



Imaging of Chest & CVS

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OBJECTIVES & GOALS

Students at the end of the lecture will be able to:

Recognize the different modalities utilized in imaging the chest & cardiovascular system

Recognize the radiological anatomy of chest and cardiovascular system

Develop Interpretation Skills “Where to look & What to look for”

Recognize the imaging vocabulary utilized in chest & cardiovascular

Recognize the chest pattern of abnormality seen on the CXR



MODALITIES UTILIZED

✦ Plain X-Ray

✦ Computed Tomography (CT)

✦ Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

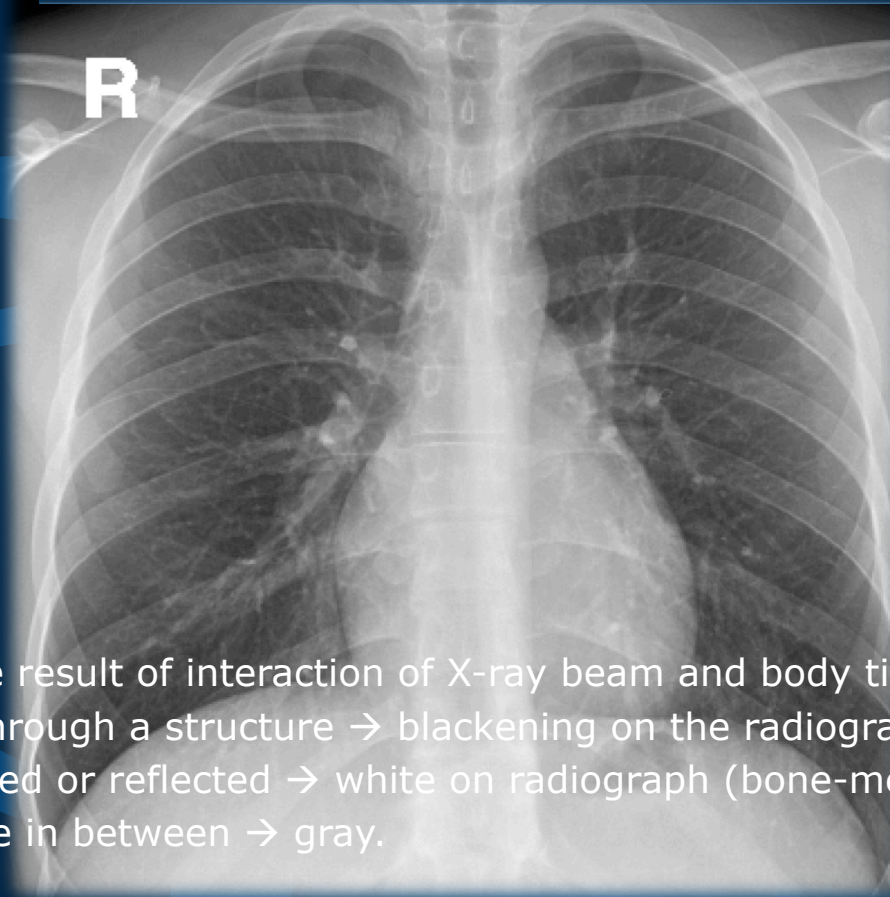
✦ Ultrasound

✦ Nuclear Medicine

✦ Angiography

MODALITIES UTILIZED

✦ Plain X-Ray



The image is the result of interaction of X-ray beam and body tissue

- X-rays pass through a structure → blackening on the radiograph (air-lung).
- X-rays absorbed or reflected → white on radiograph (bone-metallic).
- Soft tissues lie in between → gray.





MODALITIES UTILIZED

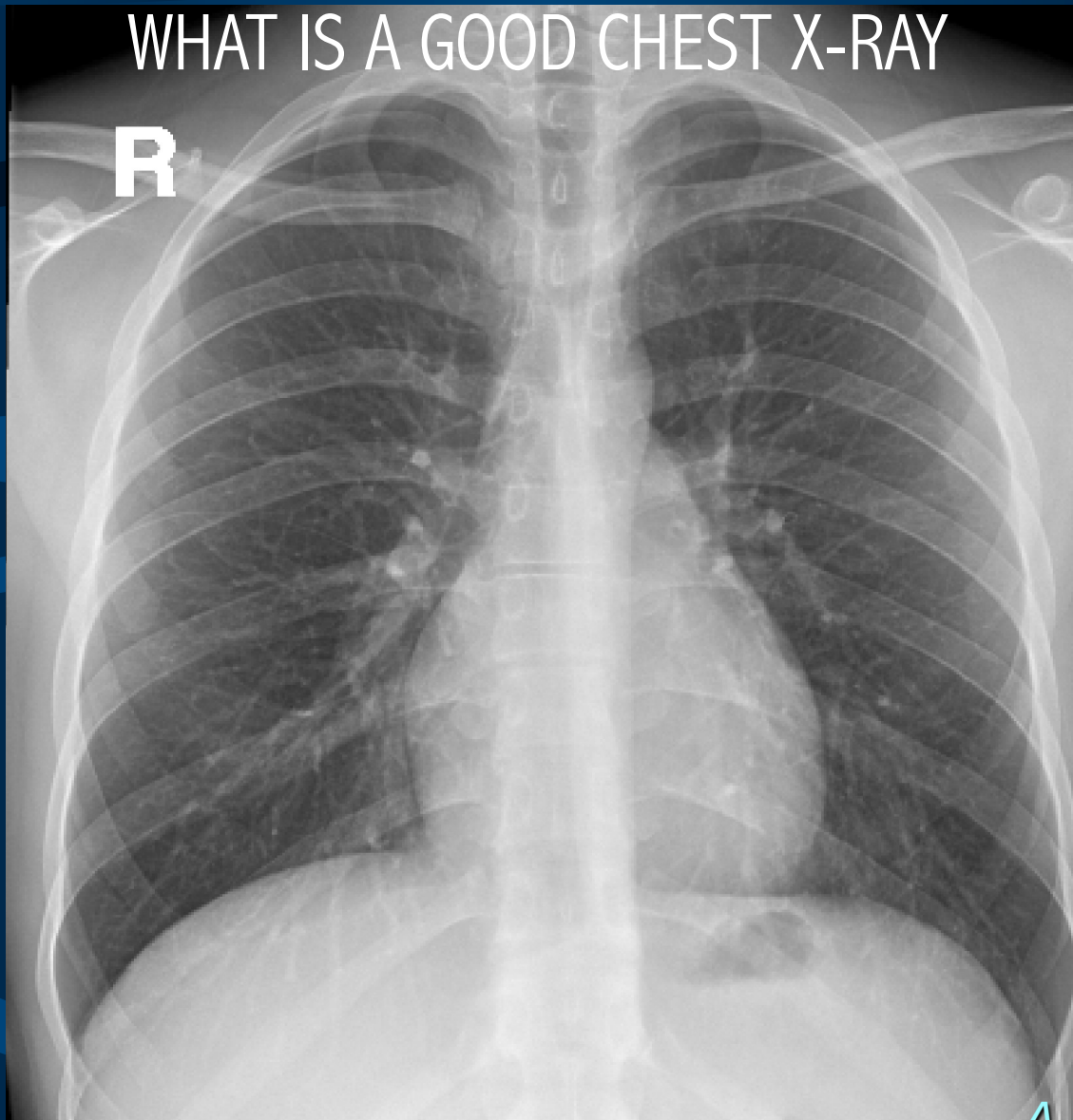
✦ Plain X-Ray

X-ray:

- Electromagnetic radiation
- The image is the result of interaction of X-ray beam and body tissue
- X-rays that pass through a structure easily are least absorbed and therefore cause blackening on the radiograph (air-lung).
- Whereas structure that absorbs or reflects x-ray most appear white. (bone-metallic).
- Soft tissues lie in between → gray. According to thickness of these the shades of gray differ.
- Projections are usually described by the path of the x-ray beam. Thus, the term PA (poster anterior) view designates that the beam passes from the back to the front, the standard projection for a routine chest film.
- The image on an x-ray film is two-dimensional. All the structures along the path of the beam are projected on to the same portion of the film (superimposed). Therefore, it is often necessary to take at least two views to gain information about the third dimension

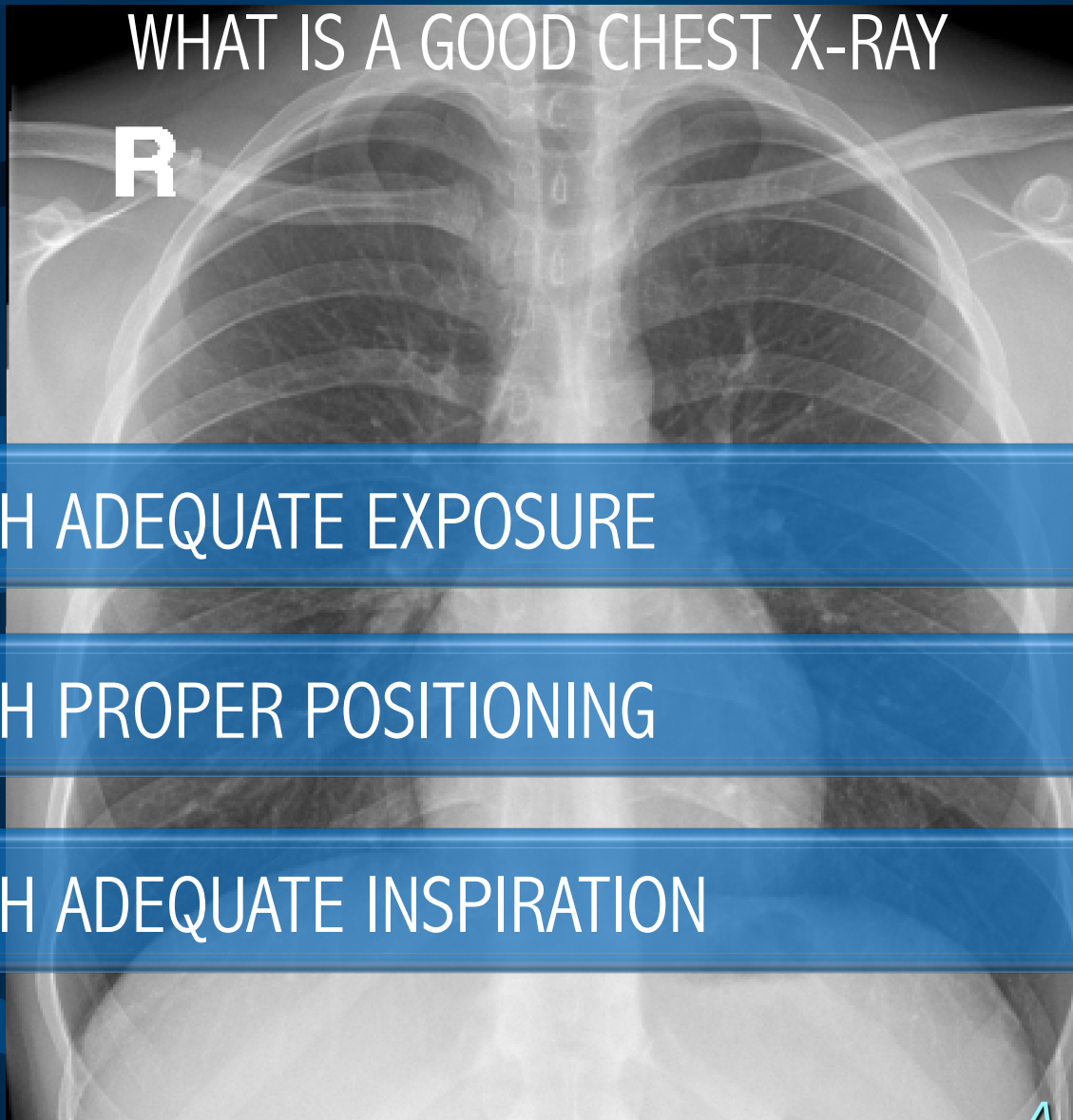
MODALITIES UTILIZED

WHAT IS A GOOD CHEST X-RAY



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WHAT IS A GOOD CHEST X-RAY



CXR WITH ADEQUATE EXPOSURE

CXR WITH PROPER POSITIONING

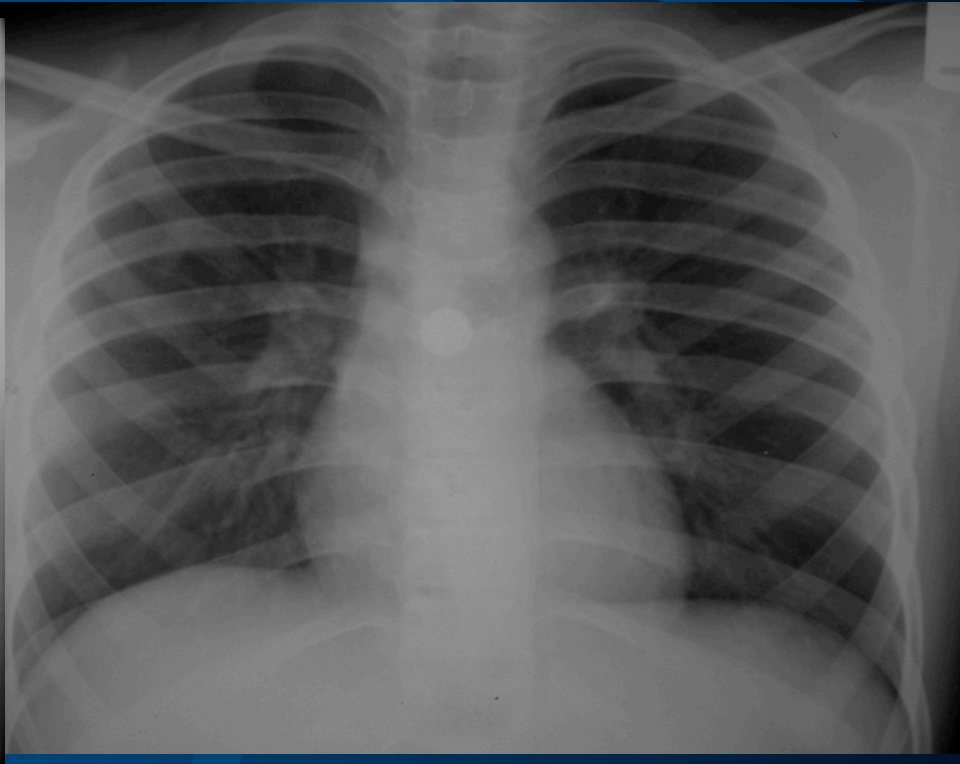
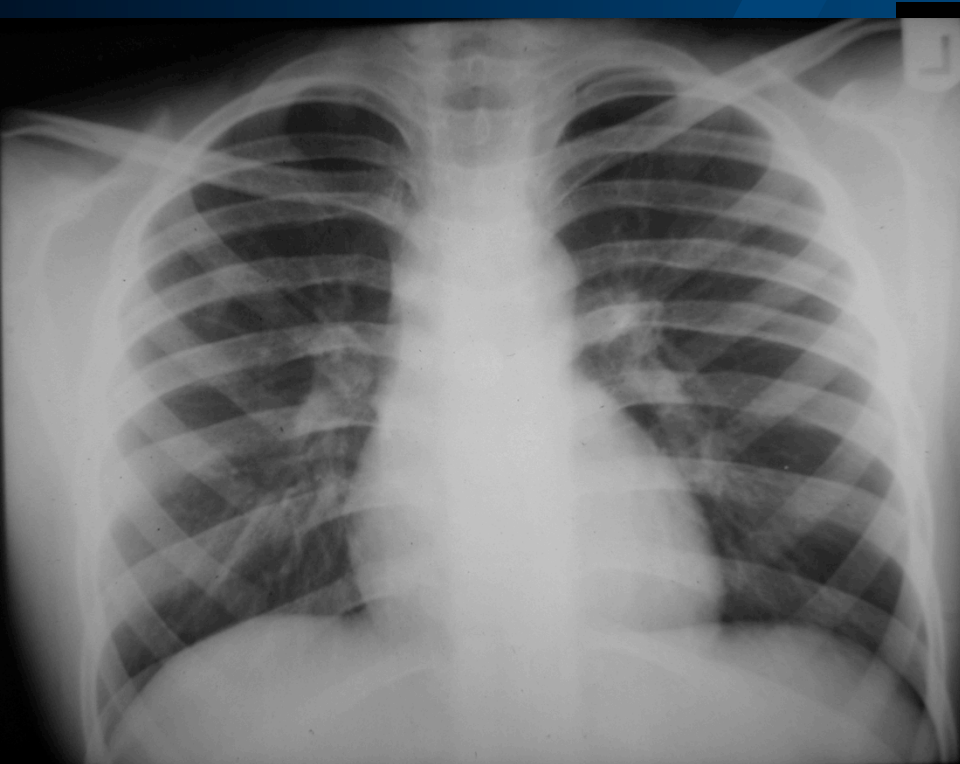
CXR WITH ADEQUATE INSPIRATION



MODALITIES UTILIZED

WHAT IS A GOOD CHEST X-RAY

ADEQUATE EXPOSURE



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MODALITIES UTILIZED

WHAT IS A GOOD CHEST X-RAY

ADEQUATE EXPOSURE



ADEQUATE



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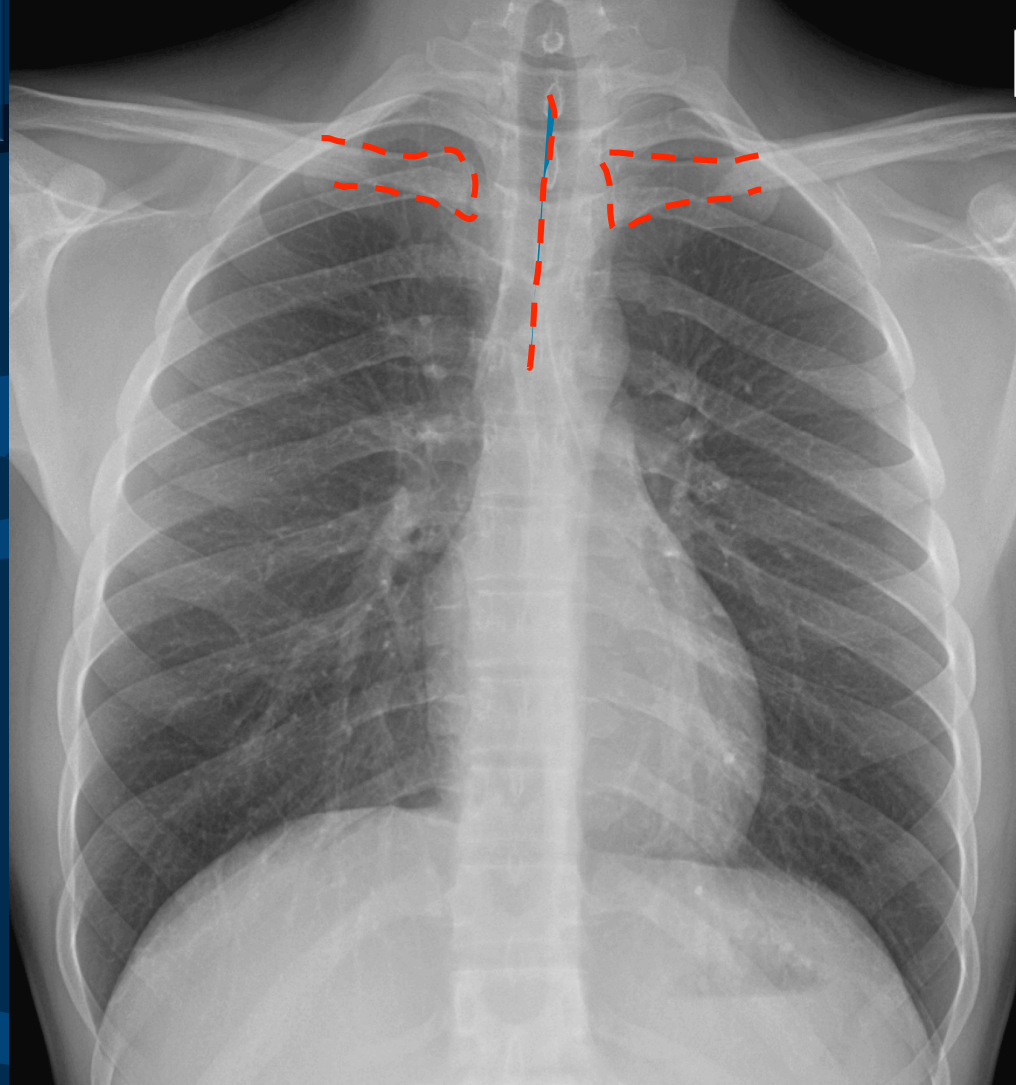
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ADEQUATE POSITIONING



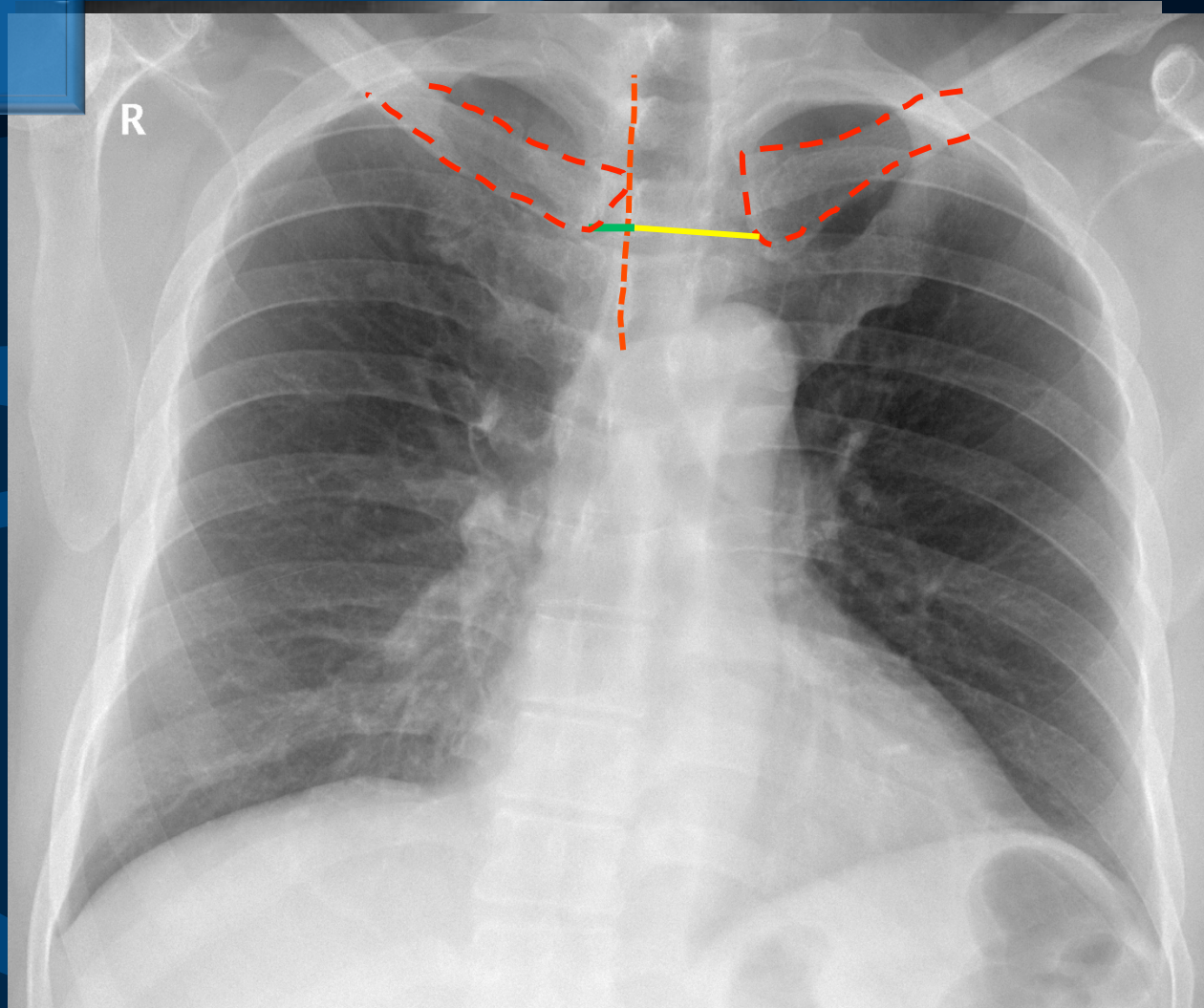
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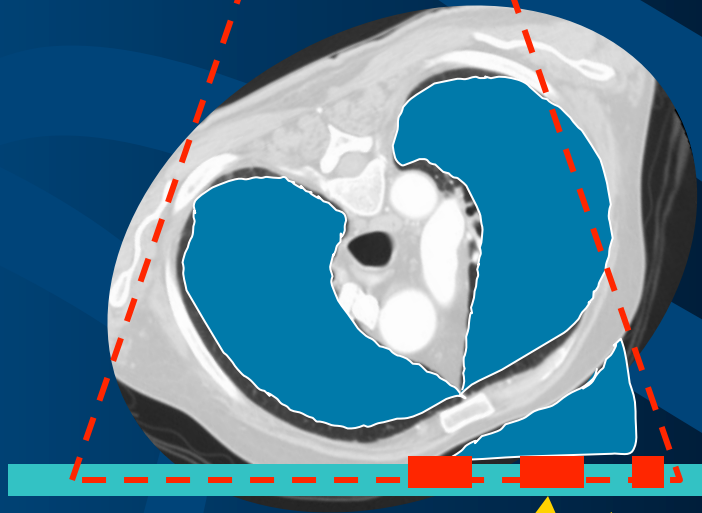
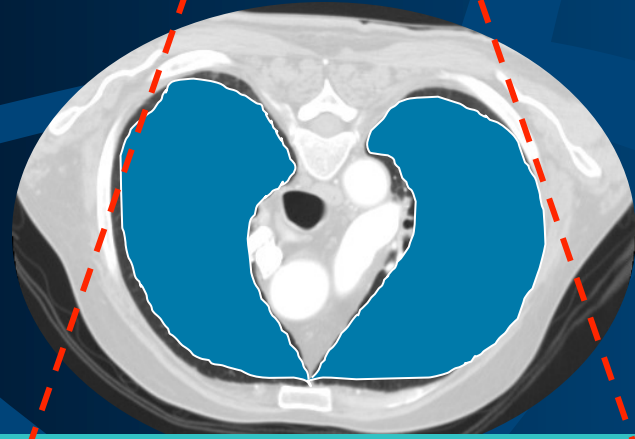




