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Ultrasound-guided vascular access in newborns: basics and application

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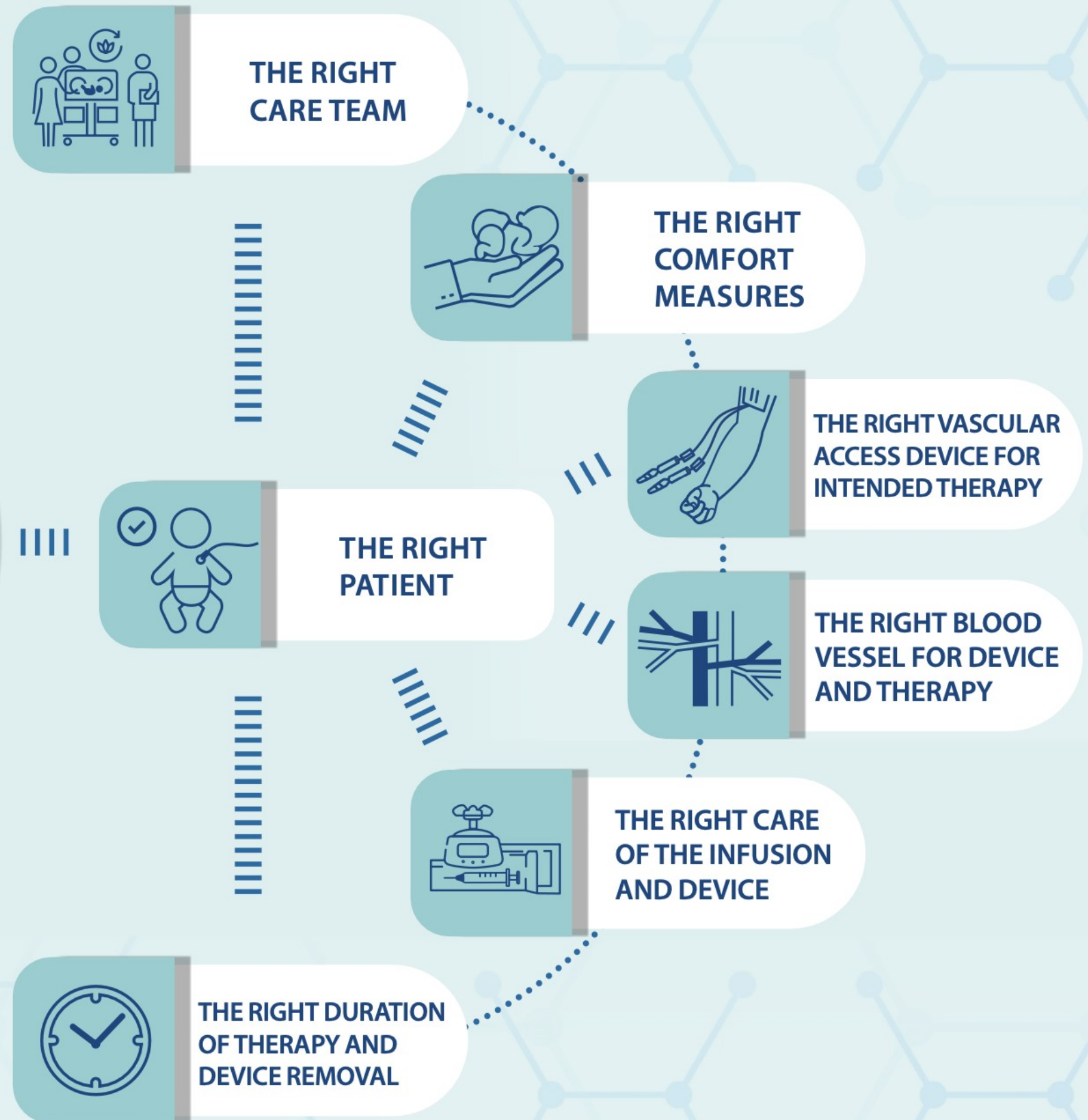
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Fundamentally every baby is entitled to receive care based on the best evidence, vascular access is no exception. Let's elevate neonatal vascular access care by prioritising the integration of best practices.




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Safe Insertion of Arterial Catheters (SIA): An ultrasound-guided protocol to minimize complications for arterial cannulation

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Ultrasound guided percutaneous catheterization of the brachiocephalic vein by small caliber catheter: An alternative to epicutaneo-caval catheter in newborn and premature infants

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Ultrasound-Guided Umbilical Venous Catheter Insertion With Alignment of the Umbilical Vein and Ductus Venosus


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Systematic Review

The Role of Ultrasound in Epicutaneo-Caval Catheter Insertion in Neonates: Systematic Review, Meta-Analysis and Future Perspectives

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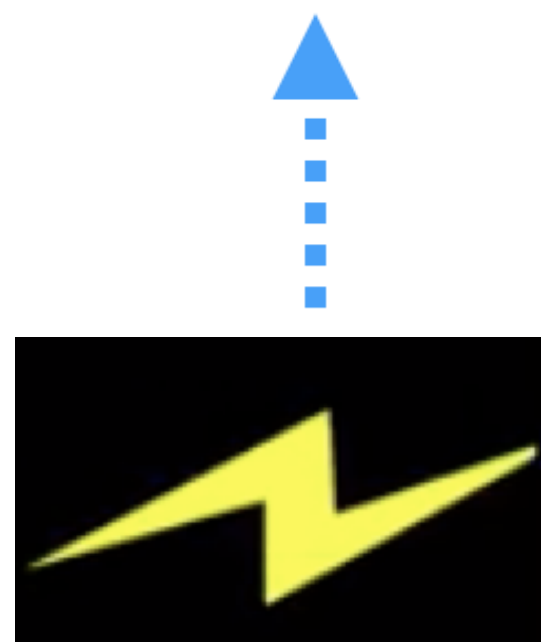
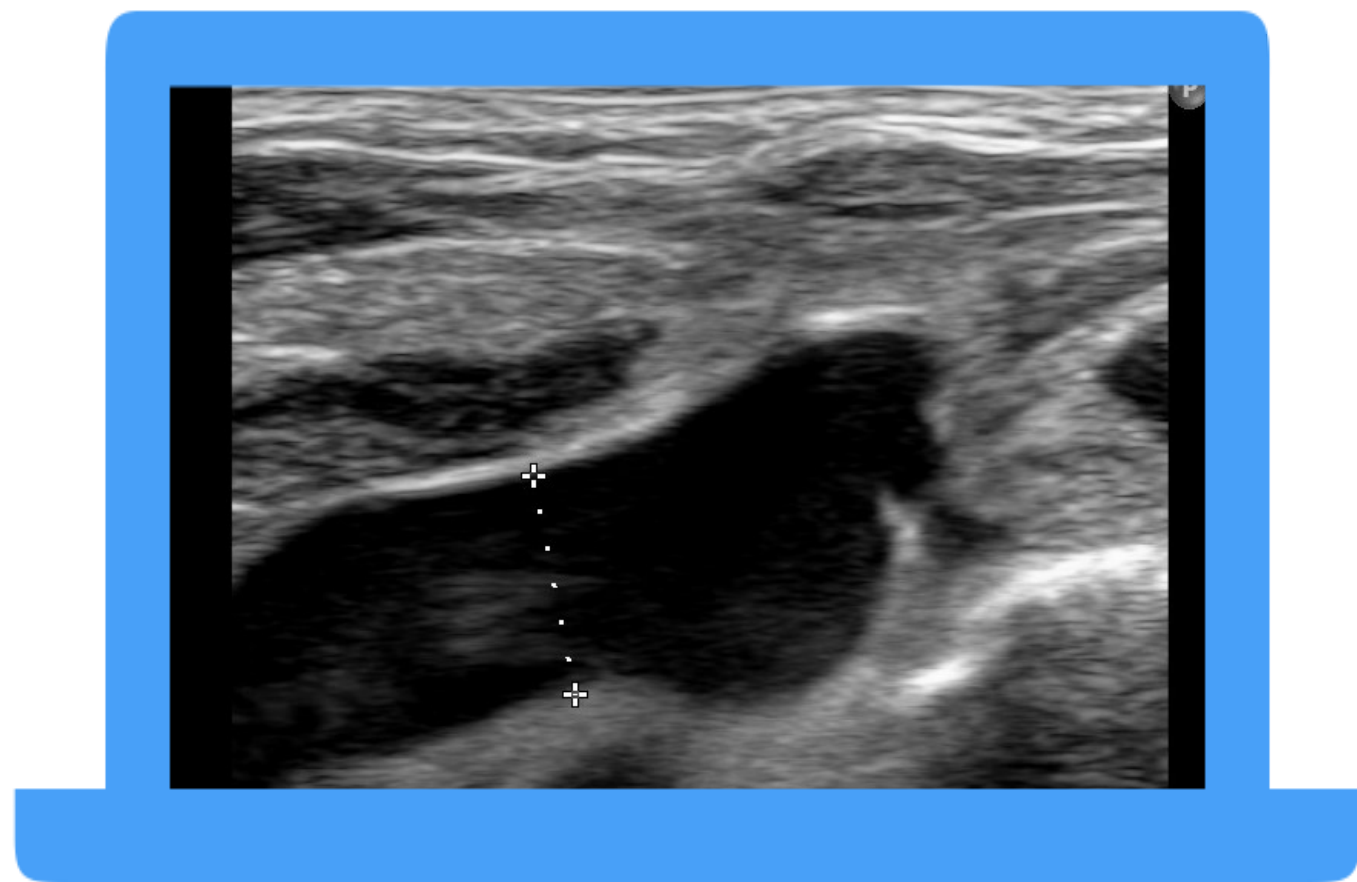
Ultrasound-guided supraclavicular cannulation of the brachiocephalic vein may reduce central line–associated bloodstream infection in preterm infants

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Basics and application of ultrasound

Centrally inserted central catheters in preterm neonates with weight below 1500 g by ultrasound-guided access to the brachio-cephalic vein

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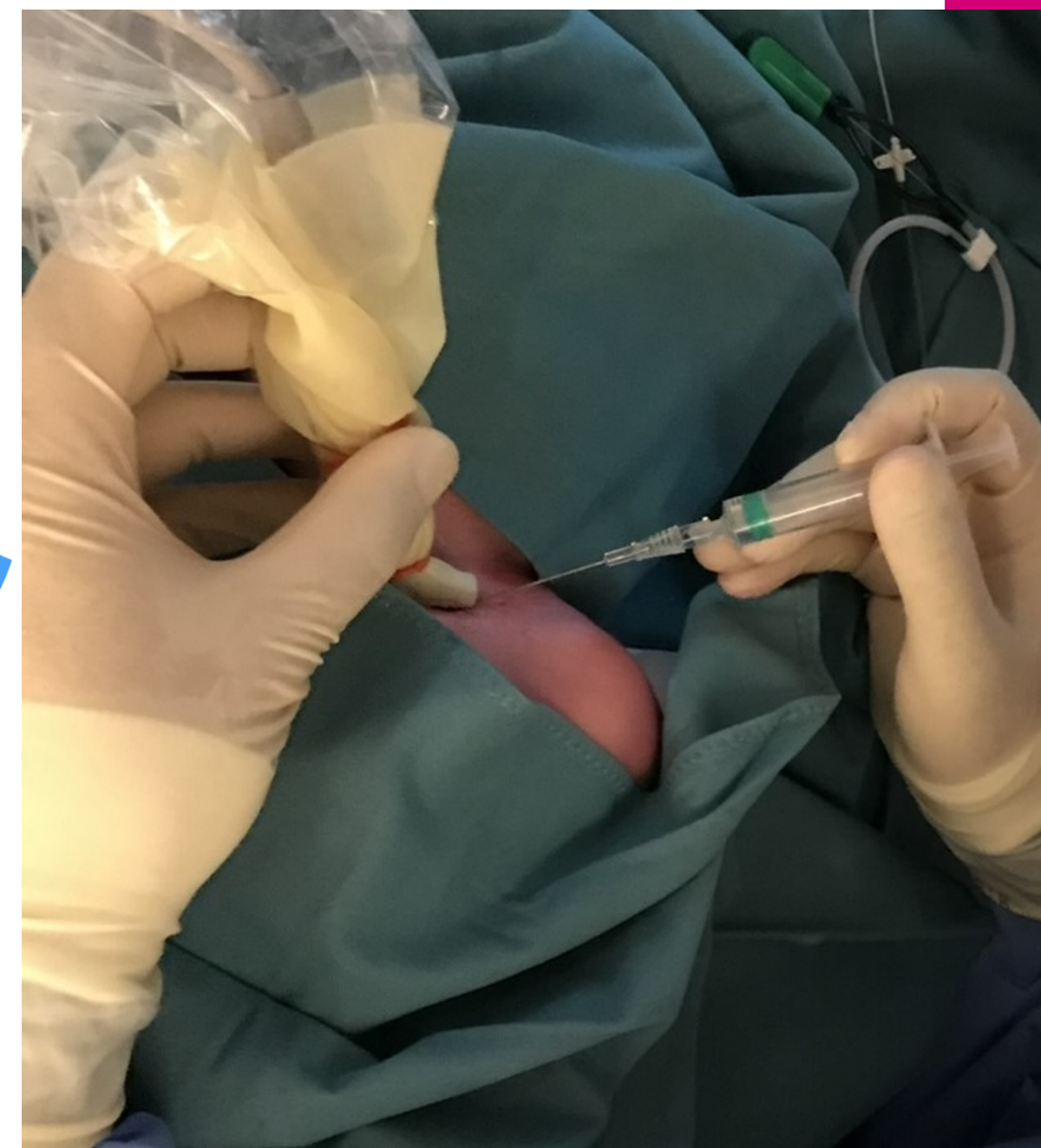
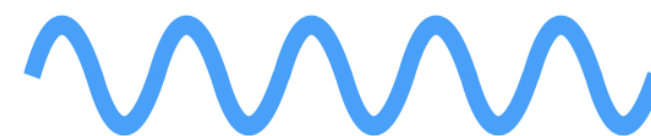


