# Vein Visualization Technologies for Peripheral Vascular Access Device Placement

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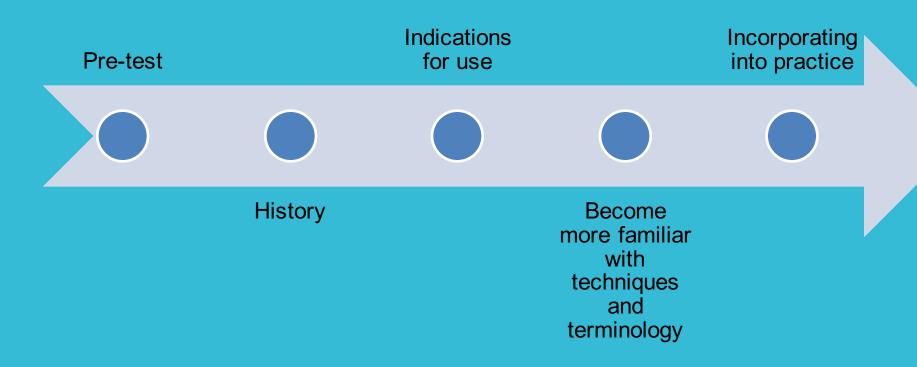
### Disclosure

None

### Learning Objectives

- Utilize ultrasound/infrared technology to enhance vascular visibility and cannulation
- Examine safety principles for these technologies
- Learn anatomy and whether vein depth influences success rate
- Learn how infrared technology functions
- Identify positive outcomes related to the use of vein visualization technologies

#### Outline



#### Pre-test

Are there **published** risk factors for difficult IV access?

Which is true of color ultrasound?

Arteries are blue and veins are red

Arteries are red and veins are blue

Does depth of vein matter for success rate?

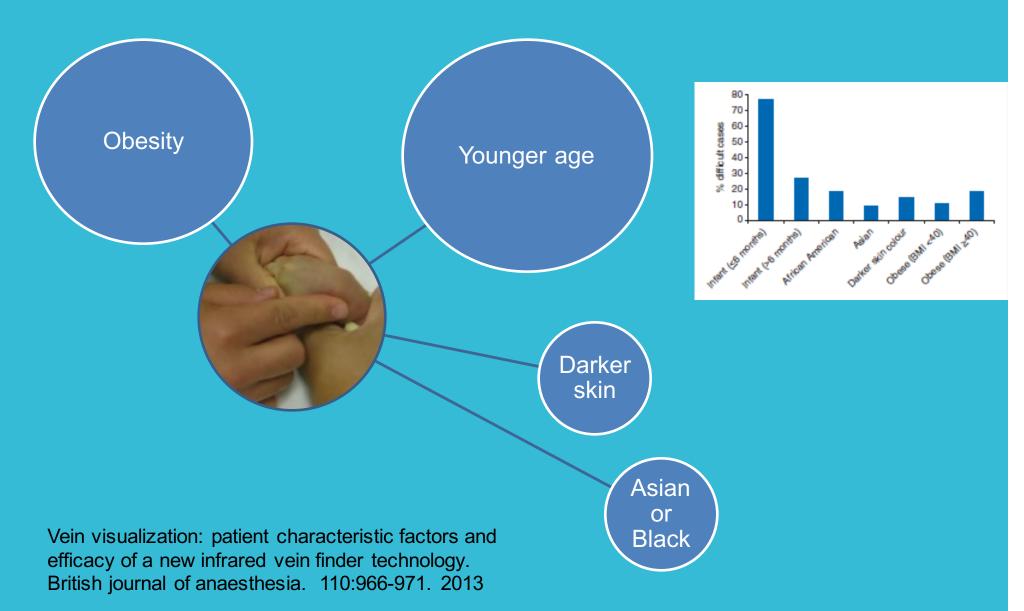
Infrared technologies image deeper veins more clearly than ultrasound

T/F

Infrared technologies image arteries better than ultrasound?

