

acute venous disease

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thromboembolic disease

- deep vein thrombophlebitis
- superficial thrombophlebitis
- phlegmasia cereulea dolens
- pulmonary embolism

some facts

- over 250,000/yr die of pulmonary embolism
- 600,000 hospitalizations/yr for DVT
- 1-2% of hospitalized patients
- \$1.2-2.4 billion per yr.

risk factors

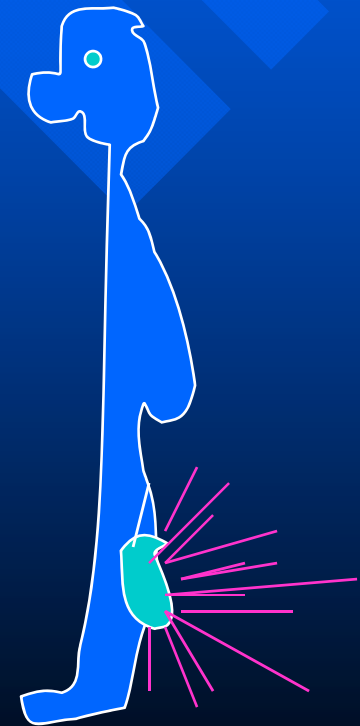
- Hx of dvt, p.e.
- prolonged sitting, standing
- obesity
- recent surgery, trauma
- immobility paralysis
- malignancy
- hypercoaguable state
- smoking
- sepsis
- congestive heart failure
- age >60
- BCPs
- pregnancy (>3)
- venous insufficiency
- copd
- venous incompetence
- nephrotic syndrome

congenital disorders

- atIII deficiency
- protein c, s deficiency
- apc resistance (leiden mutation)
- prothrombin 20210a
- homocystinemia
- heparin cofactor II deficiency
- dysfibrinogenemia
- inc. factor VII
- decreased pa;
increased pai g4
gene
- abnormal plasminogen

acquired risk factors

- heparin induced thrombocytopenia
- warfarin induced thrombosis
- antiphospholipid syndrome
- estrogens
- pregnancy
- diabetes mellitus



antithrombin three deficiency

- antithrombin inhibits factors IX_a , X_a , XI_a , and XII_a , thrombin
- risk of thrombosis increases when functional activity is less than 80%
- decreased in liver disease, sepsis, dic, bcps
- heparin, ffp, atIII replacement, warfarin
- prophylaxis in prothrombotic events

protein c and s deficiency

- vitamin k dependant liver proteins
- activated by thrombin, bound to endothelial cell thrombomodulin
degrades factor V_a and $XIII_a$,
decreases tissue pai
- protein s is a cofactor
- autosomal dominant 1:300

protein c and s deficiency-2

- venous thrombosis at early age in heterozygotes (30-70% levels)
- prophylaxis with warfarin, heparin
- fresh frozen plasma to correct
- life long warfarin for thromboses
- **warning!!!** cutaneous necrosis on warfarin more likely

activated protein c resistance(factor V Leiden)

- most common inherited cause of thrombosis (3-15% caucasians)
- factor V resistance to degradation by activated protein c
- 7 fold risk of venous thrombosis
- life long warfarin

homocystinemia

- increased risk of early onset dvt
- increased incidence of recurrent dvt
- platelet activation, increased factor VII and V, decreased protein c activity, mthfr mutation
- 39-50% of patients may have normal levels in fasting state
- folate (1-15mg/day), B₁₂, B₆

prothrombin 20210

- elevated levels of prothrombin
- nucleotide change (g to a transition)
- arterial thrombosis (coronary and cerebral), warfarin for early and recurrent thromboses



pregnancy

- **5 fold increased risk of dvt**
- **increase in factors I, VII, VIII, IX, X, XII, platelets, pai-1,2**
- **decrease in protein c and antithrombin**
- **rule out thrombophilic states**
- **prophylaxis for 2nd pregnancy**

antiphospholipid syndrome

- acquired, drug induced
- 1-5% of the population
- 50% of pts over 80
- lupus anticoagulants, anticardiolipin antibodies
- antibodies against B₂ glycoproteins, prothrombin, platelets, endothelial cells, protein C,S

antiphospholipid syndrome

- test for both anticardiolipin and lupus anticoagulant
- advise against oral contraception or pregnancy
- lifelong warfarin INR 2.0-4.0

combination of two factors=70-90% risk of vte

treatment goals

- prevent pulmonary embolism
- prevent propagation
- prevent postphlebitic sequellae

dvt diagnosis

■ classic signs

- tumor-swelling, unilateral edema
- dolor-tenderness over the vein course in the thigh, calf muscles
- calor-not usually found
- rubor-if associated with svf

■ Homans' sign-present in 1/3 of patients with dvt and 1/2 of those without

diagnosis 2

clinical diagnosis is confirmed in 30-50%

differential diagnosis

- svt
- cellulitis/lymphangitis
- muscle or soft tissue injury
- achilles tendonitis
- asymmetric 2^o edema
- baker's cyst
- arthritis
- post-phlebitic syndrome

svt and dvt

- if you have svt in a patient with varicose veins, 4% chance of dvt
- without varicose veins, 40% chance of concomitant dvt
- with proximal svt risk of dvt is 10%

diagnostic tests

- duplex scan

- d-dimer

- venography

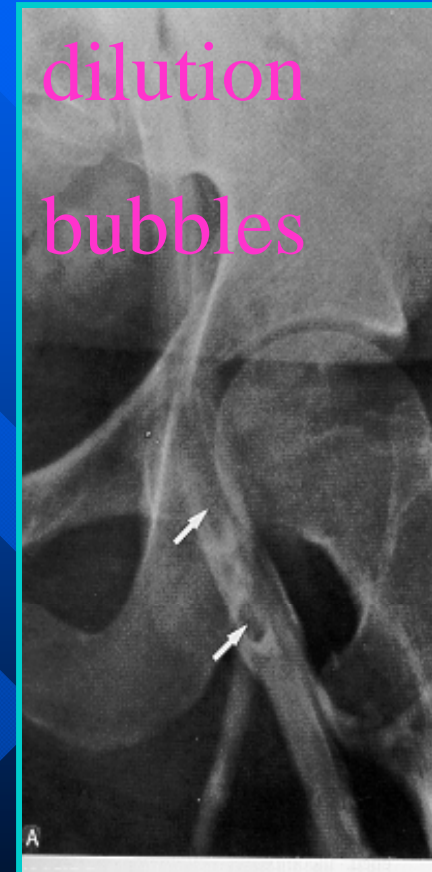
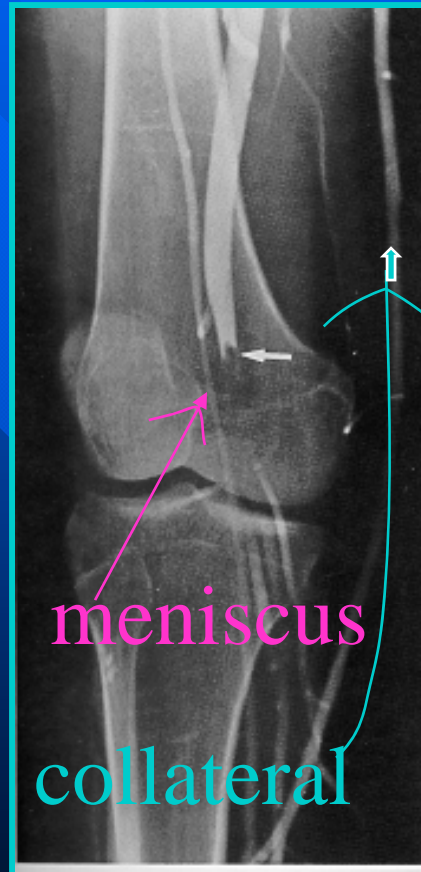
- mri/ct scan

acute dvt diagnosis

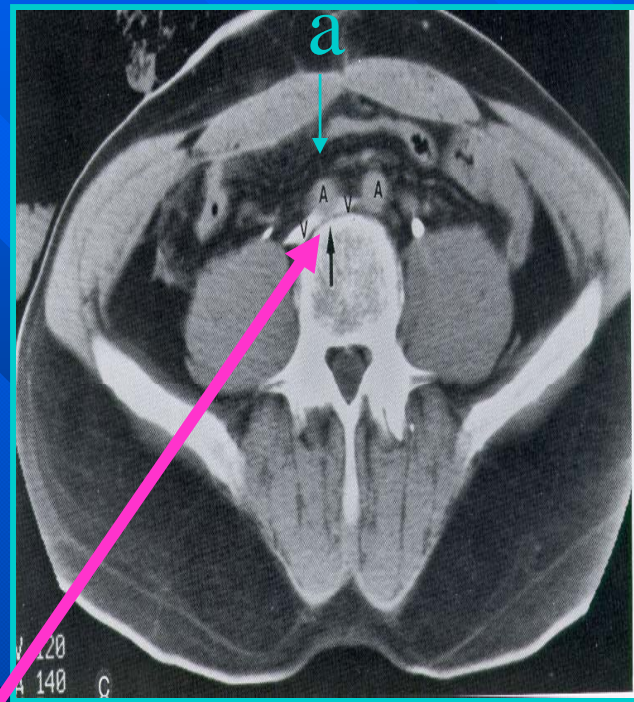
ascending phlebography

- gold standard
- > 95% accurate
- least accurate in femoral , iliac or foot
- risks of p.e., causing dvt are low
- superficial vein filling preferentially
- site, adherence, extent, age
- observer error

