



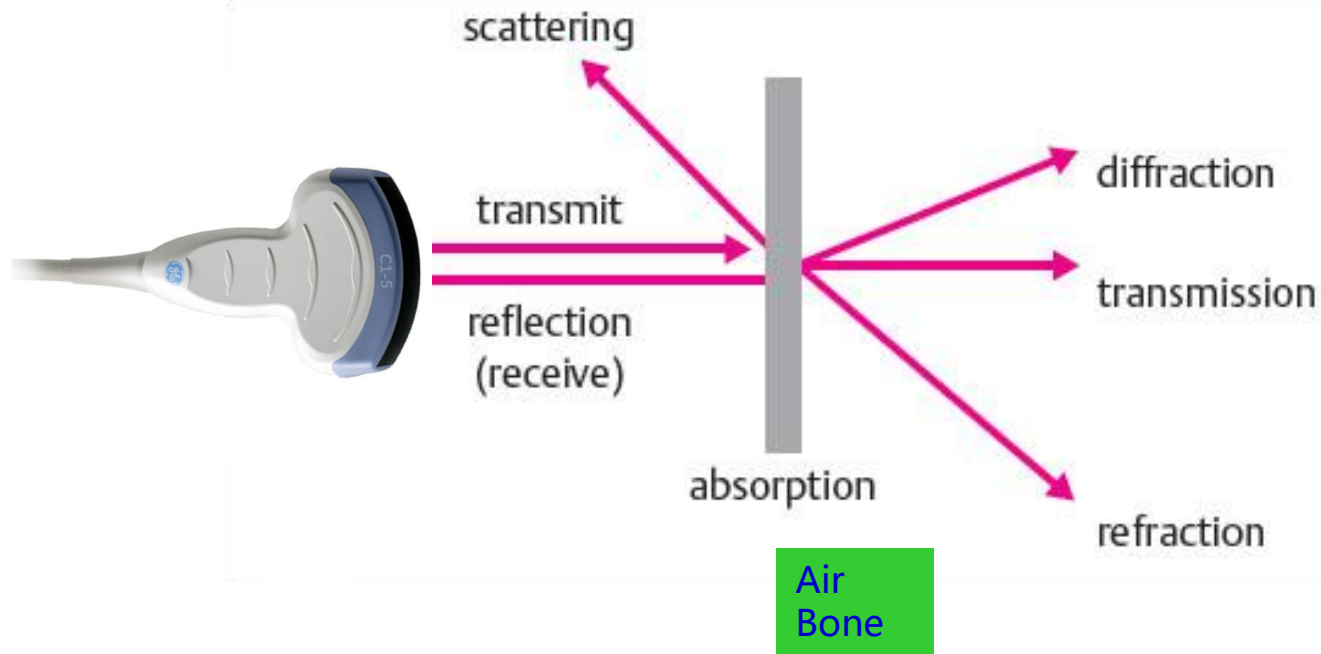
Lung and Pleura...

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Lung Ultrasound



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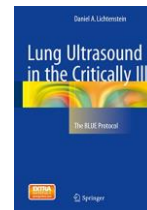
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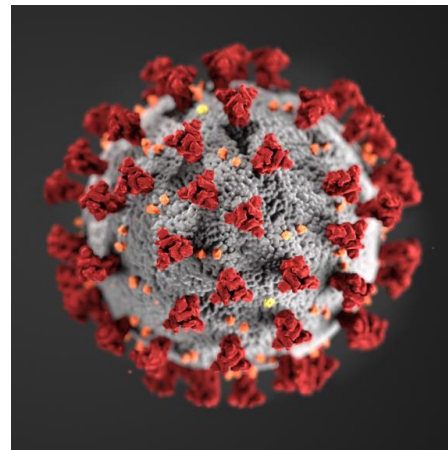
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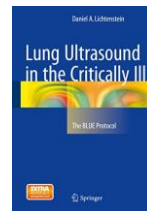
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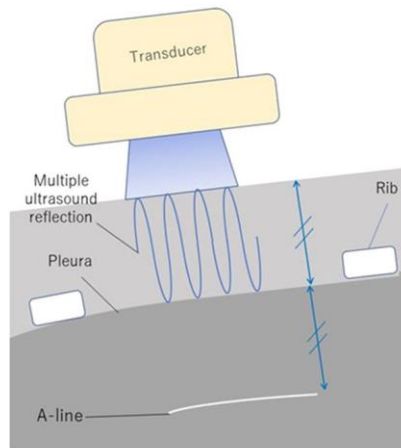
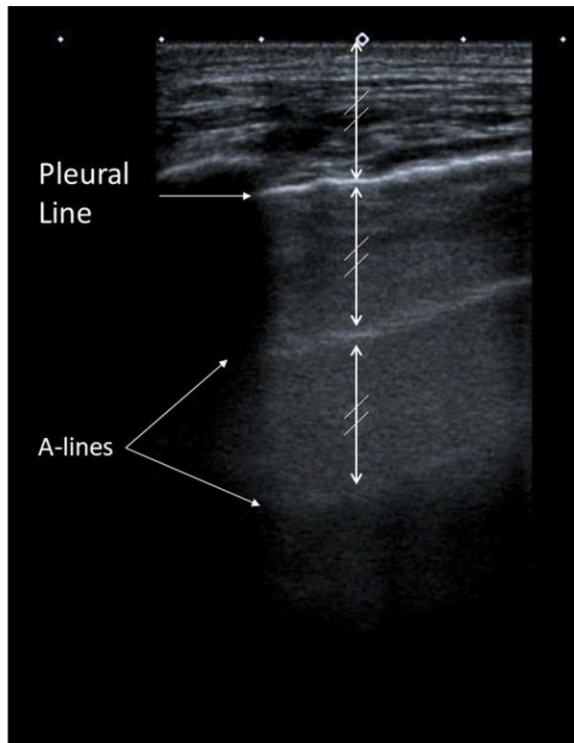
- Technical (5)
- Safety (1)
- Clinical (11)
- Educational (3)

Table 1. Summarization of Statements and Guidelines

Statement ID	Statement Classification	Statement Text
1	Technical	As it is already happening in other areas of medical imaging, artificial intelligence (AI) is now being applied to the analysis of LUS data. Critical and well-detailed studies are fundamental to prevent over expectations and misuse of this technology.
2	Technical	Before new technologies will be mature, LUS will continue to be performed with standard ultrasound (US) imaging . In order to improve its reproducibility, standardization of imaging protocols is essential.
3	Technical	In the current definition , B-line artifacts represent a wide variety of patterns. It is crucial to understand the physical origin of their genesis and to characterize the signals responsible for their visualization. This is a fundamental step toward the development of quantitative US modalities dedicated to the diagnosis and monitoring of lung diseases
4	Technical	It is indispensable to find a consensus on objective parameters for the evaluation of regularity/irregularity/thickening of the pleural line and the distinction of micro and macro subpleural consolidations, both for dimensional criteria and for US aspects.
5	Technical	It is necessary to improve the comprehension of the qualitative and quantitative characteristics of the artifacts currently called B-lines in relation to the physiological and pathophysiological changes of histology of the lung .
6	Safety	In animal models, there is evidence that lung ultrasound (LUS) in the diagnostic regime can induce pulmonary capillary hemorrhage . It is therefore required to investigate the need for specific safety limits for US technologies when applied to the monitoring and diagnosis of lung diseases
7	Clinical	There is a need for high quality studies (randomized, prospective) to achieve acceptance for the diagnostic value of LUS as performed for other screening tests (breast, heart).
8	Clinical	There should be evidence and/or consensus for the terminology used to describe artifacts and signs in LUS and for the definition of the extent of the LUS exam.
9	Clinical	It seems reasonable to perform repeated LUS scans to assess the severity of pulmonary congestion, with one and the same probe and protocol each time . Generally, repeated LUS scans can be used for the assessment of the severity of a condition and its progression over time. Always, use one and the same probe and protocol each time.
10	Clinical	LUS should be performed on the largest possible area of the chest that is available during LUS examination (the limitation of the examination area should be justified by the patient's clinical condition).
11	Clinical	LUS has high accuracy in recognition of subpleural consolidation . Subpleural consolidations best known in LUS are: inflammatory lesions, atelectasis, infarction, and metastatic subpleural lesions .
12	Clinical	LUS is feasible and useful in general/family medicine .
13	Clinical	LUS is feasible and useful in prehospital emergency medicine .
14	Clinical	LUS should be used by clinicians as a "point of care" examination in case of patient with dyspnea, chest pain and any chest symptoms.
15	Clinical	The technique of the examination depends on the clinical situation of the patient.
16	Clinical	The functional assessment of the diaphragm may integrate the data of lung alteration to address or refine the differential diagnosis of respiratory failure in intensive care units (ICUs).
17	Clinical	The most common sonographic features in case of pneumonia are: consolidation (with irregular marginal contour, air bronchogram, the air trapping sign), vertical artifacts (B-lines), and the presence of pleural effusion .
18	Educational	It is strongly recommended to acquire adequate training in LUS before its implementation in the diagnostic process.
19	Educational	It is recommended to teach the basis of LUS as part of the students' curriculum .
20	Educational	Remote mentoring of US naive, but motivated and willing first responders has been shown to be a potentially accurate method of generating diagnostic quality ultrasound images that can then be interpreted by remote ultrasound experts.