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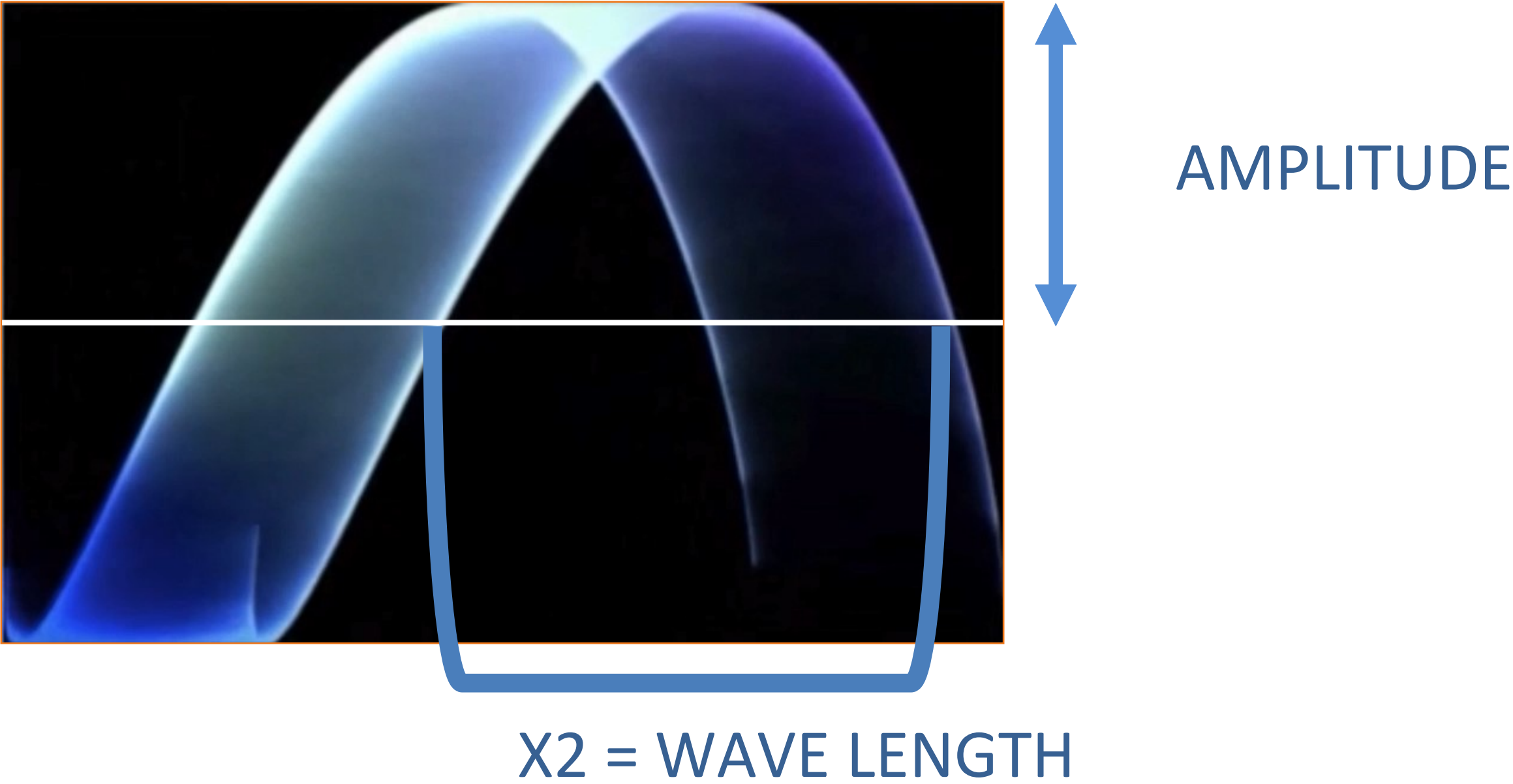
Piezoelectrical
Principle



P.E. crystal



ULTRASOUND WAVES



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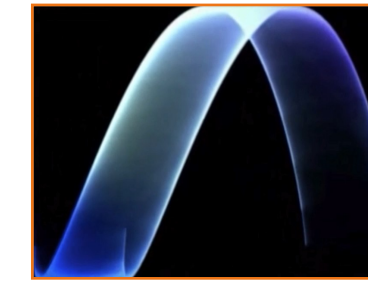


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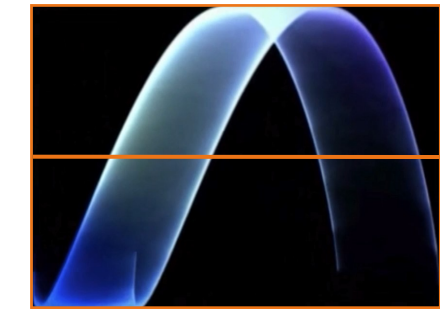
= Frequency → ***Hertz***

Sound
velocity
(Constant!) =

Number
Seconds



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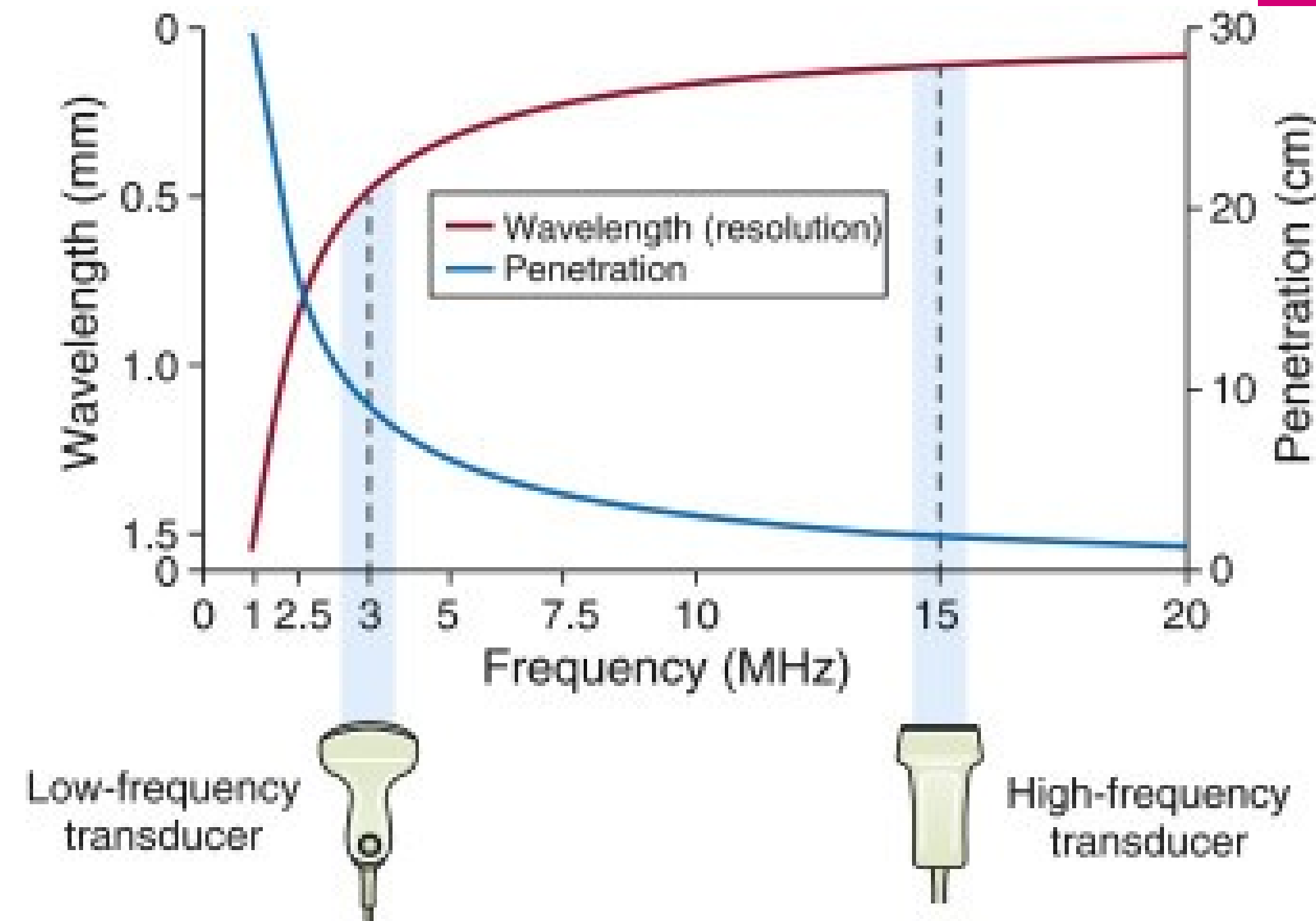
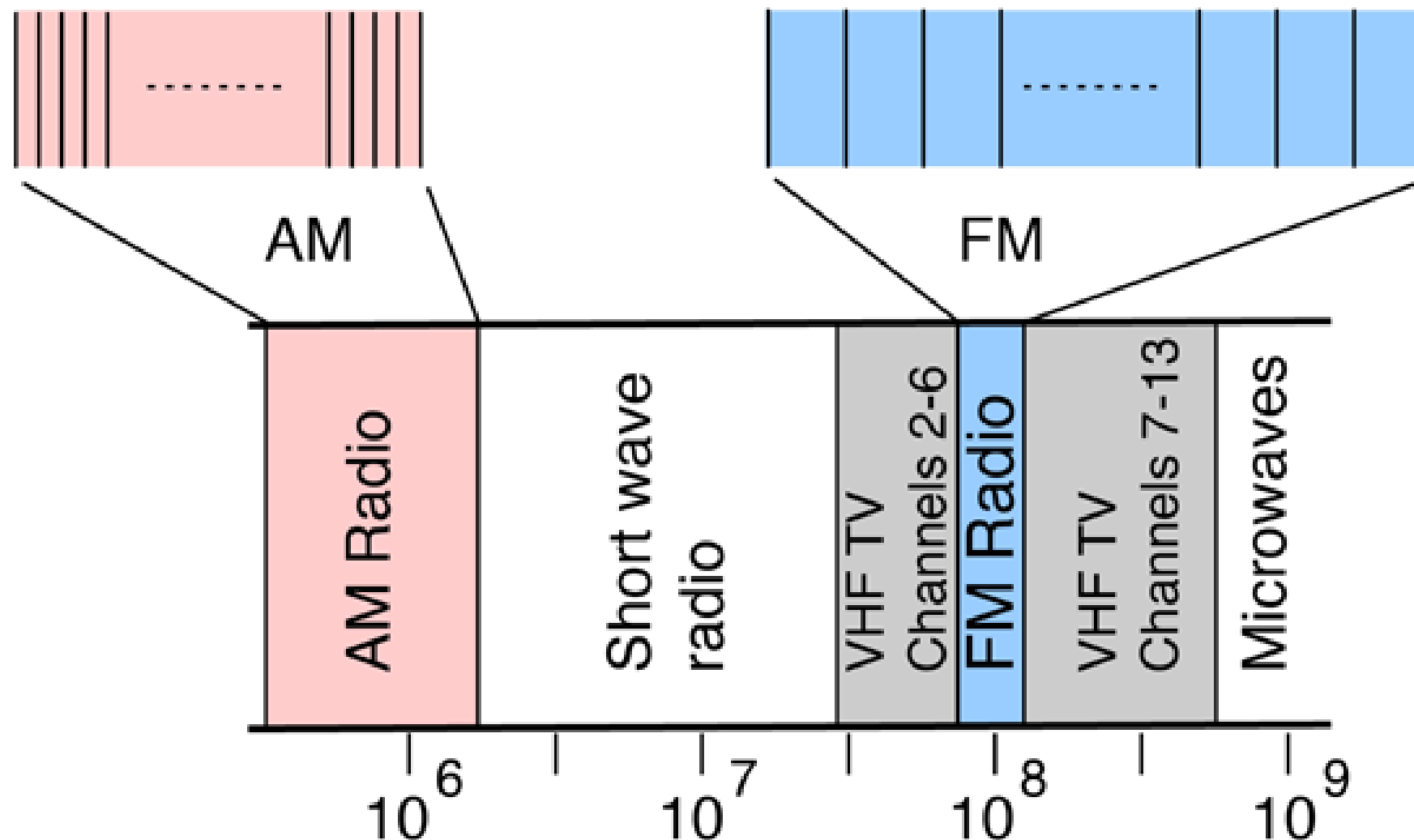


