

DMS-1701: VASCULAR SONOGRAPHY I

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Subject Code

DMS - Diagnostic Medical Sonography

Course Number:

1701

Title:

Vascular Sonography I

Catalog Description:

Specialized study of cerebrovascular and peripheral arterial vascular system as related to ultrasound imaging. Focus on anatomy, hemodynamics, pathology and sonographic appearance of normal and diseased arteries. Discussion of direct/indirect testing methods and the sonographic findings. Explanation of medical and surgical interventions used in the treatment of vascular disease.

Credit Hour(s):

4

Lecture Hour(s):

4

Requisites

Prerequisite and Corequisite

Concurrent enrollment in DMS-1311 Initial Sonographic Scanning.

Outcomes

Course Outcome(s):

Recognize the movement of blood flow through the arterial system in both normal and diseased vessels when performing vascular exams.

Objective(s):

1. Describe microscopic and gross anatomy of blood vessels.
2. Identify and label the vessels of the heart, cerebrovascular and peripheral arterial systems from a diagram and sonographic images.
3. Explain the meaning of arterial hemodynamics.
4. Describe the various factors that affect resistance to blood flow.
5. Identify the signs, symptoms and risk factors associated with arterial disease.
6. List the pathologies of the arterial system and describe their sonographic appearances.
7. Describe the cardiovascular effects of hormone therapy in transgender patients.

Course Outcome(s):

Explain the procedure to the patient and provide technical findings of direct and indirect testing methods associated with arterial vascular examination to the physician.

Objective(s):

1. Identify standard imaging views used for evaluation of the carotid vessels, and upper and lower extremity arteries for both direct and indirect testing.
2. Recognize the difference between qualitative and quantitative interpretation of a waveform.
3. Compare and contrast the indications, limitations, and uses of color duplex imaging, plethysmography, and transcranial Doppler.

4. Describe the patient preparation necessary for each arterial test.
5. Complete a pertinent history and physical examination specific to each arterial test.

Course Outcome(s):

Identify medical and surgical interventions utilized in the treatment of cardiovascular diseases in order to explain it to the patient.

Objective(s):

1. Explain the importance of lifestyle changes
2. List the main medications utilized in the treatment of cardiovascular disease, their effects, indications and contraindications.
3. List and explain the surgical treatments most commonly used for cerebrovascular and peripheral vascular diseases.

Methods of Evaluation:

1. Article reviews
2. Class participation
3. Final examination
4. Homework assignments
5. Oral/Written quizzes
6. Research/Semester project
7. Written tests

Course Content Outline:

1. Concepts
 - a. Patient preparation techniques
 - b. Exam protocols
 - c. Clinical examination techniques
 - d. Cross sectional anatomy of heart vessels
 - e. Cross sectional anatomy of cerebrovascular systems
 - f. Cross sectional anatomy of peripheral arterial systems
 - g. Arterial pathology
 - h. Pathophysiology of arterial disease
 - i. Arterial hemodynamics
 - j. Direct vs. indirect testing methods
 - k. Qualitative and quantitative technical findings
 - l. Indications
 - m. Contraindications
 - n. Arterial testing techniques
 - o. Scanning techniques
 - p. Cerebrovascular testing techniques
2. Skills
 - a. Reporting technical findings of exam
 - b. Identifying cross sectional anatomy of the vessels of the heart, cerebrovascular, and peripheral arterial systems.
 - c. Completing a history and physical examination
 - d. Correlating medical data
 - e. Communicating with patient
3. Issues
 - a. Medical ethics
 - b. Physician interaction
 - c. Diversity
 - d. Patient interaction
 - e. Scope of Practice
 - f. Verbal and non-verbal communication limitations

