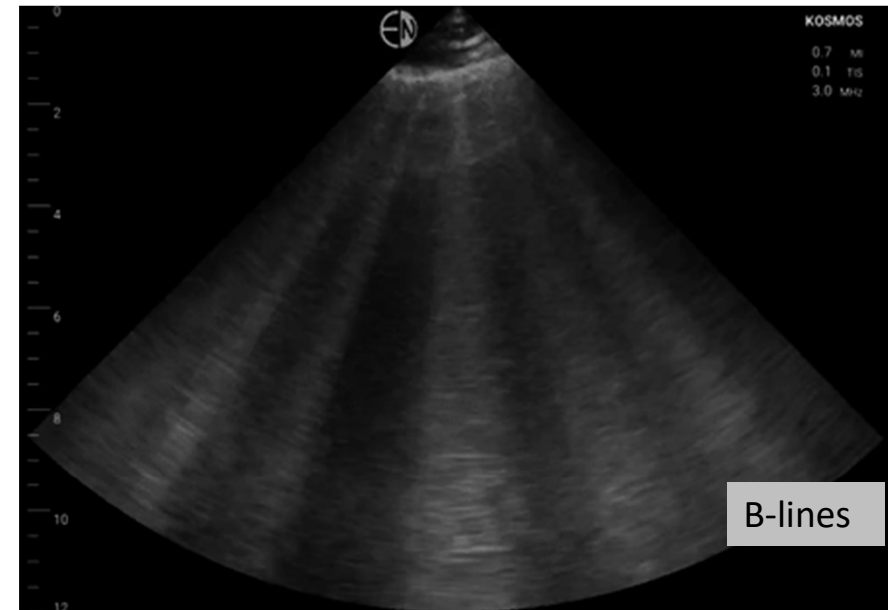
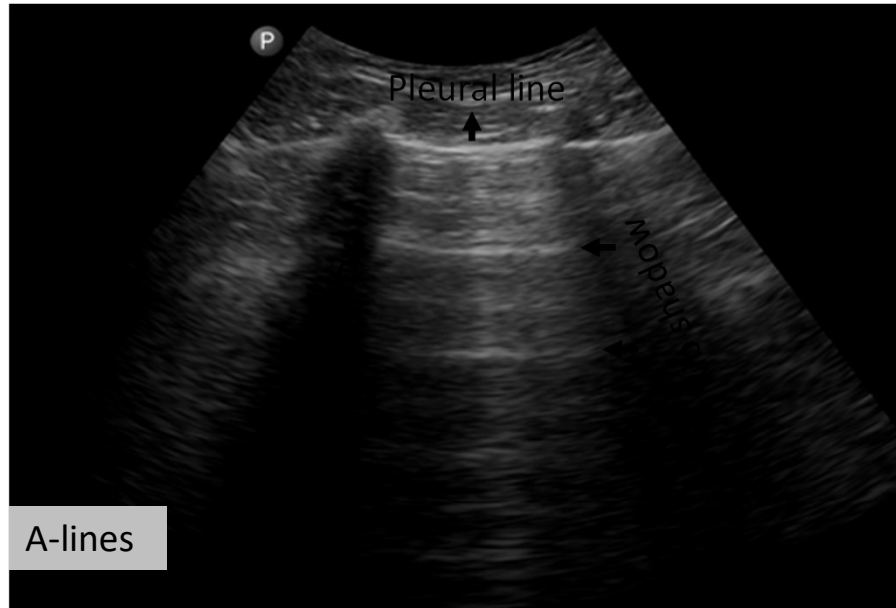
Another example



Case: A patient with AKI is being evaluated during hemodialysis. He is oliguric but as there is no pedal edema and the lungs were 'clear', nephrology fellow wrote for minimal ultrafiltration (UF). BP 134/76 mmHg. Lung ultrasound findings shown below. Would you change the amount of UF?



Lung ultrasound

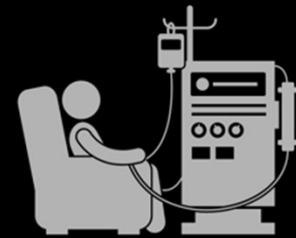
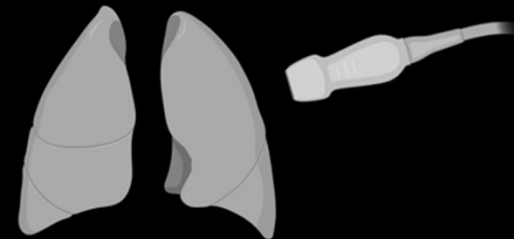


Sensitivity of physical exam is low

Diagnostic value	Lung crackles	Peripheral edema	Crackles + edema
Sensitivity (%)	9	3	13
Specificity (%)	98	100	97



Vs.



Torino C, et al. Clin J Am Soc Nephrol. 2016;11(11):2005-2011.

Sensitivity of physical exam is low

Prospective observational study



926 ICU patients
57% Mechanically Ventilated



6-point lung ultrasound

Vs.

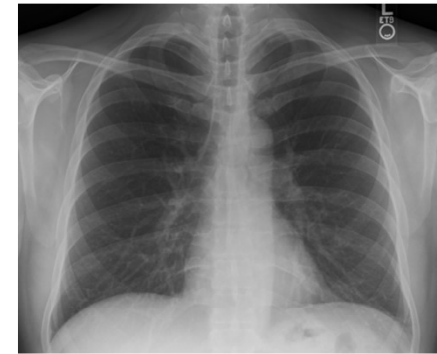
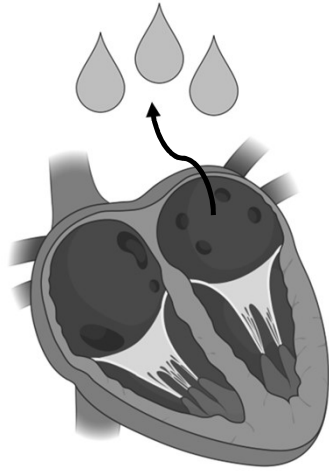


Auscultation

For pulmonary edema:

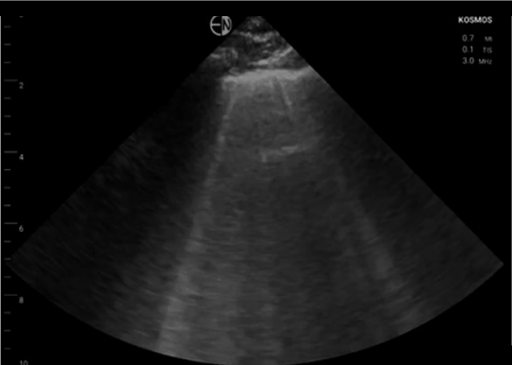
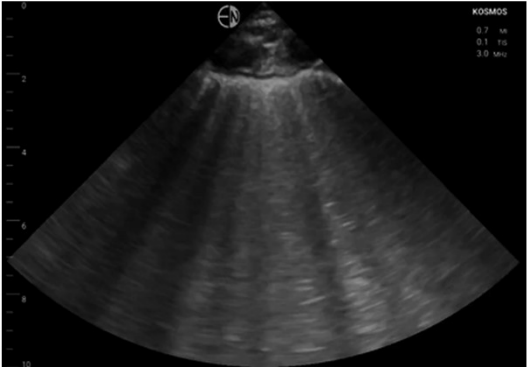
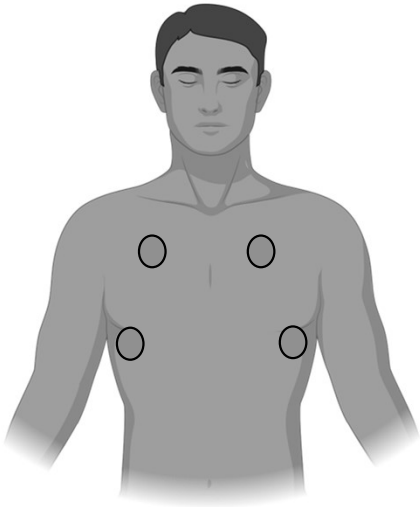
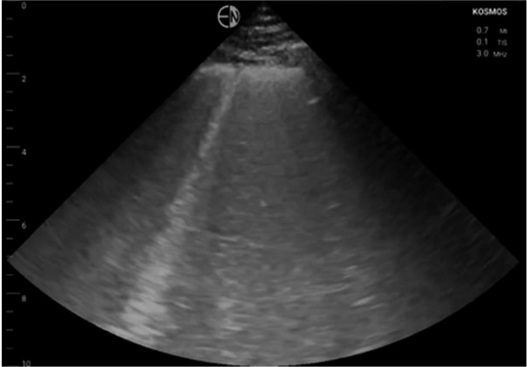
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Crepitations	66	71
Rhonchi	47	69
Abnormal auscultation (and/or above)	52	74

POCUS vs Chest X-ray

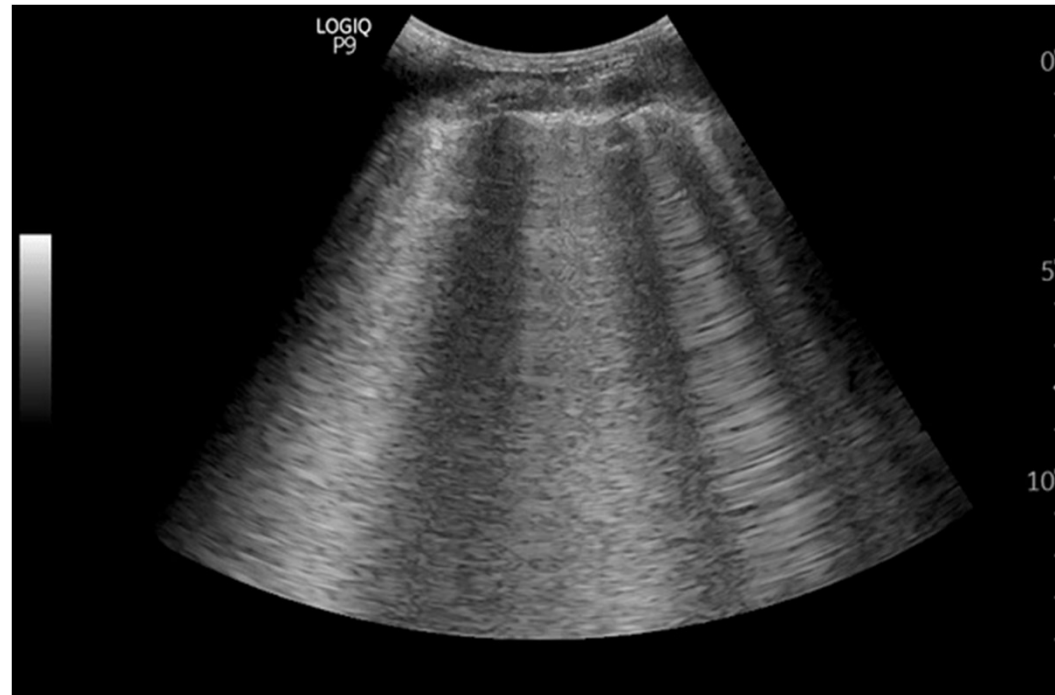


Sensitivity	91.8%	76.5%
Specificity	92.3%	87%

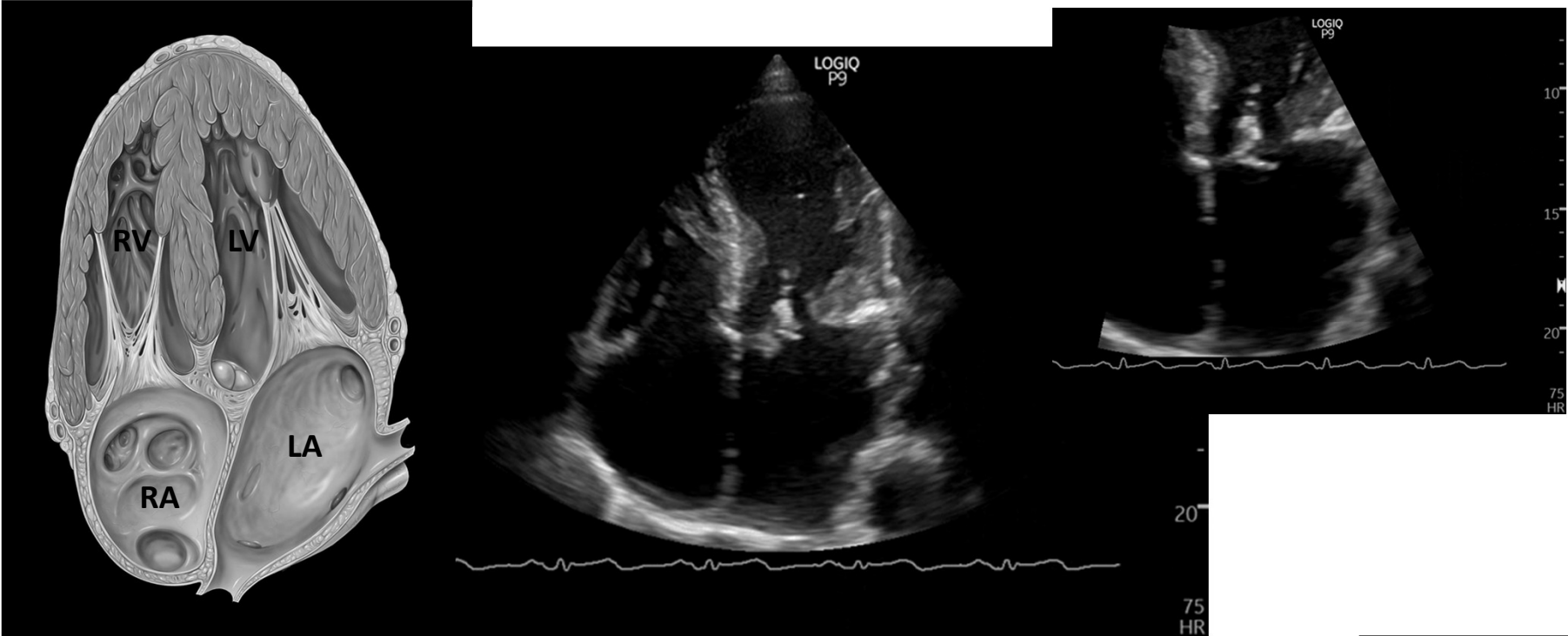
Going back to our case



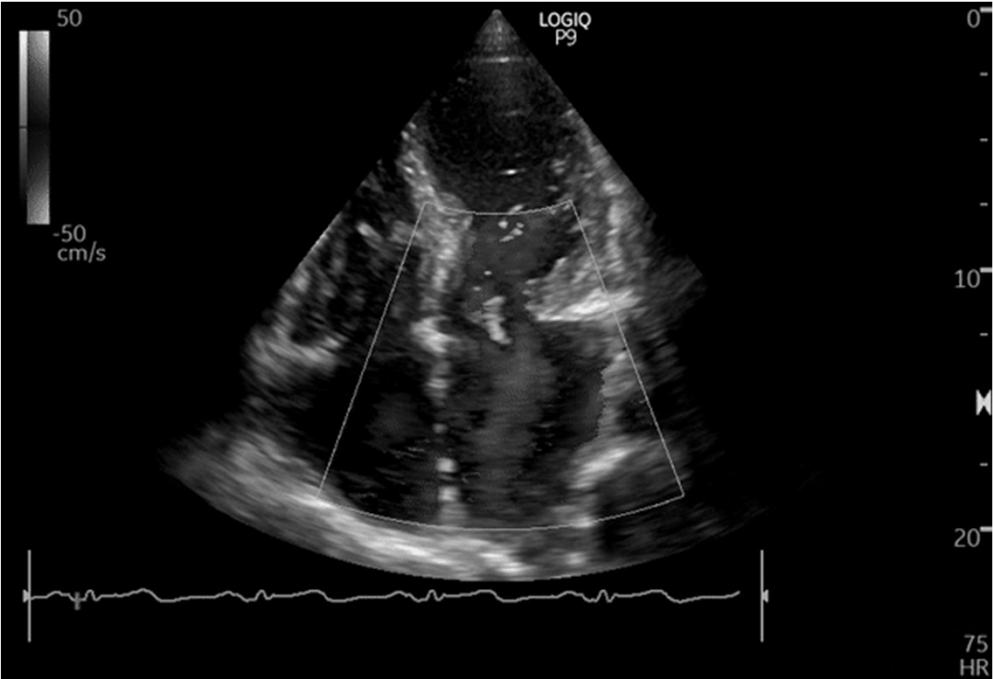
Case: A patient with ESKD on hemodialysis is admitted for sepsis presumed to be secondary to catheter infection. ICU team asks for additional ultrafiltration as the lung ultrasound shows B-lines. Is there more to physical exam?



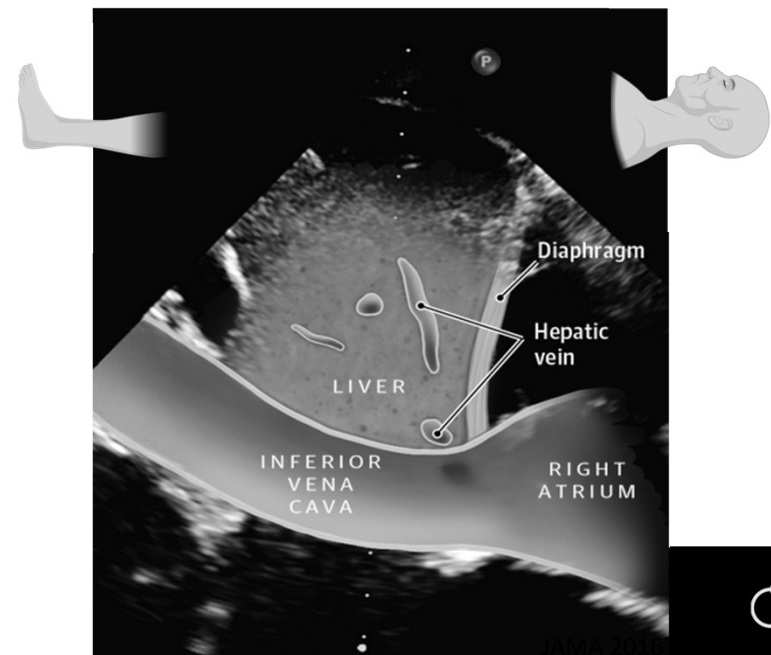
Focused cardiac ultrasound



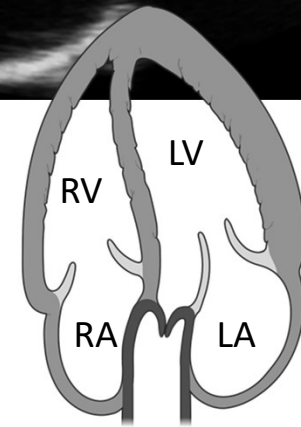
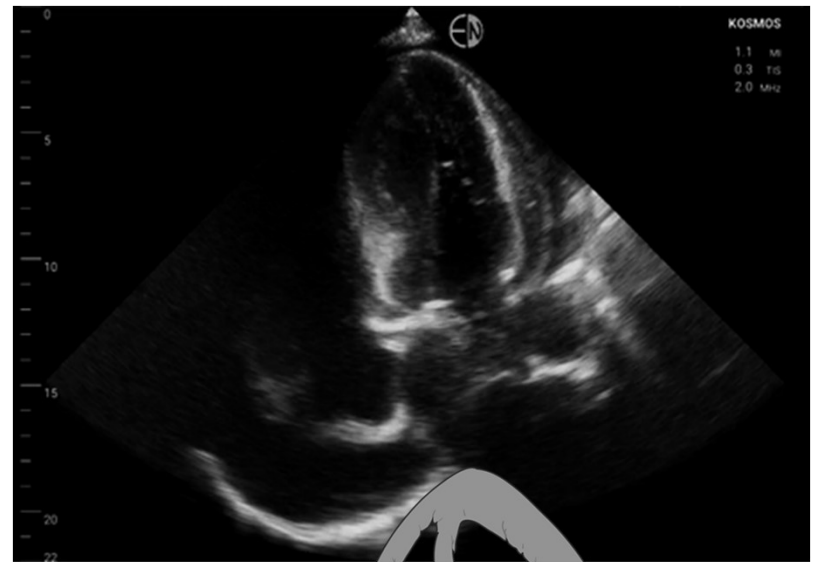
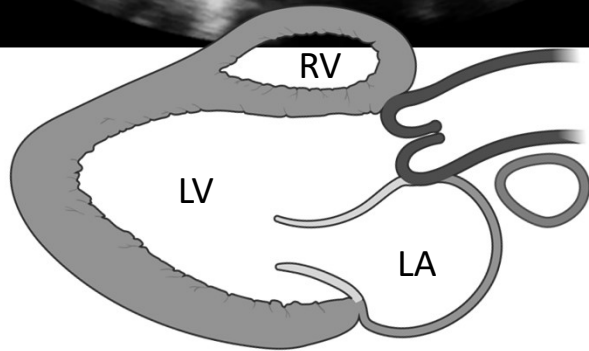
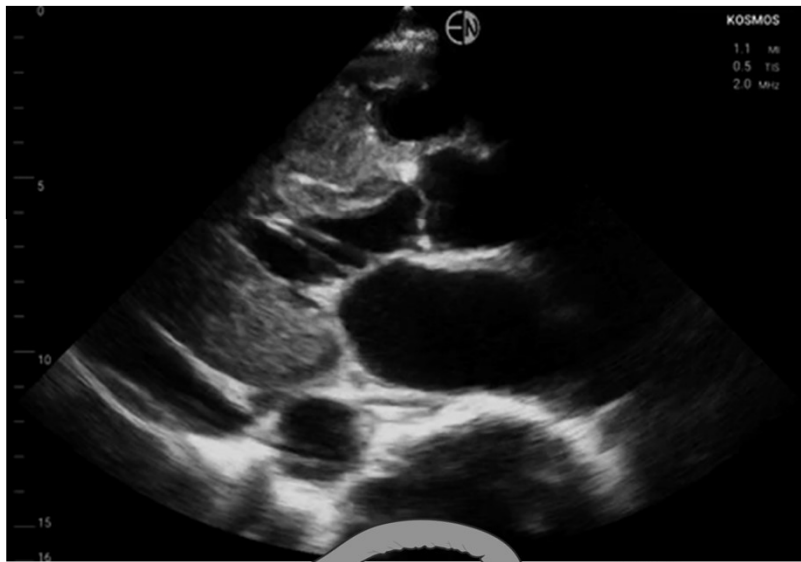
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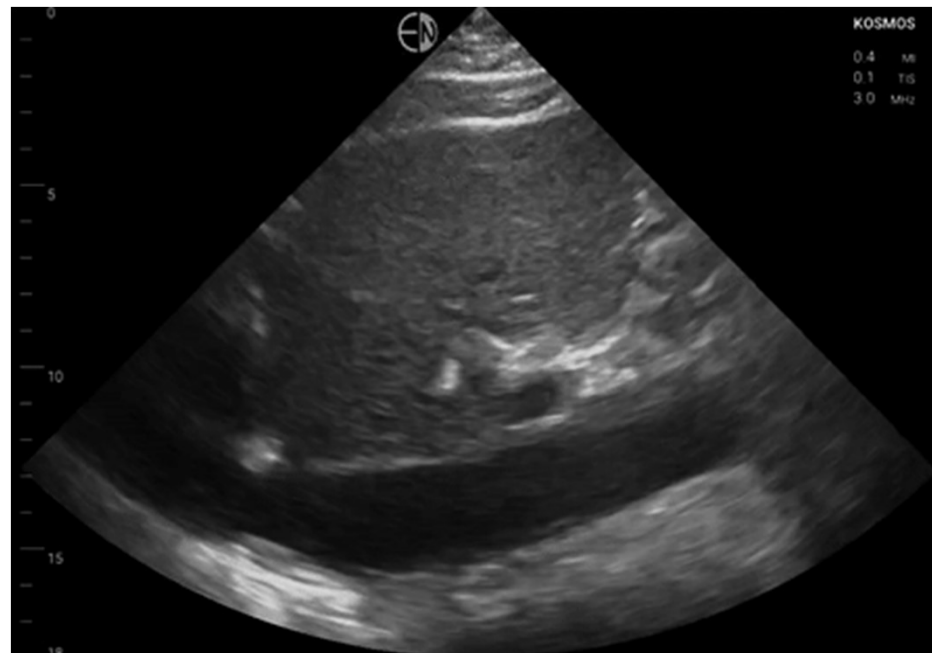
Case: A patient with ESKD on hemodialysis is admitted to the ICU for post-operative care following vascular access revision. During dialysis, the blood pressure drops to 90/58 mmHg. Nephrology fellow finds A-lines on lung ultrasound and asks the nurse to stop UF. Of note, patient has pedal edema, feels slightly short of breath and has not been getting full 4-hour dialysis for the past few weeks due to access issues. No history suggestive of volume loss. Would you do something else?



