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# Ultrasound goes Ultrafast

SuperSonic Imagine "The New Kid on The Block"

Several new concepts & completely novel imaging modes:

- 1) Ultrafast Imaging
- 2) Mechanical properties of tissues
- 3) Shear Wave Elastography (SWE)
- 4) Ultrafast Doppler
- 5) And more to come ...

# From a reSearch platform to a clinical product



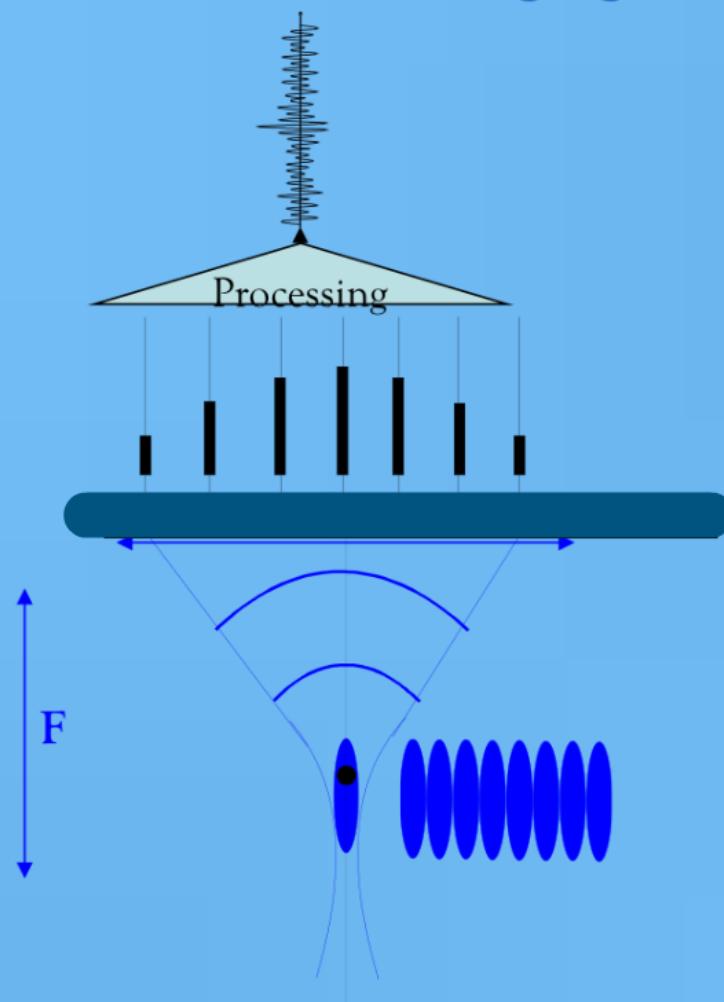
The largest acoustic lab worldwide



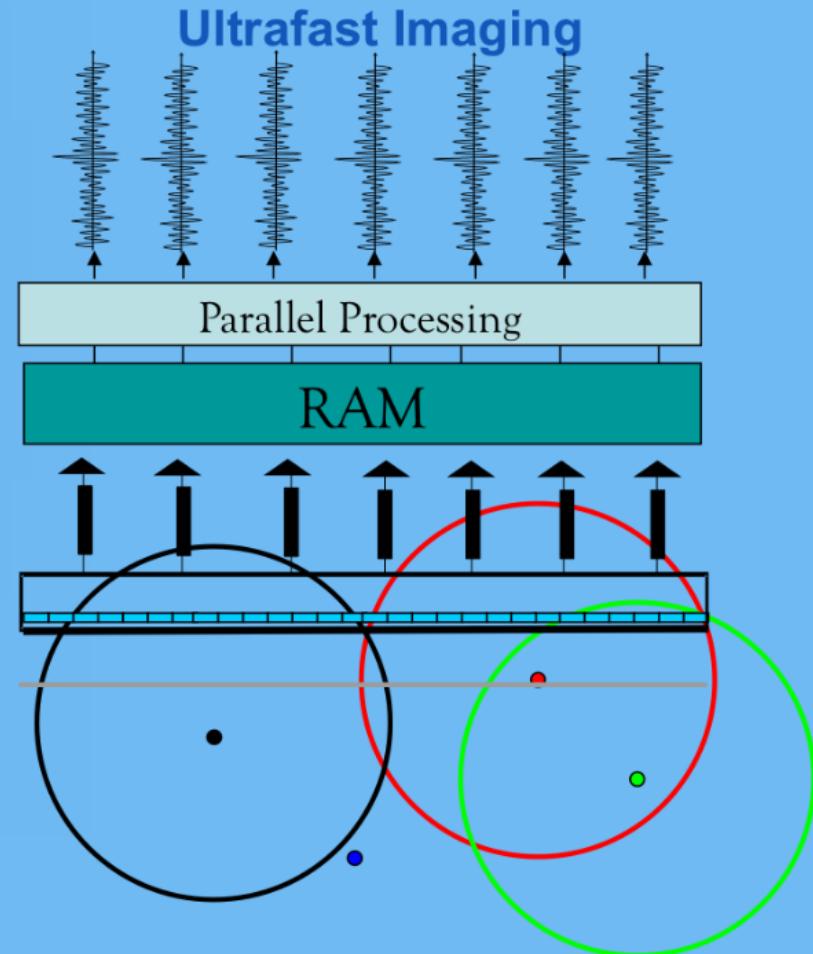
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The key concept of Ultrafast Imaging is plane wave transmission

### Conventional Imaging



### Ultrafast Imaging



Why ? ...for tracking invisible vibrationS ...

