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Point of Care Sonography, an Essential Tool for Anesthesiology and Acute Care

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

In anesthesiology, ultrasound is growing a portfolio of applications comprising peripheral and central vascular access, and the evaluation of hemodynamics and ventilation as well as gastric volume to prevent aspiration. Virtually all peripheral regional blocks are guided by ultrasound, and even neuraxial blocks are improved by prior planning with ultrasound.

In acute care situations, rapid ultrasound markedly improves the diagnosis of life-threatening conditions in critical patients. The initiation of the best therapeutic pathway is accelerated by the bedside ultrasound imaging of the heart, the blood vessels, the lung, and the abdominal organs.

This Special Issue aims to highlight novel methods and strategies for advancing the integration of ultrasound tools in daily clinical decision making and the guidance of therapeutic procedures. We welcome both cutting-edge research papers and comprehensive reviews regarding the applications of ultrasound in anesthesiology and acute care.













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