Focused cardiac ultrasound



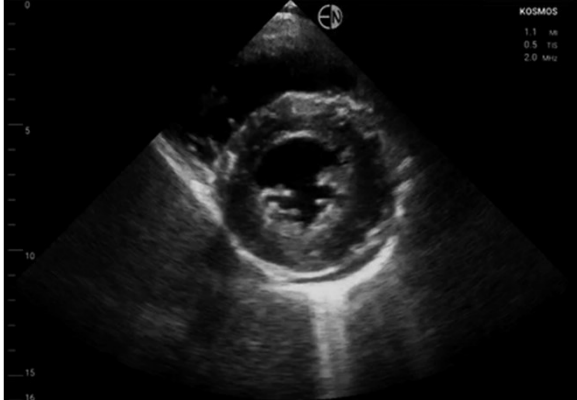
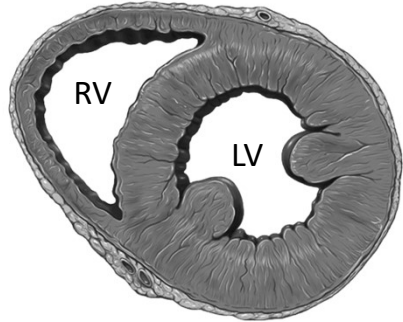
Case: A patient on chronic mechanical ventilation is admitted for sepsis secondary to pneumonia. He developed AKI during the course of critical illness and has been started on hemodialysis. Documented fluid balance is +14 L since admission. Dialysis nurse pages nephrology fellow as the patient is hypotensive prior to starting the procedure. Fellow says, “don’t pull fluid today, I’ll also place PRN albumin order”. Is it appropriate response?



Focused cardiac ultrasound



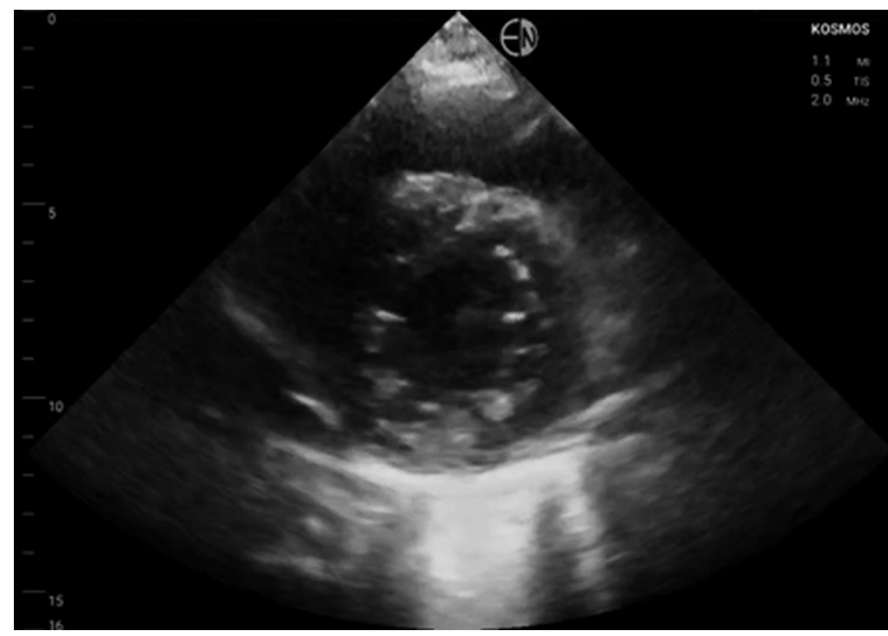
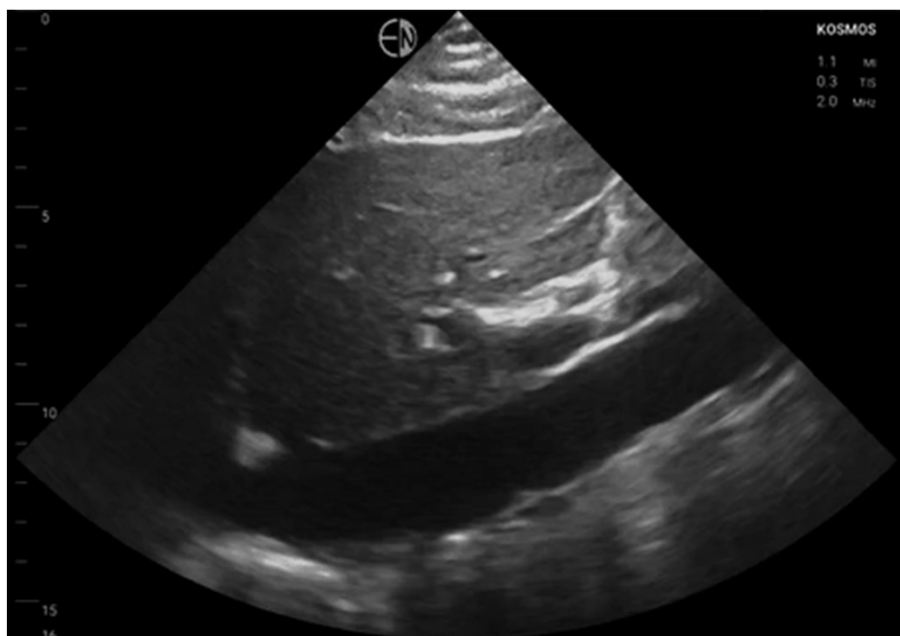
Patient's PSAX



Normal

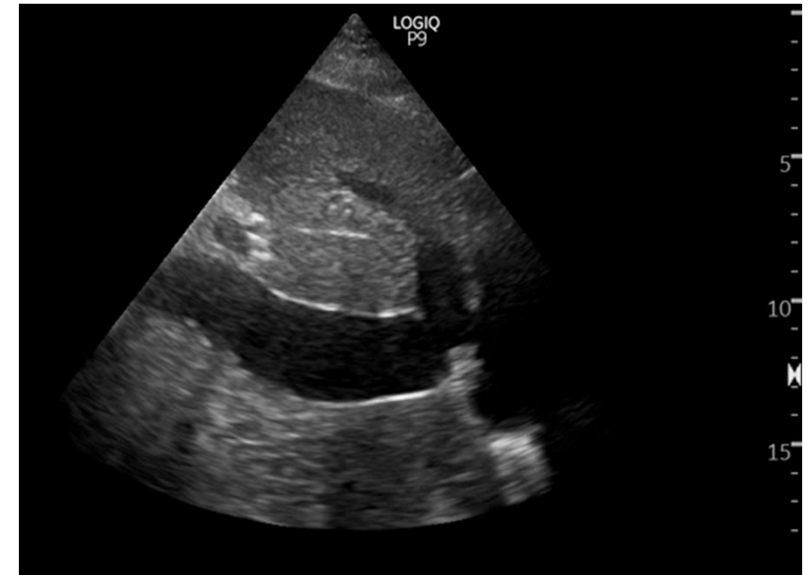
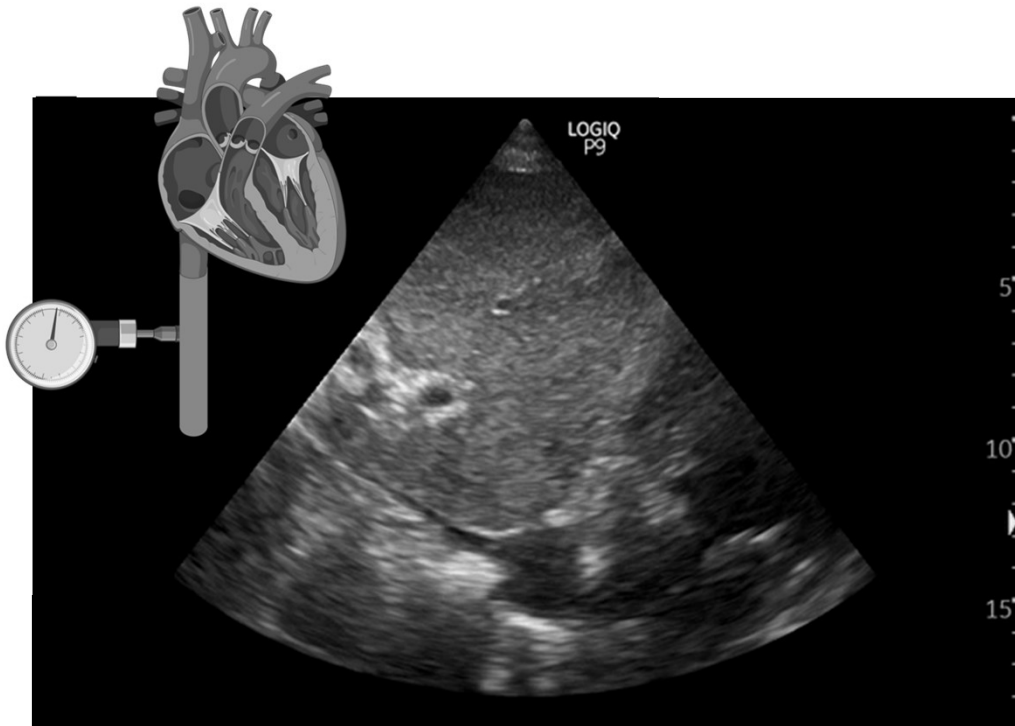


After 12 L negative on CRRT

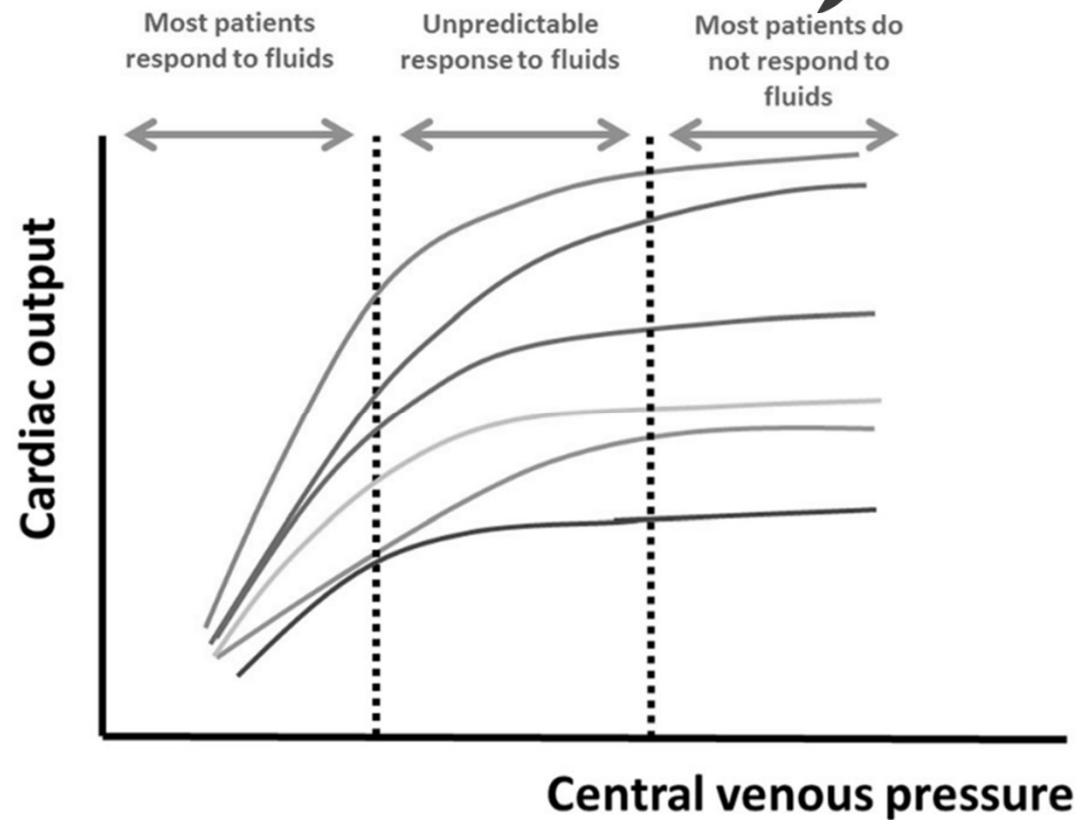


IVC indicates right atrial pressure. That's it!

Does not determine the need for fluid vs diuretic therapy by itself

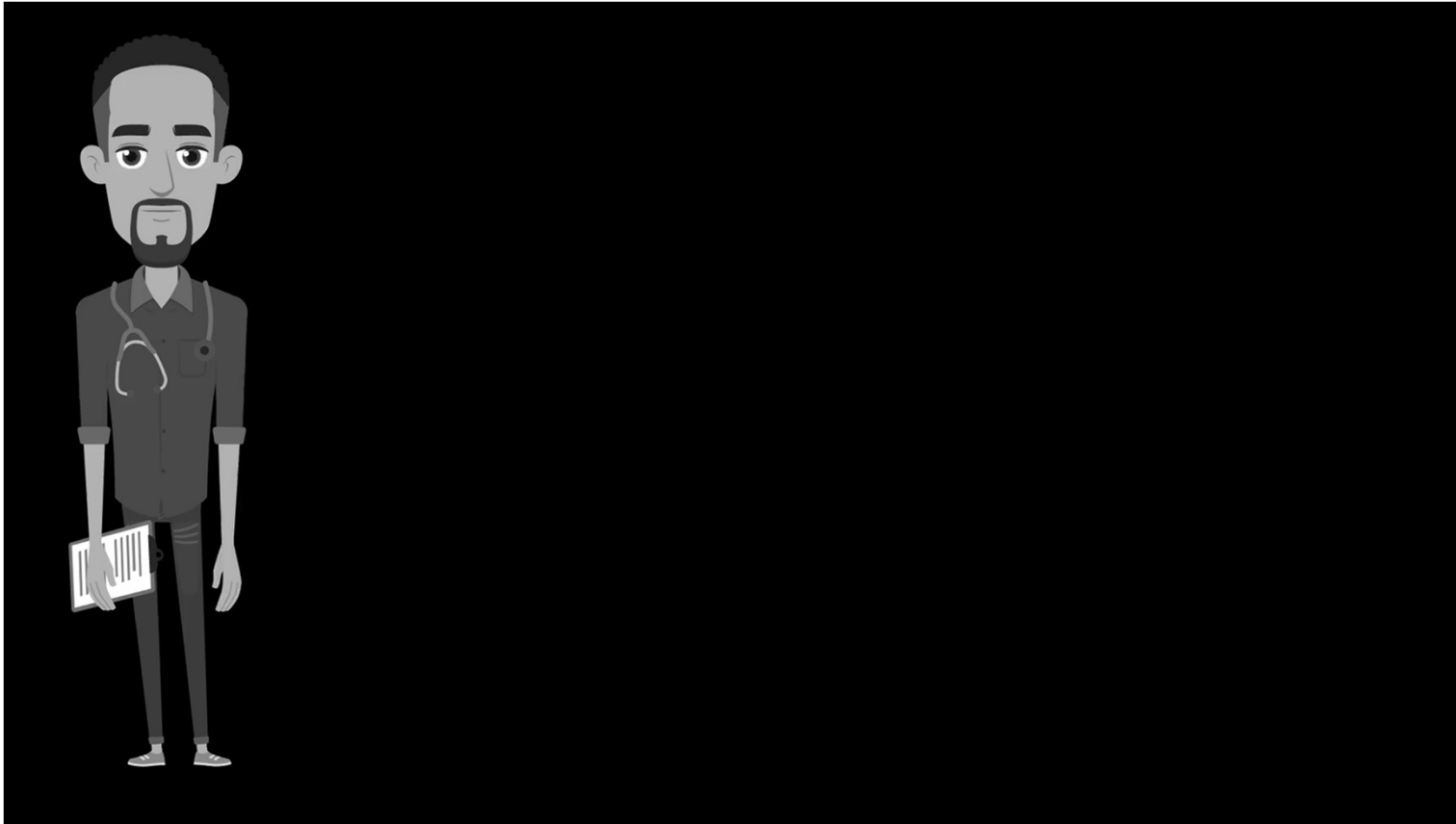


IVC ultrasound is a great tool to assess fluid responsiveness



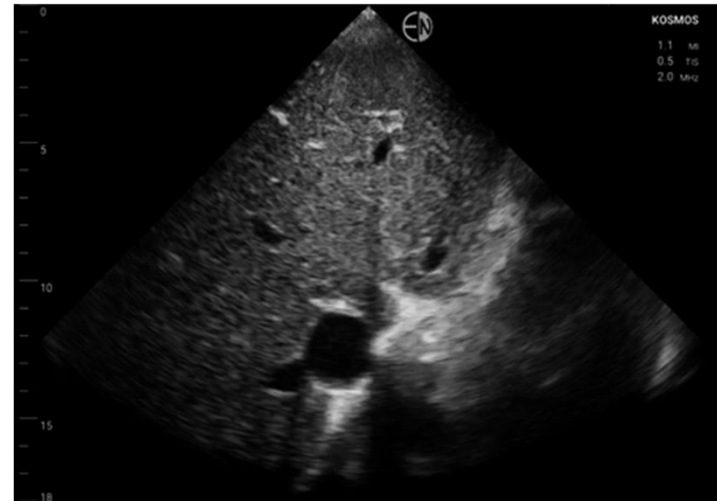
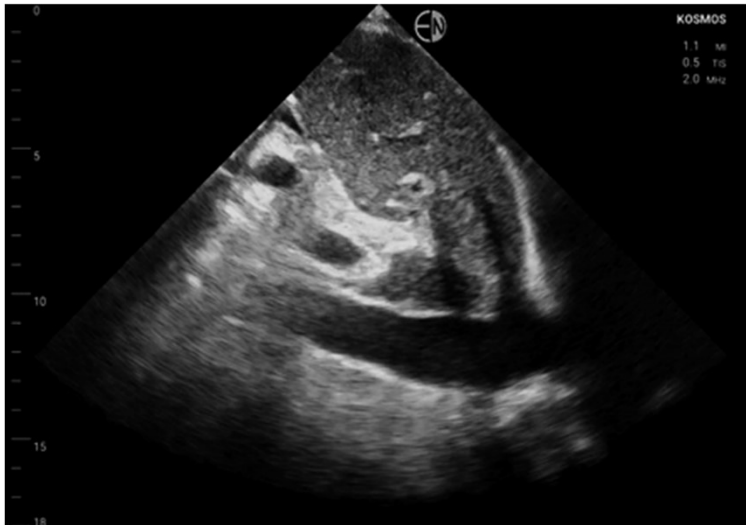
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What will you do by assessing fluid responsiveness?



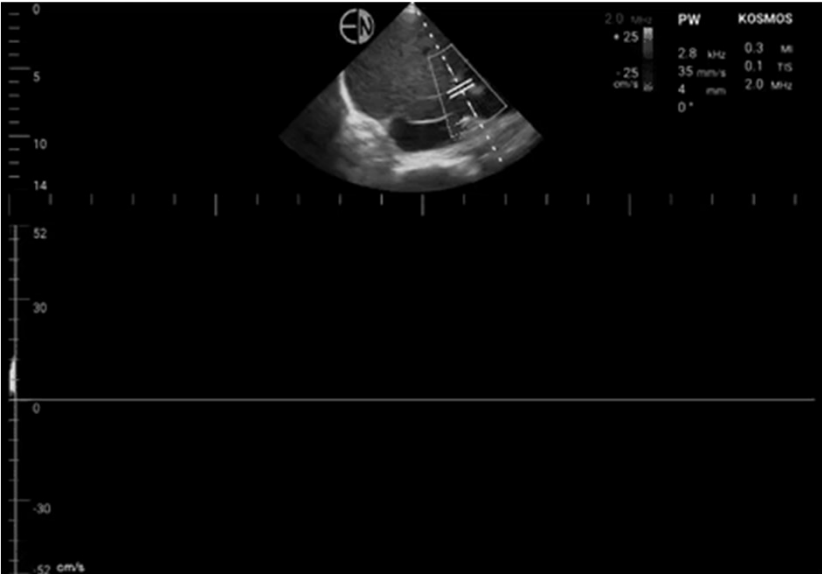
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Case: Elderly patient with complicated vascular surgery developed AKI requiring hemodialysis. Has not been tolerating ultrafiltration more than 1 L for the past few sessions due to hypotension. Surgery team thinks the patient is 'dry'. He appears thin, there is trace pedal edema, lungs sound clear; does have sacral ulcers. Has been having paroxysmal atrial fibrillation. Documented fluid balance: +10 L. Does POCUS change anything in this case?

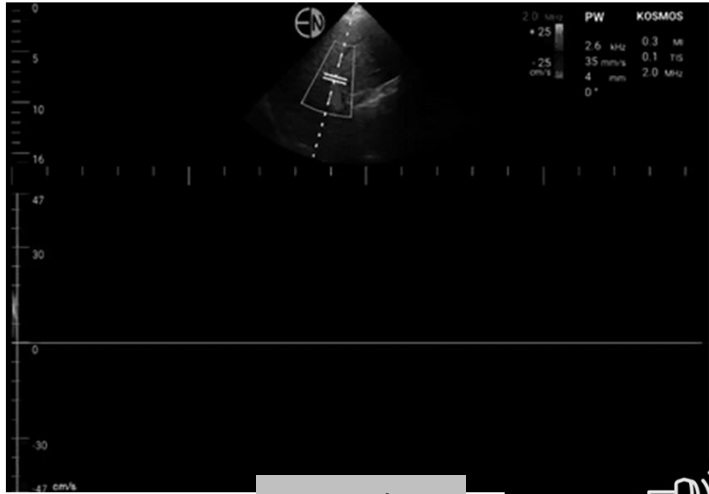
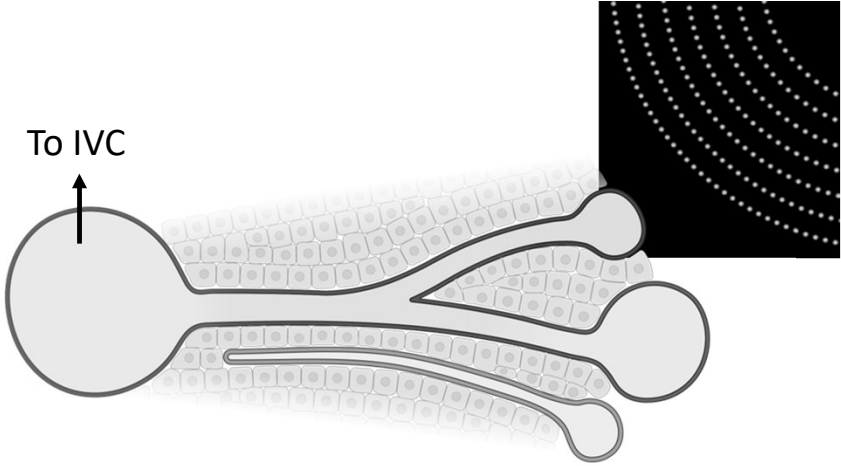


NephroPOCUS

Portal vein Doppler



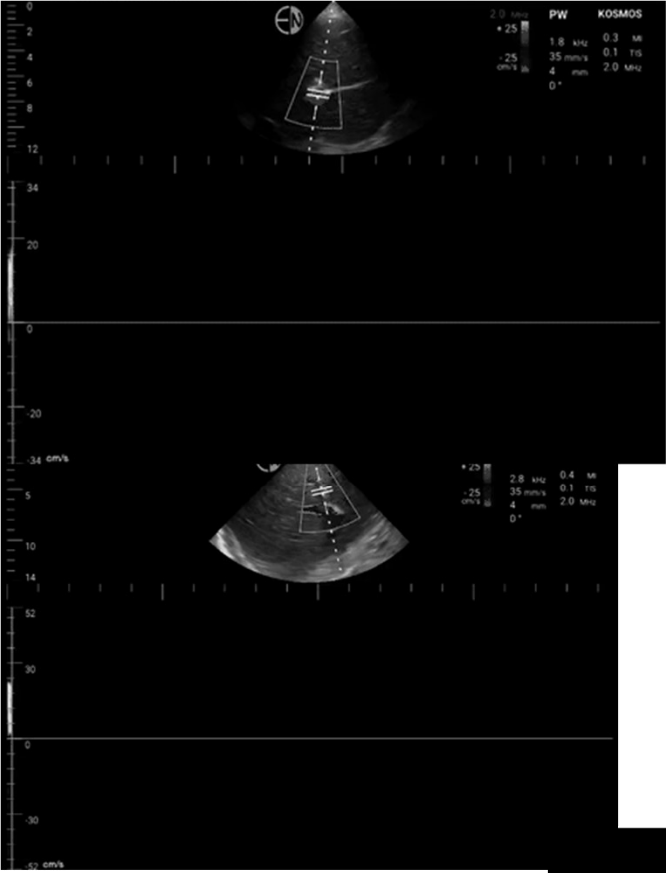
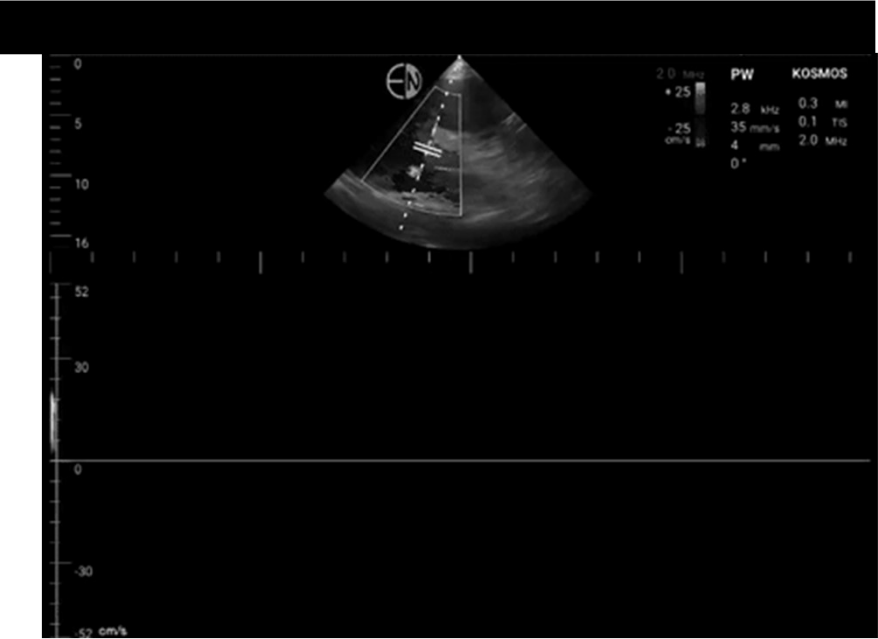
Patient's PV



