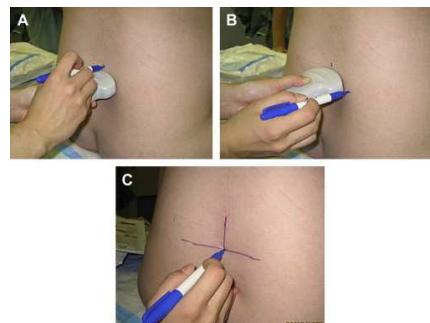


# ECHOGRAPHIE DU RACHIS

## TECHNIQUE & INDICATIONS

### REPERAGE ANATOMIQUE PAR ECHOGRAPHIE



#### Quality of Anatomical Landmarks by Palpation and Structure Visualization by Ultrasound

Arzola, C. et al. Anesth Analg 2007;104:1188-1192

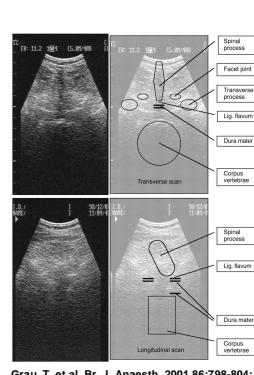
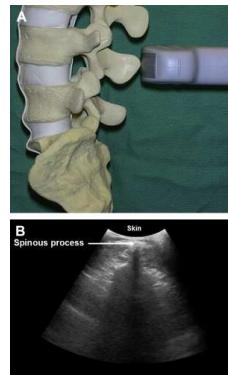
Table 2. Quality of Anatomical Landmarks by Palpation and Structure Visualization by Ultrasound

	Good (%)	Poor (%)
Palpation	81.0	19.0
Ultrasound visualization		
Spinous process	100	0
Vertebral body	98.4	1.6
Dural sac	98.4	1.6
Lig flavum-dura mater	100	0

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Transverse approach at the tip of the spinous process identifies the midline of the spine



Grau, T. et al. Br. J. Anaesth. 2001 86:798-804;

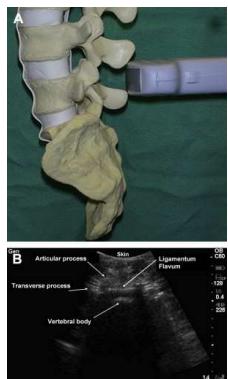
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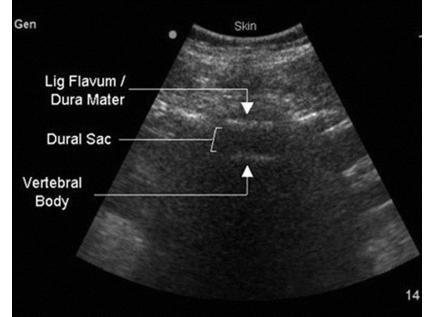
Transverse approach at the tip of the spinous



Transverse approach at a lumbar interspace shows the typical « flying bat » sign.



Ultrasound imaging in the transverse approach shows the vertebral body, dural sac, ligamentum flavum, and dura mater



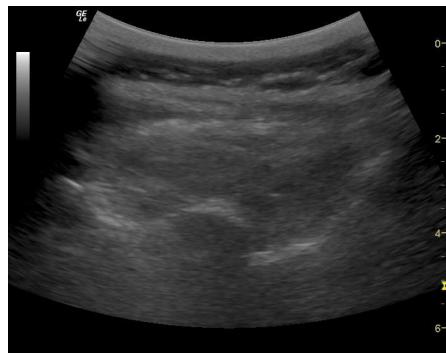
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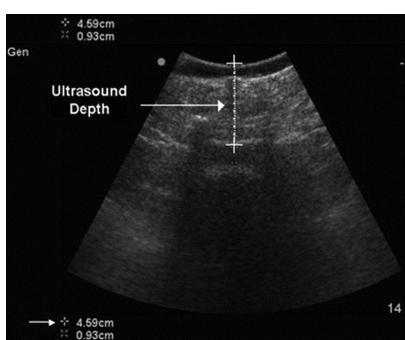
### TRANSVERSE PLANE L4 - L5



### TANSVERSE PLANE IMAGE L5-S1



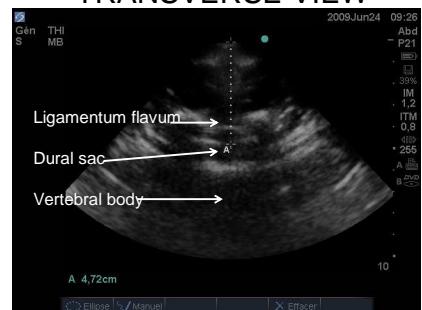
Ultrasound imaging shows measurements with the built-in caliper



