

Point of Care Ultrasound: Cutting edge care of the athlete

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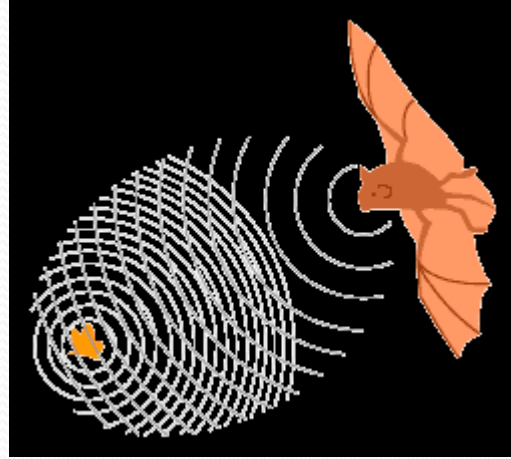
Objectives

- Identify how athletic trainers can use diagnostic ultrasound on and off the playing field
- Introduce types of ultrasound machines and basic knobology
- Learn how to obtain and analyze images
- Differentiate between muscle, tendon, nerve on images
- Differentiate between normal organ tissue and free fluid
- Differentiate between normal eye appearance on ultrasound and images indicating pathology

Evolution of POCUS

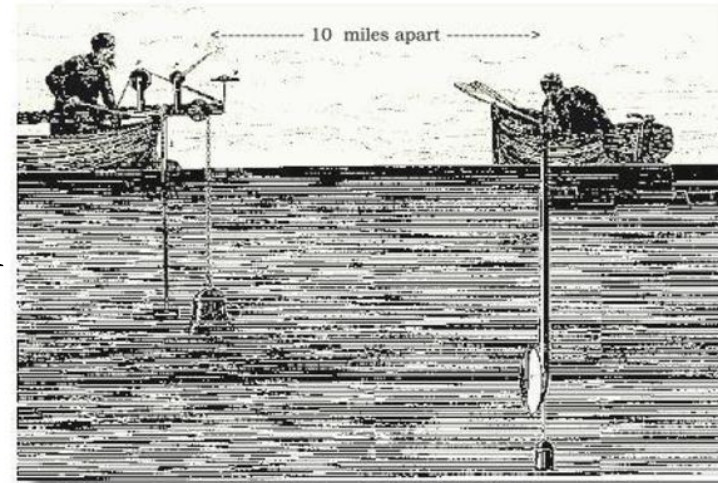


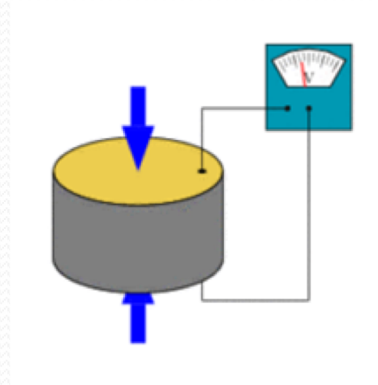
History of Ultrasound



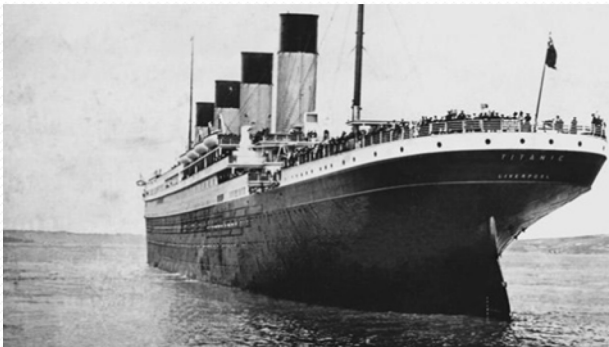
Sound waves studied by
Lazzaro Spallanzani, 1790s
Bat Echolocation

Jean Colladen & Charles Sturm
Lake Geneva Switzerland
Speed of sound in water faster
than air