Normal PV

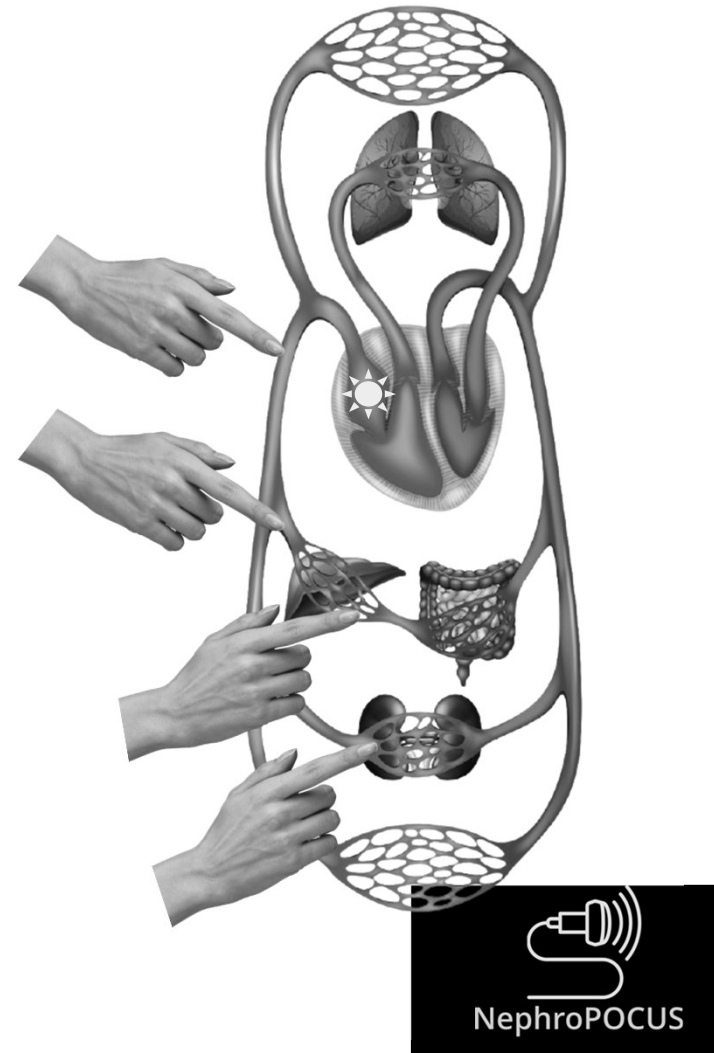


Portal vein Doppler

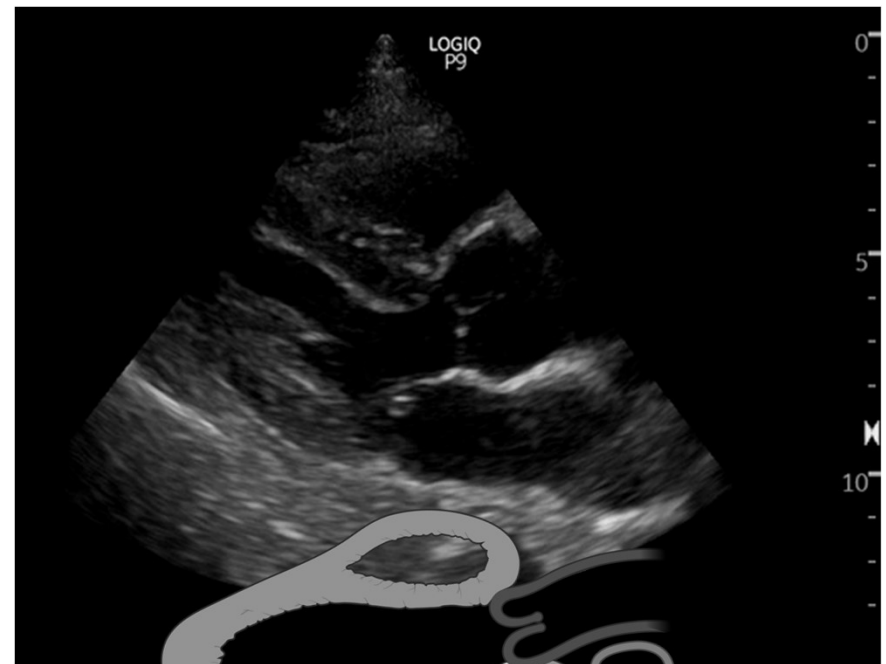
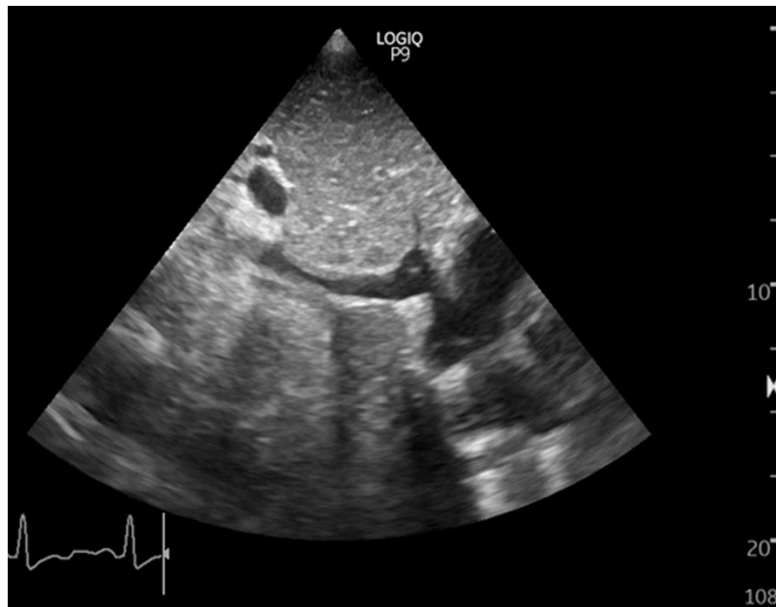


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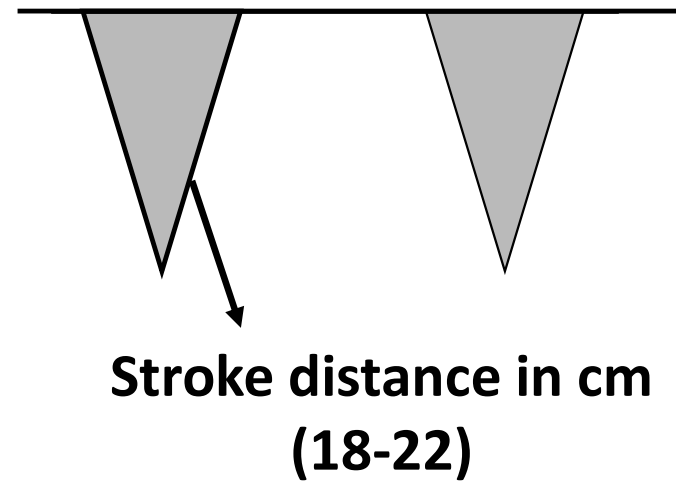
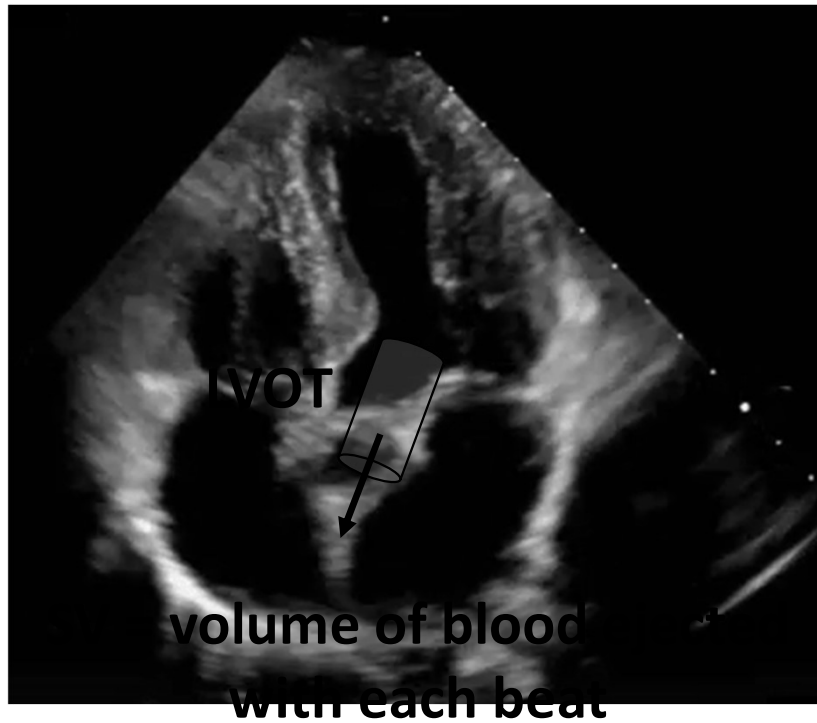
Severe venous congestion defined as the presence of severe flow abnormalities in multiple Doppler patterns with a dilated IVC (≥ 2 cm) showed the strongest association with the development of subsequent AKI compared with other combinations (HR: 3.69 CI 1.65-8.24 p = 0.001).



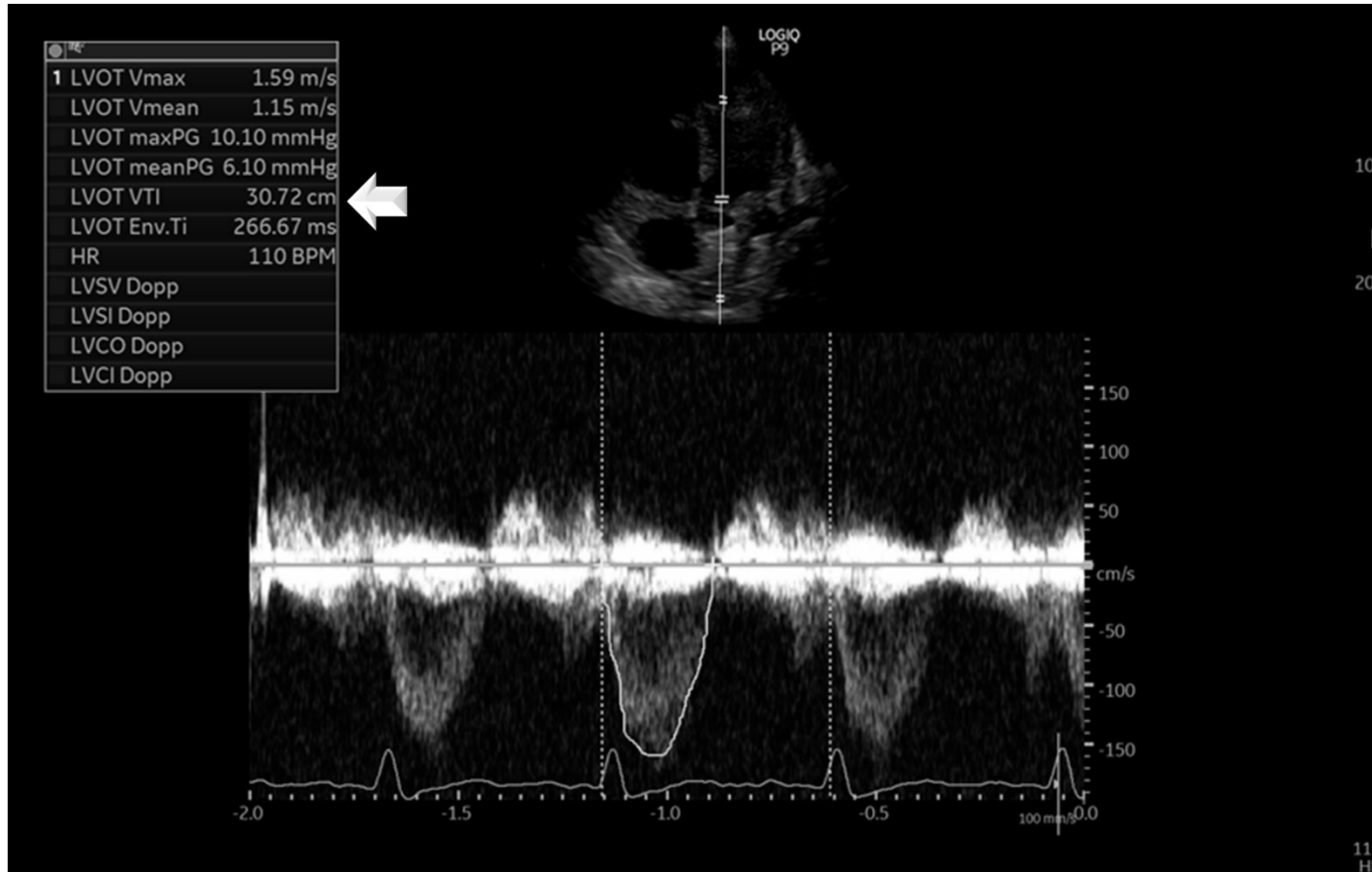
Case: A patient with cirrhosis is seen for AKI. Urine sodium is less than 20 mEq/L. Should we start albumin for presumed volume depletion?



Stroke volume

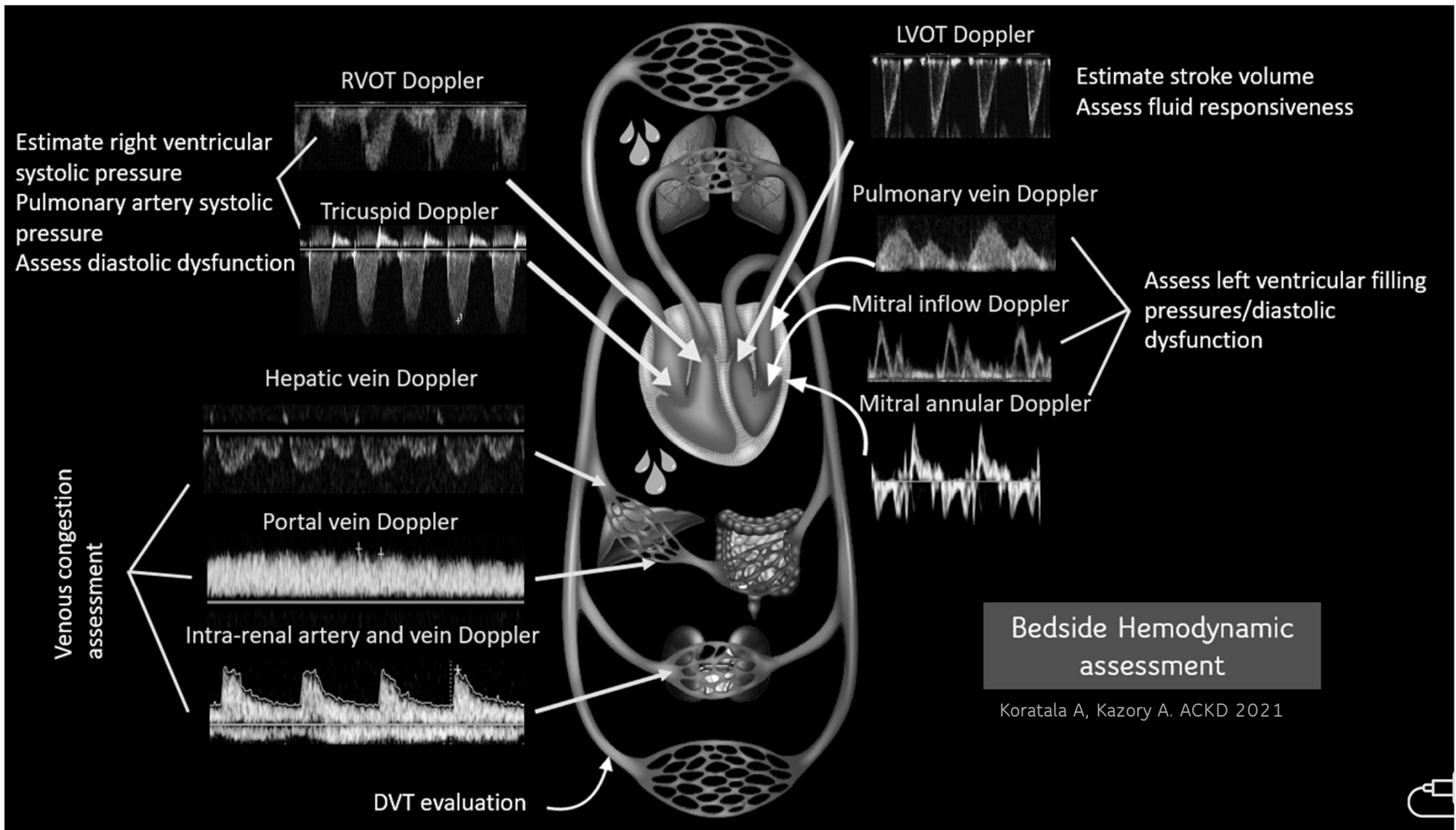


Going back to our patient



Hyperdynamic heart is NOT equal to volume depletion

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HR

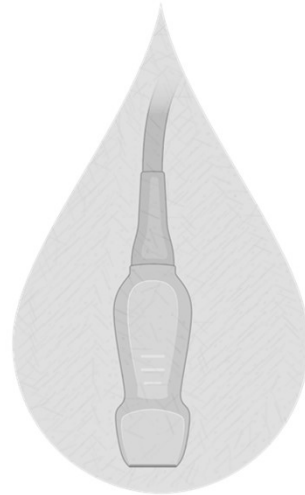









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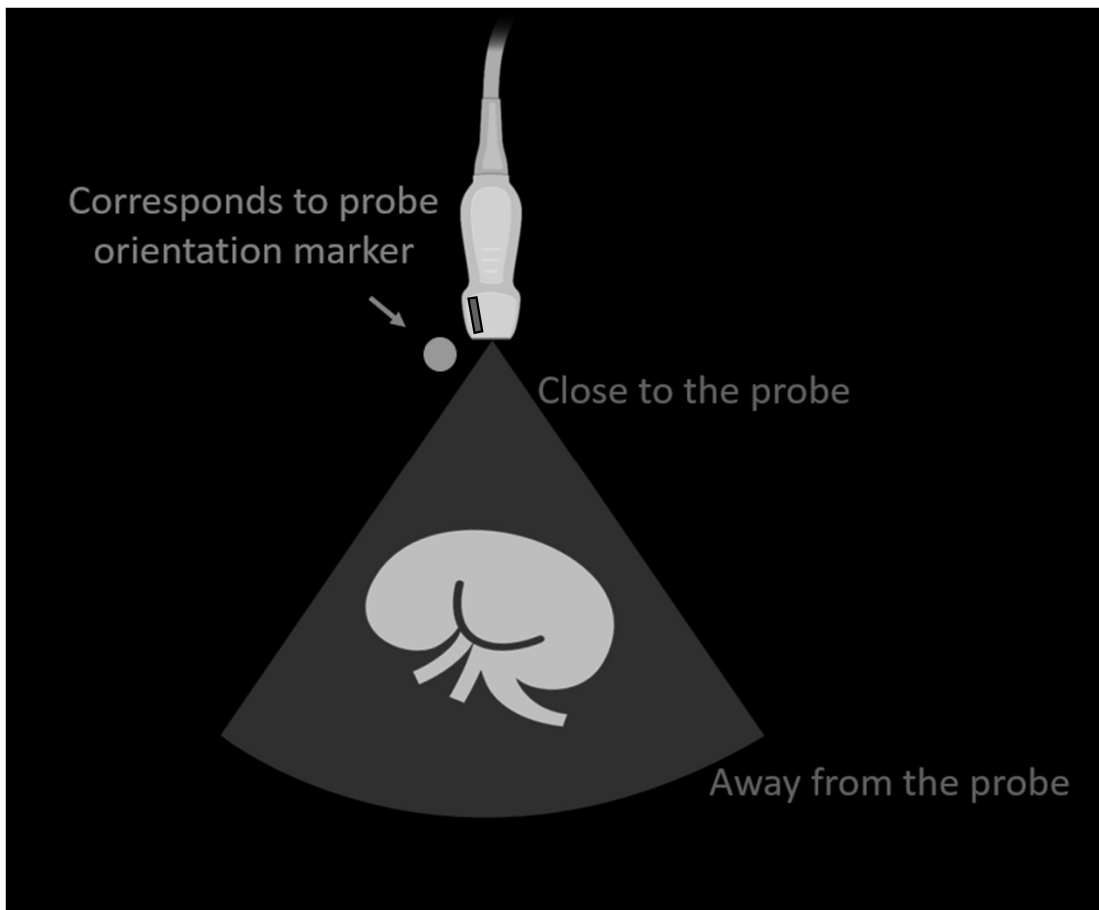
      