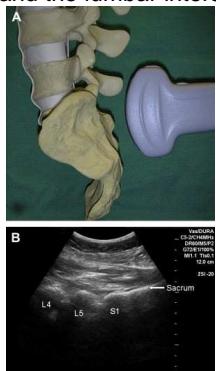
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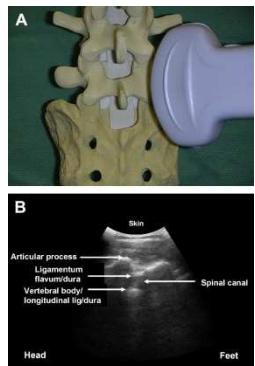
### EVALUATION OF THE DEPTH OF THE EPIDURAL SPACE IN A TRANSVERSE VIEW



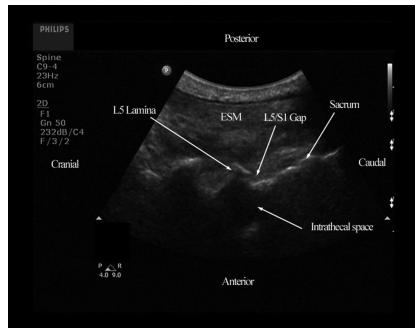
Longitudinal median approach identifies the sacrum and the lumbar interspaces.



Longitudinal paramedian approach with the typical saw sign.



Paramedian sagittal sonogram of the lumbosacral junction



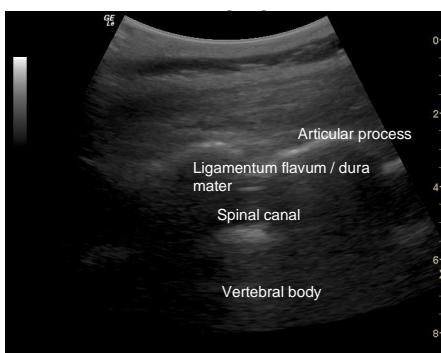
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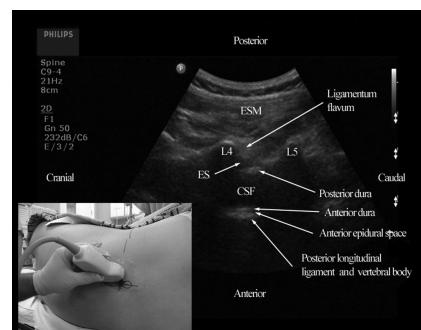
LONGITUDINAL PARAMEDIAN APPROACH



LONGITUDINAL PARAMEDIAN



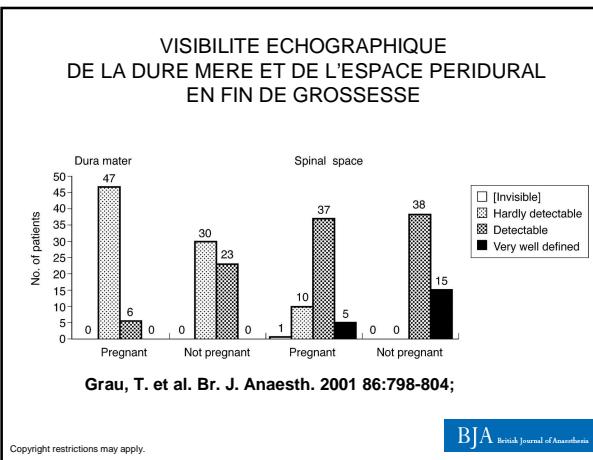
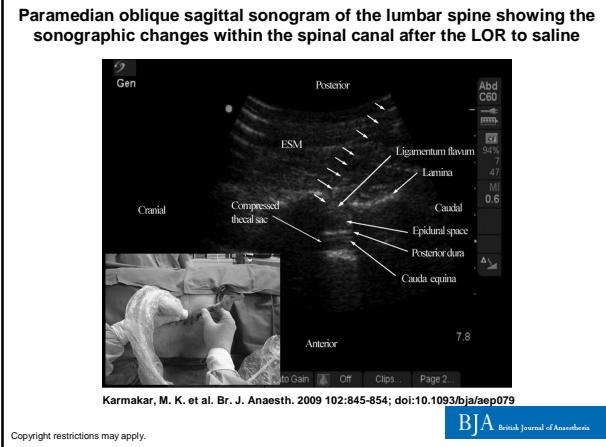
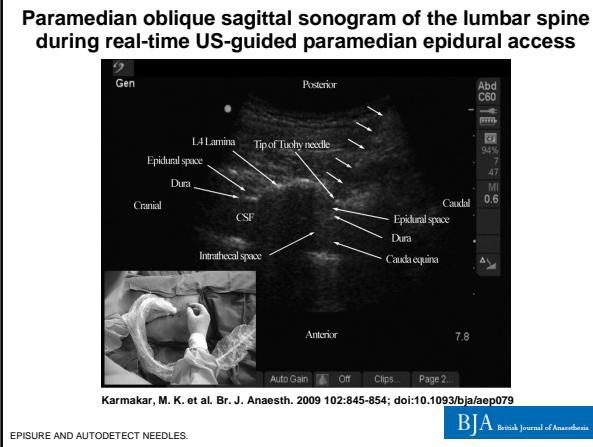
Paramedian oblique sagittal sonogram of the lumbar spine



