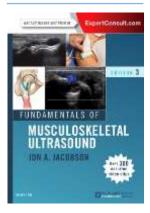
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This is a user-friendly, satchel sized musculoskeletal ultrasound book that goes well beyond the first base of MSK ultrasound imaging.

It is an excellent 500-page paperback book, with leaves that stay open when you need them to. Well-defined chapters systematically cover MSK ultrasound by anatomical region with the objectives of each chapter being clear and straightforward. It is easy to find and re-find relevant sections, descriptive techniques and up-to-date ultrasound images.

Within the nine chapters there are easy links between the text, the images and the 300 video clips, which are all narrated by the author's dulcet tones.

The inclusion of highlighted text boxes showing examination checklists and sample reports is an excellent aide-memoire and useful for those wishing to unify department practices.

There is a heavy bias of ultrasound images, with few line drawings relating directly to the images. This assumes a reasonable familiarity with ultrasound imaging. This may not be enough information for the beginner, but it is the next step up and the ultrasound images are clear, up-to-date and highly informative.

Even to the experienced practitioner, interpreting still images can be challenging when not being present at the examination, but in this edition the included video clips, with relevant prompts within the text, hugely enhance understanding and demonstrate the strength of the dynamic nature of ultrasound imaging. A very good example of this is in the examination of hernias. There are some super video clips clearly demonstrating relevant pathology and unravelling the confusion over this dynamic assessment. *review continues* ...



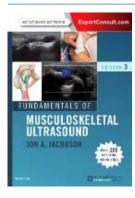


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There is a section on the increasingly popular subject of guided injections. This skill is difficult to appreciate without mentored demonstration, but this book gives one a guide as to how one might approach a chosen target and the correlating ultrasound images. The clinical indications or pharmacokinetics of injection therapy is beyond the remit of this book.

I would put this in the category for those who have a good grounding in musculoskeletal ultrasound imaging, and not the absolute beginner.

An excellent Christmas present at £64.99, including the access to online imaging? Yes please.

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