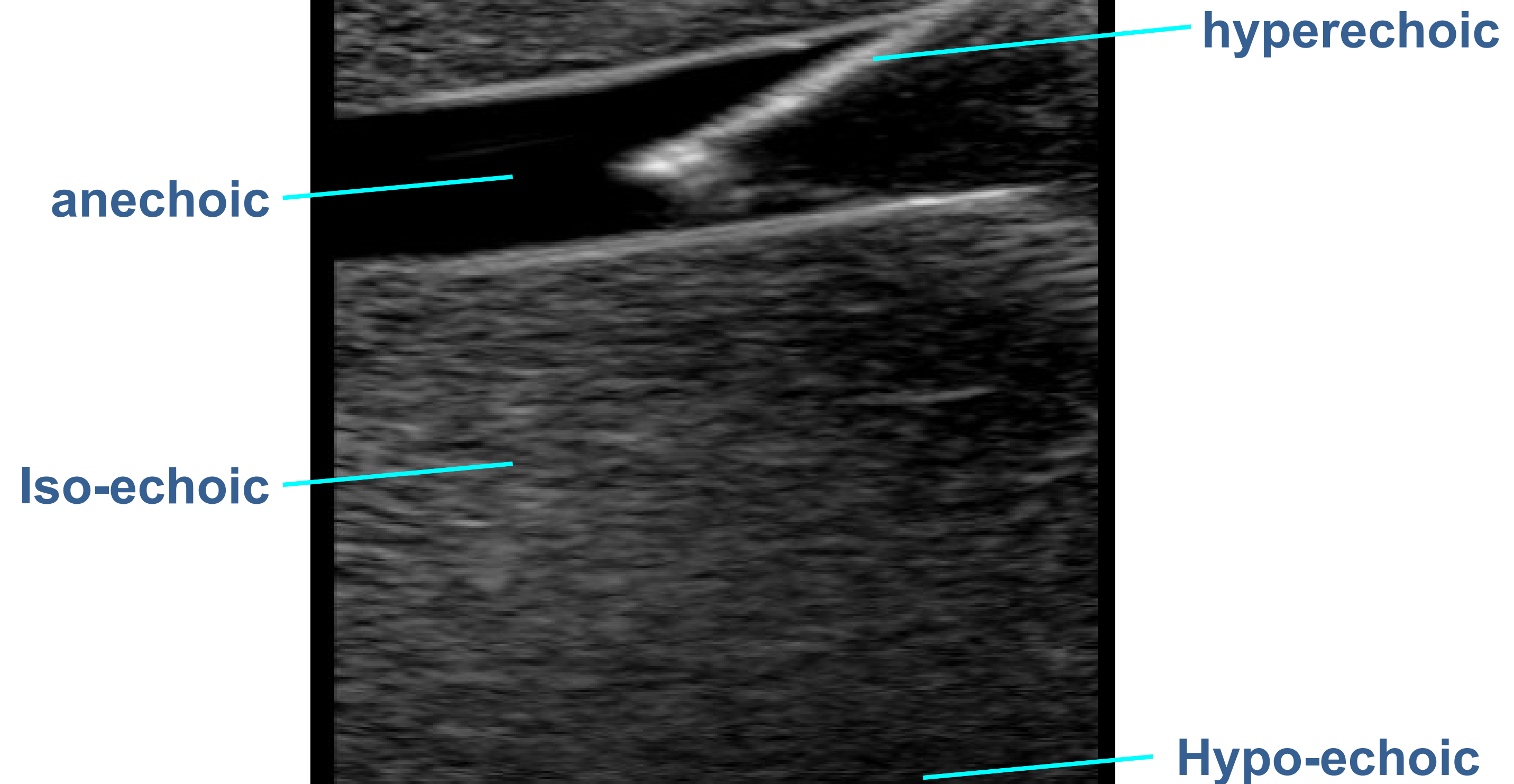
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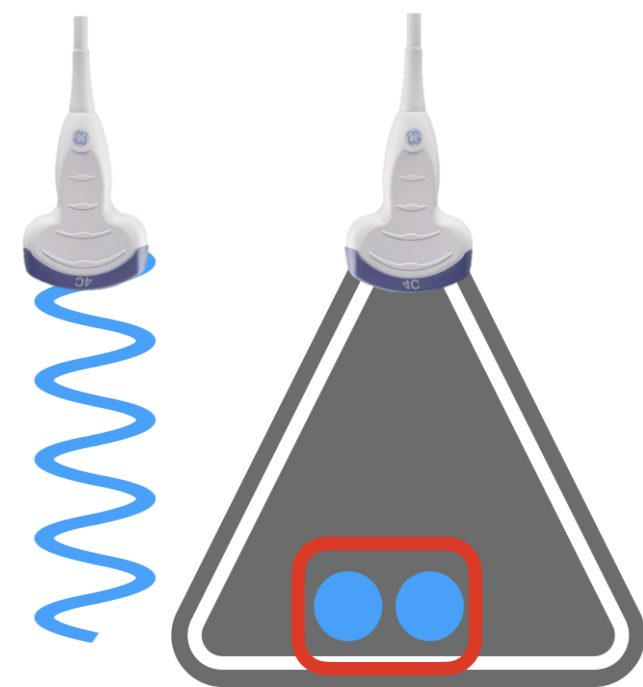
10 kHz bandwidth from
540-1600 kHz for
106 possible bands

200 kHz bandwidth from
88.1-108.1 MHz for
100 possible bands

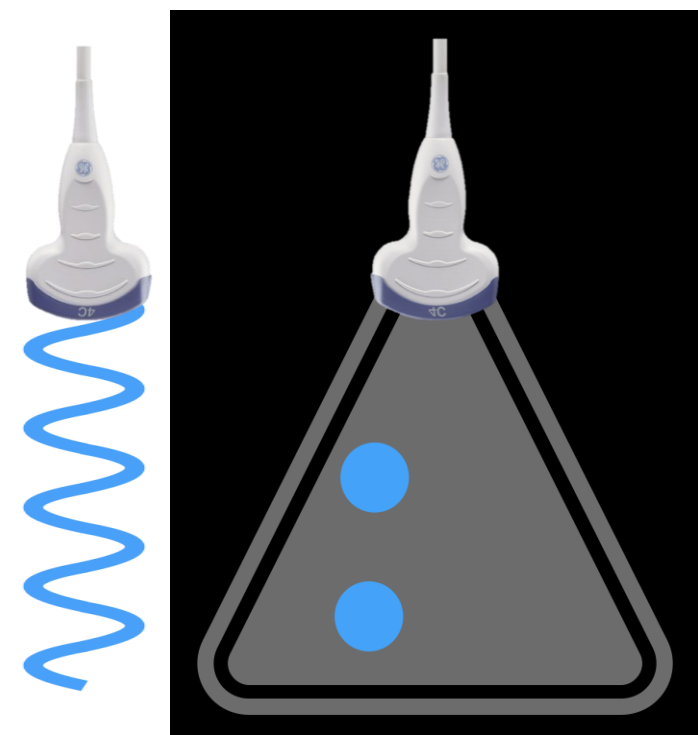




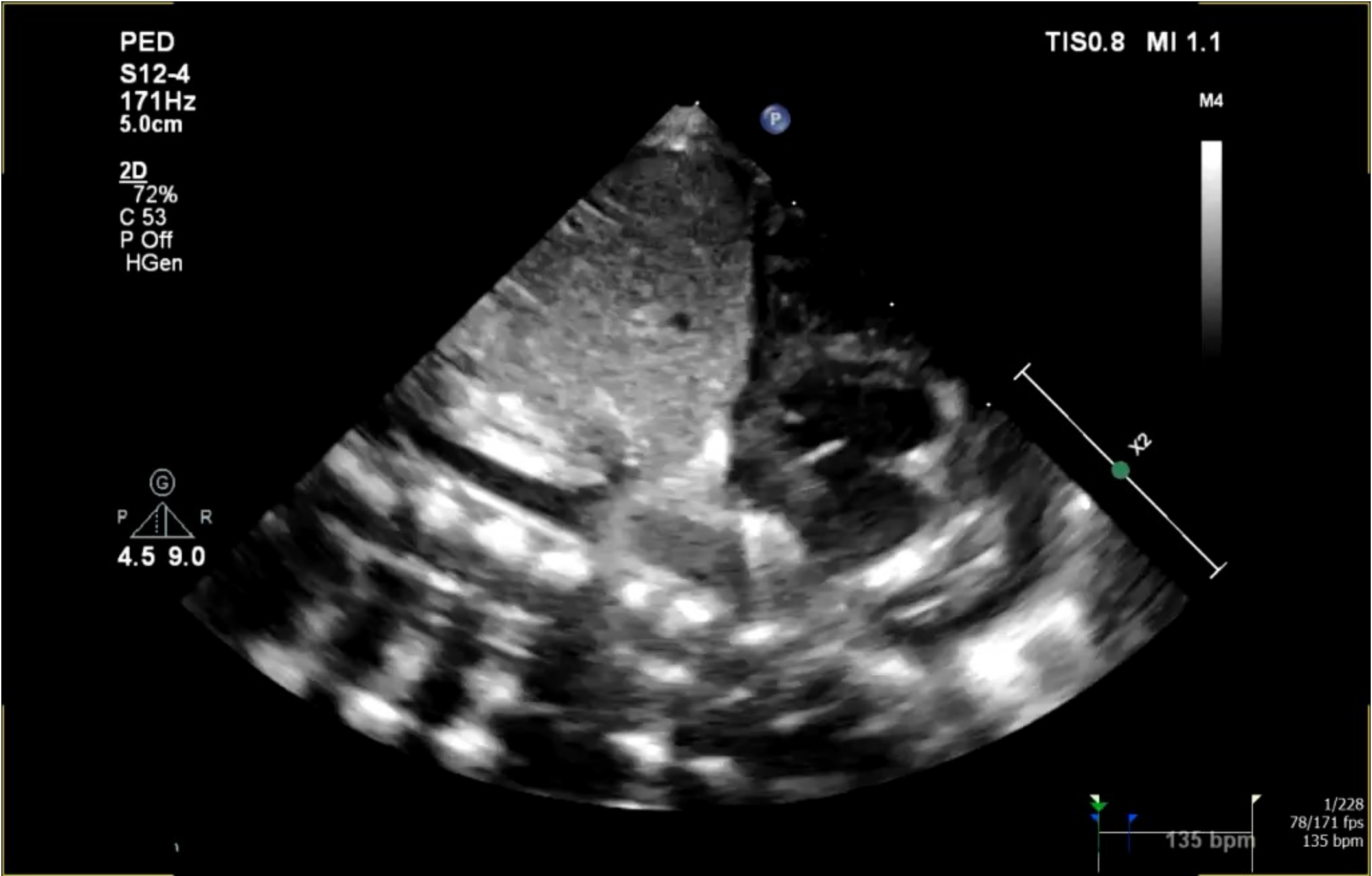
RESOLUTION



LATERAL



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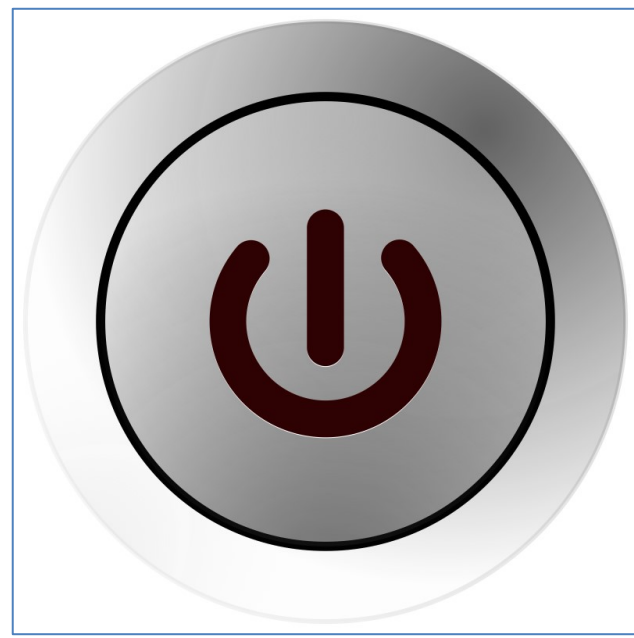