Going Beyond the Traditional ApplicationS of UltraSound ...

# The first ultrafast ultrasound Scanner

built in 1998 (128 independent Channels)

Analog Log/linear Amplifiers

9 Bits A/D converters

256 MBytes Embedded memory

up to 10000 frames/s

100 ms Ultrafast sequences

40 minutes of processing

(Data transfer + beamforming process)



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# A new paradigm for UltraSound Imaging



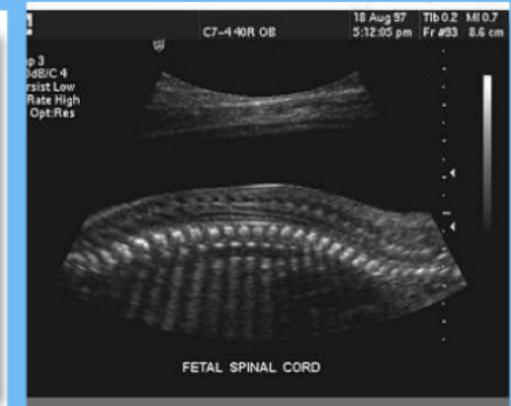
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1990



1995



2010



ACTIVISION



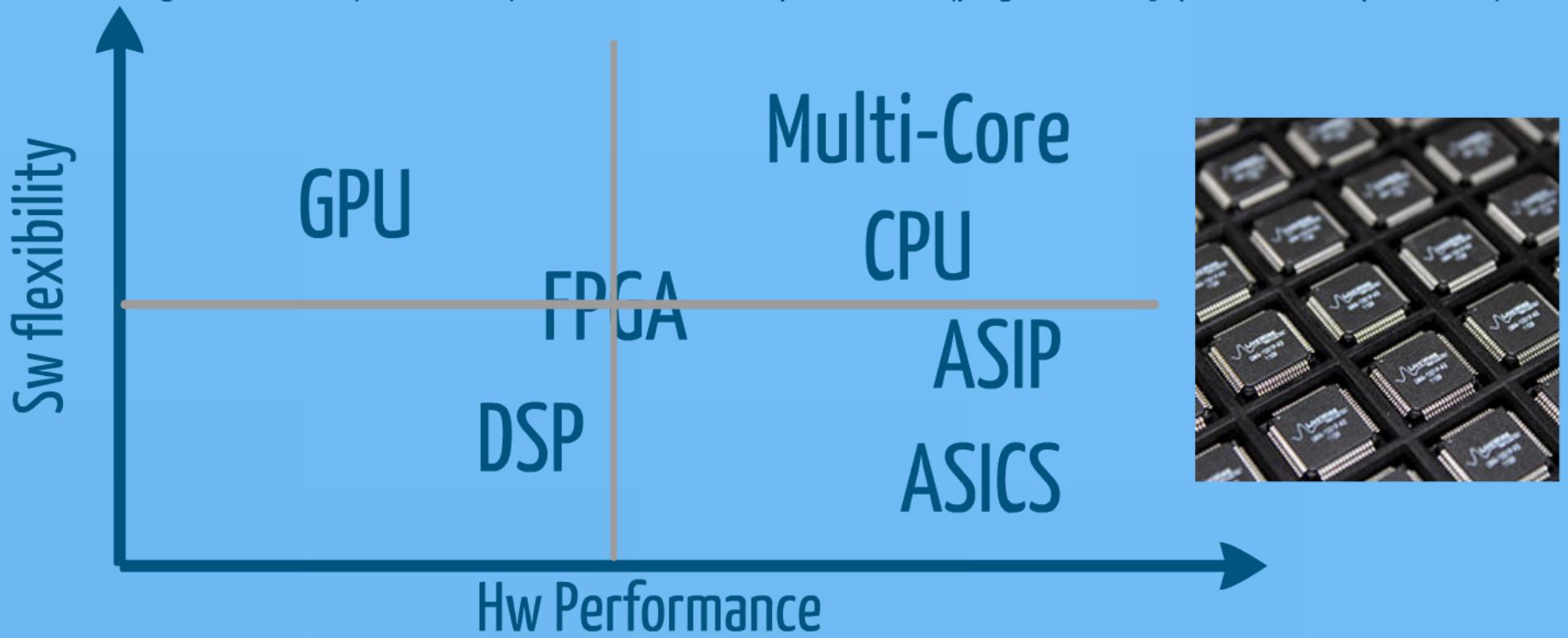
... the e-game industry ...

