

# ULTRASOUND PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

Use this document to have a better understanding of what needs to be done during a preventive maintenance, standards for pass/fail and submission for accreditation. You can also use the attached Ultrasound Certification Report to [document and develop your own maintenance program that supersedes the OEM recommendation](#). Avante Health Solutions recommends performing preventive maintenance every 6 months. This schedule will increase the lifespan of your system and will ensure the safety of your patients and operators. You will also see the benefit of regular maintenance in your budget and bottom line.

## INTRODUCTION



- When possible introduce yourself to the user
  - Inquire as to the current functionality of the equipment
  - Inquire as to the current Network configuration
  - Ask if there are any items that need to be addressed during the PM.
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- Software updates
  - Options
  - Peripherals
  - Backups

## SYSTEM



### MONITOR

- Inspect the monitor for obvious signs of damage and wear
  - Inspect the monitor arm/mechanism; insure that it can support the monitor in a fixed location. Make sure the arm/mechanism can be secured via locking mechanism
  - Inspect the screen for missing pixels, burn-in
  - Verify operation of brightness/contrast controls
  - Verify focus of the monitor
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### CONTROL PANEL

- Inspect the entire control panel for obvious signs of damage/wear
  - Closely inspect all keys, buttons, knobs, LEDs for and slide pots for functionality and missing cosmetic pieces
  - Inspect touch screens/LEDs for missing pixels, focus and proper touch calibration
  - Inspect trackball for proper operation (up, down, left, right)
  - Inspect QWERTY keyboard for function of all keys
  - Inspect down-lighting assembly for proper illumination
  - Inspect control panel arm/mechanism
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### COSMETIC PANELS

- Inspect all cosmetic panels/covers for obvious damage/wear
  - Closely inspect all panels for missing screws
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### AC PLUG/CORD

- Inspect the electrical cord/plug for obvious damage/wear
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### CASTERS/BRAKES

- Inspect all casters for obvious damage/wear
- Inspect each caster for proper operation
- Inspect brake assembly for proper operation
- Make sure brake assembly can securely hold the system in place

## TRANSDUCER



### PROBE CONNECTOR:

- Bent, Broken, or Missing Pins
- Missing Housing Screws
- Gaps in the Housing
- Broken/Missing Locking Knob



### CABLE:

- Cut or Torn
- Stains
- Separation of the cable and strain reliefs
- Exposed wires



### STRAIN RELIEF:

- Separation between the probe and the cable
- Missing Strain Relief
- Cut or Torn



### PROBE HOUSING:

- Gaps in the Seals
- Plastic Cracked or Broken
- Discoloration



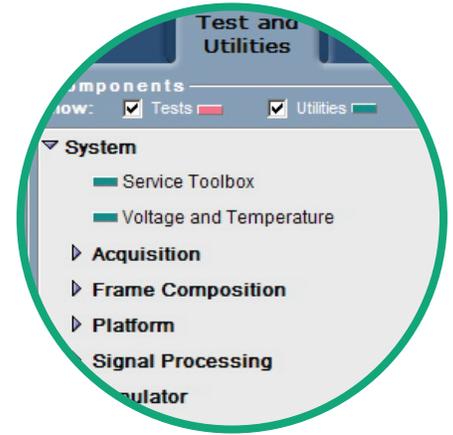
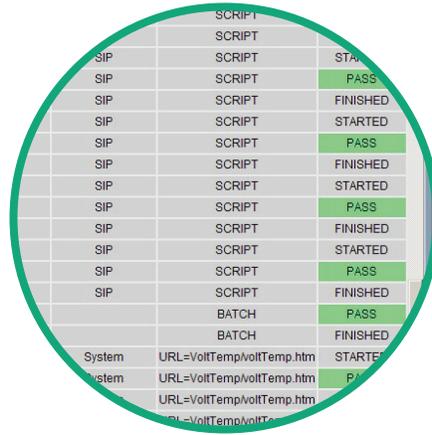
### ACOUSTIC LENS:

- Cuts / Chips
- Gaps in the Seals
- Discoloration
- Delamination



**Any damage to the transducer that would allow fluid to infiltrate the transducers internal components is an AUTOMATIC FAILURE. The transducer should be removed immediately from service.**

- Run diagnostics before performing any maintenance or disassembly
- Diagnostics reside in setup/utility menus
- Perform on-board user level diagnostics to verify system hardware and software
- Note any and all failures



# SYSTEM CLEANING

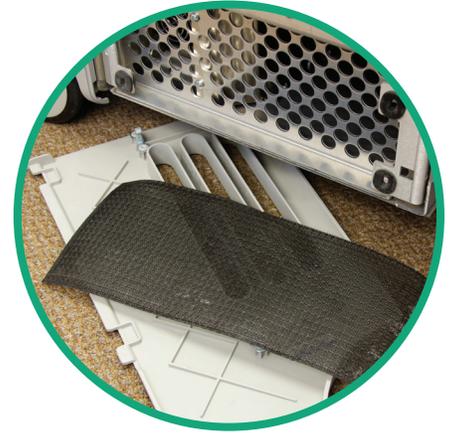
Use a gentle cleaning agent (SonoWipes or warm water & mild soap) and wipe down all surfaces of the equipment to include:

- Monitor/LCDs
- Control Panel
- Handles
- Cosmetic Panels
- Transducers



# SYSTEM DISASSEMBLY

- Shut down equipment & unplug
- Remove all filters and clean; clean with a vacuum or warm water
- Remove cosmetic panels
- Remove card cage shields
- Remove circuit boards from card cage (use ESD safe mat or bags)
- Use ESD safe vacuum to clean the card cage and assemblies



# SYSTEM REASSEMBLY

- Reinstall all circuit boards in to the card cage
- Replace the card cage shields
- Replace cosmetic panels
- Reinstall all air filters once cleaning is complete



- Power up the system and note any boot-up failures
- Select New Patient & Enter "Test" Patient Demographics
- Select a transducer
- Select a factory default preset according to probe type
- Acquire/Save an image in each mode of operation

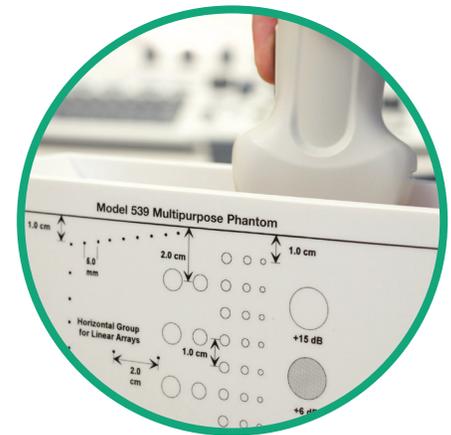
## 2D MODE

(Use 2D Gain Control and TGC Controls)

- Acquire an even gray-scale image both vertically and horizontally
- Look for signs of weak or dead elements within the scan field
- Once the image is acquired, select a set of targets to perform measurements with and freeze the image
- Select calipers and measure both horizontal and vertical targets. (Horizontal Expected Distance = 2.00cm, Vertical Expected Distance = 1.00cm)