TEMPORAL

Equipment



Knobology



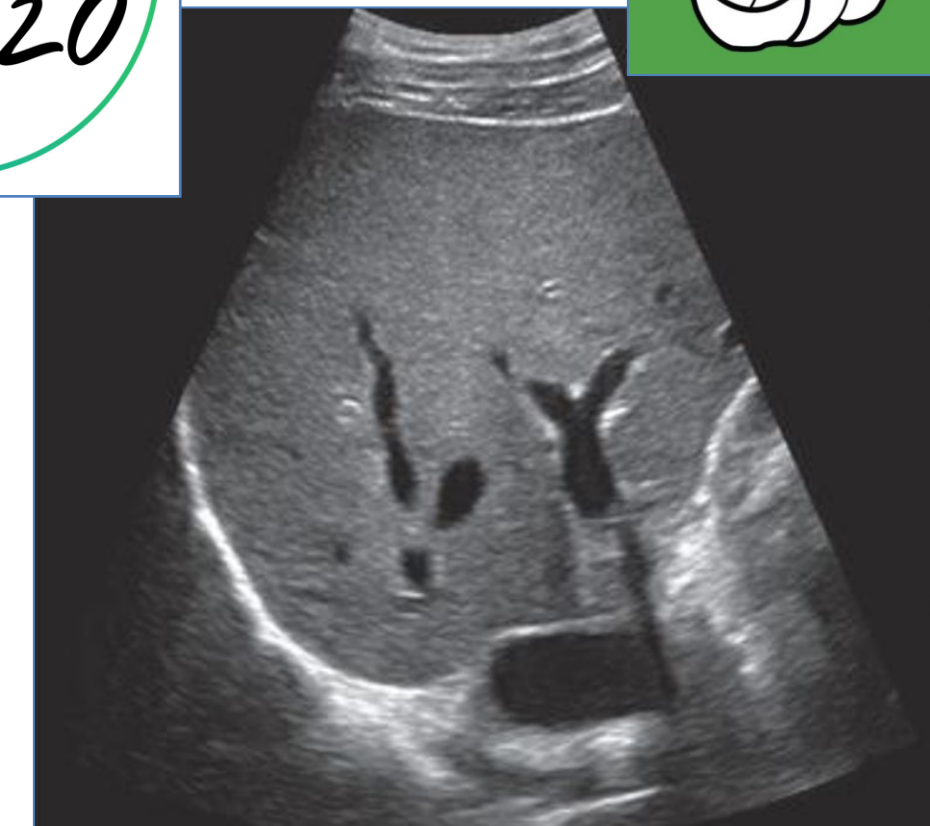
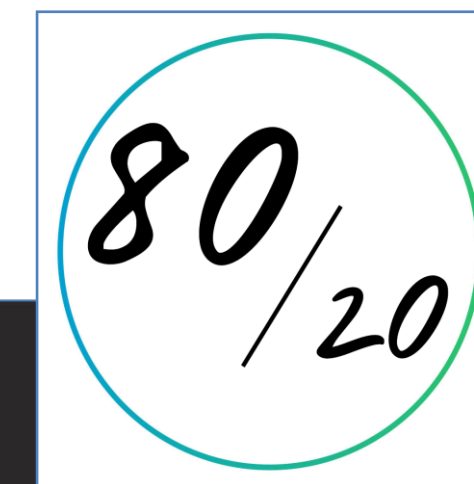
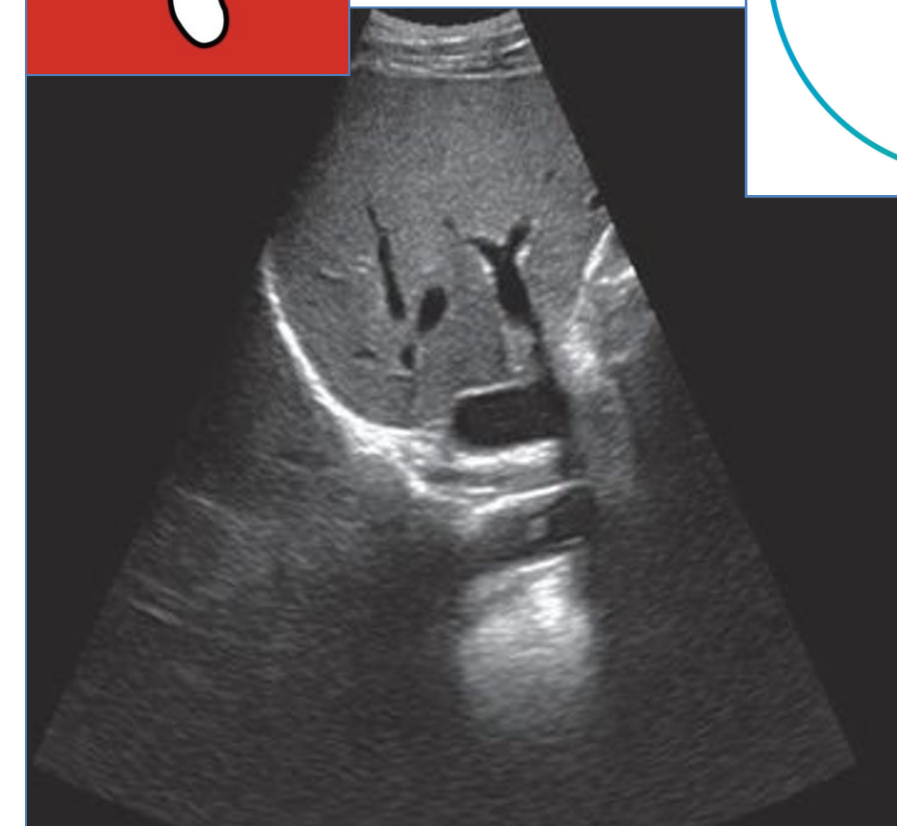
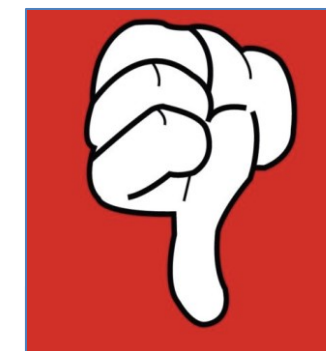
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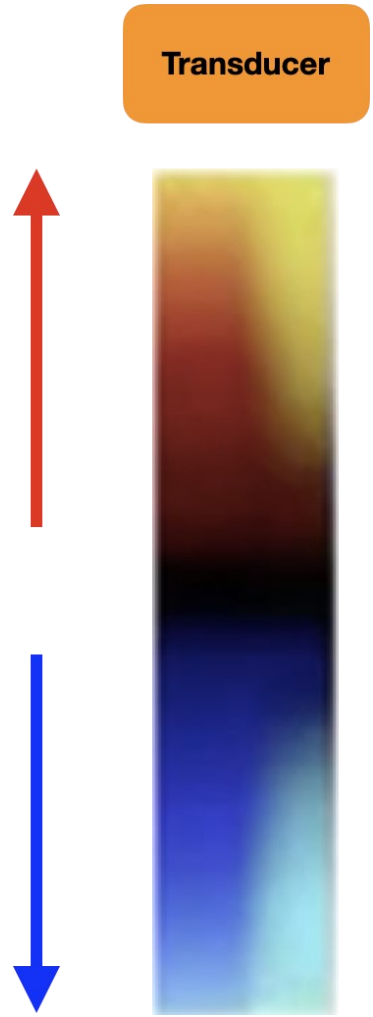
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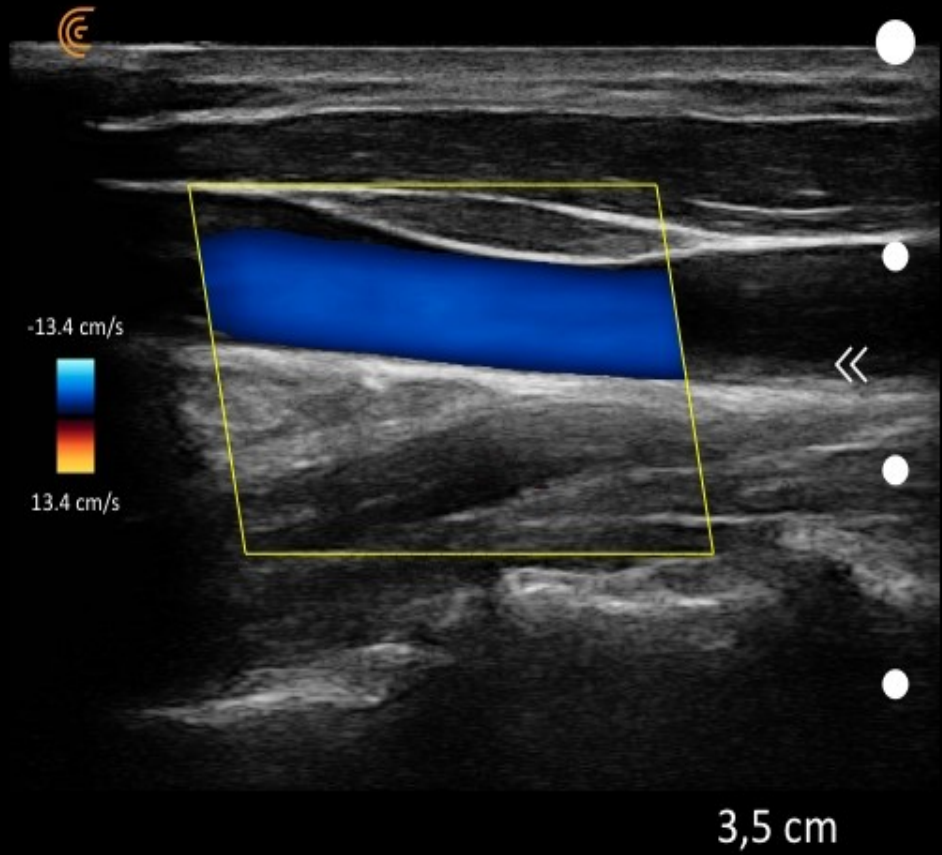
GAIN