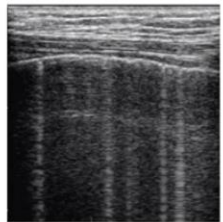
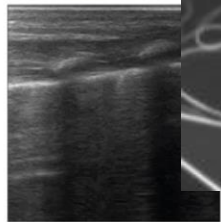
- **Technical Aspects (Machine Setting and Probes)**
- **Locations**
- **Qualitative Finding**
- **Quantitative Finding**
- **Others**

Lung Ultrasound



- Using **Artifact** between air-tissue interface
- Focus: **parietal** pleura
- Artifact-erasing effect: off

Probes

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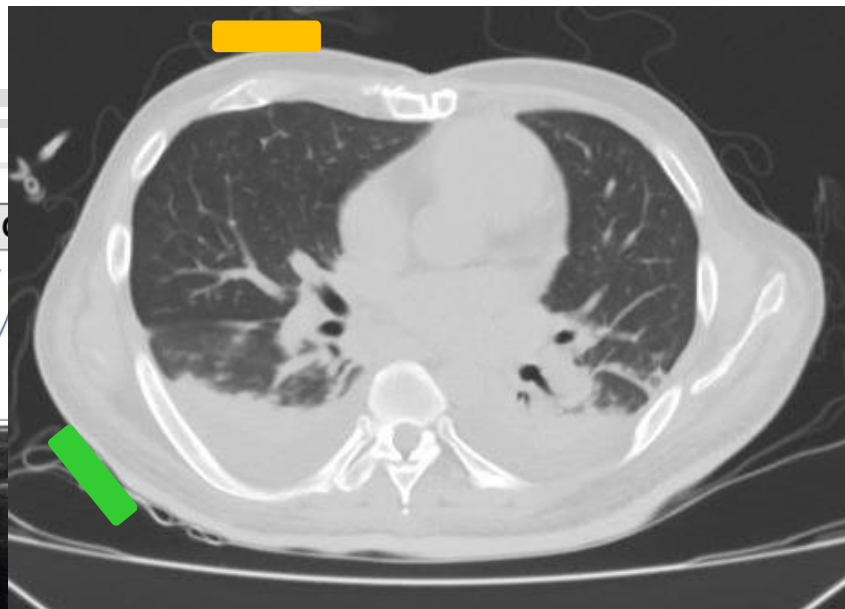



Fig. 1. Main features of the ultrasound transducers most commonly used for lung assessment.

Probes








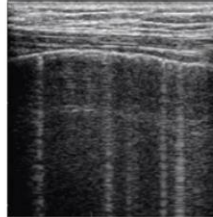
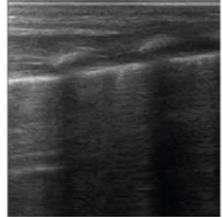
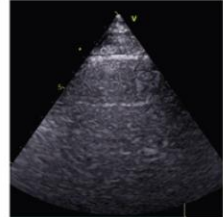
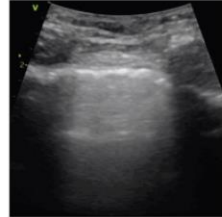
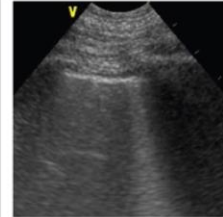
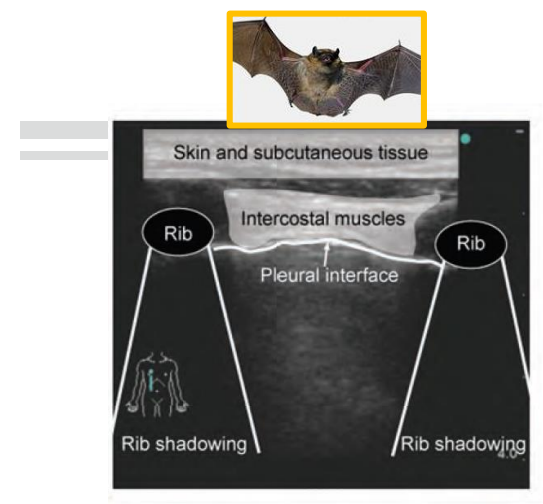
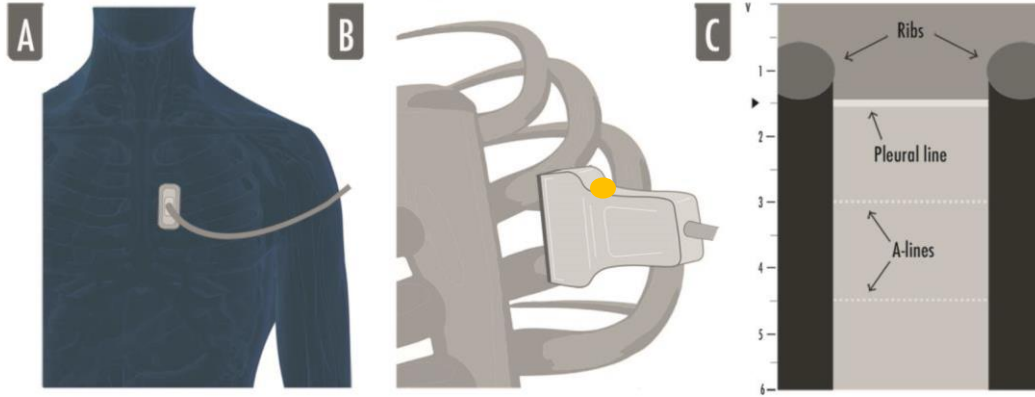
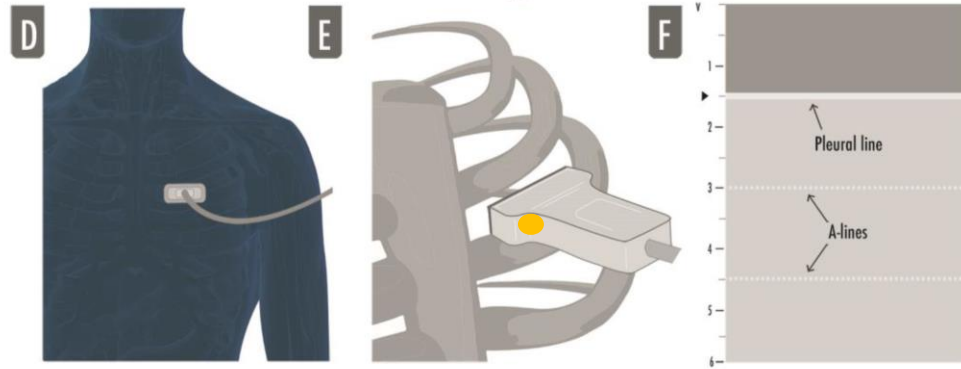
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Longitudinal approach


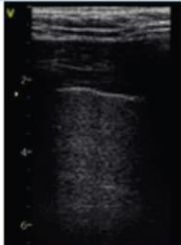

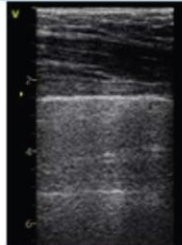


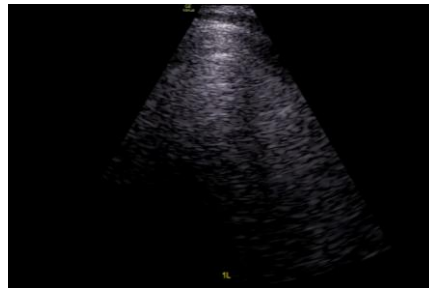
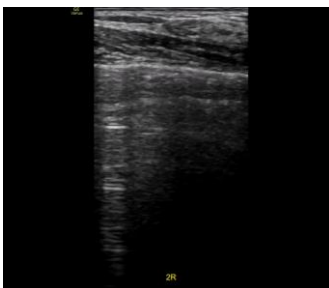
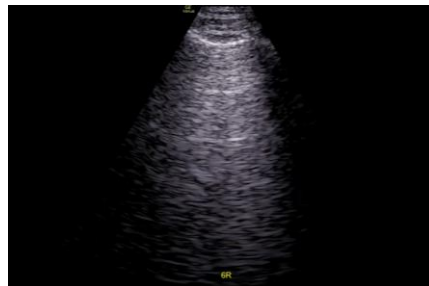
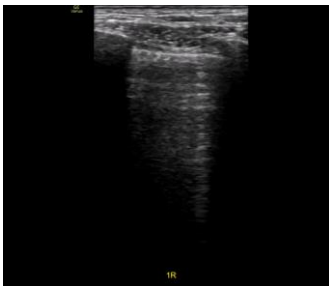
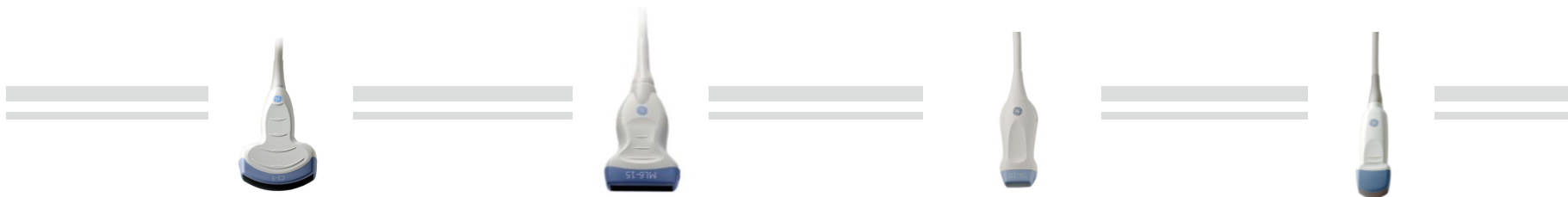
Transversal approach