**NOTE:**

Use Imaging Phantom and Human Anatomy



## IMAGE UNIFORMITY CHECKS

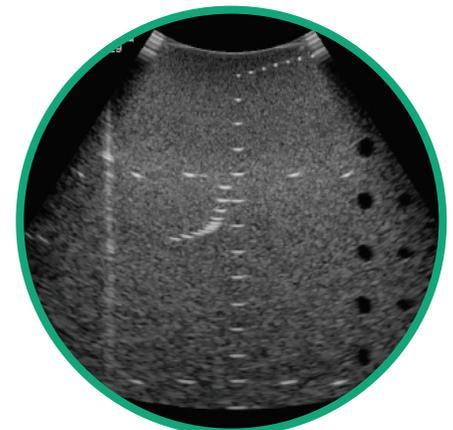
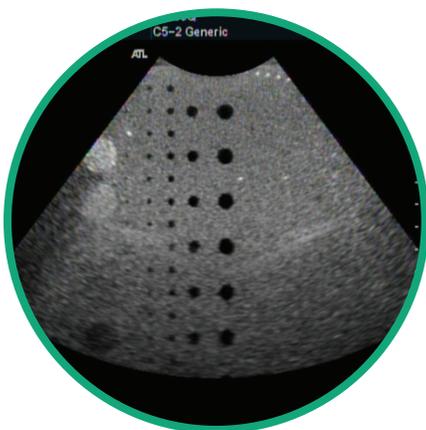
- Average brightness at the edge of the scan field is the same as in the middle
- No signs of shadowing vertically or horizontally in the scan-field
- No brightness transitions between focal zones

### PENETRATION

- What is the maximum depth you are able to successfully visualize the ecographic pattern on the phantom

### TRANSDUCER FAILURE CRITERIA

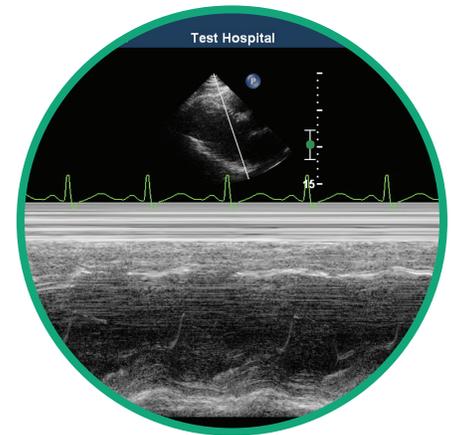
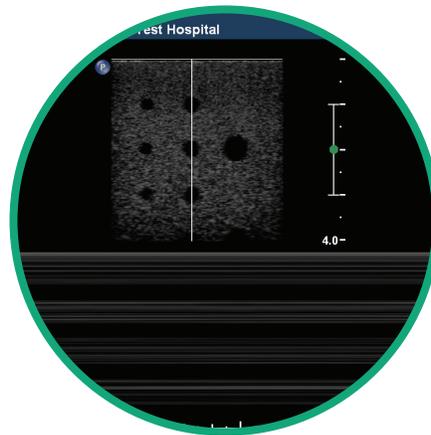
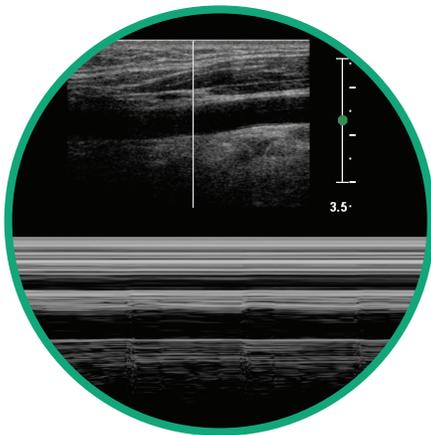
- No more than 2 dead elements within the scan field
- No more than 4 weak elements within the scan field



## M-MODE

*(Use 2D/M-MODE Gain Control and TGCs)*

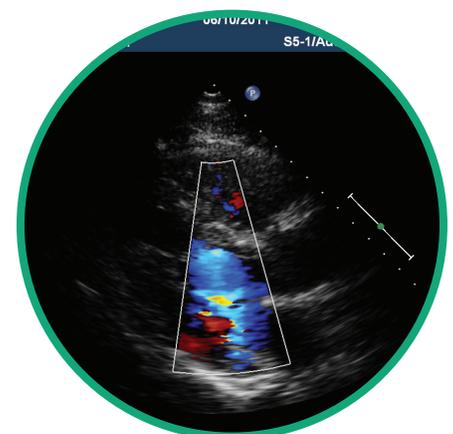
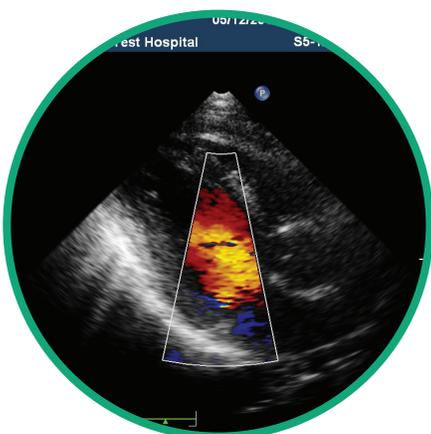
- Acquire an even gray-scale image both vertically and horizontally (Image Uniformity Checks)
- Select a target on the phantom within the scan field
- Engage the M-MODE sample line and adjust to the selected target
- Ensure the scrolling graphics display is working properly