phlebography



may-thurner syndrome



left iliac **venous** occlusion by
crossing rt. **iliac artery**

venography infiltration

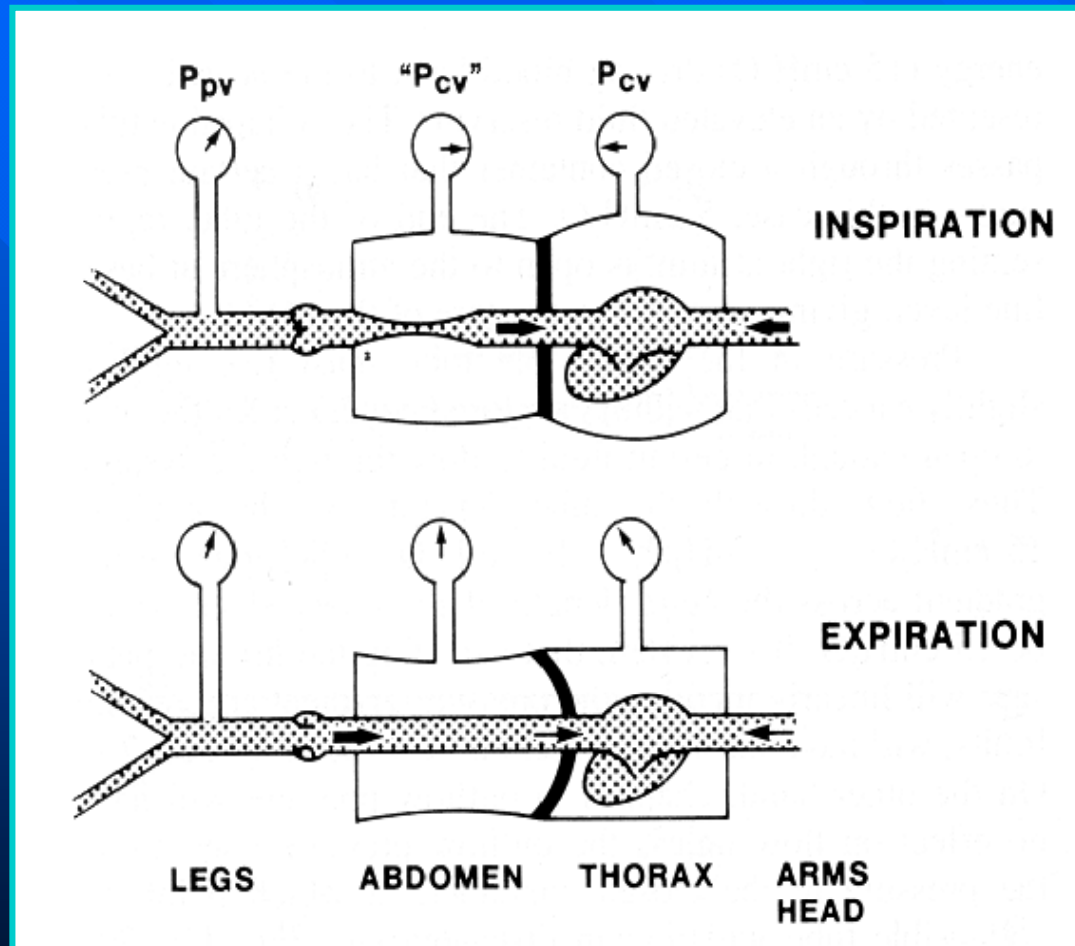


doppler

- wave:
 - continuous if hand held
 - pulsed on duplex
- 5 MHZ probe, 60 degree angle
- listen for:
 - spontaneous flow
 - respiratory variation
 - segmental augmentation
 - competency of valves
 - pulsatility



respiratory variation

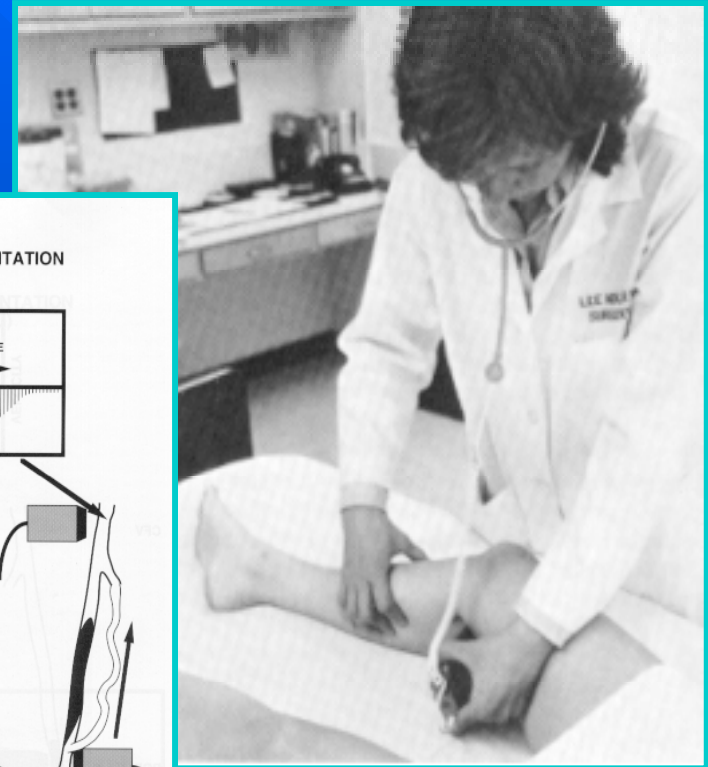
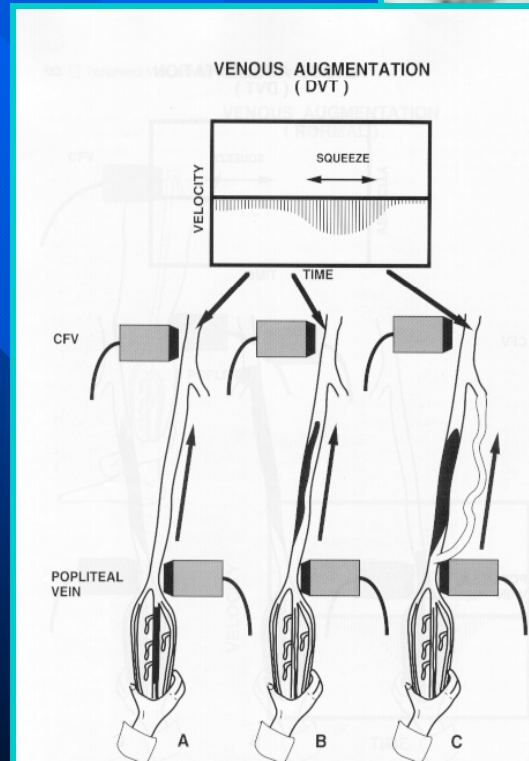