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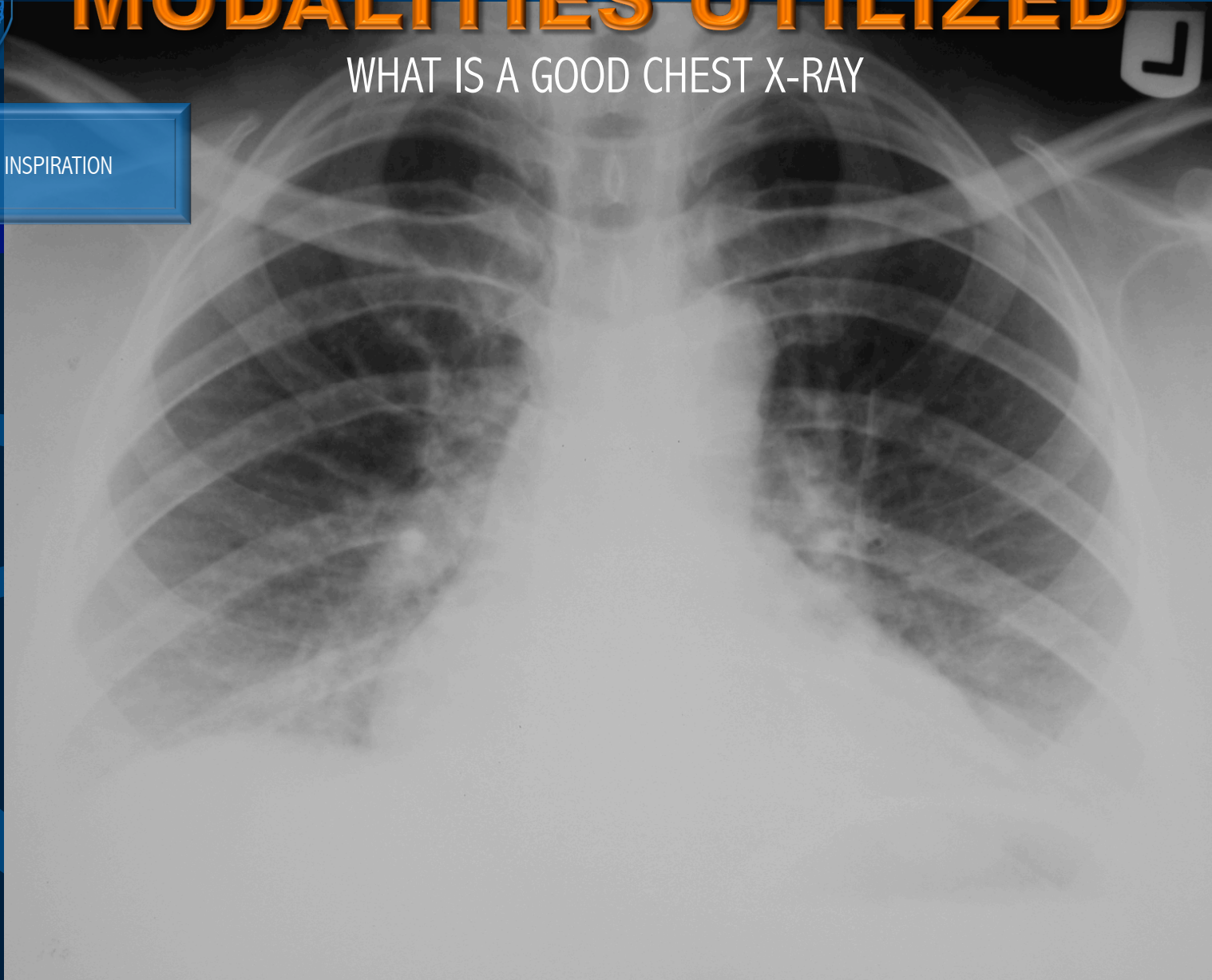




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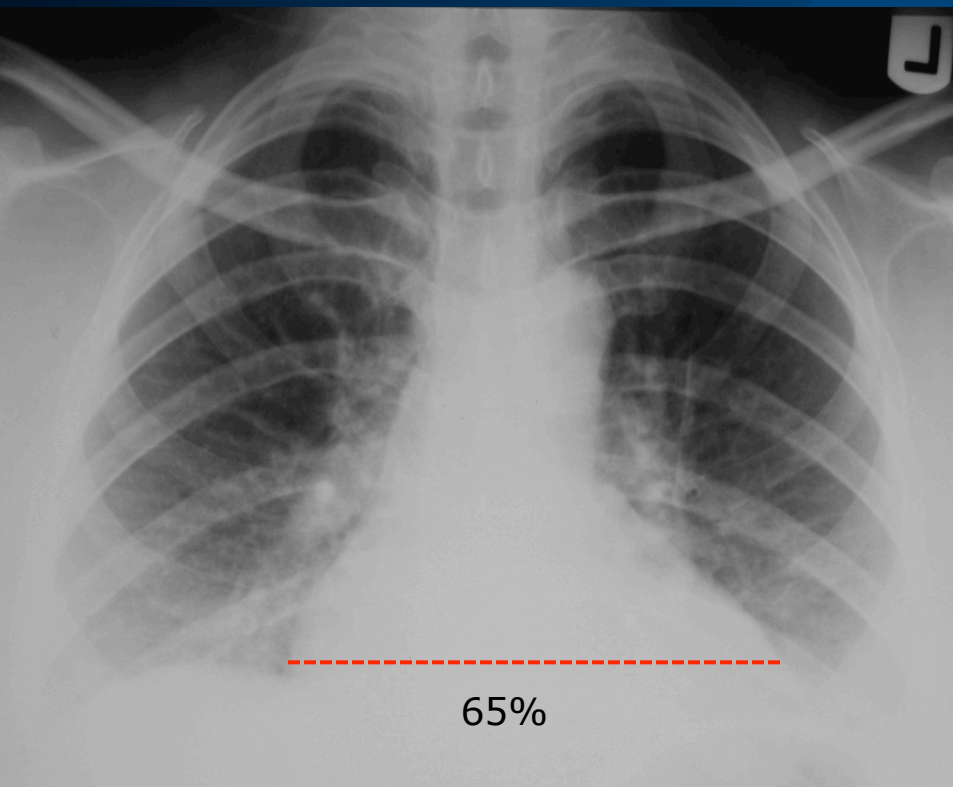




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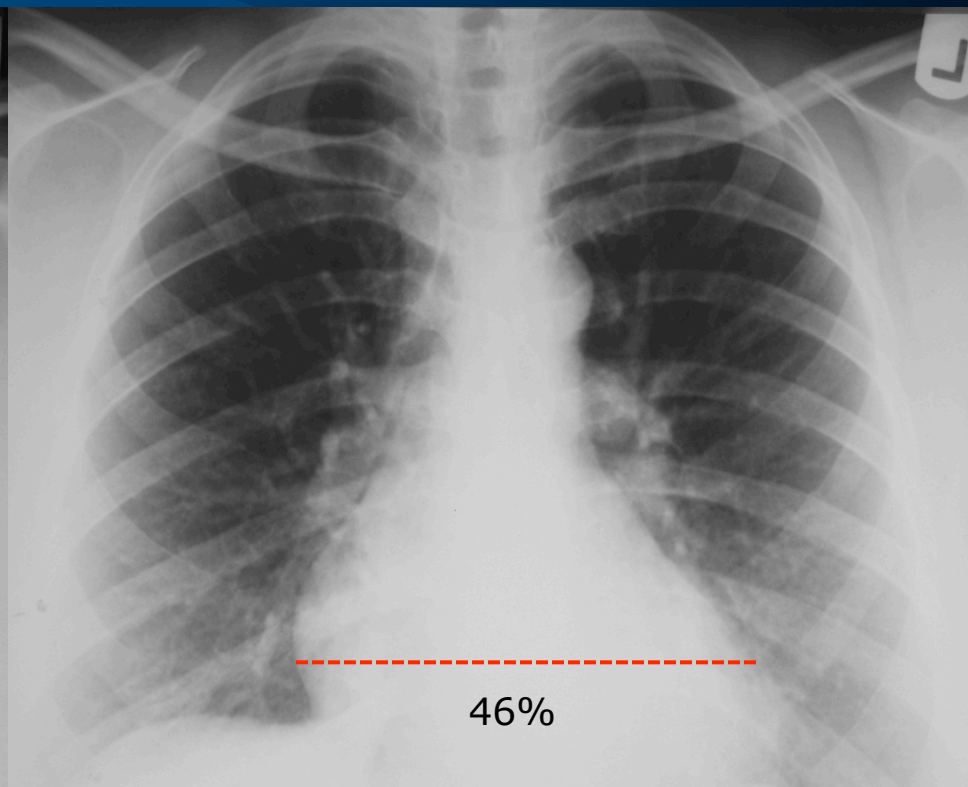
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ADEQUATE INSPIRATION



65%

Inadequate inspiration



46%

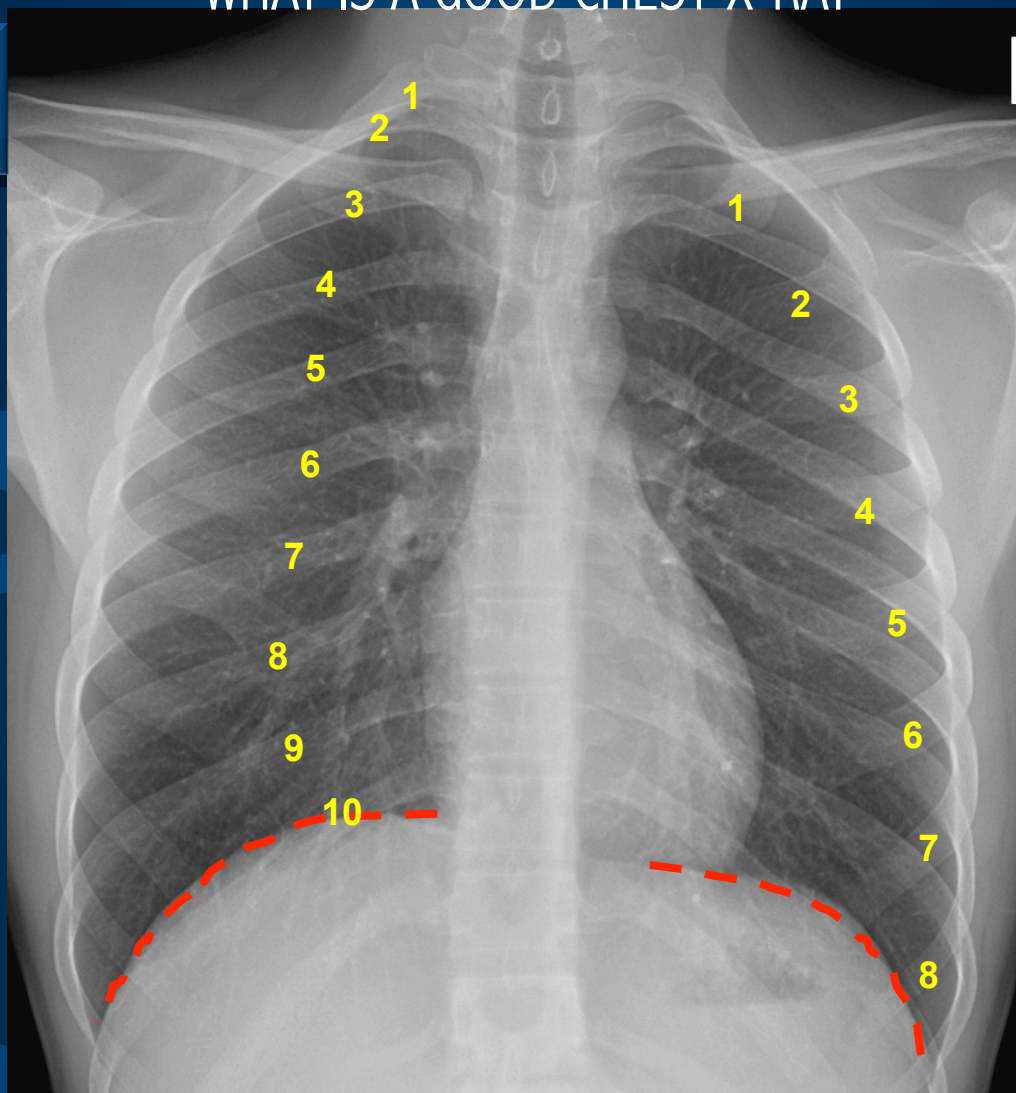
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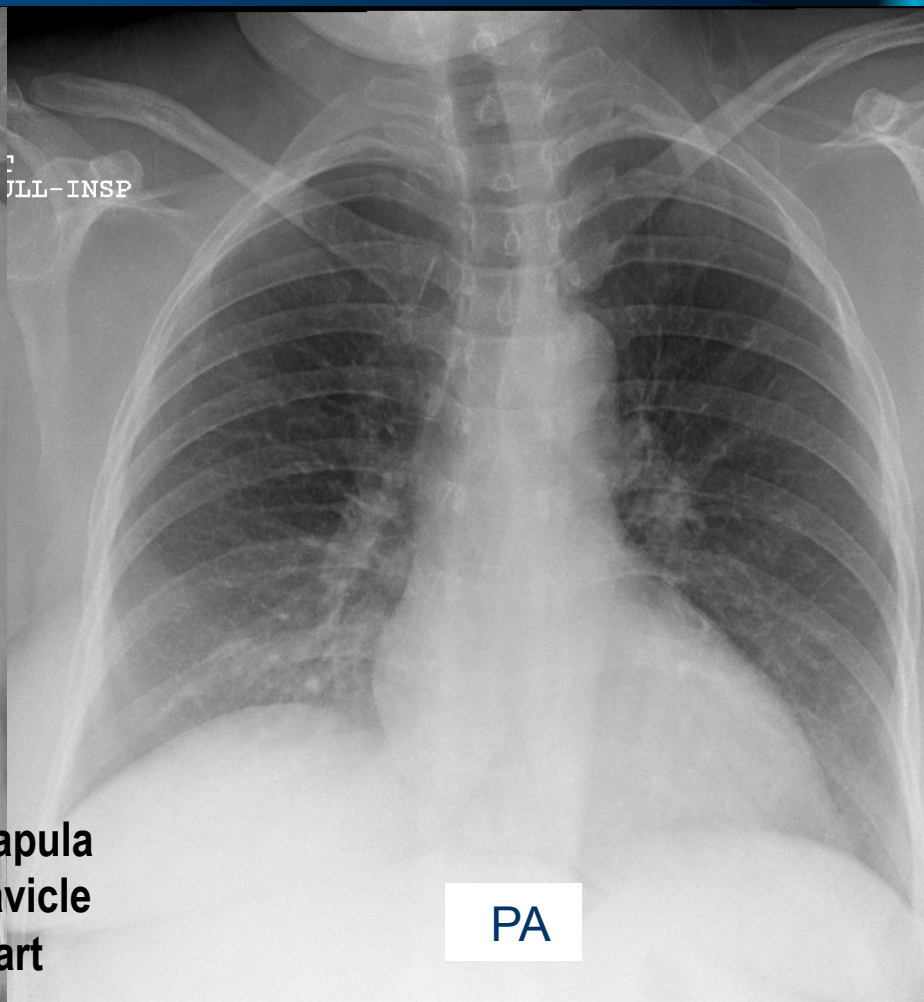
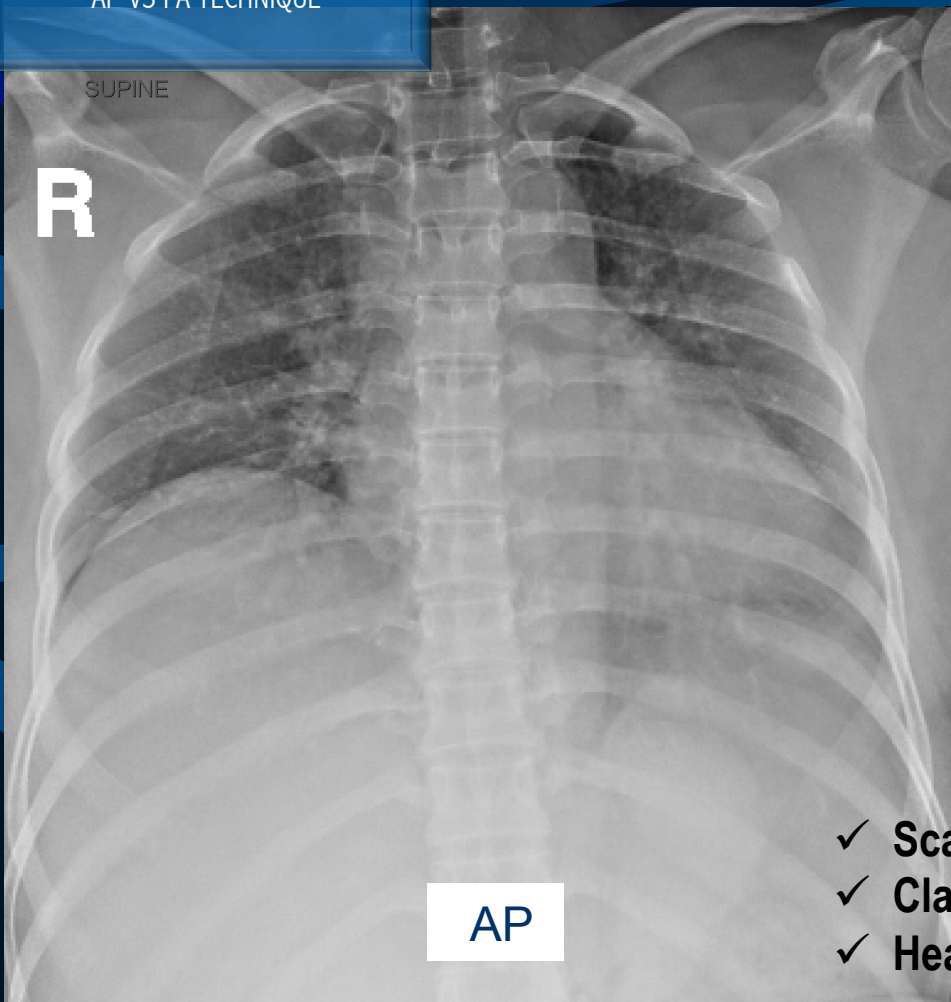




MODALITIES UTILIZED

WHAT IS A GOOD CHEST X-RAY

AP VS PA TECHNIQUE



- ✓ Scapula
- ✓ Clavicle
- ✓ Heart



MODALITIES UTILIZED

WHAT IS A GOOD CHEST X-RAY

DUAL ENERGY TECHNIQUE

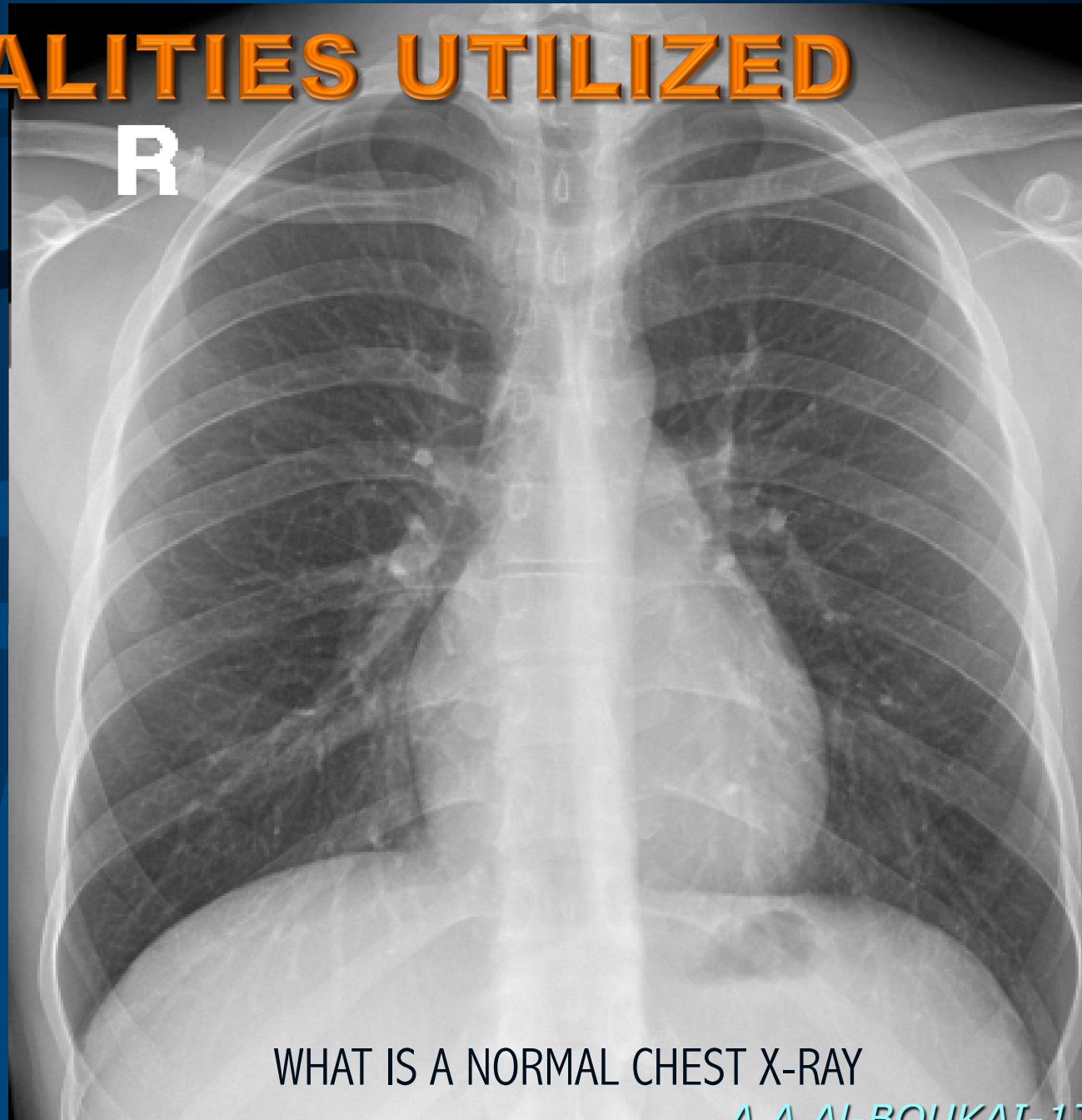




MODALITIES UTILIZED

CHEST X-RAY

- LUNGS
- MEDIASTINUM
- BONY CAGE
- SOFT TISSUE COMPONENT



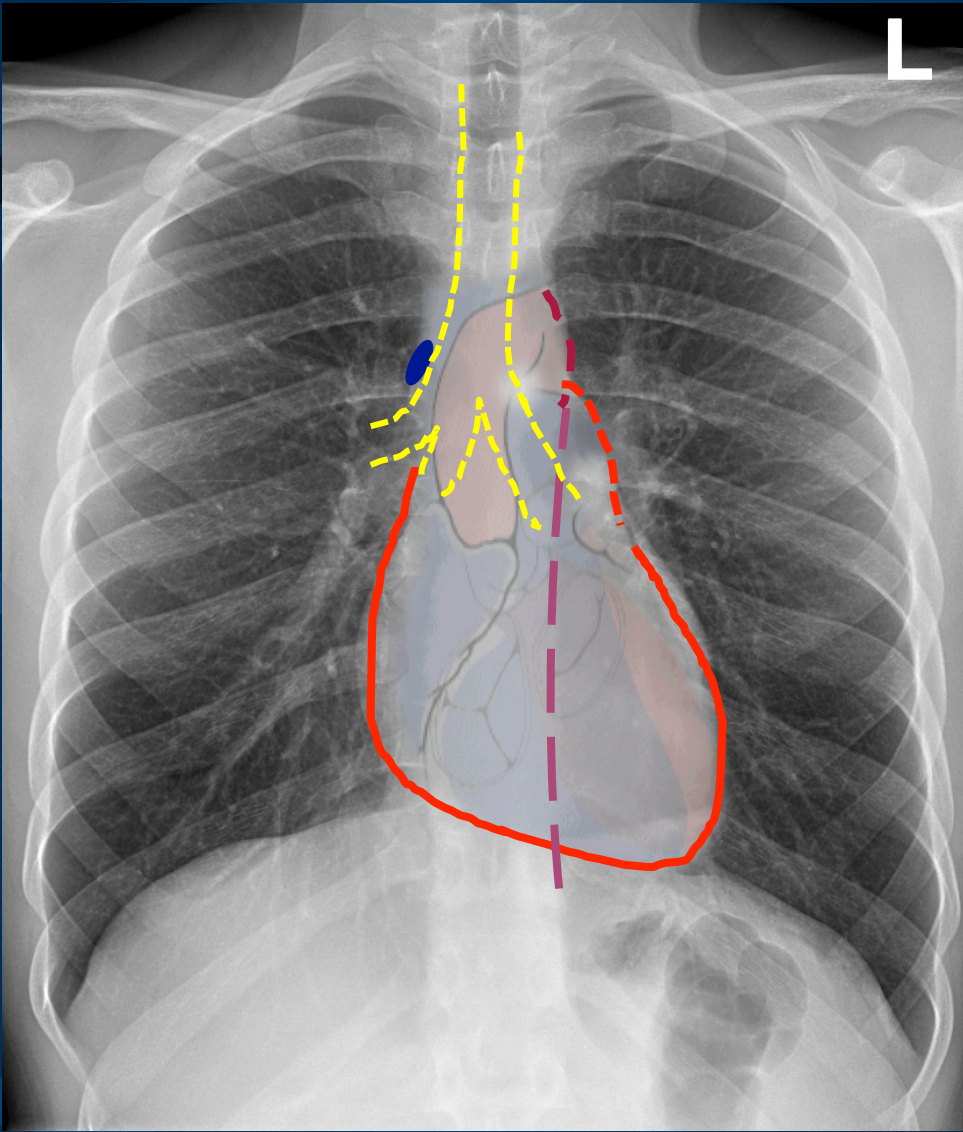
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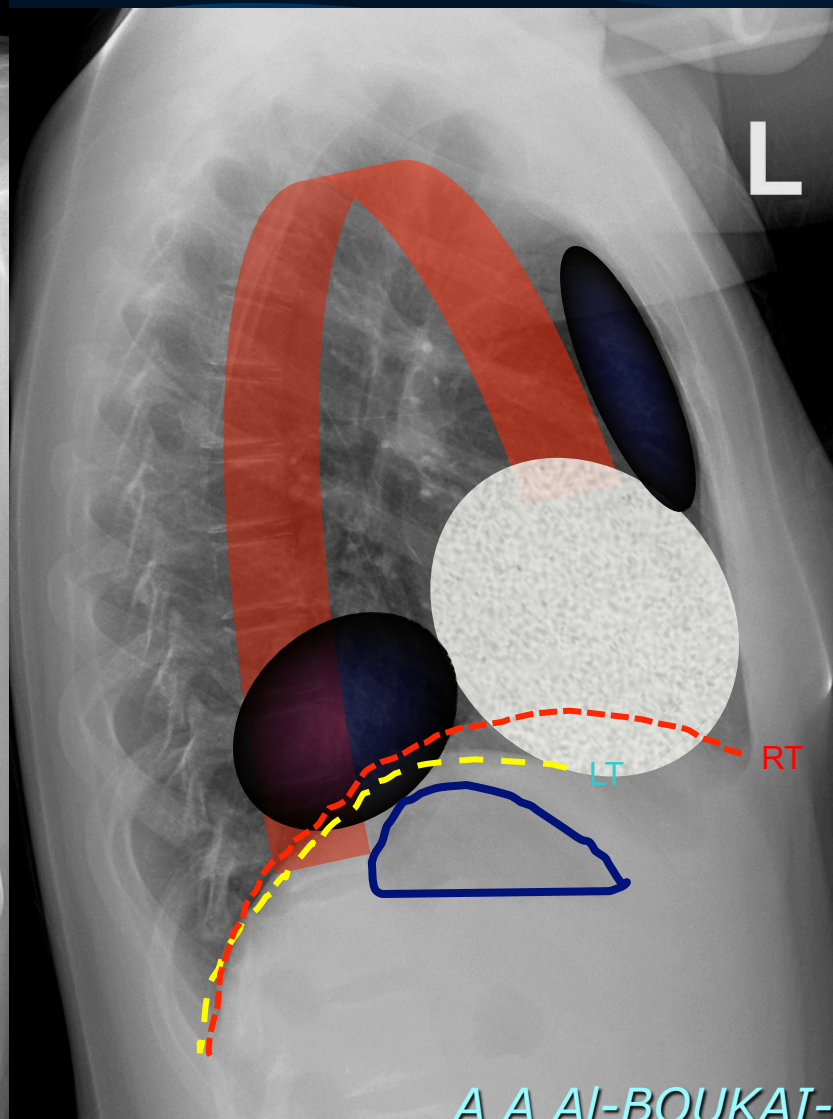
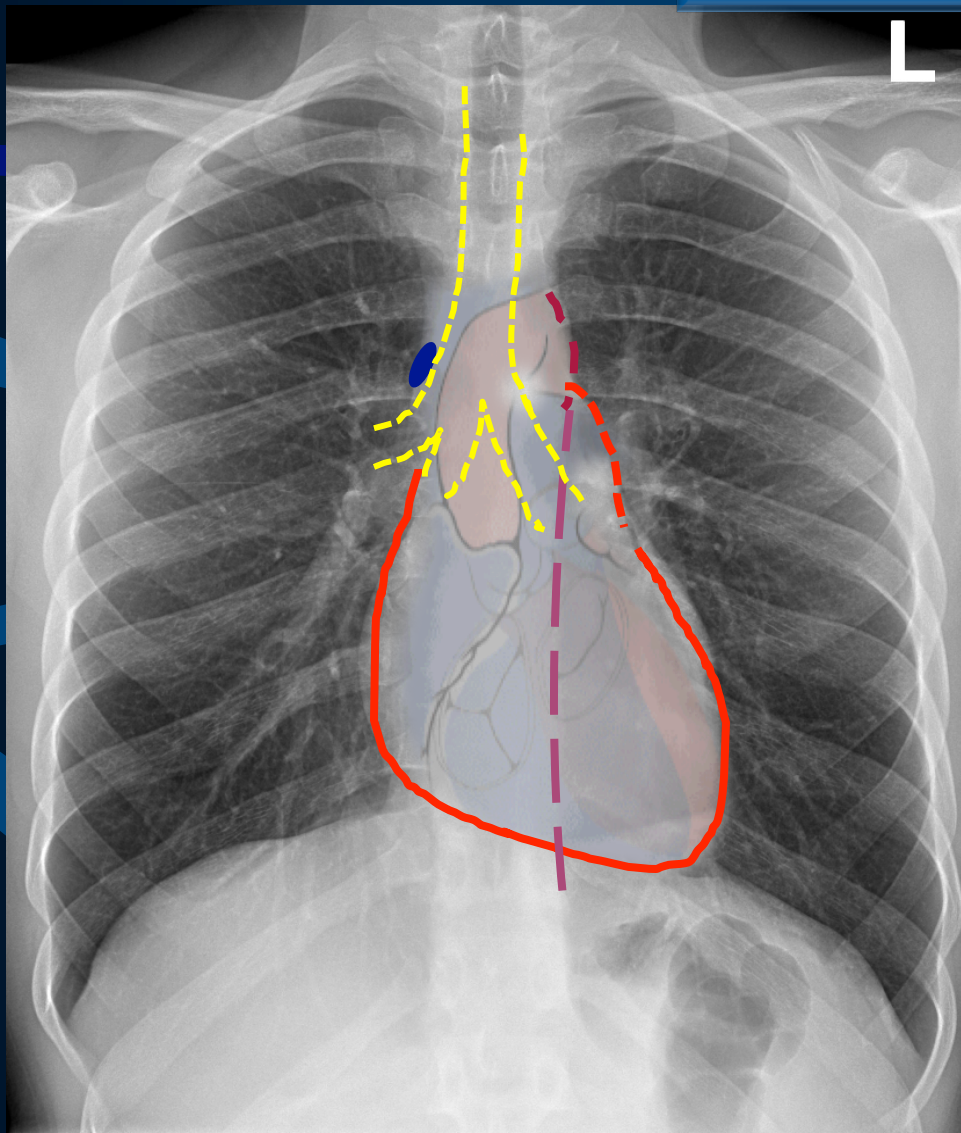
MODALITIES UTILIZED