Color Doppler



BART : Blue Away Red Towards

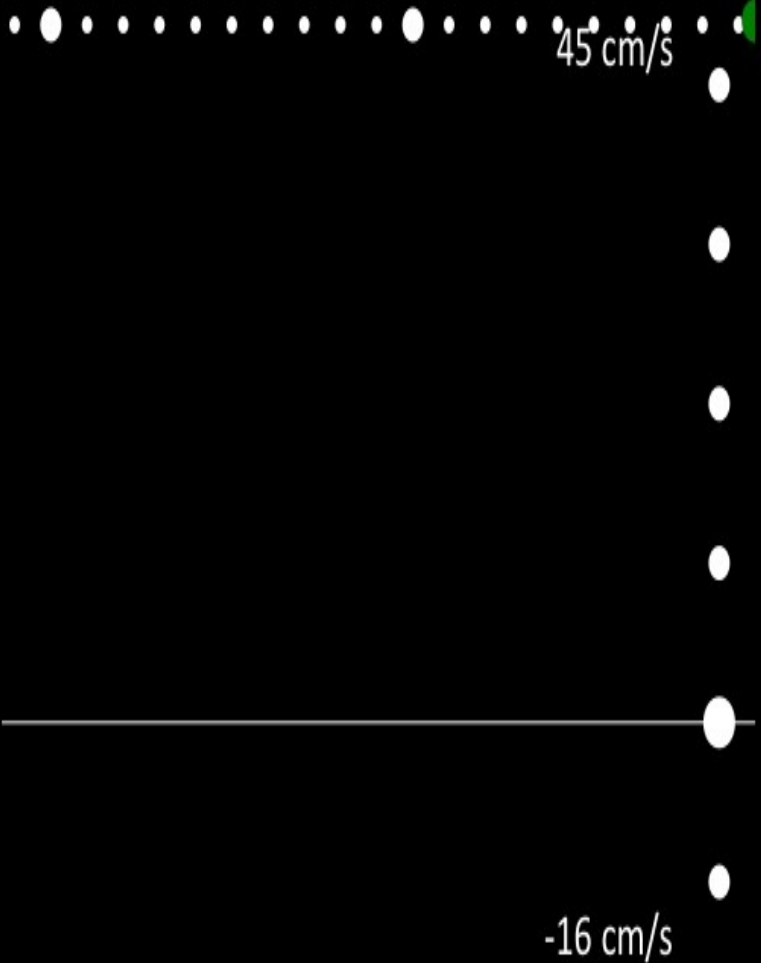


17 FPS / 14,0 MHz

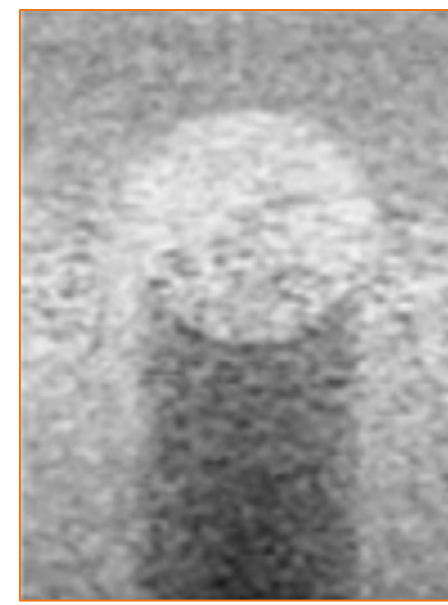
Pulse Wave



16 FPS / 14,0 MHz



Artefacts

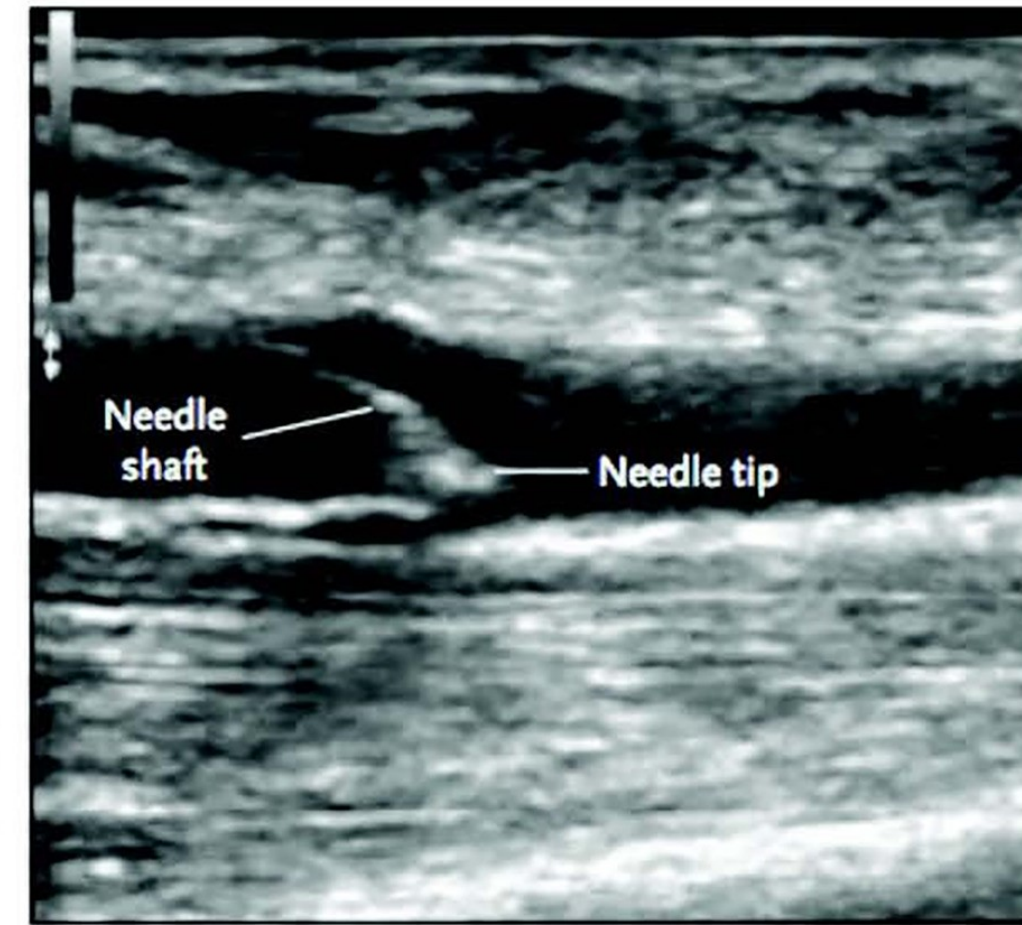
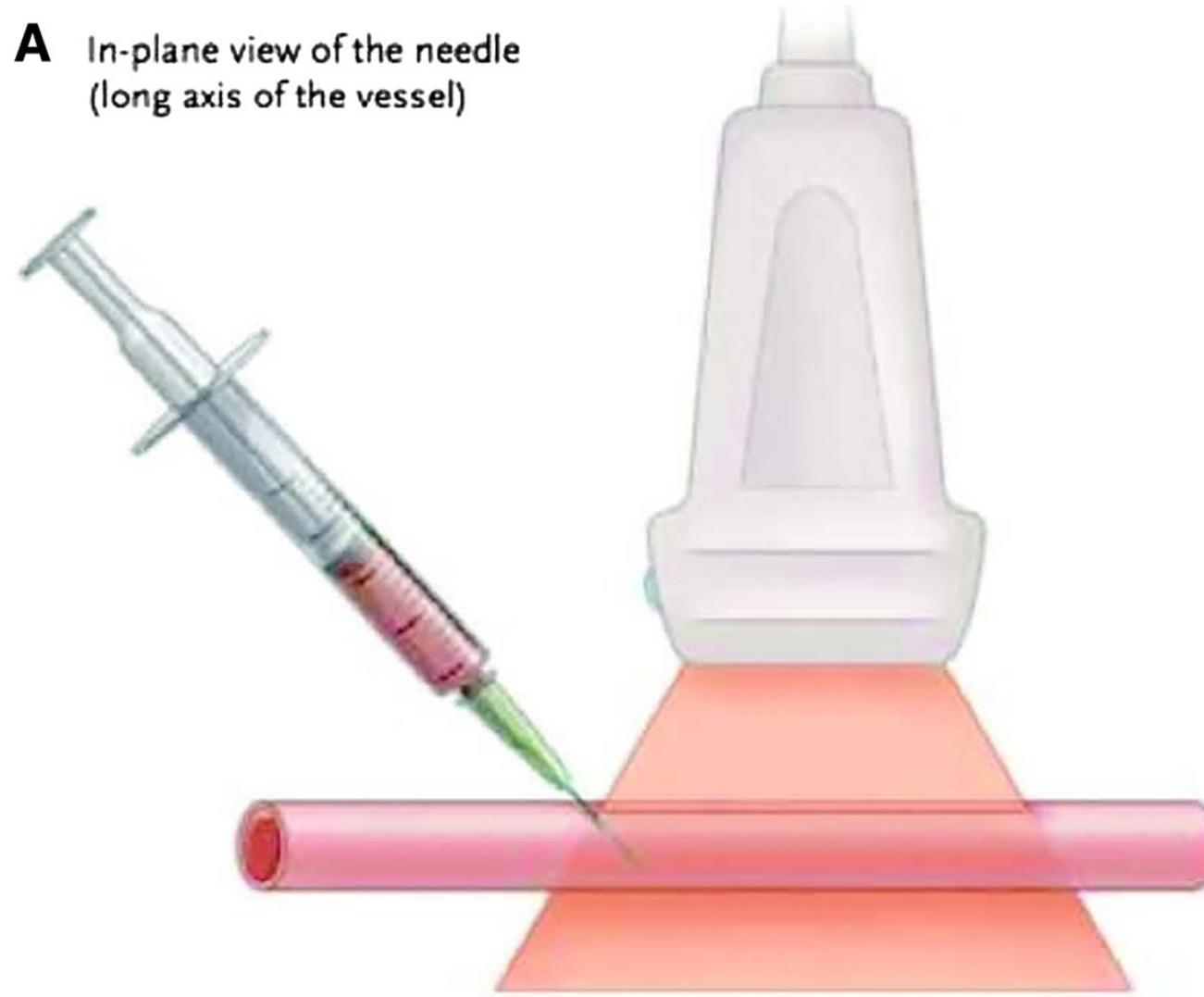


- Acoustic shadowing
- Acoustic enhancement
- Refraction
- Mirror artefact
- Reverberation
- Bundle artefacts (especially side lobe)