augmentation

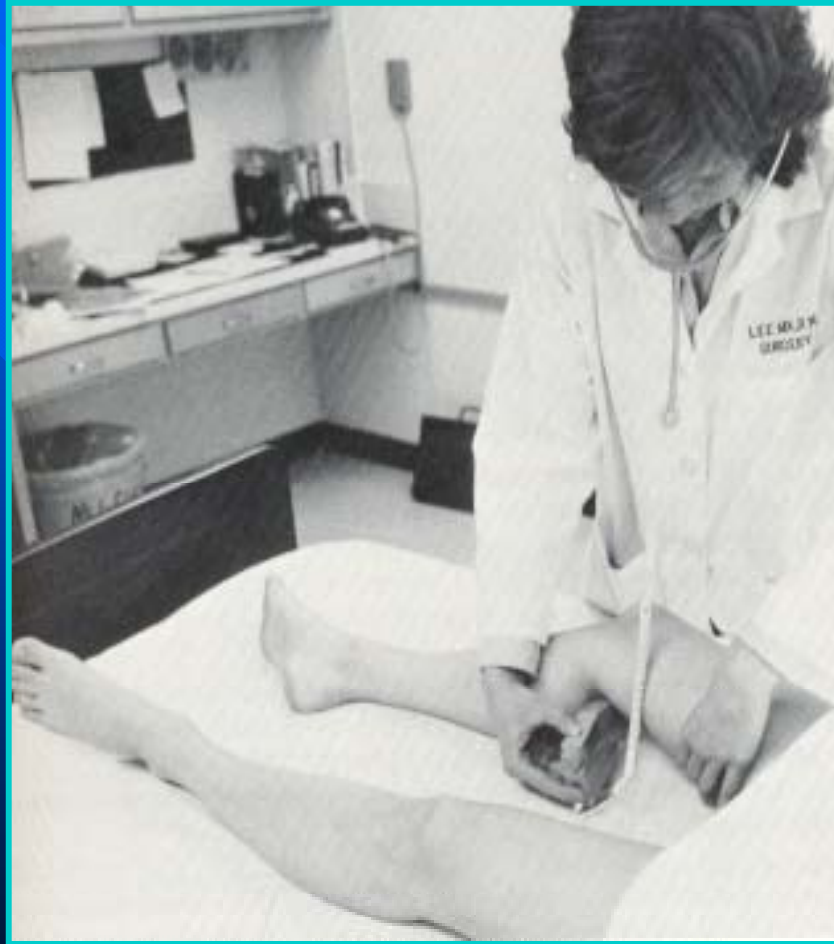
- position important

- evaluate

- tibials
- popliteal
- sfv
- cfv
- iliac
- saphenous



reflux

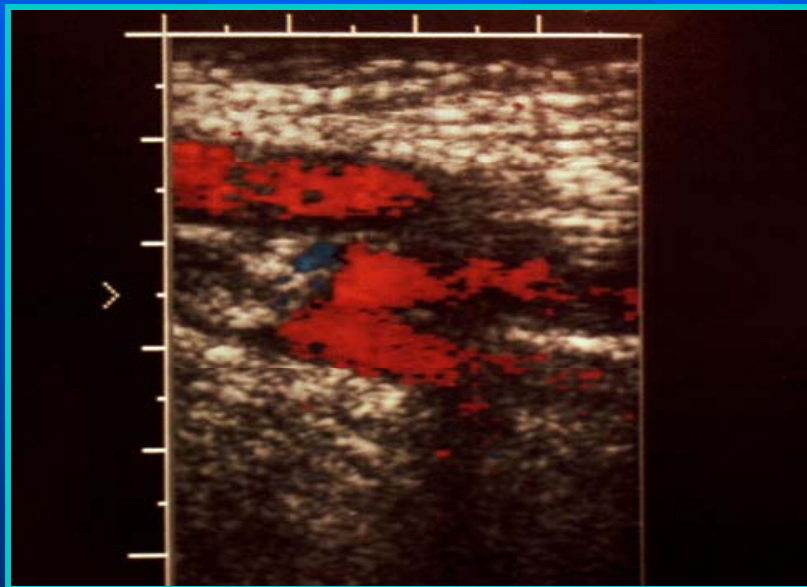


duplex scan

- B mode 4-8 MHZ linear array probe
- color to demonstrate flow
- grey scale to assess chronic changes
- assesses the iliac / vena cava better



duplex femoral vein



duplex scan criteria

■ compressibility

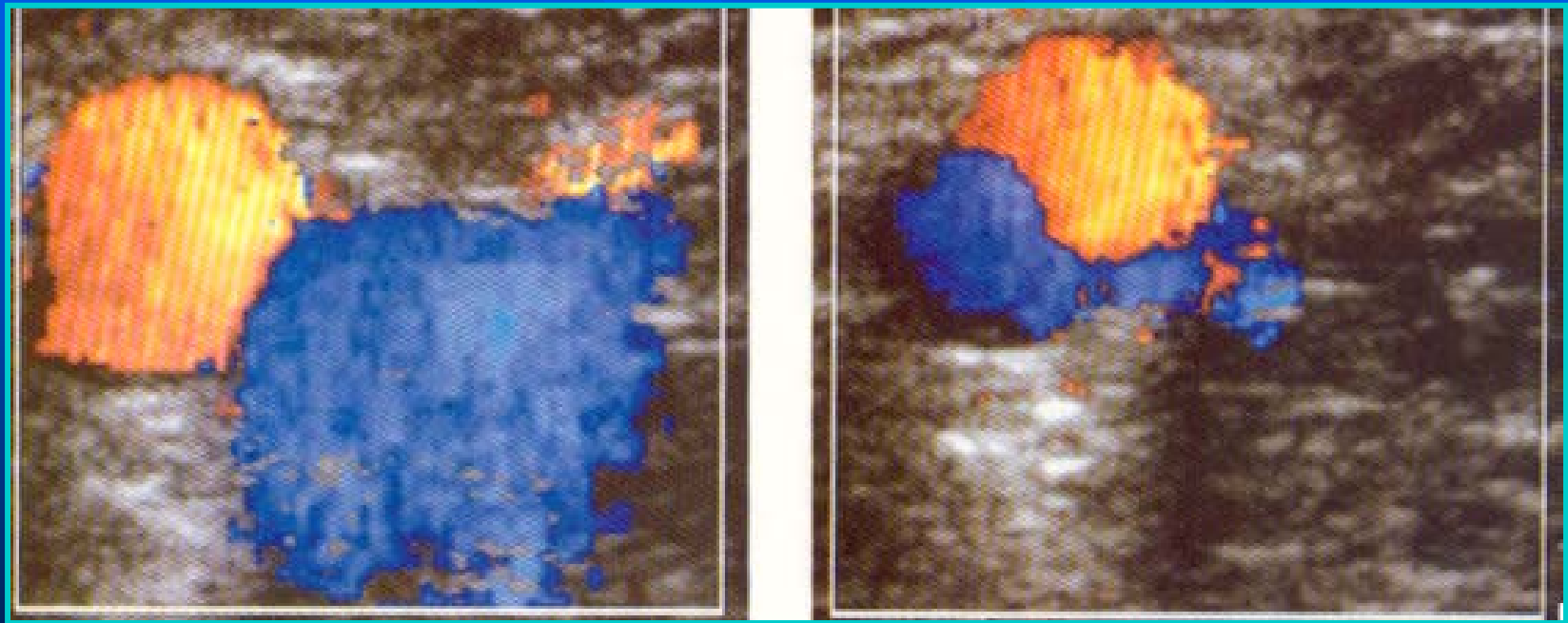
- deep femoral
- superficial femoral at adductor hiatus
- posterior tibialis at ankle