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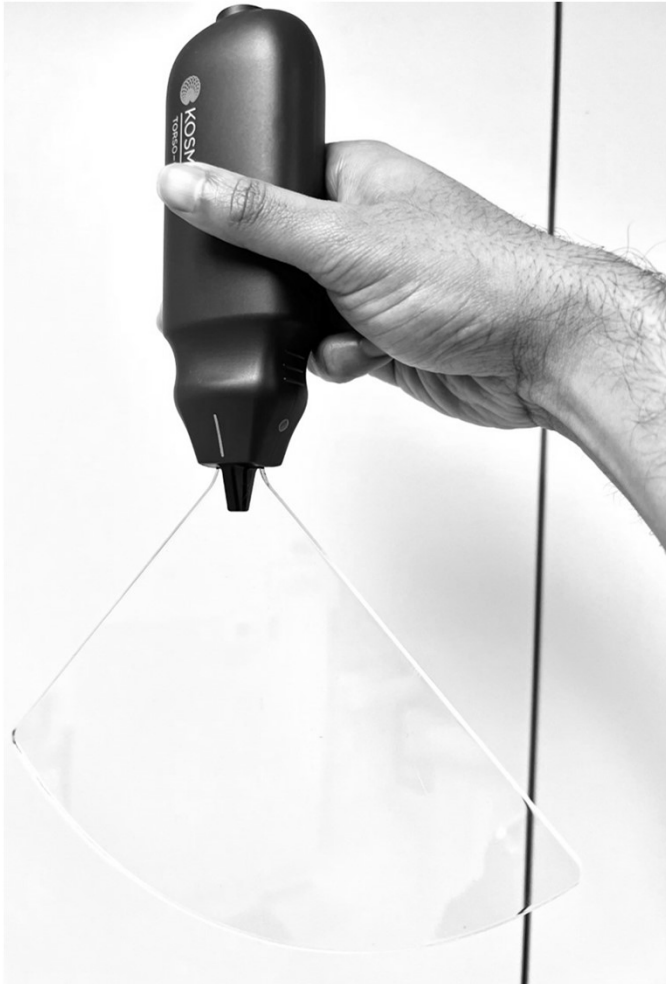
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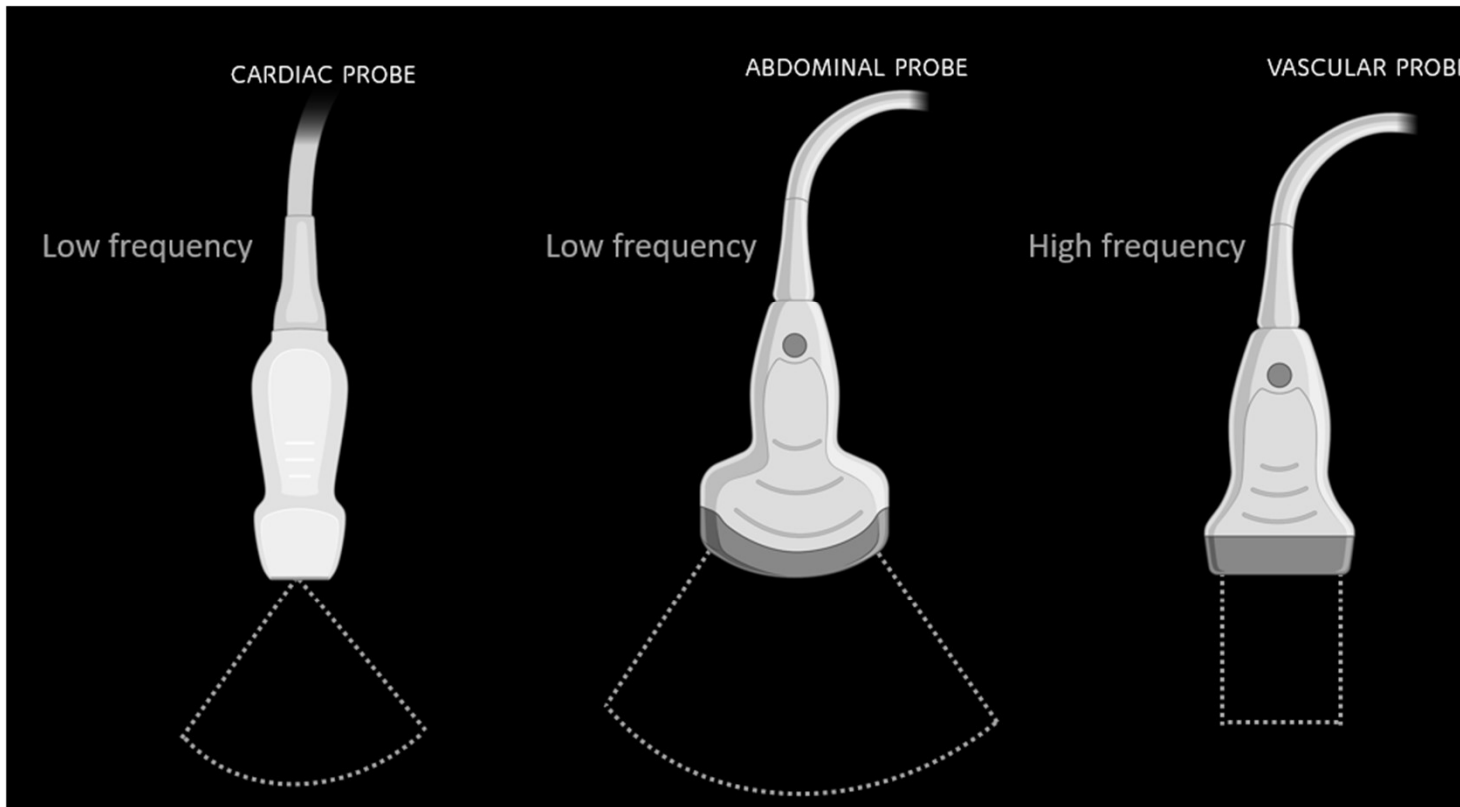
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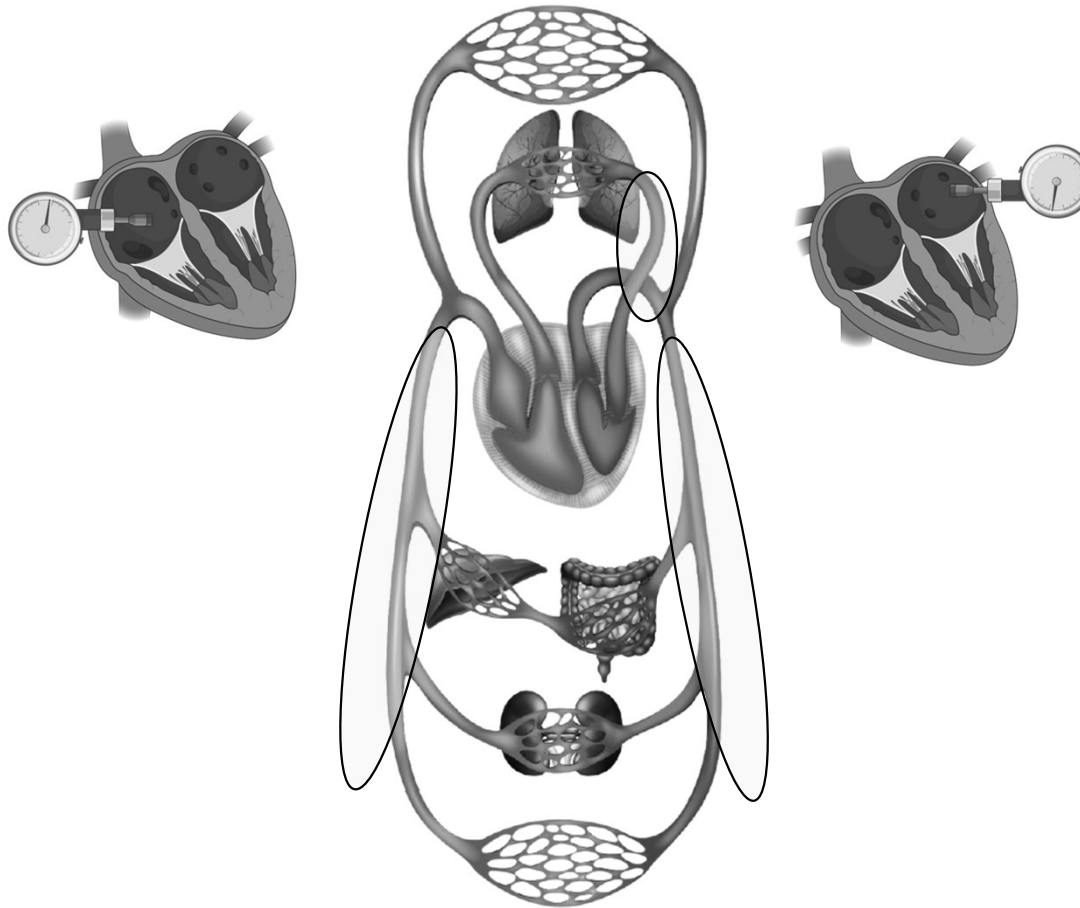
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Picking the right transducer

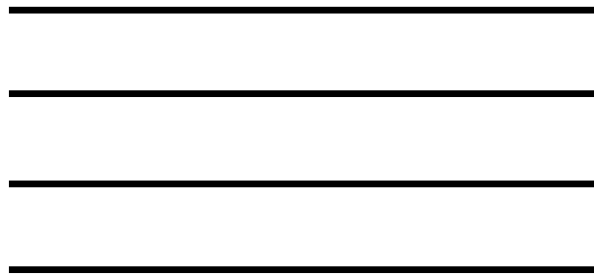


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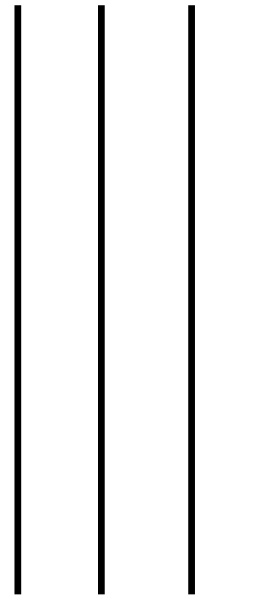


Lung tissue is not seen on ultrasound

Unless consolidated/atelectatic

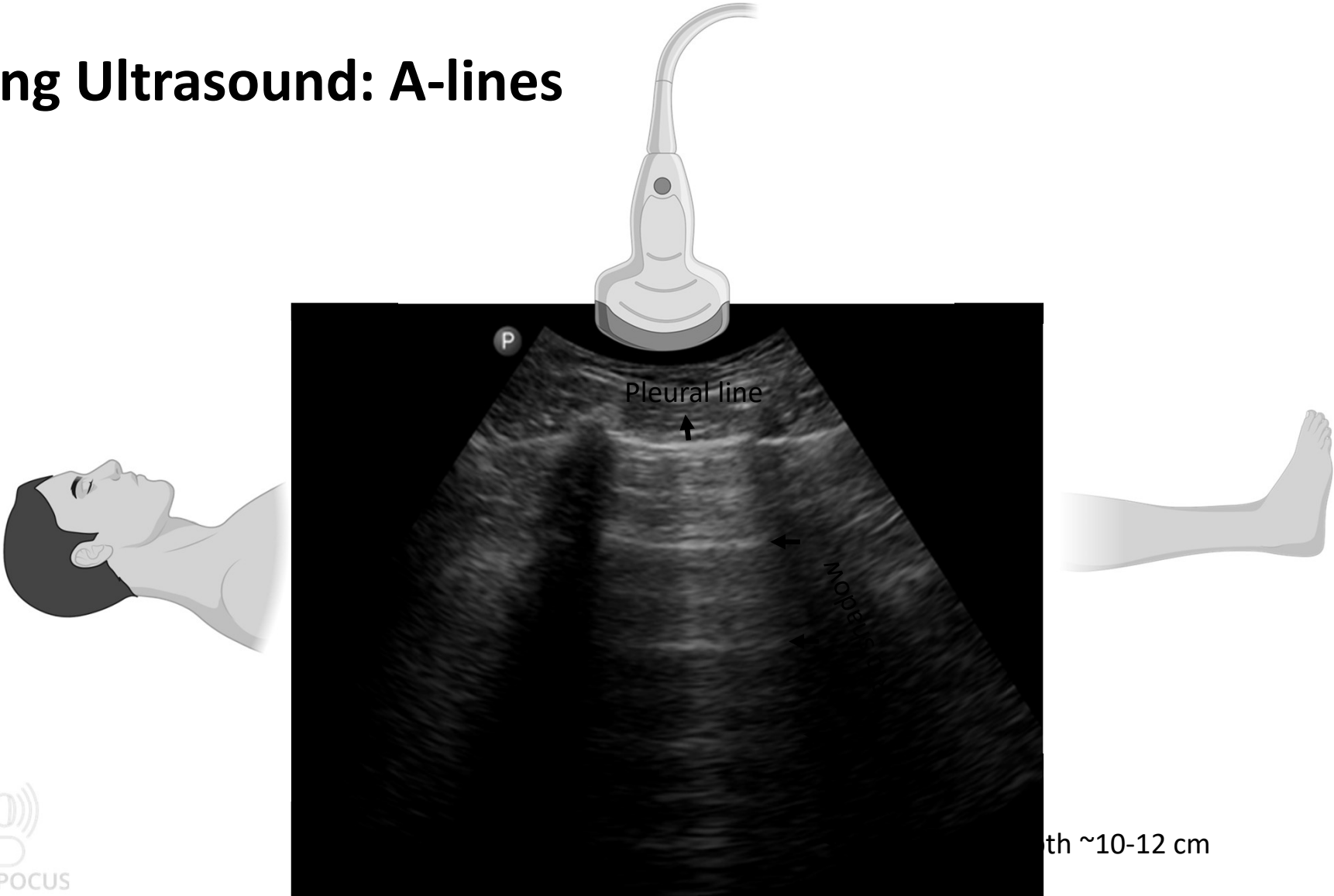


A-lines

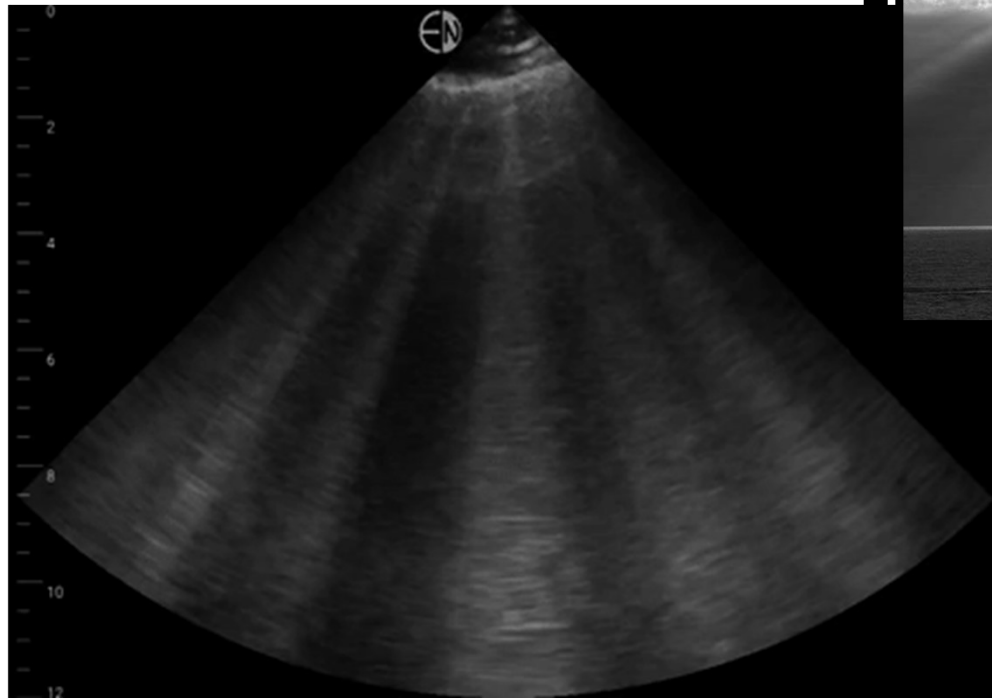


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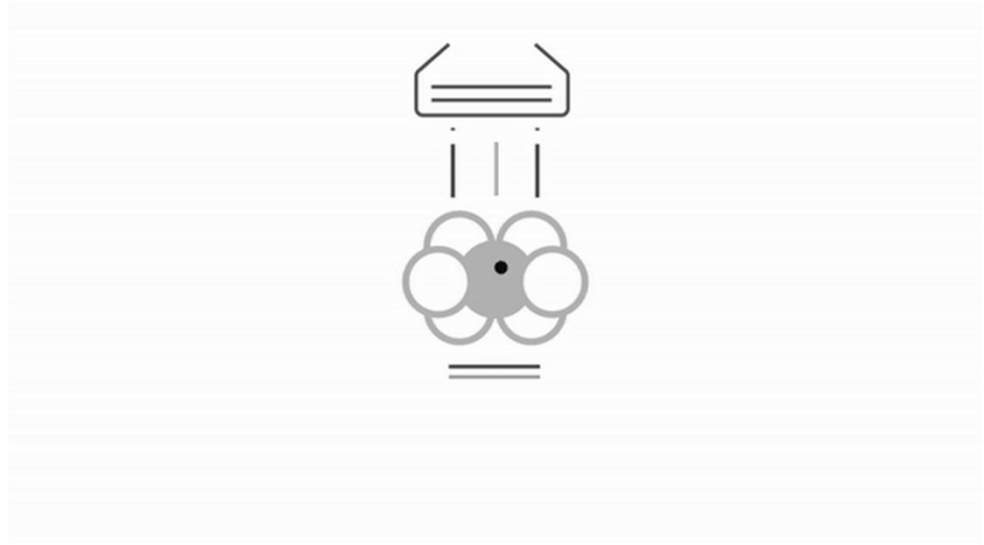
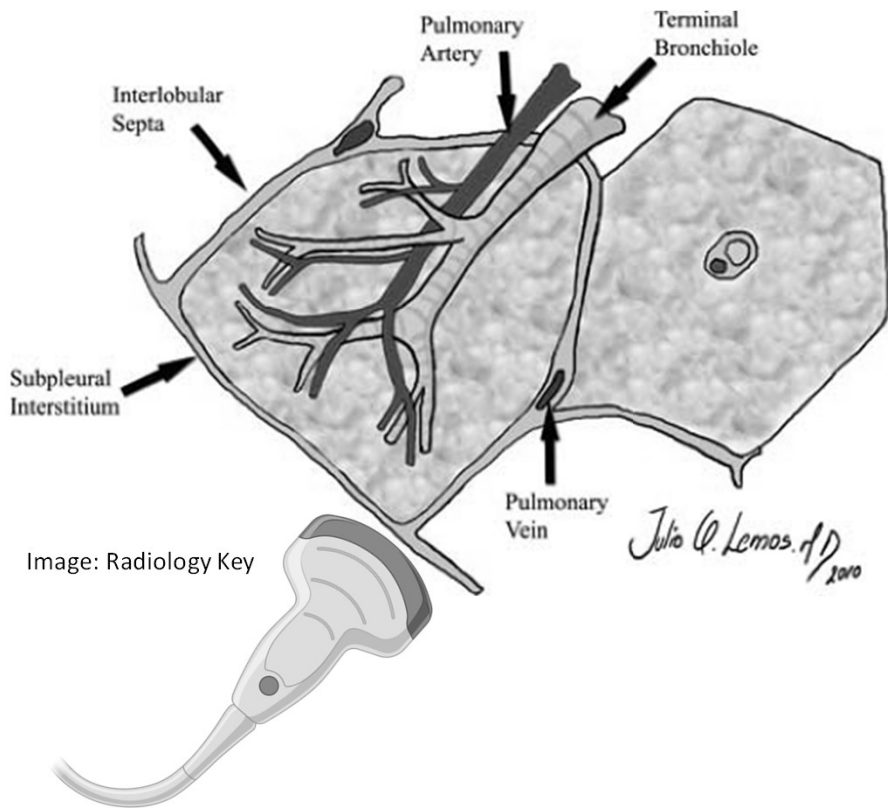
Lung Ultrasound: A-lines



Lung Ultrasound: B-lines

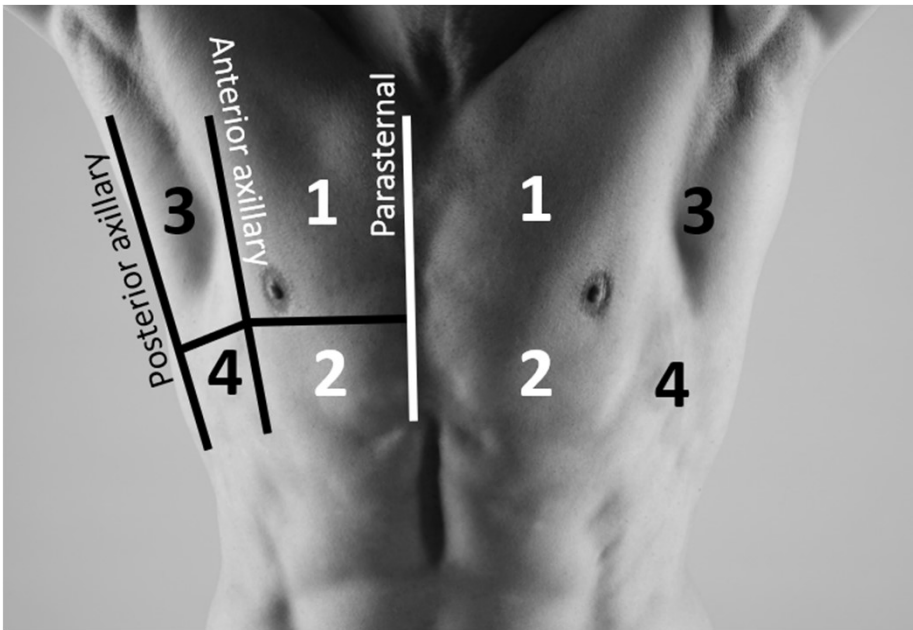


Lung Ultrasound: B-lines

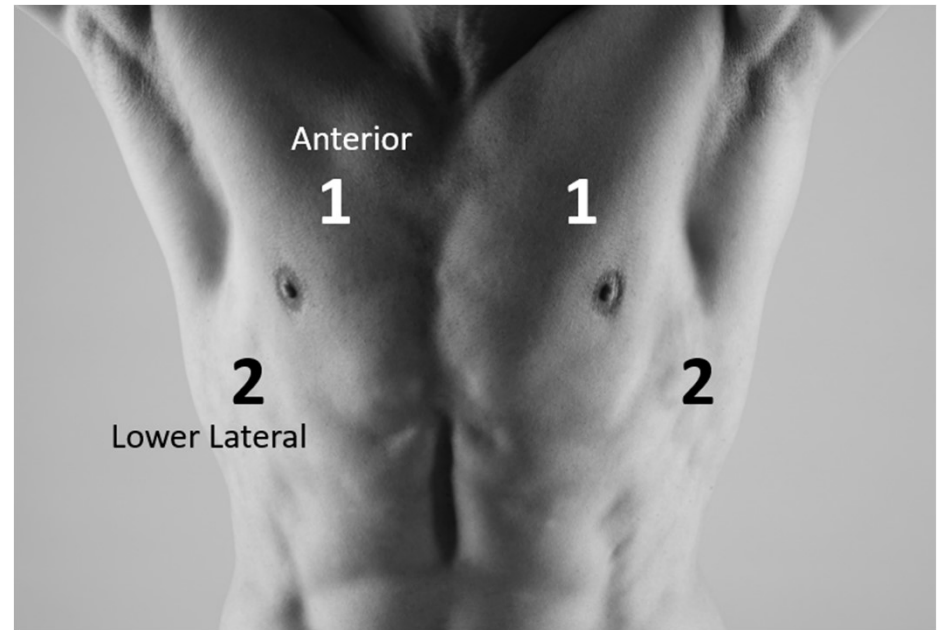


Technique

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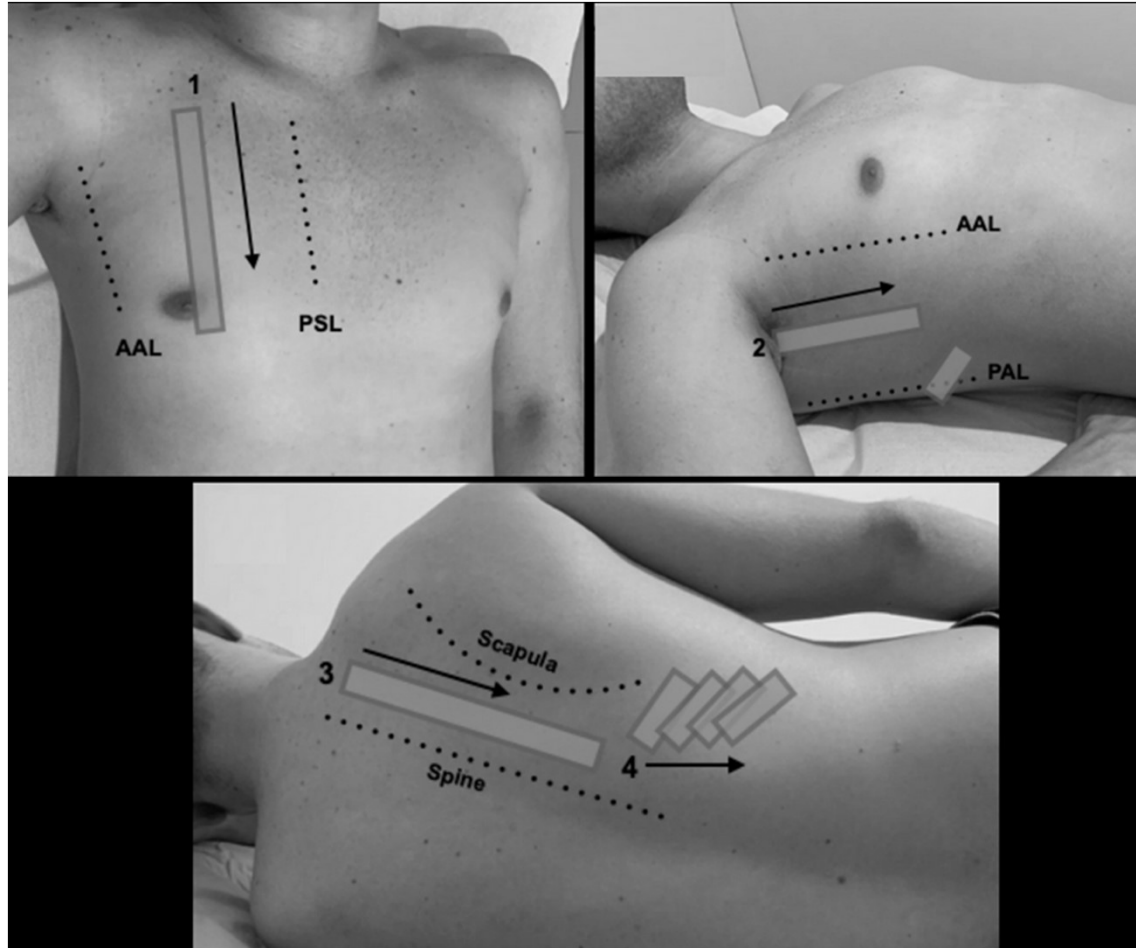