Topical Outline

1. Anatomy (vessel routes, variations, and collaterals)
 - a. Microscopic anatomy
 - b. Circulation

- i. Cardiopulmonary
 - ii. Systemic
 - iii. Portal
 - c. Cardiopulmonary anatomy
 - i. Walls
 - ii. Internal structures
 - 1. Chambers
 - 2. Septa
 - 3. Valves
 - iii. Pulmonary arteries and veins
 - d. Peripheral arterial system
 - i. Upper extremity
 - ii. Lower extremity
 - e. Cerebrovascular system
 - i. Extracranial
 - ii. Intracranial
2. Arterial Hemodynamics: Flow physics
- a. Heart rate
 - b. Blood pressure
 - c. Energy Concepts
 - i. Kinetic energy
 - ii. Potential energy
 - iii. Gravitational energy
 - iv. Energy gradient
 - d. Resistance
 - e. Poiseuille's law
 - f. Bernoulli effect
 - g. Reynolds number
 - h. Blood flow characteristics - Flow patterns
 - i. Effects of exercise on flow (non-diseased arteries)
 - j. Effects of stenosis on flow
 - k. Effects of collateralization on flow
3. Mechanisms of disease
- a. Atherosclerosis
 - b. Thrombosis
 - c. Embolism
 - d. Acute arterial occlusion
 - e. Aneurysm
 - f. Non-atherosclerotic diseases
 - i. Arteritis
 - ii. Vasospastic disorders
 - iii. Entrapment syndromes
 - iv. Coarctation of the aorta
4. Effects of secondary disorders on flow
- a. cardiac diseases
 - b. pulmonary diseases
 - c. anemia
 - d. hypertension
 - e. diabetes mellitus
4. Effects of hormone therapy in transgender patients
- hypertension
 - myocardial infarction
 - stroke
1. Peripheral arterial testing
- a. Patient history
 - i. Signs & symptoms
 - ii. Risk factors and contributing diseases
 - b. Physical examination

- i. Observation
 - ii. Palpation of pulses
 - iii. Auscultation of flow
 - c. Direct testing (Color duplex imaging)
 - i. Indications/uses/limitations
 - ii. Patient preparation
 - iii. Scanning techniques
 - 1. Native vessels
 - a. Gray-scale, color flow, and Doppler/spectral analysis
 - 2. Hemodialysis access grafts
 - a. Gray-scale, color flow, and Doppler/spectral analysis
 - 3. Arteriovenous fistula
 - a. Gray-scale, color flow, and Doppler/spectral analysis
 - 4. Peripheral bypass grafts
 - a. Gray-scale, color flow, and Doppler/spectral analysis
 - iv. Technical findings of Doppler velocity (audible, spectral analysis)
 - 1. Qualitative
 - 2. Quantitative
 - d. Indirect testing (physiologic testing)
 - i. Continuous wave Doppler evaluation
 - ii. Segmental pressures
 - 1. Exercise testing (treadmill)
 - 2. Reactive hyperemia
 - 3. Allen test
 - iii. Plethysmography
 - 1. Pulse volume recording (PVR)
 - 2. Photoplethysmography (PPG) for digits
 - 3. Thoracic outlet syndrome testing
 - iv. Technical findings of indirect tests
 - 1. Qualitative
 - 2. Quantitative
- 2. Cerebrovascular testing
 - a. Patient history
 - i. Transient Ischemic Attack (TIA)
 - ii. Reversible Ischemic Neurologic Deficit (RIND)
 - iii. Cerebrovascular Accident (CVA)
 - b. Signs and symptoms based on location
 - i. Anterior circulation (ICA, ACA, MCA & ACoA)
 - ii. Posterior circulation (Vertebrobasilar arts., PCA, PCoA)
 - iii. Non-hemispheric
 - c. Risk factors and contributing diseases
 - d. Mechanisms of disease
 - i. Atherosclerosis
 - ii. Emboli
 - iii. Aneurysm
 - iv. Dissection
 - v. Fibromuscular Dysplasia
 - vi. Carotid body tumors
 - vii. Subclavian steal
 - e. Effects of intracranial and extracranial disorders on flow
 - f. Physical examination
 - i. Palpation of pulses
 - ii. Auscultation of flow
 - iii. Brachial blood pressure
 - g. Direct testing method (Color Duplex imaging)
 - i. Indications/uses/limitations
 - ii. Patient preparation
 - iii. Scanning technique
 - iv. Impression

1. Quantitative measurements
2. Plaque characterization
- h. Direct testing method (Transcranial Doppler)
 - i. Indications/uses/limitations
 - ii. Patient preparation
 - iii. Scanning techniques
 - iv. Impression
 1. Occlusion
 2. Vasospasm
 3. Arteriovenous malformation
 4. Brain death
- i. Indirect testing methods (periorbital Doppler, Oculopneumoplethysmography)
 - i. Indications/uses/limitations
 - ii. Patient preparation
 - iii. Scanning techniques
 - iv. Technical impression of waveform
 1. Qualitative
 2. Quantitative
- j. Treatment for arterial disease
 - i. Medical therapy
 1. Prevention
 2. Pharmacology
 - ii. Compression therapy for pseudoaneurysm
 - iii. Thrombin injection for treatment of pseudoaneurysm
 - iv. Endovascular treatment
 1. angiography
 2. angioplasty/stents
 3. atherectomy
 - v. Surgical treatment
 1. Endarterectomy
 2. Patch graft endarterectomy
- k. Related diagnostic testing
 - i. Laboratory values
 - ii. Angiography
 - iii. Magnetic resonance angiography
 - iv. Computed tomography

Resources

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