■ augmentation

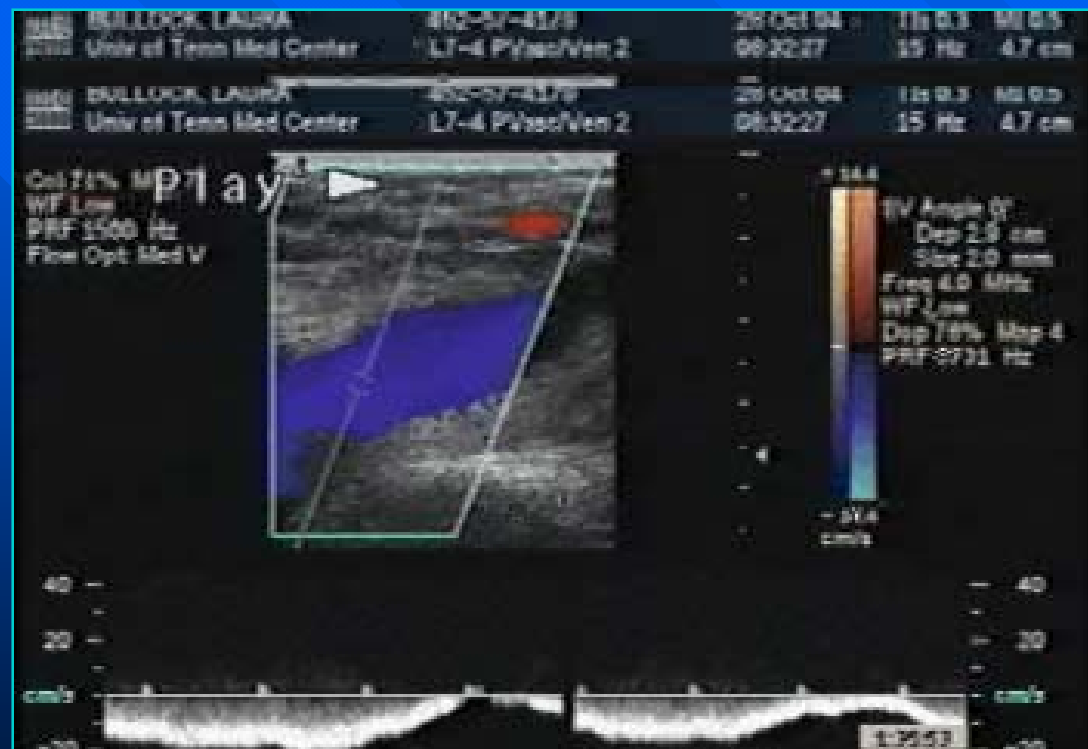
- competent
- phasic



compressibility



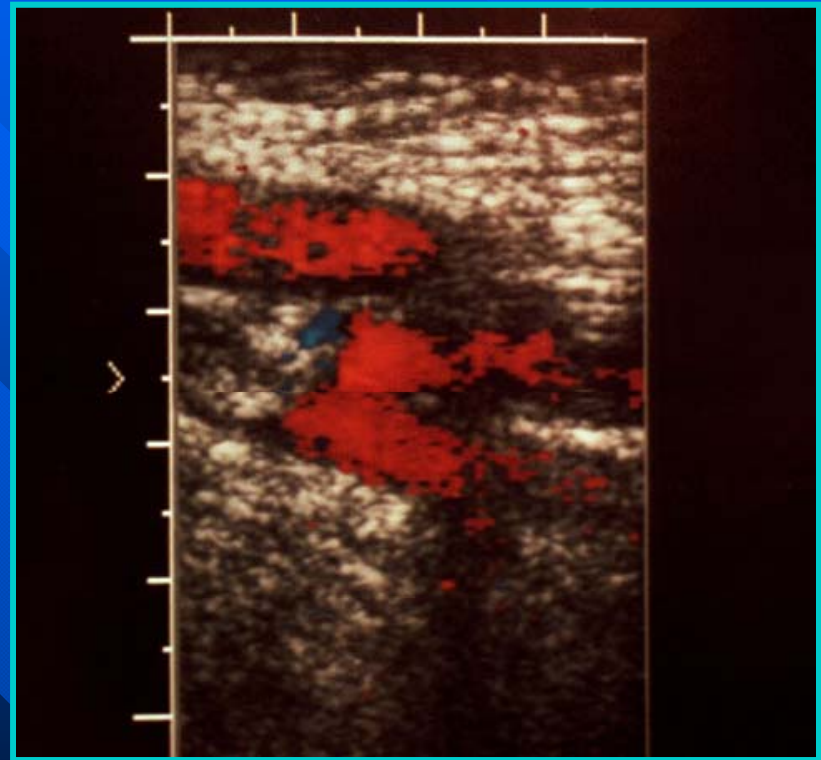
venous hemodynamics



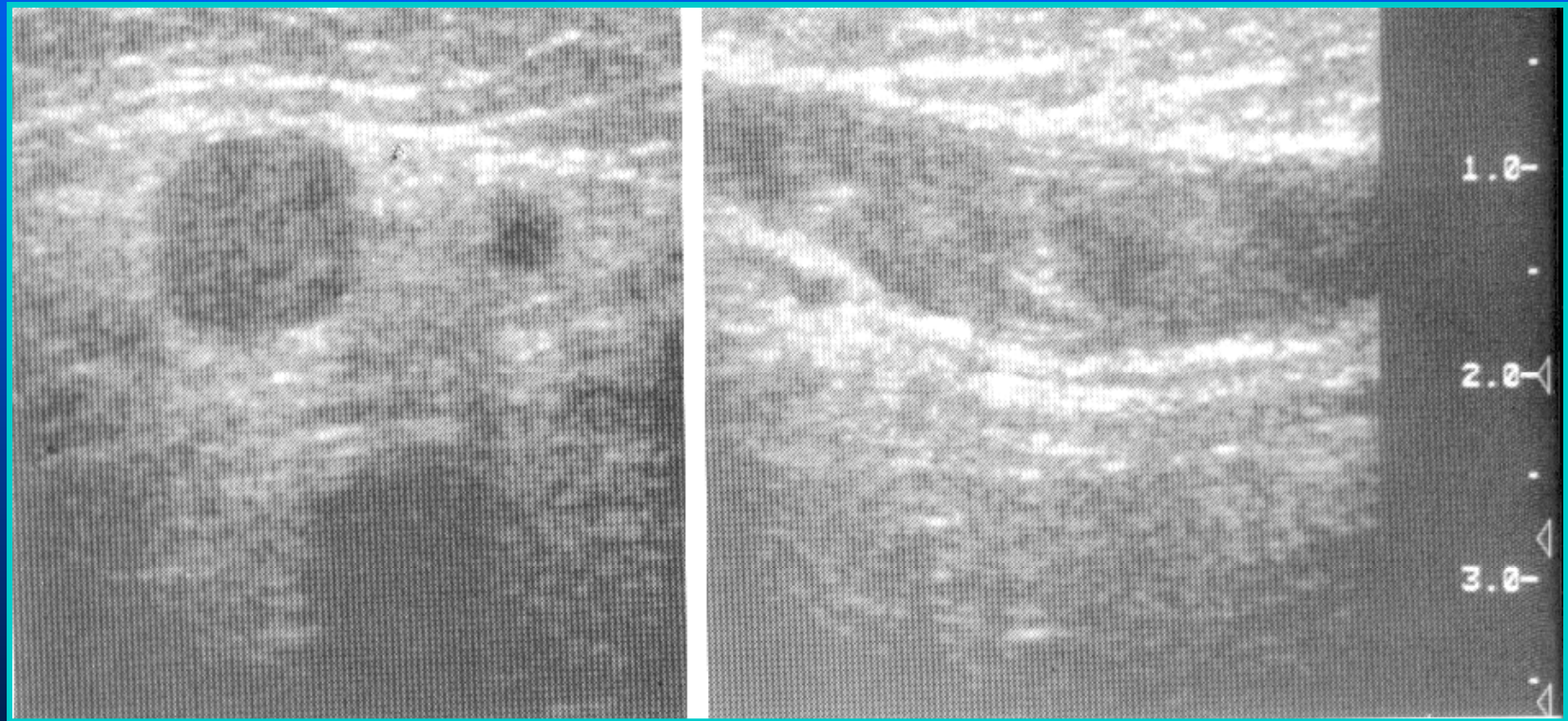
dvt acute vs. chronic

acute

- Less echogenic
- Vein distension
- Homogeneity
- Free floating



dvt acute vs. chronic



dvt acute vs. chronic

chronic

- echogenic
- vein retraction
- heterogeneity
- clot retraction
- collaterals
- recanalization



duplex rationale

- **duplex least accurate in infrapopliteal veins**
- **incidence of P.E. from infrapopliteal veins low**
- **often don't treat calf thromboses**
- **incidence of progression >35% to popliteal in 24 hrs**



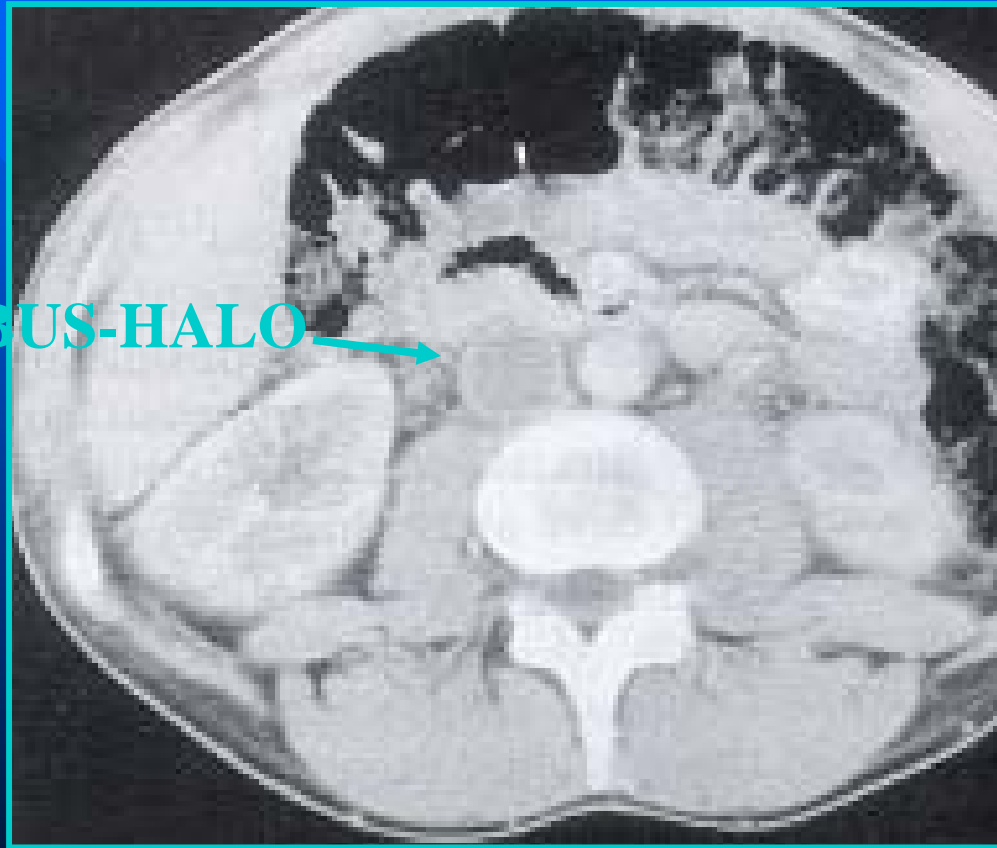
duplex scan accuracy

	<u>SENSITIVITY SPECIFICITY</u>	
	<u>(%)</u>	<u>(%)</u>
FEMORAL POPLITEAL	89-100	98-100
POPLITEAL/UPPER CALF	63-91	83-100
TIBIOPERONEAL	73-100	86-100



computed tomography

THROMBUS-HALO →



Hey you!!

YEAH , YOU IN THE THIRD ROW!!!!!!!