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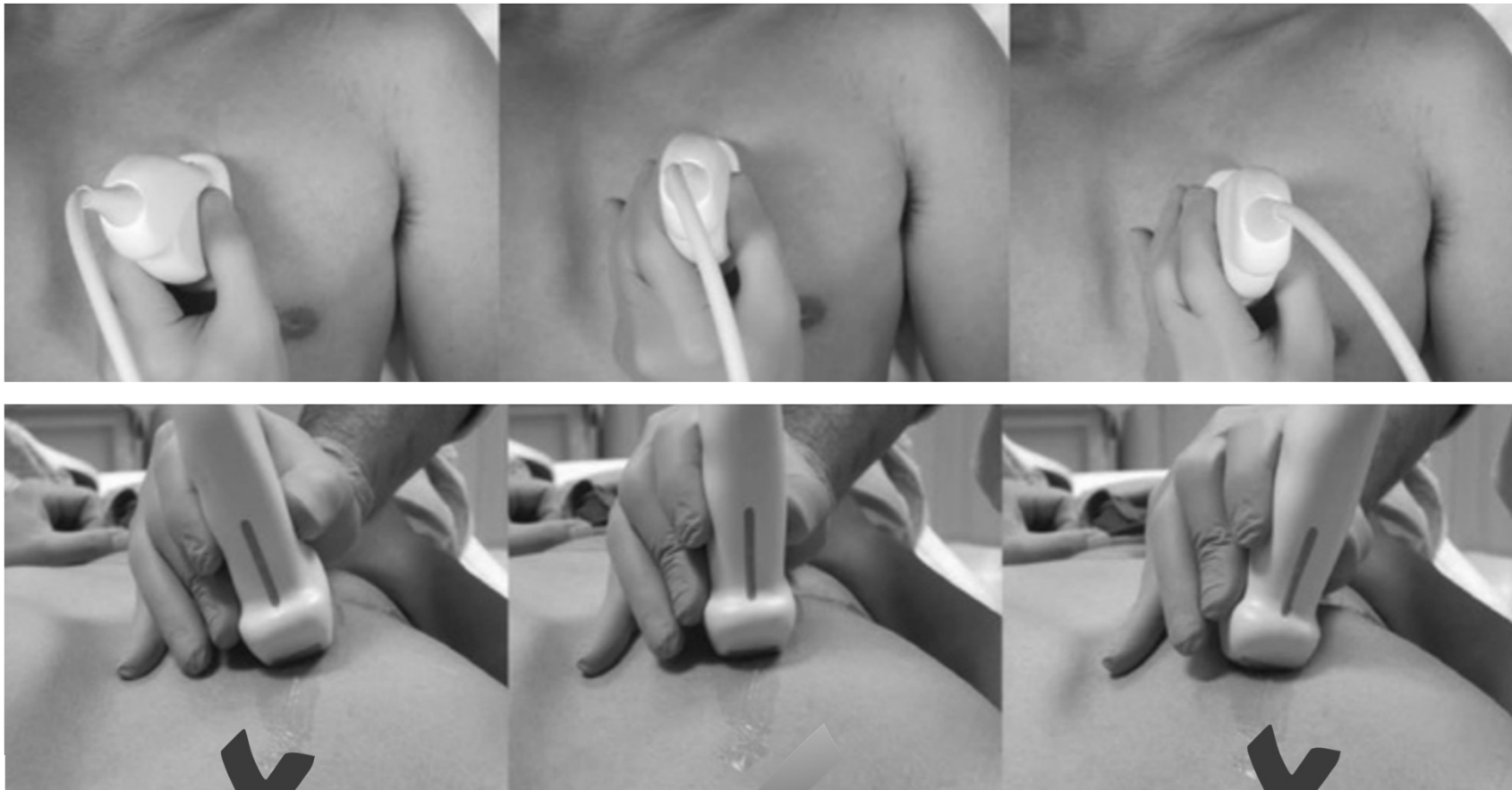


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Technique

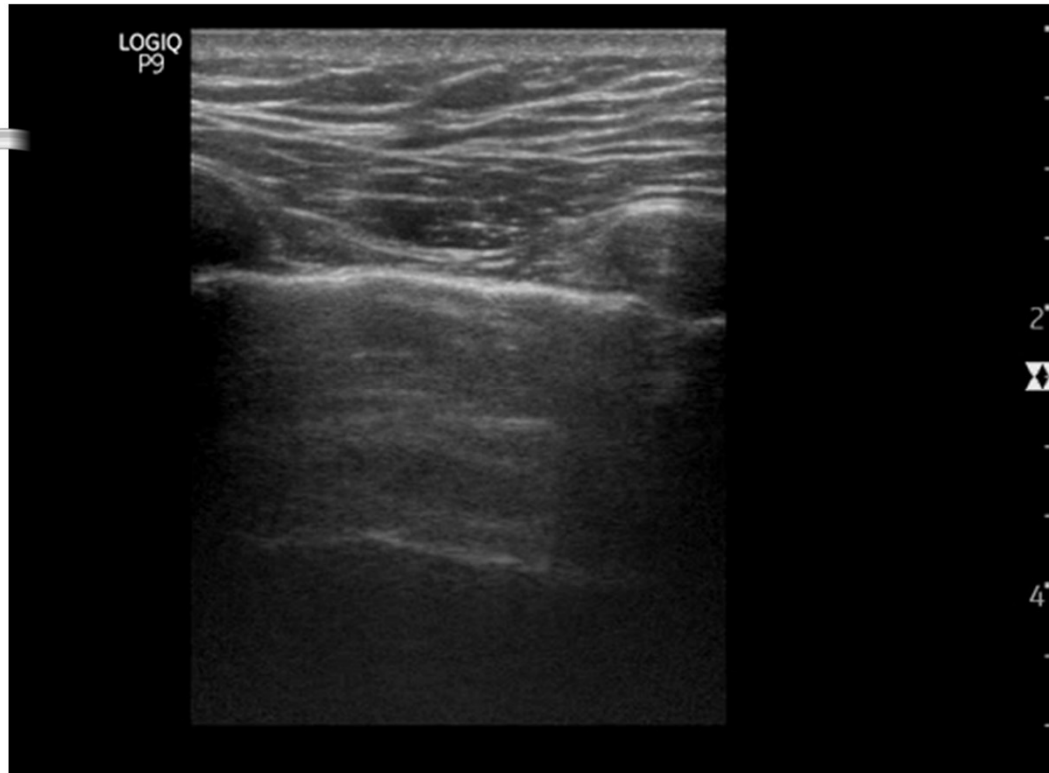
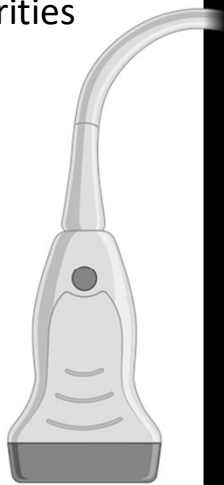


Pay attention to the chest wall curvature

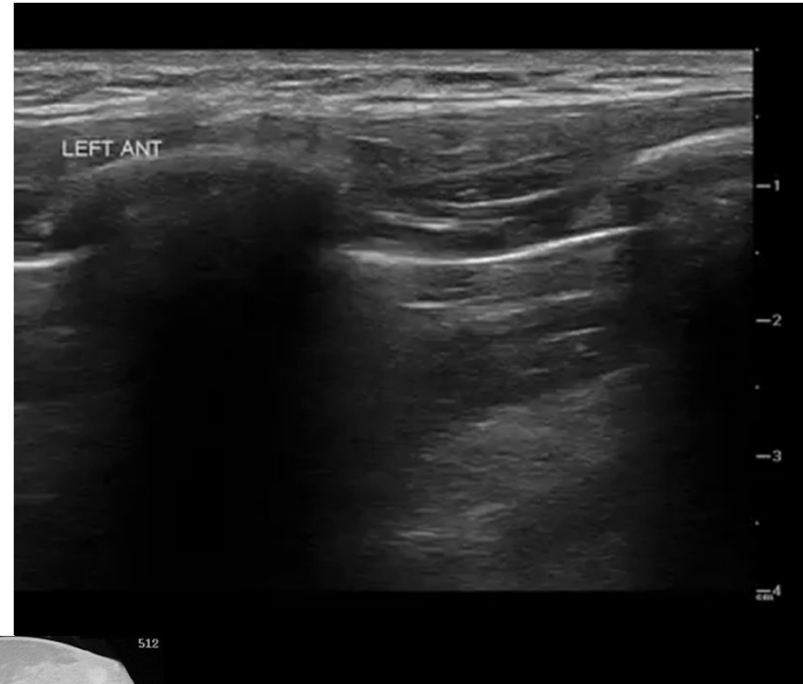


Pleural line

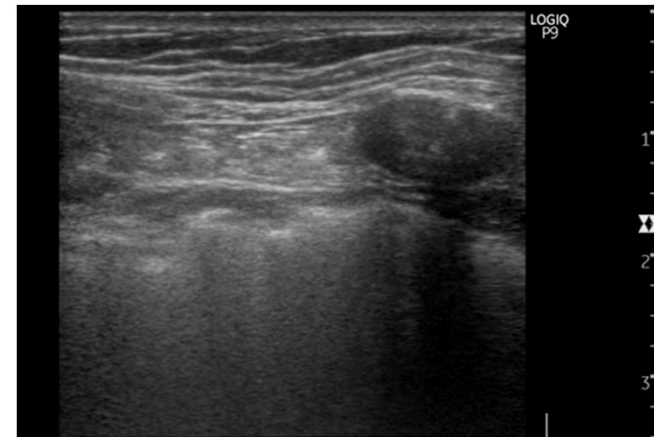
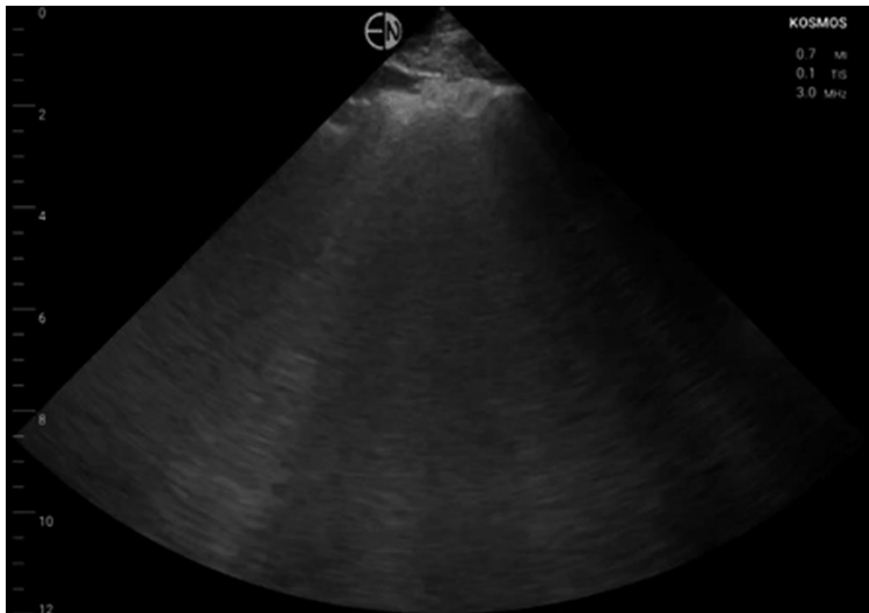
- Sliding
- Irregularities



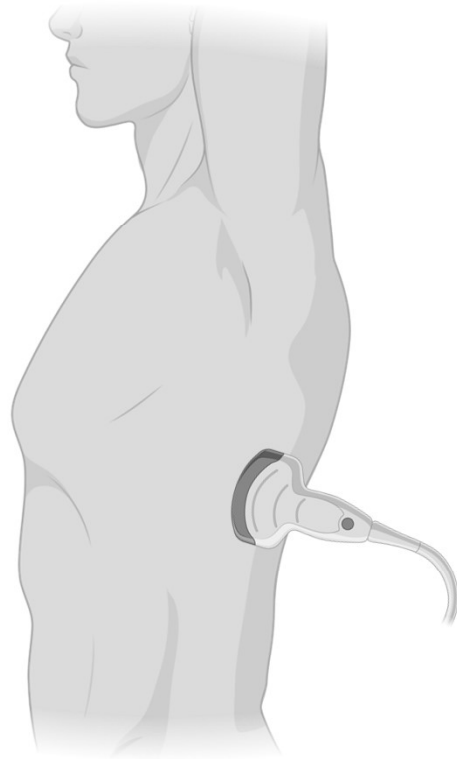
Pneumothorax - Lung point



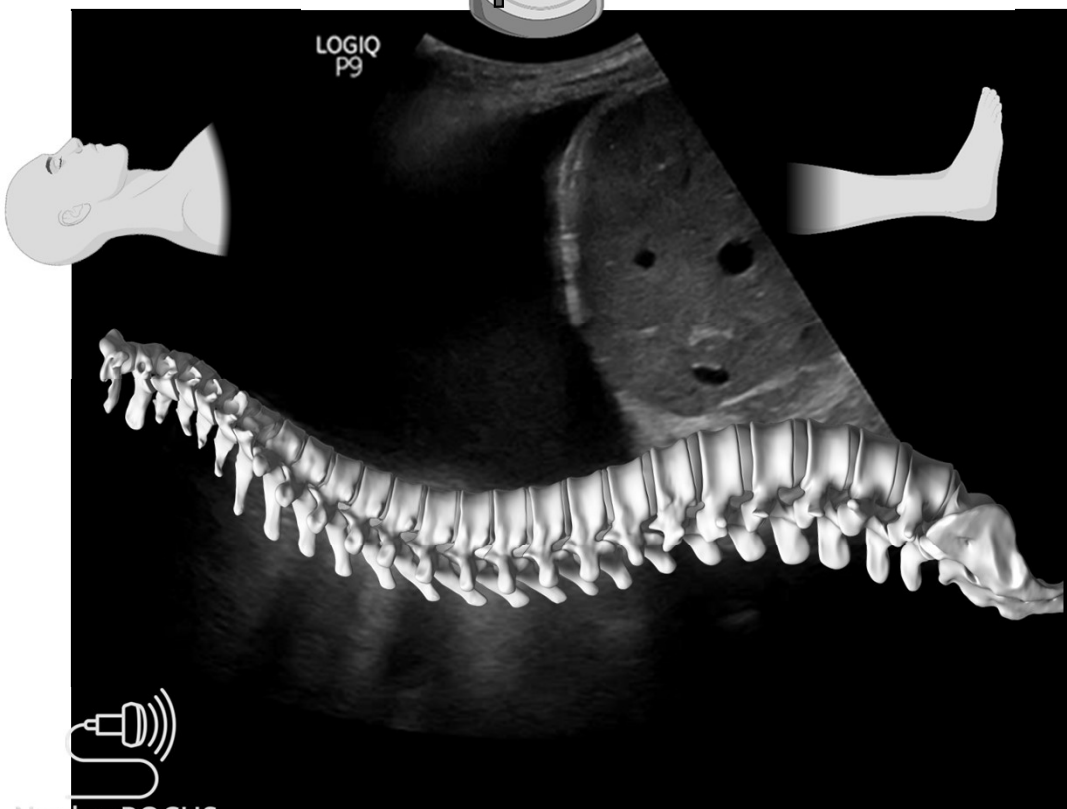
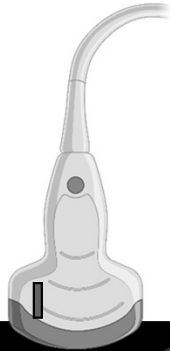
B-lines are not specific for pulmonary edema



Pleural effusion



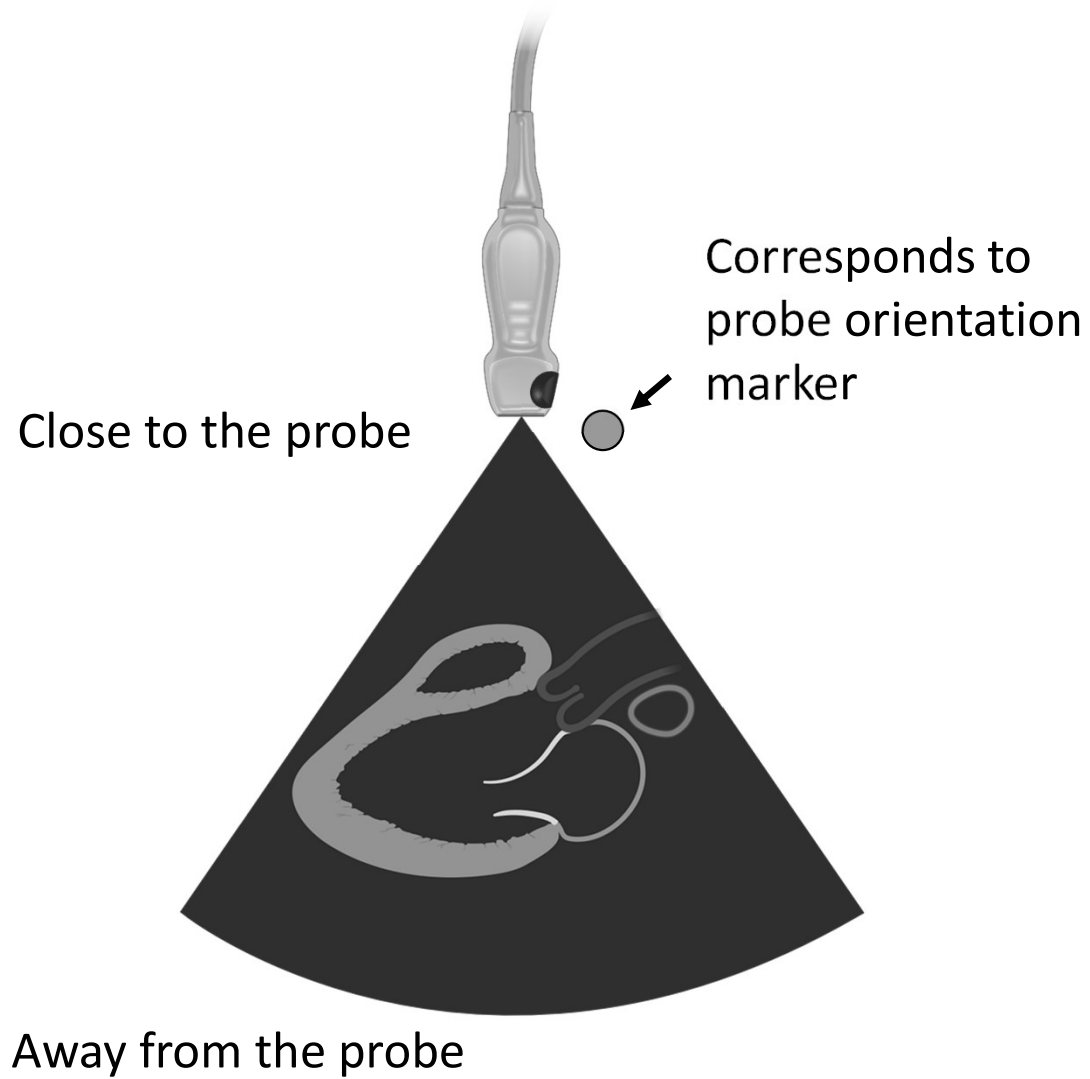
Pleural effusion - spine sign



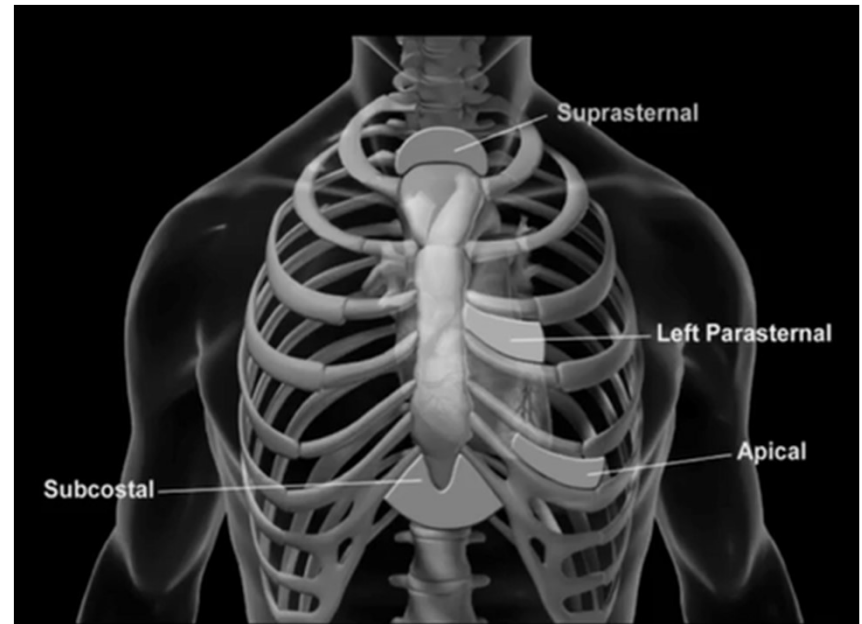
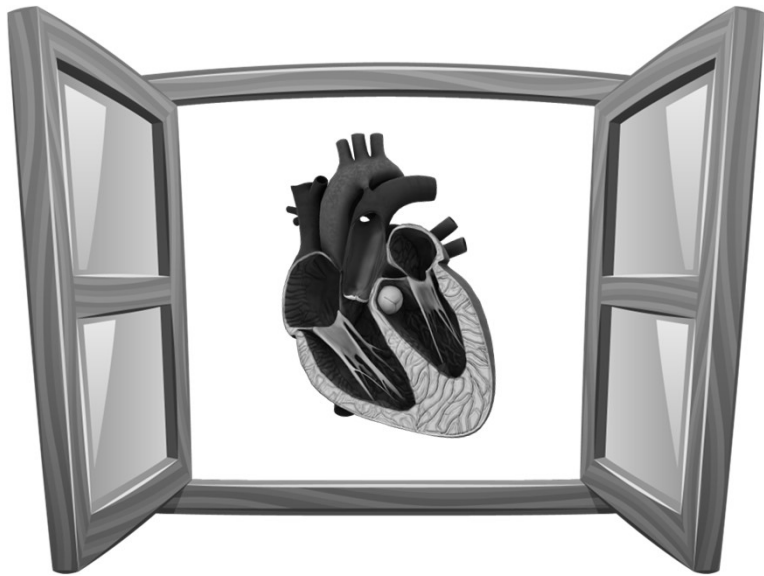
Pleural effusion - Whale tail



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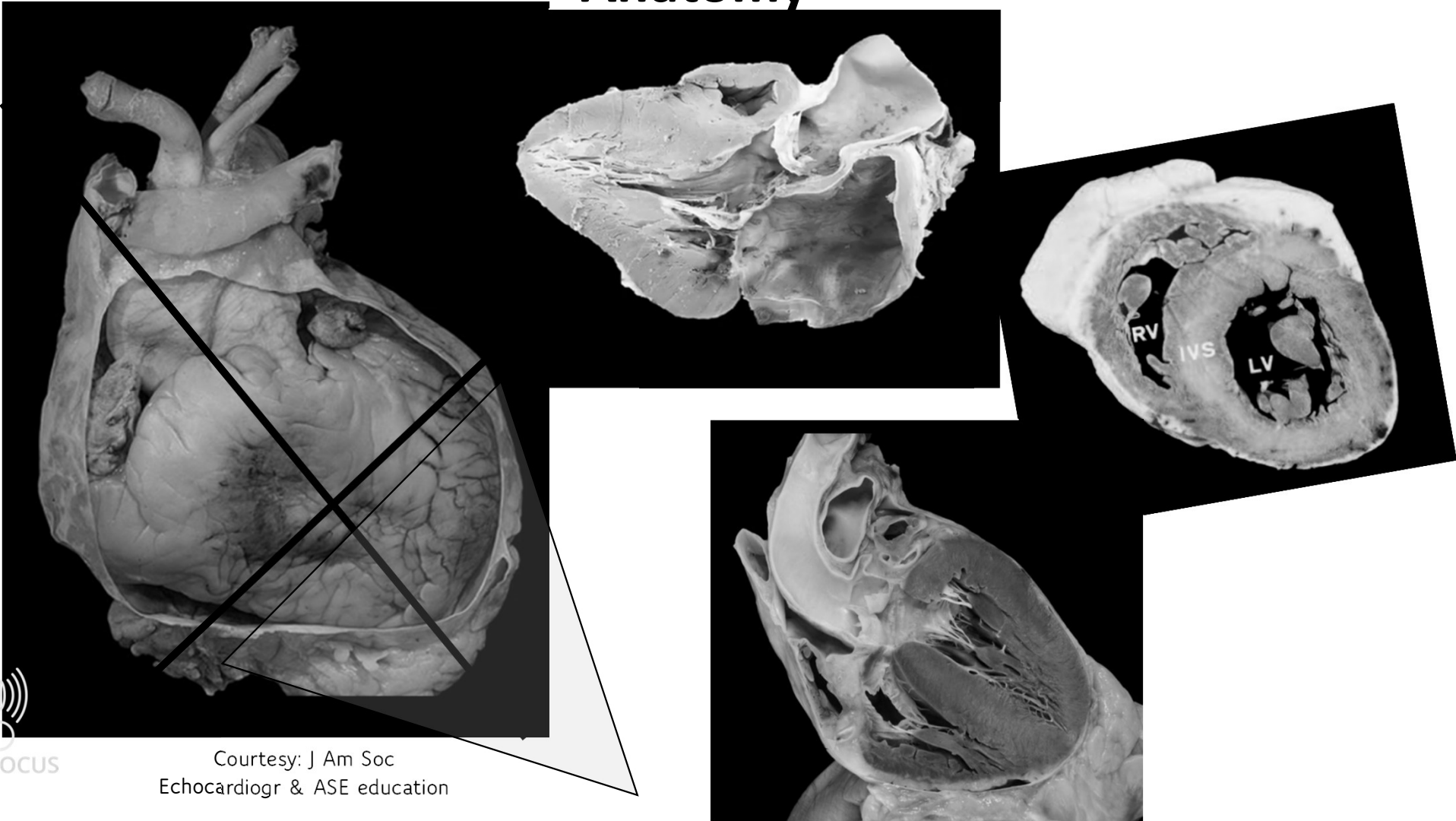