MultiprocessorS architecture and Software goes beyond existing technologies

Development cost of dedicated ICs (ASICs, ASIPs) becomes unaffordable for most applications

Development time of dedicated ICs (ASICs, ASIPs) to reaches market visibility

Programmable ICs (FPGAs, DSPs) reach their limits of performance (programmability, power consumption, cost)



# Aixplorer, a all Software-based ultrasound



20Gb/s



PCI Express  
AGP



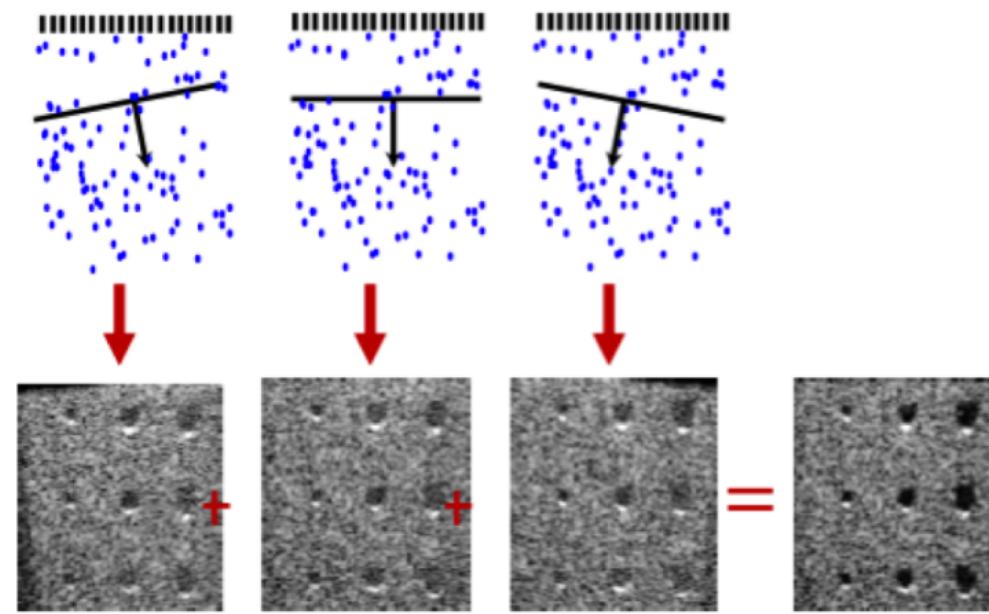
GPU + CPU



# Image quality with Ultrafast Imaging Coherent Plane Wave Compounding

Illumination with a set of  
Plane Waves  
with DIFFERENT ANGLES

Each plane wave gets  
a LOW QUALITY IMAGE



The coherent addition generates a  
HIGER QUALITY IMAGE

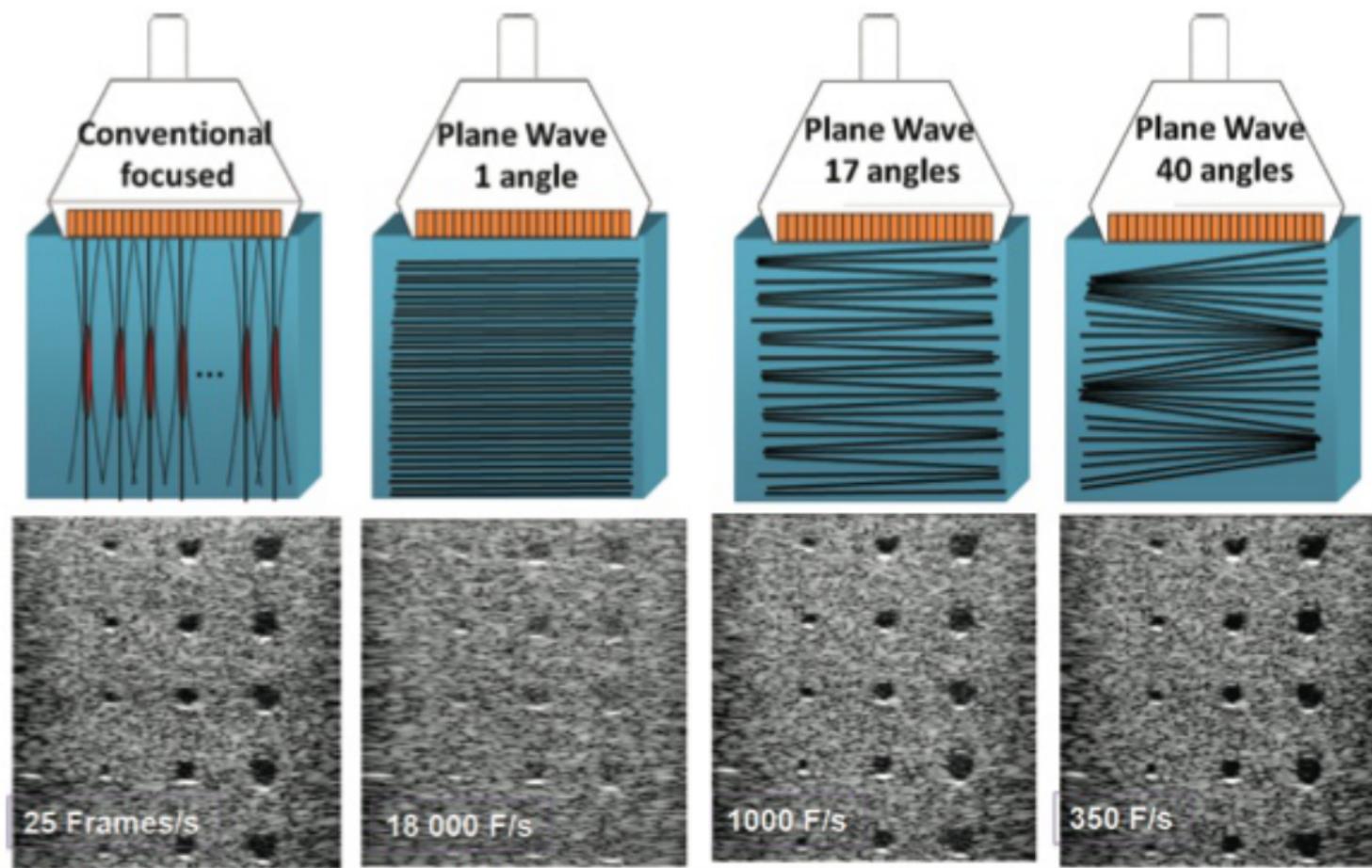
*Coherent plane-wave compounding for very high frame rate ultrasonography and transient elastography.*