WAKE UP!



d-dimer

- products of degradation of cross linked fibrin by plasmin
- up to 98% sensitive to diagnosis of DVT
- low as 38% specific
 - malignancy, recent surgery, hospitalized for >3 days
- high **Negative Predictive Value** (if it's negative it ain't there)

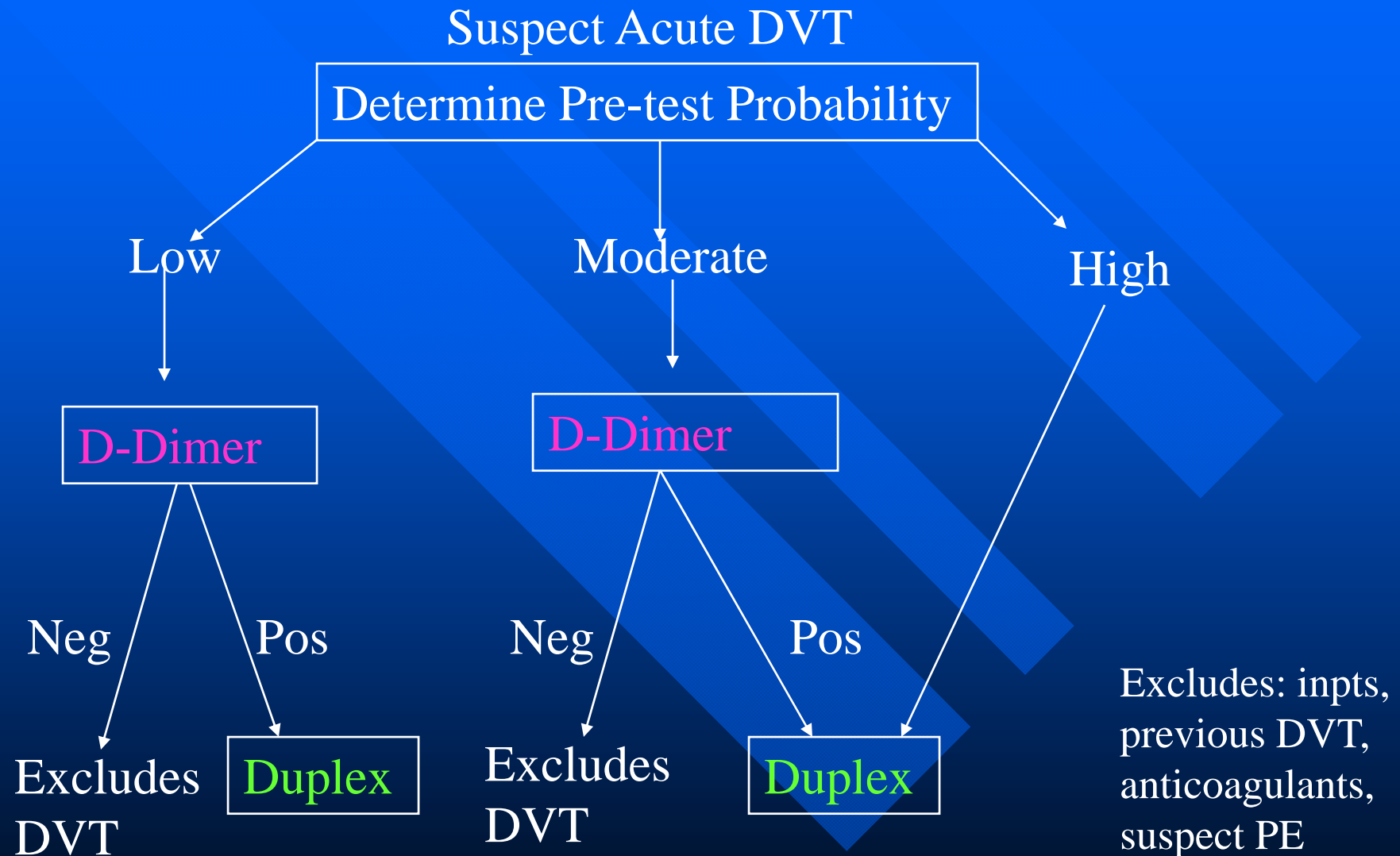
pre-testing stratification

<u>Clinical Feature</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Active cancer	1
Paralysis, paresis, immobilization	1
Bed ridden >3days/Surgery<4 weeks	1
Tenderness along deep veins	1
Entire leg swollen	1
Swelling >3 cm <u>vs</u> other leg(10cm below tuberosity)	1
Pitting edema	1
Non-varicose superficial collateral veins	1
Alternative diagnosis likely	minus 2

Probability: Low ≤ 0 , Moderate 1-2, High ≥ 3

Lancet 350:1795, '97

diagnostic algorithm for outpatients



Prophylaxis-Hospitalized

- Low Risk Early and continuous ambulation, graduated stockings
- Moderate Risk Compression Device, s.c. low dose UFH or LMWH
- High Risk low dose UFH or LMWH once or twice daily, or oral anticoagulant, and/or IPCD

dvt treatment

- tibio-peroneal
- fem-pop/iliofemoral
- recurrent
- phlegmasia cereulea dolens

tibio-peroneal dvt

- **controversial**
 - to heparinize or not
 - if you do, use outpt therapy with LMWH
 - if you don't, use nonsteroidals
- **ambulation**
- **support hose**
- **restudy for propagation**

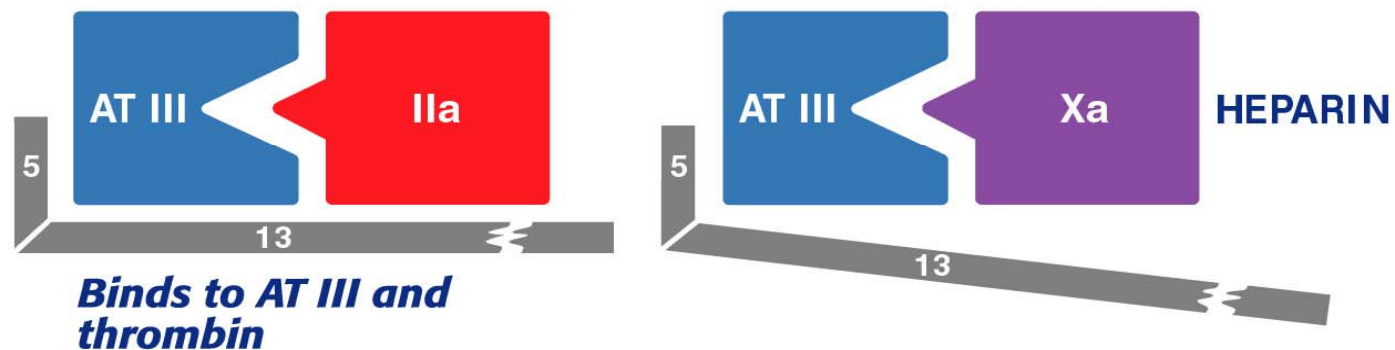
ilio-fem-pop dvt

- 20% of popliteal untreated **propagate**
- LMWH or unfractionated **heparin**
 - rate of propagation and p.e. same
- **ambulation** early
 - bed rest increases propagation 20 to 1
 - swelling diminished sooner with ambulation and....
- **support hose**-class II
- early **warfarin**

recurrent dvt

- look for HCS or other reason
- if already on coumadin, add ASA/plavix
- retreat if not on anticoagulants
- consider lifelong coumadin
- Up to 20% recurrence

Differential Effects of UFH and LMWH on Factor Xa and Thrombin



UFH vs LMWH

high mw (15,000)	low MW (4500-6000)
bioavailability <30%	>90%
short $t_{1/2}$	longer
low Anti-Xa/IIa	high Anti-Xa/IIa ratio
drug interactions	fewer
continuous/inpatient	intermittent/outpatient

UFH vs LMWH

recurrence	6.7-8.5 (%)	5.3-6.9
bleeding	1.2-2.0(%)	0.5-2.0
death	6.3-8.0 (%)	4.0-6.9
HIT	1-2(%)	1-2

patients not suitable for outpatient therapy

- severe liver disease
- thrombocytopenia
- renal disease
- high risk of falling
- acute p.e.
- other reasons for hospitalization

inpatient therapy

- LMWH or
- continuous iv heparin by nomogram
- loading dose of 80-100U/kg
- 15-20 U/kg/hr
- check aPTT
 - <35 sec rebolus and 4U/kg/hr
 - 45-70 sec ok
 - >70 sec decrease or stop for 2 hrs

long term therapy

- start coumadin when aPTT therapeutic or after 2 days of LMWH
- overlap of at least 5 days or until therapeutic
- INR of 2-3
- 3-6 mo. reduces the frequency of recurrence over 1-2mo (6% vs 11-18%)
- check venous hemodynamics

alternatives to coumadin

- ximelagatran(oral iia)
 - max level 1.5-2.5 hrs
 - vte prophylaxis, decreased recurrent dvt vs lmwh +warfarin
 - acute coronary syndrome with asa
 - transient liver toxicity
- dabigatran (oral iia)
 - vte prophylaxis phase iii
 - equivalent to enoxaparin
 - peak =2hrs; t $\frac{1}{2}$ =15 hrs

alternatives to coumadin

■ razaxaban

- factor xa inhibitor
- s.c. administration
- liver metabolized
- randomized knee replacement
 - » dose dependant reduction in vte compared to lmwh
 - » dose dependant increase in bleeding

HIT

- ufh acts as a hapten between platelet membrane and pf-4
- uncommon in dialysis pts-why?
- monitor pt ct every other day for 14 days
- lmwh 1/10th incidence of hit
- 50% fall in platelets or below 150,000/u1
- argatroban (2.0 ug/kg/min)