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**SONOANATOMY OF PREGNANT WOMEN AT TERM**  
Borges BCR Reg Anesth Pain Med 2009;34:581

Interspace level	Atypical LF images n=100	Inconclusive s images n=100	atypical LF / conclusive images %
L1 – L2	2	1	2.0
L2 – L3	1	0	1.0
L3 – L4	3	4	3.1
L4 – L5	18	9	19.8
L5 – L6	19	34	28.8

**DISTANCE FROM SKIN-EPIDURAL SPACE IN TRANSVERSE SCAN**

Interspace level	SS-ES cm	DSW cm
L1-L2	4.55 +/- 0.64	1.03 +/- 0.19
L2-L3	4.98 +/- 0.66	0.91 +/- 0.16
L3-L4	5.37 +/- 0.70	0.82 +/- 0.18
L4-L5	5.71 +/- 0.78	0.65 +/- 0.19
L5-S1	5.91 +/- 1.04	0.56 +/- 0.28

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## OBESITE ET ACCOUCHEMENT

- Difficultés de réalisation de l'analgésie péridurale
  - Absence de repères
  - Incidence plus élevée de brèches vasculaires
  - Incidence plus élevée de brèche de la dure mère
  - Taux d'échec supérieur (42% Hood DD Anesthesiology 1993)
  - Réduction de la dose d'anesthésique local (diminution du vol du LCR & diminution de l'espace péridural)

## ANALGESIE DE LA PARTURIENTE OBESE

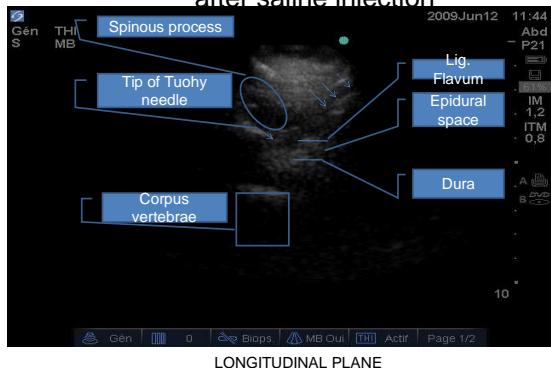
- Tout faire pour mettre en place un cathéter péridural efficace
  - Echographie
  - Répéter les tentatives
  - Insérer le cathéter sur une distance > 4 cm
- Eviter l'anesthésie générale et le risque d'intubation (morbilité x 20)

## INTERET DU REPERAGE ECHOGRAPHIQUE

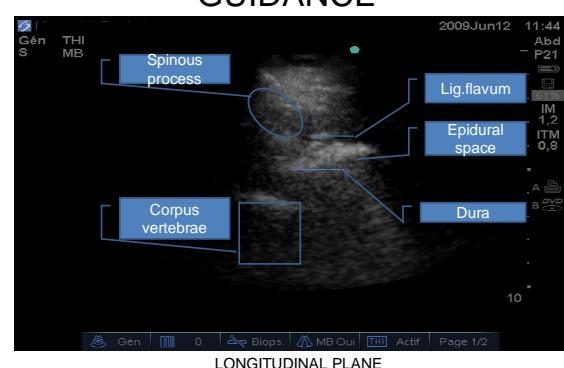
- Identification précise de l'espace
- Identification de la distance peau-espace péridural
- Facilitation de l'apprentissage
- Diminution du nombre de tentatives (meilleur taux de succès à la première tentative – moins de ponctions multiples)
- Meilleure confort des patientes