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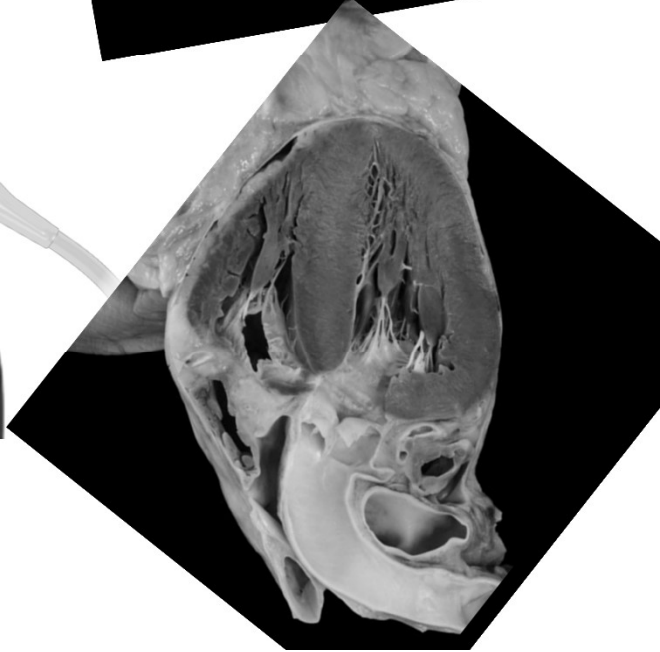
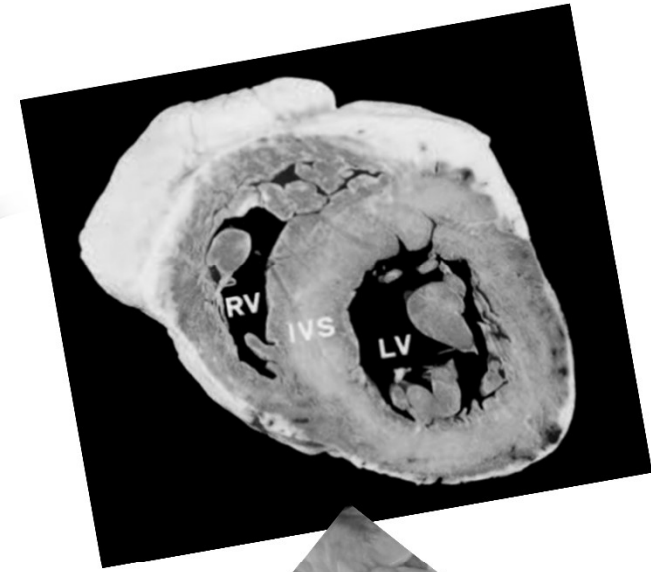
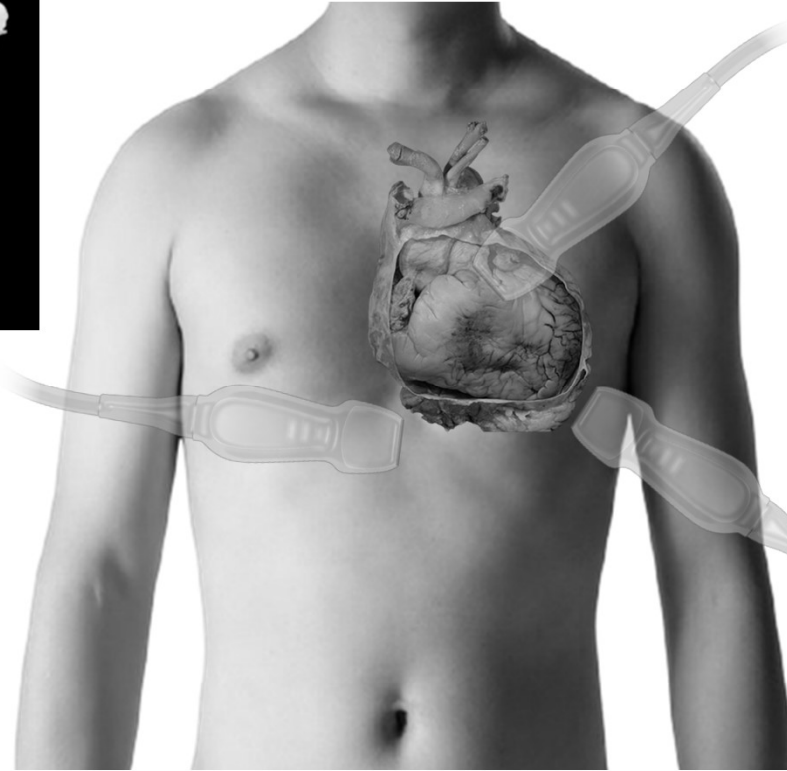
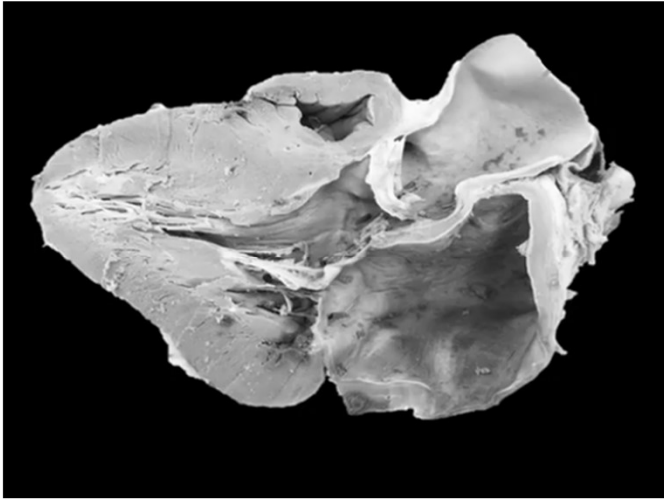


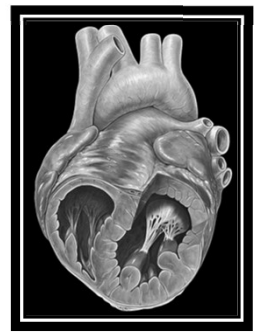
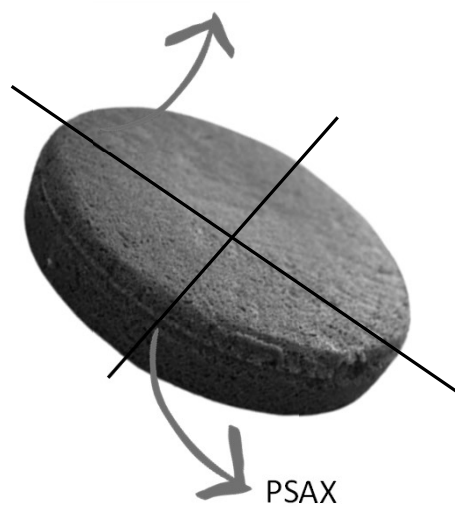
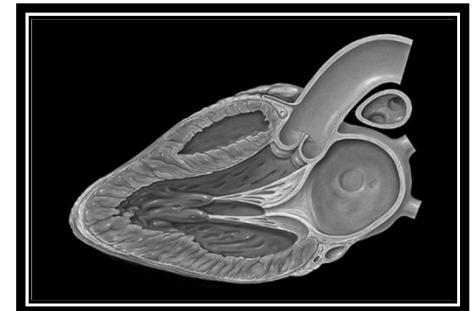
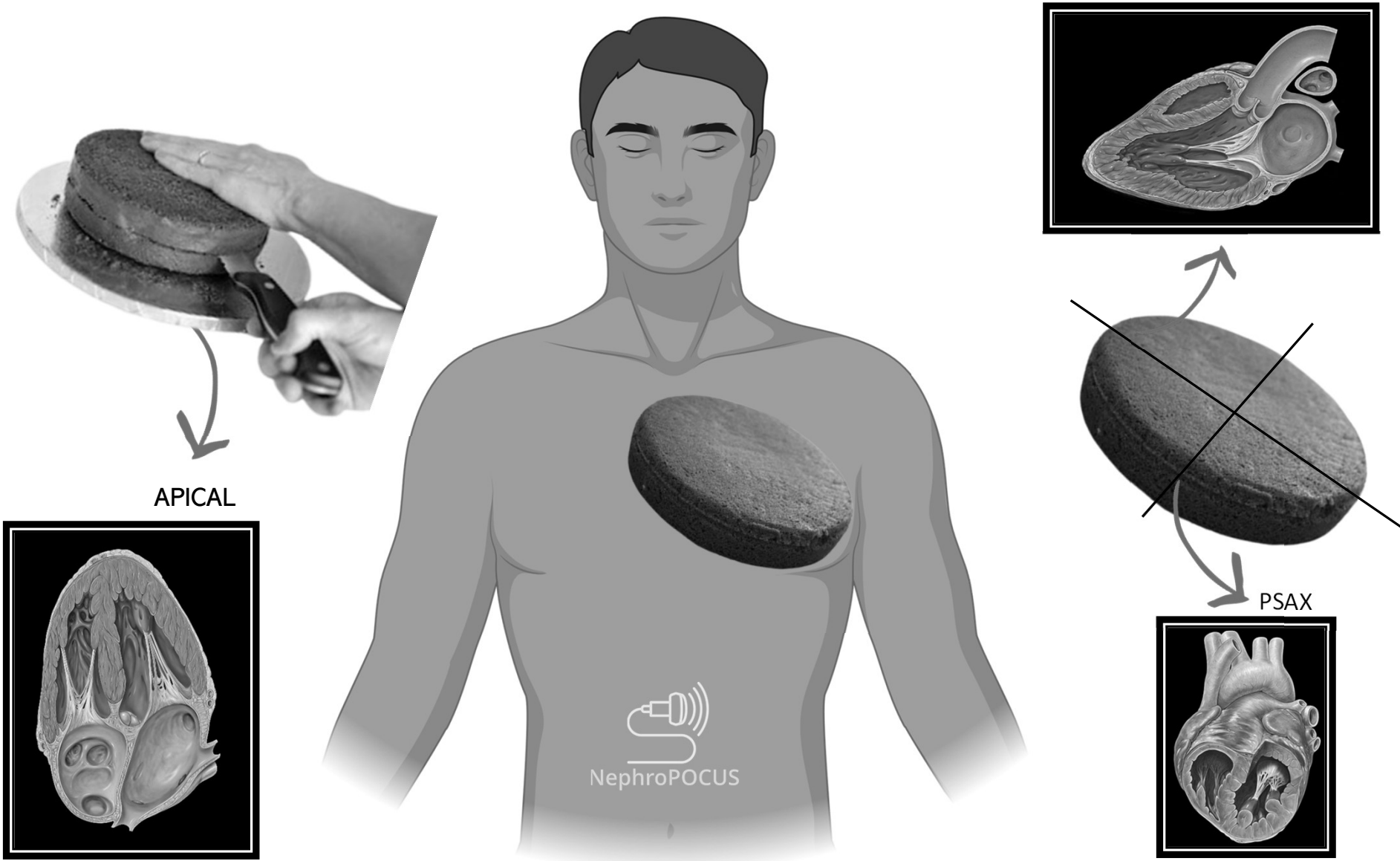
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Anatomy



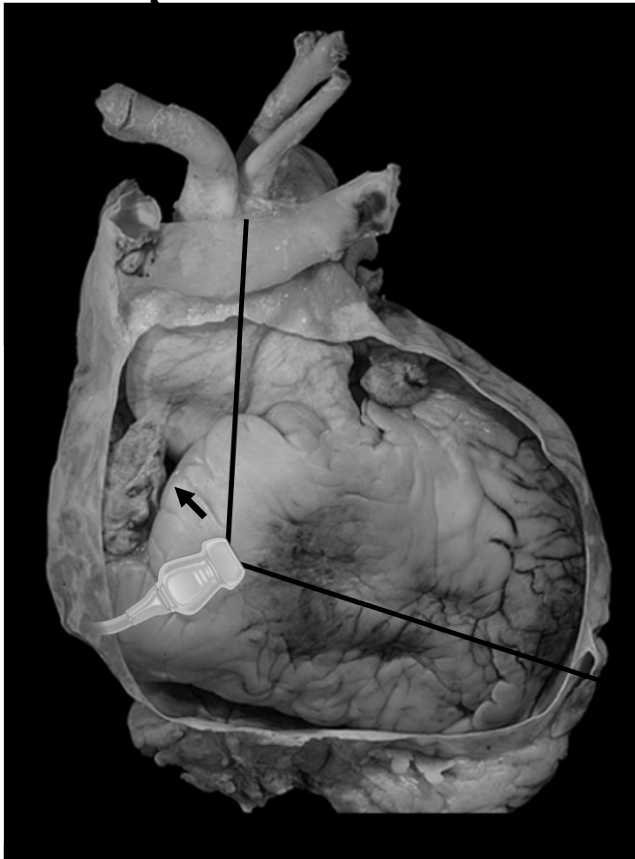
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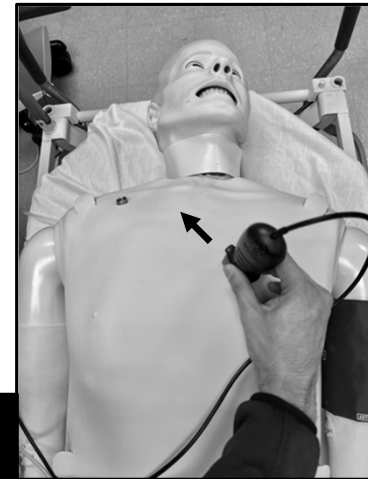


Parasternal long axis

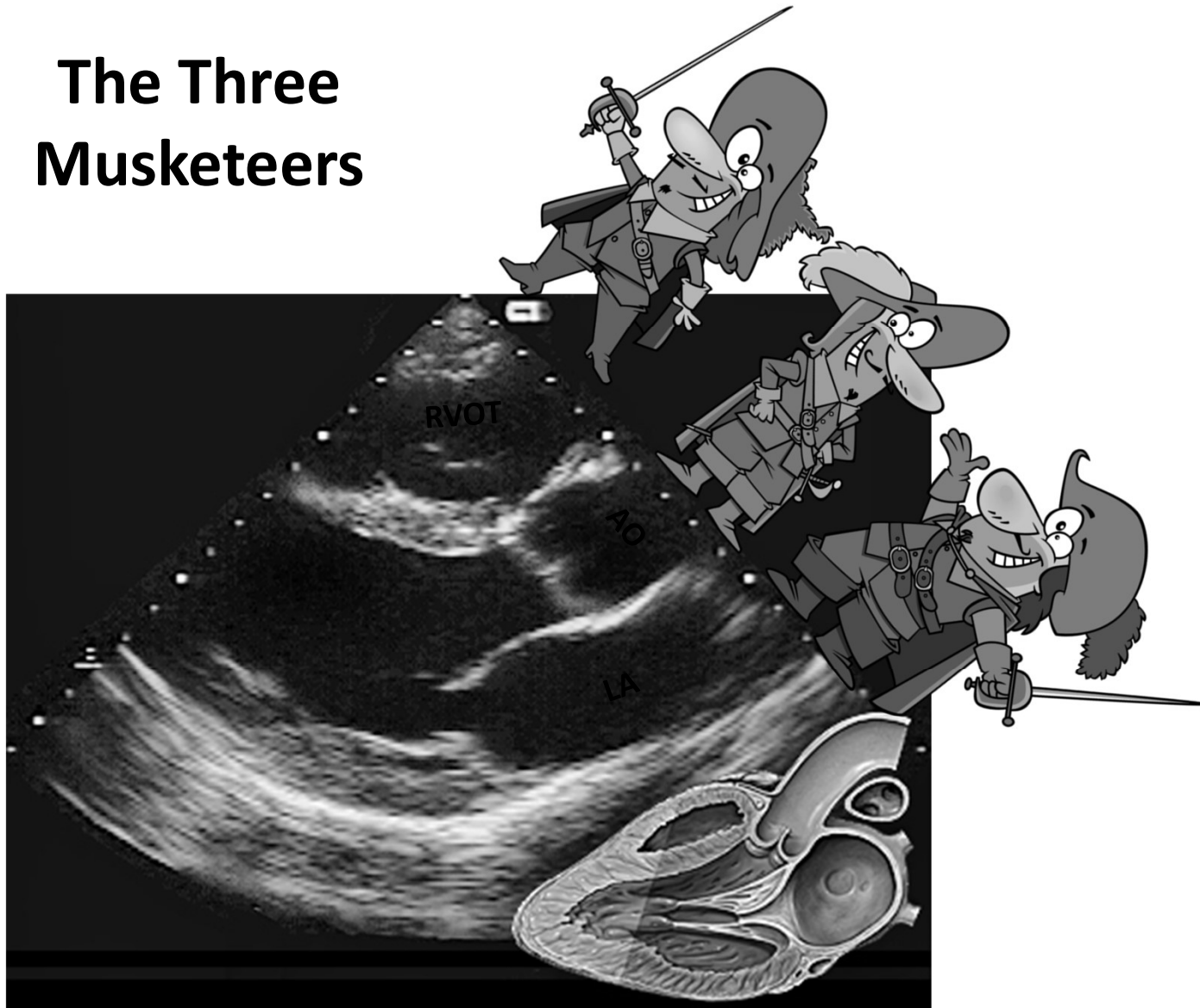
Towards right shoulder



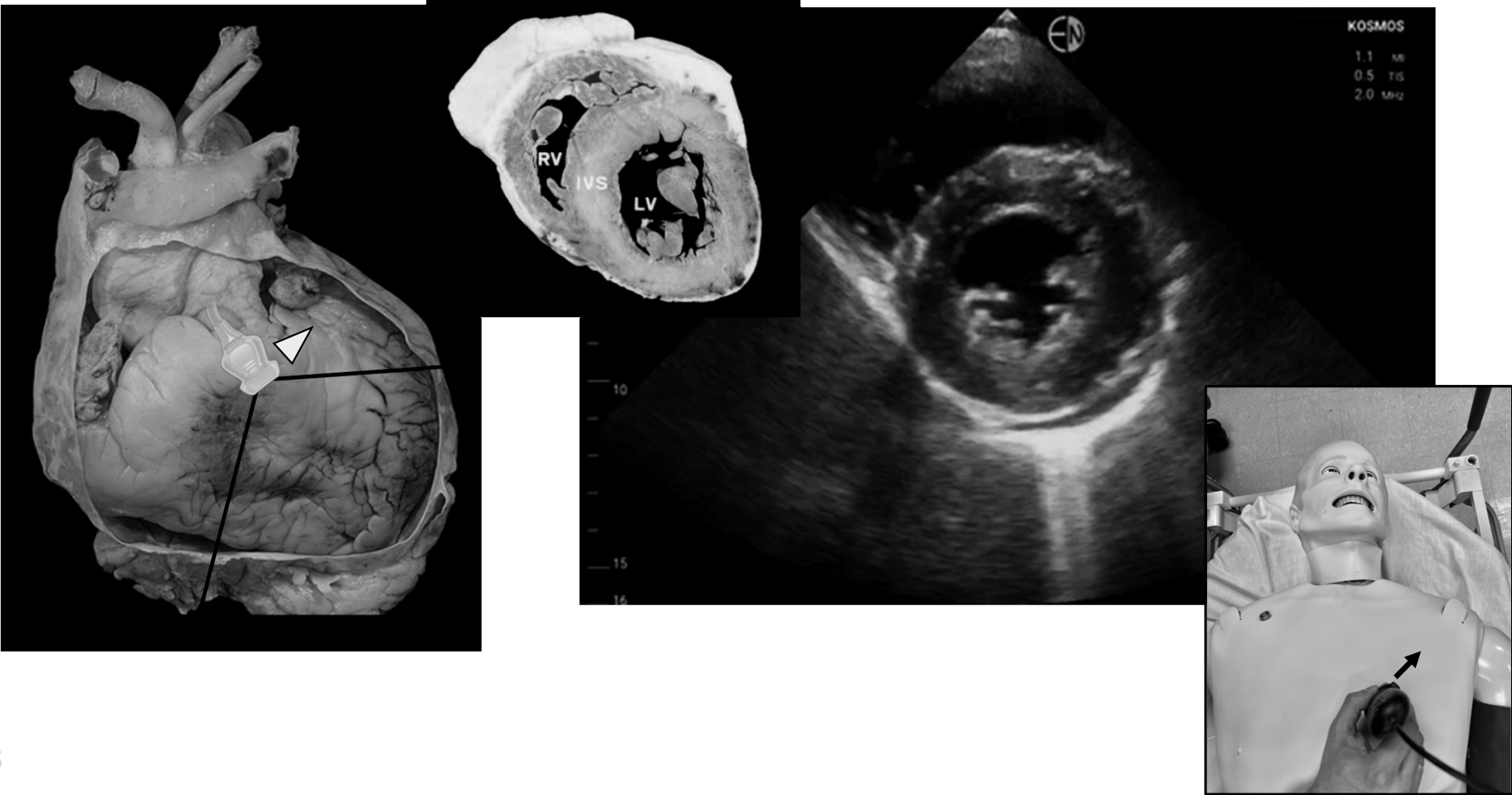
Away from the right shoulder



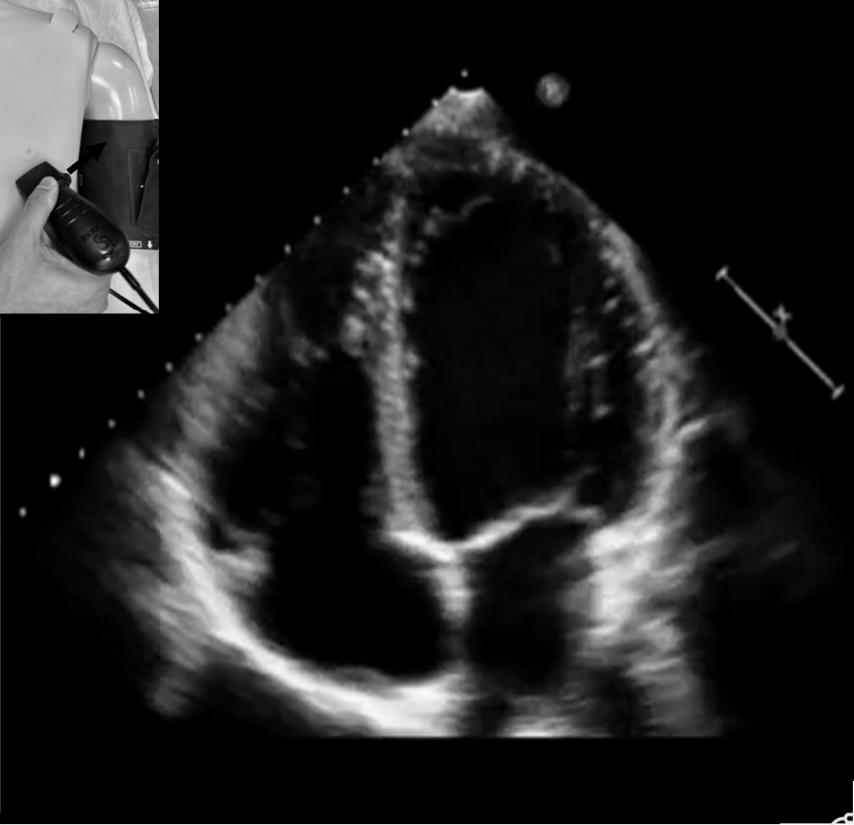
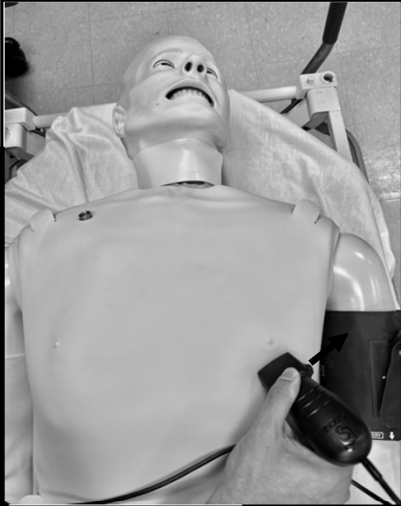
The Three Musketeers