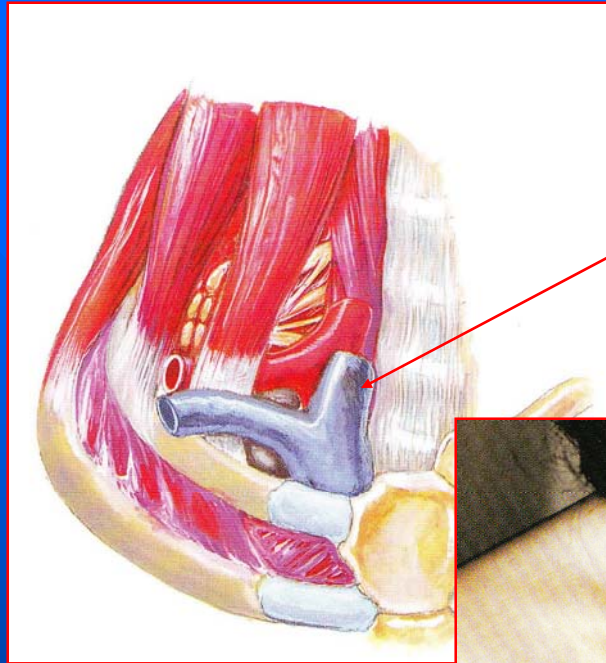
argatroban

- direct thrombin (iia) inhibitor
- synthetic analog of hirudin (smaller molecule)
- $t_{1/2} = 30-60$ mins.
- hepatic clearance
- i.v. administration
- monitor aptt

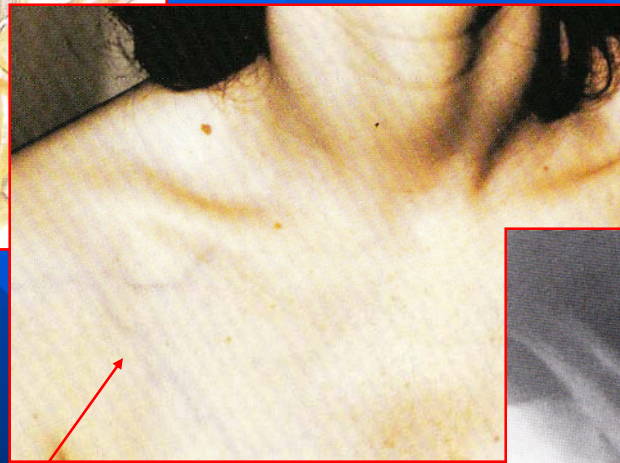
primary axillary/subclavian vein thrombosis (Paget-Schroetter)

- 2° to hypertrophy of the scalenus muscles or an abnormal rib
- duplex and venography, MVOV
- heparinization → thrombolysis → look for causes
repair → anticoagulation →
- without repair-chronic problems and recurrence
- repair of anomalies should be done within a wk after lysis

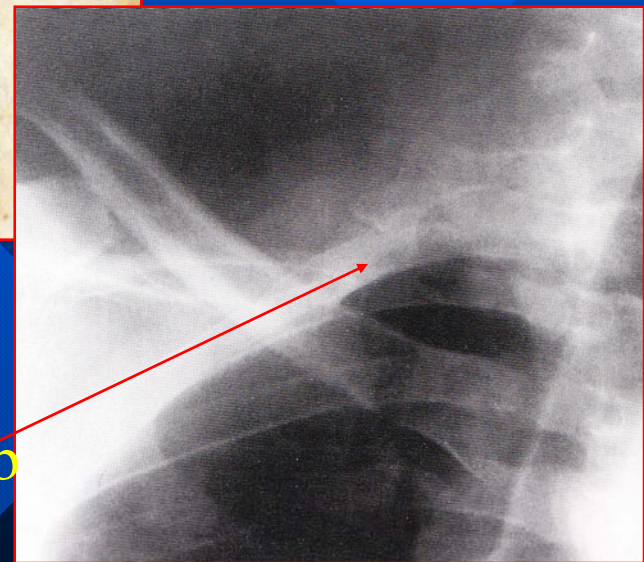
Paget-Schroetter Syndrome TOS



thoracic outlet



dilated superficial veins



cervical rib

Paget-Schroetter



secondary axillary/subclavian vein thrombosis

- prevention-use I.J. preferentially
- avoid long termed central lines, pic lines
- surveillance
- thrombolysis early followed by anticoagulation
- catheter removal depends on necessity vs symptoms

phlegmasia

- iliofemoral thrombosis
- thrombectomy vs thrombolysis
 - contraindication to lysis
 - viability of limb (alba)
 - popliteal approach for lysis
 - with or without fistula
- post thrombotic sequellae
- anticoagulation

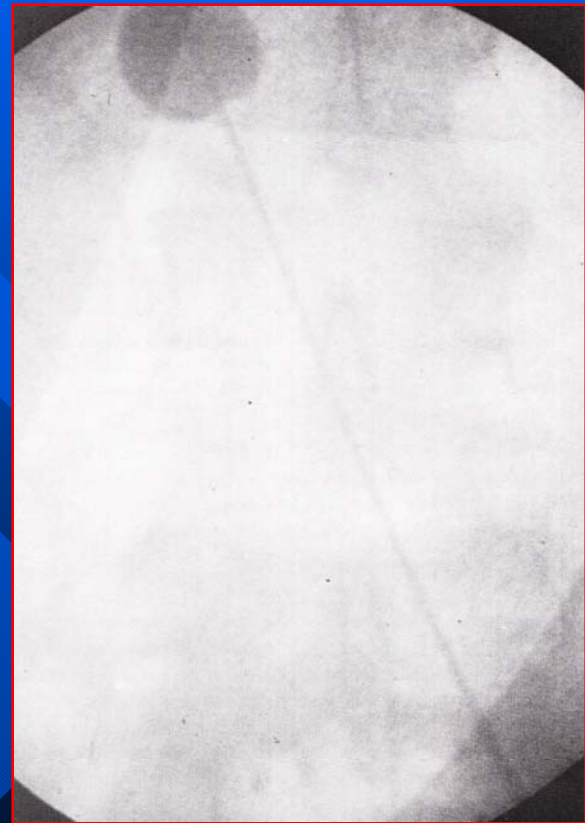
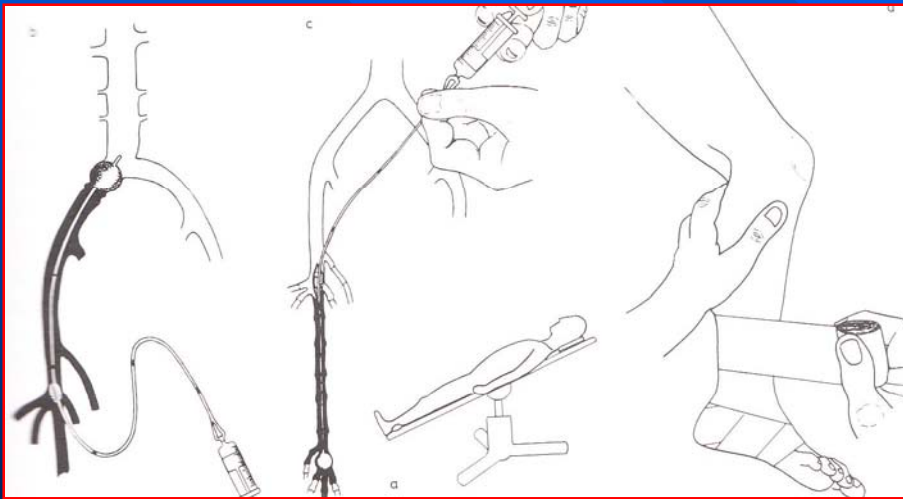
phlegmasia cereulea dolens



phlegmasia cereulea dolens

- if no “P’s” anticoagulate, elevate/ambulate, stockings
- “P”
 - Pain
 - Pallor
 - Poikilothermia
 - Pulseless
 - **PARESTHESIA**
 - **PARALYSIS**
- even in the presence of arterial flow if the two big “**P’s**” are present, thrombectomy and fasciotomy are necessary

thrombectomy



Thrombolysis

- systemic/regional
 - better venous patency and less post thrombotic syndrome
 - bleeding, long treatment times
- catheter directed
 - patency and function improved over systemic
 - possibly decreased bleeding
 - life function better
- mechanical
 - often needs thrombolytic therapy after

Thrombolysis

- pharmacomechanical
 - seed with tpa
 - mechanical thrombectomy
 - increases clearing of clot
 - fewer pts need regional or catheter thrombolysis for shorter times