G. Montaldo, M. Tanter, J. Bercoff, N. Benech, M. Fink, IEEE Trans.UFFC, March 2009

# Coherent Plane Wave Compounding / Trade-off between Speed quality

TANTER AND FINK: ULTRAFAST IMAGING IN BIOMEDICAL ULTRASOUND

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# From a research platform to a clinical product



2005 created

2008 1st RSNA & JFR

+120 col.

› 800 units ww

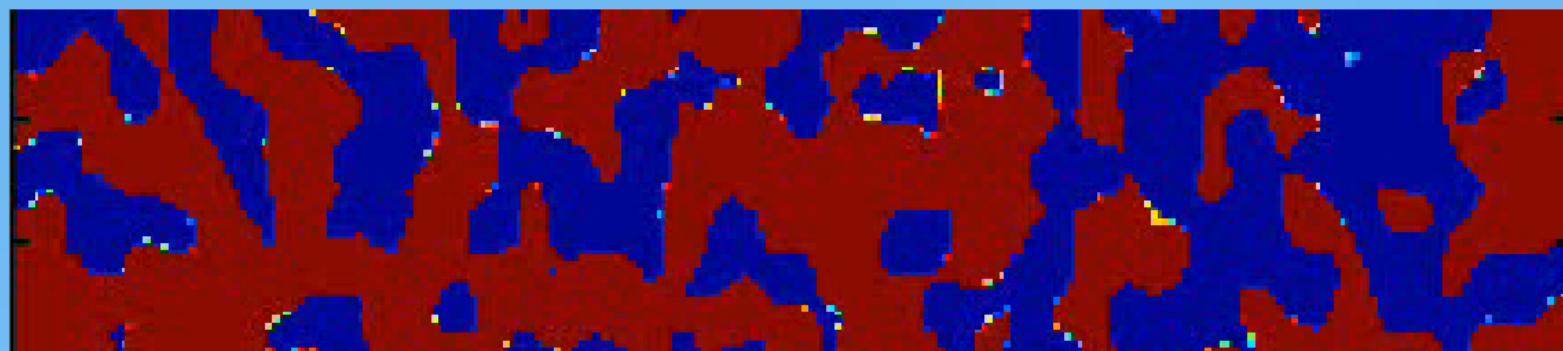
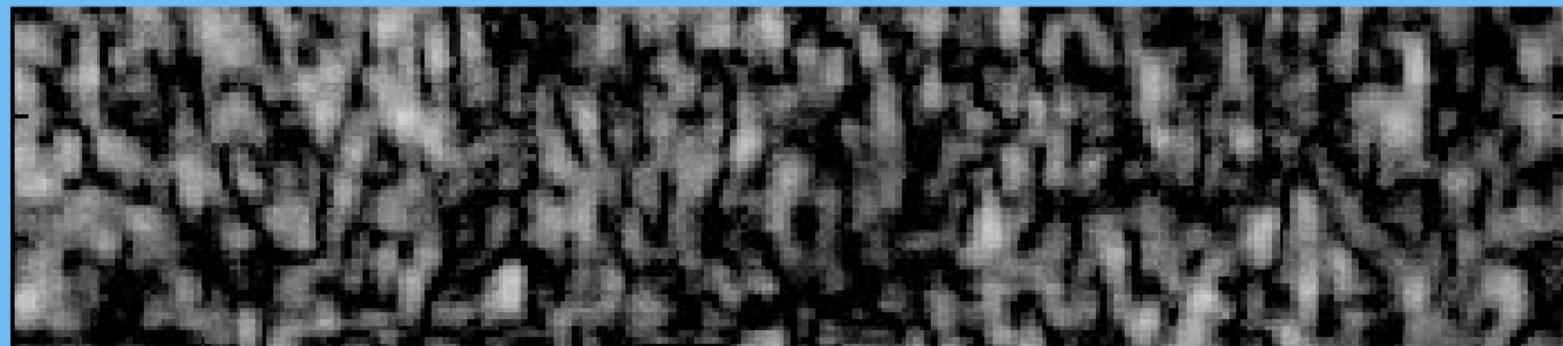
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12 APHP