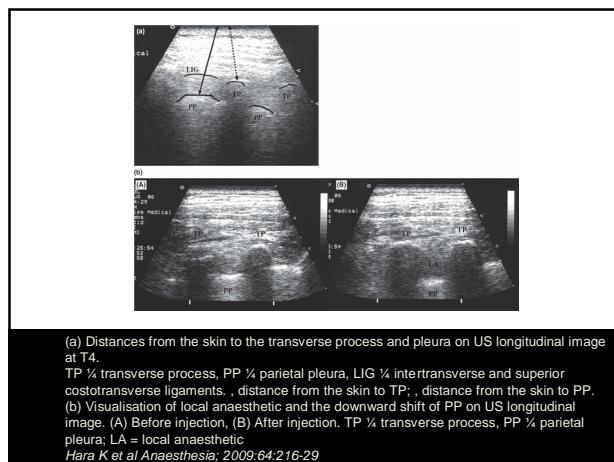
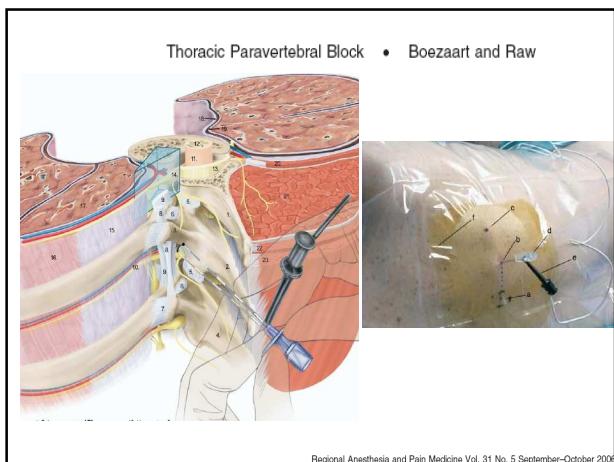
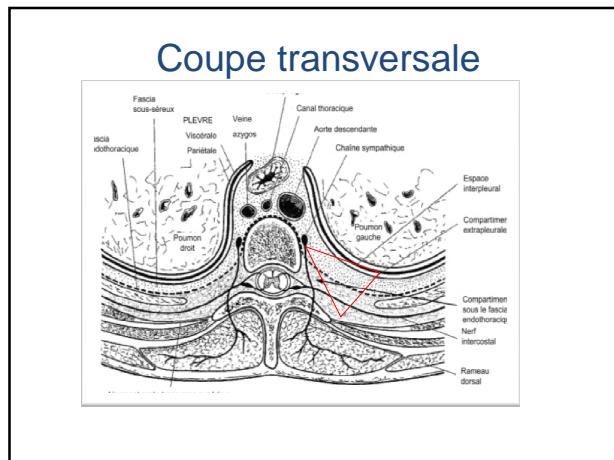
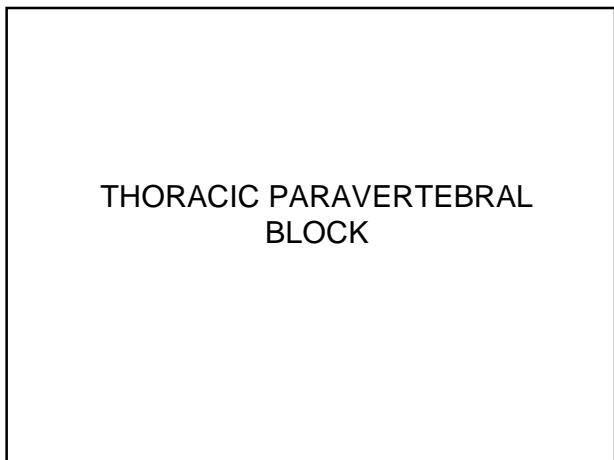
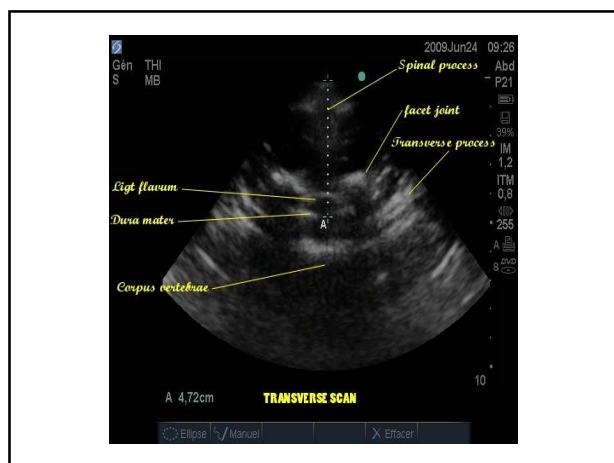
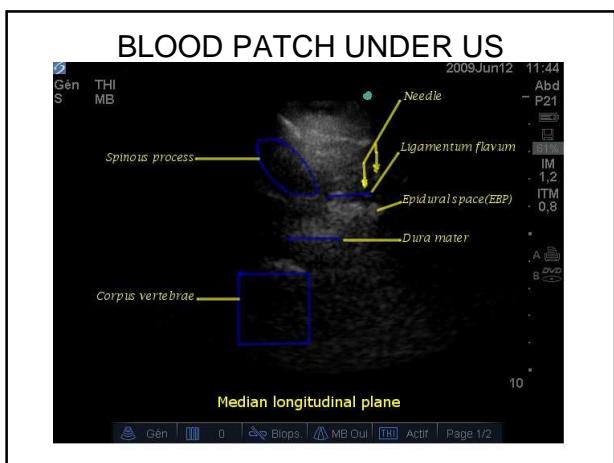