NORMAL CHEST X-RAY



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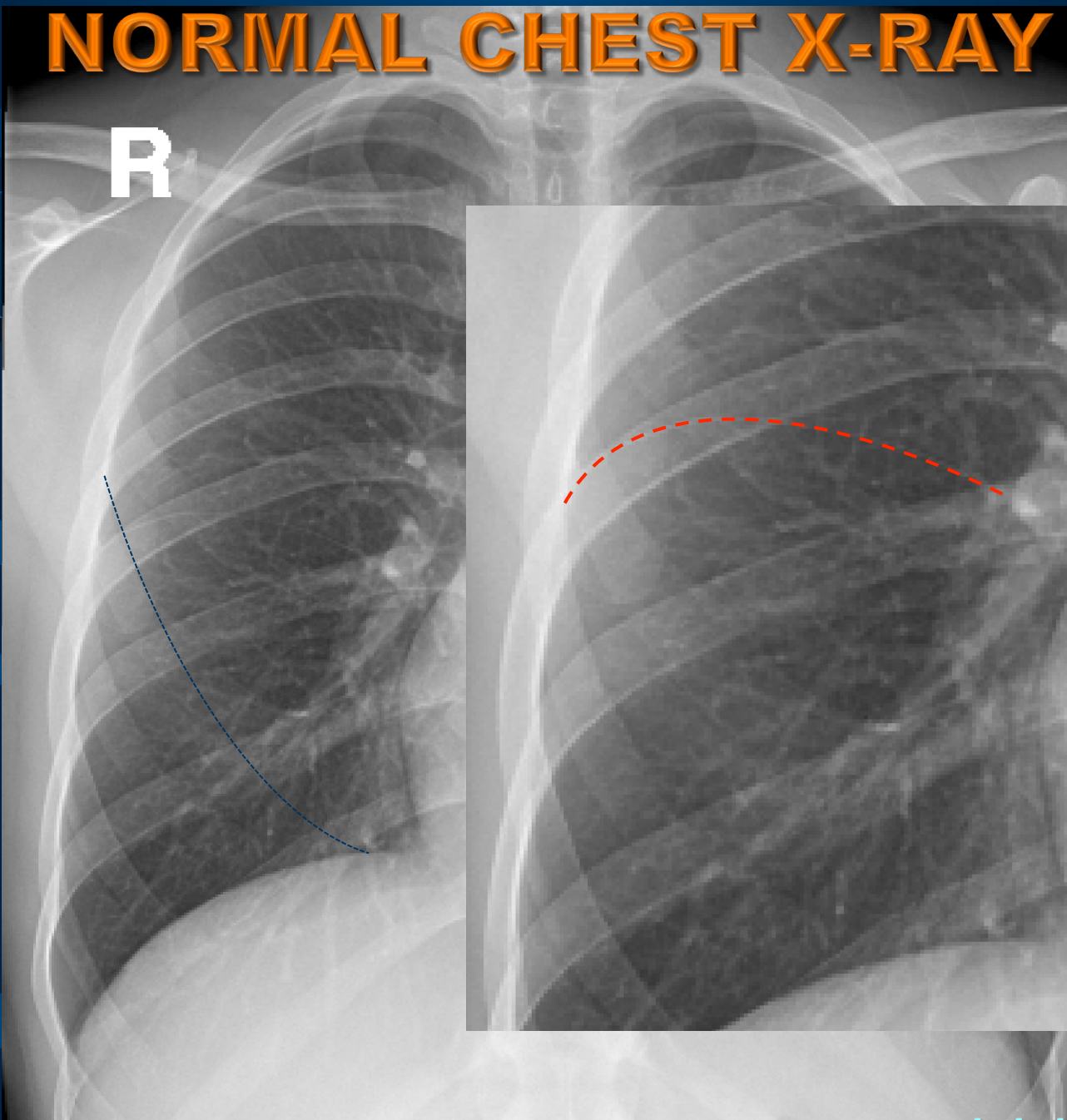
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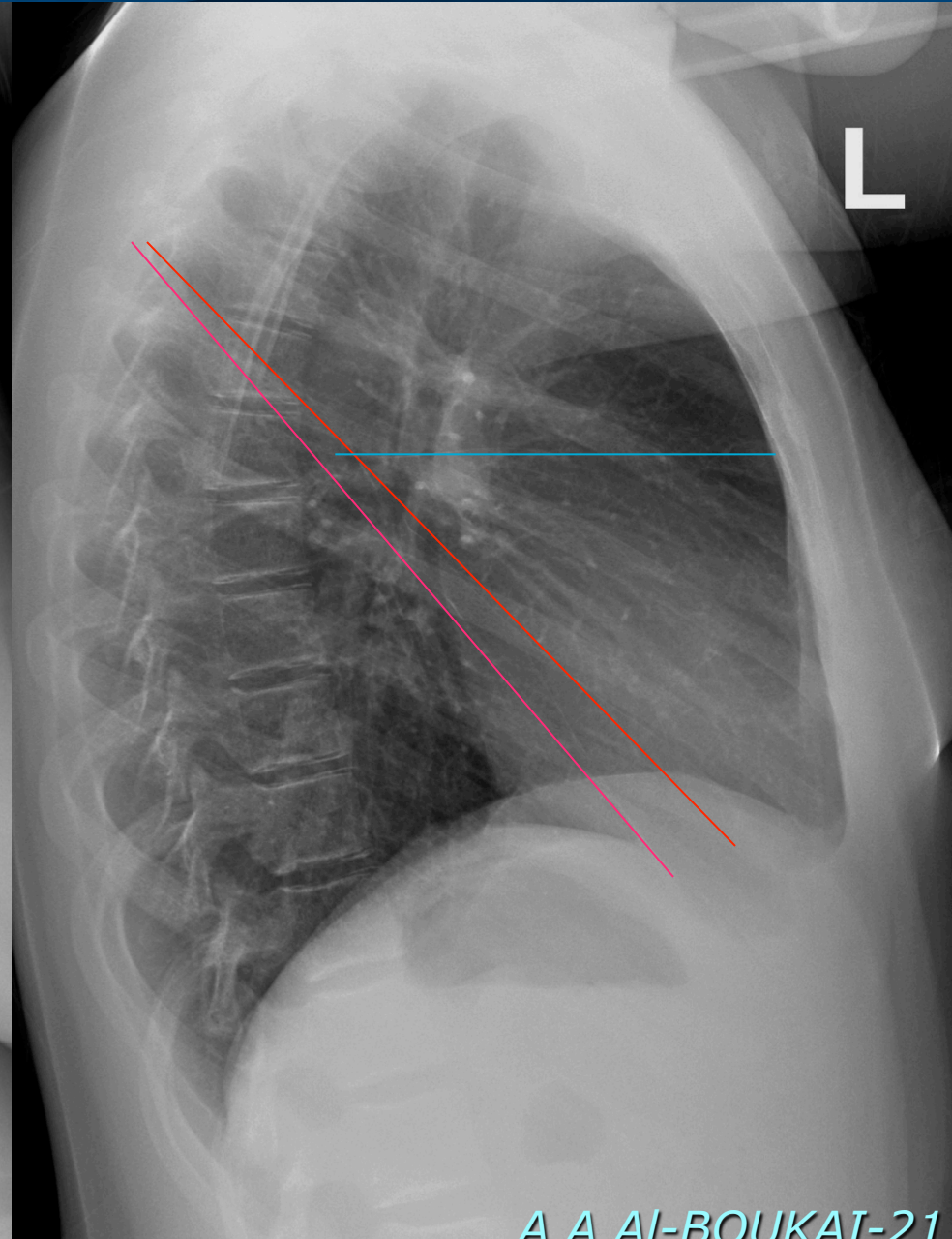
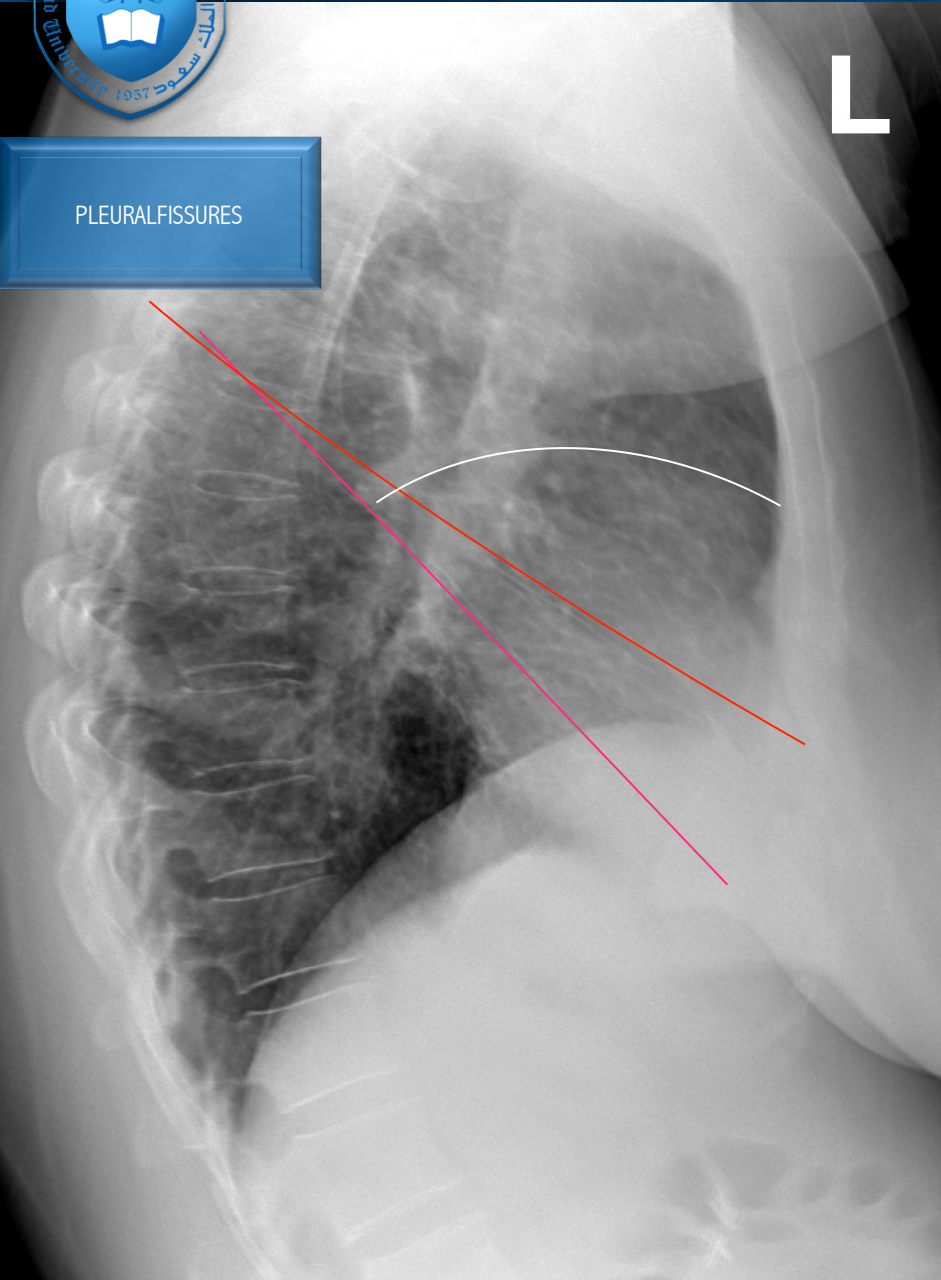
PLEURALFISSURES



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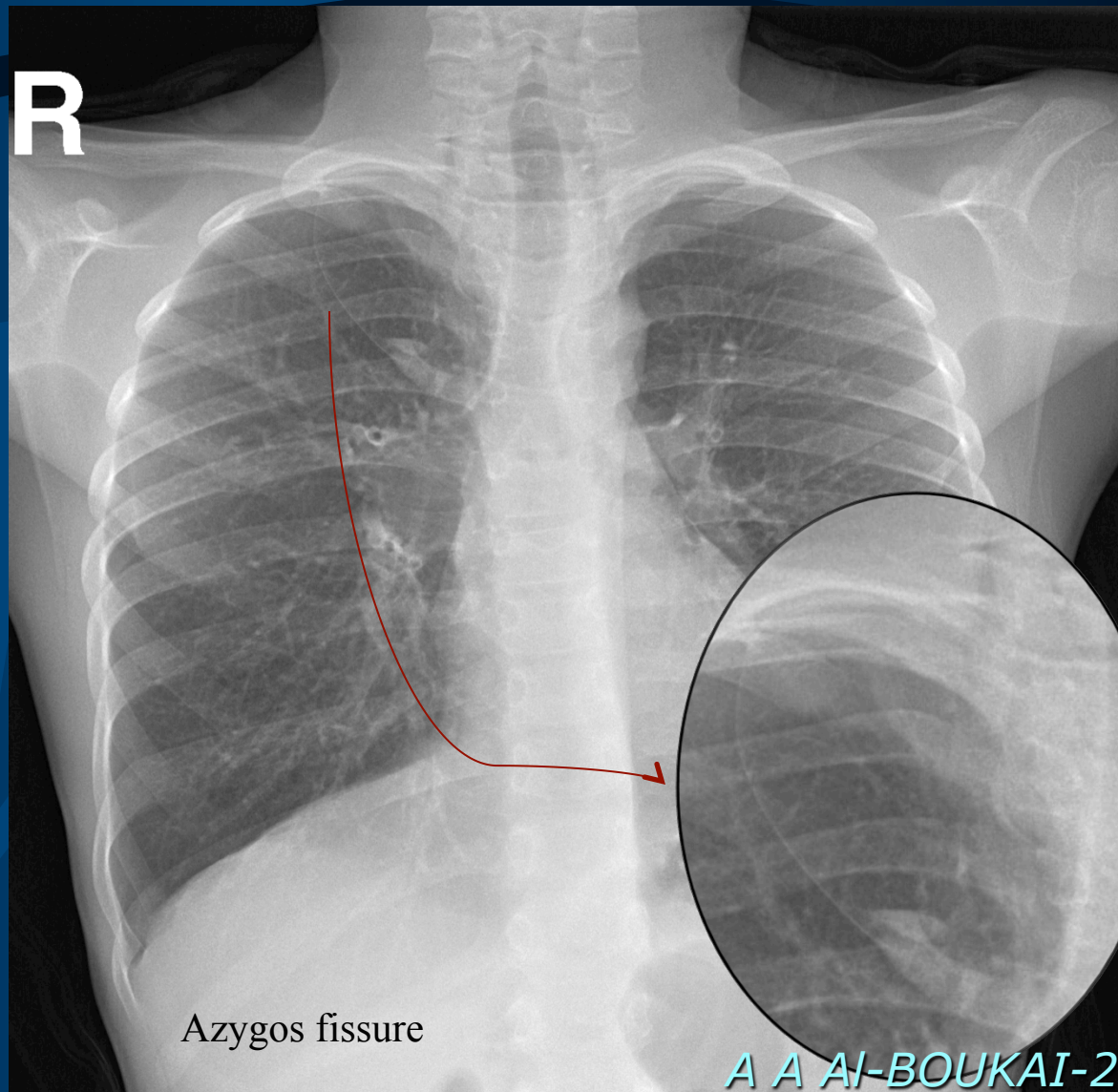
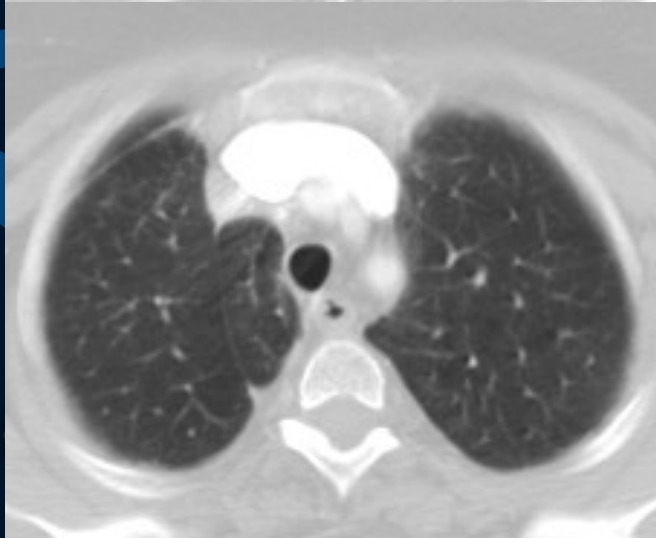
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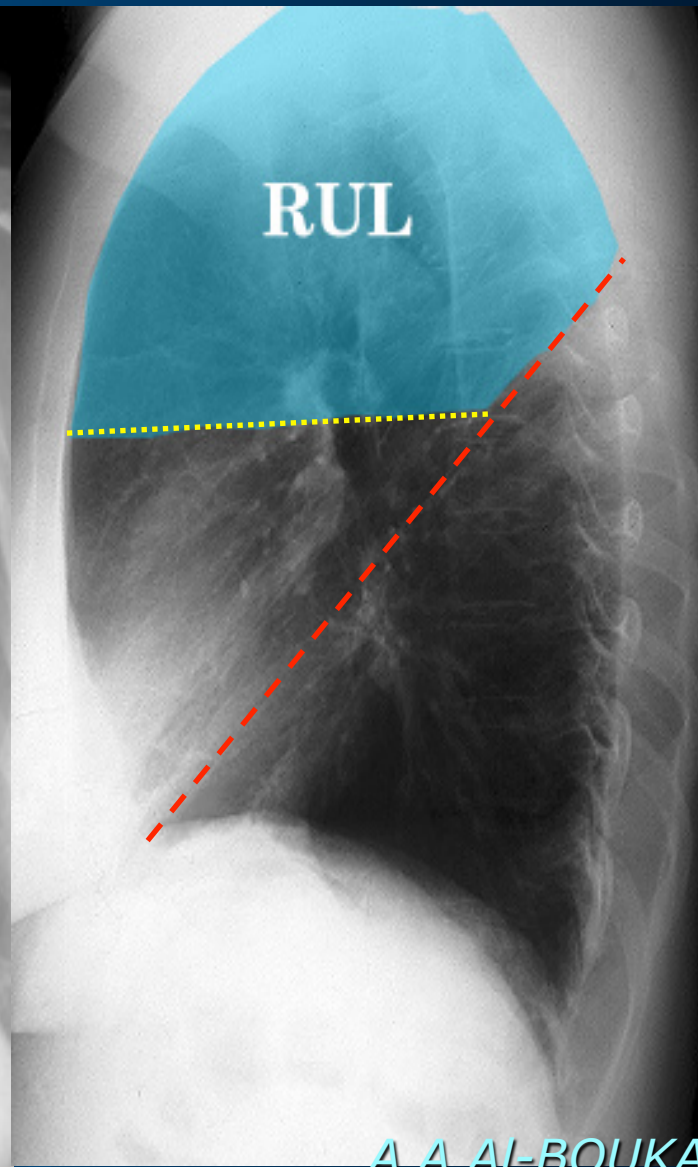
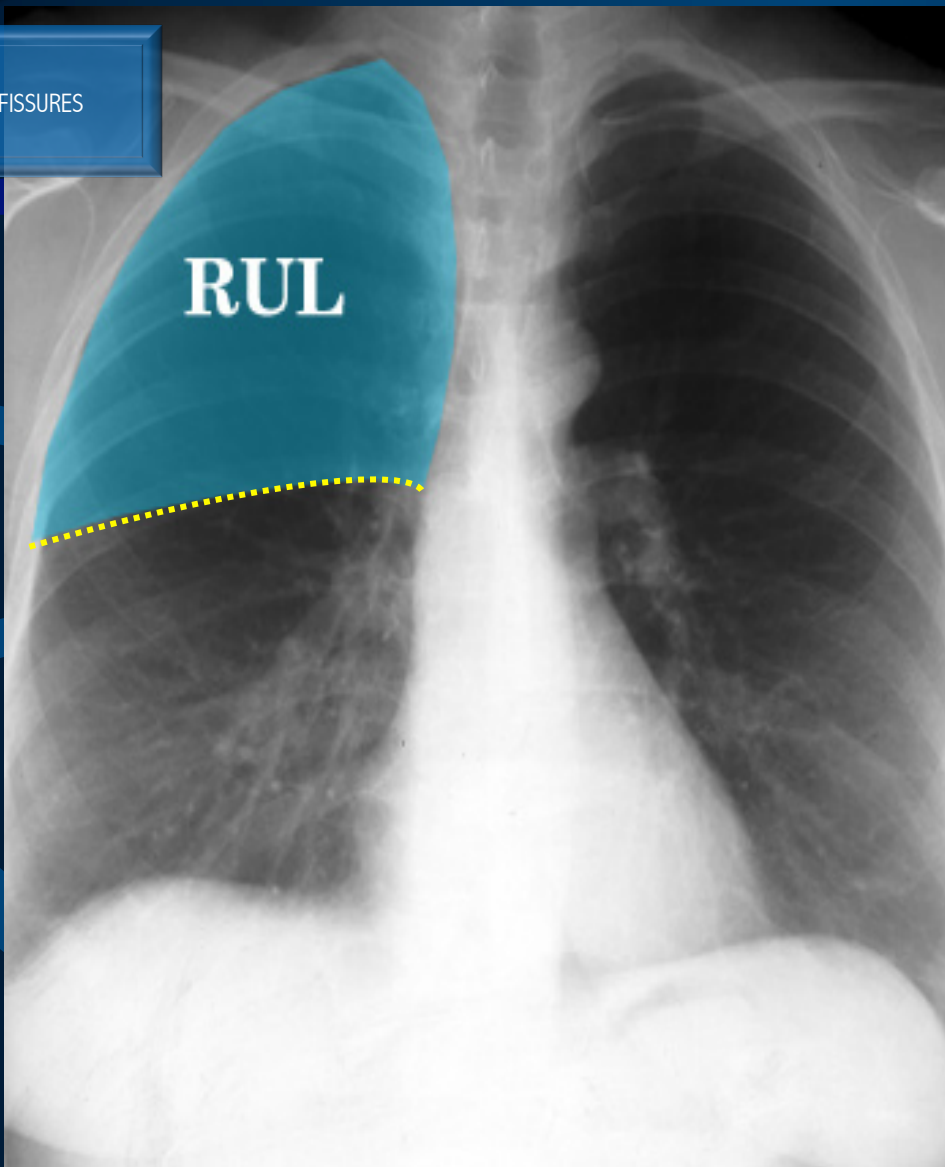
Azygos fissure