## COLOR DOPPLER

*(Use 2D Gain, Doppler Gain and TGCs)*

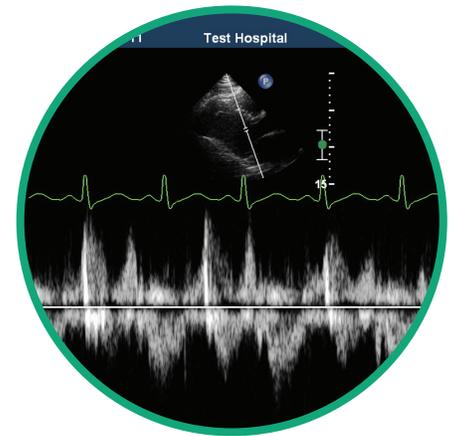
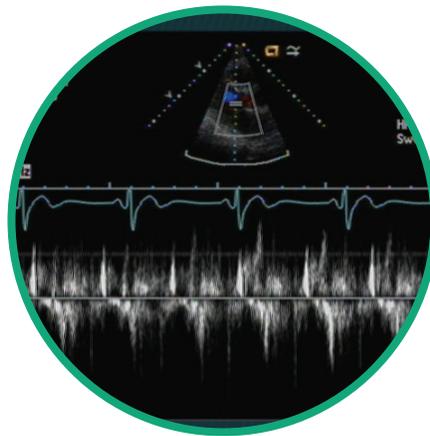
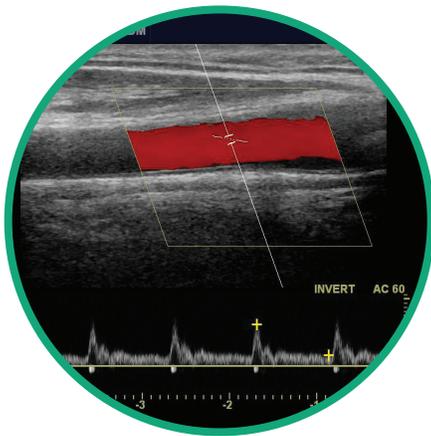
- Acquire an even gray-scale image both vertically and horizontally (Image Uniformity Checks)
- Acquire an anatomical image based on the transducer and preset selected
- Engage the Color Doppler function
- Adjust the ROI (Region of Interest) using the trackball
- Select an area with measurable blood-flow
- Adjust the Color Doppler Gain, Doppler Scale and Baseline to show proper blood-flow in the selected area



## SPECTRAL DOPPLER

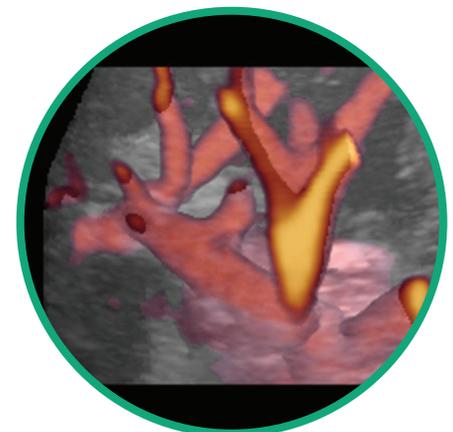
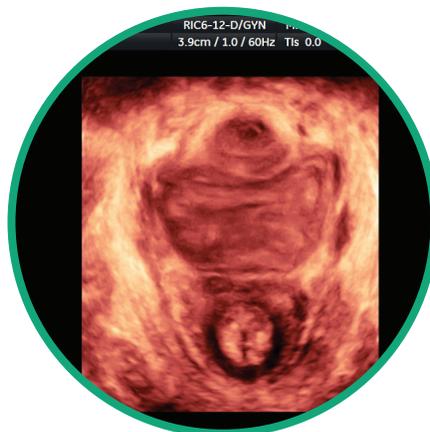
*(Pulsed & Continuous Wave)*

