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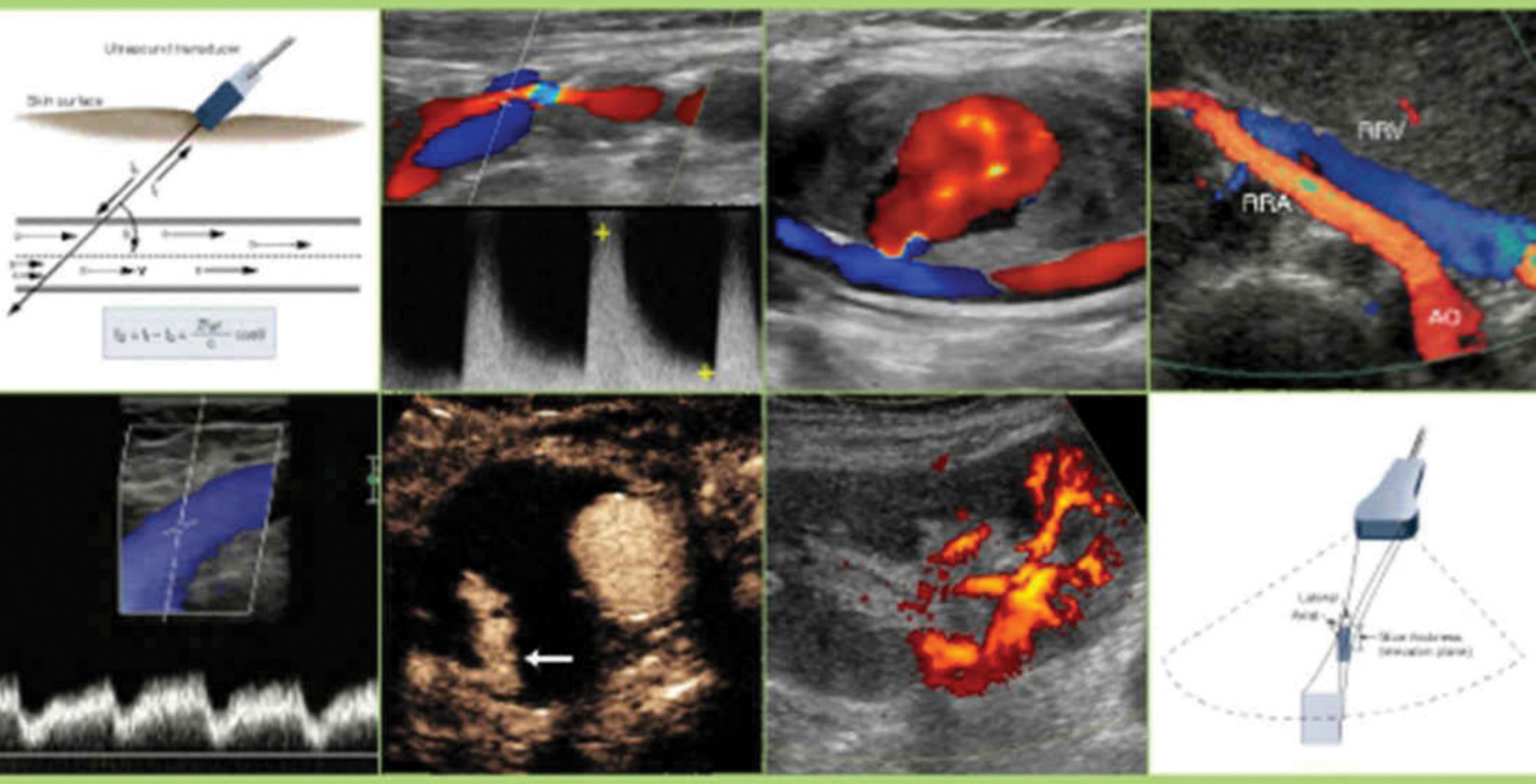

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Preface

The seventh edition of *Introduction to Vascular Ultrasonography* is a significant update to our previous editions. My co-editor, Joseph F. Polak, and I have pulled together the topics and authors we thought represented the best of vascular ultrasound imaging. Having collaborated together for more than two decades with our vascular course and the sixth edition of this book, we feel that this edition has met our goal to present the definitive text in vascular ultrasound. Jo and I have contributed to 22 of the 35 chapters. Not only have all the chapters in this edition been revised to deliver the newest techniques, protocols, and topics in vascular ultrasound, we also invited several new experts to provide their perspectives and experience in significant areas. For example, the physics section has been completely revamped by Dr. Fred Kremkau, the favored speaker and authority in ultrasound physics. We welcome Heather Gornik, MD, the current president of IAC vascular testing, for her contribution on credentialing, accreditation, and quality in the vascular laboratory. We also are excited to have several world-renowned experts provide us the state of the art in ultrasound contrast applications for vascular imaging. Of course, we brought back many of our favorite authors who received positive reviews from our previous edition.

In addition to multiple new figures and illustrations, a major enhancement to this version of *Introduction to Vascular Ultrasonography* is the integration of Practical Tips sections throughout all the chapters. These Tips are intended to focus the reader on major teaching points and pearls for the successful performance and interpretation of vascular studies.

We are extremely proud to present the seventh edition of *Introduction to Vascular Ultrasonography*. We hope that this book will provide guidance to students, technologists, sonographers, and all practitioners of vascular ultrasound to improve patient diagnosis and management.

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