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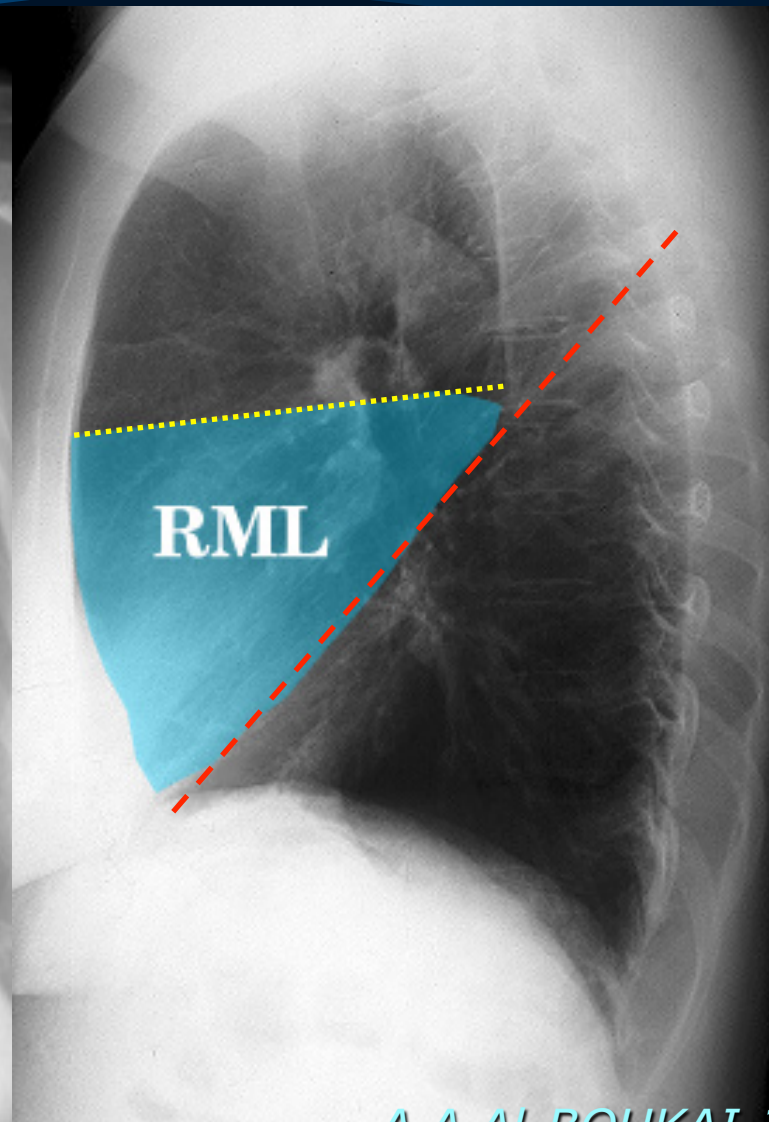
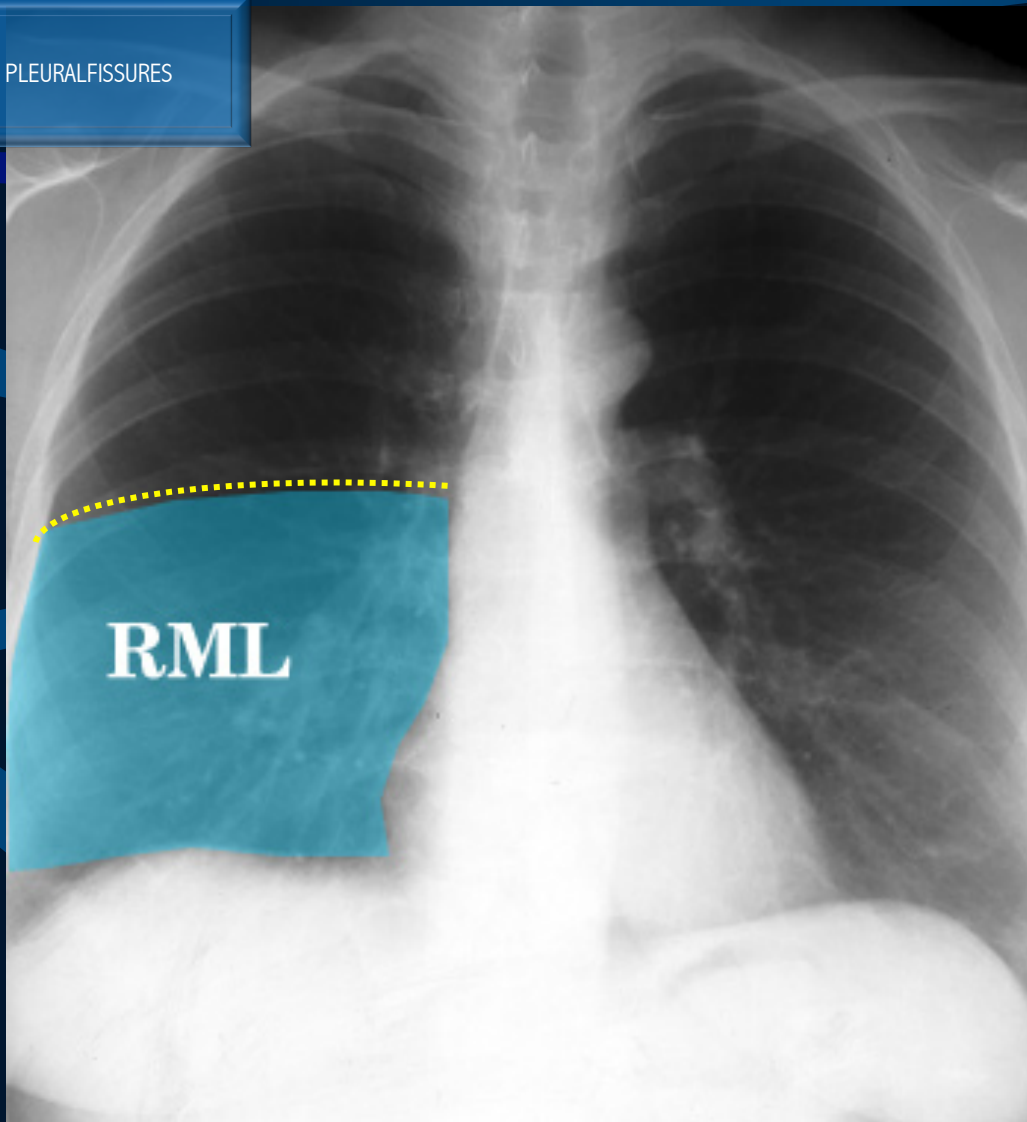
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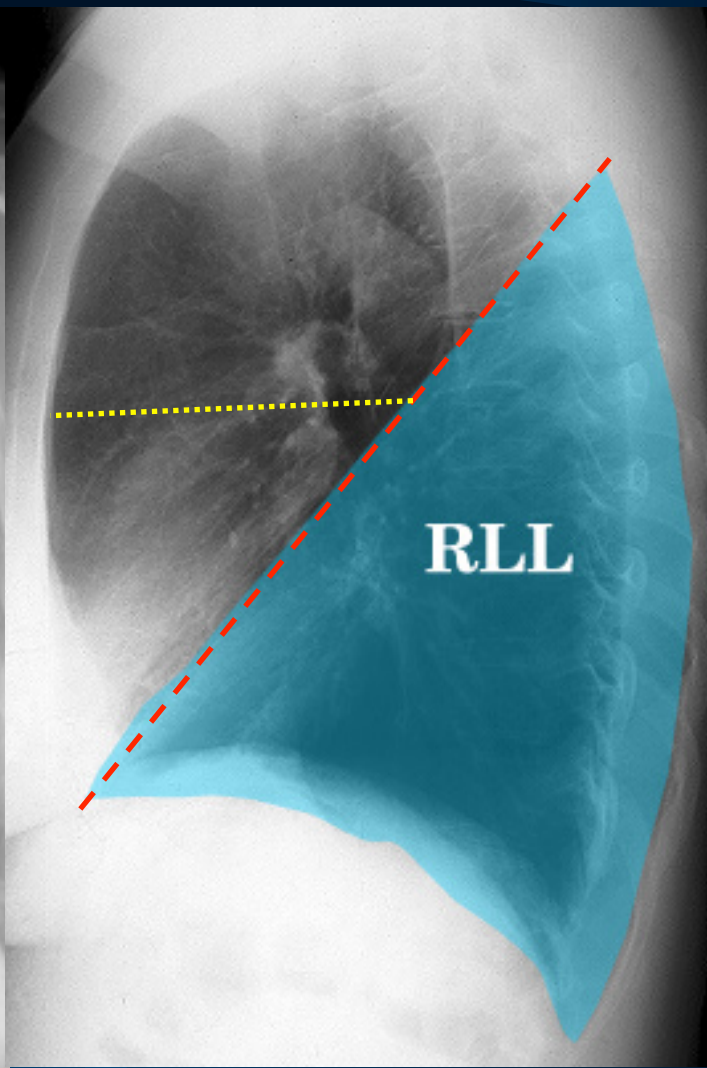
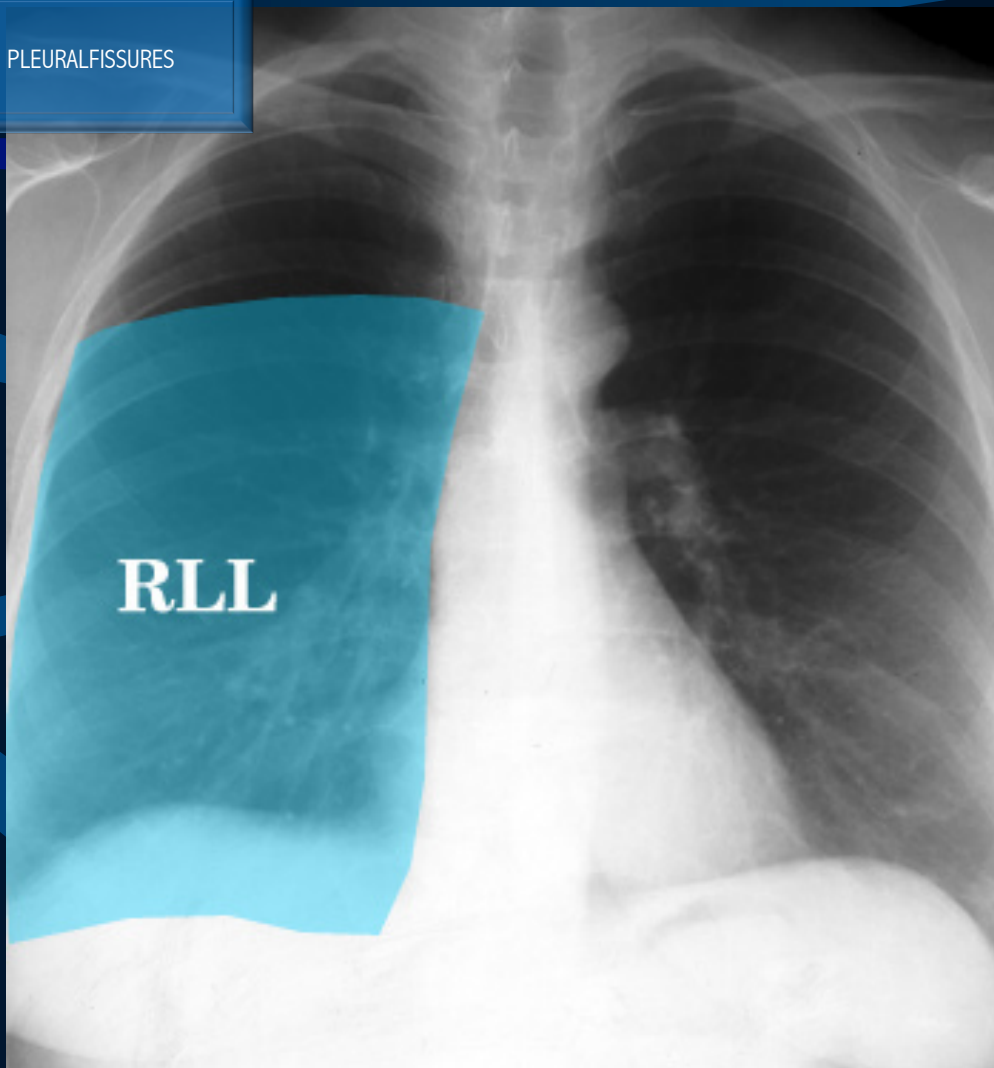
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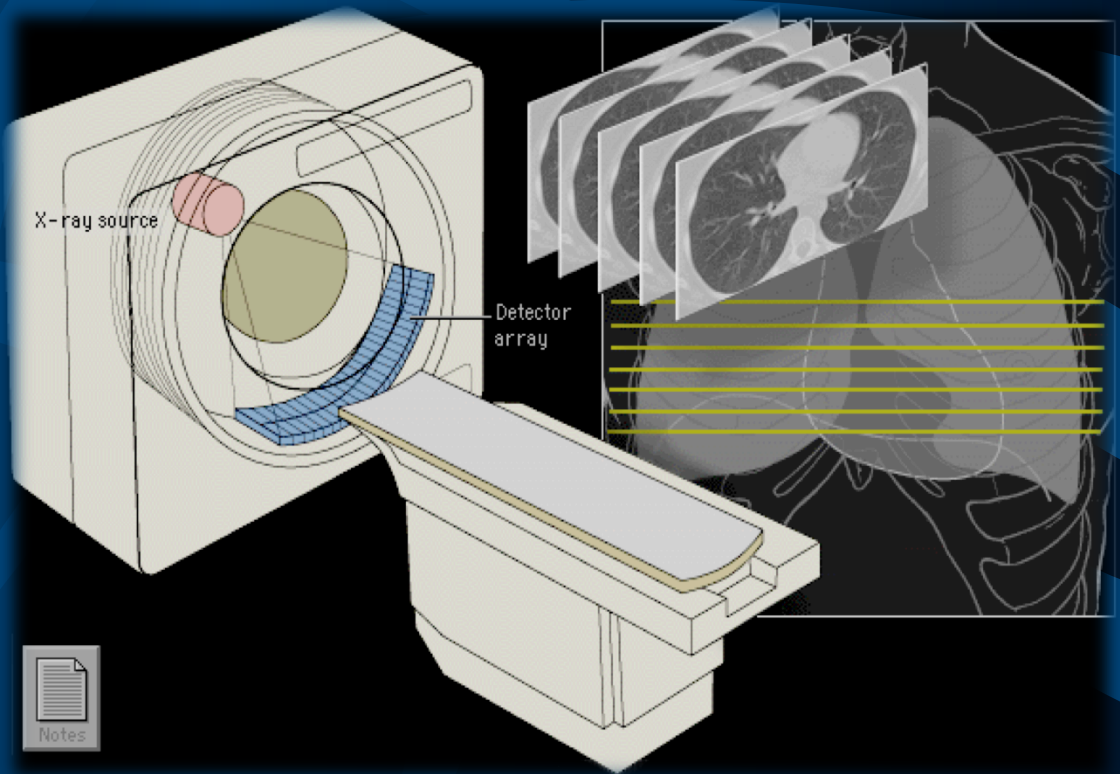
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MODALITIES UTILIZED

✦ Computed Tomography (CT)





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❖ Computed Tomography (CT)

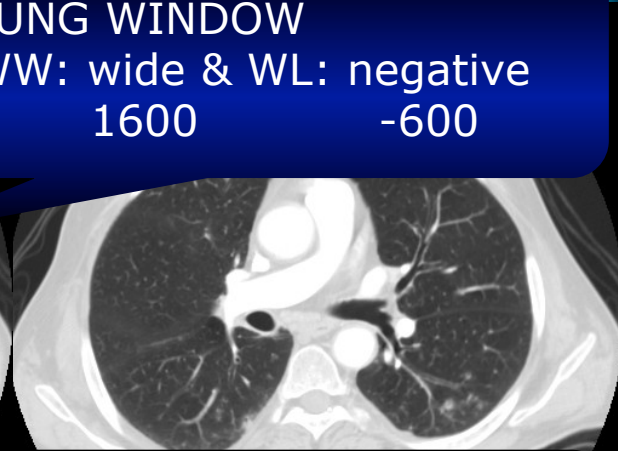
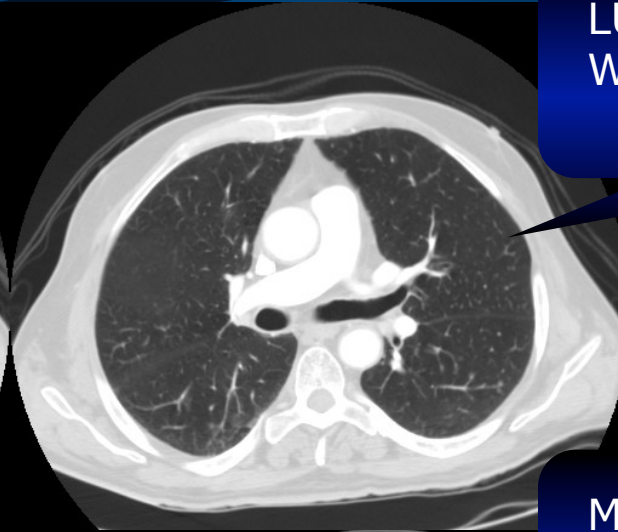
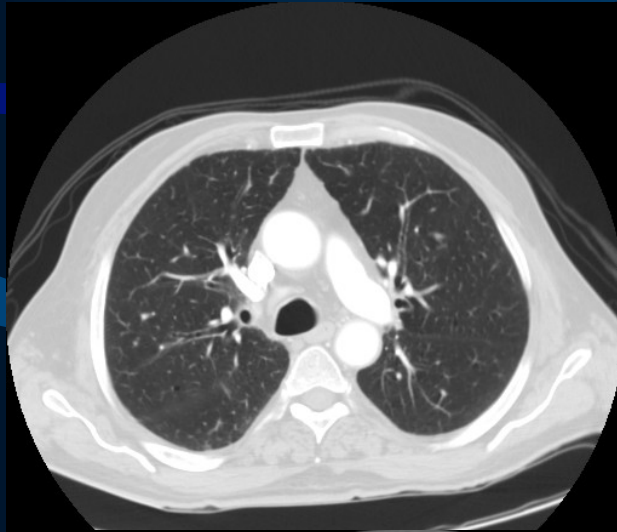
CT Scan:

- Relies on x-rays transmitted through the body. It differs from conventional radiography in that a more sensitive x-ray detection system is used, the images consist of sections (slices) through the body, and the data are manipulated by a computer.
- Has very small differences in x-ray absorption values compared with conventional radiography; the range of densities recorded is increased approximately 10-fold.
- So gradations of density within soft tissues can be recognized, e.g. brain substance from cerebrospinal fluid, or tumor from surrounding normal tissues.
- There is major risk behind CT scan, 1barin CT scan radiation = 200 x-ray radiation , pelvic CT radiation = 400 x-ray radiation which means don't request a CT scan unless it is needed and We can't use it for a pregnant women unless it is necessary
- Lung window* is wide window to visualize lung parenchymal structures including bronchi, vessels and alveoli
- Mediastinal window* is narrow window to visualize mediastinal structures including major vessels, heart....

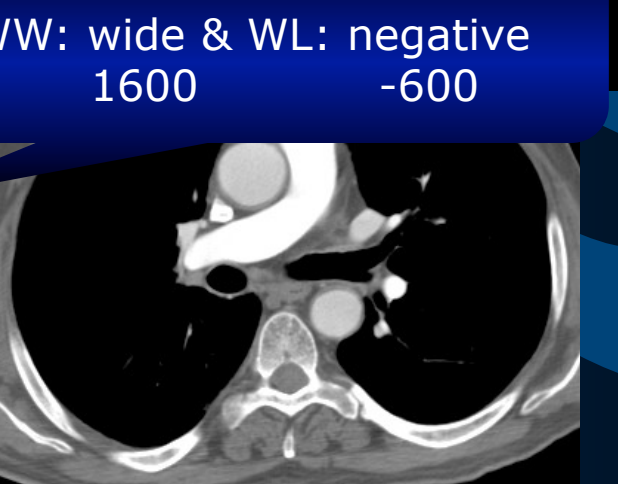
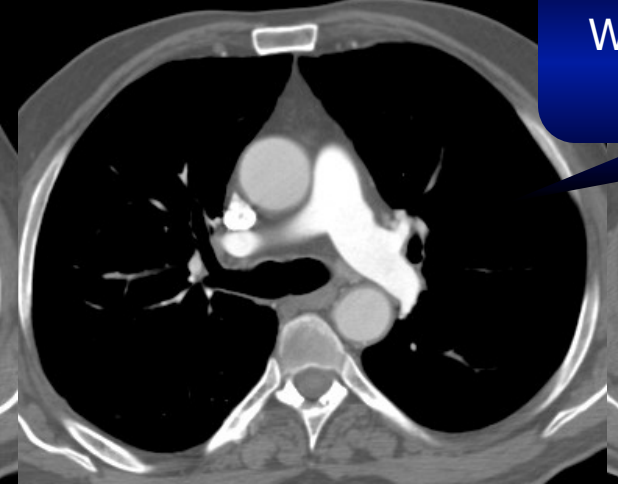


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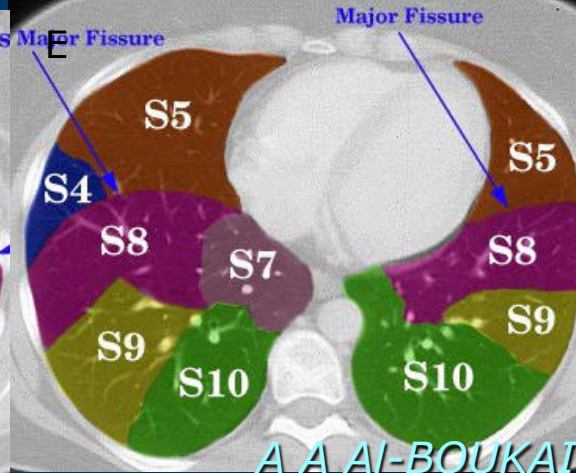
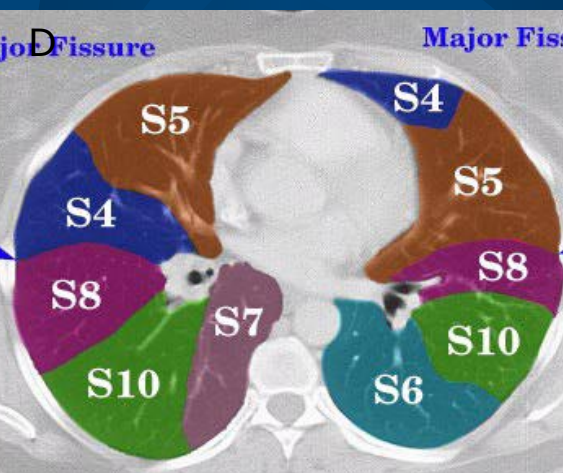
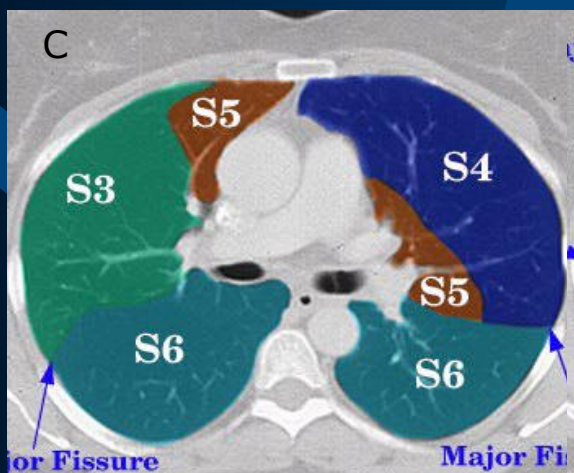
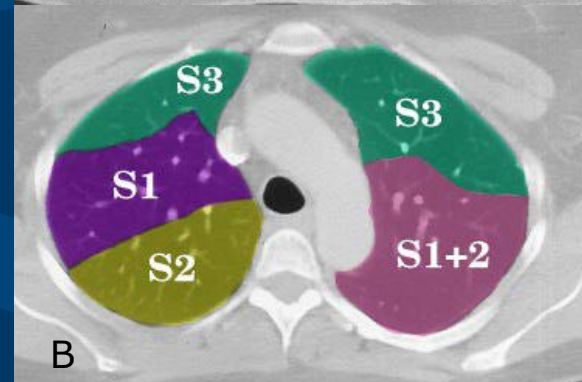
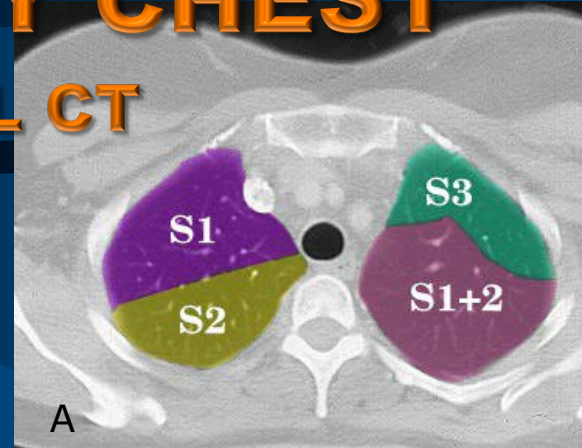
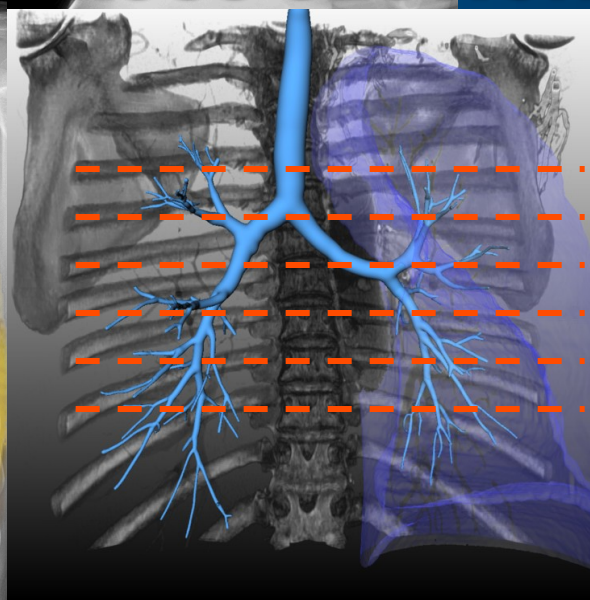
LUNG WINDOW
WW: wide & WL: negative
1600 -600



MEDIASTINA WINDOW
WW: wide & WL: negative
1600 -600

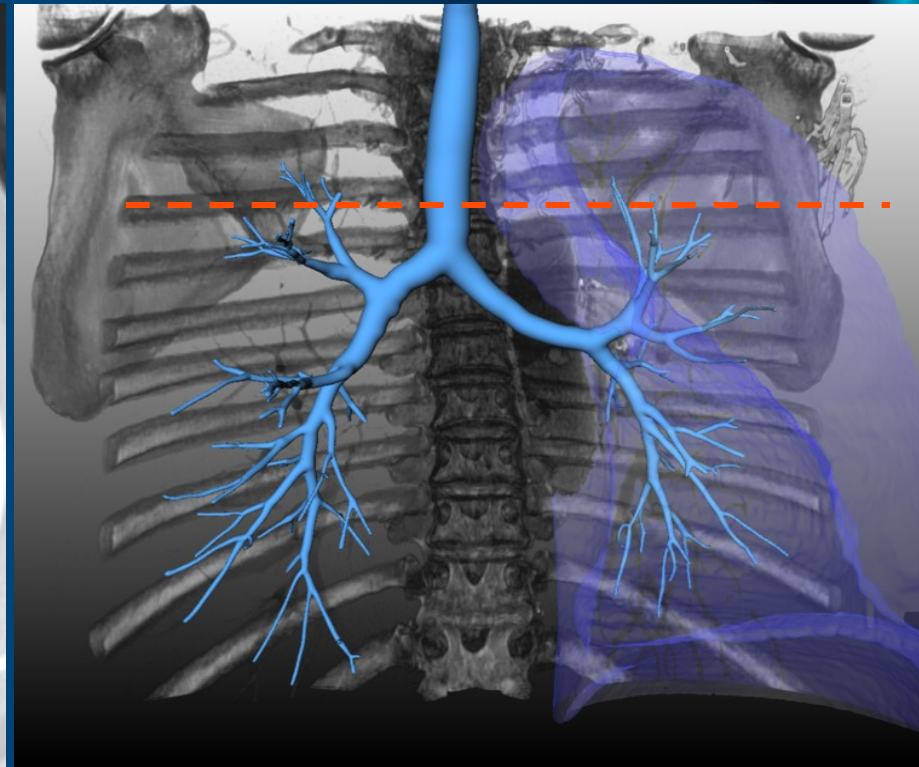
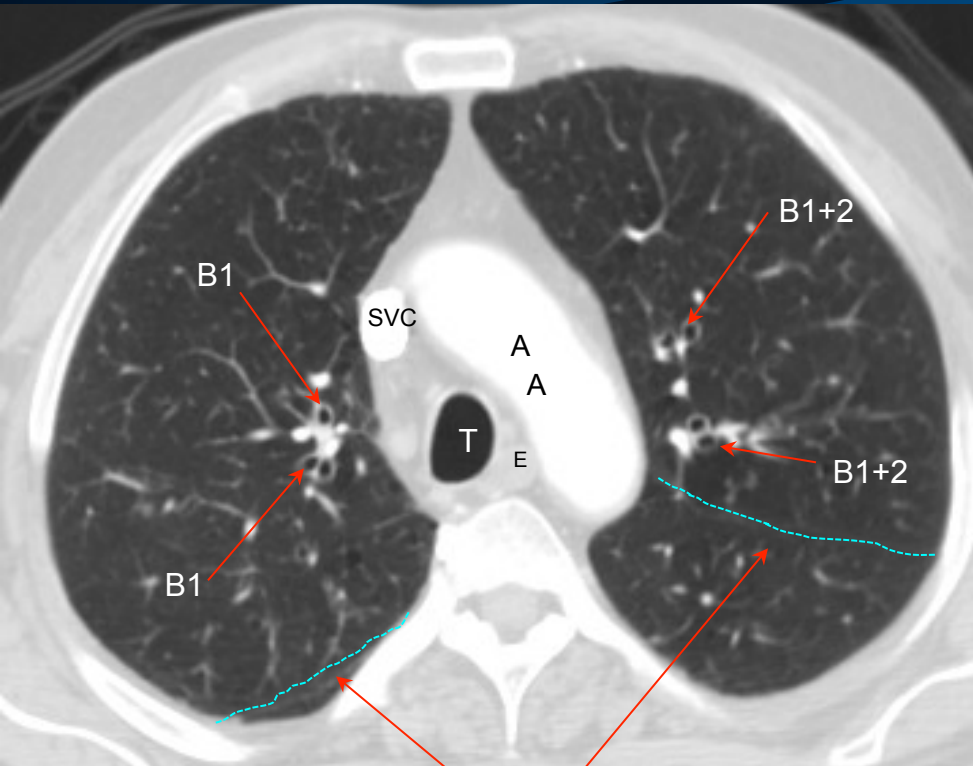
NORMAL ANATOMY CHEST