› 80% exp

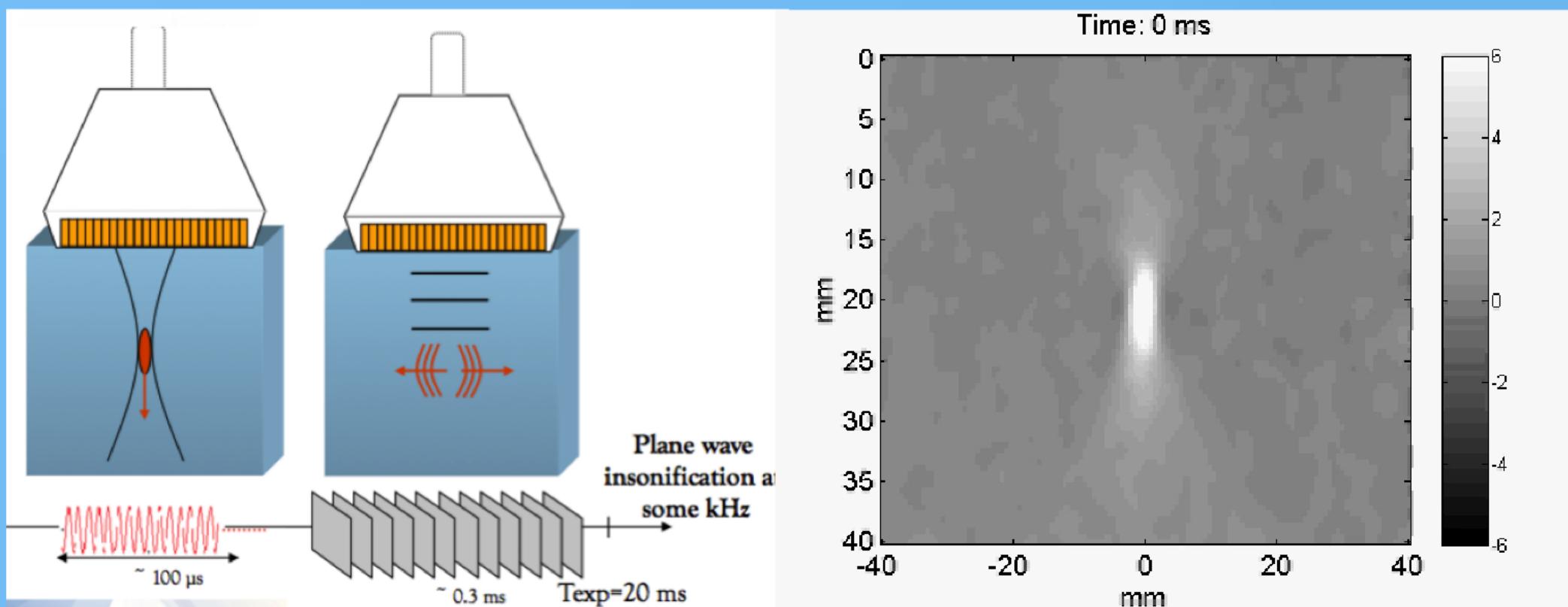


# Ultrafast imaging of the Shear wave propagation



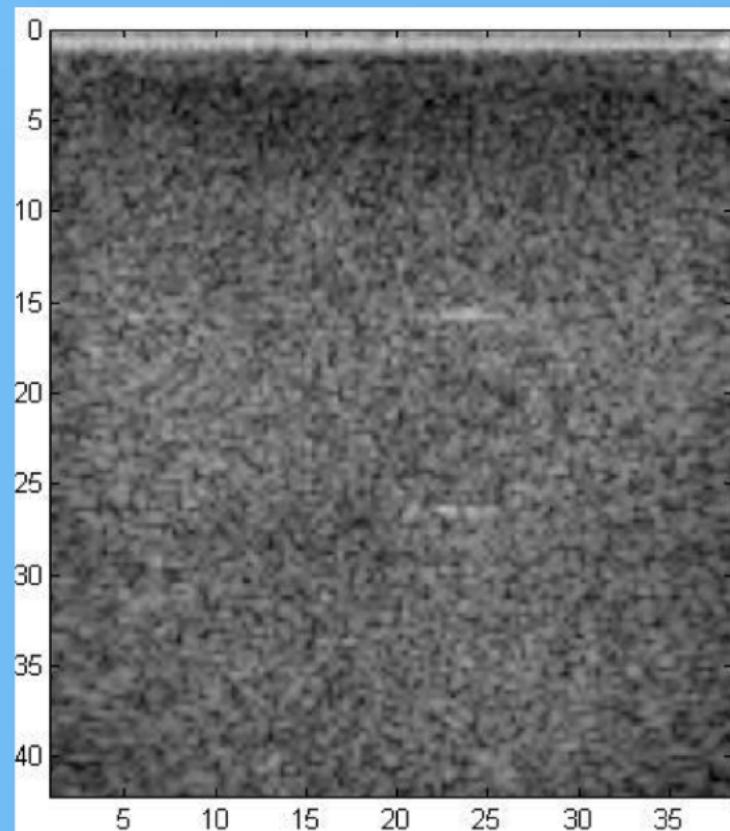
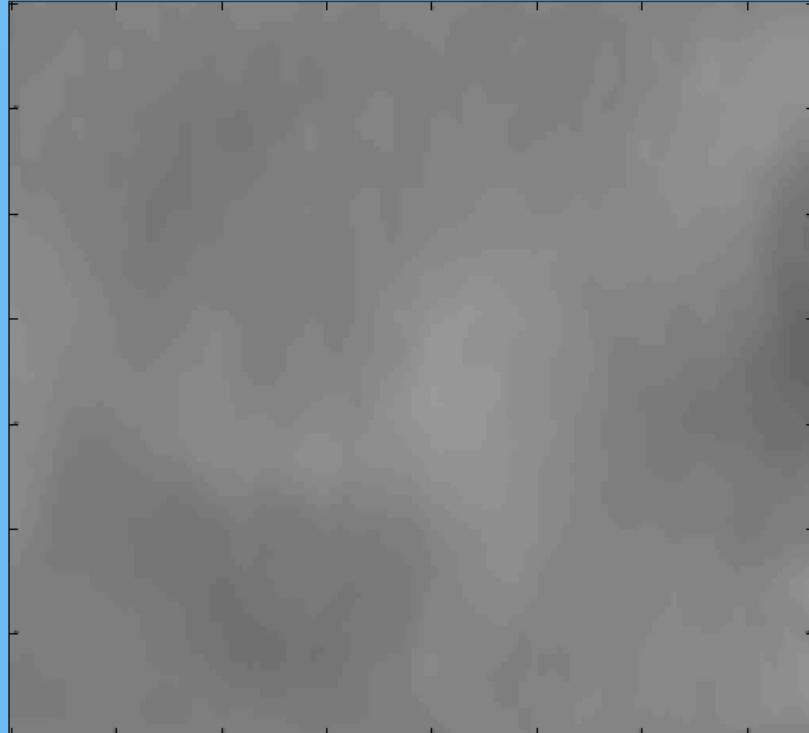
10000 frames/second in a US Phantom