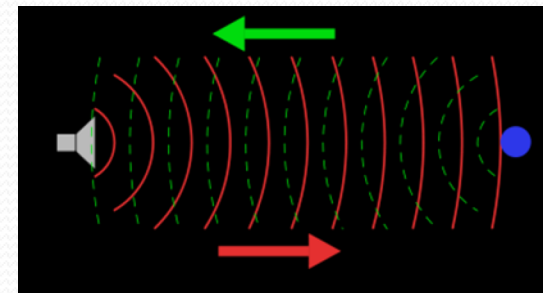


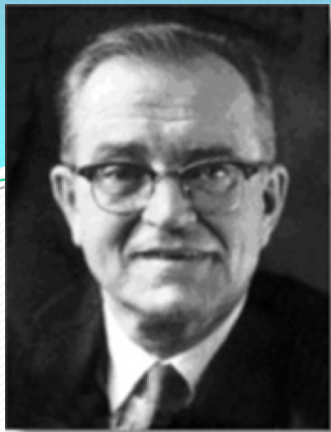


Curie brothers,
Piezoelectric
effect, 1880

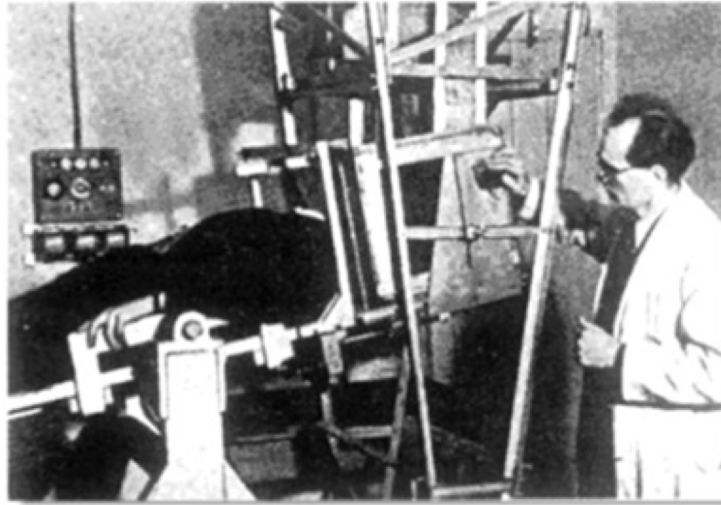


Sinking of Titanic and WWI –
catalyst for sonar/sound wave
technology





Karl Theo Dussik (9 January 1908 – 19 March 1968)

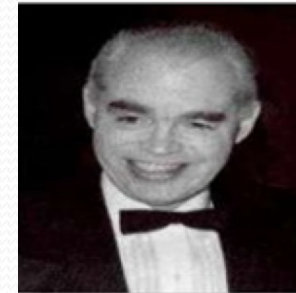


Dussik's elaborate apparatus for scanning the head

1940s Karl Dussik, credited with modern medical ultrasound

Howry and Holmes
Late 1940s
Immersion Tank
Published first 2D
images

1950: Douglas Howry & Joseph Holmes
Pioneros en el uso del ultrasonido en 2D y modo B
en la Univ. de Colorado



Douglass Howry, late 1960s



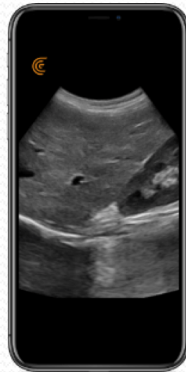
Joseph H. Holmes
1902 - 1982



SOUND-WAVE PORTRAIT IN THE FLESH
Howrylike device produces pictures of the human body's soft tissues which are invisible to X-rays



Ultrasound Machines

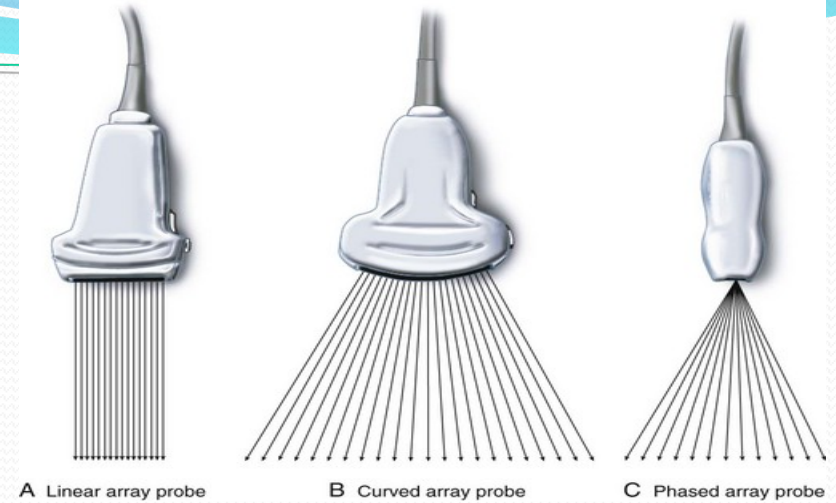


Knobology

- Gain: changes the brightness of the screen
- Depth: change to evaluate superficial or deep structures; used to magnify area of interest
- Modes:
 - M mode – motion; ie motion at the pleura
 - B mode – brightness (basic)
 - Color doppler (blood flow); inflammation, blood vessels



Probes



Frequency is determined by the probe

- Inversely related to penetration
lower number = increased depth
low # good for deep structures, high # good for superficial structures
- Direct relation to resolution (clarity of picture)
higher number = better picture for superficial structures
- Most common used 2.0-5.0 MHz for Abdomen
9-18 MHz for MSK

Obtaining an Image

- Pencil Hold versus Platform Hold





SLIDE



TILT



ROTATE



ROCK



COMPRESS

Anisotropy

Artifact created when the angle of ultrasound waves hitting the tissues is not perpendicular

Can cause false readings or incorrect diagnosis of tears



Scanning

- Eye
- Right upper quadrant
- Soft tissue (abscess vs cellulitis)
- Muscle / Tendon

