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## **Title: Ultrasonographic Assessment During Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation**

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# Author Questionnaire

1. **Microscopy:** Does your protocol involve video microscopy? **N**
2. **Software:** Does the part of your protocol being filmed demonstrate software usage? **N**
3. **Filming location:** Will the filming need to take place in multiple locations (greater than walking distance)? **N**

## NOTES from Videographer:

The room had all green walls and so had a very green tint to everything, tried to compensate for it as much as I could.

Client was in a rush, so had to try to get everything done in just 2h

# Introduction

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## 1. Introductory Interview Statements

### REQUIRED:

- 1.1. **Wan-Ching Lien:** The US-CAB protocol is a simple, structured ultrasonographic protocol that can be performed during resuscitation. It was named after the C-A-B steps in the advanced life support guidelines [1].

- 1.1.1. INTERVIEW: Named talent says the statement above in an interview-style shot, looking slightly off-camera

### REQUIRED:

- 1.2. **Wan-Ching Lien:** The US-CAB protocol can be used in real resuscitation scenarios, as it is easy to perform and has a positive impact on patient outcomes [1].

- 1.2.1. INTERVIEW: Named talent says the statement above in an interview-style shot, looking slightly off-camera

## Introduction of Demonstrator on Camera

- 1.3. **Wan-Ching Lien:** Demonstrating the procedure will be Chih-Hsien Wu, a physician from my hospital.

- 1.3.1. INTERVIEW: Author saying the above.

- 1.3.2. The named demonstrator(s) looks up from workbench or desk or microscope and acknowledges the camera.

## Ethics Title Card

- 1.4. Procedures involving human subjects have been approved by the Institutional Review Board (IRB) at National University Taiwan Hospital.

# Protocol

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## 2. Personnel and Roles

- 2.1. Ideally, a resuscitation team should be comprised of a leader [1], a member for airway management and ventilation [2], a member for chest compressions [3], a member for defibrillation [4], a member for intravenous catheterization and medication [5], and a recorder [6].
  - 2.1.1. WIDE: Leader raising hand/waving or nodding head or similar
  - 2.1.2. Airway management member checking ventilator and/or waving or nodding near ventilation equipment
  - 2.1.3. Chest compression member doing mock chest compression and/or waving or nodding
  - 2.1.4. Defibrillation member checking defibrillator and/or waving or nodding near defibrillator
  - 2.1.5. Intravenous management member checking i.v. lines or similar and/or nodding or waving near i.v. pole
  - 2.1.6. Recorder with tablet or similar nodding and/or waving **TEXT: If personnel limited, overlap roles**
- 2.2. A sonographer should also be present as an independent member of the team who is well trained and experienced in resuscitation ultrasound [1-TXT] and who can intervene and interpret the ultrasound images in a timely manner without interrupting or delaying the resuscitation efforts [2-TXT].
  - 2.2.1. Sonographer nodding or waving near US equipment **TEXT: Use portable US equipped with 2-5 MHz curvilinear probe**
  - 2.2.2. Sonographer at US, looking at/indicating images, with monitor visible in frame **TEXT: Leader can also be sonographer**

## 3. Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR): Ultrasound, Circulation/Airway/Breathing (US-CAB)

- 3.1. When ultrasound is to be integrated into the CPR process, place a portable ultrasound

machine in the caudal region of the patient [1] and set an alarm for every 2 minutes for CPR and every 10 seconds for pulse checks [2] to restrict the hands-off interval for pulse checks-rhythm analysis and simultaneous ultrasound evaluation to no longer than 10 seconds [3-TXT].

- 3.1.1. WIDE: Talent placing machine caudal to Patient
- 3.1.2. Talent setting timer
- 3.1.3. Talent performing/demonstrating CPR **TEXT: Perform all resuscitation procedures according to ALS guidelines**
- 3.2. At the start of CPR and at the end of the first five cycles of chest compressions [1-TXT], use the subxiphoid four-chamber view to check for pericardial effusion, the size of the right and left ventricles, and sonographic cardiac activity [2].
  - 3.2.1. Talent placing probe onto chest *Videographer: Important step* **TEXT: US-C**  
**Videographer NOTE: File A0007766 is slated as 3.2.1A but is actually shot 3.3.1**
  - 3.2.2. LAB MEDIA: 3.2.2 subxiphoid view
- 3.3. Then turn the probe 90 degrees parallel to the long axis of the Patient [1] to measure the diameter of the inferior vena cava [2].
  - 3.3.1. Probe being turned. **Videographer NOTE: File A0007767 is slated as 3.3.1 but is actually shot 3.4.1**
  - 3.3.2. LAB MEDIA: 3.3.2.IVC *Video Editor: please add diameter measurements as in 3.2.2.IVC diameter*
- 3.4. To check the endotracheal tube location after intubation, place the probe transversely at the suprasternal notch [1-TXT] and note the one air-mucosal interface with one comet-tail artifact for tracheal intubation [2-TXT].
  - 3.4.1. Probe being placed *Videographer: Important step* **TEXT: US-A**
  - 3.4.2. LAB MEDIA: 3.4.2.trachea **TEXT: Single tract sign**
- 3.5. Move the probe to the lateral side of the neck [1] to reconfirm the single tract sign [2] and reintubate if there are two air-mucosal interfaces with two comet-tail artifacts [2-TXT].
  - 3.5.1. Probe being moved
  - 3.5.2. LAB MEDIA: Shot of single tract sign **NOTE: Uploaded to project page**
  - 3.5.3. LAB MEDIA: 3.5.3\_double tract sign **TEXT: Double tract sign**
- 3.6. To check for proper ventilation, place the probe on both sides of the chest at the 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> intercostal spaces over the midaxillary line [1-TXT] and look for lung sliding to

evaluate the pulmonary ventilation [2].