# The first Application : A kind of Human Body SiSmology

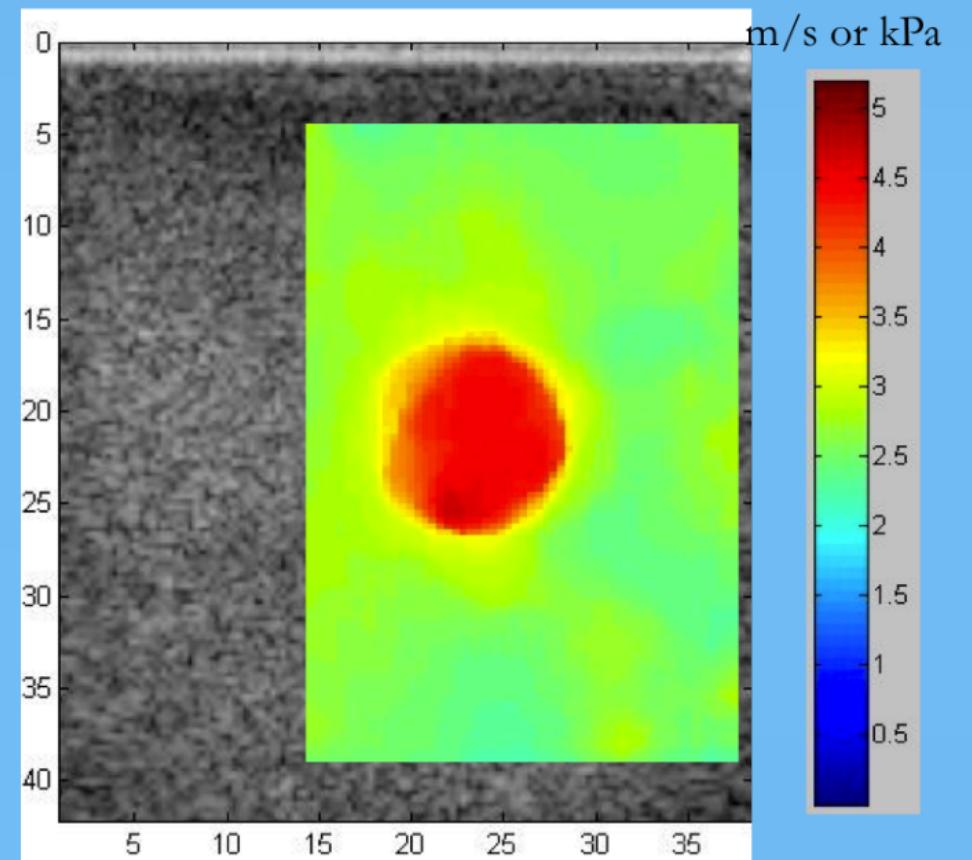
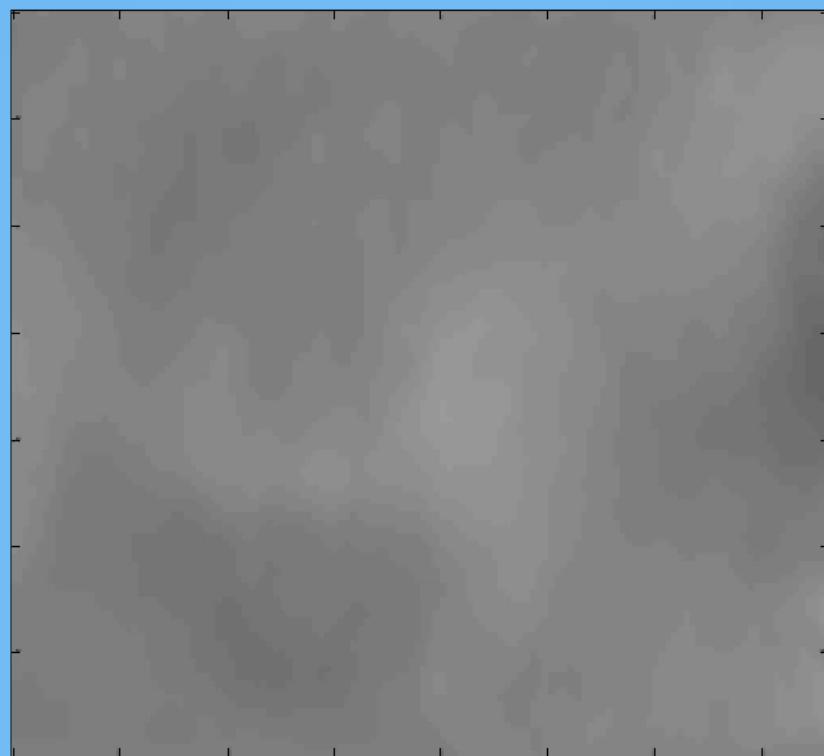