phlegmasia-thrombolysis

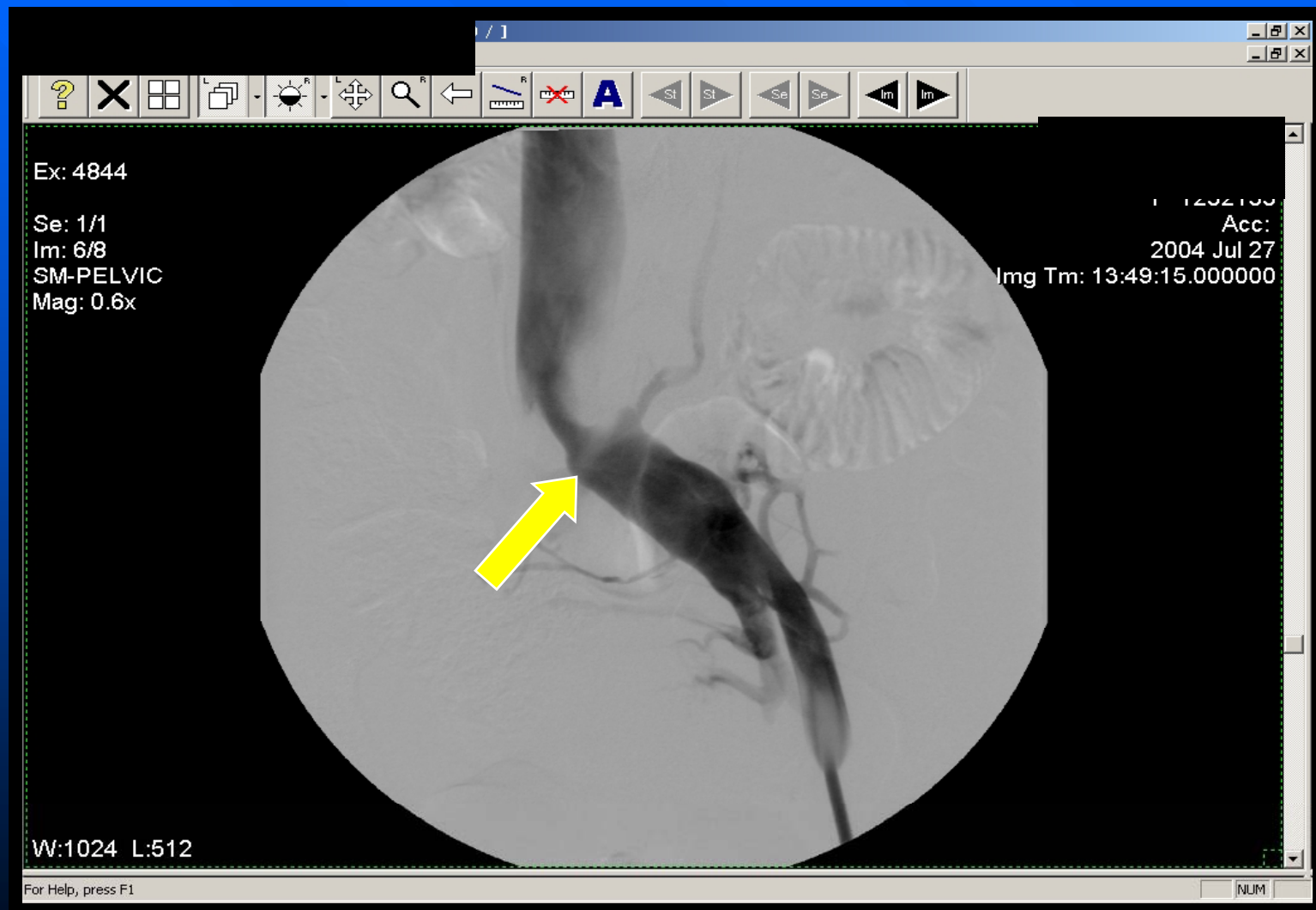


Phlegmasia-thrombolysis

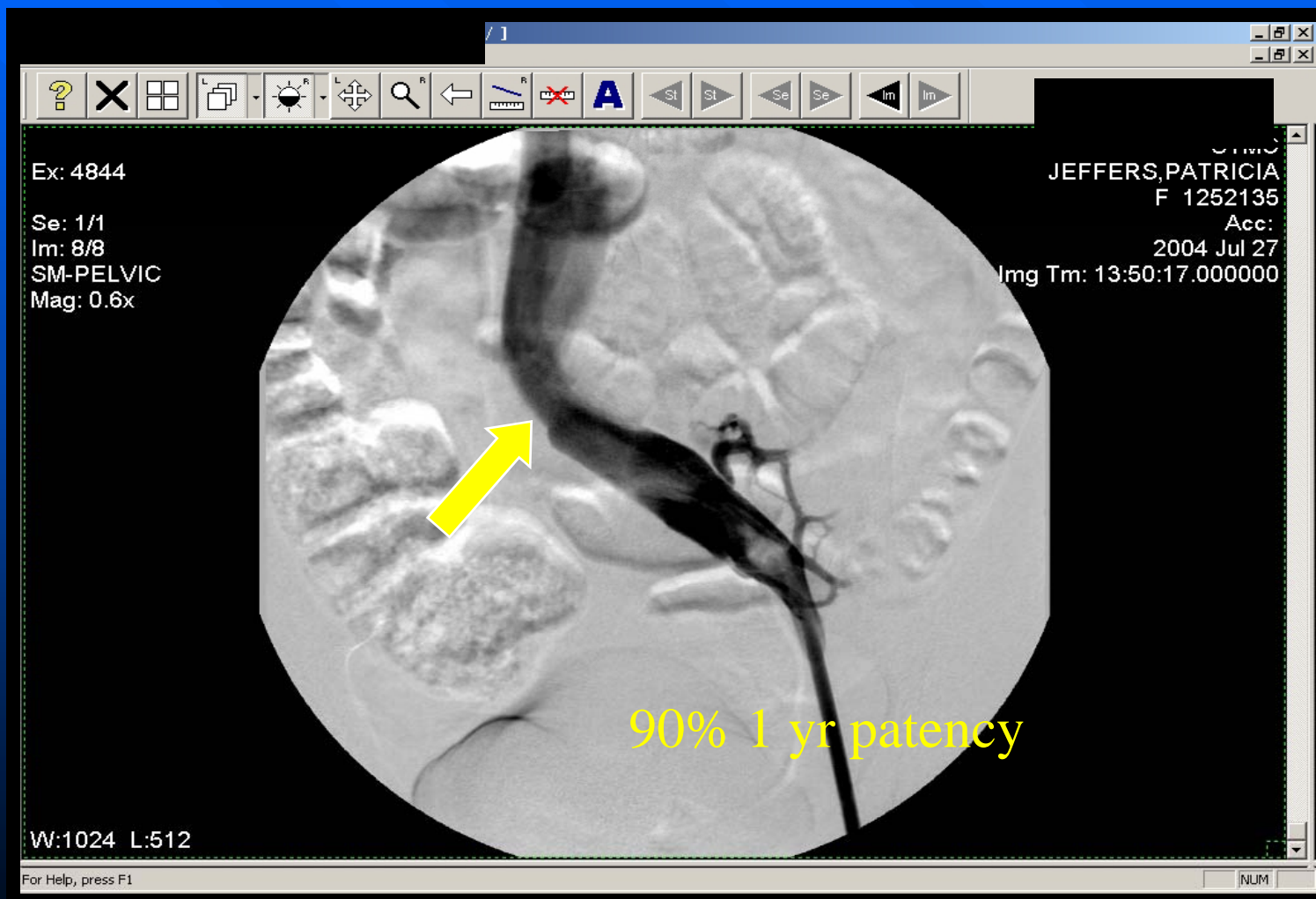
popliteal access →



adjunctive measures may-thurner



may-thurner after stent



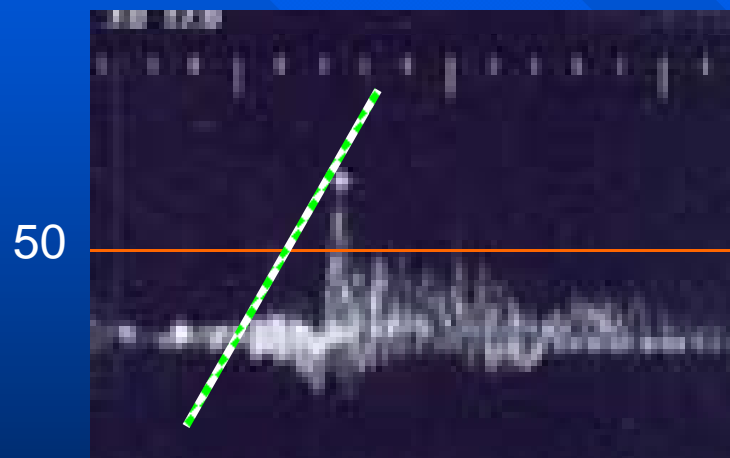
Maximum Venous Outflow Velocity

- Evocative test measuring venous outflow velocity using a standardized thigh blood pressure cuff pressure and duplex obtained femoral vein velocities upon release to detect venous outflow obstruction.
- Lebow et al (UTMCK): MVOV is significantly decreased on the left side in a sample of normal female volunteers and can be used as a preliminary test to Dx functional venous outflow obstruction.



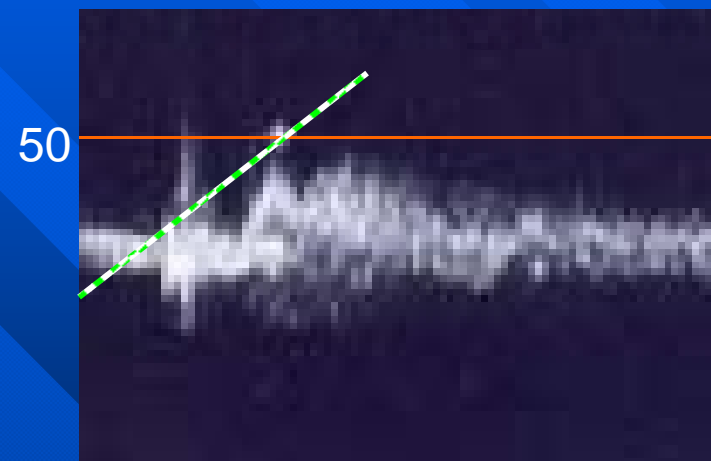
Left Venous Outflow Obstruction

MVOV 82 cm/sec



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MVOV 40 cm/sec



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a myth

“bed rest in acute dvt reduces the risk of pe,
alleviates pain, and decreases swelling”



no difference in pe between lmwh and bed rest and lmwh and 4 hrs ambulation a day and compression

clinically asymptomatic pe was found by scan in 1/2 of pts at the time of dvt diagnosis

ambulation and compression reduces stasis and thrombus propagation (26% vs 1%)

ambulation and compression leads to faster pain relief and less swelling

Reduces the frequency and severity of post thrombotic syndrome

ivc filters

Indications (classical)

major p.e.