Longitudinal / Transversal Scan

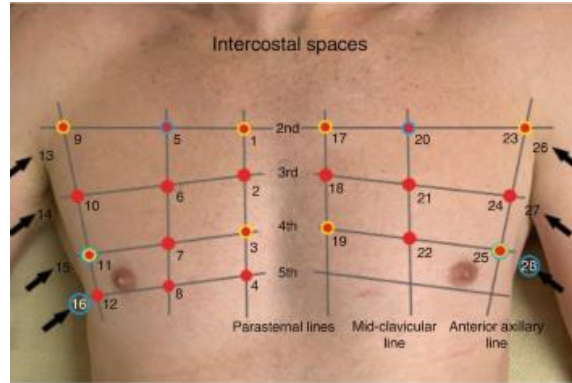
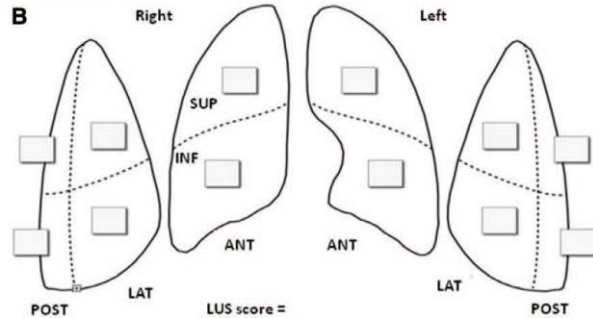
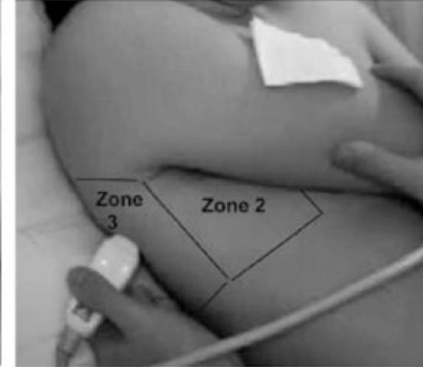
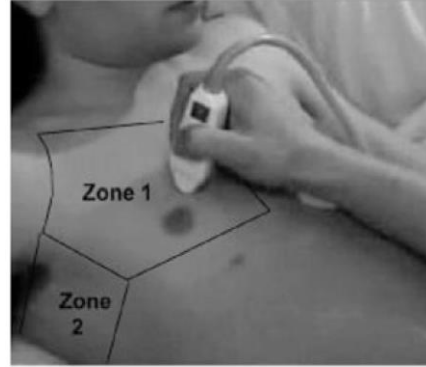
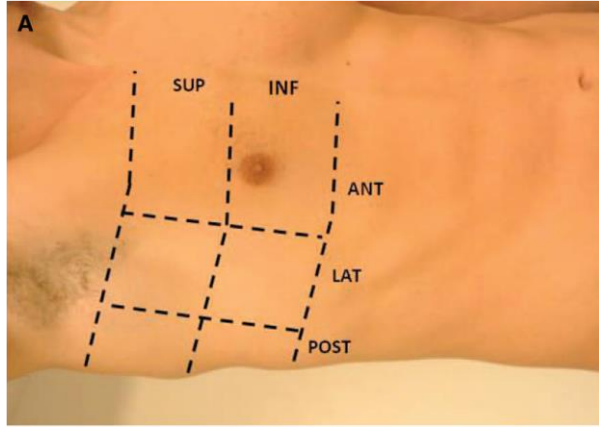


LONGITUDINAL SCAN	TRANSVERSAL SCAN
Aligned with cranio-caudal axis	Aligned with intercostal space
 	 
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Easy to obtain: ideal for beginners - Clear identification of the pleural line: ideal in doubtful cases (for example: subcutaneous emphysema) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Visualization of wider pleura - More constant visualized pleural length (between and within patients) - Visualization of more artefacts
CONS	CONS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Visualization of shorter pleura - High pleural length variance - Visualization of fewer artefacts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - More technically challenging: not for beginners - In case of doubtful identification of the pleura: start with longitudinal and then turn the probe



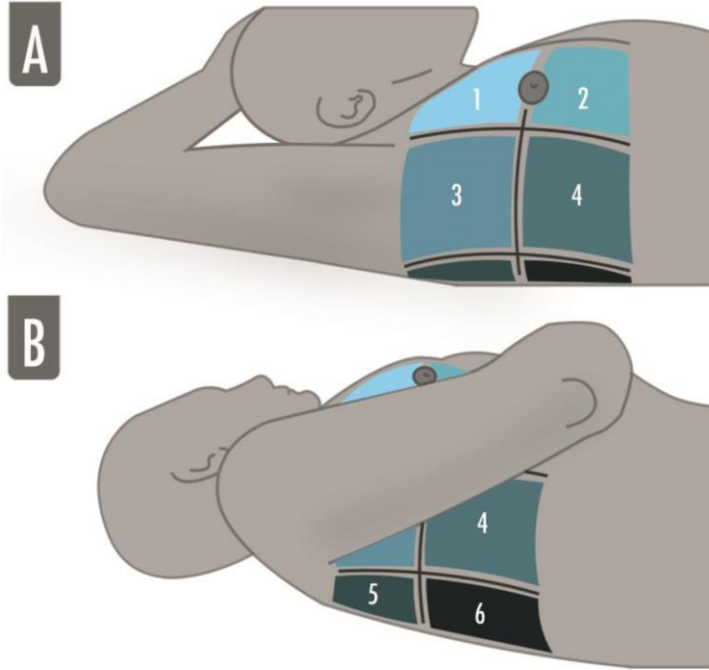
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Lung Ultrasound Area (Comprehensive vs Focused)



Comprehensive Approach

Chest areas



- parasternal line
- ant. axillary line
- post. axillary line
- paravertebral line

Ant - 1/2

Lat - 3/4

Post - 5/6

- mammillary line

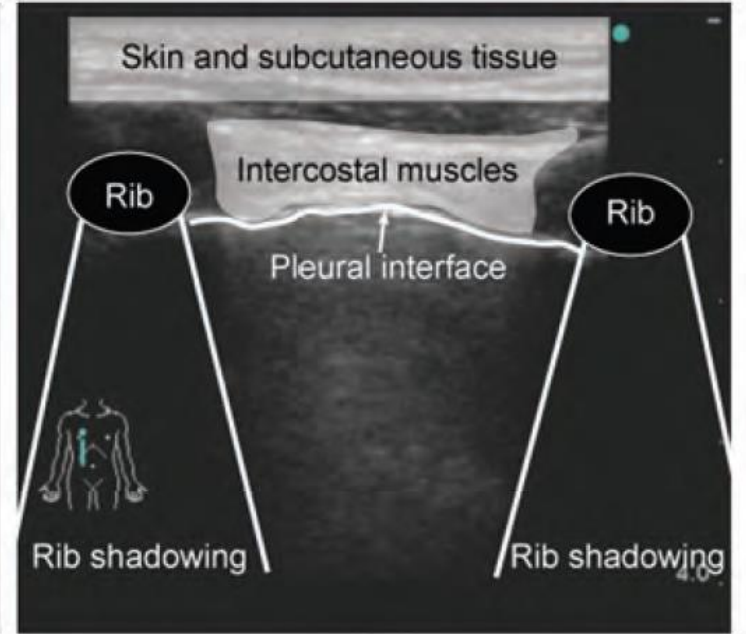
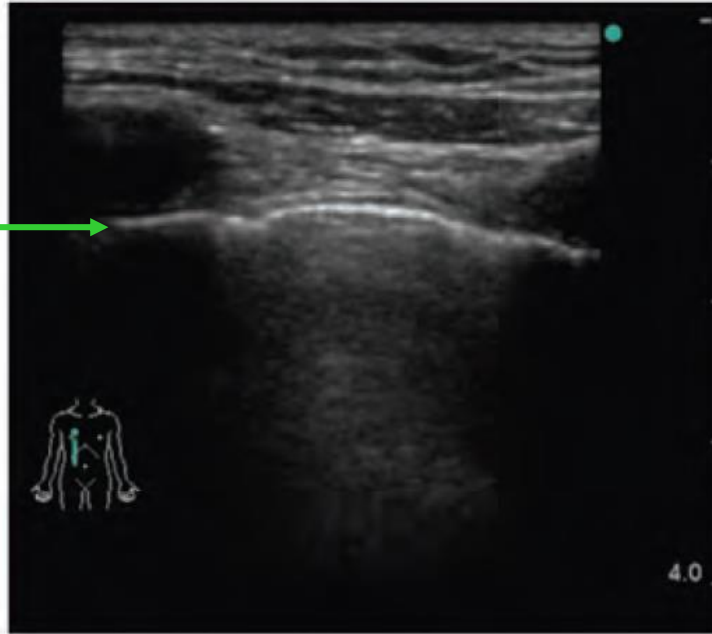
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Rt 6 / Lt 6 (12 area)