- Acquire an even gray-scale image both vertically and horizontally (Image Uniformity Checks)
- Acquire an anatomical image based on the transducer and preset selected
- Engage PW or CW function (CW is only available for Cardiac functions)
- Select an area with measurable blood-flow
- Adjust the Gate or Sample Line using the trackball
- Adjust the Doppler Gain, Doppler Scale and baseline to display the correct spectral waveform for the area of interest



## 3D/4D

- Acquire an even gray-scale image both vertically and horizontally (Image Uniformity Checks)
- Acquire an anatomical image based on the transducer and preset selected
- Engage the 3D function
- Adjust the ROI (Region of Interest) using the trackball
- Freeze the image or engage 3D/4D rendering



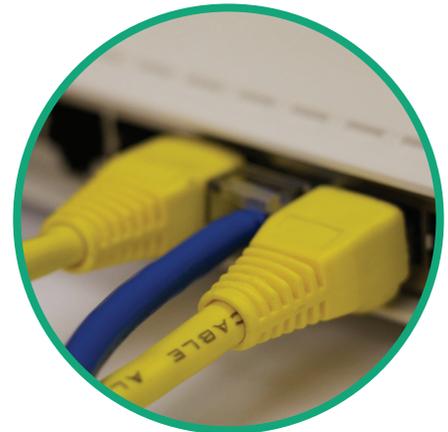
## MEDIA

- Select the “Test” patient from the Patient Archive/Hard Drive
- Designate Storage Location: CD/DVD/USB
- Send patient file to specified storage location
- Verify successful write to removable media



## DICOM NETWORKING

- Select the “Test” patient from the Patient Archive/Hard Drive
- Designate DICOM Server destination
- Send “Test” patient file to DICOM Server
- Verify successful transmission either by successful send message on the machine or physical verification on the server



## Avante Health Solutions Ultrasound Certification Report

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Site Name:  
 Department:  
 Contact:  
 Address:  
 Phone:  
 Fax:  
 E-mail:  
 WorkOrder Number:

### 2. EQUIPMENT INFORMATION

System Type:  
 System Manufacturer  
 System Serial Number  
 Software Level/Version  
 Build/Cart Level:

### 3. EQUIPMENT EVALUATION

#### Chassis/Panels

Look for obvious signs of damage and or missing cosmetic panels  
 Look for damage to the chassis/frame and or missing screws

#### Caster/Brakes

Check to insure that all casters roll freely in the unlocked position  
 Check the integrity of the rubber wheels, make sure the wheel is intact and secure  
 Check to ensure that the casters hold the system in place when the brake is applied

#### AC Plug

Check to make sure the AC plug is seated and secured to the system  
 Check the cable for any signs of damage or wear

#### Fans/Air Filters

Ensure that all air filters have been cleaned  
 Ensure that all air filters are present  
 Make sure that all system fans are operational

#### Monitor/LCD

Inspect the monitor for signs of damage and wear  
 Inspect the monitor arm/mechanism; ensure that it can support the monitor in a fixed location  
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 Inspect the screen for missing pixels and burn-in  
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 Inspect touch screens, LEDs, LCDs for missing pixels, focus and proper touch calibration  
 Inspect trackball for proper operation (up, down, left, right)  
 Inspect QWERTY keyboard for function of all keys  
 Inspect down-lighting assembly for proper illumination  
 Inspect control panel arm/mechanism

