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Preface to the Second Edition

The first edition of this work, published by Springer-Verlag, was very well received, with laudatory reviews in American and British radiology journals and also in *The Lancet* and the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

With this second edition, publication has been taken over by Mosby–Year Book after a friendly agreement with the original publishers, and the title has been changed to A Concise Textbook of Clinical Imaging. This is because the text has grown substantially in both page and illustration counts and can no longer be regarded as Short though it remains, we hope, Concise.

Our aims remain unchanged—to provide clear guidance for the first and second year resident and trainee in radiology and imaging as to which of the bewildering array of imaging methods and tests available are appropriate for specific clinical situations and what current practice and preferences are at Teaching Hospitals.

In the four years since the first edition, progress and change in clinical imaging have continued apace and are reflected in the revised text. These include increasing use of improved and more sophisticated MRI, particularly in neuroradiology, skeletal, and vascular work; more general use of color Doppler in ultrasound; and more widespread application of high resolution CT, especially in chest work.

It is a happy coincidence but no less appropriate that this new edition should be published in the centenary year of Roentgen's epoch-making discovery of x-rays.

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Preface to the First Edition

In recent decades imaging has proved one of the most rapidly expanding areas of medicine. The present day trainees entering radiology are no longer trained by radiologists who cover and are well informed on most aspects of their specialty as was the case with previous generations. Instead they encounter a confusing array of subspecialists divided both by systems and by techniques.

The system specialists include neuroradiologists, vascular radiologists, gastrointestinal radiologists, chest radiologists, and skeletal radiologists. Technique specialists include experts in nuclear medicine, ultrasound, computed tomography and magnetic resonance, and there are subspecialists in both groups, not to mention others like pediatric radiologists who fit into neither classification.

It is our experience that this plethora of experts each with his own individual approach is bewildering and intimidating to the novice radiologist. The numerous monographs on individual subjects and techniques and the large textbooks so valuable to the more advanced radiologist are also confusing and unhelpful to the new recruit.

It was for these reasons that we decided to embark on this new *Short Text-book*. The aim was to produce a concise and integrated volume which could provide the beginner with a balanced and realistic view of the true place of different imaging techniques in current practice. Details of technique are generally excluded; most will be inevitably absorbed with increasing practical experience. The emphasis throughout is on clinical usage, and the relative and often changing importance of different methods in specific clinical contexts.

Apart from the junior radiological trainee in his first or second year at whom the book is primarily aimed, we hope this new work will also prove useful to those physicians and surgeons requiring an up-to-date outline of the scope of modern imaging either for personal education or as an aid for higher medical and surgical examinations both in America and Britain.

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Plate 1 A, This color flow Doppler image of the left ventricle (*LV*), mitral valve, and left atrium (*LA*) shows a jet of mitral regurgitation (blue) entering the left atrium. **B,** This color flow Doppler image is an apical long axis view showing a jet of aortic regurgitation (*AR*) entering the left ventricle at the same time as the normal mitral flow (*MF*). The fastest flowing part of the aortic regurgitant jet in the valve region shows in blue because of the color flow aliasing artifact. **C,** This color flow Doppler image is a subcostal view showing flow through an atrial septal defect from the left atrium (*LA*) to the right atrium (*RA*). **D,** This color flow Doppler image is an apical four-chamber view showing flow across an apical muscular ventricular septal defect (*arrowed*) in systole from left ventricle (*LV*) to right ventricle (*RV*). See discussion in Chapter 9 text of Figure 9.16 (Plate 1 reproduced in black-and-white) for further information.