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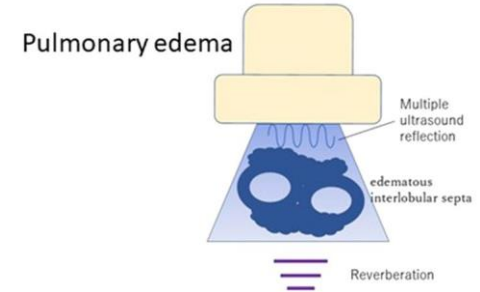
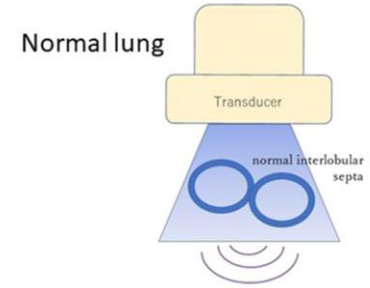
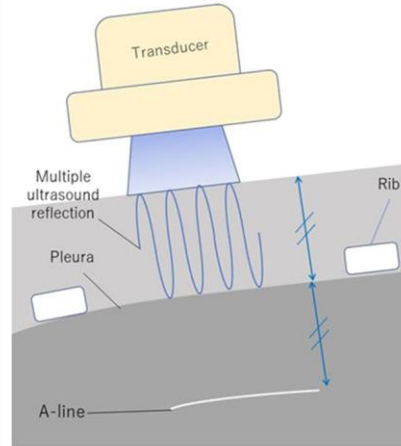
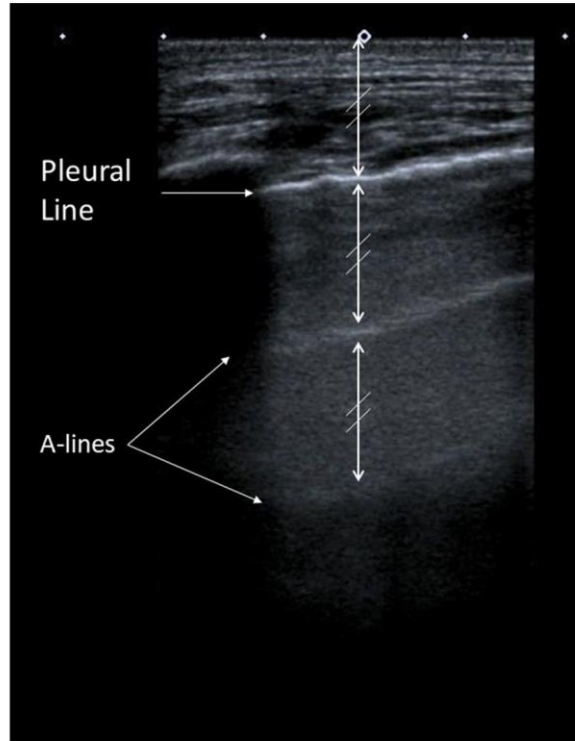
Bat sign (longitudinal scan)

Parietal
Pleura

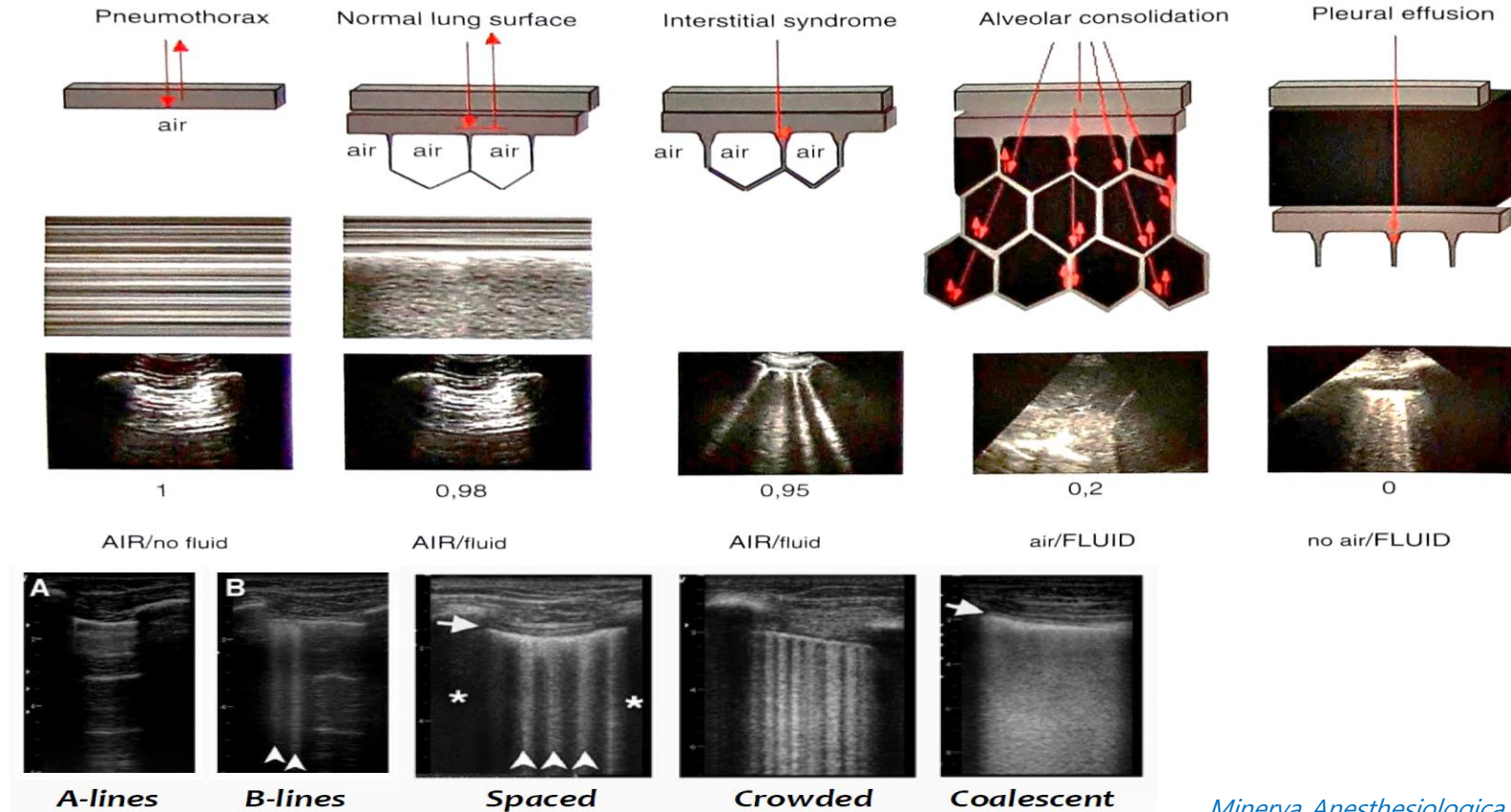


- Subcutaneous emphysema
- morbid obesity

Ultrasound Setting



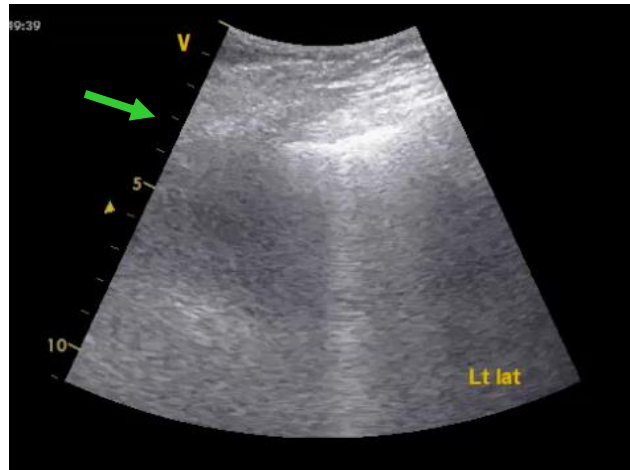
Artifacts



A-line vs B-lines



- Horizontal artifact
- Parallel to pleural line
- Repeated, Equal distance (probe~pleura)
- Air beneath pleura
- High gas/volume ratio
- Reverberation

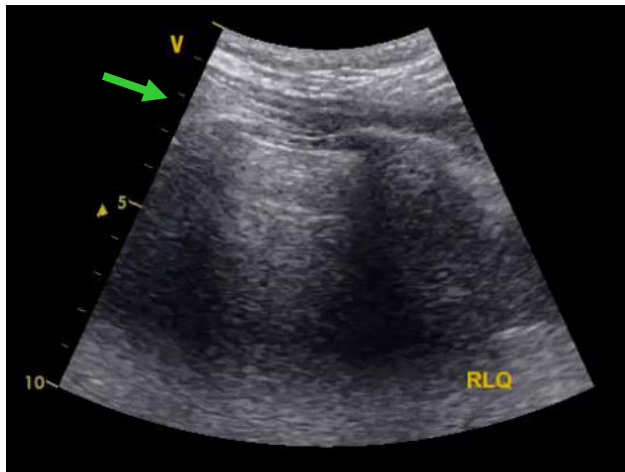


- Vertical artifact
- Move synchronously with pleura
- Erase the A-lines
- Reach to the bottom of the screen
- Increased density (air/tissue ratio)

Qualitative Finding

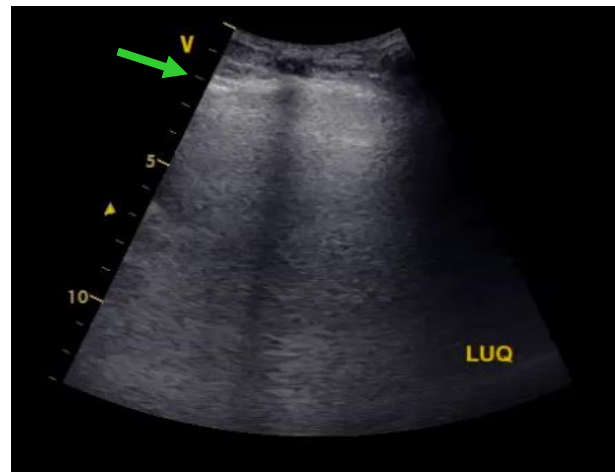
- Lung parenchyma
 - Aeration and density (A-line, B-lines, consolidation)
 - Lung water (B-lines)
 - Airway patency (air bronchogram)
- Pleura
 - Pleura thickening
 - Pleura movement (Lung sliding/Lung pulse/Lung point)
 - Pleural space (air/water/blood/others)