CROSS SECTIONAL CT



NORMAL ANATOMY CHEST CROSS SECTIONAL CT

B1= APICAL UPPER LOBE B
B2=POSTERIOR UPPER LOBE B
B1+2= APICPOSTERIOR UPPER LOBE B



MAJOR FISSURE

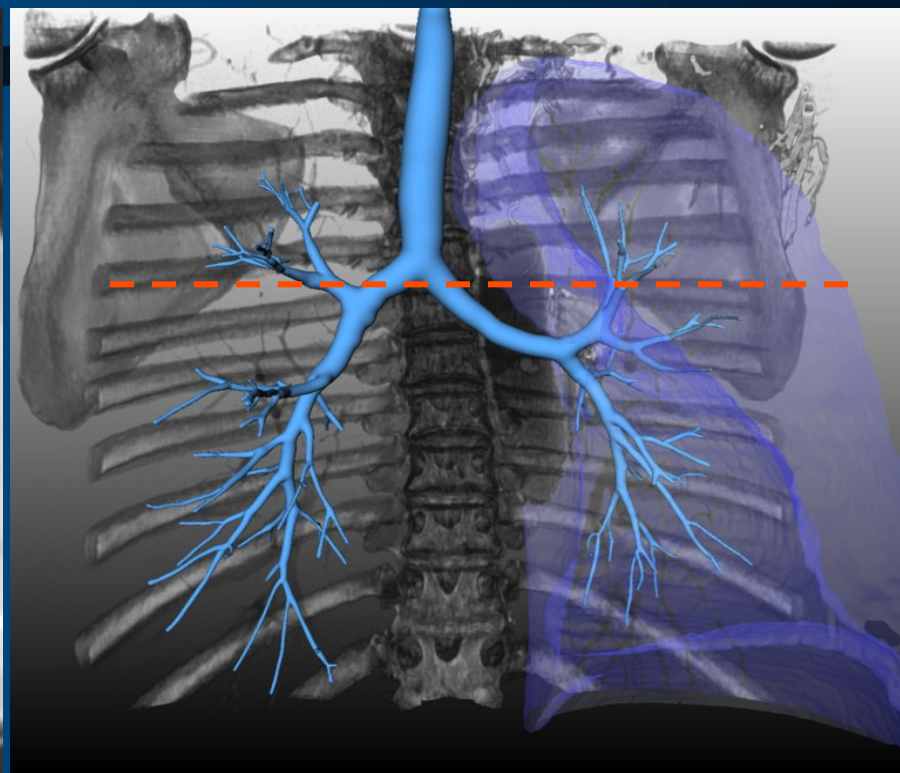
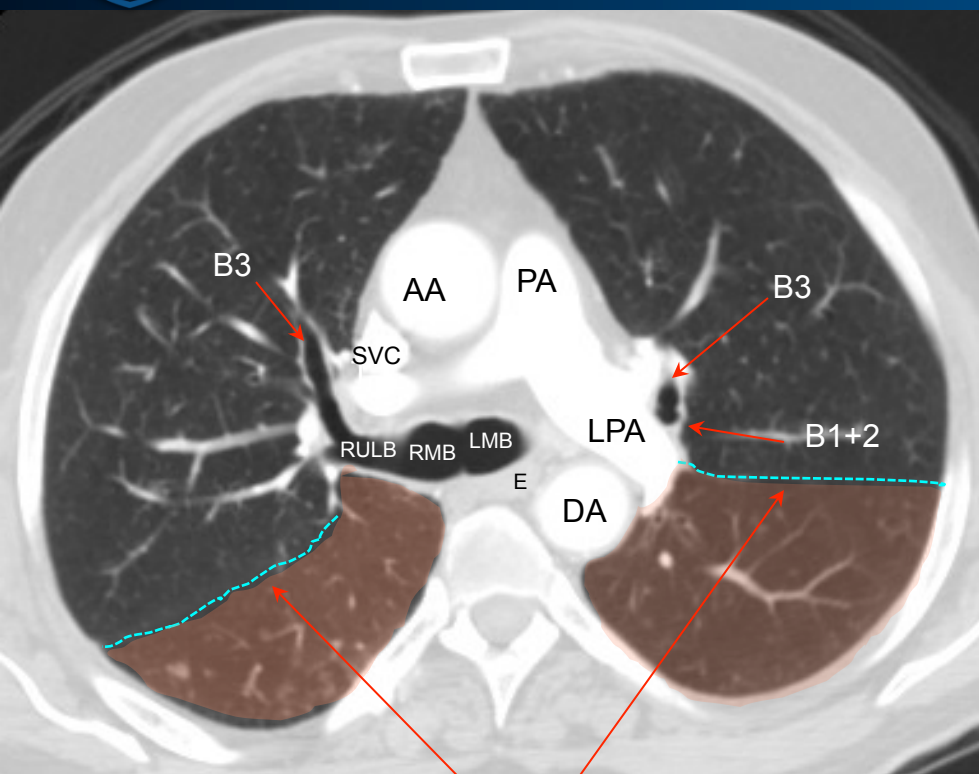
Appears as

White hairline
Lucent band
White band



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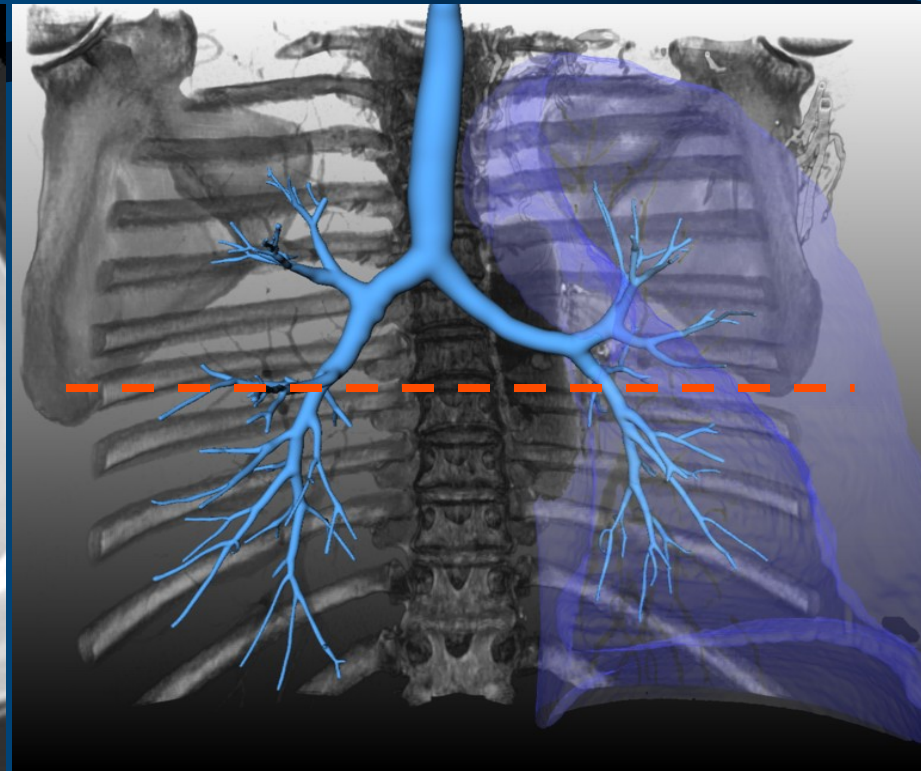
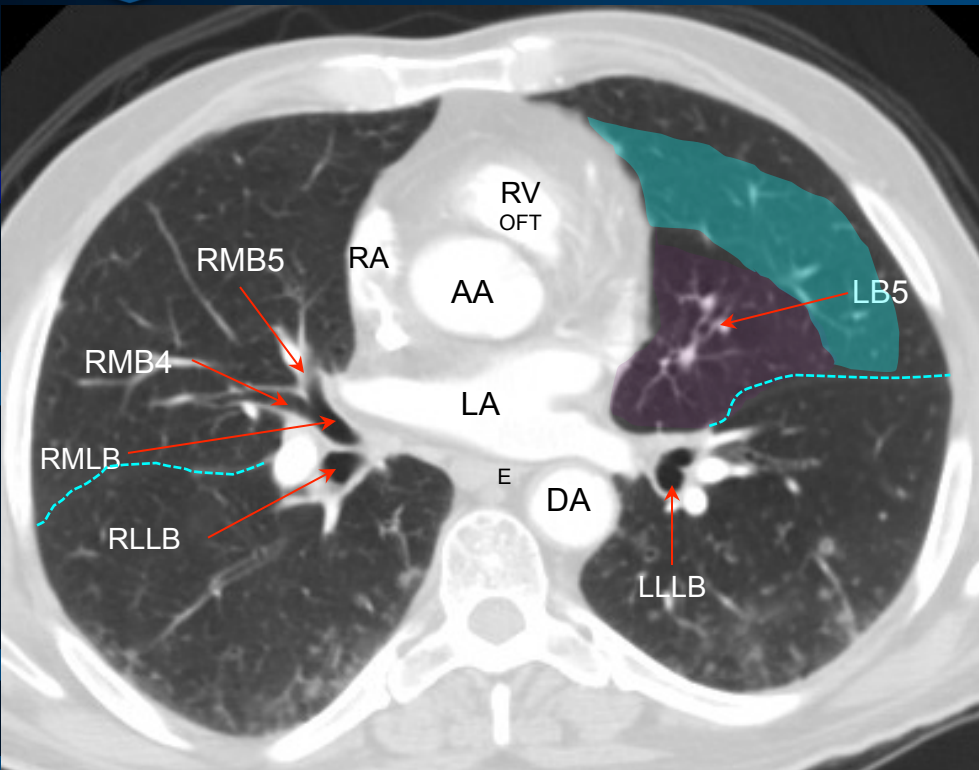
B1+2= APICPOSTERIOR UPPER LOBE B
B3 = ANTERIOR UPPER LOBE B



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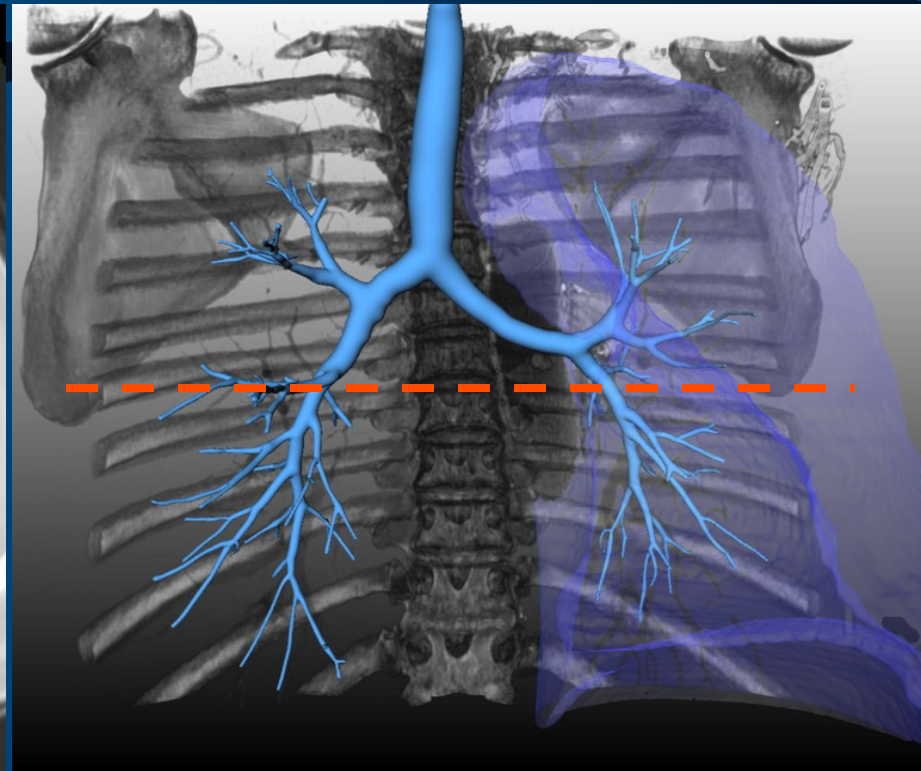
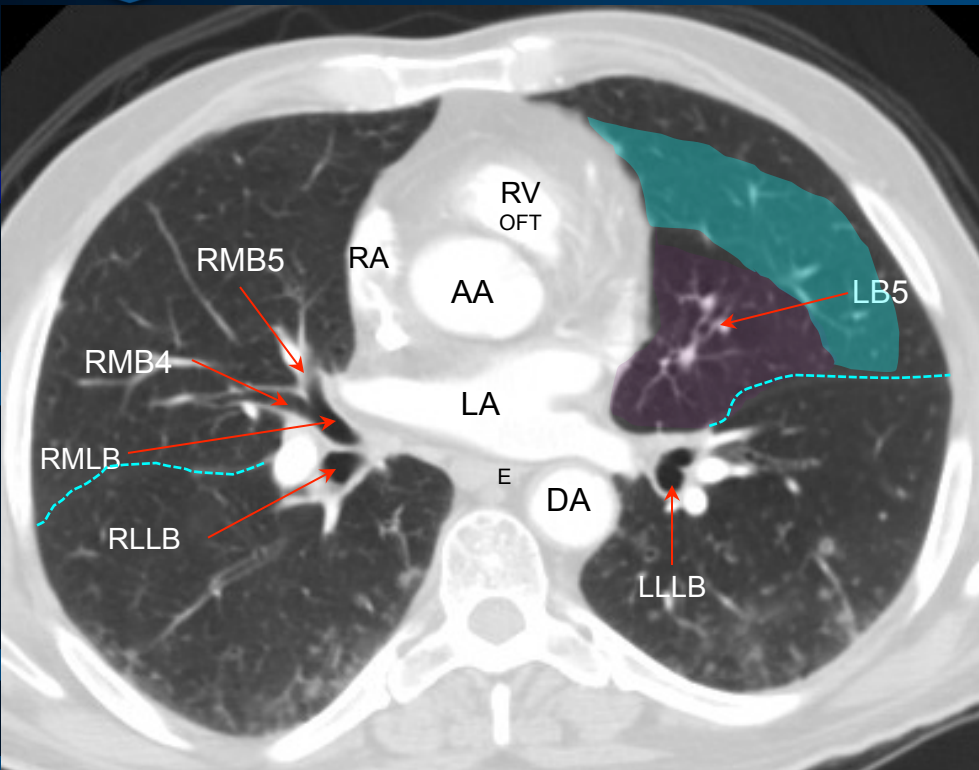
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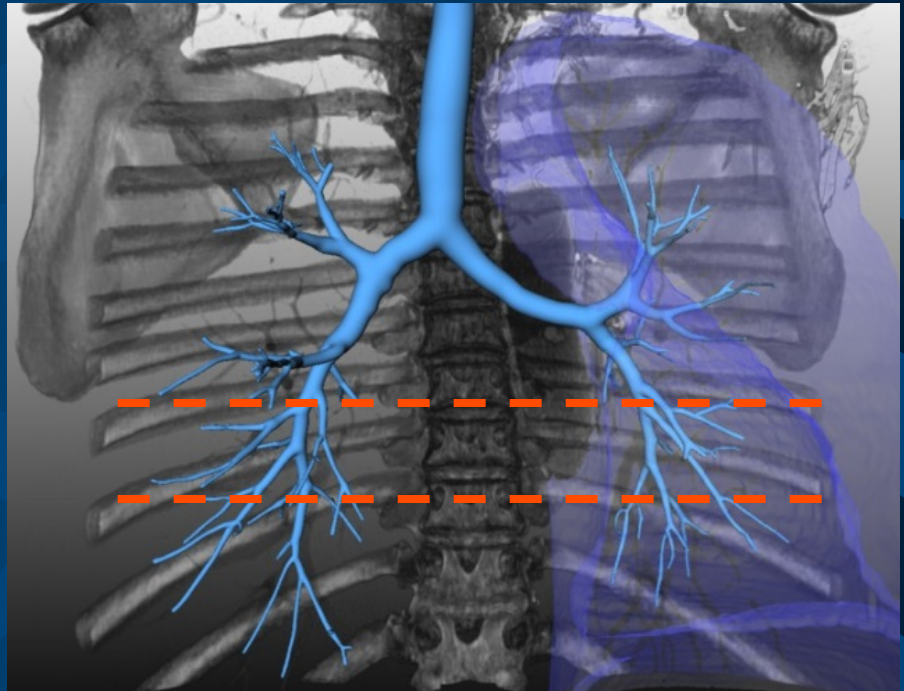
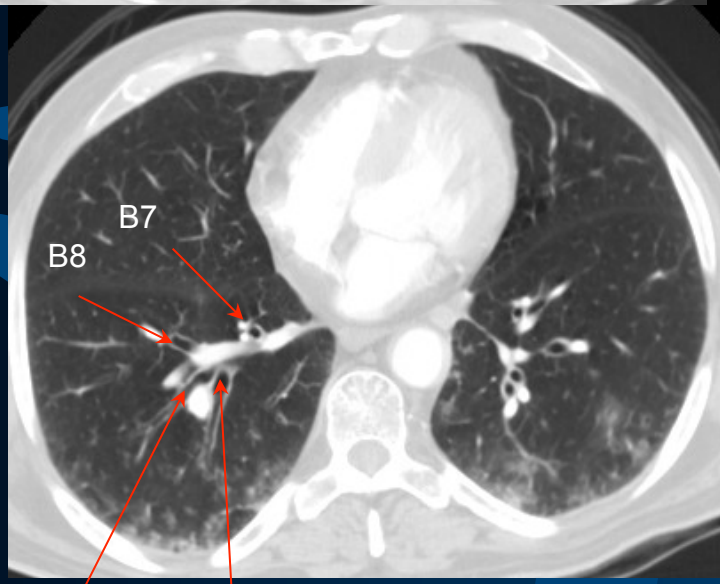
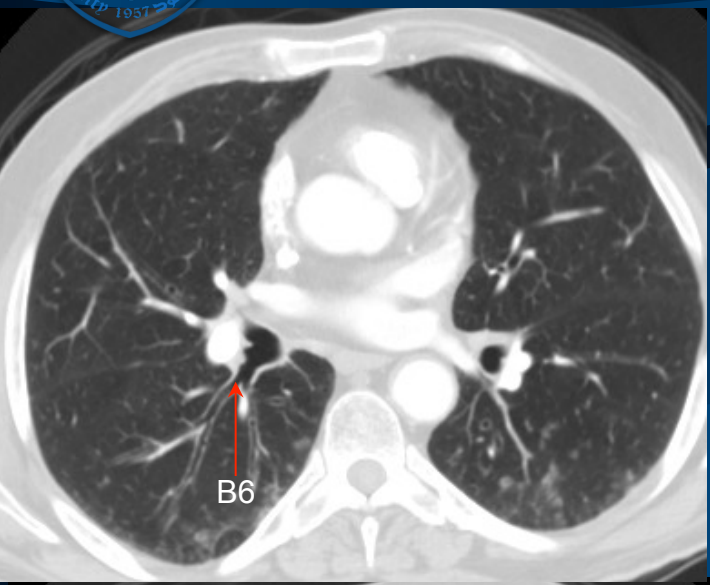


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CROSS SECTIONAL CT



LOWER LOBE



B6= SUPERIOR LOWER LOBE B
B7= MEDIAL BASAL B
B8= ANTERIOR BASAL B

B9 = LATERAL BASAL B
B10= POSTERIOR BASAL B

B9 B10

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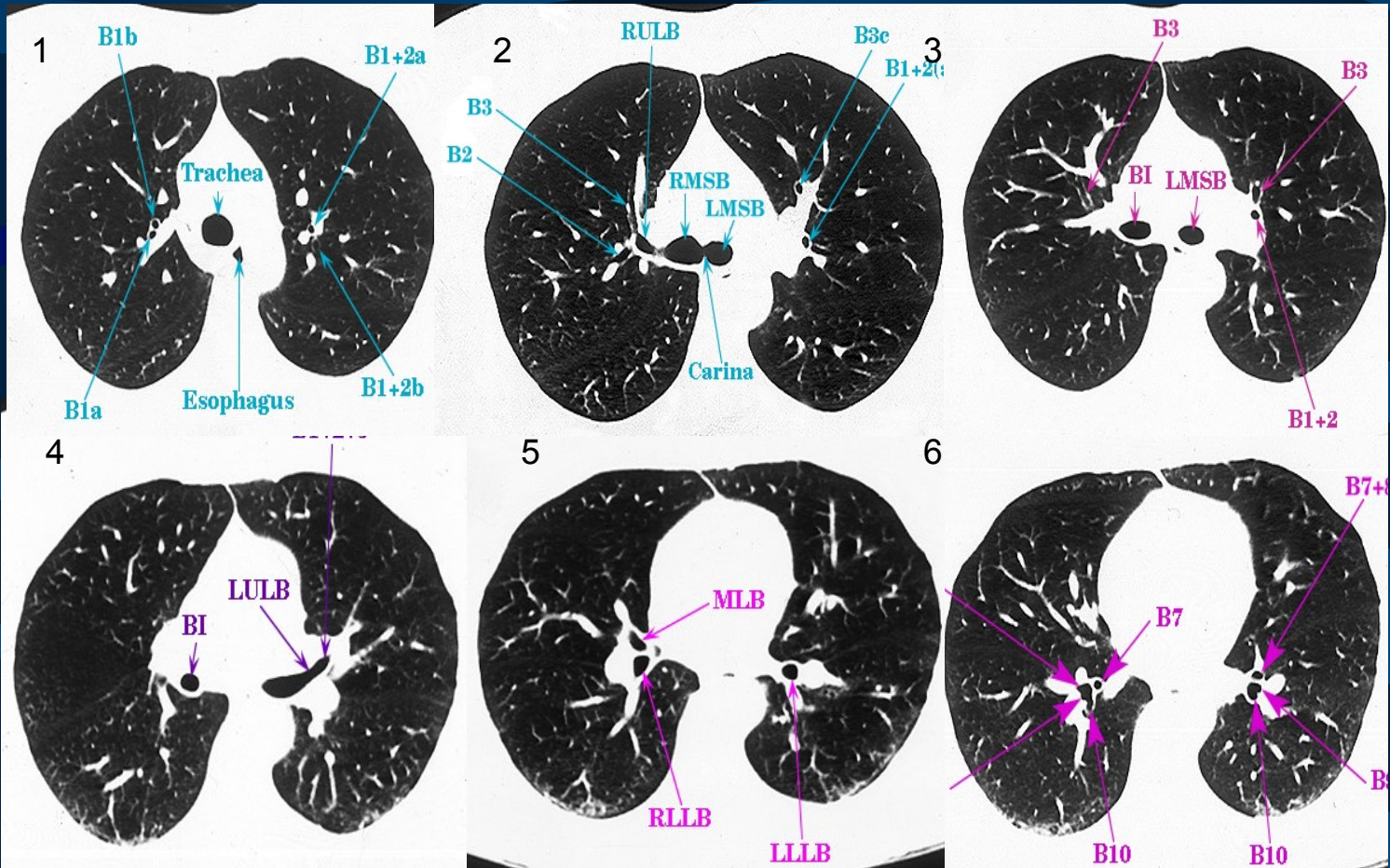


Image 1: Level of trachea we could see upper lobe segmental bronchi

Image 2: Level of bifurcation and right upper lobe bronchus

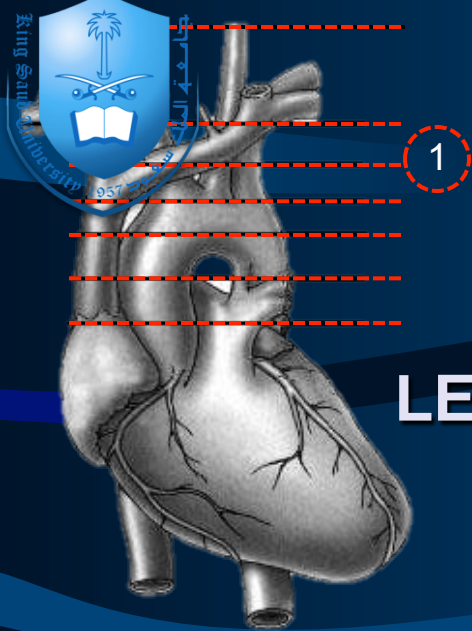
Image 3: Lower cut at right bronchus intermedius level (BI)

Note : segments of the lung follow distribution of segmental bronchi

Fissure could be seen as either thin hairline structure or as lucent (black) density band

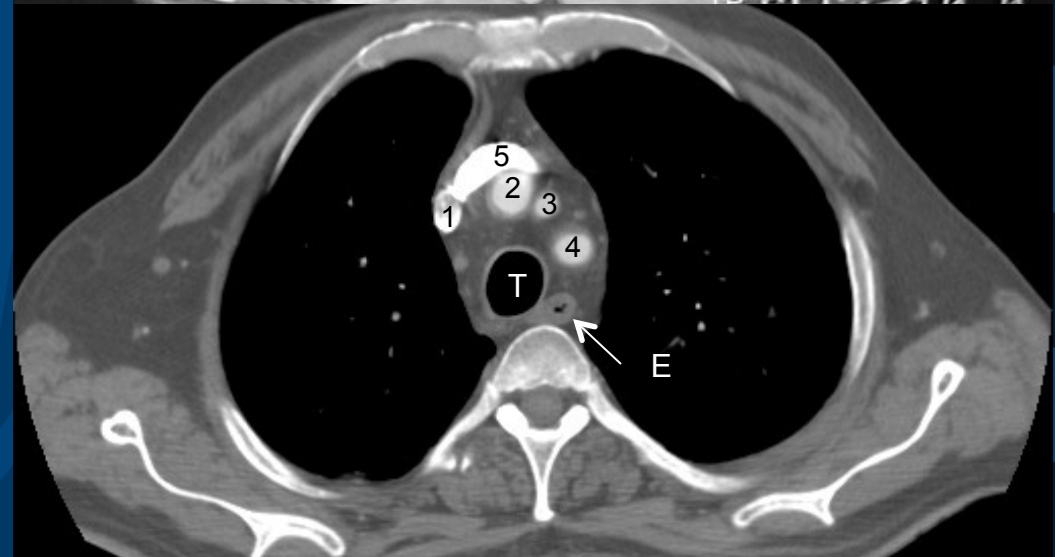
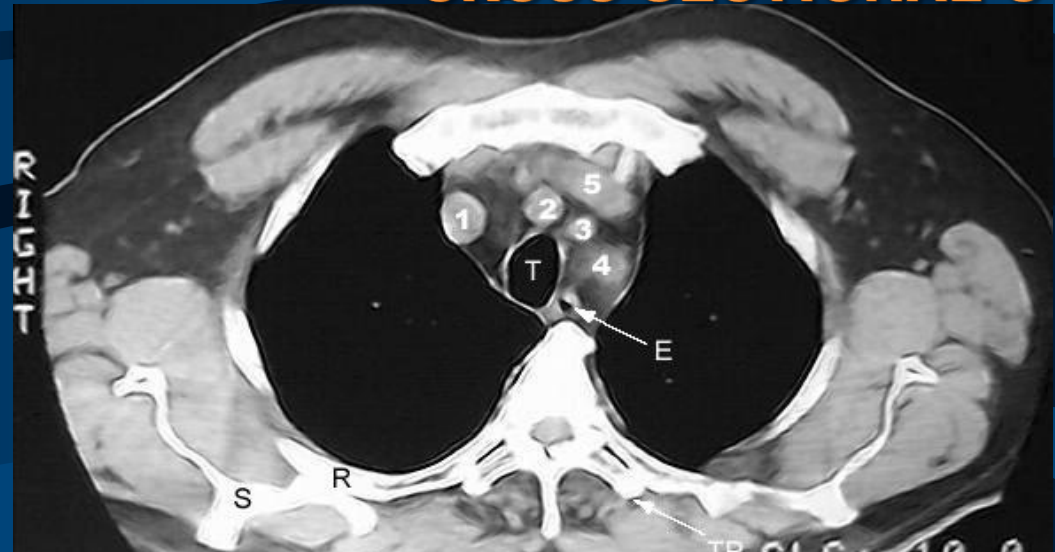
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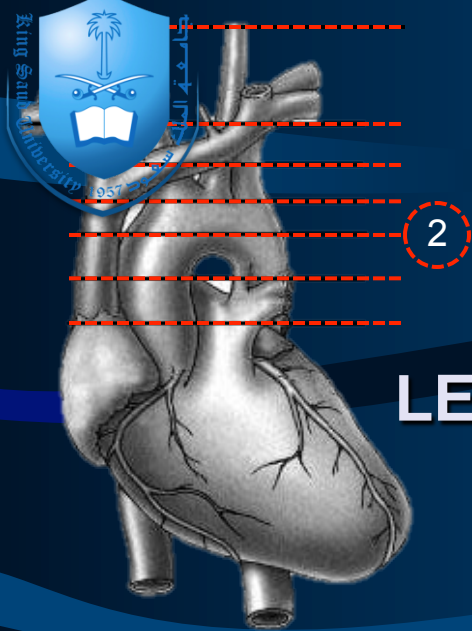
LEVEL 1