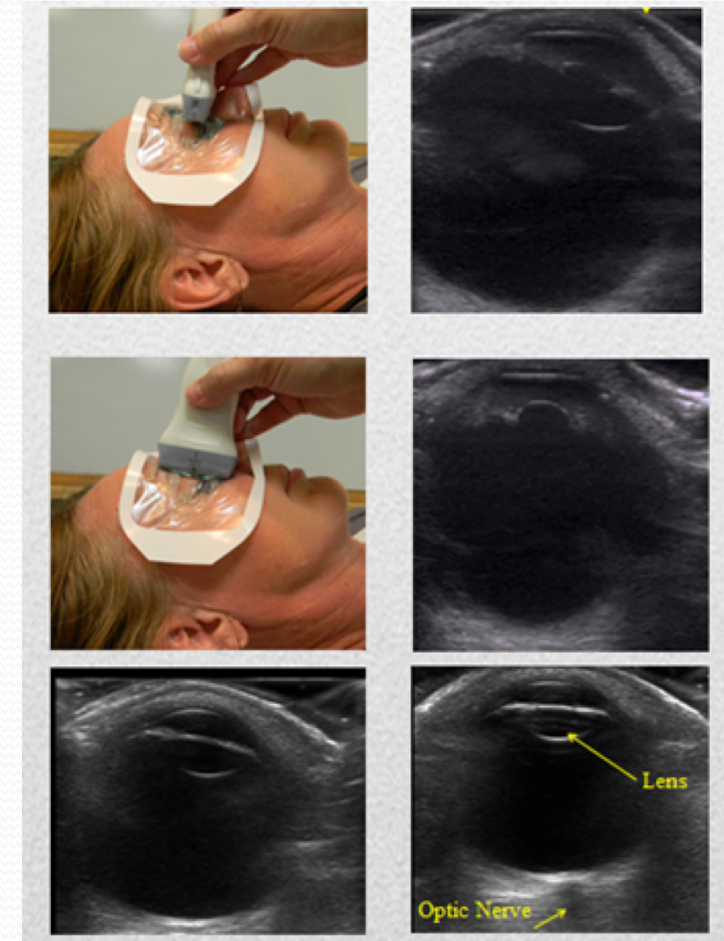
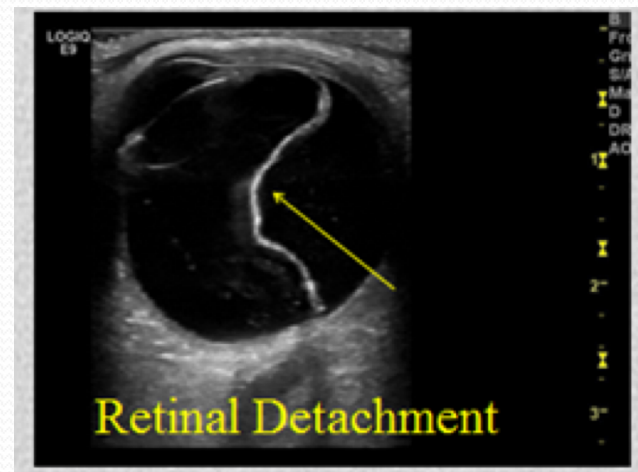
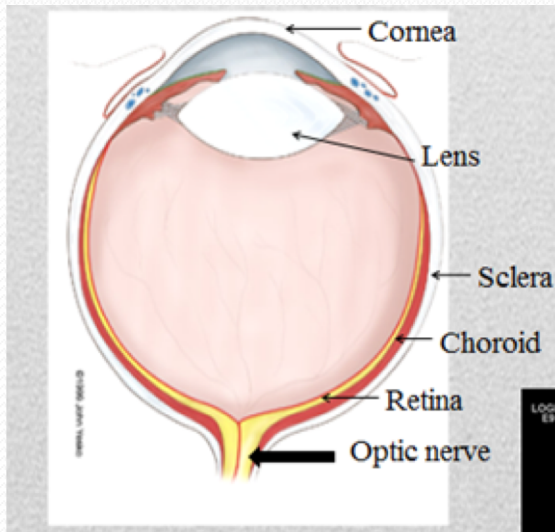
CASE #1

