

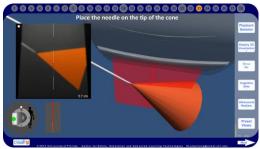


# **Cross-Sectional Literacy and Ultrasonography Trainer Fact Sheet**

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This robust, turnkey mixed reality simulator is designed to help novices understand and acquire fundamental cross-sectional literacy and ultrasonography (US) skills. Based on the premise that it is a cognitive overload for novices to learn both US skills and unfamiliar anatomy, the trainer gets rid of anatomy as a "distraction" so that learners can focus on hands-on US skills acquisition. Anatomy is instead replaced by virtual regular and familiar 3D objects like cylinders, cubes and pyramids. Designed for austere environments, this procedure-agnostic simulator does not require wireless or internet access or wet fluids; accepts 110/220V, 50/60Hz. It can be unpacked/set up/be operational by an unfamiliar person in 5-7 minutes. The portable simulator fits inside a military-spec padded case with inbuilt wheels and telescoping pull-handle that meets airline checked luggage size limits (L+W+H=60"), weight < 70lbs. The simulator can be viewed at <a href="http://simulation.health.ufl.edu/research/augmentmixedsim.php">https://simulation.health.ufl.edu/research/augmentmixedsim.php</a> and https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BtVzzVqGcHk

### **Ultrasonography Techniques:**

PART; use all DoF of US probe

Scout scan

Needling; tilt peek and slide

Maintaining a short axis view while following a vessel

Sidedness

## **Components:**

- Virtual, regular and familiar 3D objects such as cones and cylinders encased in gel
- Virtual model of simplified targets and no go areas
- Tracked instruments: needle, ultrasound probe, virtual camera (interoperable between SMARTS-compliant simulators)
- Common SMARTS modular stand for use with other modular anatomies and procedures
- Automated scoring and replay system for after action review (AAR)
- Instructional materials teach fundamental cross-sectional literacy skills and ultrasonography techniques and procedures

#### Technology:

- Adheres to SMARTS (System of Modular Augmented Reality Tracking Simulators) rapid sim. development platform specs
- Quick-release placement and indexing of SMARTS-compliant anatomies to SMARTS platform
- Uses familiar, regular 3D objects like cylinders and cones that have readily recognizable reference planes or features
- Precise sub-millimeter tracking of all events
- High-durability, skin-like replaceable skin

#### **Features:**

- -Integrated structured curriculum
- -Adjustable virtual ultrasound targets and difficulty levels
- -Adjustable view modes for realism and AARs
- -Ultrasound probe with depth markers
- -Debriefing with replay of past/saved procedure

- -Hybrid cross-sectional view (3D viz in back half)
- -Anisotropy simulation for needles and other objects
- -Cognitive aids for US probe and needle orientation
- -Tactile feedback of bone and ligament puncture