Lung Sliding vs Lung Pulse



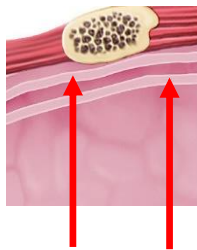
Lung Sliding

- visceral / parietal pleura in touch
- regional ventilation (+)



Lung Pulse

- transmission of the heart beats
- regional ventilation (-)
- selective intubation/initial phase of atelectasis, pul. contusion, hyperinflation



Interstitial Syndrome

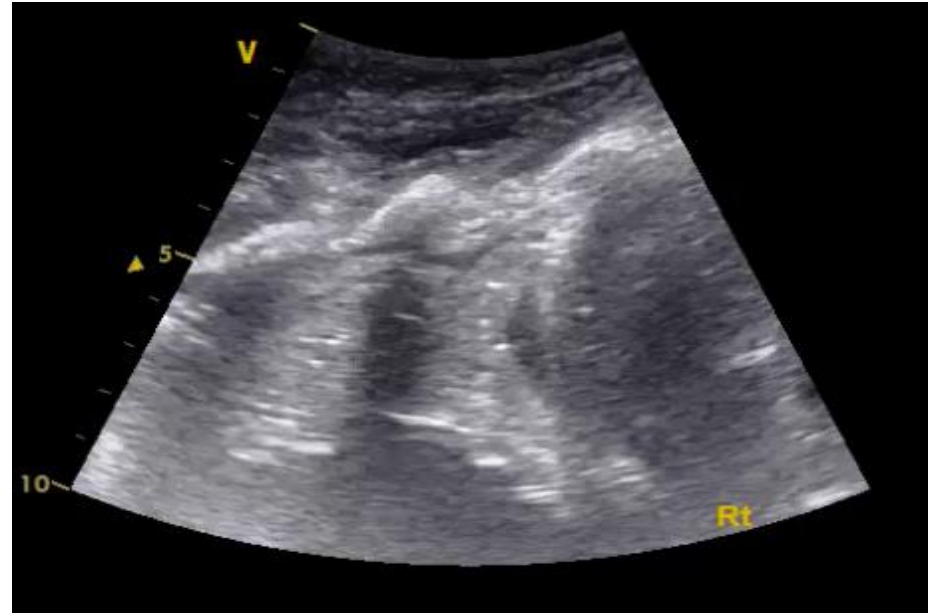


edematous lung ~
cardiogenic pulmonary edema,
ARDS, pneumonia.....

Consolidation

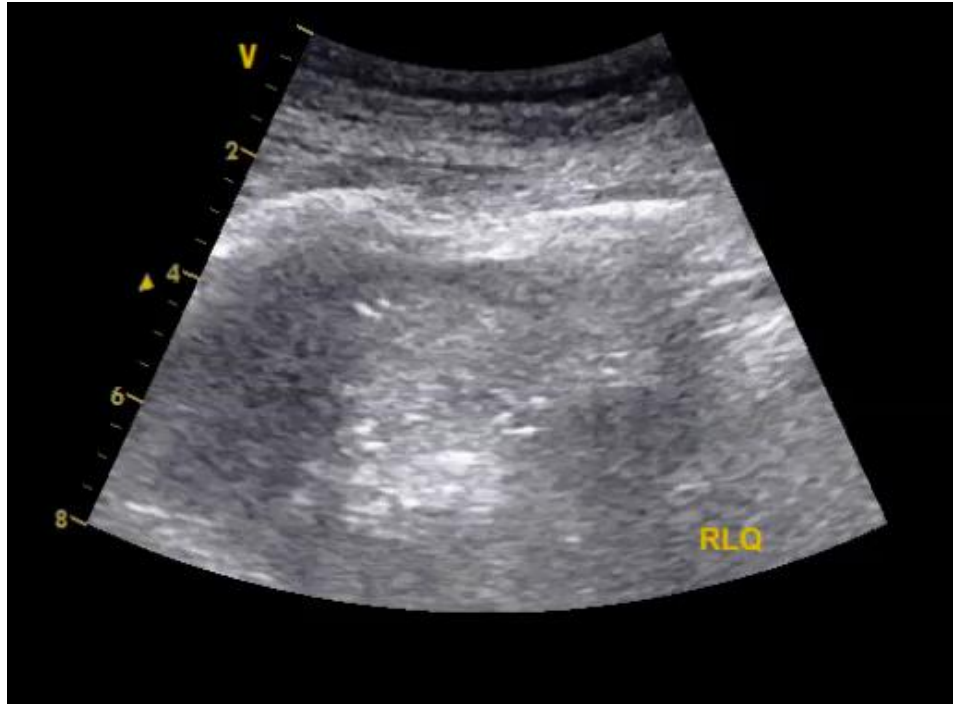


Shred sign

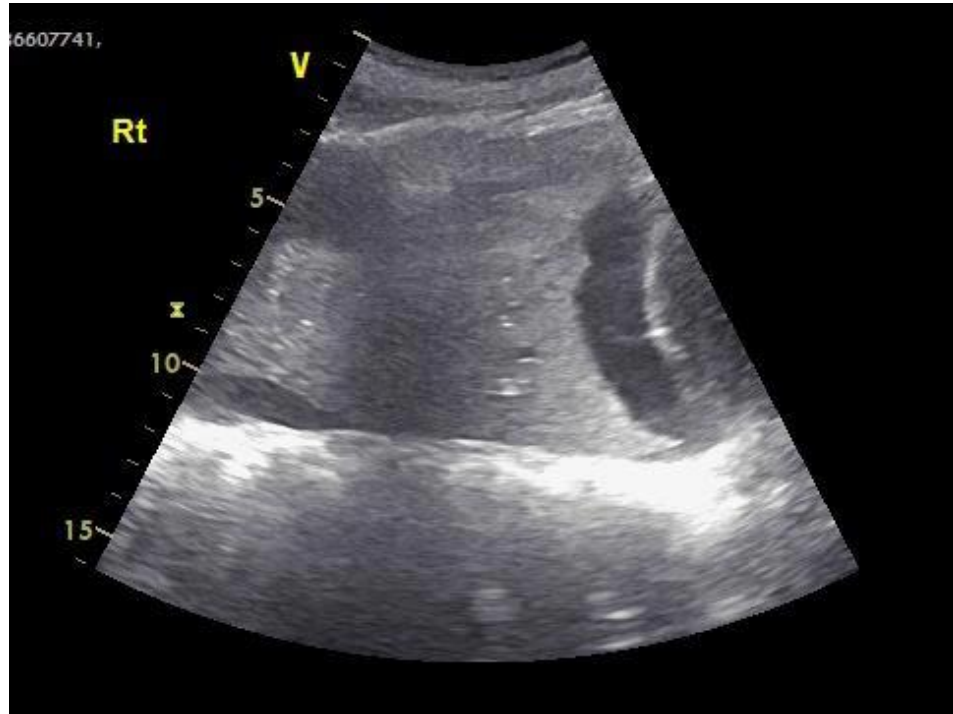


Tissue-like pattern

Dynamic Air Bronchogram



Pleural Effusion

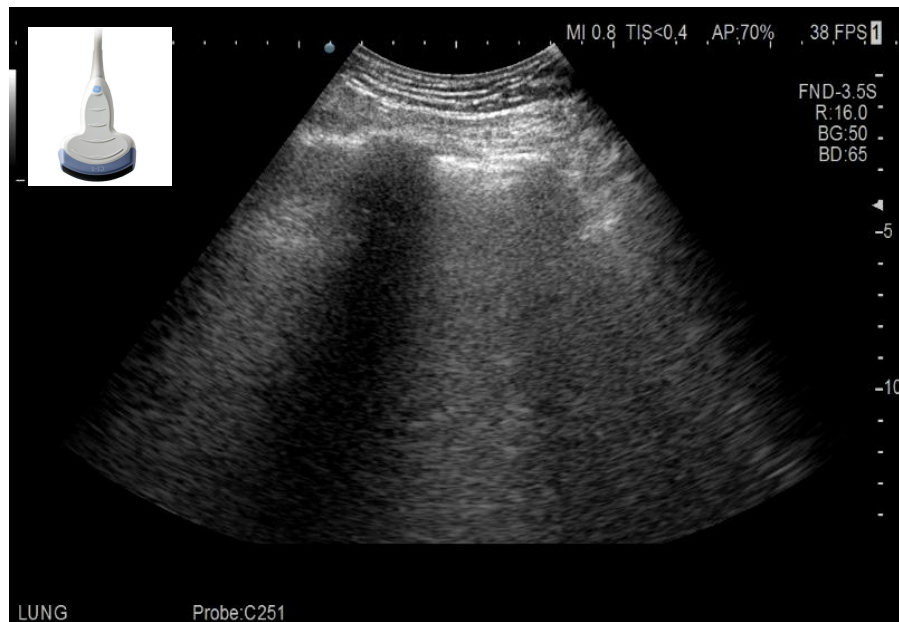
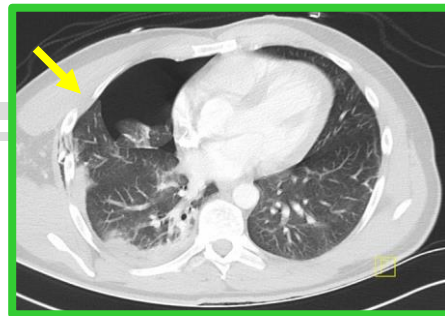