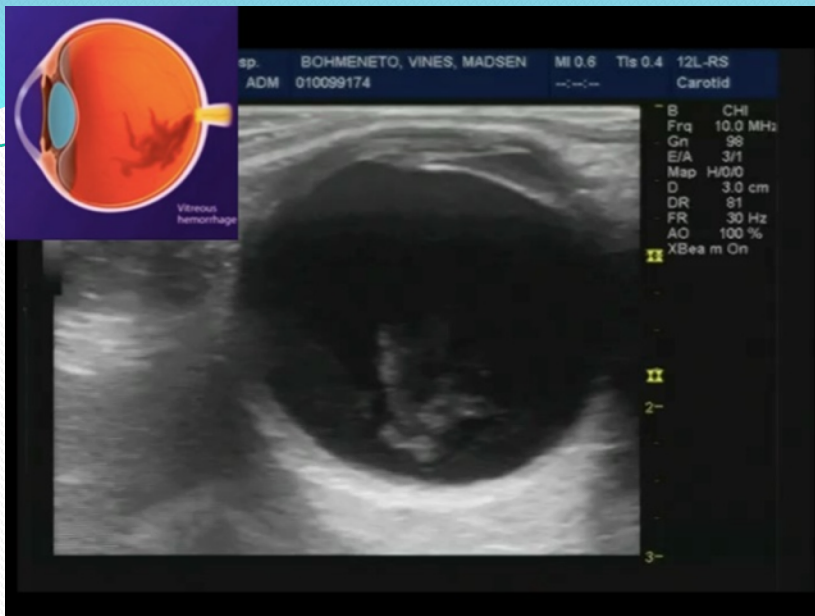


Ocular Ultrasound

- **Contraindications**

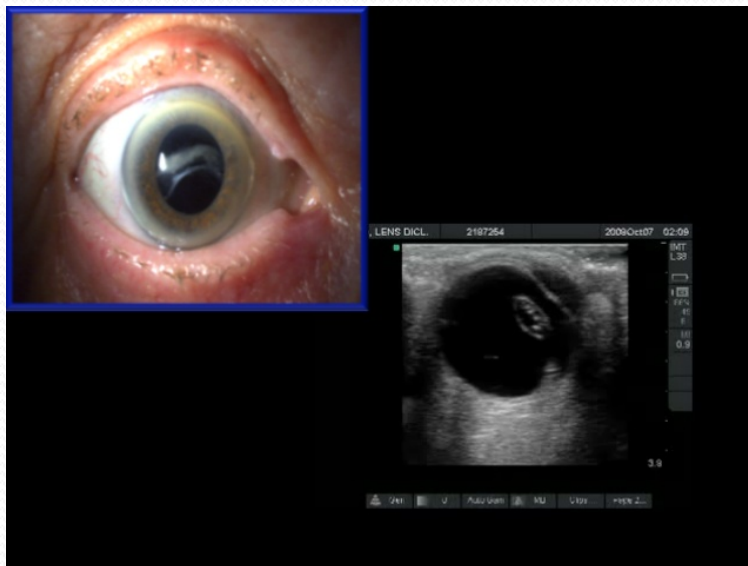
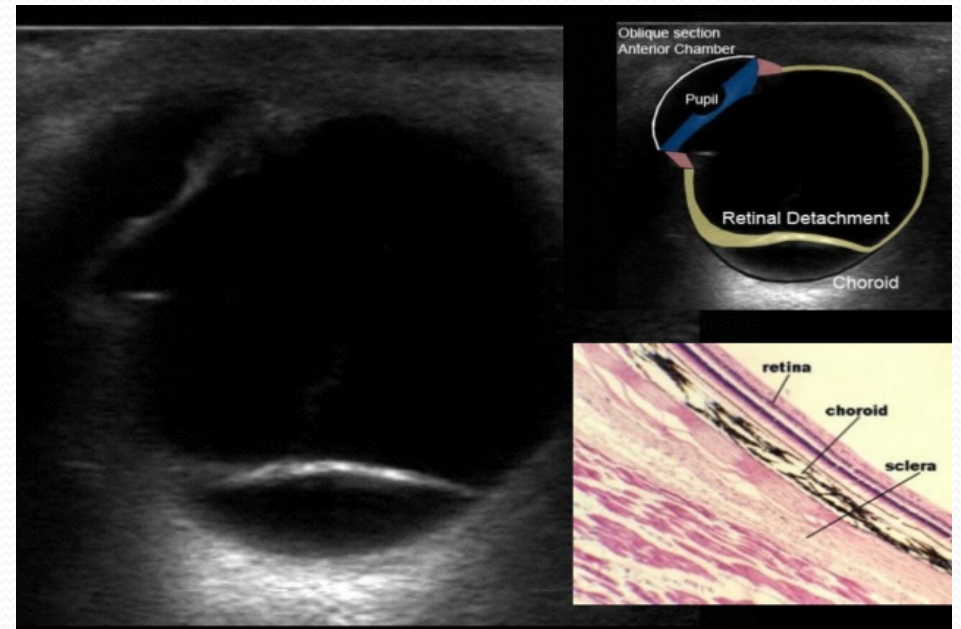
- Globe rupture; known or highly suspected
- Peri-orbital trauma
- Suspected retrobulbar hematoma





Vitreous Hemorrhage

Retinal Detachment



Lens Dislocation

Case #2



Abdominal Ultrasound

- Used to evaluate for small amounts of free fluid in the abdomen
 - 10 ml of free fluid can be found with abdominal POCUS
- Right upper quadrant is most likely the area to find free fluid
 - Anatomy allows direct route to “Morrison’s Pouch”, potential space for free fluid between liver and kidney

Abdominal ultrasound

Step 1: Start at external landmark: Find kidney
Use anterior / posterior slide

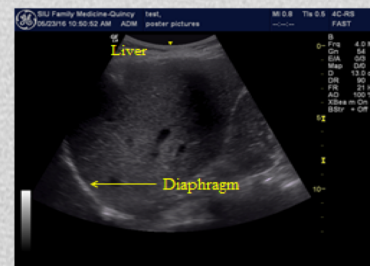
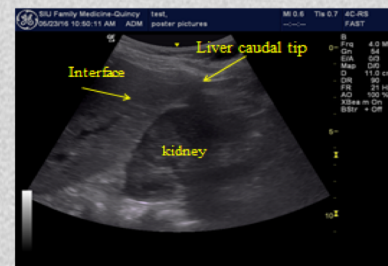
Step 2: Find interface “Area of interest”
Use longitudinal slide
RUQ - kidney / liver
LUQ - kidney / spleen

