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## Preface

In the last decade ultrasound has become an extension of the physical exam. This is especially important when treating patients in extremis since it provides rapid information and does not require patient transport.

The use of this bedside tool has been made easier in order to bring critical care expertise to the location of the patient in need.

This volume illustrates practical applications of this tool, in an easy to understand, user-friendly approach. Because of its simple language and case-based teachings, this book is the ideal complement to clinical experience performing ultrasound in the critically ill patient.

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