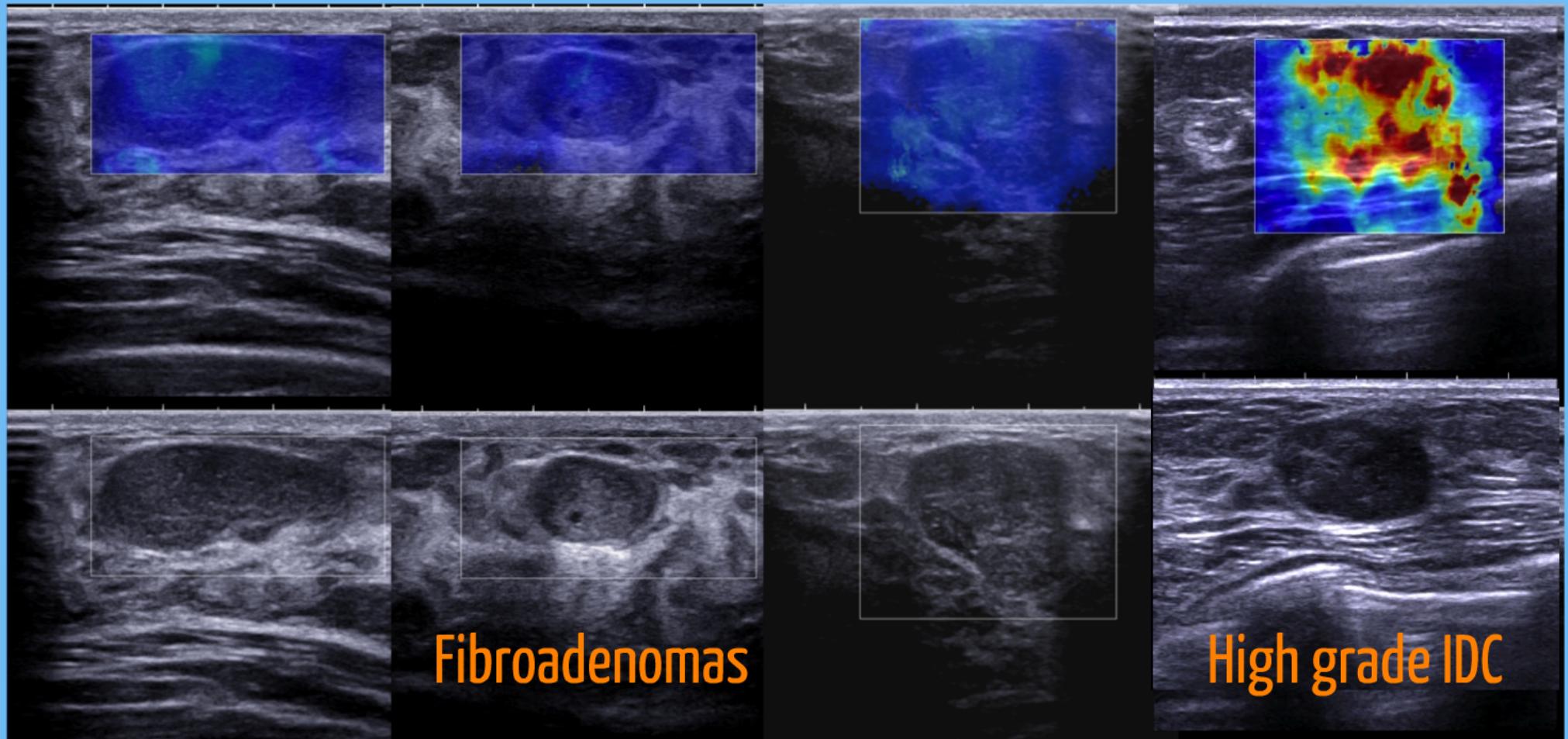
Combining Ultrafast Imaging and Acoustic Radiation Force palpation