Step 3: Magnify image, limited
wasted space beyond kidney

Step 4: Sweep entire interface
until kidney disappears

Step 5: Sweep caudal tip of liver

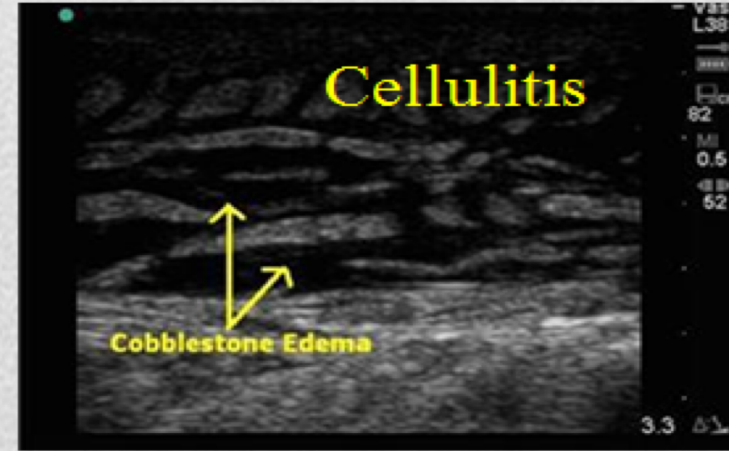
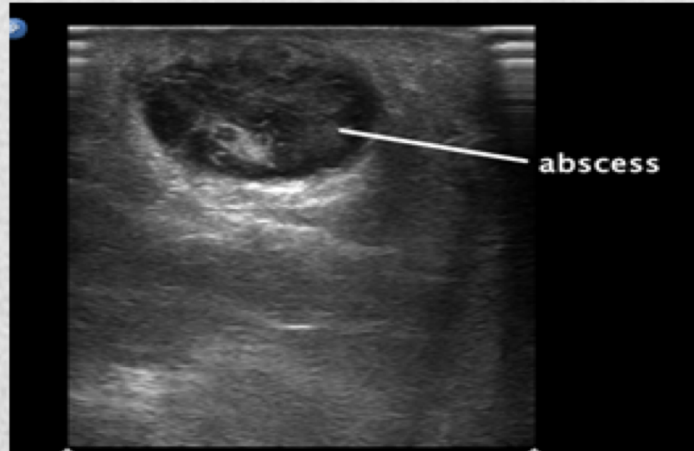
Step 6: Sweep diaphragm (6-9 o'clock)



Case #3



Skin Ultrasound

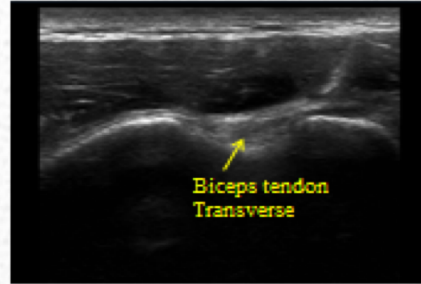


Case #4

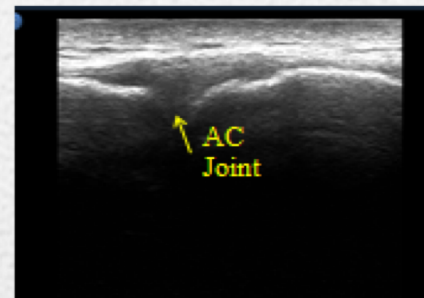
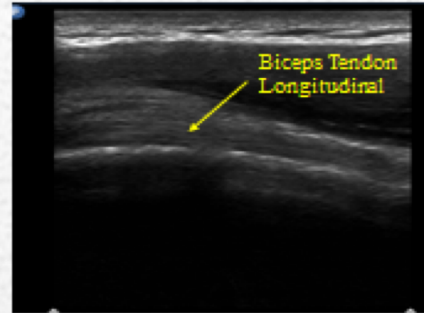


Shoulder

- Linear probe 12 mHz
- Patient positioned with forearm resting on thigh and palm up

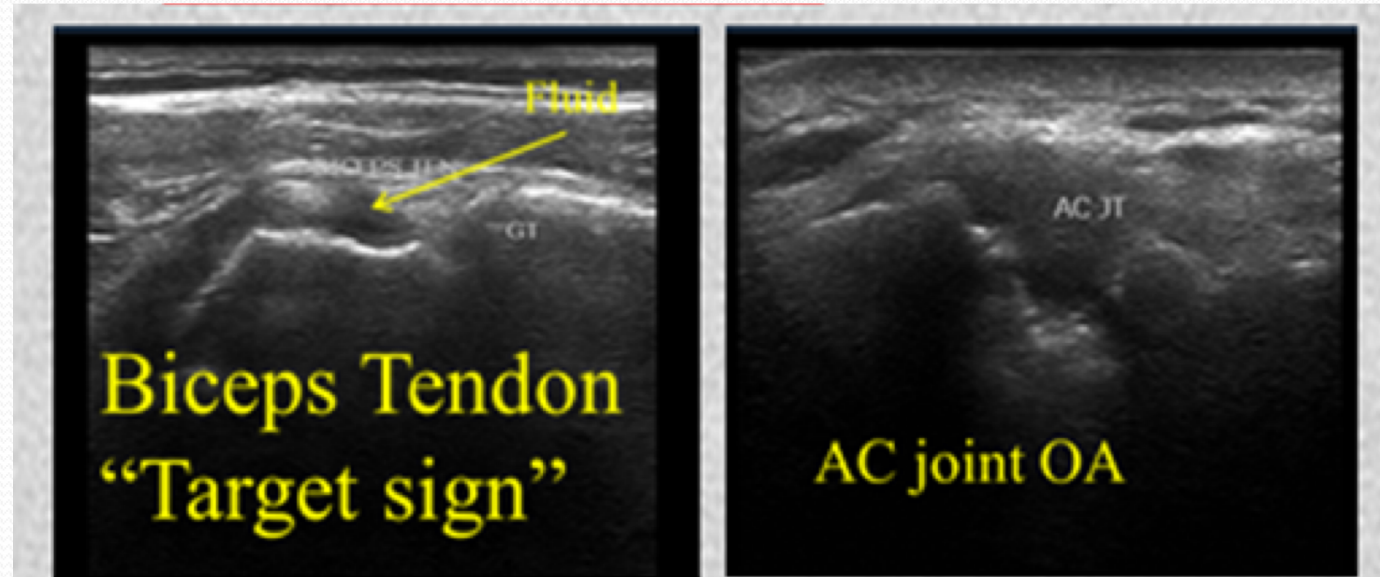


- Examiner can also perform dynamic testing of the biceps with patient internally and externally rotating in this position; check for biceps subluxation out of groove