3.6.1. Talent placing probe *Videographer: Important step* TEXT: US-B

3.6.2. LAB MEDIA: 3.6.2\_3.7.2\_lung sliding: 00:00-00:06

3.7. If lung sliding is absent on one side, adjust the depth of the endotracheal tube [1] until bilateral lung sliding is noticed [2].

3.7.1. Tube being adjusted

3.7.2. LAB MEDIA: 3.6.2\_3.7.2\_lung sliding: 00:07-00:13

3.8. Then repeat the cardiac ultrasound every 2 minutes when chest compression is stopped for pulse checks [1].

3.8.1. Talent stopping compression, then other Talent immediately placing probe

3.9. Continue to repeat the airway and breathing ultrasounds after patient transport and bed transfer [1].

3.9.1. Talent placing probe, with portable ultrasound visible in frame

## Protocol Script Questions

**A.** Which steps from the protocol are the most important for viewers to see?

3.2., 3.4., 3.6.

**B.** What is the single most difficult aspect of this procedure and what do you do to ensure success?

n/a

# Results

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## 4. Results: Representative US-CPR Assessment

4.1. If compression of the right atrium and ventricle is noted during cardiac ultrasound with subxiphoid evaluation [1], pericardiocentesis is indicated and should be performed immediately [2].

4.1.1. LAB MEDIA: Figure 3A *Editor: please add white arrow as in original Figure*

4.1.2. LAB MEDIA: Figure 3A

4.2. Pericardial effusion is also of diagnostic value [1]. If the echogenicity is high or blood clots are present in the pericardial sac, the etiology could indicate serious complications [2].

4.2.1. LAB MEDIA: Figure 3A *Video Editor: please add white text or emphasize area indicated by white text as in original Figure*

4.2.2. LAB MEDIA: Figure 3A

4.3. Cardiac ultrasound with subxiphoid evaluation of the inferior vena cava can be demonstrated by a vertical approach [1] and visual identification of the inferior vena cava diameter helps assess the fluid status of the patient [2].

4.3.1. LAB MEDIA: Figure 3B

4.3.2. LAB MEDIA: Figure 3B *Video Editor: please add IVC text as in original Figure*

4.4. The inferior vena cava can also be evaluated in the subxiphoid transverse view [1].

4.4.1. LAB MEDIA: Figure 3C *Video Editor: please add IVC text as in original Figure*

4.5. Cardiac ultrasound with subxiphoid verification of the descending abdominal aorta can be approached via a vertical [1] or transverse view [2].

4.5.1. LAB MEDIA: Figures 3C and Figure 3D *Video Editor: please add white text and arrow as in original Figure 3D*

4.5.2. LAB MEDIA: Figures 3C and 3D *Video Editor: please add white text and arrowhead as in original Figure 3C*

4.6. This optional evaluation is recommended if aortic dissection is suspected from clinical presentation [1] or when hemopericardium is observed by cardiac ultrasound cardiac evaluation [2].



- 4.6.1. LAB MEDIA: Figure 3A
- 4.6.2. LAB MEDIA: Figure 3A *Video Editor: please add/emphasize white as in original Figure*
- 4.7. Endotracheal intubation is confirmed if a single tract sign is observed [1]. If there is a double tract sign, esophageal intubation is highly likely [2].
  - 4.7.1. LAB MEDIA: Figure 4A *Video Editor: please add white star as in original Figure 4A*
  - 4.7.2. LAB MEDIA: Figure 4A
- 4.8. Breathing ultrasound is usually performed immediately after airway ultrasound when auscultation or capnography is being performed [1], but it can also be performed any time during CPR when displacement of the endotracheal tube with one lung intubation is suspected [2] or when specific etiologies, such as pneumothorax or hemothorax, need to be ruled out [3].
  - 4.8.1. LAB MEDIA: Figure 4B
  - 4.8.2. LAB MEDIA: Figure 4B *Video Editor: please emphasize left image*
  - 4.8.3. LAB MEDIA: Figure 4B *Video Editor: please emphasize right image*

# Conclusion

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## 5. Conclusion Interview Statements

5.1. **Wan-Ching Lien**: Although the scanning sequence is arbitrarily organized, the order can be changed according to the experience of the sonographer [1].

5.1.1. INTERVIEW: Named talent says the statement above in an interview-style shot, looking slightly off-camera

5.2. **Wan-Ching Lien**: Focused training and continued practice are essential to minimizing pauses in the chest compressions during ultrasound. Maintaining a good image quality during resuscitation is important issue for future study [1].

5.2.1. INTERVIEW: Named talent says the statement above in an interview-style shot, looking slightly off-camera