- E ESOPHAGUS
- R RIB
- S SCAPULA
- T TRACHEA
- 1 Right Brachiocephalic vein
- 2 Brachiocephalic artery
- 3 Left common carotid artery
- 4 Left subclavian artery
- 5 Right Brachiocephalic vein



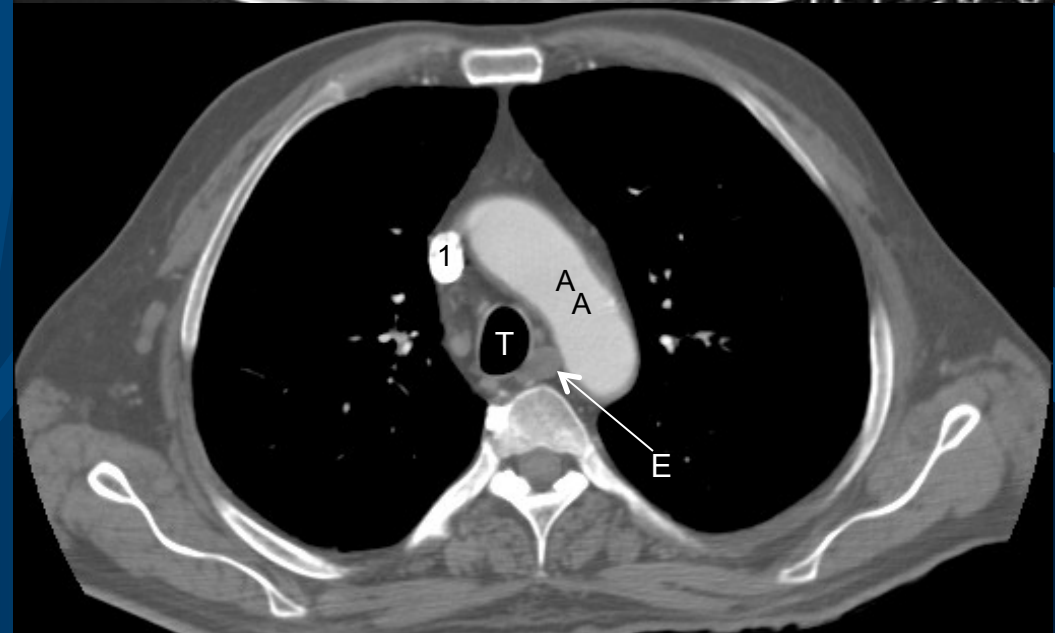
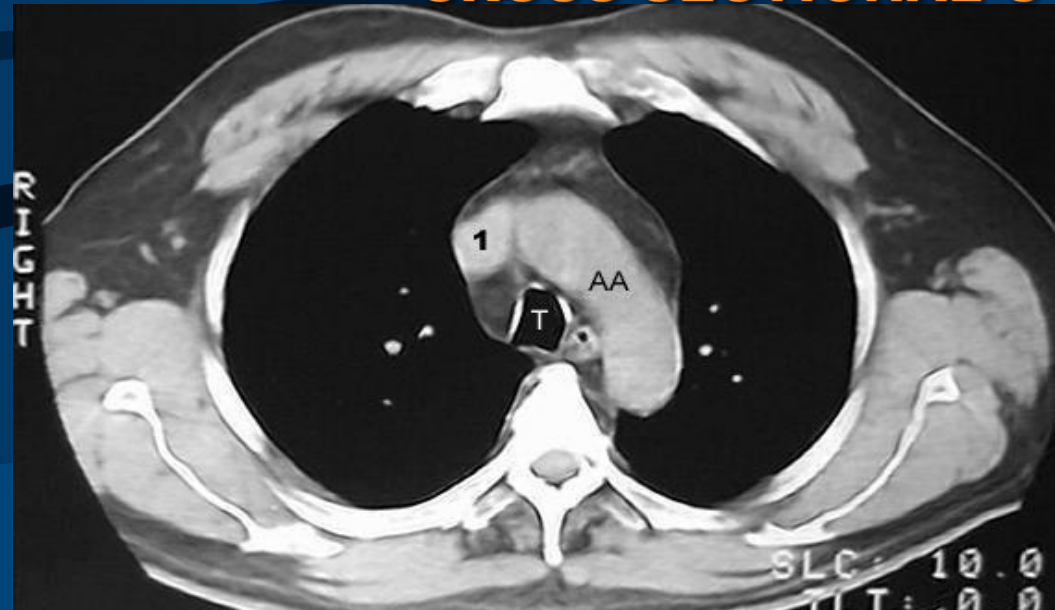
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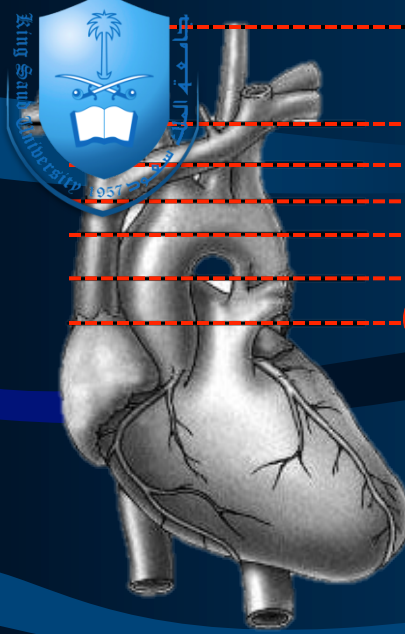
LEVEL 2

- AA Aortic Arch
- T TRACHEA
- 1 Superior vena cava



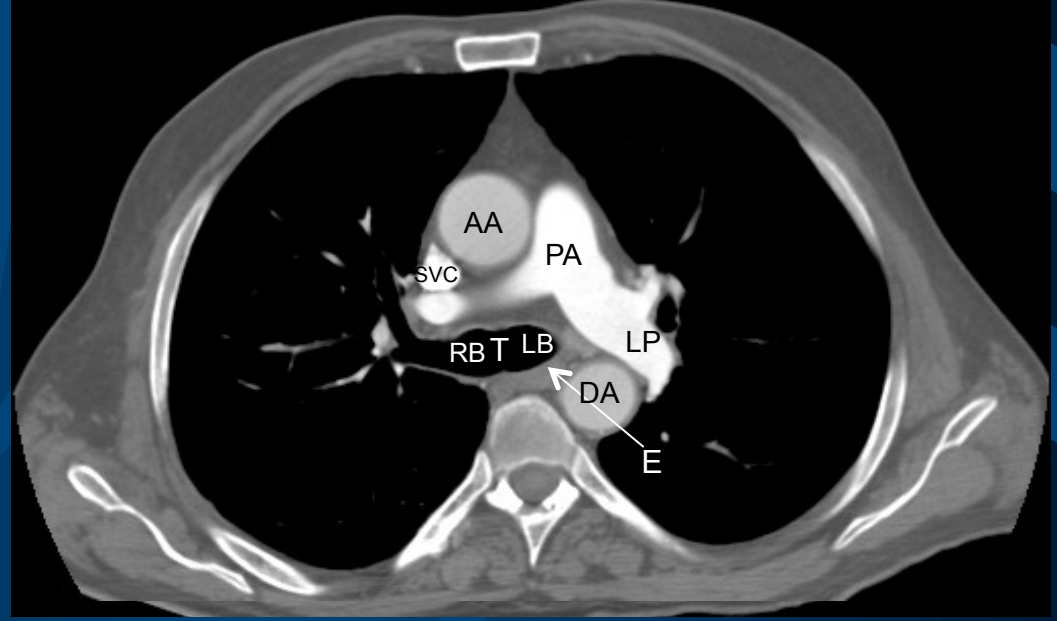
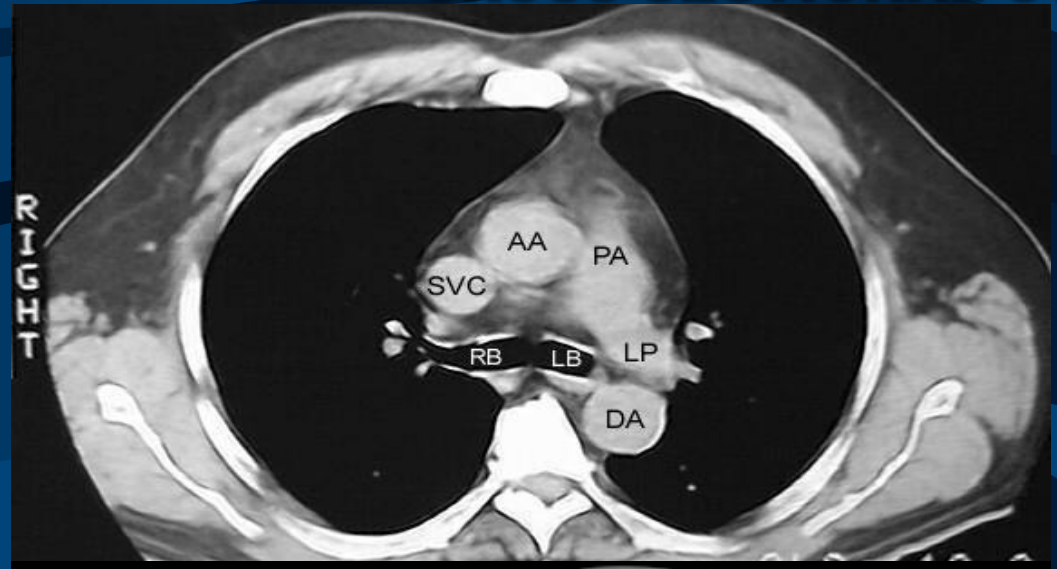
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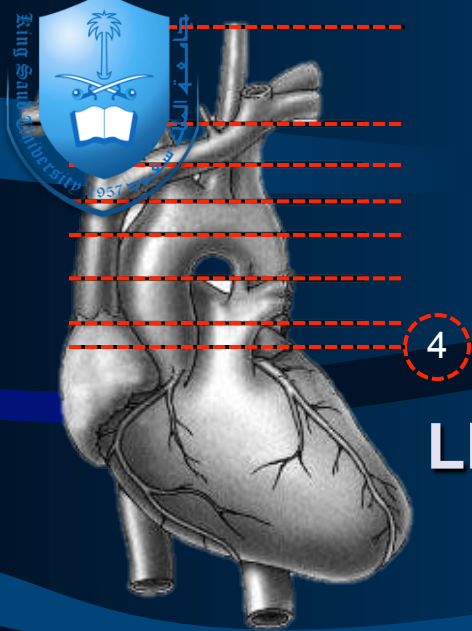
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LEVEL 3

- AA Ascending Aorta
- DA Descending Aorta
- LB Left main bronchus
- LP Left pulmonary artery
- PA Pulmonary trunk
- RB Right main bronchus
- SVC Superior vena cava



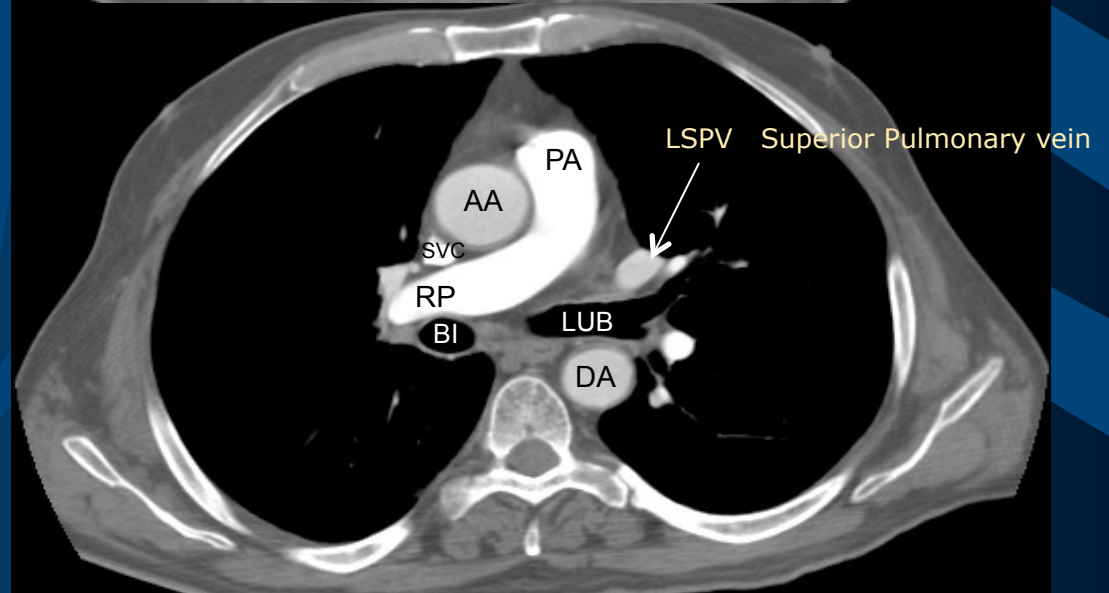
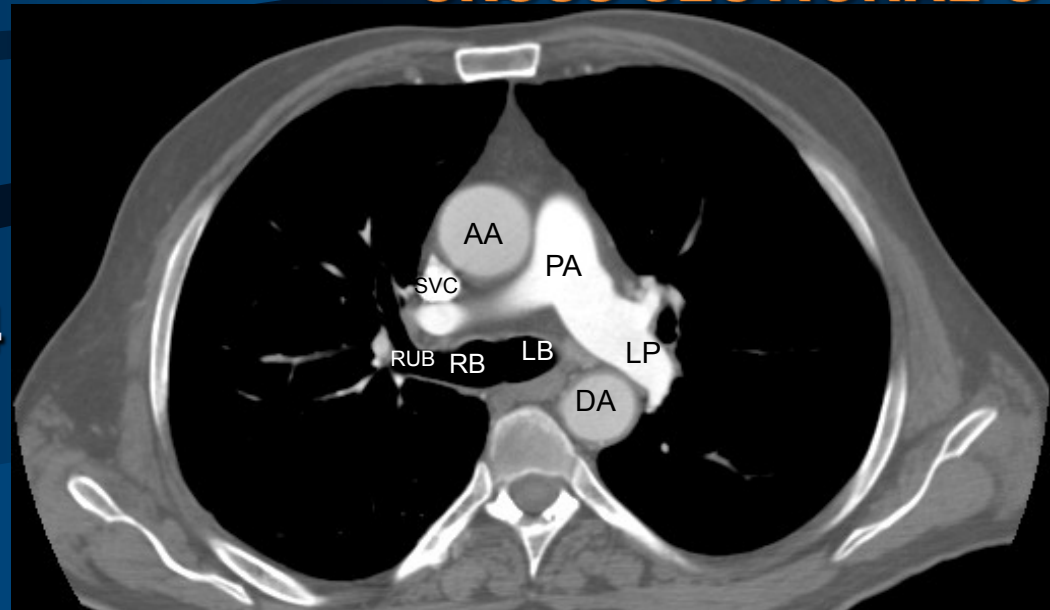
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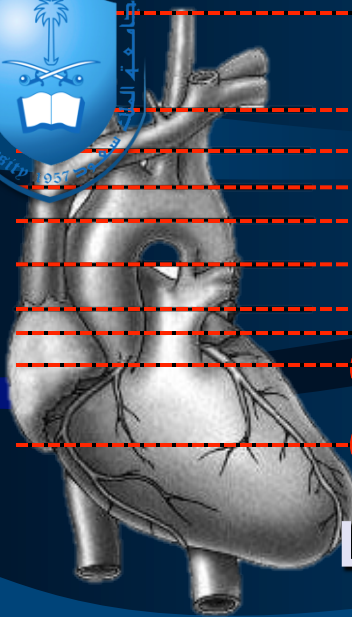
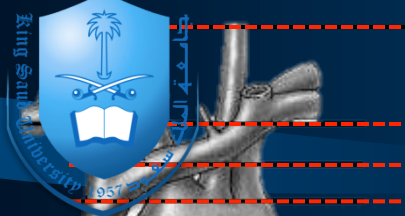


LEVEL 4

- AA Ascending Aorta
- DA Descending Aorta
- LUB Left upper bronchus
- BI Bronchus intermedius
- LP Left pulmonary artery
- RP Right pulmonary artery
- PA Pulmonary trunk
- RB Right main bronchus
- SVC Superior vena cava

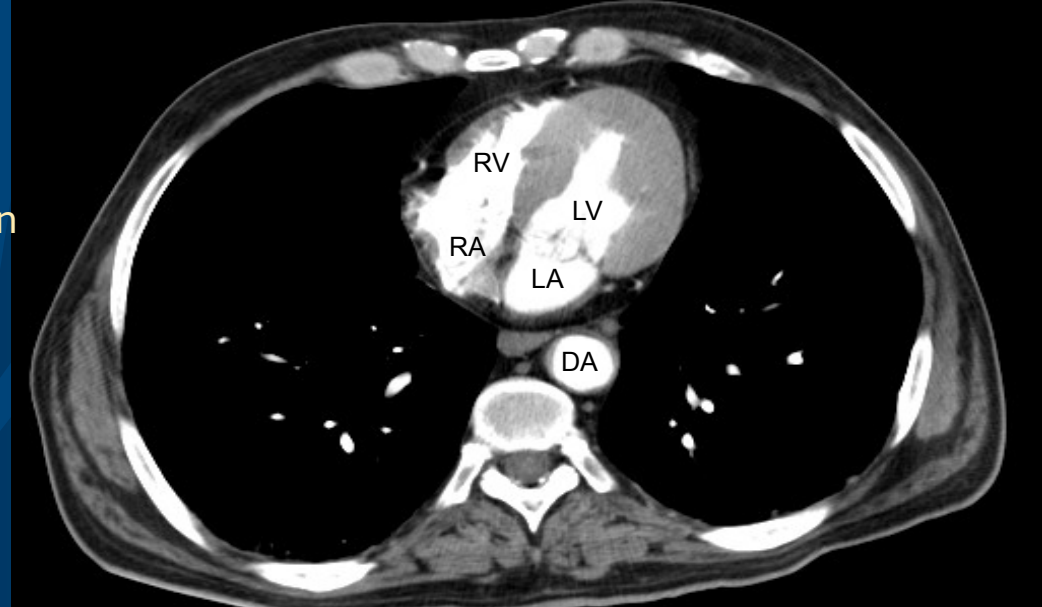
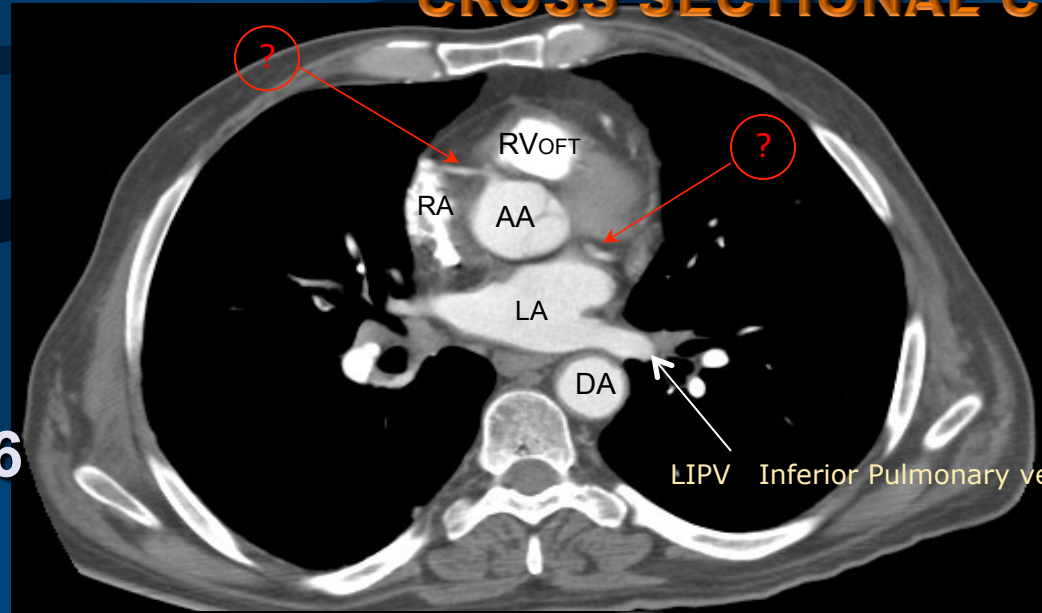


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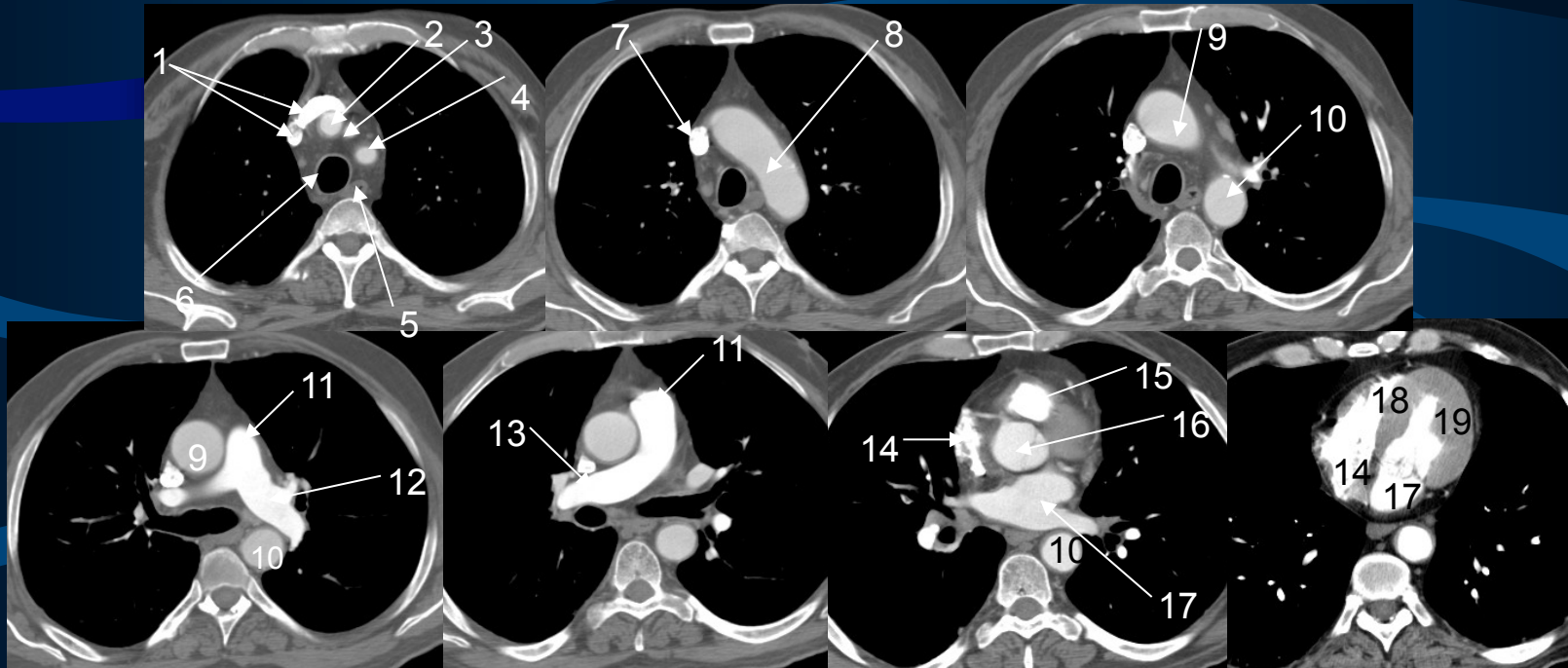
LEVEL 5-6

- AA Ascending Aorta (root)
- DA Descending Aorta
- LA Left atrium
- LV Left ventricle
- RA Right atrium (auricle)
- RV Right ventricle (outflow)
- LIPV Left inferior pulmonary vein



NORMAL ANATOMY CHEST

CROSS SECTIONAL CT



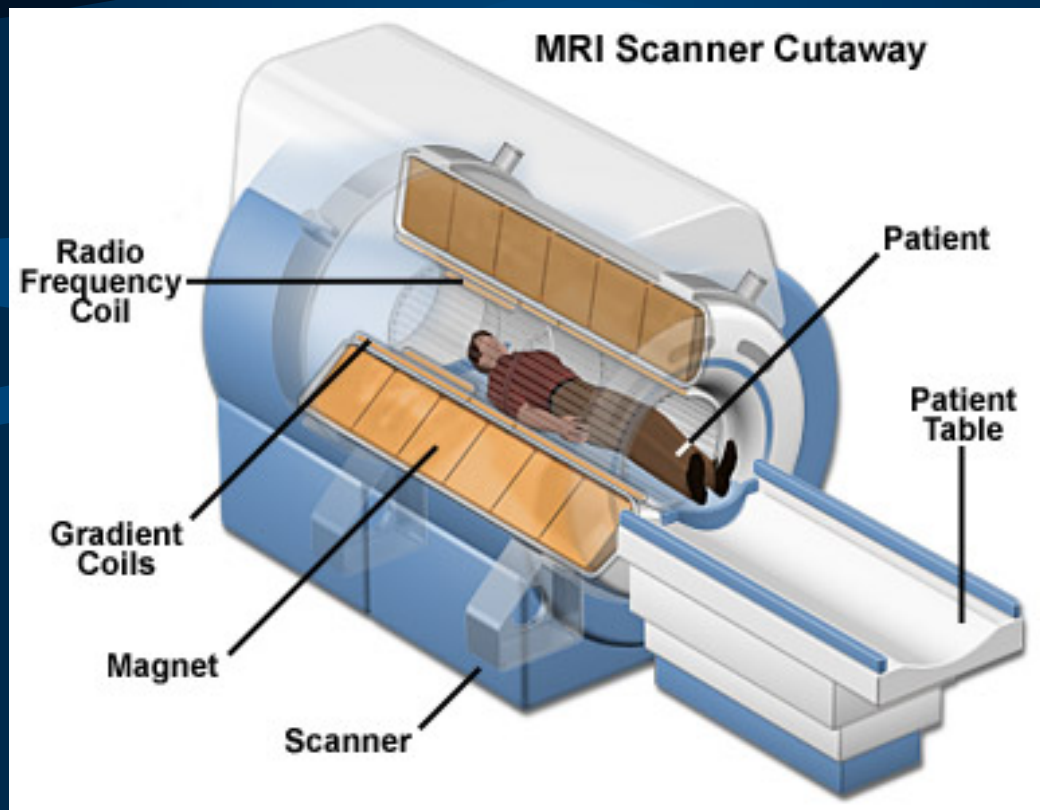
- 1: Rt & Lt innominate veins (brachiocephalic veins) 2: RT brachiocephalic artery 3: LT common carotid
 4: LT subclavian artery 5: esophagus 6: Trachea 7: Superior vena cava 8: Aortic arch 9: Ascending Aorta
 10: Descending Aorta 11: Pulmonary trunk (artery) 12: LT Pulm artery 13: RT Pulm artery 14: RT atrium
 15: Pulm artery 16: Aortic root 17: Lt atrium 18: RT ventricle 19: LT ventricle

Note : LT Pulmonary artery is seen before RT artery therefore it is higher than the right artery.