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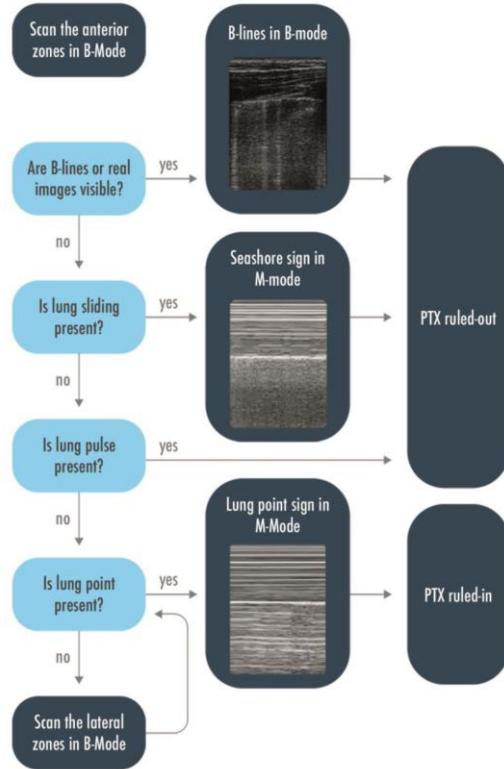
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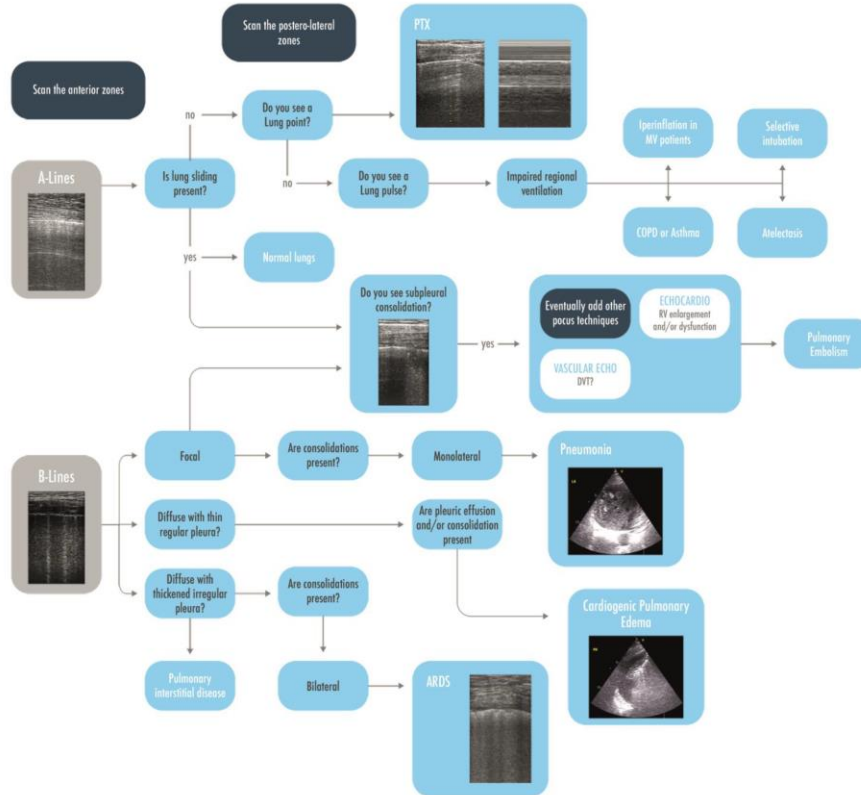
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- Stratosphere sign



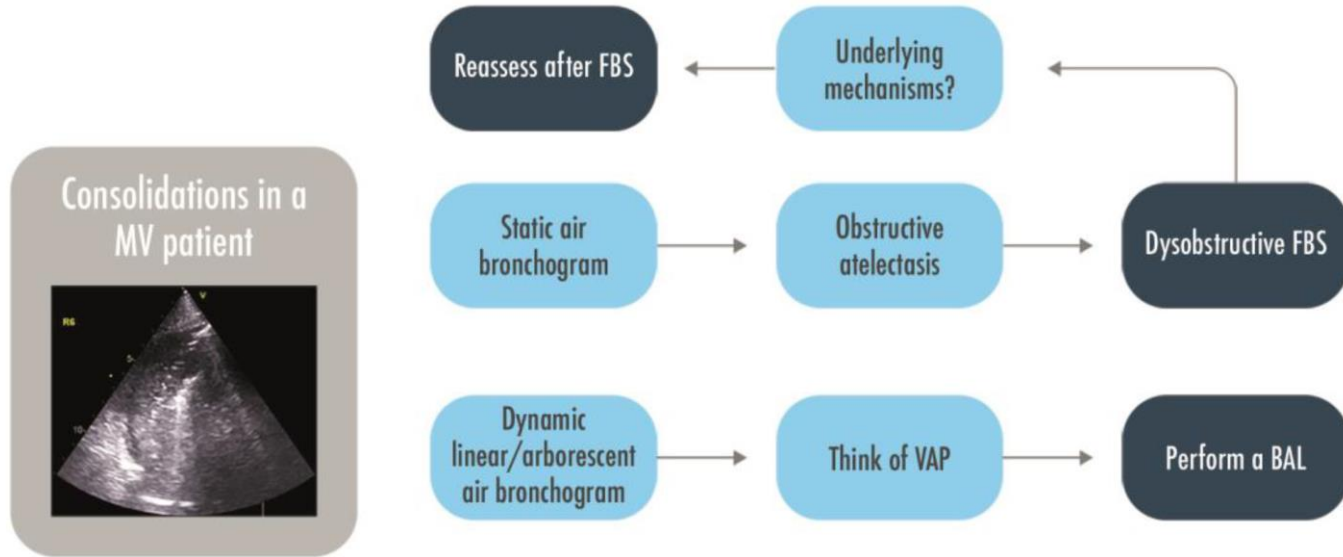
Pneumothorax



Hypoxemia



Consolidation on MV



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- Quantitative Finding (lung monitoring)
- Others

Lung Aeration Quantification Scores

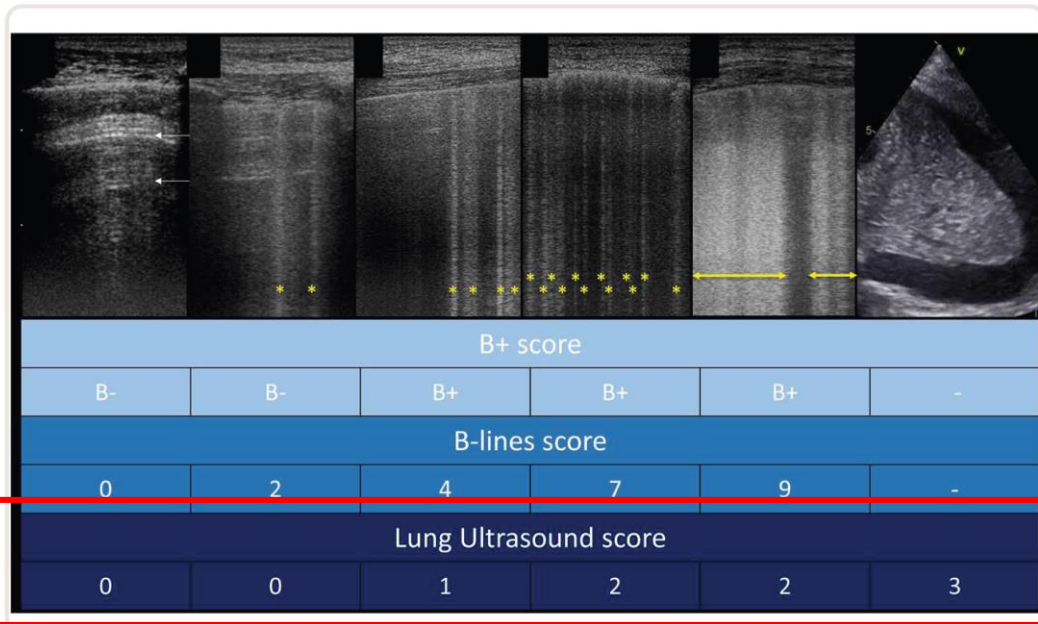
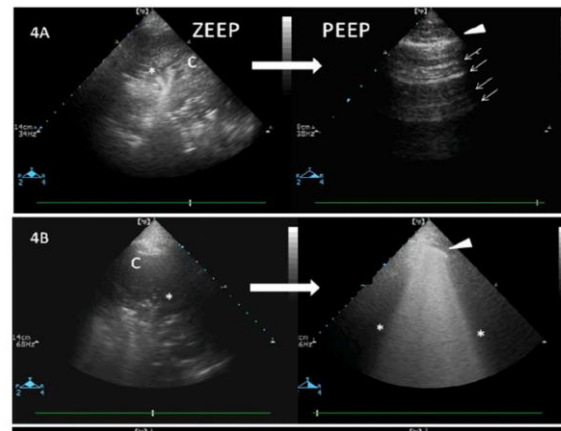
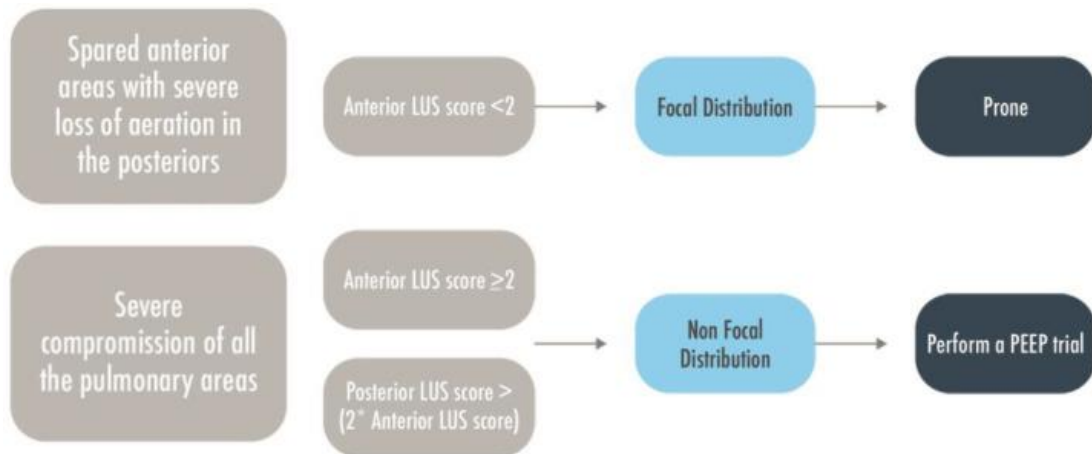


Fig. 4. Ultrasound patterns and corresponding scores in different rating systems for lung aeration quantification. *White arrows*, A-lines; ***, well-spaced B-lines; *yellow double-point arrows*, coalescent B-lines.