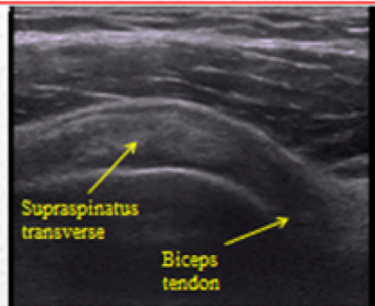
- Examiner can perform dynamic testing of AC joint with patient actively reaching toward opposite shoulder, abducting arm at same time and checking for movement of the clavicle upward

Musculoskeletal

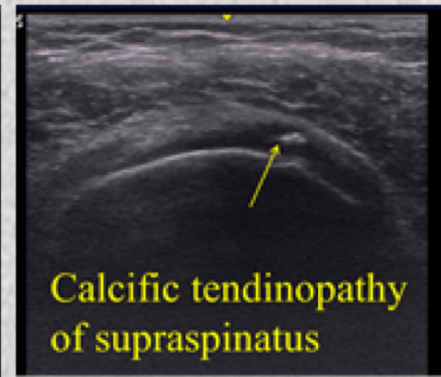
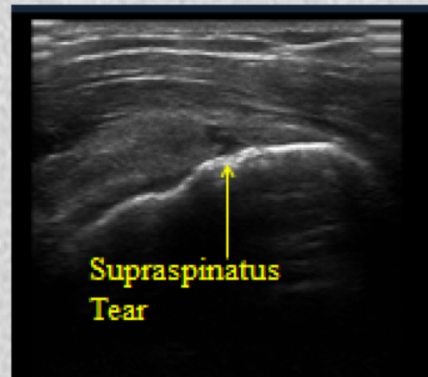
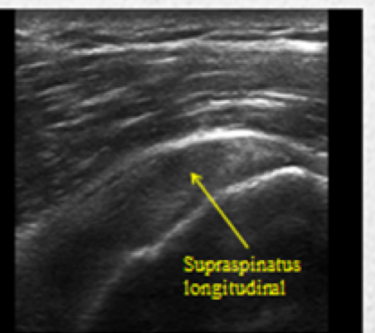




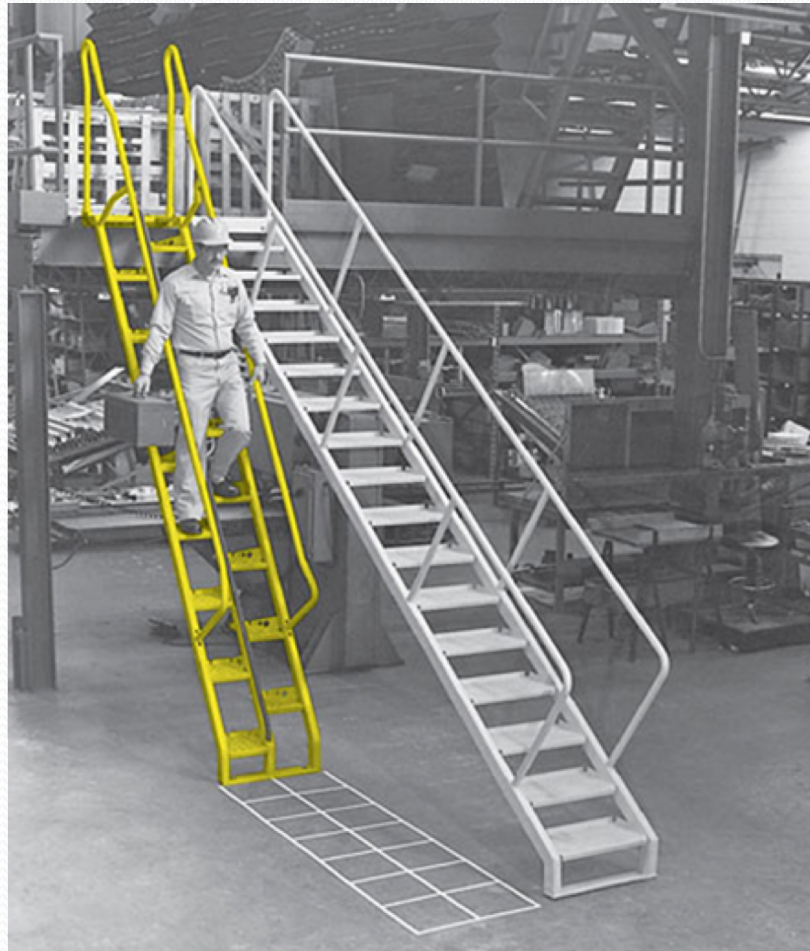
- Examiner can perform dynamic testing for impingement with the patient actively abducting arm and checking for decreased subacromial space



- For *above and below* views, patient will place hand on back pocket and elbow back; examiner can perform dynamic test of supraspinatus by placing pressure against elbow and patient pushing outward

