

Lung Ultrasound for COVID-19

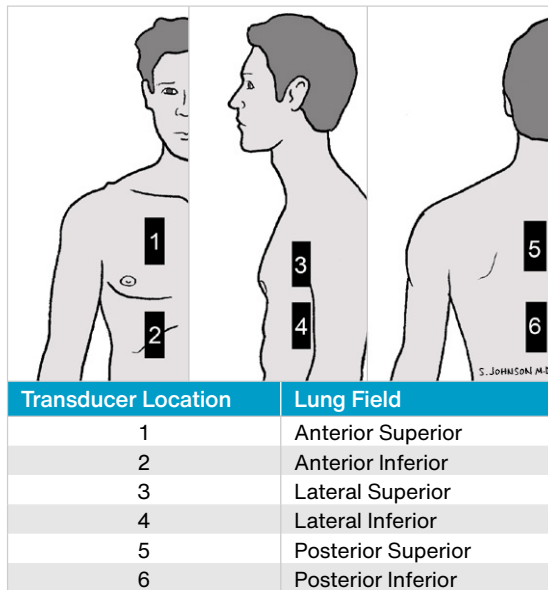
Lung ultrasound can be a vital tool for the following uses when treating patients with COVID-19:

- **Triage and diagnose** suspected illness which may be linked to COVID-19
- **Serial examination** of COVID-19 patients to limit X-ray and CT scan use
- **Evaluate need** for advanced airway or mechanical ventilation
- **Assist with ventilator** and weaning strategies
- **Evaluate lung complications** in COVID-19 patients that are in prone position

12-Point Lung Exam Protocol

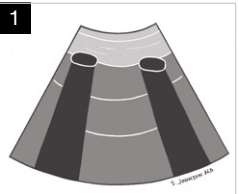
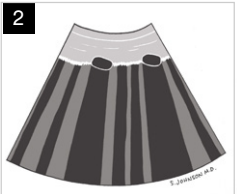
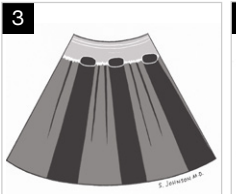
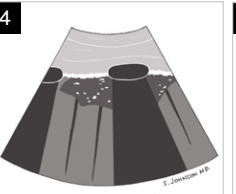
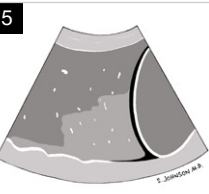
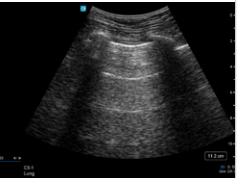
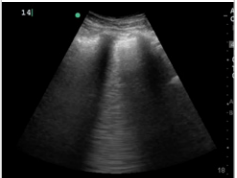
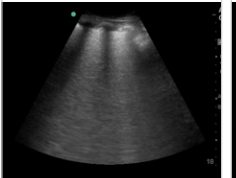
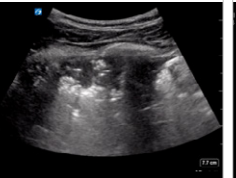

To increase the sensitivity in the detection of COVID-19 findings, it is recommended to perform a 12 point lung exam (6 points on each lung—See FIGURE 1).

FIGURE 1



Using Ultrasound to Identify Deterioration of Lungs in COVID-19 Patients

Characteristic lung ultrasound findings that appear in normal lungs and in COVID-19 patients as the disease progresses from mild to severe

NORMAL		MILD		MODERATE		SEVERE			
1		2		3		4		5	
									
<p><i>Illustration and ultrasound scan of a normal lung with the presence of A-lines and rib shadow.</i></p>		<p><i>Illustration and ultrasound scan of a lung with B-lines and irregular/thickened pleural line.</i></p>		<p><i>Illustration and ultrasound scan of a lung with confluent B-lines.</i></p>		<p><i>Illustration and ultrasound scan of a lung with a subpleural consolidation and confluent B-lines.</i></p>		<p><i>Illustration and ultrasound scan of a lung with consolidations and pleural effusion.</i></p>	

Note: These findings are common to many lung conditions and should not be construed as being diagnostic of COVID-19.

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