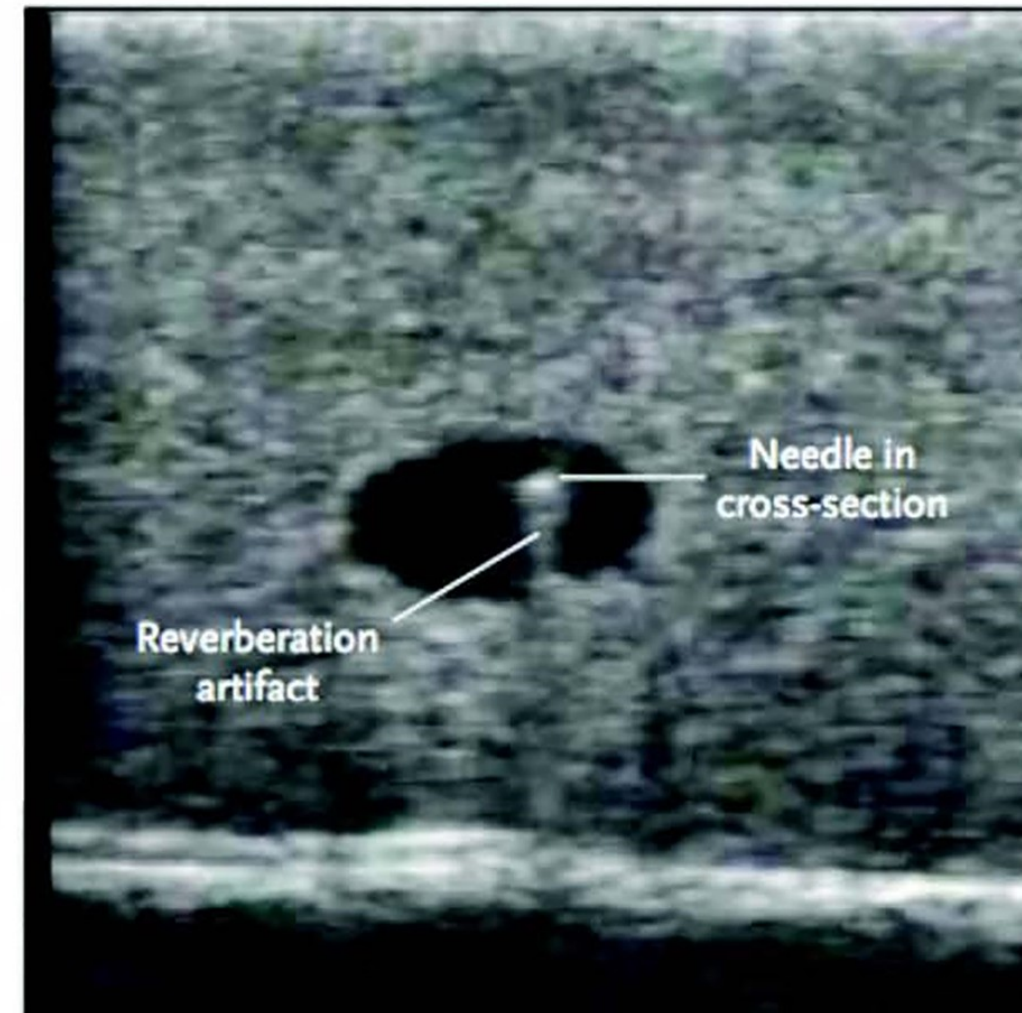
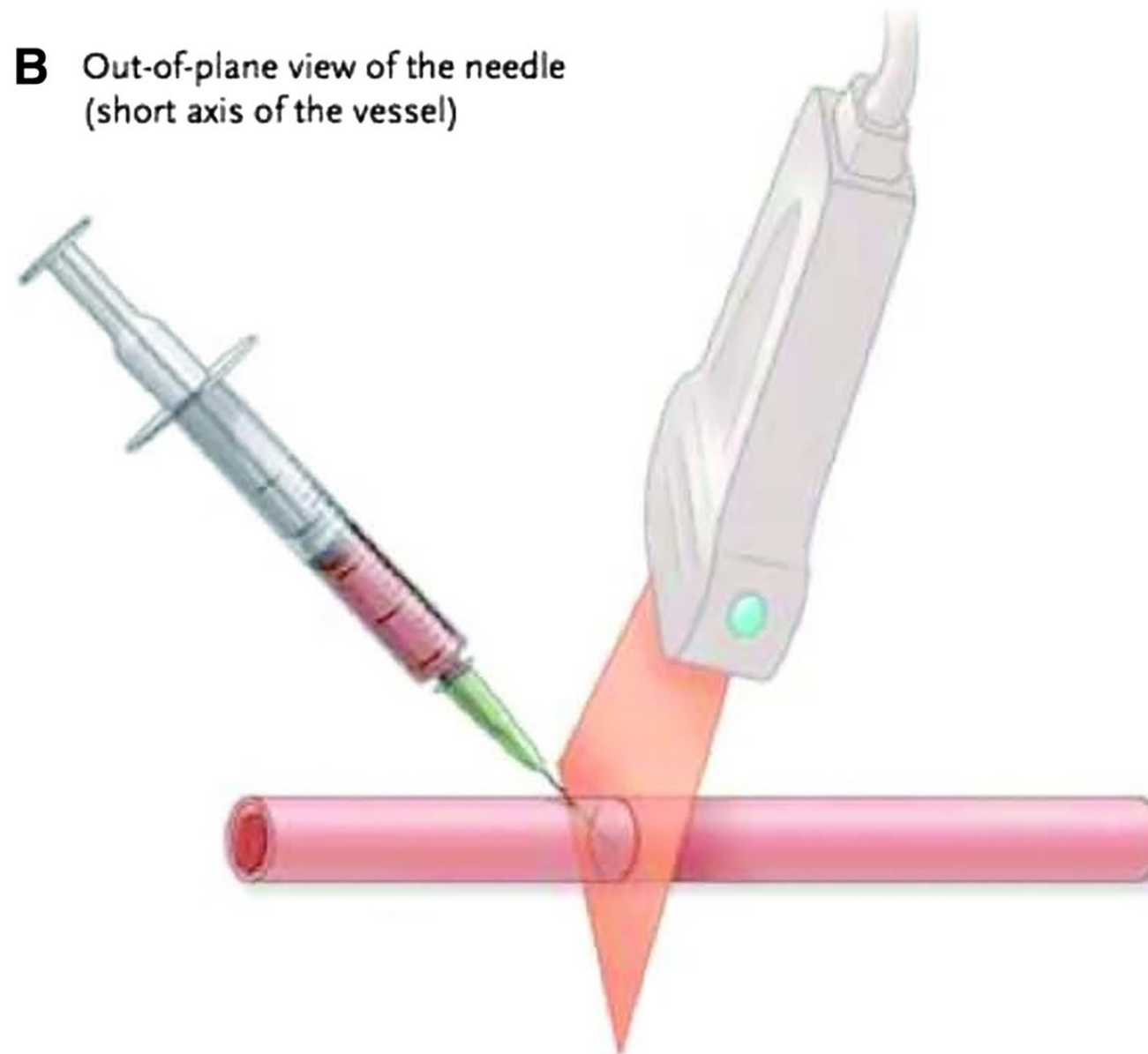
Artefact
Knowledge
is **POWER**

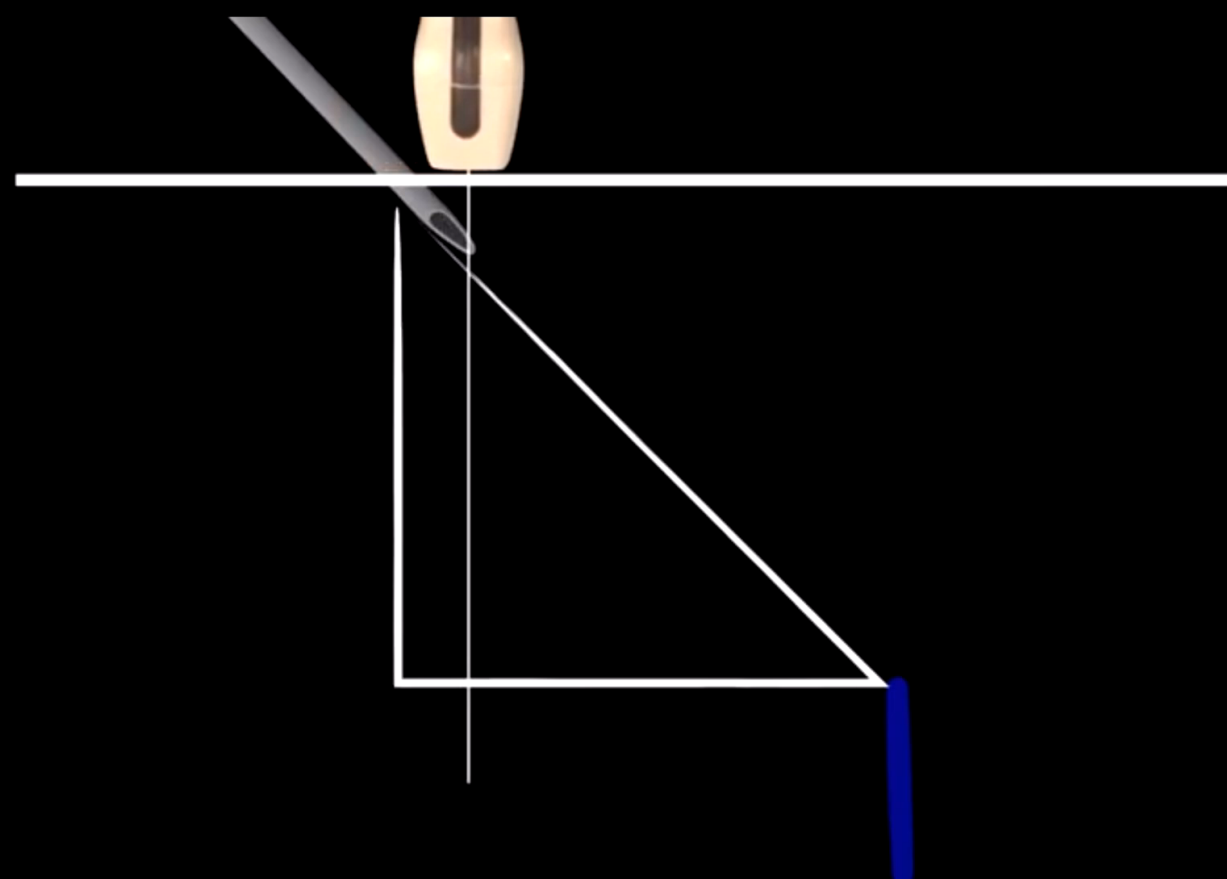
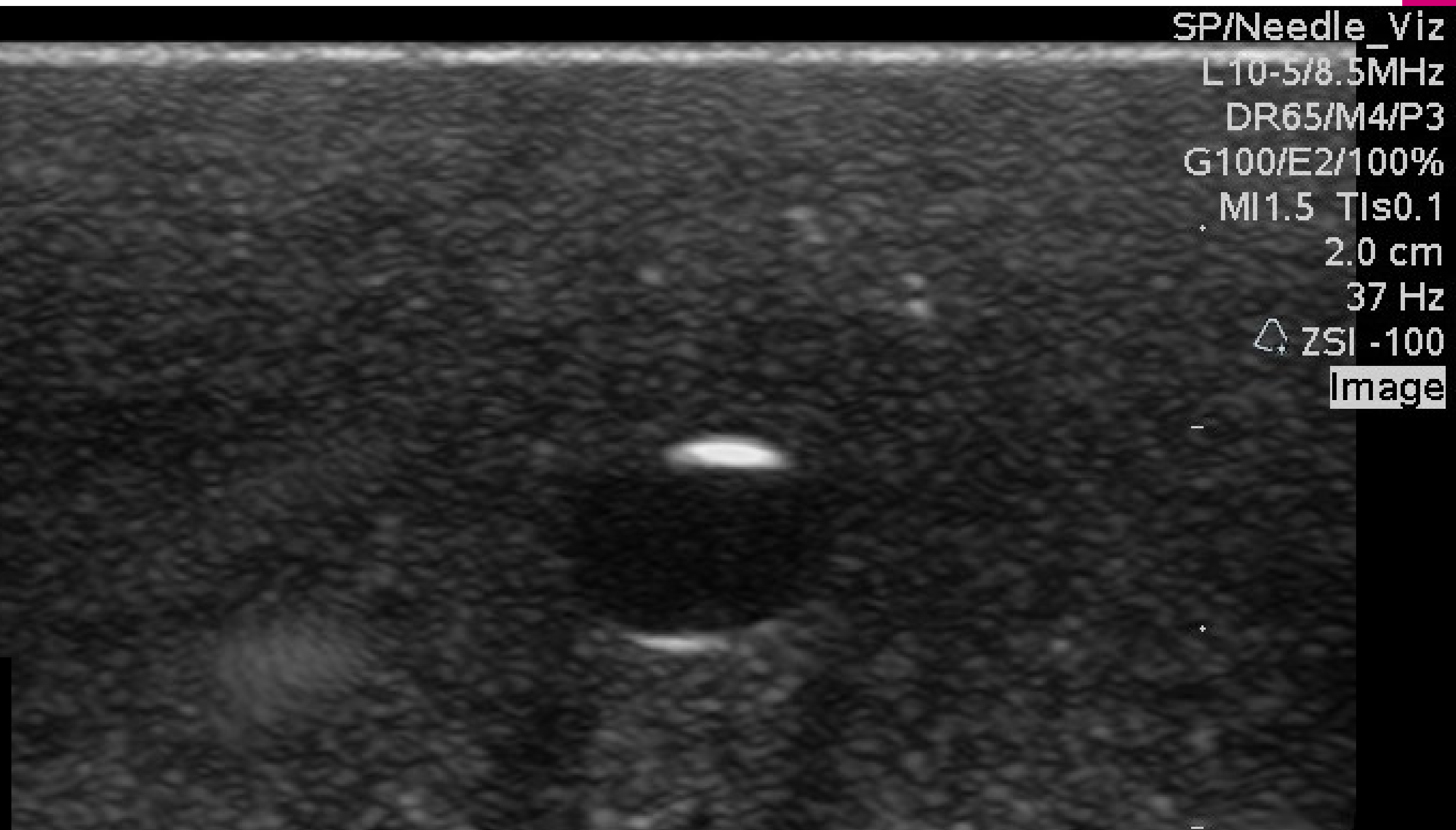
ASSUMPTION IS THE MOTHER OF
ALL FUCK UPS.