T/F

# Are there published risk factors for difficult IV access?



# What technologies are available to enhance vein visibility?

- In the past, esmarch bandages, vacuum devices, doppler and application of nitroglycerin ointment (Whiteley 95, Roberge 87)
- Ultrasound

- Infrared
- Several others







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### Vascular Technology

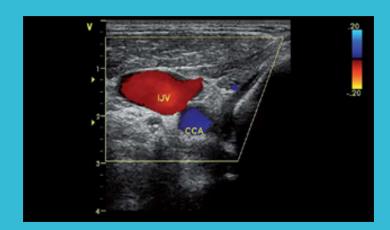
- Benefits- Decrease complications, increase success rate, decrease attempts,
- Economically, considerable labor and work hours are spent by nursing, physicians, and staff on accessing these veins, including general anesthesia
- Risks- few, costs of purchasing machines

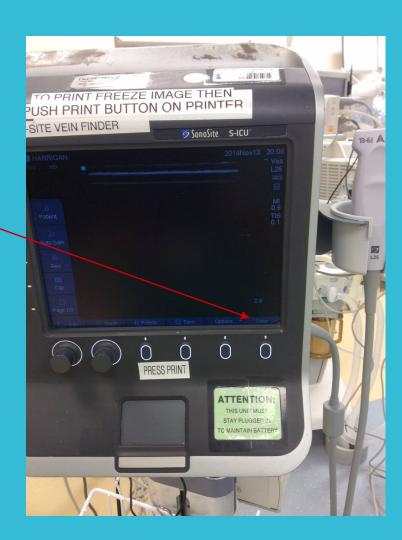
#### **Ultrasound**

- Late 19<sup>th</sup> century- brain tumor scans in cerebral ventricles
- Cardiac, OBGyn, Endocrine
- Curie family Piezoelectric Quartz Electrometer

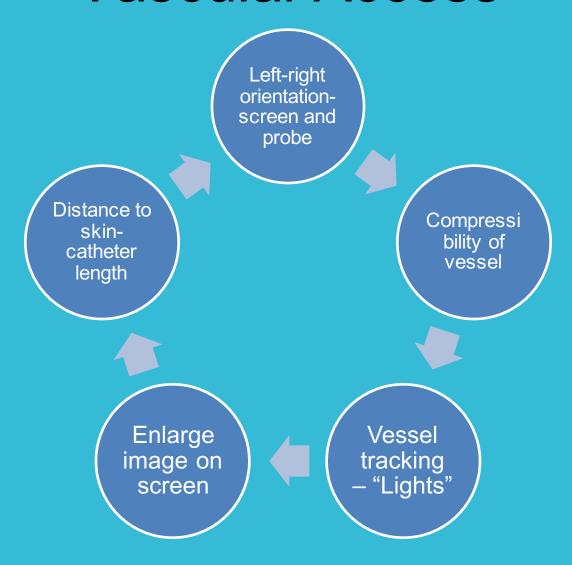
### Color

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# Ultrasound 5 Step Pathway for Vascular Access



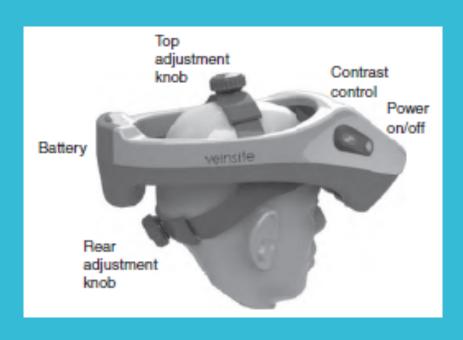
# Ultrasound Pathway for Vascular Access

Tenting Puncture Circling

### Infrared Background

- Agriculture, materials science
- How does infrared technology function?
- What type of veins can one see?
- What steps does one need to take to operate infrared vein finding devices?

#### **Infrared Devices**



## Infrared Utility

Depth

Eyesight

Blind- anatomy

#### Ultrasound vs. Infrared

Superficial versus 3D

Different learning curves

Economic costs vs. priceless patient care

#### **Future Research**

- Impact on vessels-Vasodilating gas/drugs, fluid status
- Mobile devices
- Best attempts- bruising, bacterial infection, extravasation, phlebitis, thrombosis, embolism, or nerve damage

#### Conclusion

- What is a helpful approach to develop my skills at using these devices?
- What online resources are there?
  - Oxford University Podcast- "Tricky Vein Society"
  - Vein visualisation with near-infrared technology
  - http://www.oxfordjournals.org/our\_journals/bjaint/podcast\_episode
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