

Ecscopy

(diagnostic power and use)

- Pleural, pericardial, peritoneal effusions (p/a, extent)
- Wet or dry lung (p/a)
- Dilated heart ventricles (p/a)
- Severe cardiac systolic dysfunction (p/a)
- Collapsible inferior vena cava (p/a)
- Palpable or suspected abdominal mass (p/a, solid vs liquid)
- Atrophy or megaly of abdominal viscera (p/a)
- Hydrops of the gallbladder (p/a, large stones)
- Hydronephrosis (p/a)
- Intestinal and biliary obstruction (p/a)
- Abdominal aortic aneurysm (p/a)
- Bladder outlet obstruction (p/a)
- Thoracentesis, paracentesis US-assisted
- Catheter into the bladder (*) (p/a)

p/a: presence vs. absence

**: also performed by the nursing staff*



Point of Care US

(diagnostic power and use)

1st module: Fundamentals in US

- Fundamentals of clinical bedside US examen
- Bedside US devices machines
- Indications to referral to second opinion or expert levels:
 - Fundamental US
 - Contrast Enhancement US (CEUS)
 - Interventional US

2nd module: Patients with neck nodules

- The nodule of the neck: clinical approach
- Normal US findings
- Salivary gland disease
- The thyroid nodule
- Superficial lymphadenopathy

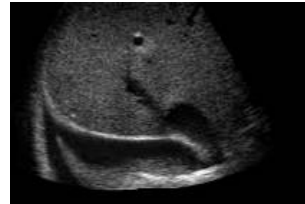
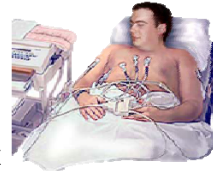


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3rd module: Patient with cardio-respiratory pathology

- Dyspnoea: clinical approach
- Normal US findings
- Pleural and pericardial effusion
- Interstitial pathology, pleural or pulmonary consolidations, PNX
- Dimensions of cardiac chambers
- Normokinesis, hypokinesis, hyperkinesia: inspective EF
- Severe valvulopathy
- Inferior vena cava
- US-guided thoracentesis

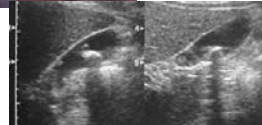


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4th module: Patients with abdominal diseases

- Normal US findings
- Ascites and abdominal masses
- Focal parenchymal lesions (>2 cm)
- Jaundice, cholelithiasis, cholecystitis, cholangitis
- Renal failure, hydronephrosis, renal stones
- Abdominal aortic aneurysm (surgery or follow-up?)
- Bowel obstruction, appendicitis, diverticulitis, IBD and tumours
- US-guided paracentesis



5th module: Patients with limb edema

- "Swollen" leg: clinical approach
- Normal US findings
- Deep venous thrombosis (DVT)





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- 1) theory bedside US course held every year in the SIMI National Congress
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Fig. 2 Italian distribution of SIMI Schools that organize theoretical and practical course of bedside US for all Internal Medicine specialists



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