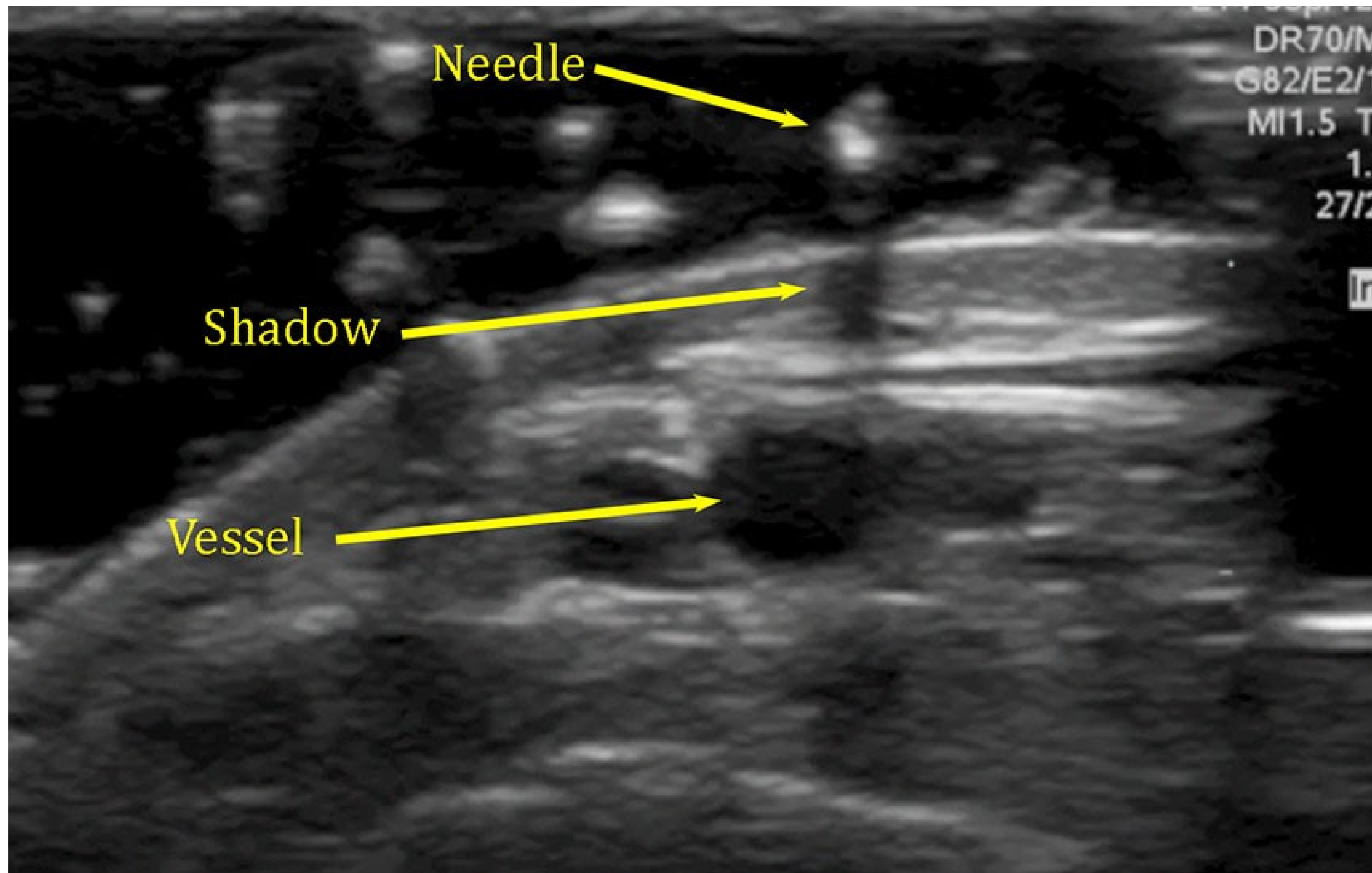
A In-plane view of the needle
(long axis of the vessel)



B Out-of-plane view of the needle
(short axis of the vessel)



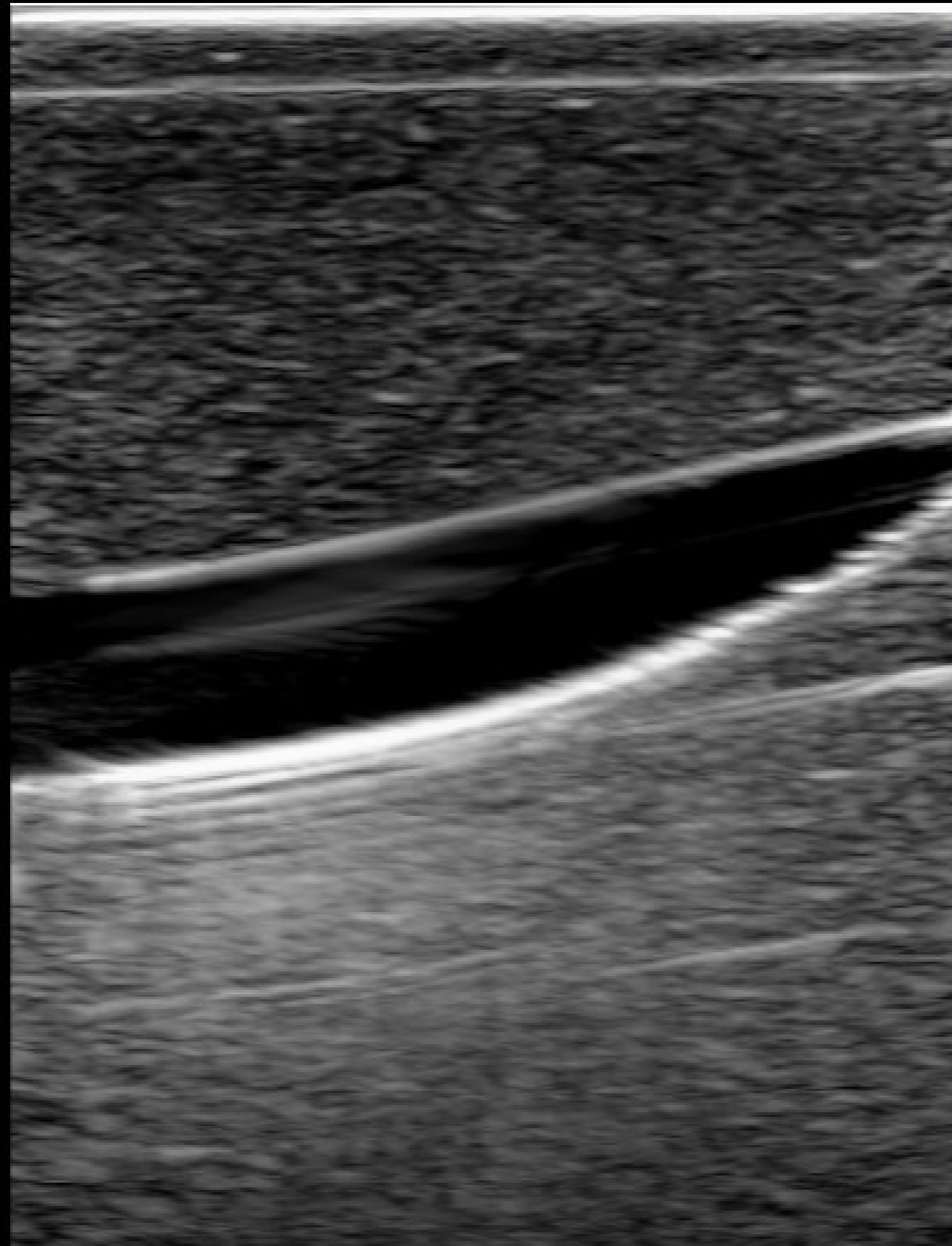
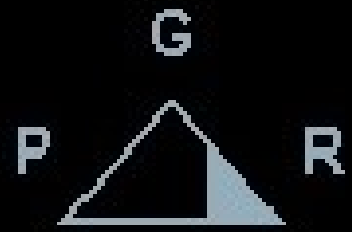




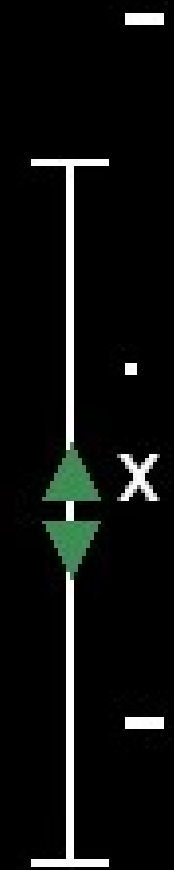


60Hz
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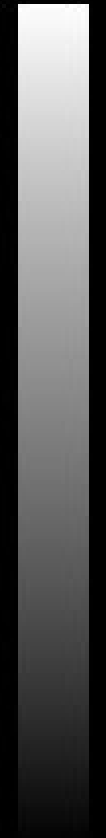
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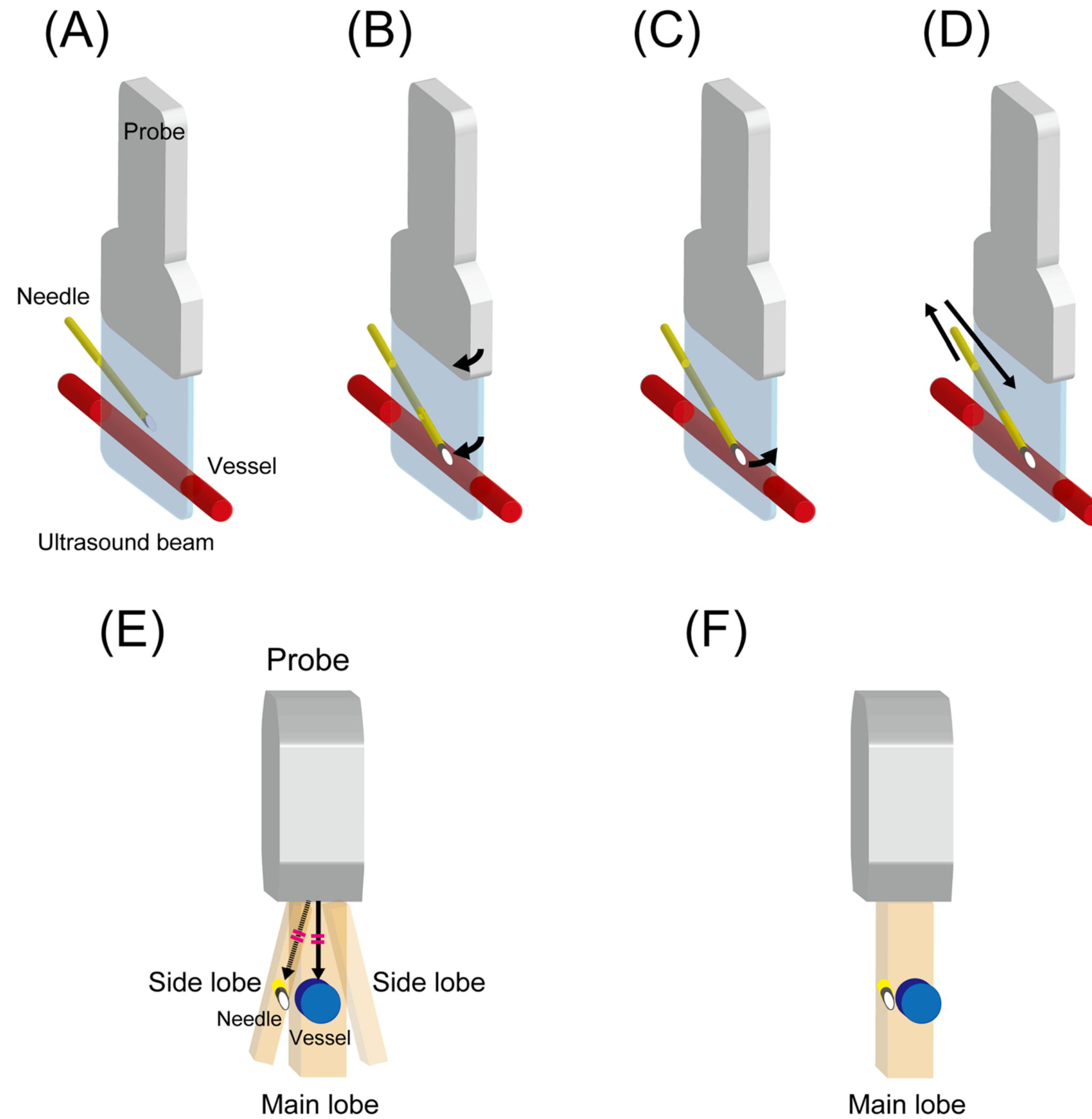
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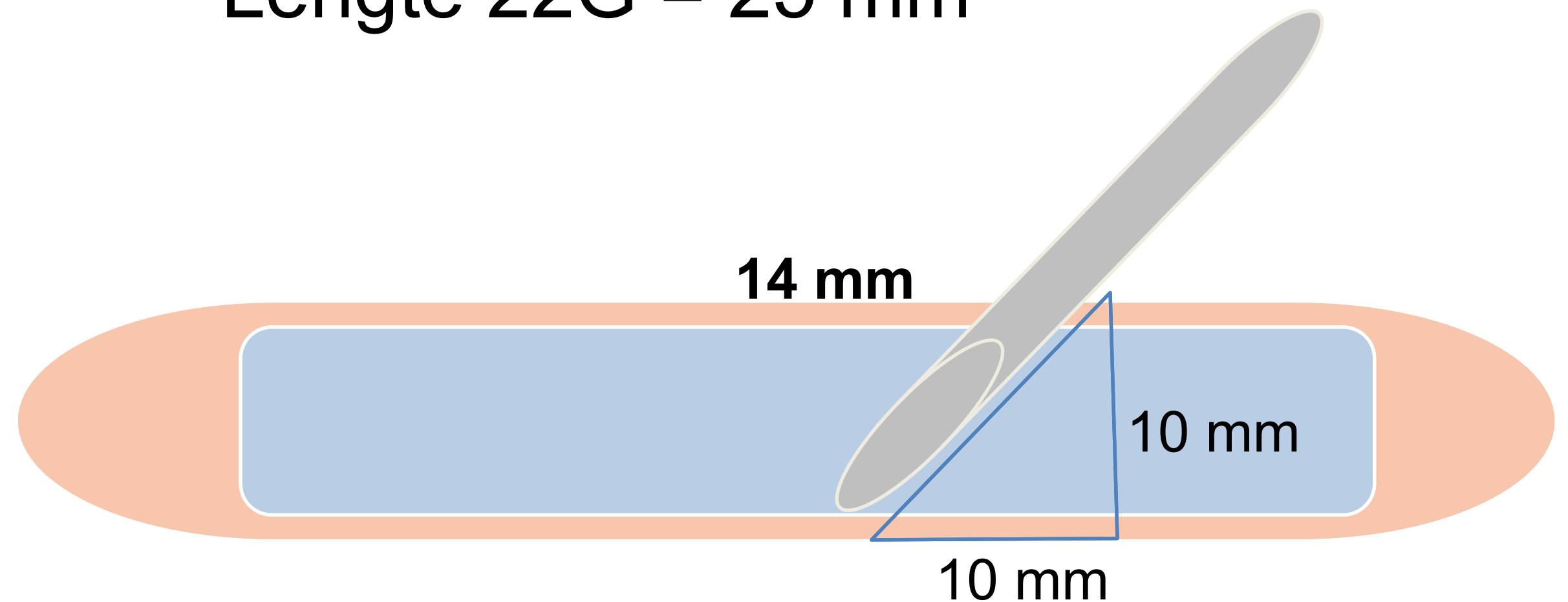