LT atrium is the most posterior chamber; RT ventricle is most anterior chamber.

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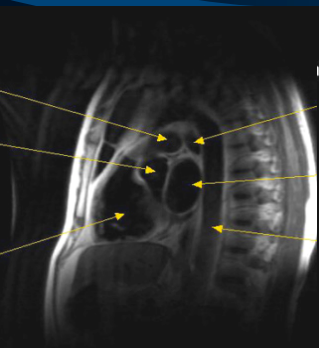




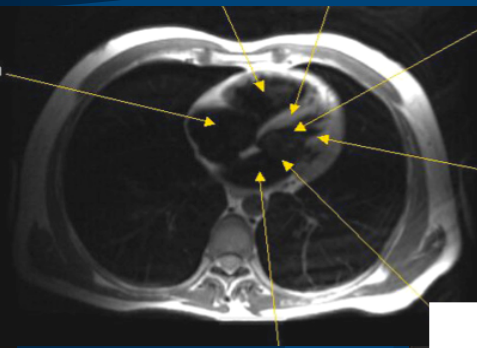
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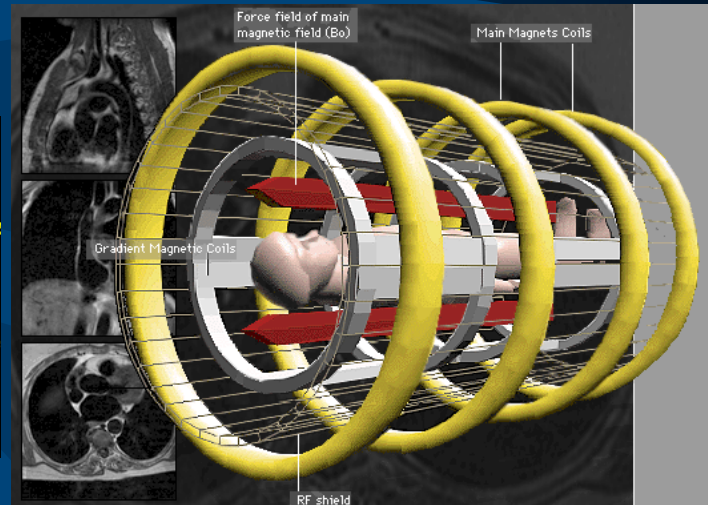
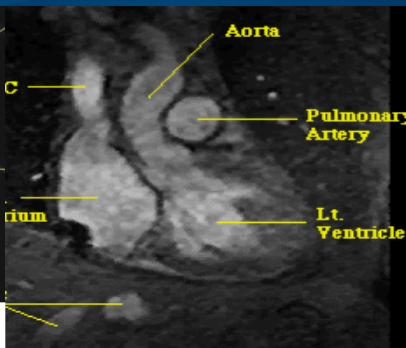
Sagittal



Axial



Coronal





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✦ Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

MRI:

Simply, hydrogen atoms (protons) in water molecules and lipids >> magnetism affects all protons causes them to line up in one direction >> magnets can be switched on and off to change the direction of the magnetic field >> whenever the water molecule spin around they give a light radio wave >> MRI machine can detect it >> show it as images

So gradations of density within soft tissues can be recognized, e.g. brain substance from cerebrospinal fluid, or tumor from surrounding normal tissues.

MRI advantages

Best for soft tissue imaging

There is no ionization

It can be done for pregnant women with caution

Images can be directly in any plane

MRI disadvantages

expensive

Time consuming

patients fear it and dislike it because it is a narrow place

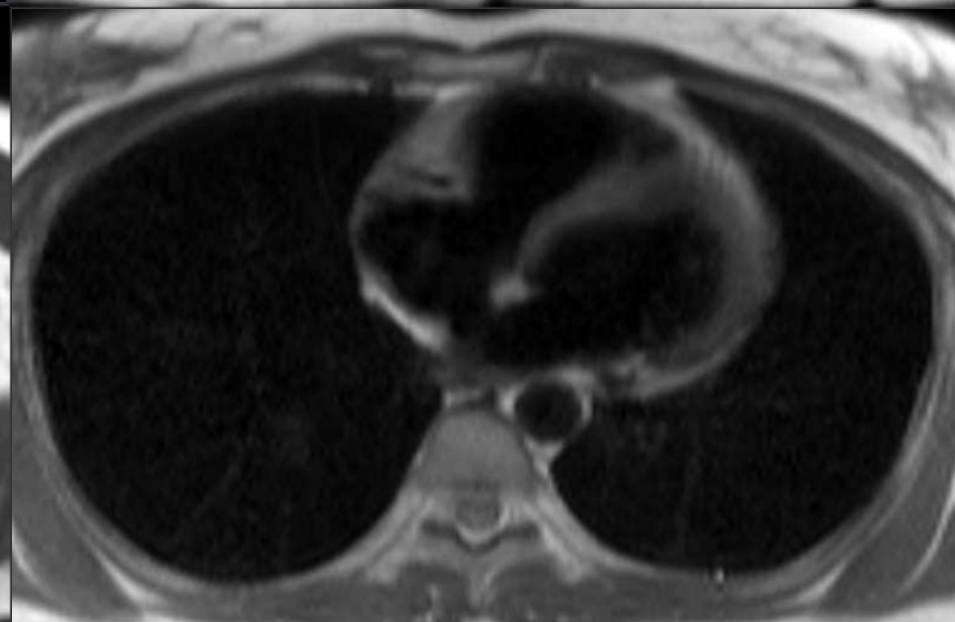
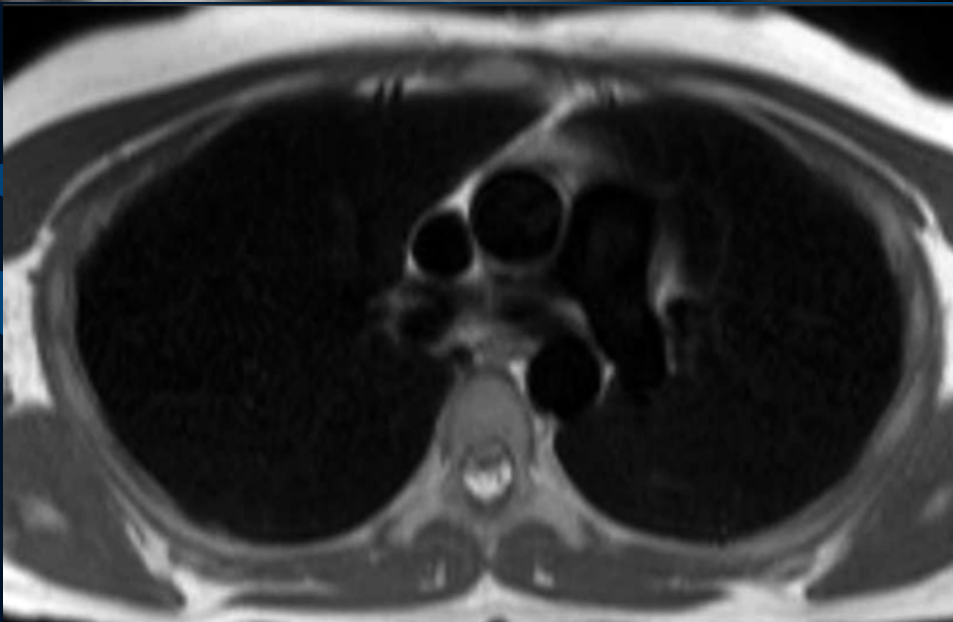
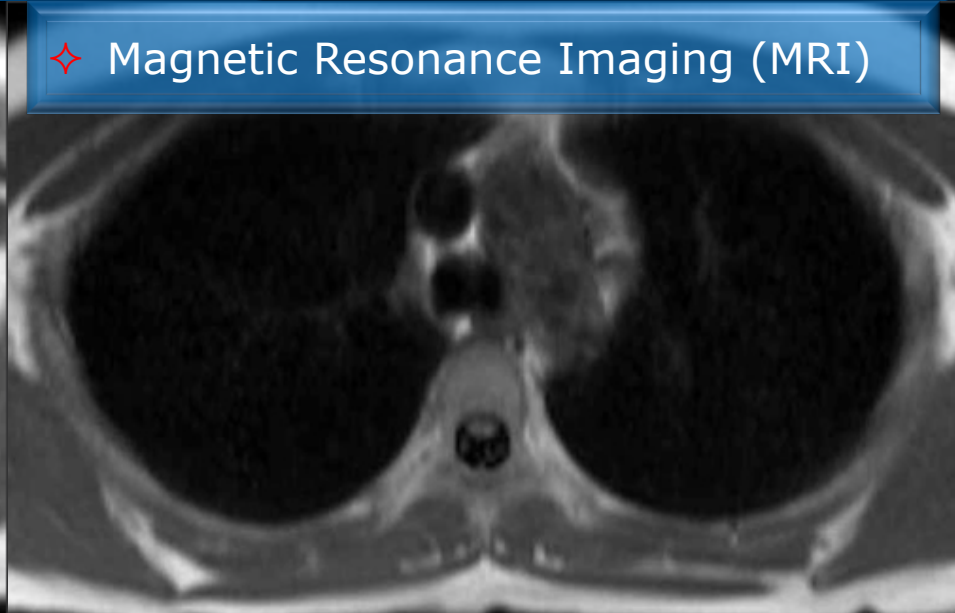
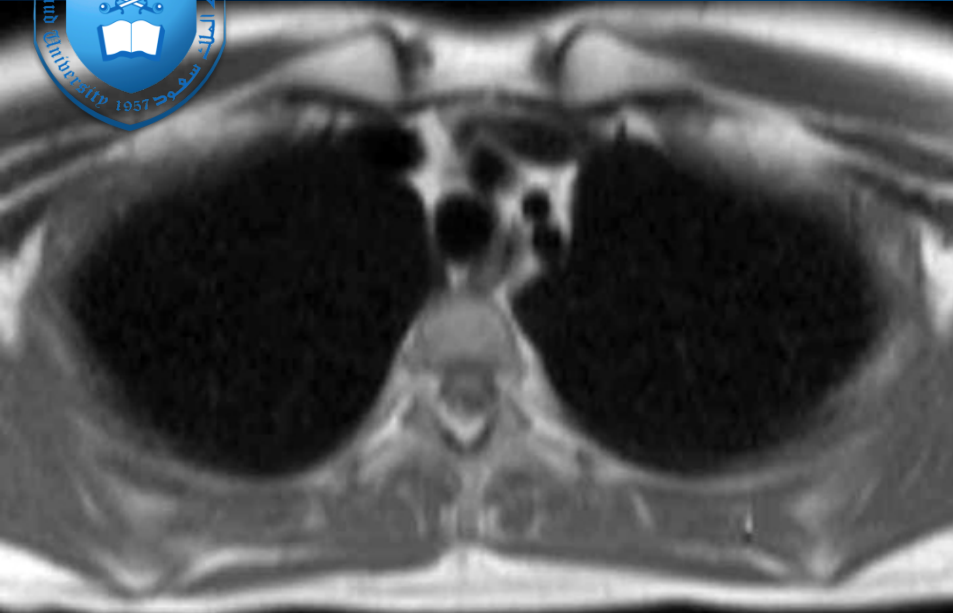
Since it is magnetic no metals can be allowed

Patient has to keep still during scanning procedure



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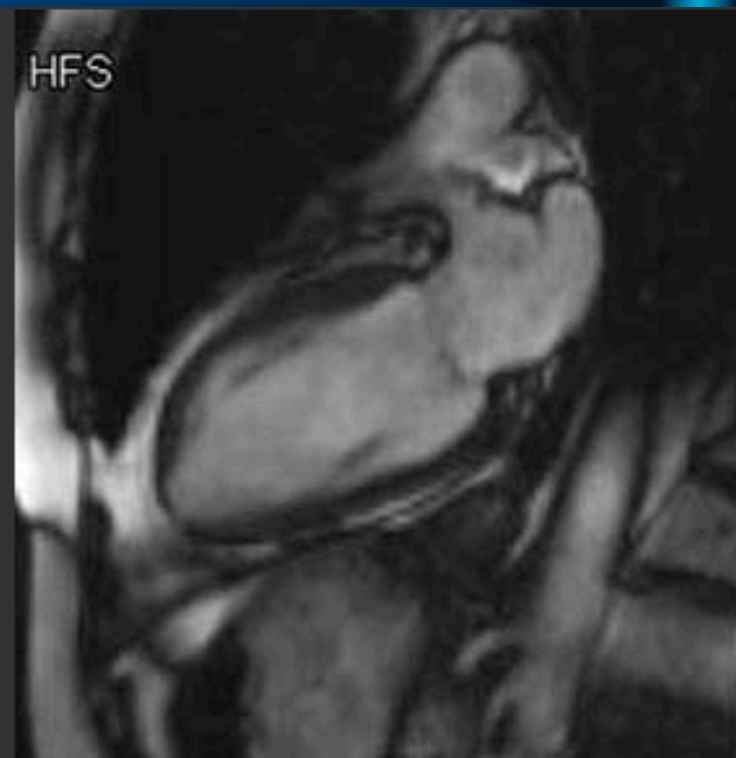
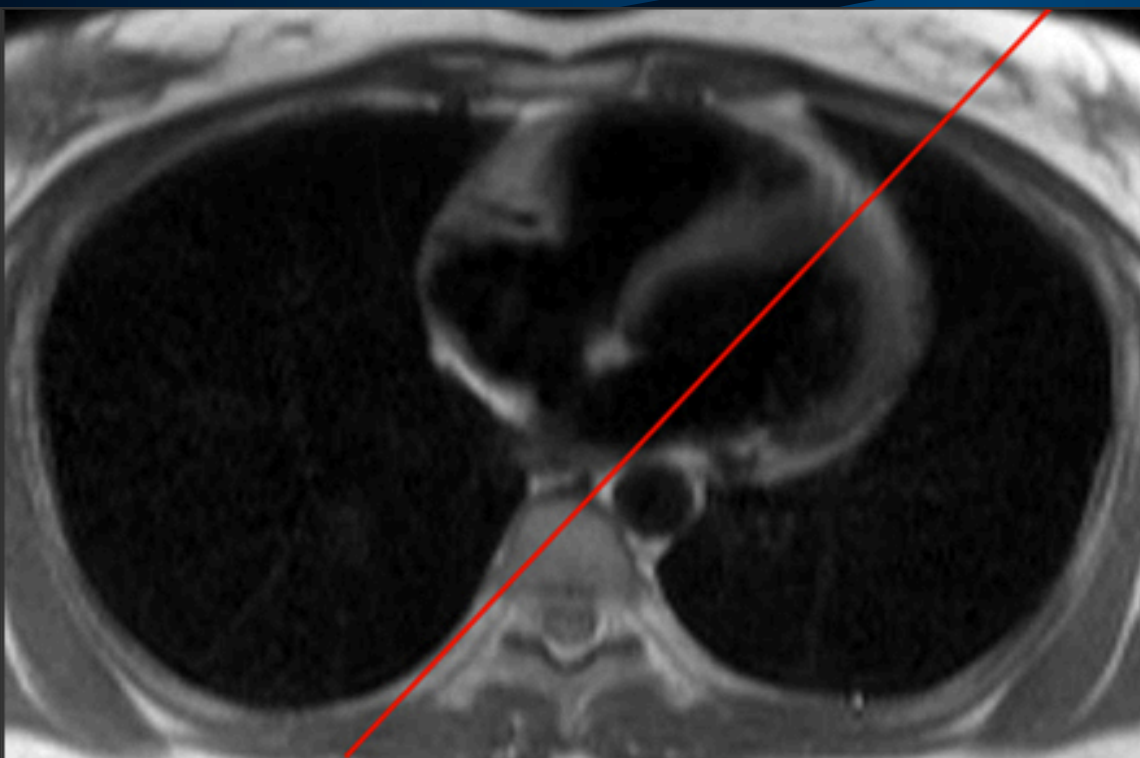
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✦ Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

VERTICAL LONG AXIS VIEW



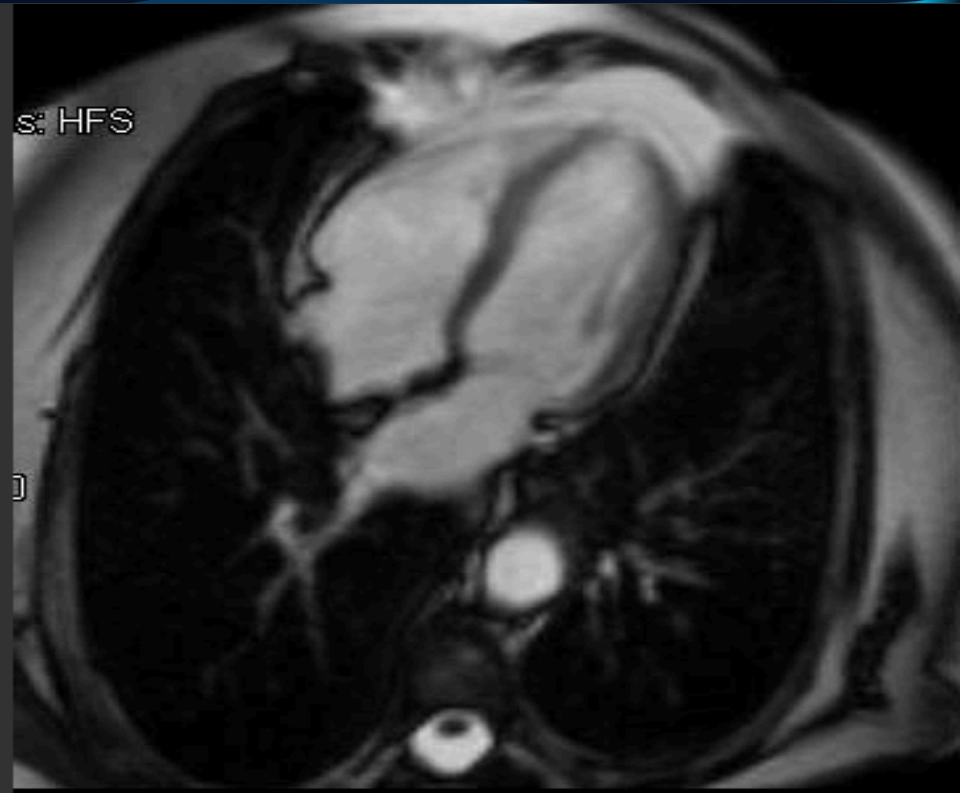
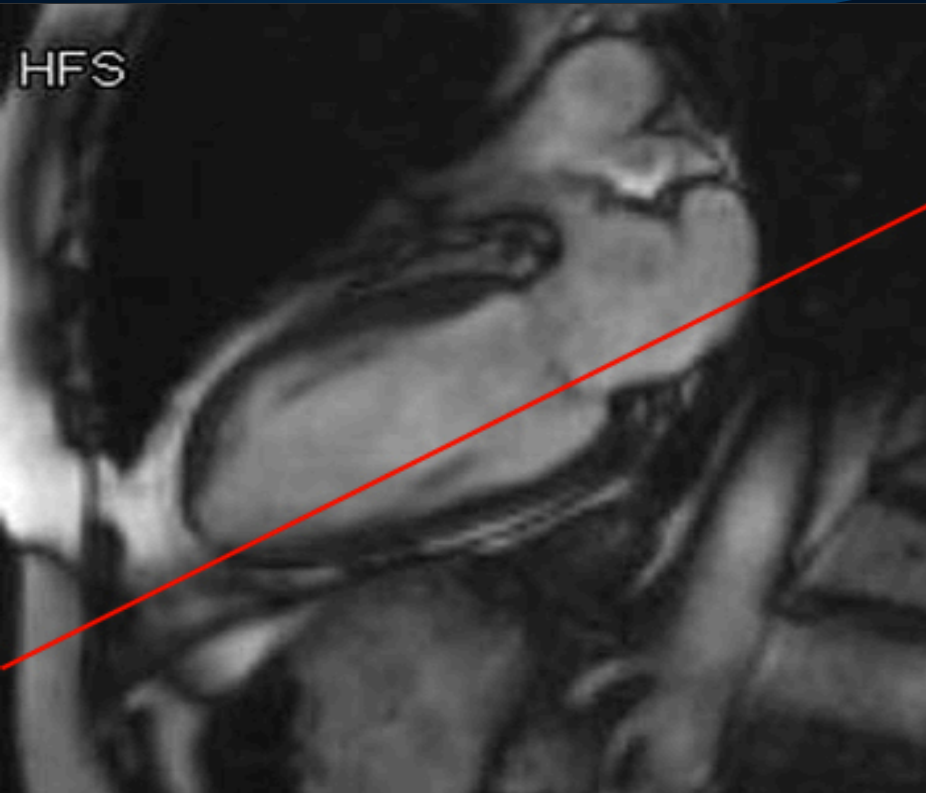
The vertical long axis is for evaluating the anterior and inferior walls and apex of the left ventricle. An axial image through the LV and LA is chosen from the transverse localizer images and a parasagittal plane that is perpendicular to the chosen image is prescribed that bisects the mitral valve and intersects the LV apex.



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✦ Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

HORIZONTAL LONG AXIS VIEW

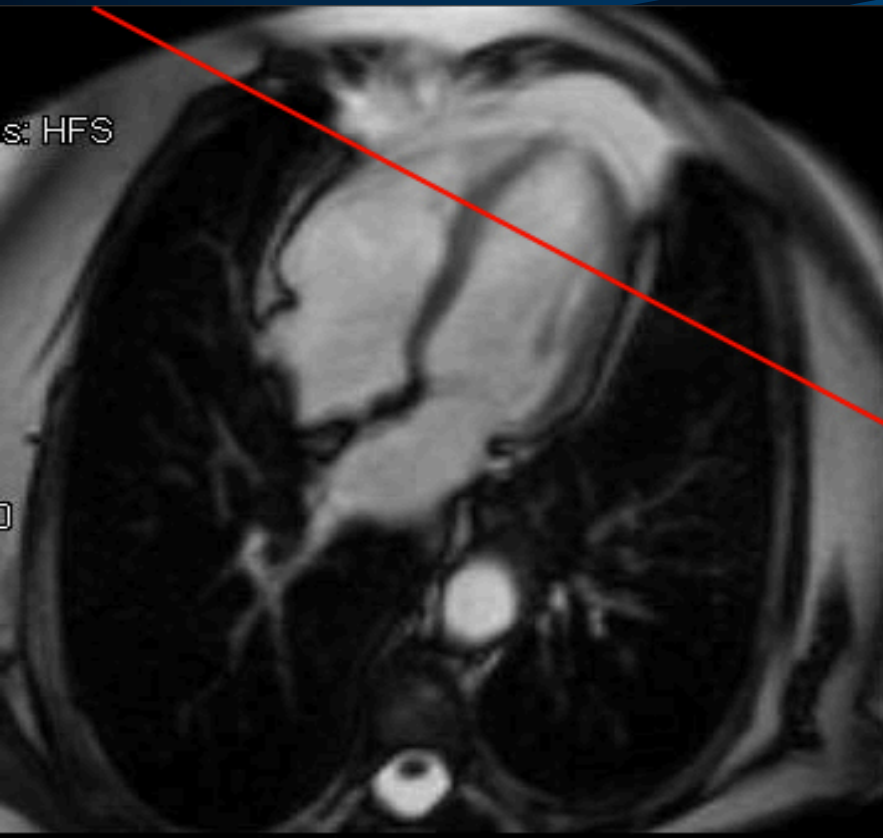


The horizontal long axis (four chamber view) is best for evaluating the septal and lateral walls and apex of the left ventricle, the right ventricular free wall, and chamber size. The mitral and tricuspid valves are also well visualized in this plane. A perpendicular plane to the vertical long axis image is chosen which intersects the lower third of the mitral valve and the LV apex.

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✦ Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

SHORT AXIS VIEW



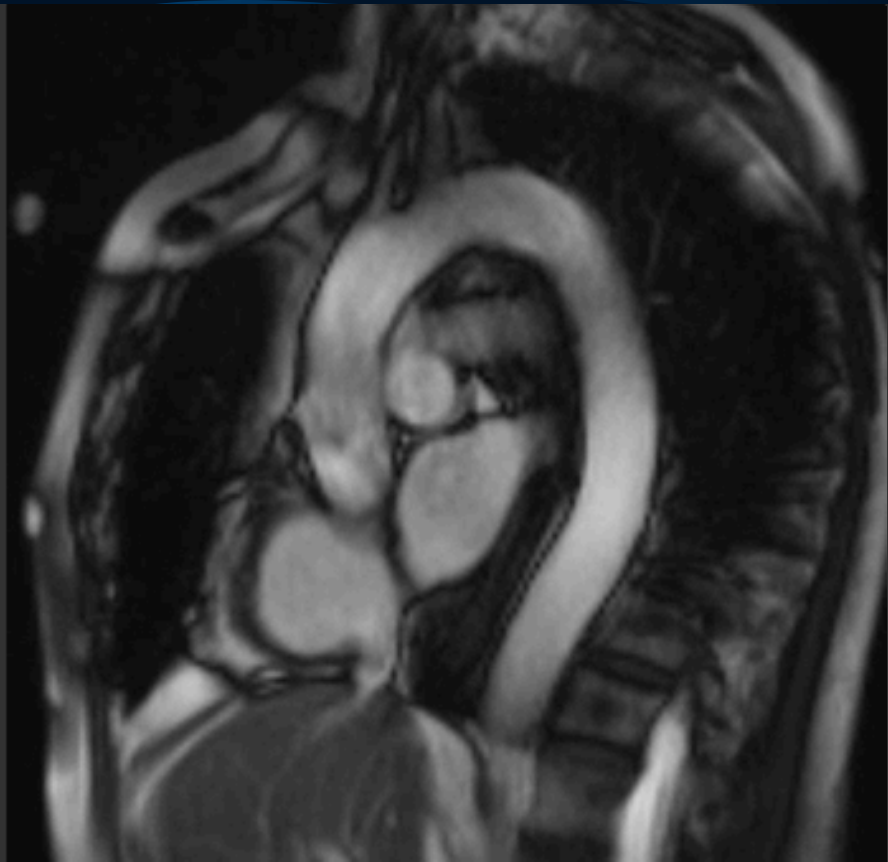
The short axis view shows cross-sections of the left and right ventricle that are useful for volumetric measurements using Simpson's rule. The short axis view is chosen perpendicular to long axis of LT ventricle in serial cuts.



