Visualization of Cardiac Thrombus by Bedside Ultrasound

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Pulmonary emboli (PE) is one of the crucial considerations in the differential diagnosis of acute dyspnea and hypotension. Multiple prospective studies reveal a low sensitivity (41-70%) of FOCUS for specifically identifying PE. As experience with emergency ultrasound grows, EPs will be expected to fully understand and exploit the power of FOCUS to meet the evolving standards of care in emergency medicine.

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