## BLOOD PATCH UNDER US GUIDANCE after saline injection

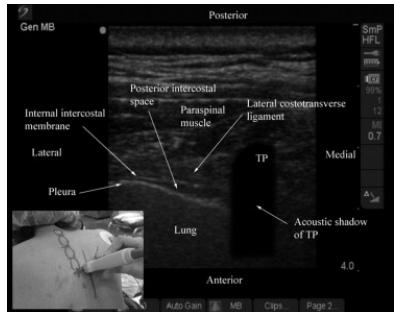


## BLOOD PATCH UNDER US GUIDANCE





## Transverse sonogram of the thoracic paravertebral region

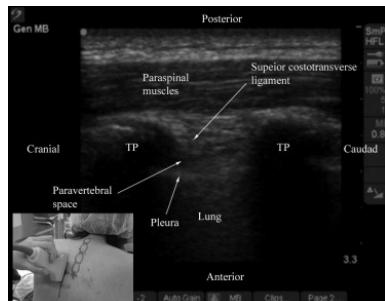


Sonographic measurement of needle insertion depth in paravertebral blocks in women  
Pusch F et al Brit J Anaesth 2000;85:841-3

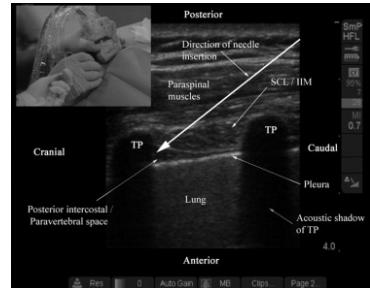
### Mean distances from the skin (mm) to anatomical landmarks

Skin to transverse process (ultrasound)	21 (9–34)
Skin to parietal pleura (ultrasound)	35 (24–52)
Skin to bony contact (needle)	25 (15–38)
Angle of needle deviation to bony contact	8 (0–25)
Skin to LOR using needle	40 (24–56)
Angle of needle deviation to LOR	35 (20–50)

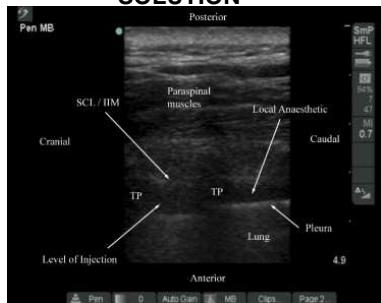
## PARAMEDIAN SAGITTAL SONOGRAF OF THE THORACIC PARAVERTEBRAL REGION



PARAMEDIAN OBLIQUE SAGITTAL SCAN  
Arrow represents the direction of the needle in plane needle insertion



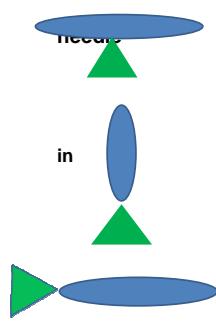
## PARAMEDIAN SAGITTAL SONOGRAF OF THE PARAVERTEBRAL SPACE INJECTION OF LOCAL ANAESTHETIC SOLUTION



## TRANSVERSE SCAN NEEDLE IN PLANE



## Ultrasound-guided thoracic paravertebral block



### Transverse scan with short axis insertion

use the transverse process landmark

### paramedian oblique sagittal scan with plane needle insertion

Challenging to visualize the needle  
Widening of the PV space  
anterior displacement of the pleura

### Transverse scan with in plane needle insertion

good visualisation  
inconfortable for the patient

## QUELQUES SITES

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