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✦ Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

AORTIC VIEW



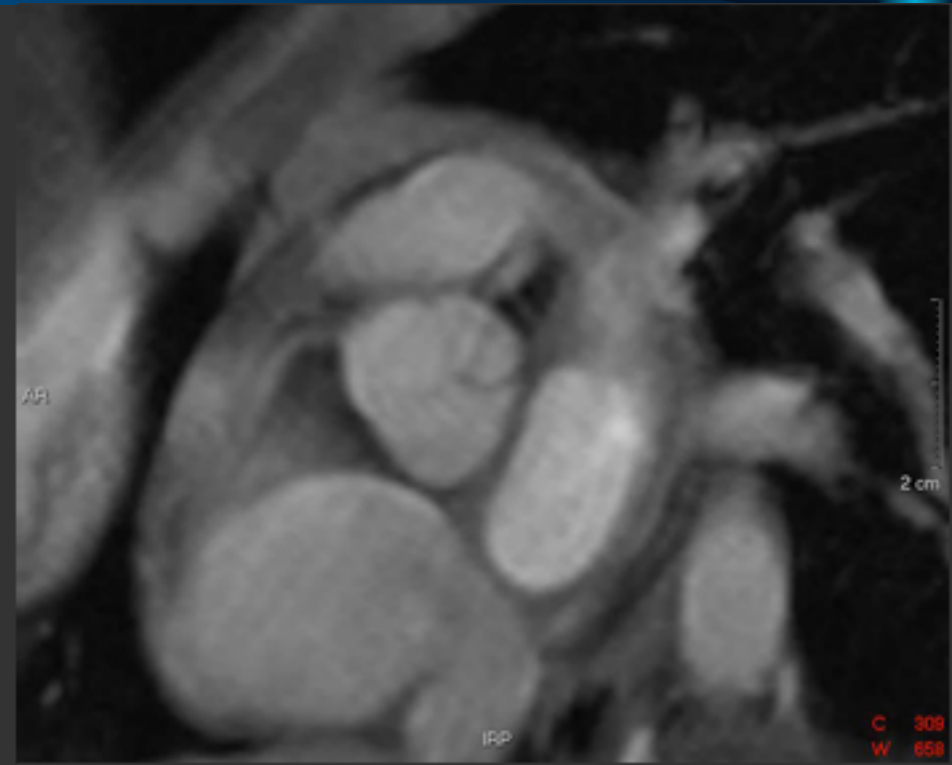
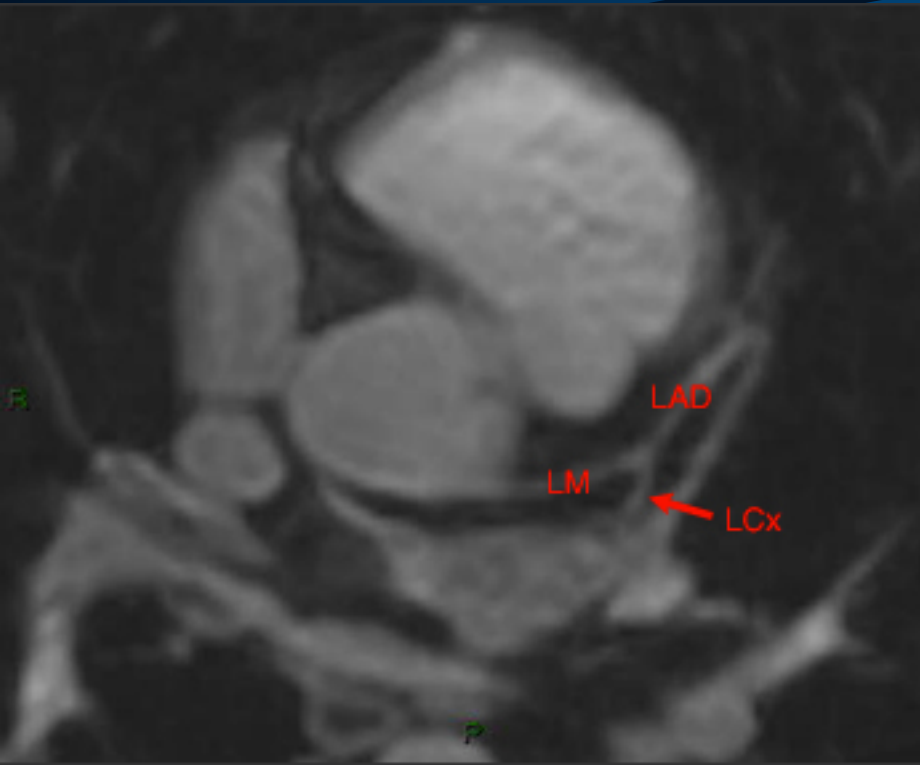
The Aortic view ("Candy Cane" view) shows the aorta along its entire thoracic course along with some of its branches off the aortic arch. An axial image is selected and a plane is chosen that bisects both the ascending and descending aorta.



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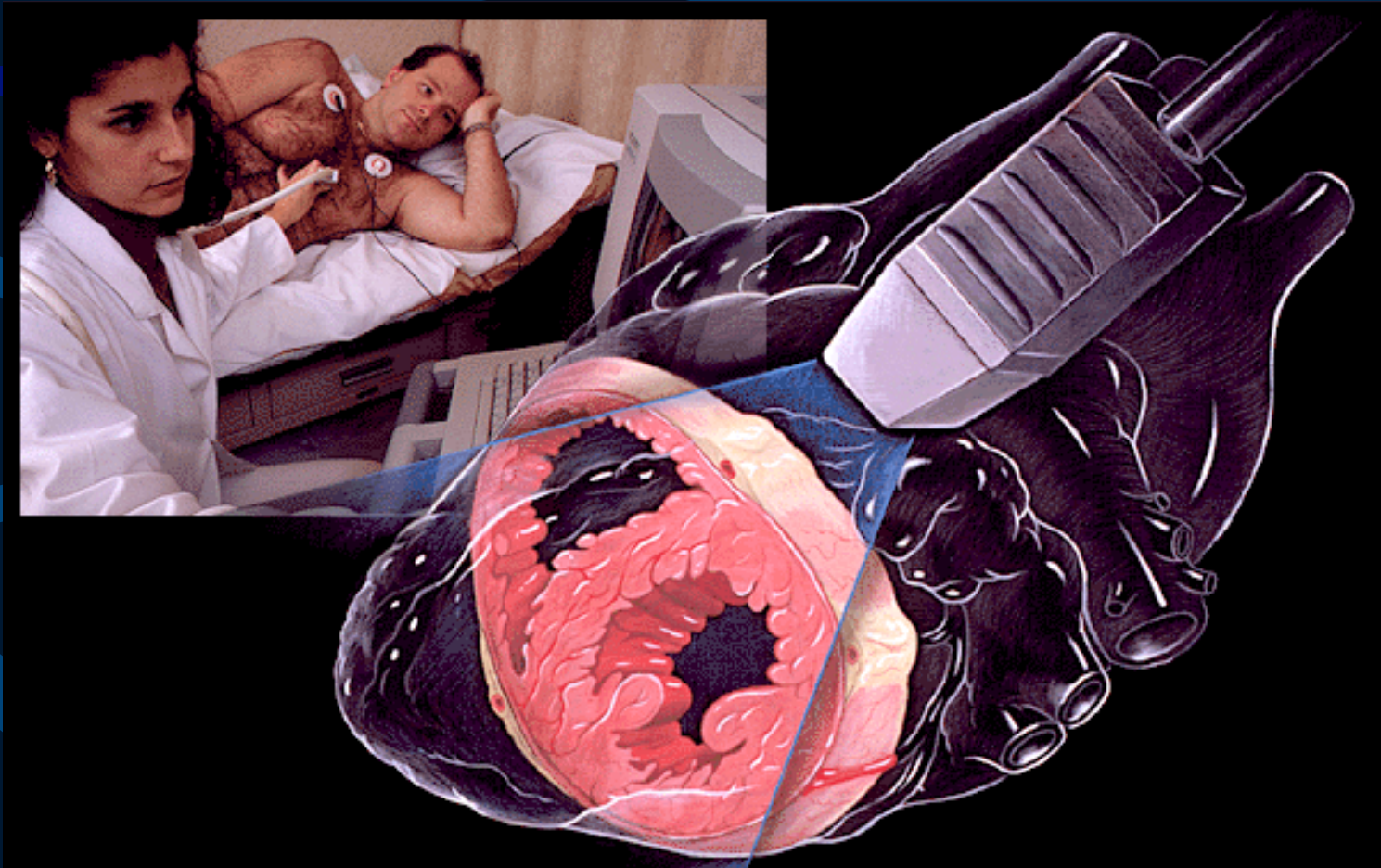
CORONARY ARTERIES VIEW



The coronary arteries originate from the proximal portion of the ascending aorta from the Sinuses of Valsalva. The two coronary arteries arising from the aorta are the right coronary artery (RCA) and the left main coronary artery (LM). The LM branches into the left anterior descending (LAD) and left circumflex (LCx) arteries.

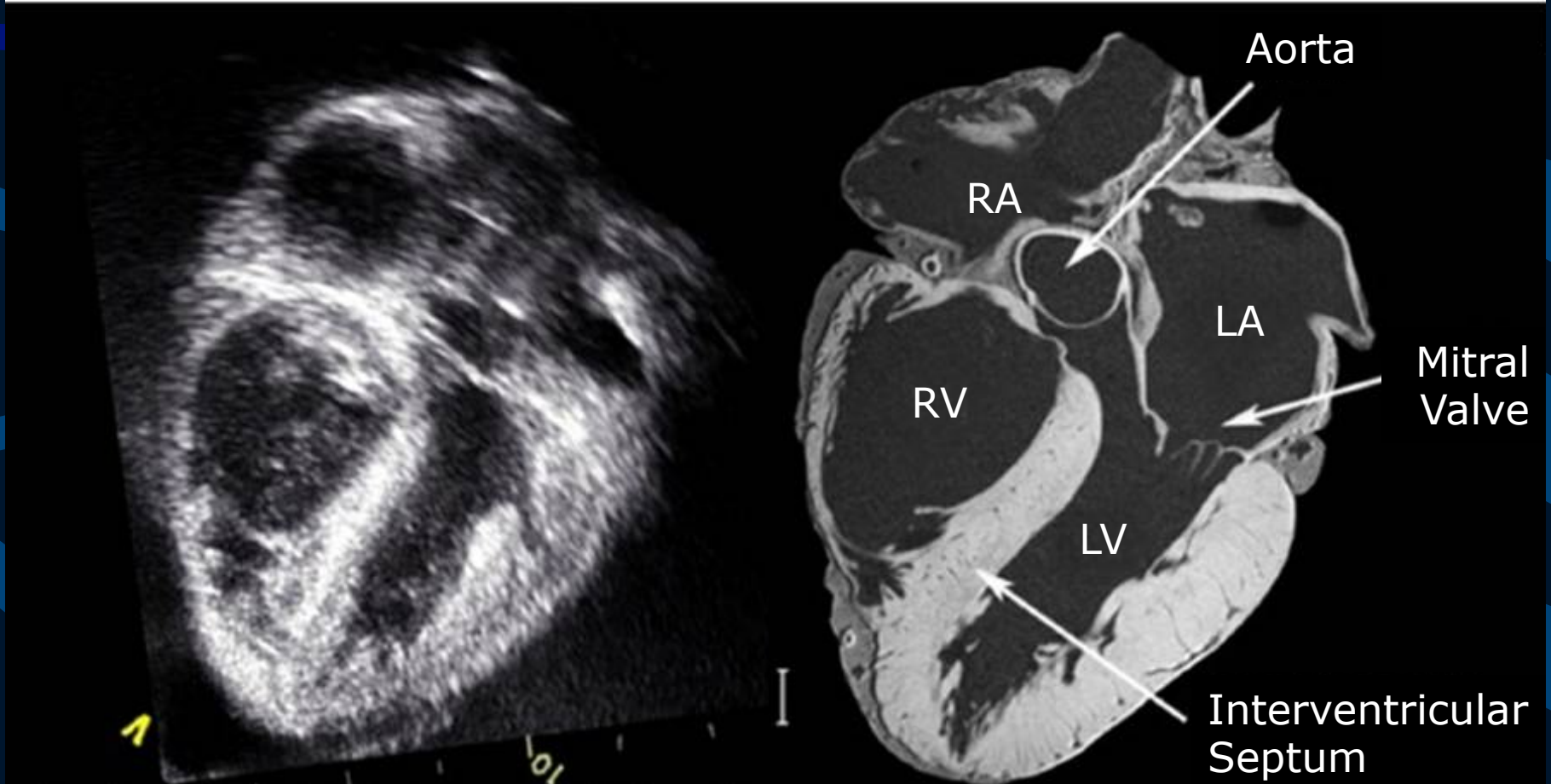
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❖ Ultrasound



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◆ Ultrasound

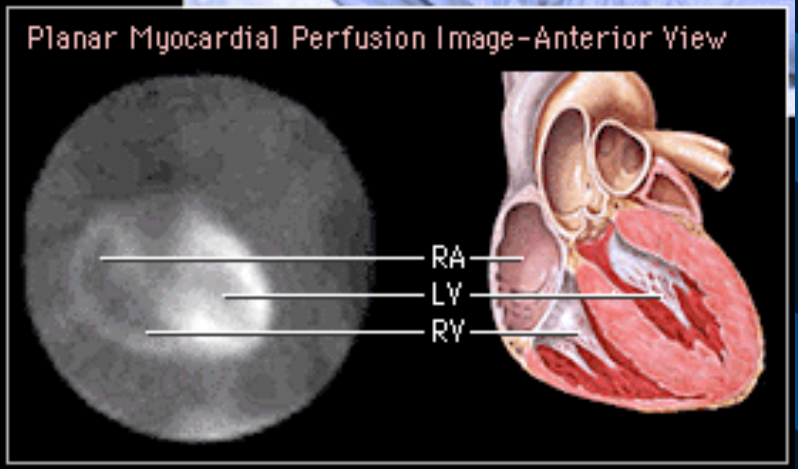
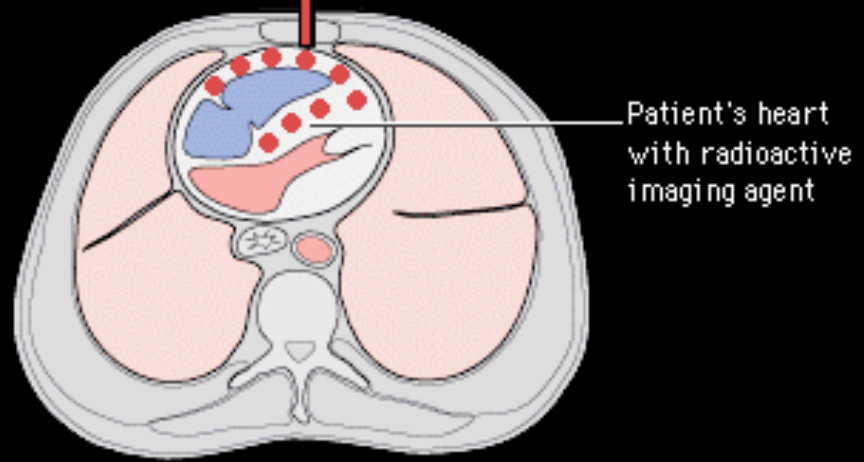
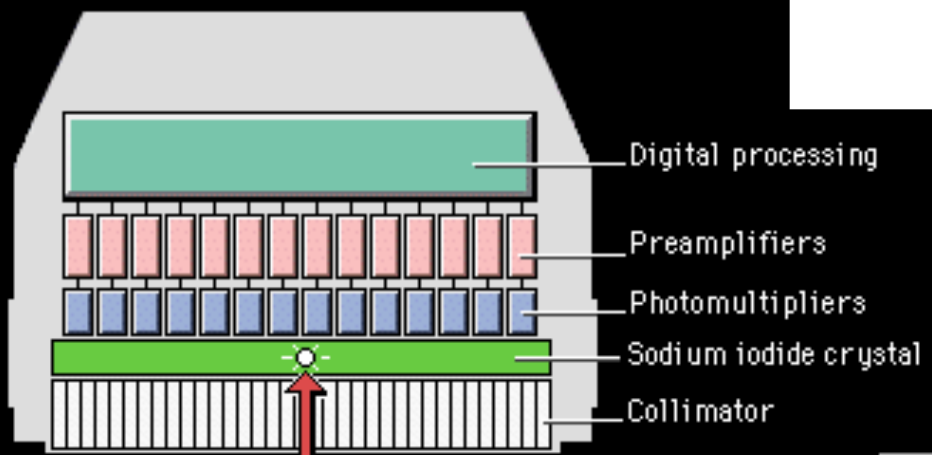




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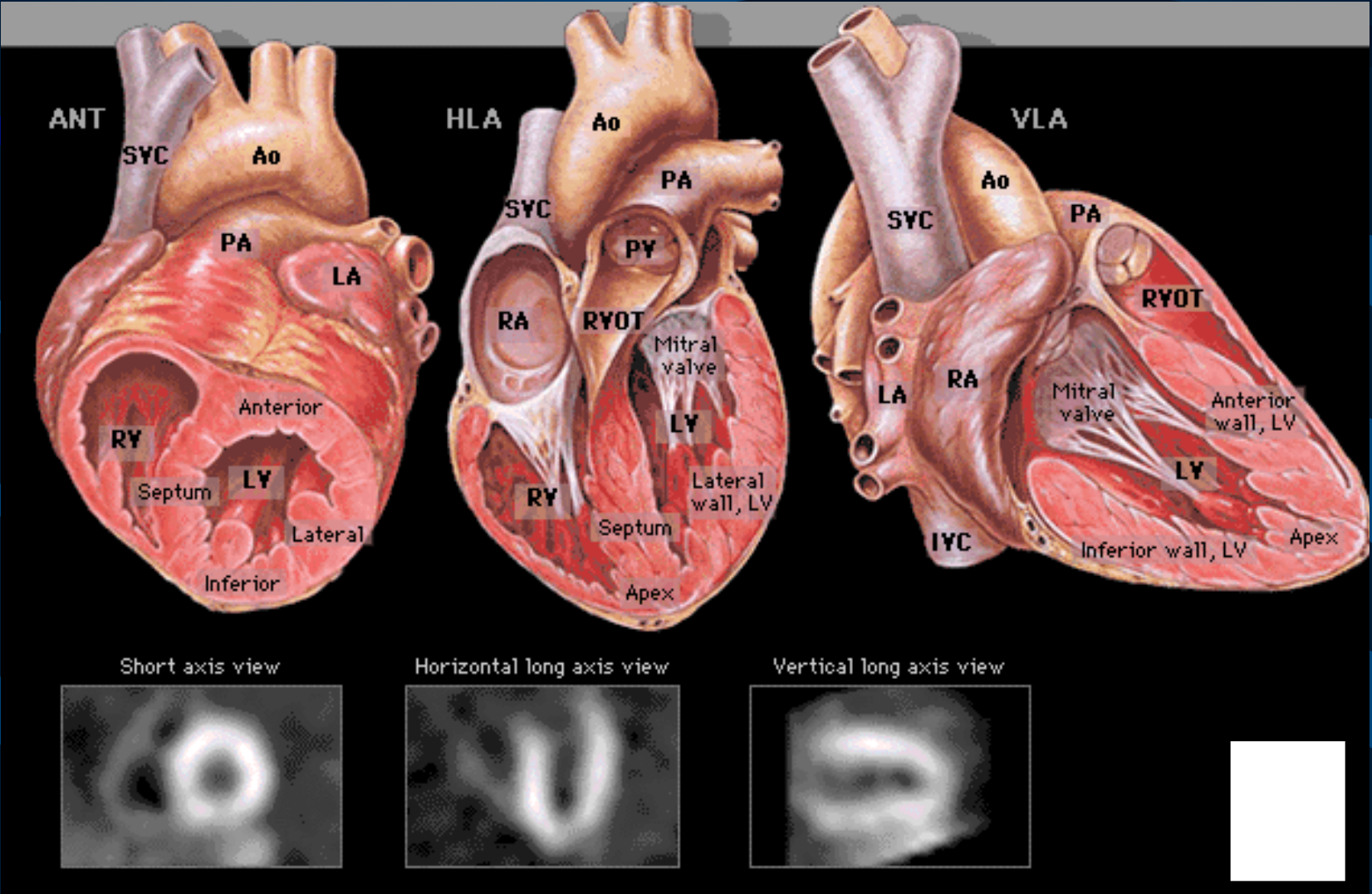
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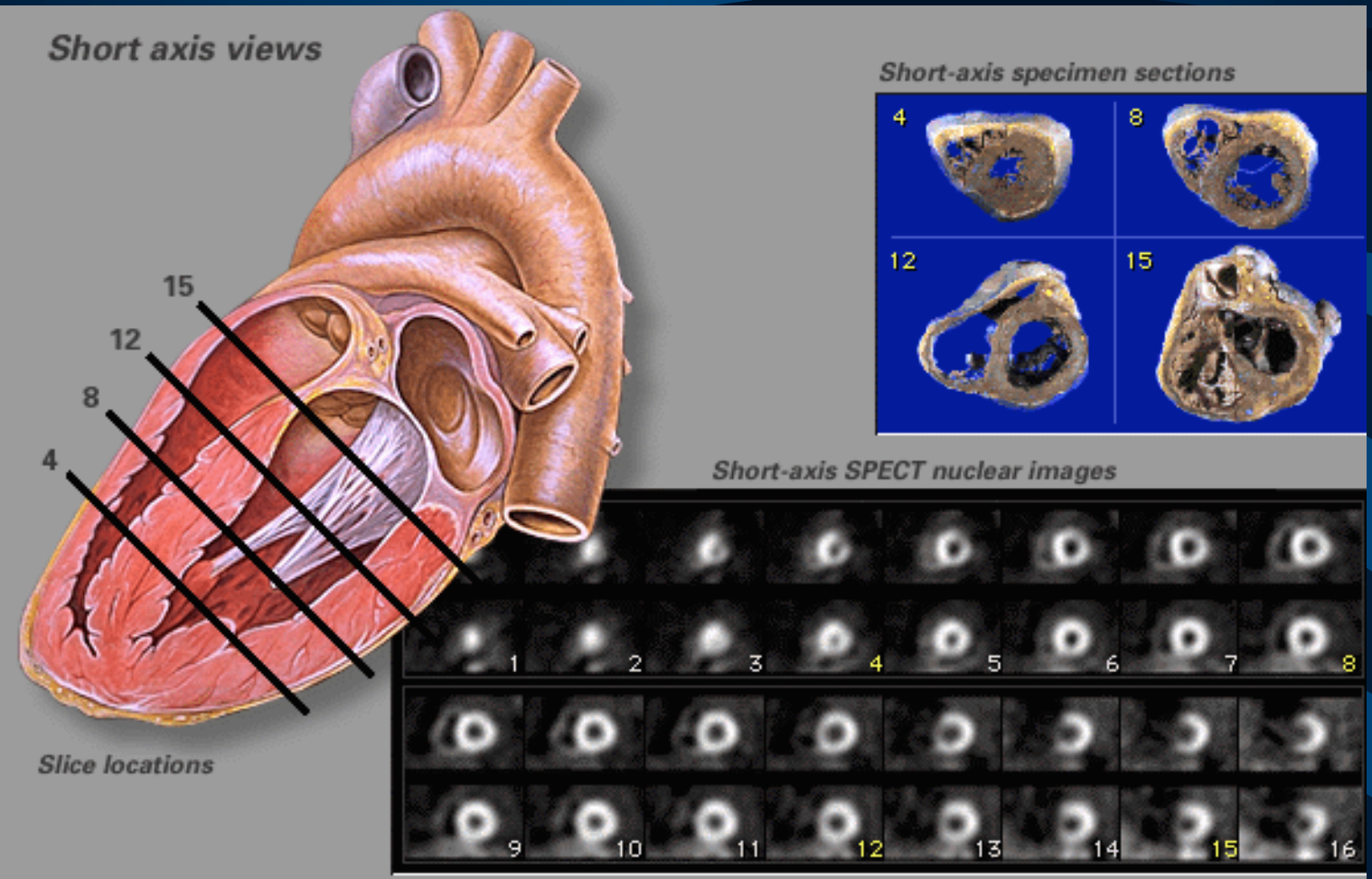
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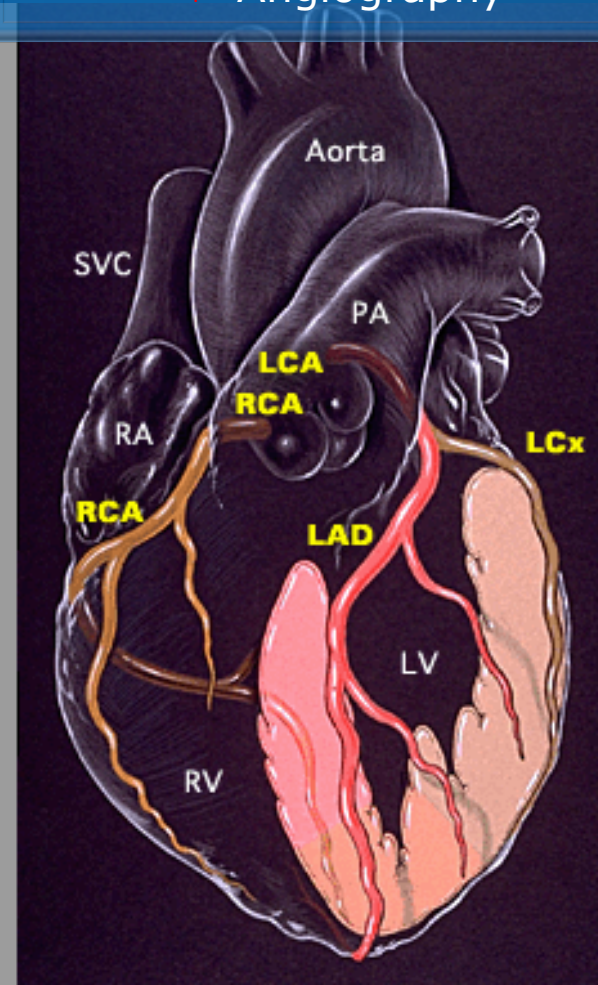
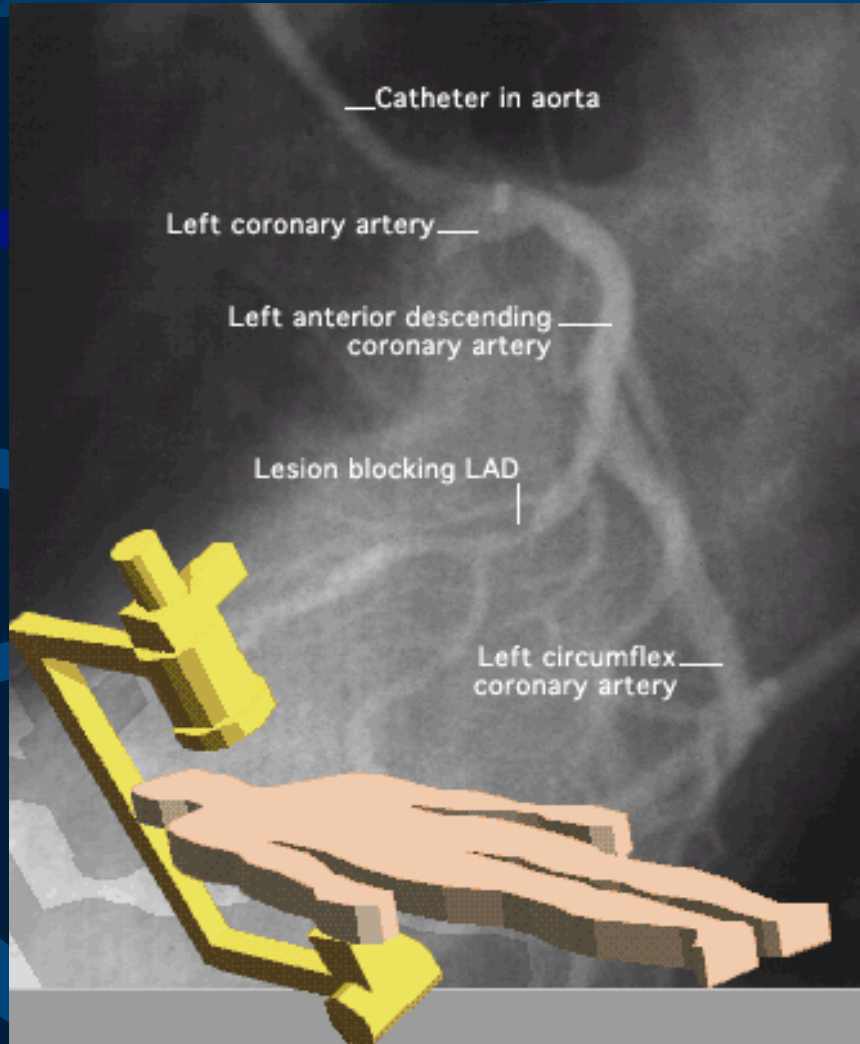
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❖ Nuclear Medicine



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❖ Angiography





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