## CD/DVD

Verify operation of removable media device by storing digital images to the device and review

### DICOM Ping/Verify

Ping the DICOM storage device to verify connectivity  
Verify DICOM operation by sending DICOM packet to the storage server

### 2D Scan

Verify 2D mode of operation based on Diagnostic Imaging section

### Color Doppler

Verify Color Doppler mode of operation based on Diagnostic Imaging section

### PW/CW Scan

Verify Spectral Doppler mode of operation based on Diagnostic Imaging section

### 3D/4D Scan

Verify 3D/4D mode of operation based on Diagnostic Imaging section

### On-Board Diagnostics

Perform user level system diagnostics

## 4. TRANSDUCER INFORMATION

**Model** –This is the model as designated on the transducer

**Part Number**- This is the actual part number for reorder or replacement

Select Pass or Fail in reference to physical and diagnostic condition of the transducer.

Once the probe has been cleaned, check the Cleaned box

**Serial Number**-Each probe has a unique serial number and should be documented as such

For any Fail items, make notes in the comments field

### Measurements

Select 2 different types of probes to perform the selected measurements.

Enter the probe model number

Enter the probe serial number

Perform measurements in accordance with Imaging Mode 2D section, input the measurements for both horizontal and vertical parameters. (Tolerance +/-10%)

Select Pass if measurements meet the tolerance allowance, select Fail if the tolerance is exceeded

## 5. PERIPHERAL INFORMATION

**Model**-The is the model as designated on the peripheral device

**Type:** VCR/DVR/BW Printer/ Color Printer

**Serial Number**-Each peripheral device has a unique serial number and should be documented as such

Select Pass or Fail

For any Fail items, make notes in the comment field

## 6. SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION

### Create System/Preset Backup

Create a backup on removable media to be stored off-site or secure location

Backup should consist of all systems settings to include:

- Software Version
- User Settings
- Network Settings
- Custom Presets
- Options

### Document all Board and Software Part Numbers

Create a hard copy or digital copy of all software and hardware part numbers. Generally accessible under user service menus.

### Leakage Evaluation System

Verify Chassis/Enclosure Leakage with the use of leakage tester. (SA-2010S / Dale 601)

Chassis/Enclosure Leakage Limit = 0.3mA

### ECG

Verify ECG/Patient Lead Leakage with the use of a leakage tester. (SA2010S / Dale 601)

ECG/Patient Lead Leakage Limit = 0.01mA

## 7. TRANSDUCER EVALUATION

**Model**-This is the model as designated on the transducer

### Type

- CA-Curved Array
- LA-Linear Array
- PA-Phased Array
- TEE-Transesophageal Echo Transducer

**Serial Number**- Each transducer has a unique serial number and should be documented as such

### Parameter

Pass/Fail based on Visual Inspection - Transducers

Once the transducer has been cleaned, check the Cleaned box

For any Fail items, make notes in the comment field

### Penetration

What is the maximum depth you are able to successfully visualize the Ecographic pattern on the phantom, record.