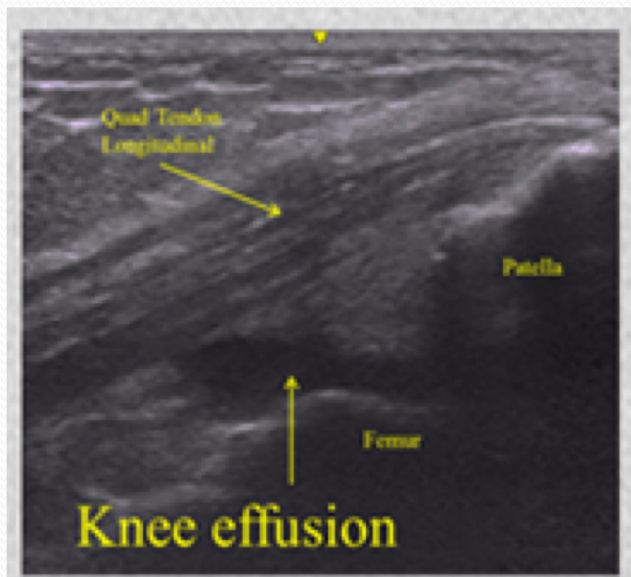
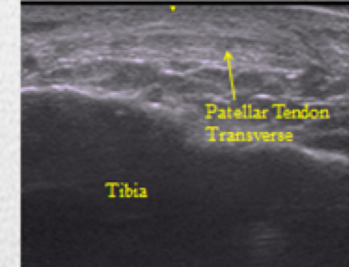
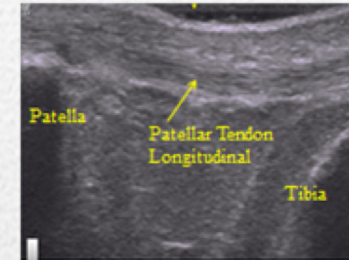
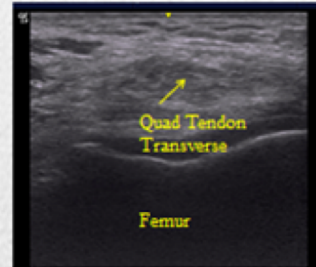
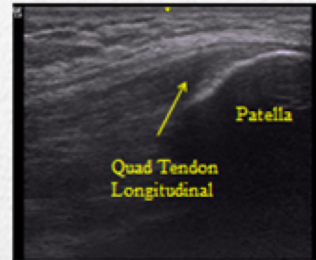


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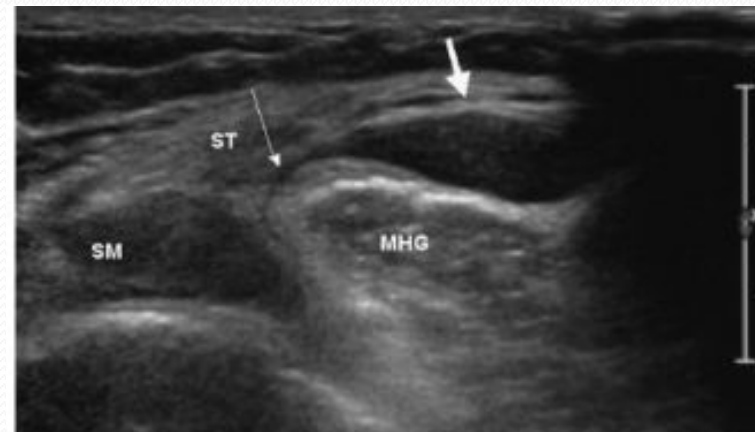


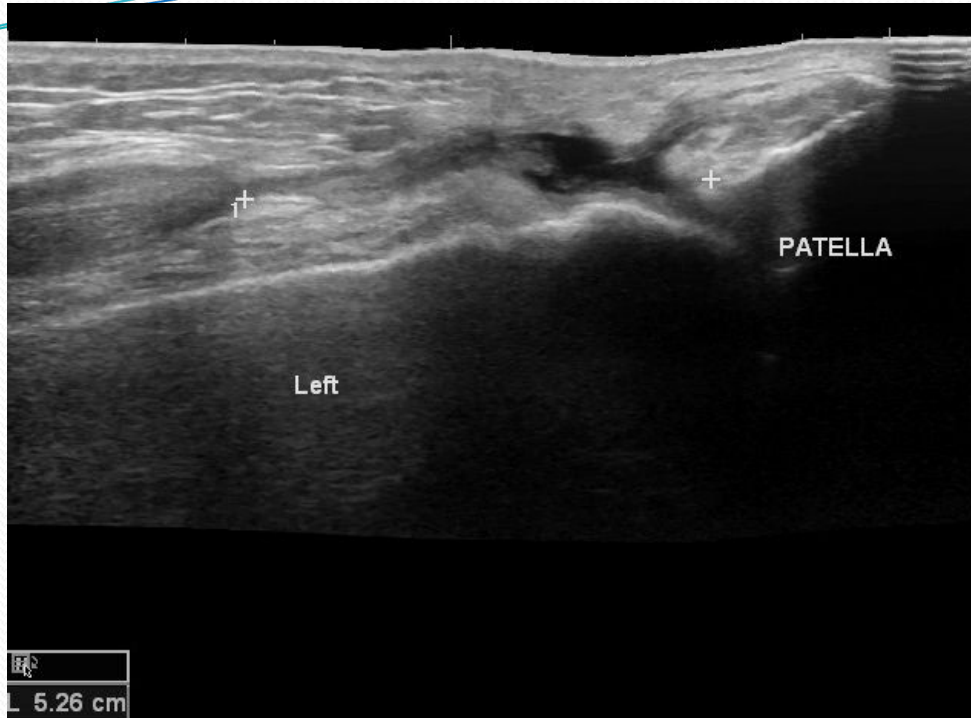
Knee

- Linear Probe 12 MHz
- Patient positioned with knee extended, can place pillow under knee if needed.