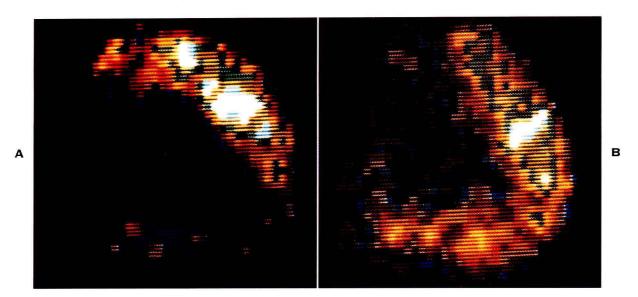


Plate 2 A, Immediate anterior view of a stress ²⁰¹Th scan showing a large inferior perfusion defect. B, Repeat image of the same patient shown in A after 4 hours of rest. There has been full reperfusion of the inferior defect indicating that this was a stress-induced perfusion defect caused by a severe localized coronary stenosis. See discussion in Chapter 9 text of Figure 9.19 (Plate 2 reproduced in black-and-white) for further information.

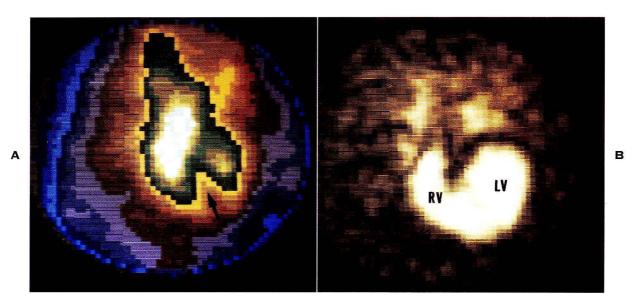


Plate 3 A, An image taken from a resting equilibrium blood pool scan (MUGA) in a normal patient. The projection is left anterior oblique with angulation of the gamma camera to give a "four chamber" view. The left ventricle and right ventricle are seen at the bottom of the image, separated by the interventricular septum (*arrow*). B, Parametric analysis has been performed on the study illustrated in A. This amplitude image shows the highest colors in areas of greatest change recorded during the accumulated cardiac cycle. The uniform high values over the left ventricle (*LV*) and right ventricle (*RV*) indicate normal function. See discussion in Chapter 9 text of Figure 9.20 (Plate 3 reproduced in black-and-white) for further information.



Plate 4 A, Modified subcostal four-chamber echocardiogram. The systolic frame shows a large mobile thrombus (arrow), which originated from the inferior vena cava, in the right atrium. Right atrium (RA), left atrium (LA), right ventricle (RV), and left ventricle (LV) are marked. B, A diastolic frame shows the thrombus prolapsing through the tricuspid valve into the right ventricle. See discussion in Chapter 12 text of Figure 12.6 (Plate 4 reproduced in black-and-white) for further information.

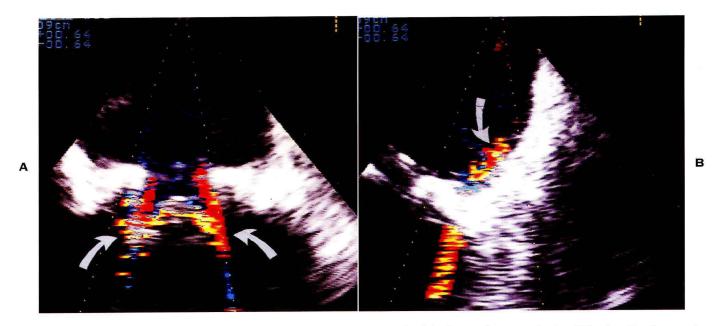


Plate 5 A, Transverse view from a transesophageal echocardiogram in a patient with a bileaflet prosthetic mitral valve. Color-flow Doppler mapping shows two normal diastolic streams of flow passing through the valve into the left ventricle (*arrowed*). B, Systolic frame from the same patient showing a small paraprosthetic jet of mitral regurgitation. See discussion in Chapter 12 text of Figure 12.10 (Plate 5 reproduced in black-and-white) for further information.

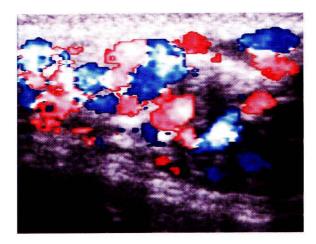


Plate 6 Color Doppler scan of the scrotum. Numerous blood-filled structures are seen due to a varicocele. See discussion in Chapter 36 text of Figure 36.49 (Plate 6 reproduced in black-and-white) for further information.

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