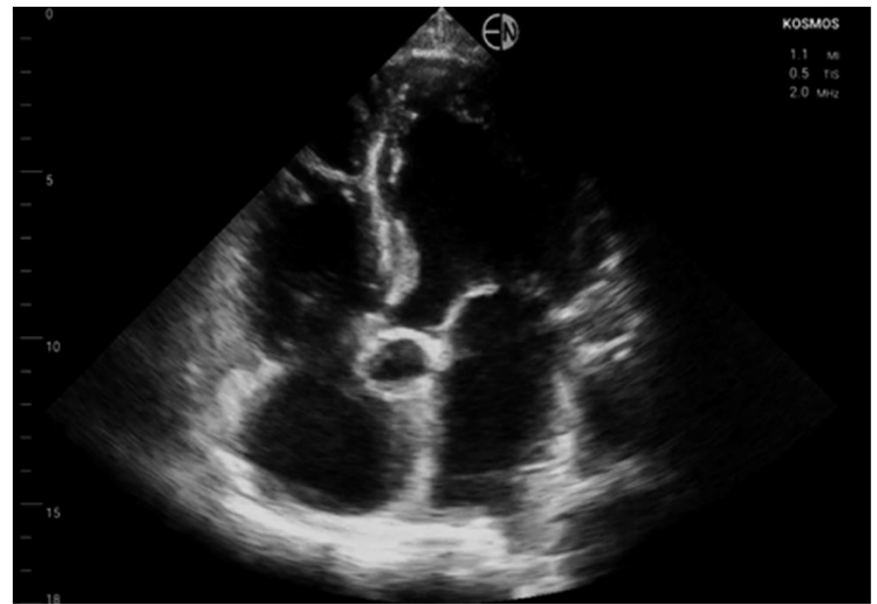
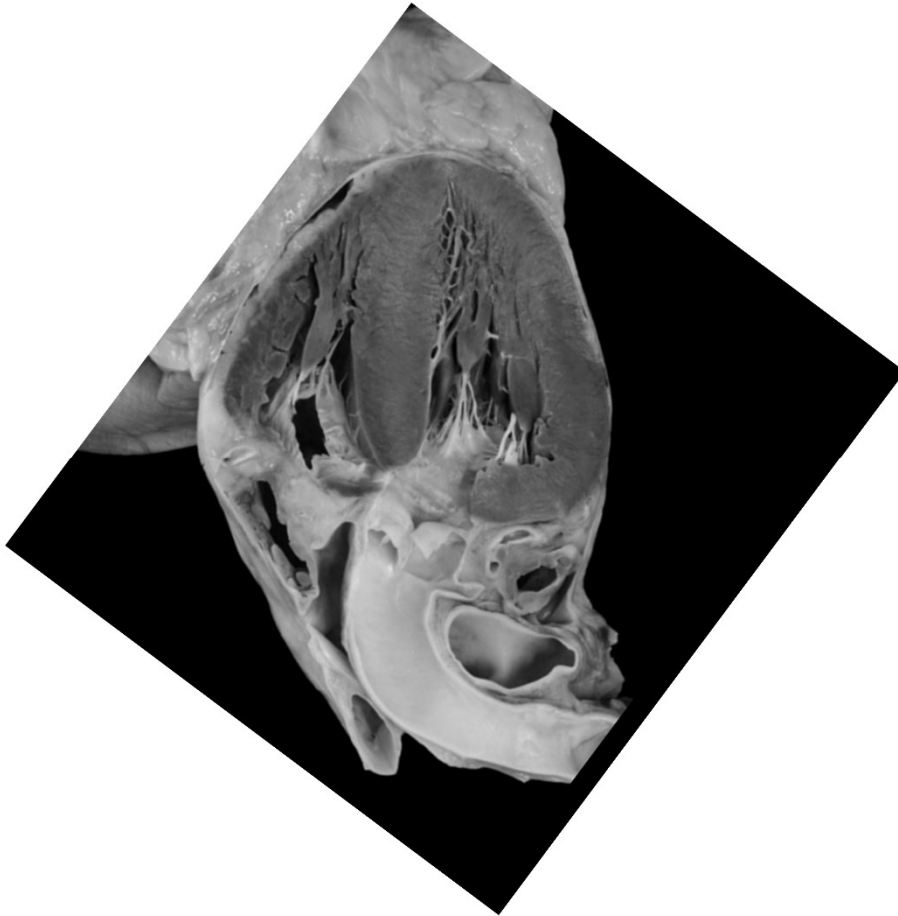
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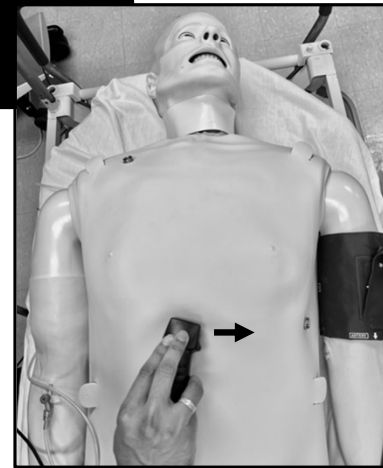
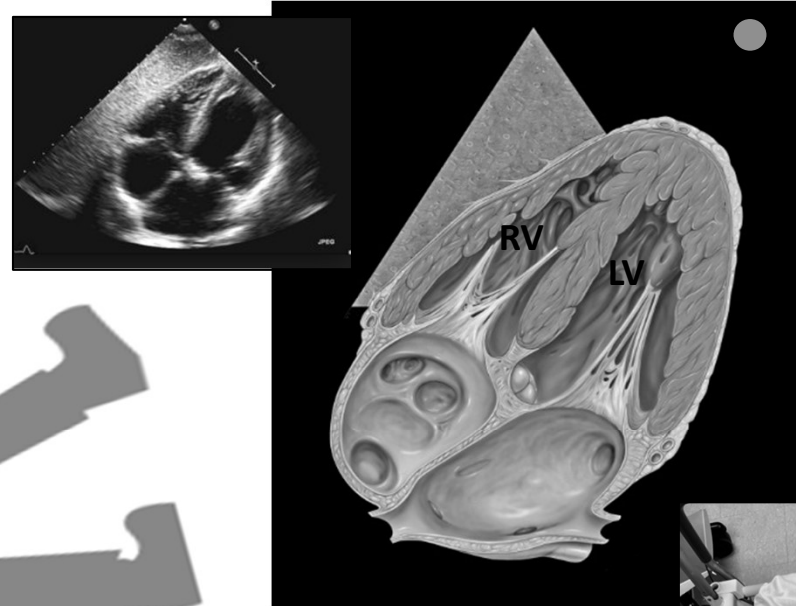
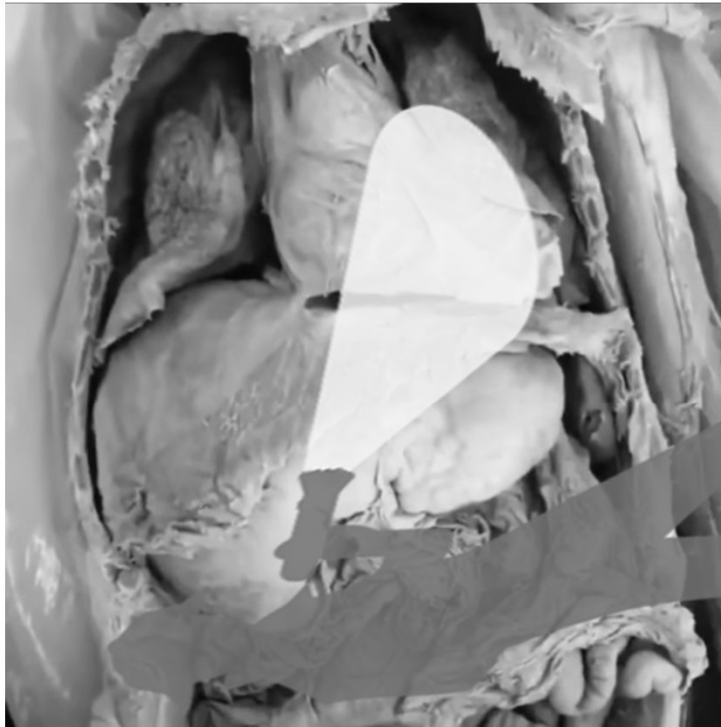
Apical 4-chamber



Apical 5-chamber view



Subxiphoid 4-chamber view

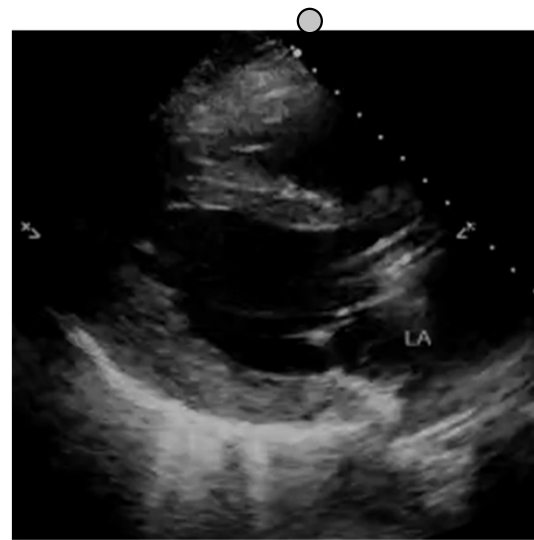
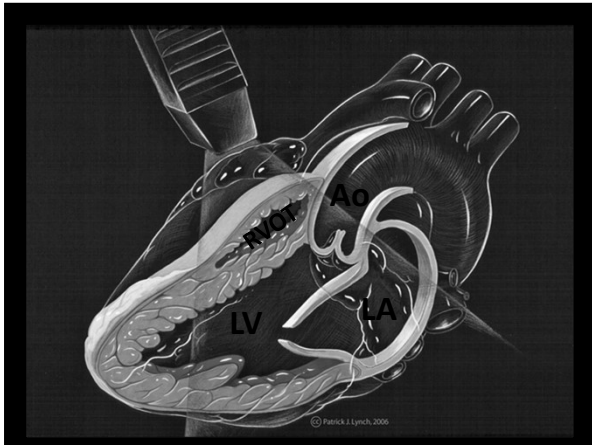


The 5Es of FoCUS



Ejection
Effusion
Equality
Entrance
Exit

Ejection: 'Eyeballing' the LV systolic function

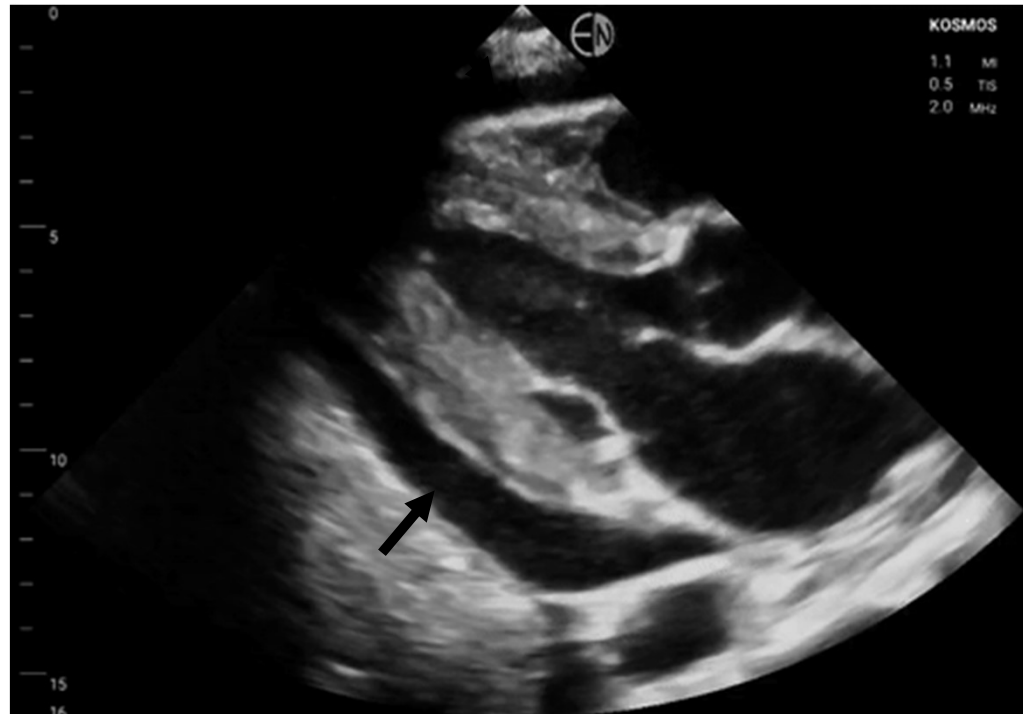
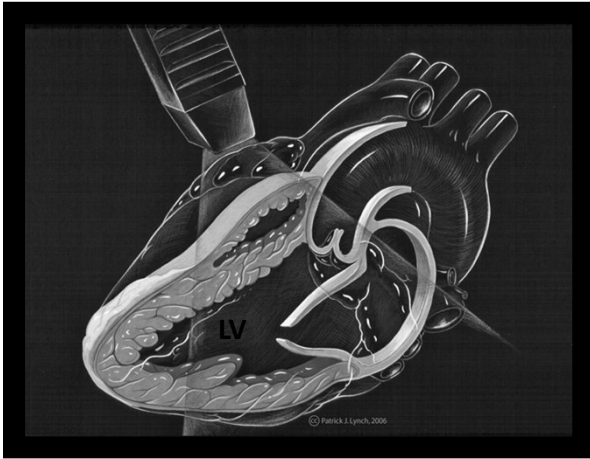


Moderately reduced LVEF

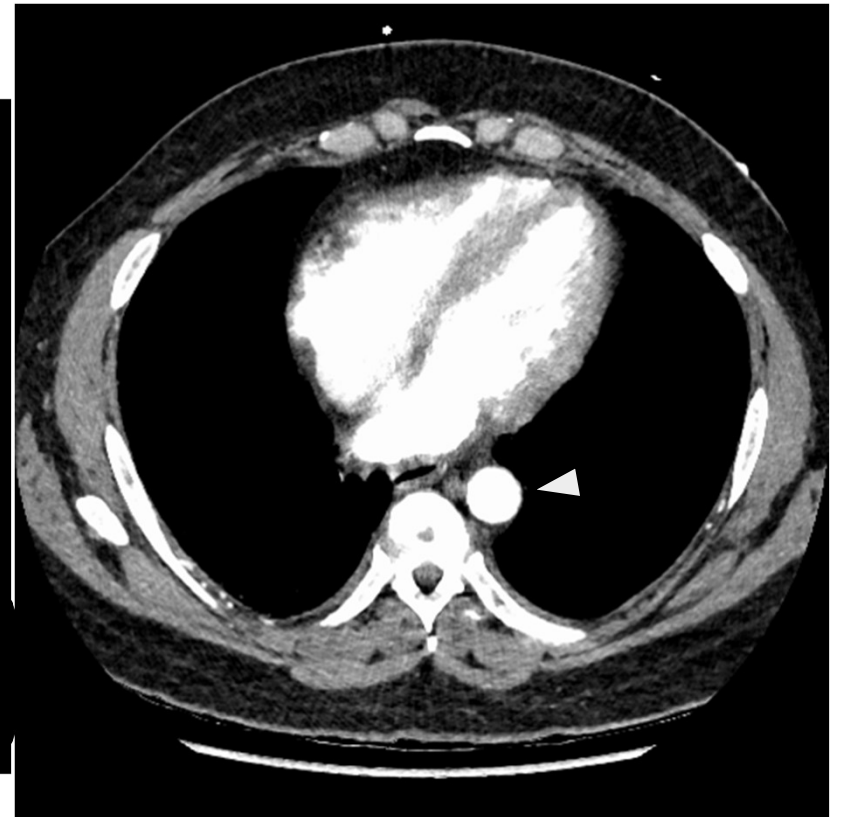
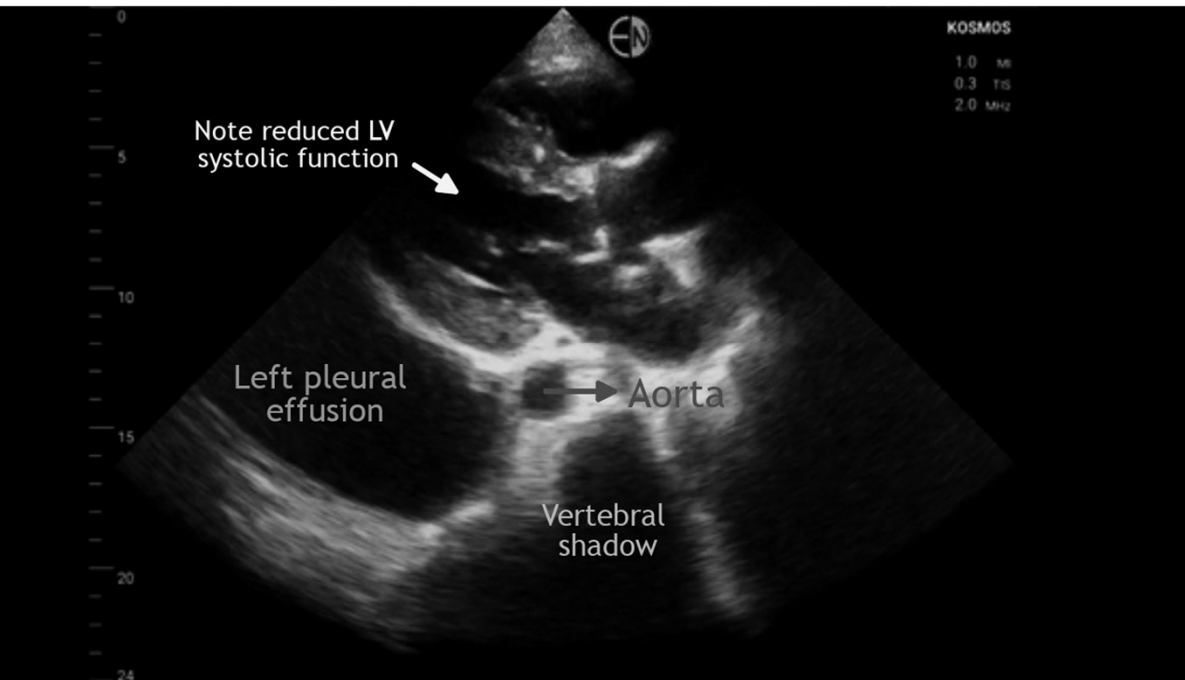


Severely reduced LVEF

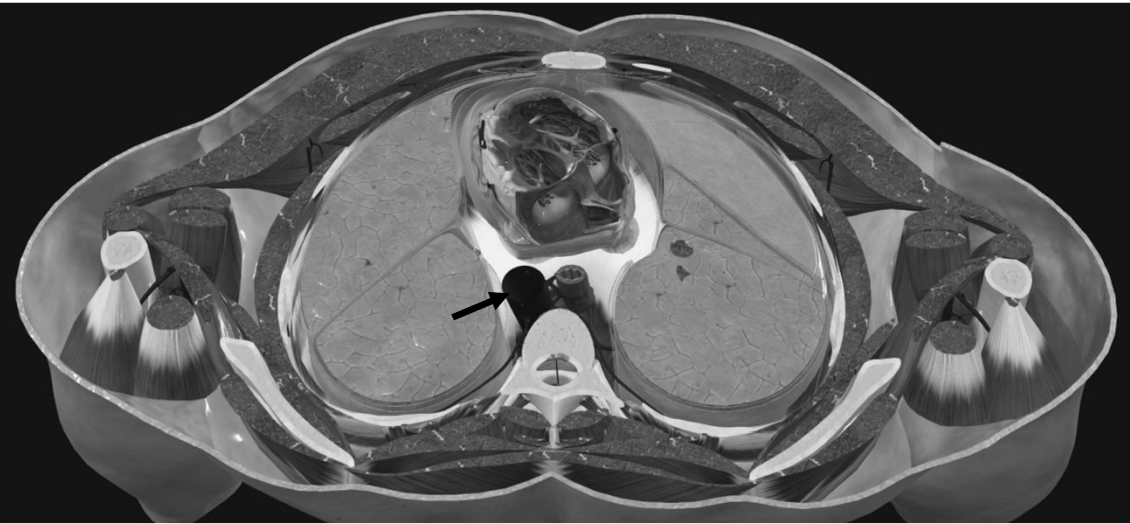
Pericardial effusion



NOT pericardial effusion



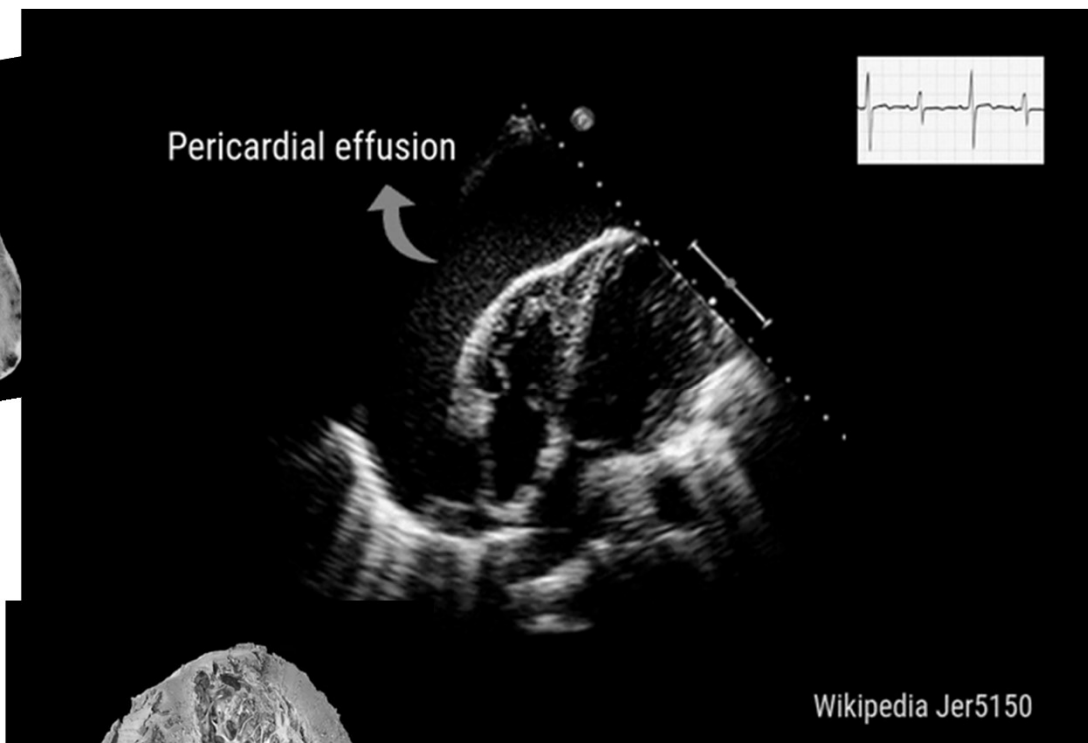
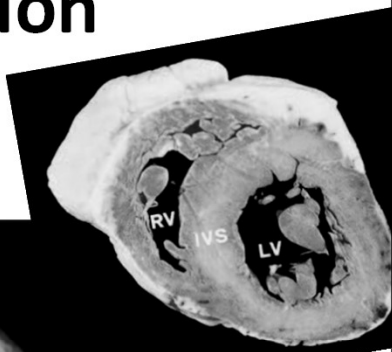
Pericardial and pleural Effusion



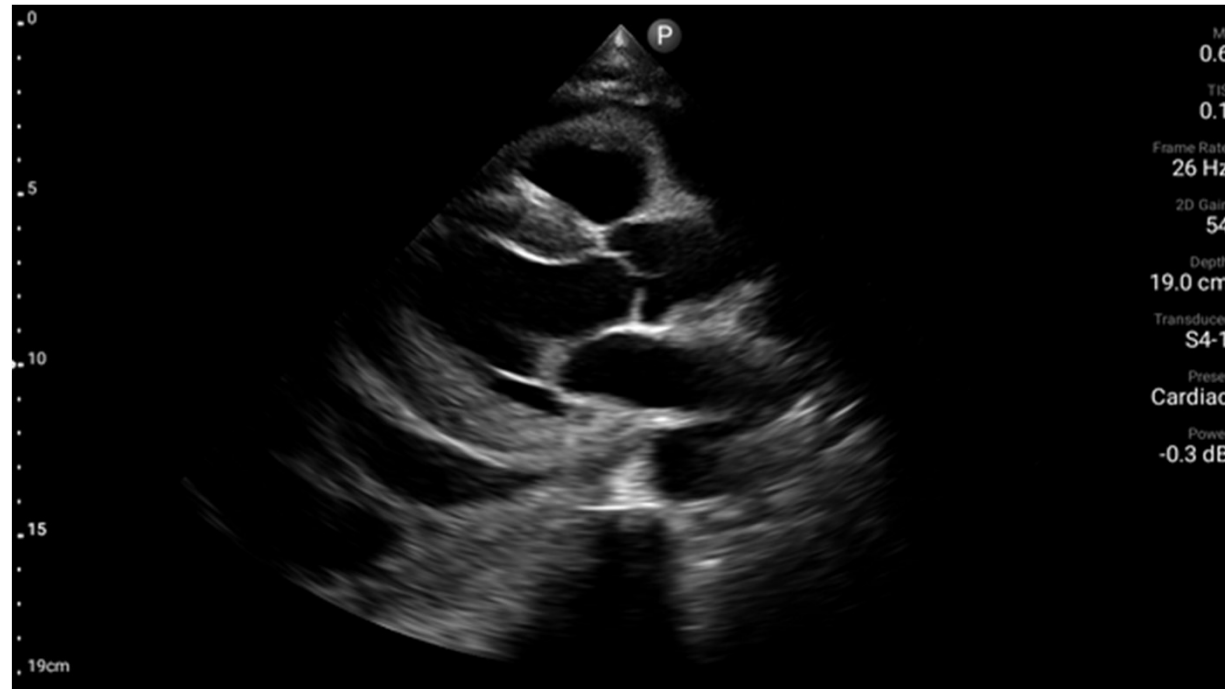
Courtesy: Complete anatomy

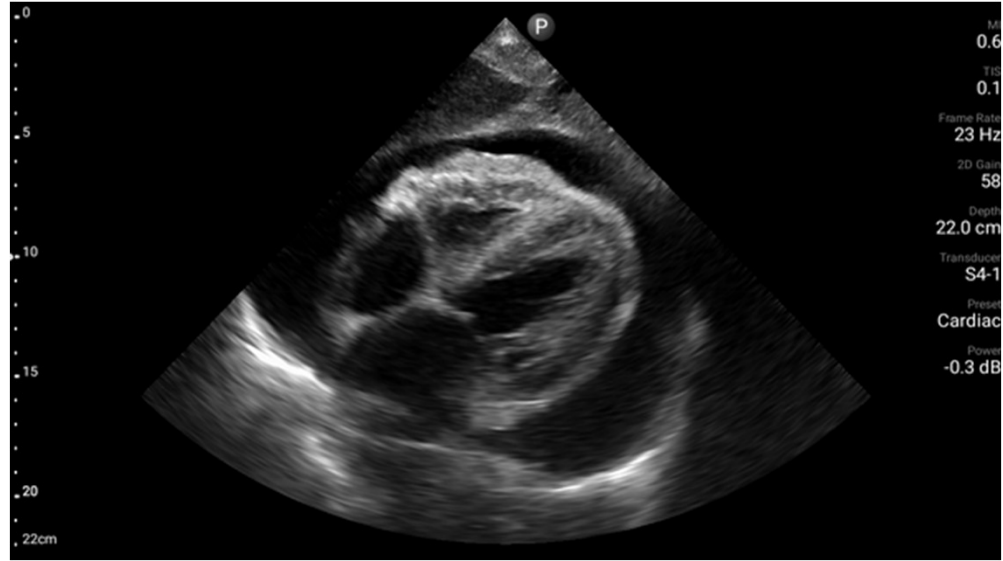


Pericardial effusion

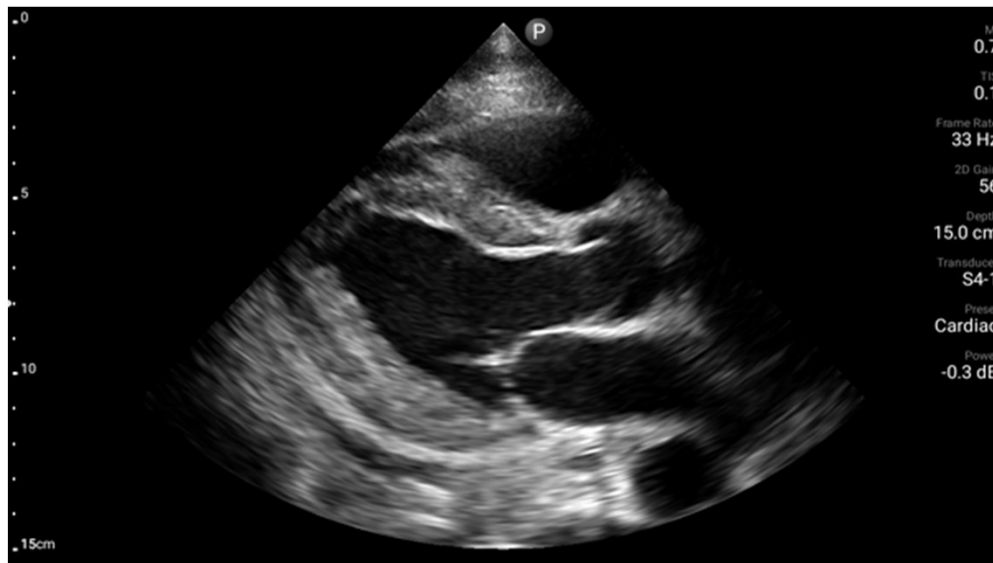


What do you see here?