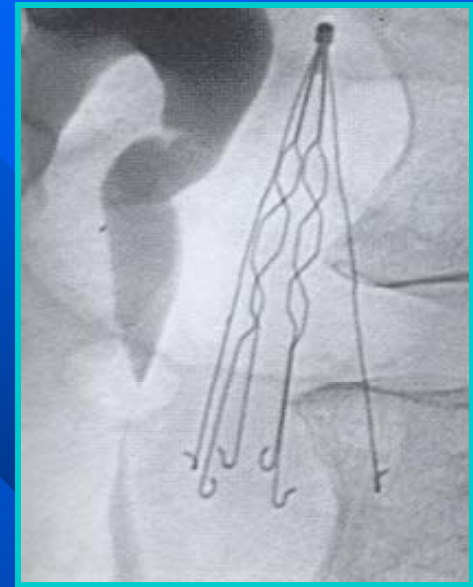
p.e. on adequate
anticoagulation

loose clot

respiratory insufficiency

can't anticoagulate

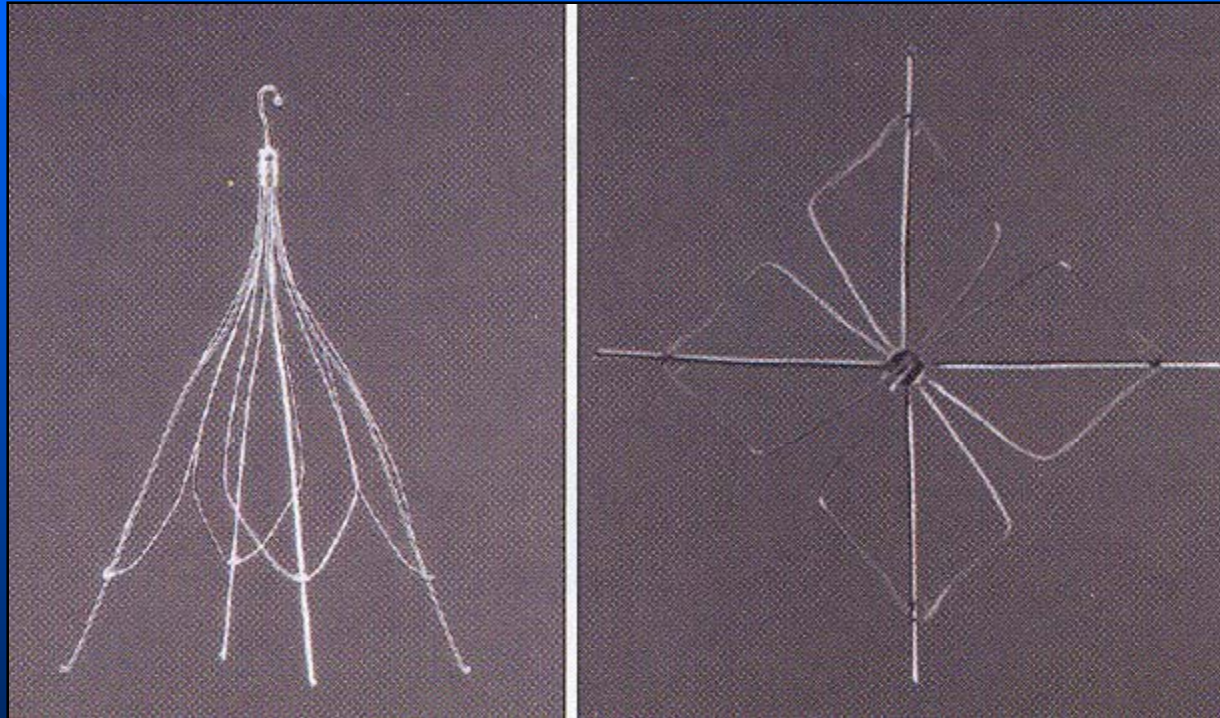
1-4% recurrence



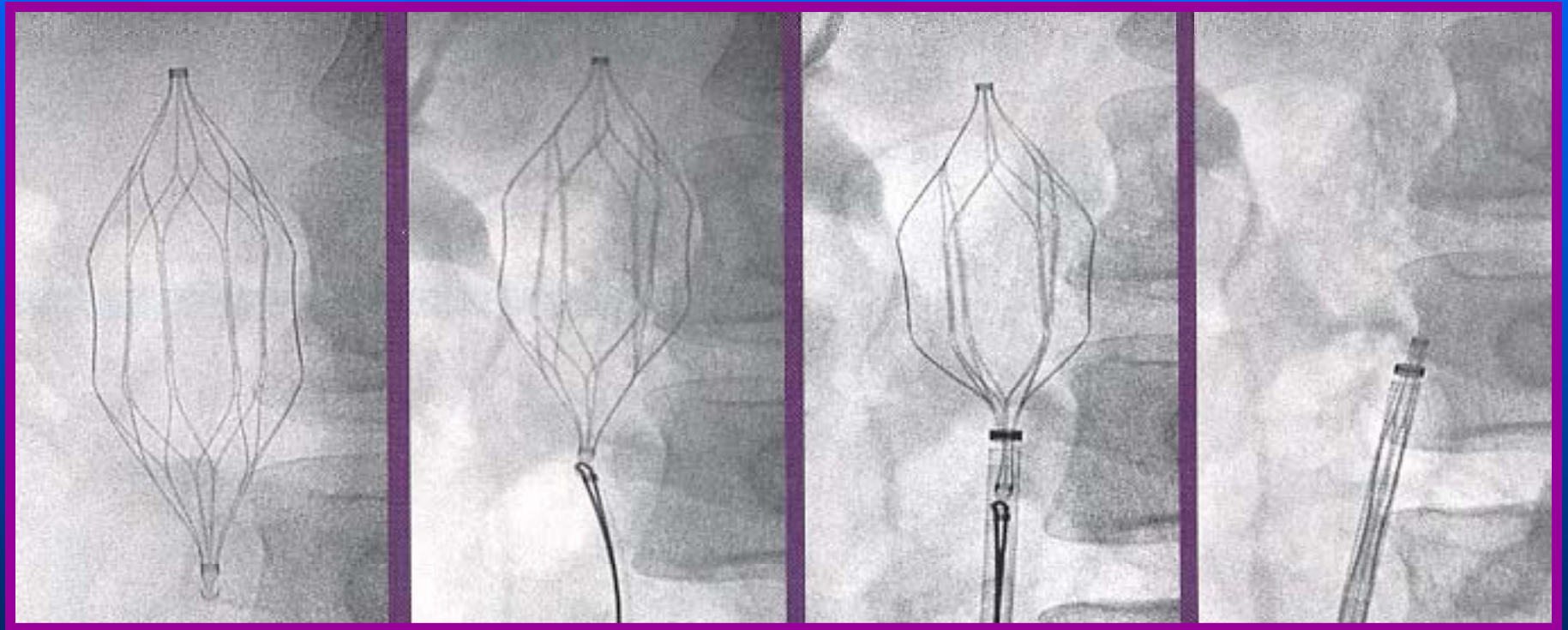
ivc filters

- not so classical reasons
 - cancer
 - surgery and dvt
 - hit
 - trauma
 - free floating
 - morbid obesity surgery
 - venous reconstruction, endovascular procedures

removable filters



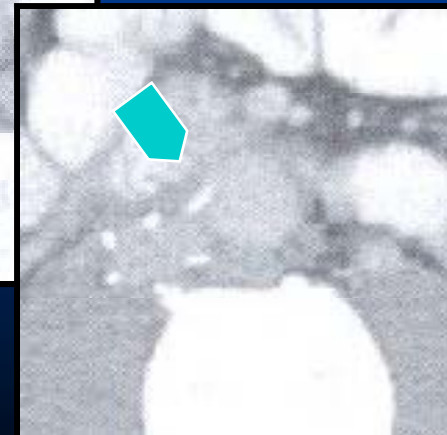
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Opt-Ease

rationale

- higher incidence of dvt after filter
- ivc thrombosis
- migration
- strut fracture (➤)
- Penetration (➤)
 - Duodenum, ureter, aorta
- infection
- trauma
- pregnancy
- short termed prophylaxis



removable filter

as yet, no clear-cut indications for use

summary-what's new since I last
gave grand rounds on this subject
over two years ago

- d-dimer
- LMWH outpt therapy
- replacement for heparin-argatroban
- replacement for coumadin
- thrombolysis
- ct diagnosis of pe
- removable filters
- MVOV



A dolphin is shown in mid-leap, its body arched and tail visible, against a bright blue background. The dolphin is positioned on the right side of the frame, with its head pointing towards the left.

SO LONG AND
THANKS FOR
ALL THE FISH