### Image Uniformity

Average brightness at the edge of the scan field is the same as in the middle

No signs of shadowing vertically or horizontally in the scan field

No brightness transitions between focal zones

### Comments

Freeform comments field for any notes or suggestions

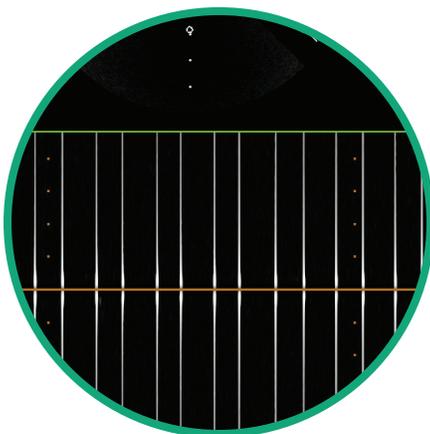
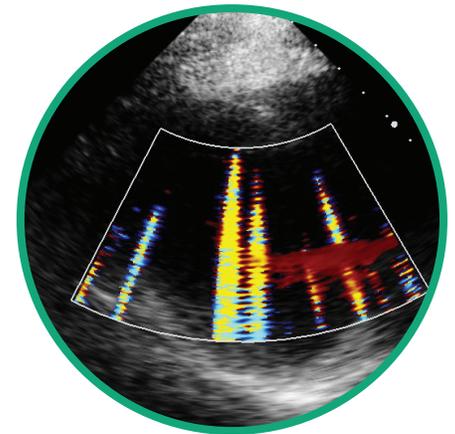
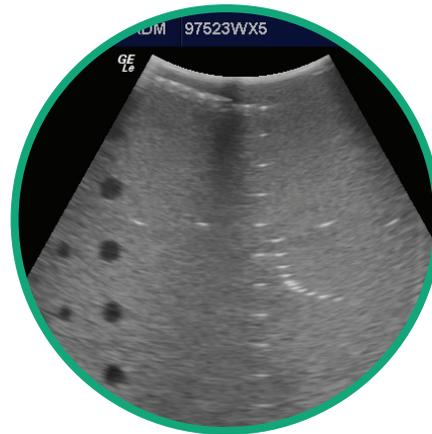
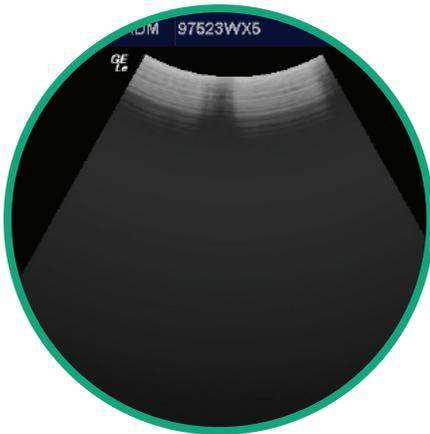
## TRANSDUCERS

### • IMAGE

- 2 or more dead elements within the scan field
- 4 or more weak elements within the scan field
- Excessive Color Noise (Noise present at minimal gain)
- Excessive PW/CW Doppler Noise (Noise present at minimal gain)
- Inability to perform 3D/4D scan

### • COSMETIC

- Any damage that would allow liquid to infiltrate the transducer's internal components.



## TRANSDUCERS

### TEE Transducer (Type CF) MUST BE PERFORMED BEFORE EACH USE

- > 0.01mA (10 microamperes) under Normal Conditions
- > 0.05mA (50 microamperes) under Single Fault Conditions

### GENERAL Transducer (Type BF)

- > 0.1mA (100 microamperes) under Normal Conditions
- > 0.5mA (500 microamperes) under Single Fault Conditions



## TEE TESTING PROCEDURE

We recommend the BC Biomedical Group ULT-2020 Ultrasound Transducer Leakage Tester. The ULT-2020 is simple to use, with OEM specific adapters that ensure the transducer is connected properly, one button bath test and transducer leakage test and the ability to print reports directly from the device. Easy to read pass/fail test message eliminating confusion about leakage limits.

1. Saline Bath should consist of 27g salt per 3 liters of water.
2. Once the ULT-2020 is powered up and passed it's power up self test, the unit is ready for testing.
3. Connect the dual connectivity probe to the Chassis port of the ULT-2020 and attach it to the test basin.
4. Press the Select Button and use the Up & Down buttons to select the OEM, then use the Up & Down buttons to select the transducer model.
5. Connect the OEM probe adapter to the External port of the ULT-2020 and plug in the transducer for testing.
6. Press the Bath Test button. If the Bath test passes, proceed to the next step. If the Bath test fails, discontinue the test.
7. Insert the probe into the test basin, at least 50cm.
8. Press the Full Test button. If the Full test passes, proceed to the next step. If the Full Test fails, the transducer should be retested and removed from service after a second failure.
9. Remove the transducer from the basin and wipe off any excess water.
10. Record or Print the test results for record keeping.



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