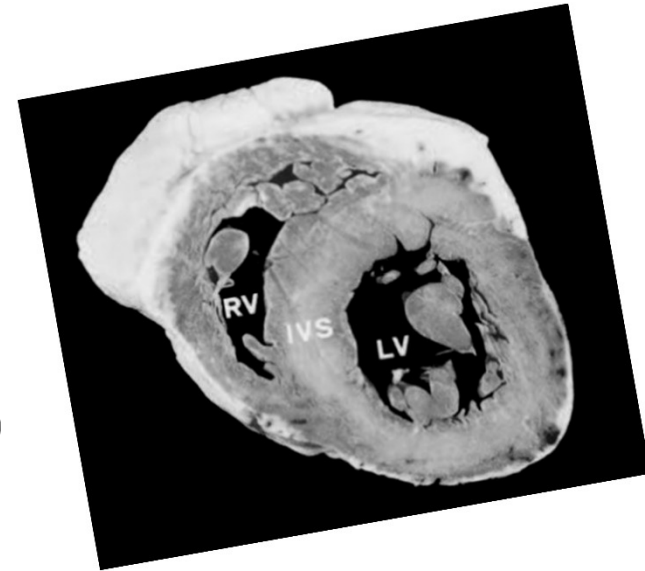
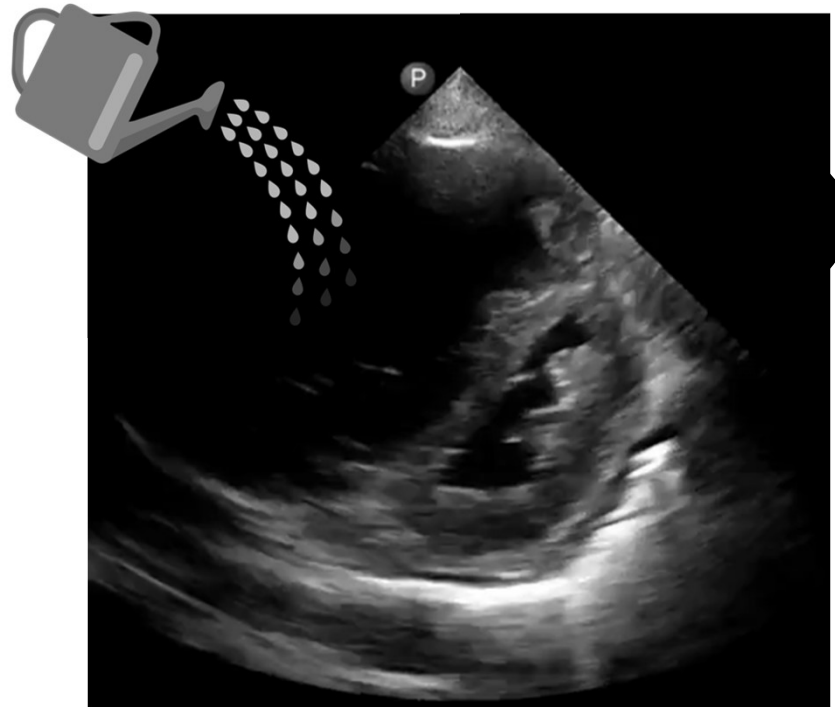




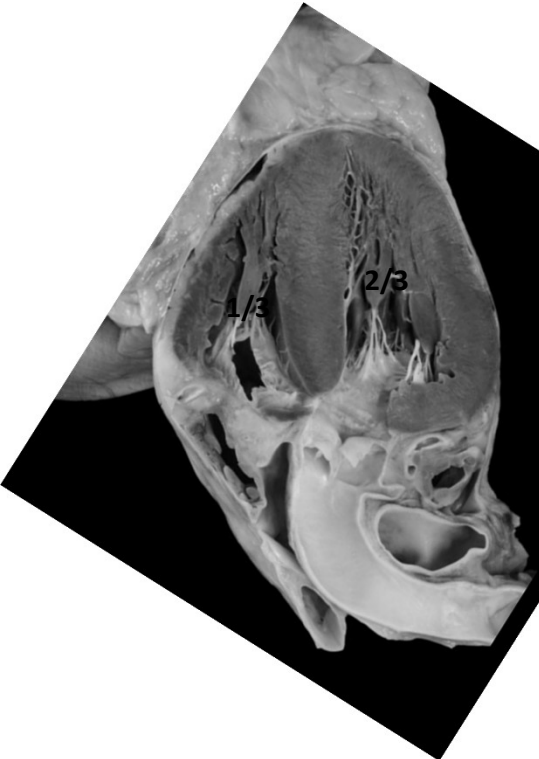
Post-pericardiocentesis



Equality/Size



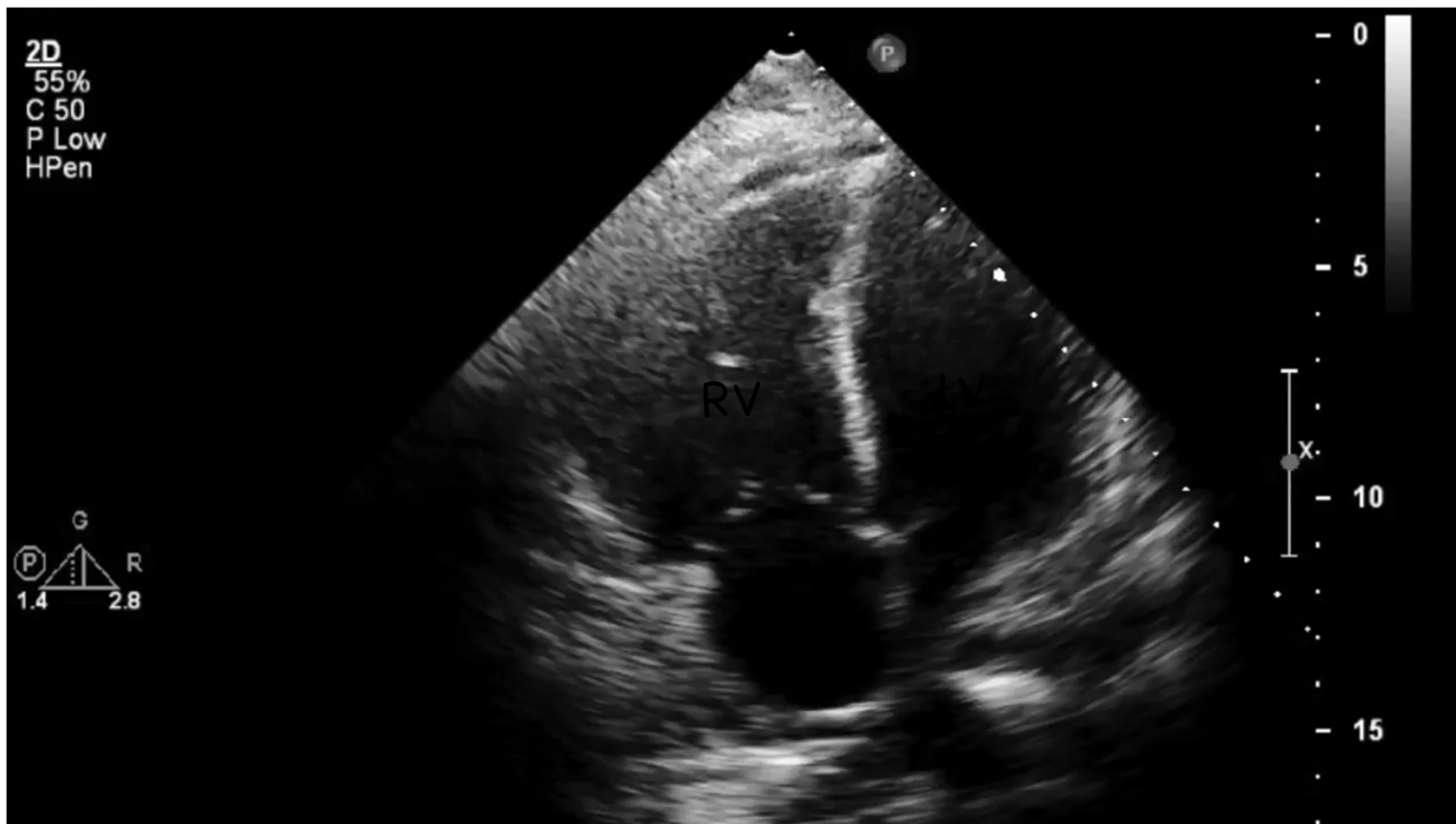
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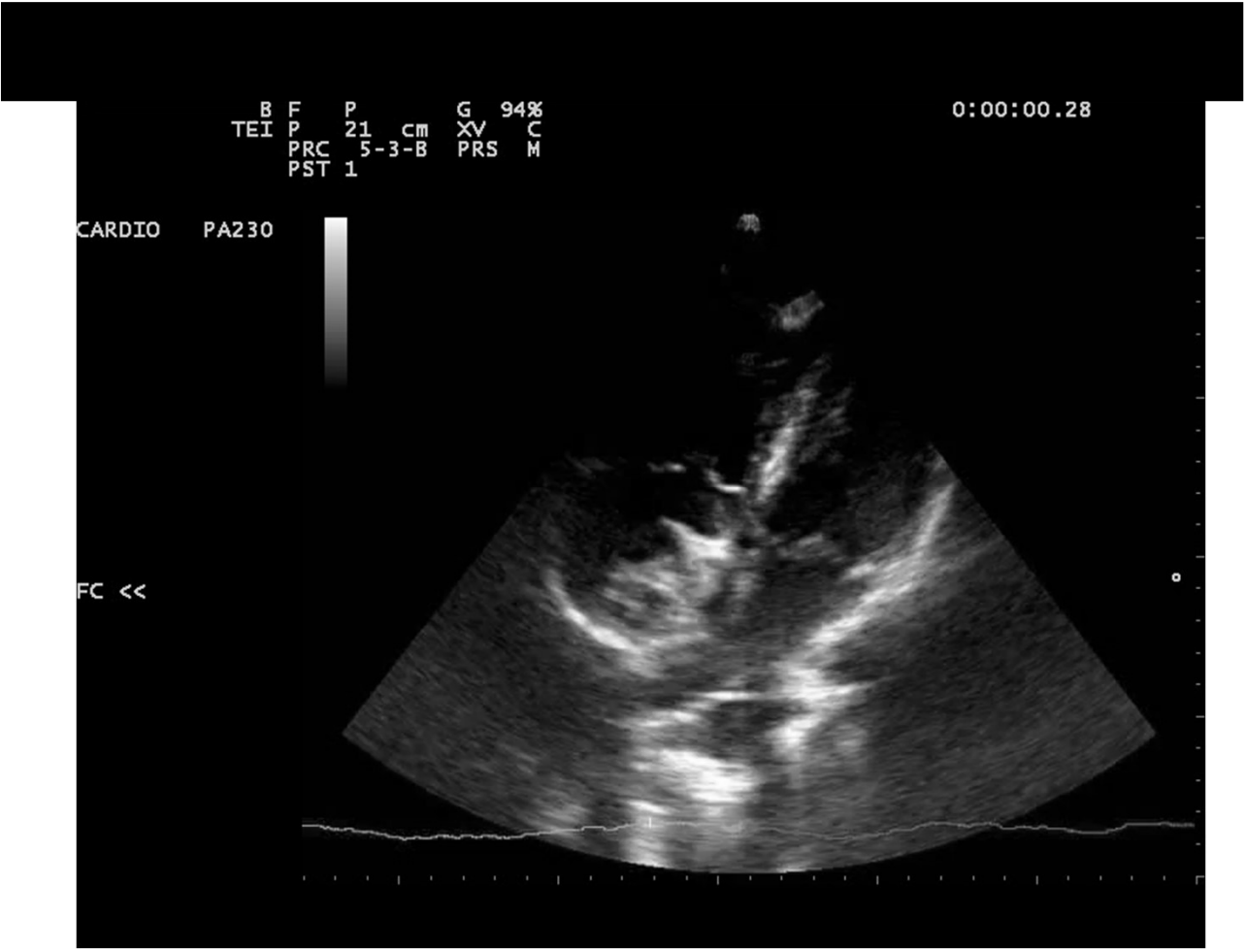
ACE
FPS: 41
f: 1.7 MHz/3.3 MHz
G(t): -6 dB
Compr: 69 dB
DDP: 0.0
D: 24.0 cm



McConnell's sign



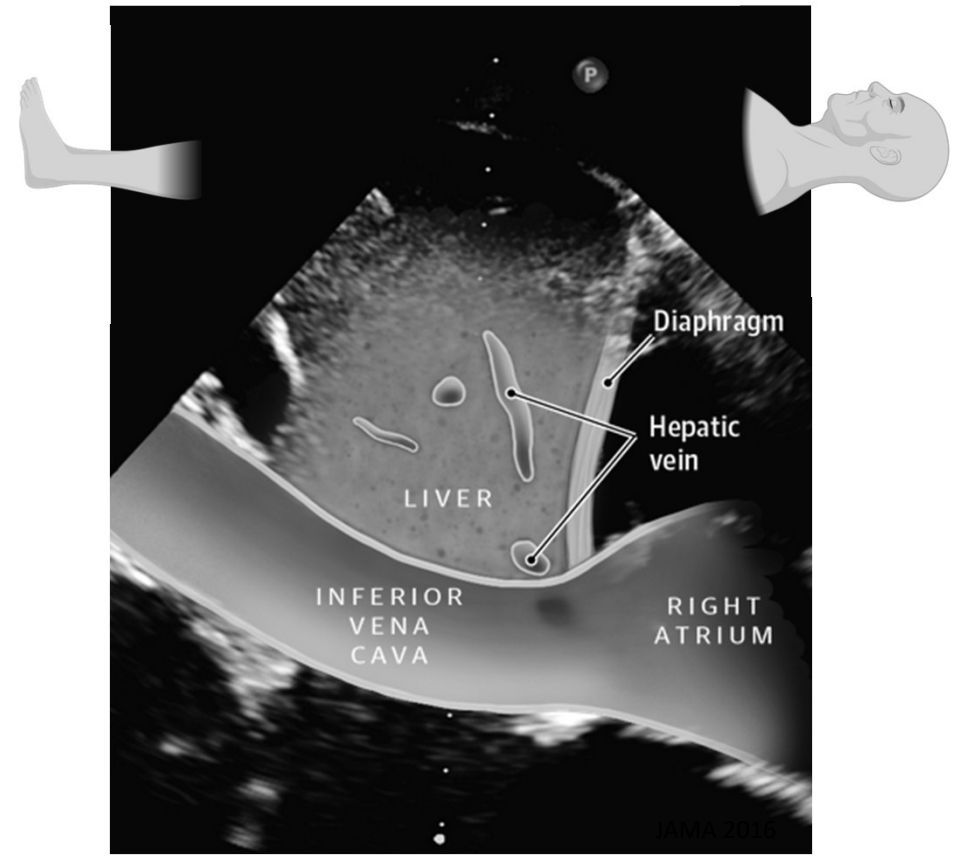
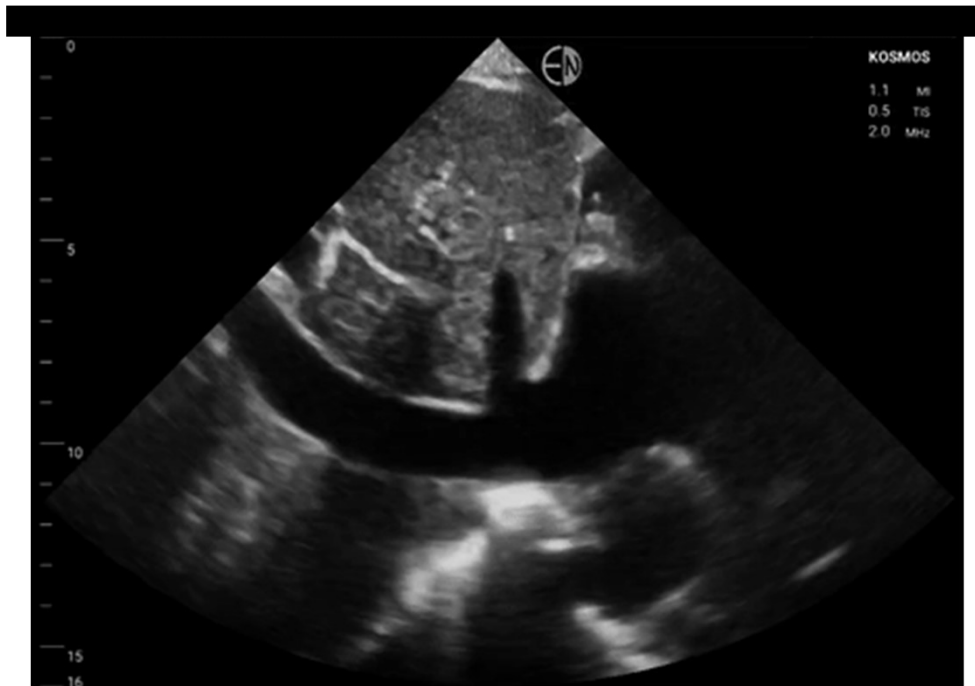
McConnell's sign and more



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Entrance: IVC

ANTERIOR



POSTERIOR



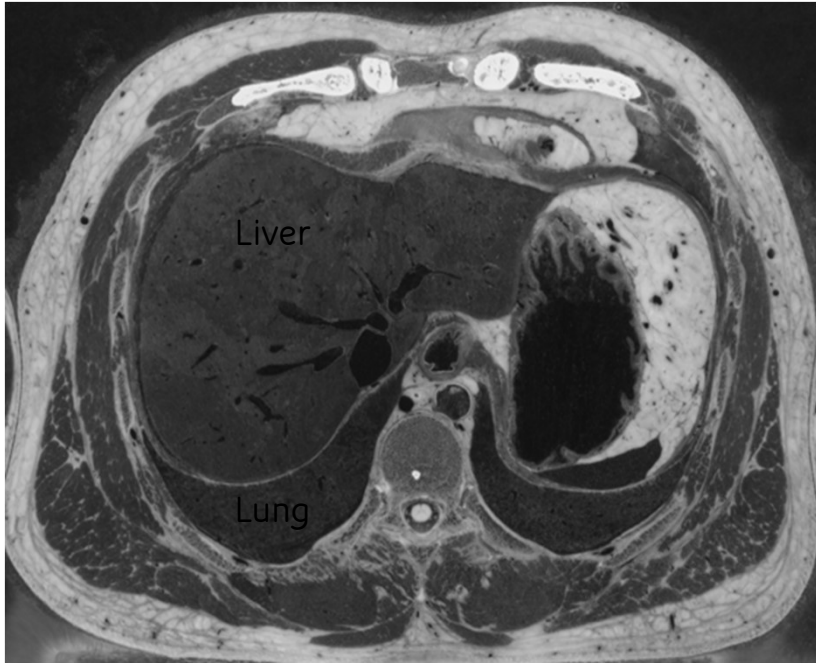
IVC



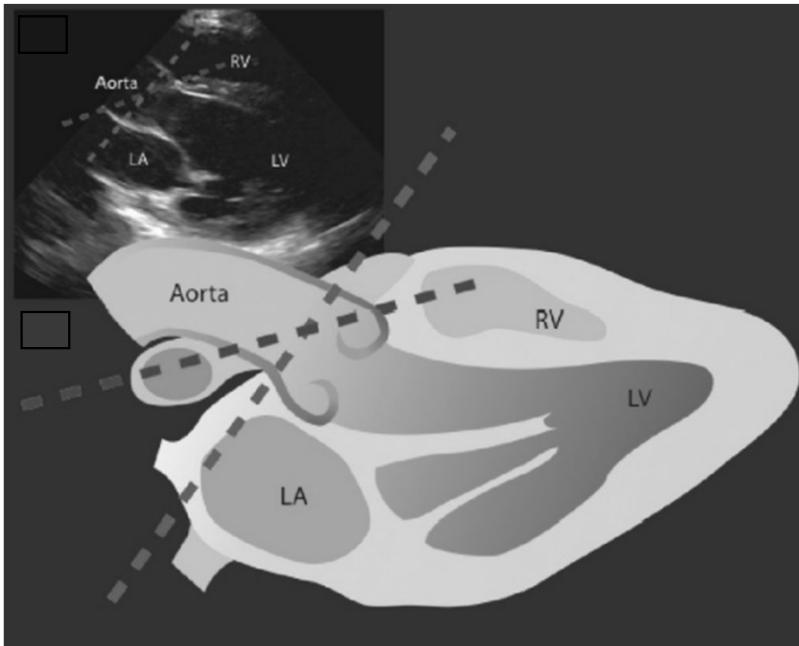
IVC long axis



IVC short axis



Exit: aorta



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>4.5 cm not good



SHOCK	HYPOVOLEMIC	CARDIOGENIC	OBSTRUCTIVE	DISTRIBUTIVE
Problem	Volume depletion	Pump (heart) failure	Obstruction of the pump - pericardial effusion or pulmonary embolism	Excessive vasodilatation - impaired distribution of cardiac output to vital organs
FoCUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hyperdynamic LV • Decreased cardiac output • Small, collapsible IVC with IVC-aorta ratio <0.8 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decreased LV function • Decreased cardiac output • Dilated IVC with IVC-aorta ratio >1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pericardial effusion • Dilated right ventricle in case of pulmonary embolism • Decreased cardiac output • Dilated IVC with IVC-aorta ratio >1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Range from hyperdynamic to decreased LV function (septic cardiomyopathy) • Usually normal to increased cardiac output • IVC variable
LUS	A-lines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B-lines (usually diffuse) • Pleural effusions likely 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A-lines • Focal B-lines may be seen with pulmonary infarction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A-lines • Focal B-lines ± consolidation can be seen with pneumonia



Thank You
Happy Scanning