- Rt/Lt (12 area) (0~36 scores)
- 0: normal aeration
 - A-line, B-lines < 3
- 1: moderate loss of aeration
 - well-spaced B-line ≥ 3
 - B-lines/subpleural consolidation < 50%
- 2: severe loss of aeration
 - B-lines/subpleural consolidation > 50%
- 3: complete loss of aeration
 - consolidation

PEEP or Prone Position



Systematic Ultrasound-Guided Approach to Weaning from MV

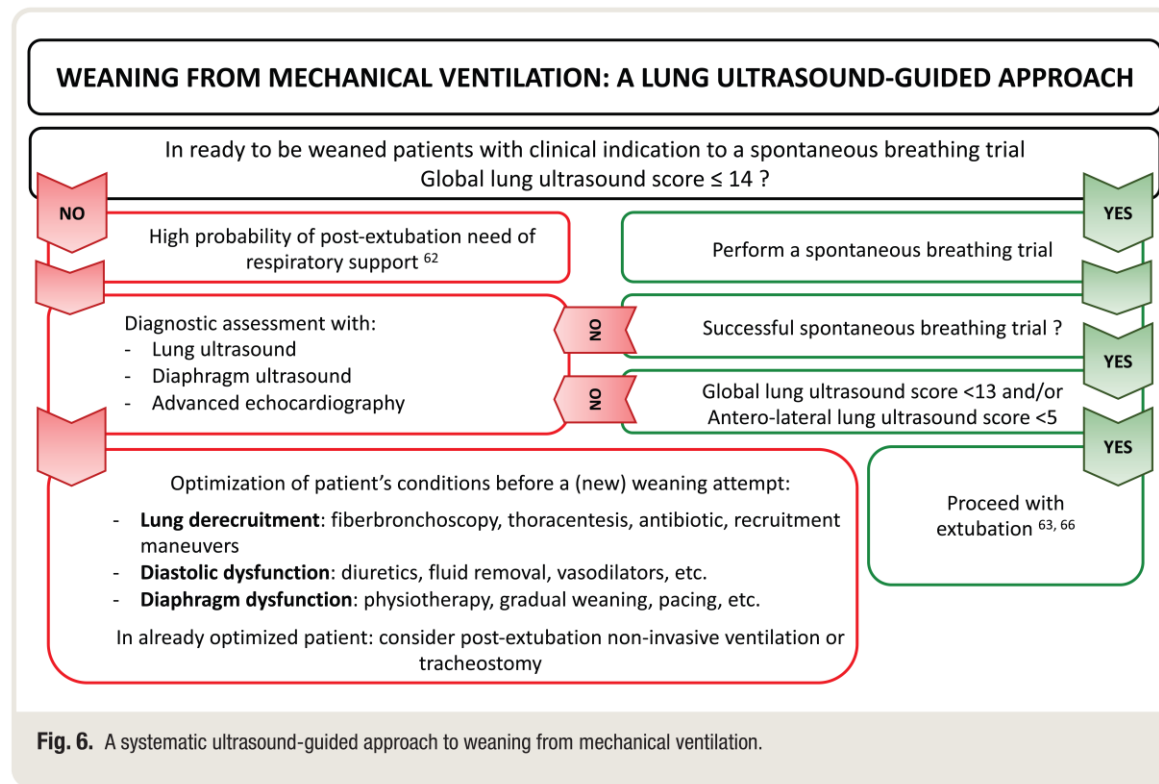


Fig. 6. A systematic ultrasound-guided approach to weaning from mechanical ventilation.

Quantitative / Semiquantitative Approach

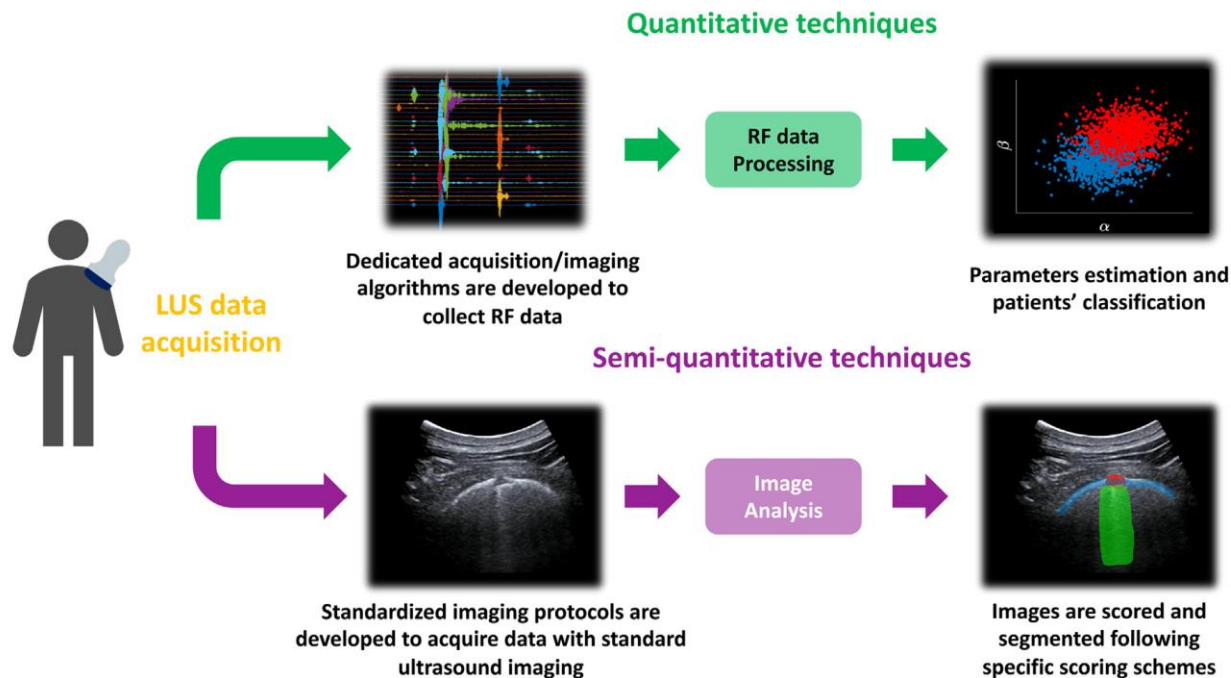
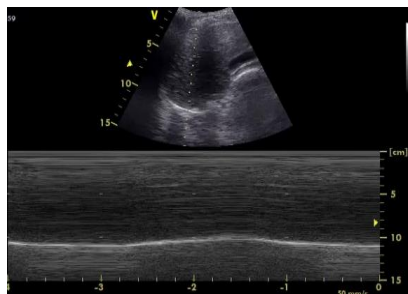
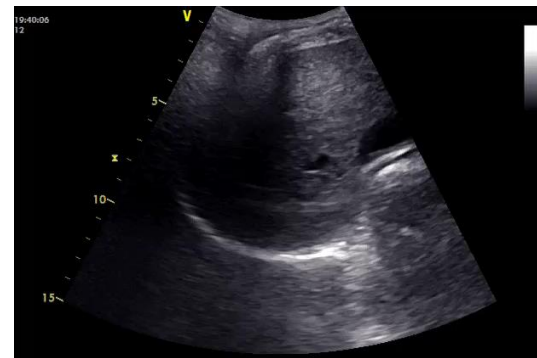
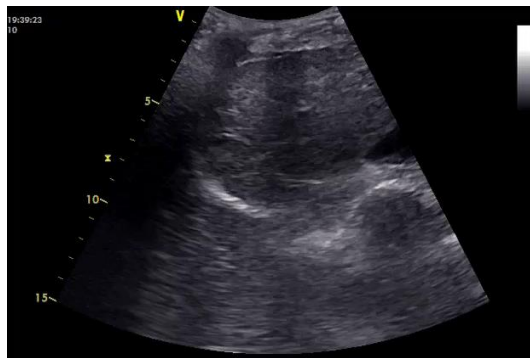


Fig. 2. Simplified flowchart depicting the different applications of quantitative and semiquantitative LUS techniques.
LUS = lung ultrasound; RF = radiofrequency.

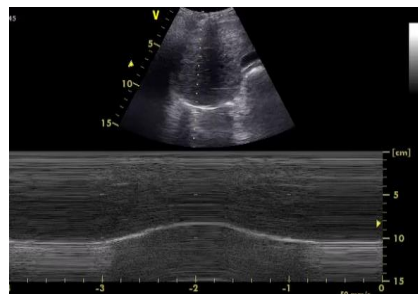
- Technical Aspects
- Locations
- Qualitative Finding
- Quantitative Finding
- Others (Heart, Diaphragm,...)