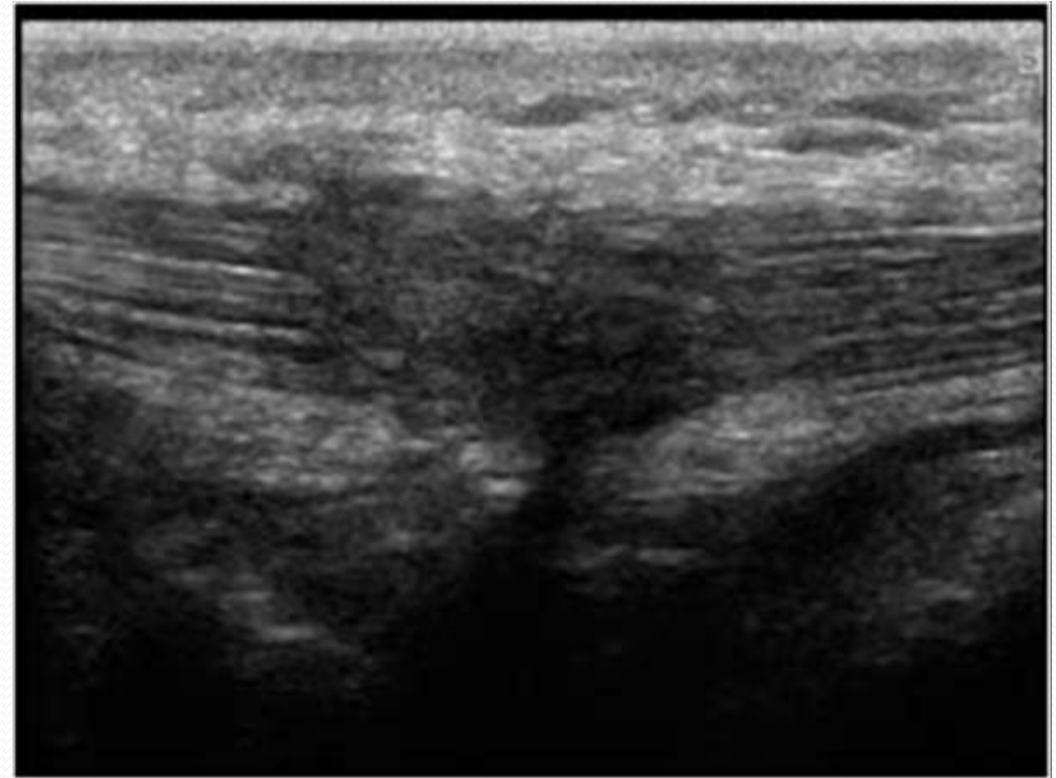


Bakers cyst posterior





Quad
tendon tear



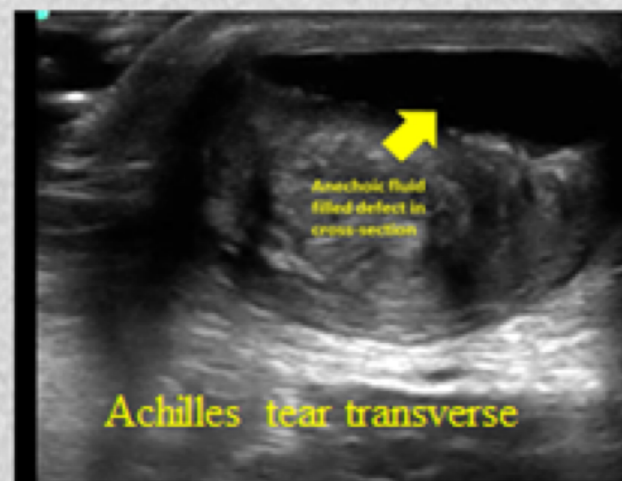
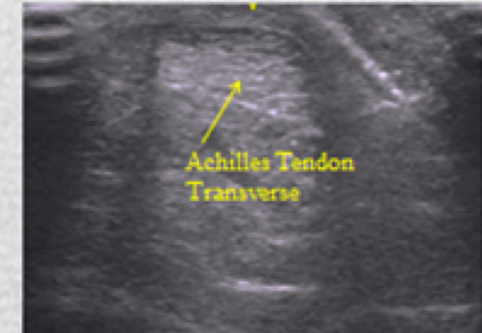
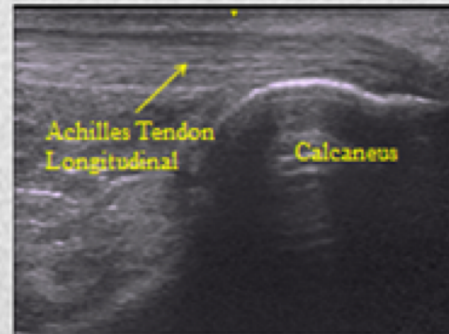
Patellar
tendon tear

Case #6



Ankle/Achilles Tendon

- Linear probe 12mHz
- Patient positioned prone, ankle/foot propped up on pillow or hanging off end of exam table



Resources / Credits

- Daniels, Hoppmann. Practical Point of Care Medical Ultrasound
- Jacobson. Fundamentals of Musculoskeletal Ultrasound
- McNally. Practical Musculoskeletal Ultrasound
- Soni, Arntfield, Kory. Point of Care Ultrasound 2015
- AIUM guidelines, www.aium.org
- EDE 2 Course