Evaluation of the vessel trajectory:

- Angle
- distance
- diameter
- course
- obstruction

Length 24G / 26G = 19 mm
Length 22G = 25 mm



$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

Table 1. Measurements of the diameters of the most relevant deep veins in the 5 weight groups

Vein	Whole cohort (<i>n</i> = 100)	500–1,000 g (<i>n</i> = 20)	1,001–1,500 g (<i>n</i> = 20)	1,501–2,000 g (<i>n</i> = 20)	2,001–2,500 g (<i>n</i> = 20)	2,501–3,000 g (<i>n</i> = 20)	ICC
R IJV	3.1±0.8 (1.8–6.0)	2.4±0.5 (1.8–3.1)	2.8±0.5 (2.0–3.3)	3.0±0.6 (2.1–4.2)	3.2±0.3 (2.8–3.6)	4.2±0.7 (3.2–6.0)	0.85
L IJV	3.2±0.8 (1.9–7.0)	2.5±0.4 (1.9–3.1)	2.7±0.5 (2.0–3.4)	3.2±0.6 (2.2–4.4)	3.2±0.2 (2.8–3.6)	4.4±0.9 (3.3–7.0)	0.87
R BCV	3.6±0.6 (2.6–5.7)	3.0±0.3 (2.6–3.6)	3.3±0.3 (2.7–3.7)	3.4±0.3 (2.7–3.6)	3.8±0.4 (3.1–4.2)	4.5±0.6 (3.7–5.7)	0.96
L BCV	3.5±0.8 (2.0–7.5)	3.0±0.3 (2.2–3.3)	2.9±0.4 (2.0–3.6)	3.4±0.5 (2.4–4.2)	3.5±0.3 (2.9–4.1)	4.6±0.9 (3.5–6.5)	0.97
R SBV	1.8±0.6 (0.8–3.0)	1.1±0.3 (0.8–1.7)	1.5±0.3 (1.2–2.2)	1.8±0.3 (1.3–2.3)	2.0±0.3 (1.5–2.4)	2.5±0.4 (2.0–3.0)	0.91
L SBV	1.8±0.6 (0.8–3.2)	1.1±0.3 (0.8–1.6)	1.4±0.3 (0.8–1.7)	1.8±0.3 (1.3–2.2)	2.0±0.3 (1.5–2.3)	2.5±0.3 (1.9–3.2)	0.92
R EJV	1.3±0.3 (0.8–2.2)	1.0±0.2 (0.8–1.3)	1.3±0.2 (0.9–1.5)	French Catheter Scale *Sizes are outside diameter			
L EJV	1.4±0.4 (0.6–2.4)	0.9±0.2 (0.6–1.2)	1.2±0.3 (0.8–1.5)				
R AxVc	1.9±0.5 (1.2–3.5)	1.5±0.1 (1.2–2.0)	1.7±0.4 (1.3–2.3)	French	Inches	mm	
L AxVc	2.0±0.4 (1.3–3.2)	1.6±0.2 (1.3–1.9)	1.9±0.5 (1.3–2.8)	1	0.013	0.33	
R AxVa	1.6±0.4 (0.8–2.4)	1.2±0.3 (0.8–1.5)	1.5±0.3 (1.0–1.9)	2	0.026	0.67	
L AxVa	1.6±0.4 (0.8–2.6)	1.2±0.2 (0.8–1.7)	1.5±0.4 (1.0–2.1)	3	0.039	1.00	
R BrV	1.0±0.3 (0.5–2.1)	0.9±0.2 (0.7–1.2)	0.8±0.2 (0.5–1.0)	4	0.053	1.35	
L BrV	1.1±0.4 (0.6–1.9)	0.9±0.2 (0.7–1.3)	0.8±0.2 (0.6–1.0)	5	0.066	1.67	
R BaV	1.0±0.3 (0.5–1.5)	0.7±0.2 (0.5–1.1)	1.0±0.2 (0.7–1.2)	6	0.079	2.00	
L BaV	1.0±0.3 (0.5–1.5)	0.7±0.1 (0.5–1.0)	0.9±0.1 (0.7–1.1)	7	0.092	2.60	
R FeV	2.3±0.7 (1.1–3.5)	1.4±0.2 (1.1–1.8)	2.1±0.4 (1.3–2.7)	8	0.105	2.70	
L FeV	2.3±0.7 (1.1–3.5)	1.4±0.3 (1.1–1.9)	2.1±0.5 (1.6–2.9)	9	0.118	3.00	
R SaV	1.3±0.5 (0.5–2.3)	0.8±0.2 (0.5–1.2)	1.0±0.3 (0.7–1.8)	10	0.131	3.30	
L SaV	1.3±0.5 (0.4–2.3)	0.8±0.2 (0.4–1.1)	1.1±0.2 (0.7–1.5)				
Values are expressed in millimeters as mean ± standard deviation							
IJV, internal jugular vein; BCV, brachiocephalic vein; SBV, subclavian vein; EJV, external jugular vein; AxVc, axillary vein at the axilla; BrV, brachial vein; BaV, basilic vein; FeV, femoral vein							

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Applications

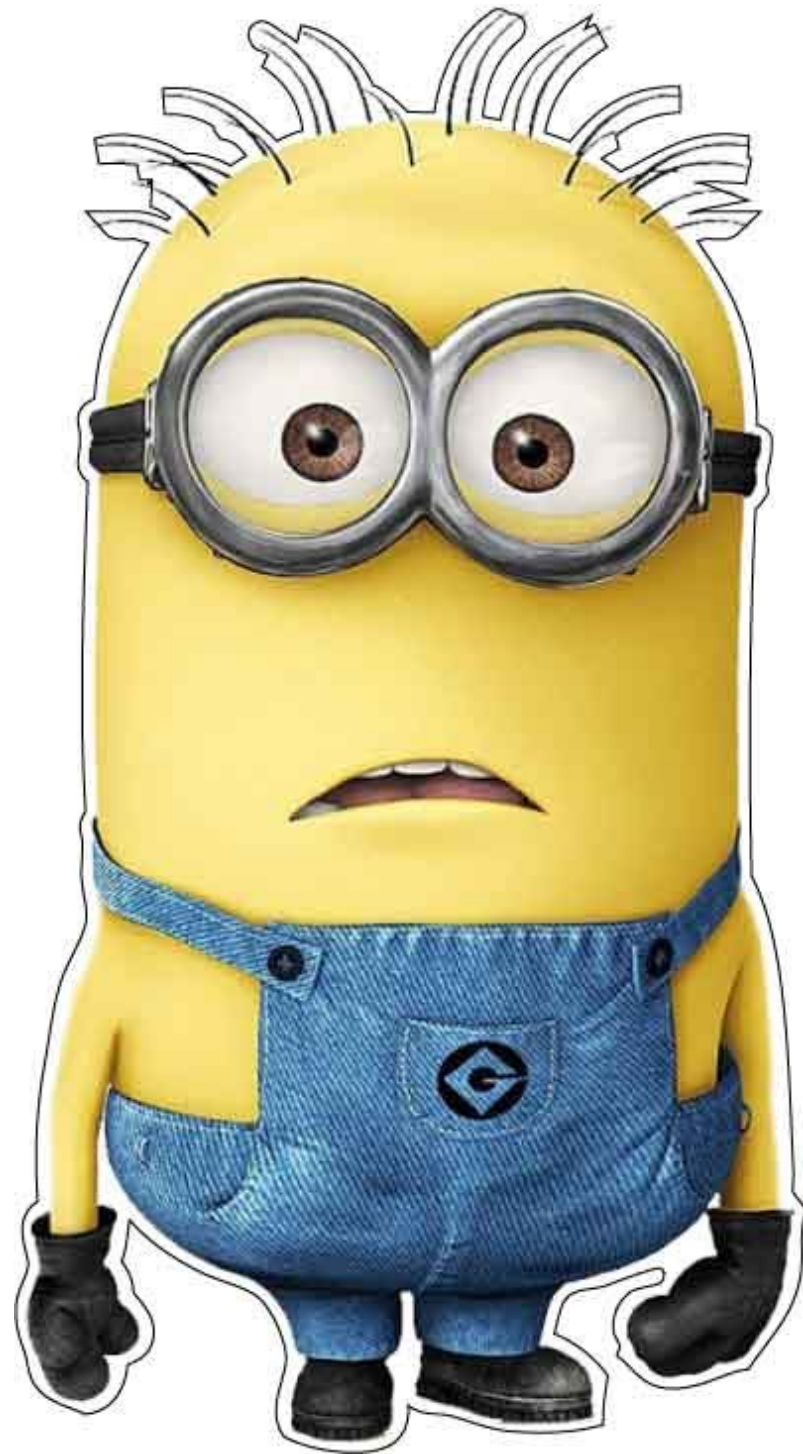
- RaCeVa; RaPeVa; RaFeVa
- Central Venous Catheters (CICC; PICC; FICC)
- Peripheral venous catheters
- Peripheral or central arterial catheters.
- Umbilical venous catheters
- Tip location and repositioning
- Detecting thrombi



5. the right **CLINICIAN (TEAM)**

1. Eye-hand coordination
2. Right equipment (linear transducer, resolution)
3. Know what you see and DON'T see
4. Consider getting fully POCUS proficient!
5. Make sure the patient is safe and comfortable





**How I feel when I find someone
who isn't as excited by POCUS
as I am**

Thank you



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