Diaphragm

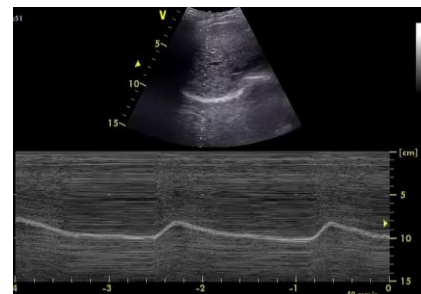
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Quiet breathing



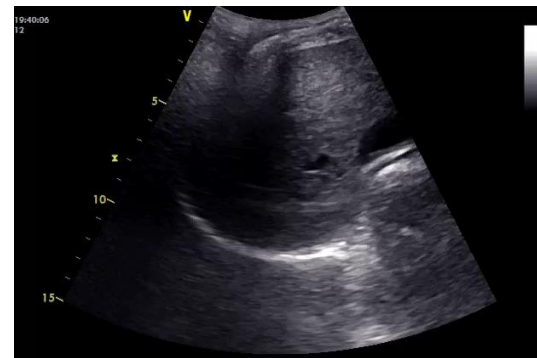
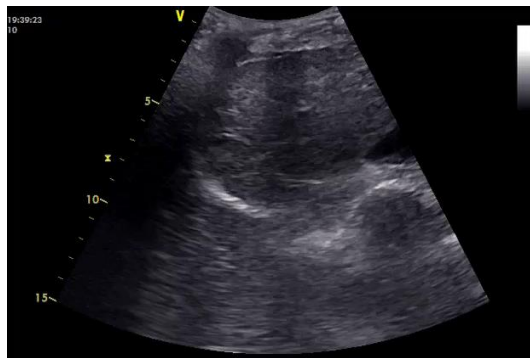
Deep breathing



Sniffing

Diaphragm

Anterolateral



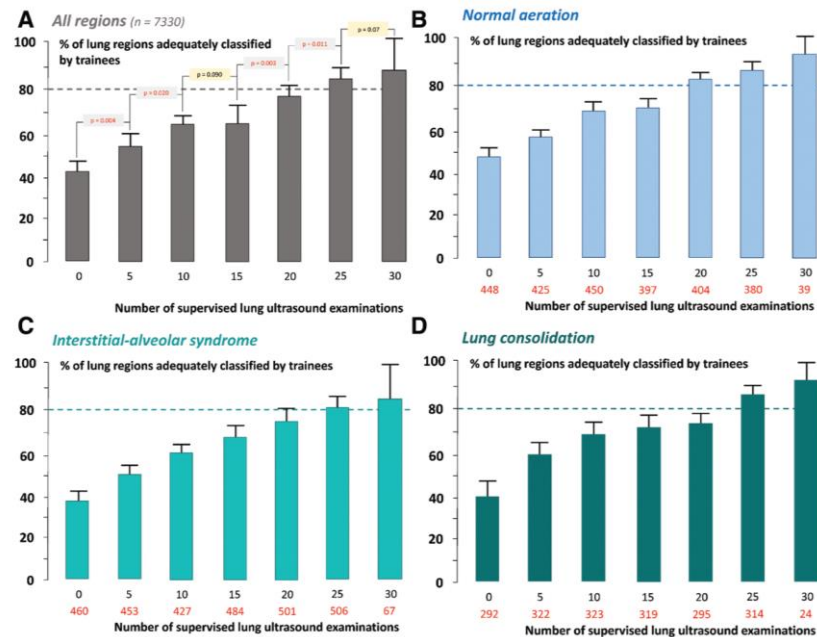
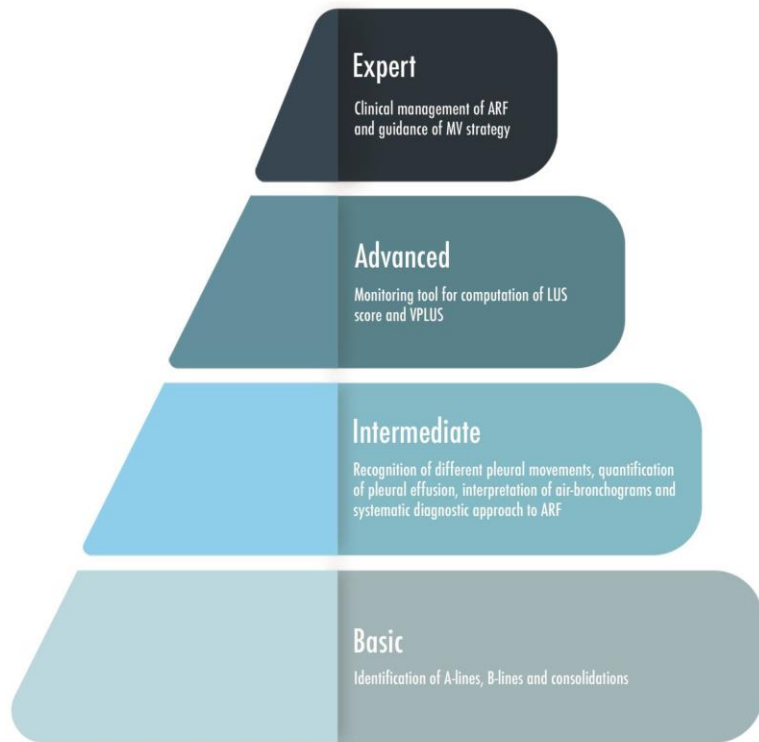
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Quiet breathing

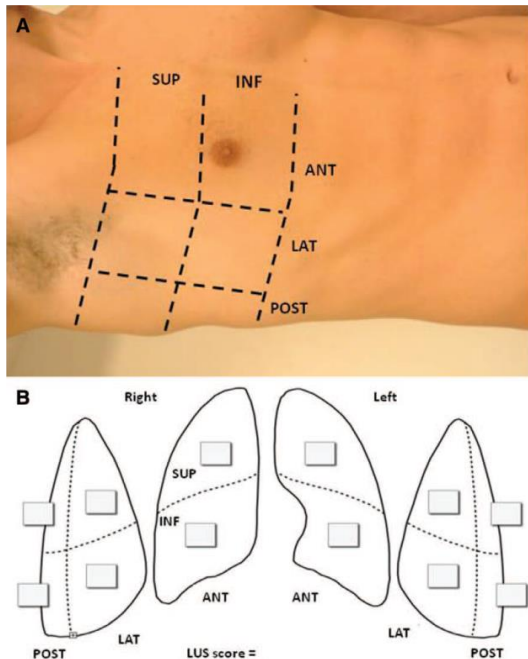
Deep breathing

Sniffing



Take Home Message

■ Region



- Report details on technical part
 - frames / probes /imaging settings
- Approach
 - ant linear probe
 - lat / post convex probe
 - longitudinal / transversal scan
- describe limitation of the area
 - clinical condition
 - limited accessibility
 - other practical aspects
- Consensus for the terminology

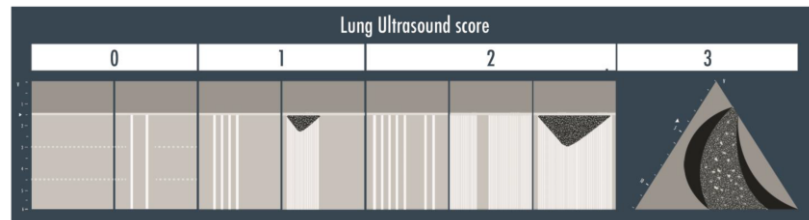
Take Home Message

▪ Qualitative Approach

- **Diagnosis**
- A-line / B-lines / Consolidation
- Air bronchogram
- Lung sliding / Lung pulse / Lung point
- Pleural space (characteristics/amount)
- Systematic diagnostic approach of ARF

▪ Quantitative Approach

- **Monitoring, Management**
- LUS scores (0~36)



- Clinical management of ARF and guidance of MV strategy

▪ Others

- Diaphragm
- Airway...

SEOUL NATION

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ID:

Name:

sex/age: /

1. Region

- R1 (anterior upper) / R2 (anterior lower) / R3 (lateral upper) / R4 (lateral lower)
- L1 (anterior upper) / L2 (anterior lower) / L3 (lateral upper) / L4 (lateral lower)

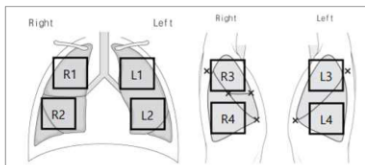
2. Right

- ☐ R1 / ☐ R2 / ☐ R3 / ☐ R4
- ☐ Lung sliding
- ☐ A-line
- ☐ B-line
- ☐ Pleural effusion
- ☐ Alveolar consolidation
- ☐ Lung point
- ☐ others

3. Left

- ☐ L1 / ☐ L2 / ☐ L3 / ☐ L4
- ☐ Lung sliding
 - ☐ A-line
 - ☐ B-line
 - ☐ Pleural effusion
 - ☐ Alveolar consolidation
 - ☐ Lung point
 - ☐ others

4. other findings



Take Home Message

- Consensus for the terminology
- Report details on technical part
 - frames
 - probes
 - imaging settings
 - ✓ output levels
 - ✓ mechanical index
 - ✓ imaging frequency
 - ✓ focal depth, imaging depth...

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항목	세부인정사항
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요건	초음파 장비가 설치된 중환자실이나 응급실 에서 의사 가 직접 시행, 검사 결과 등 진료기록부에 기재 (단, 복합 표적 초음파는 응급상황 발생으로 해당 요양기관의 이외 장소에서 검사한 경우에도 인정)
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