The local Shear Wave Speed gives access to local mechanical properties



The local Shear Wave Speed gives access to mechanical properties





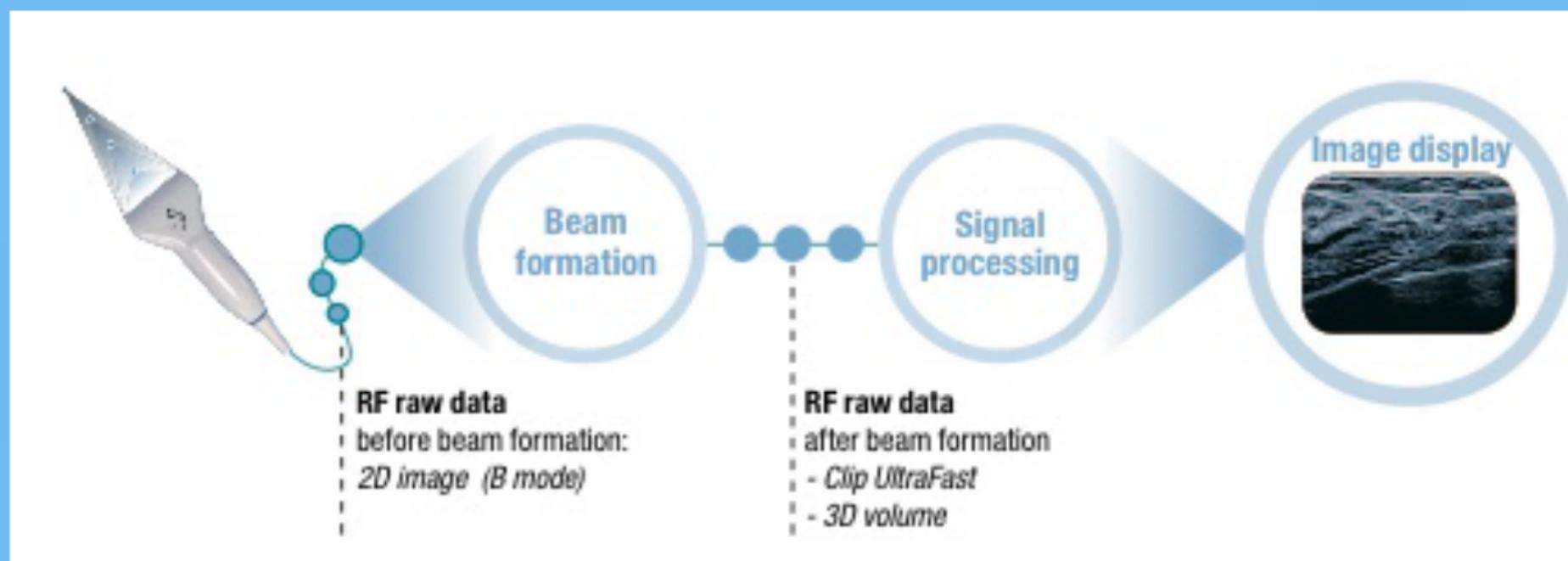
Dr. Tourasse, Lyon / Dr Channing's HEGP

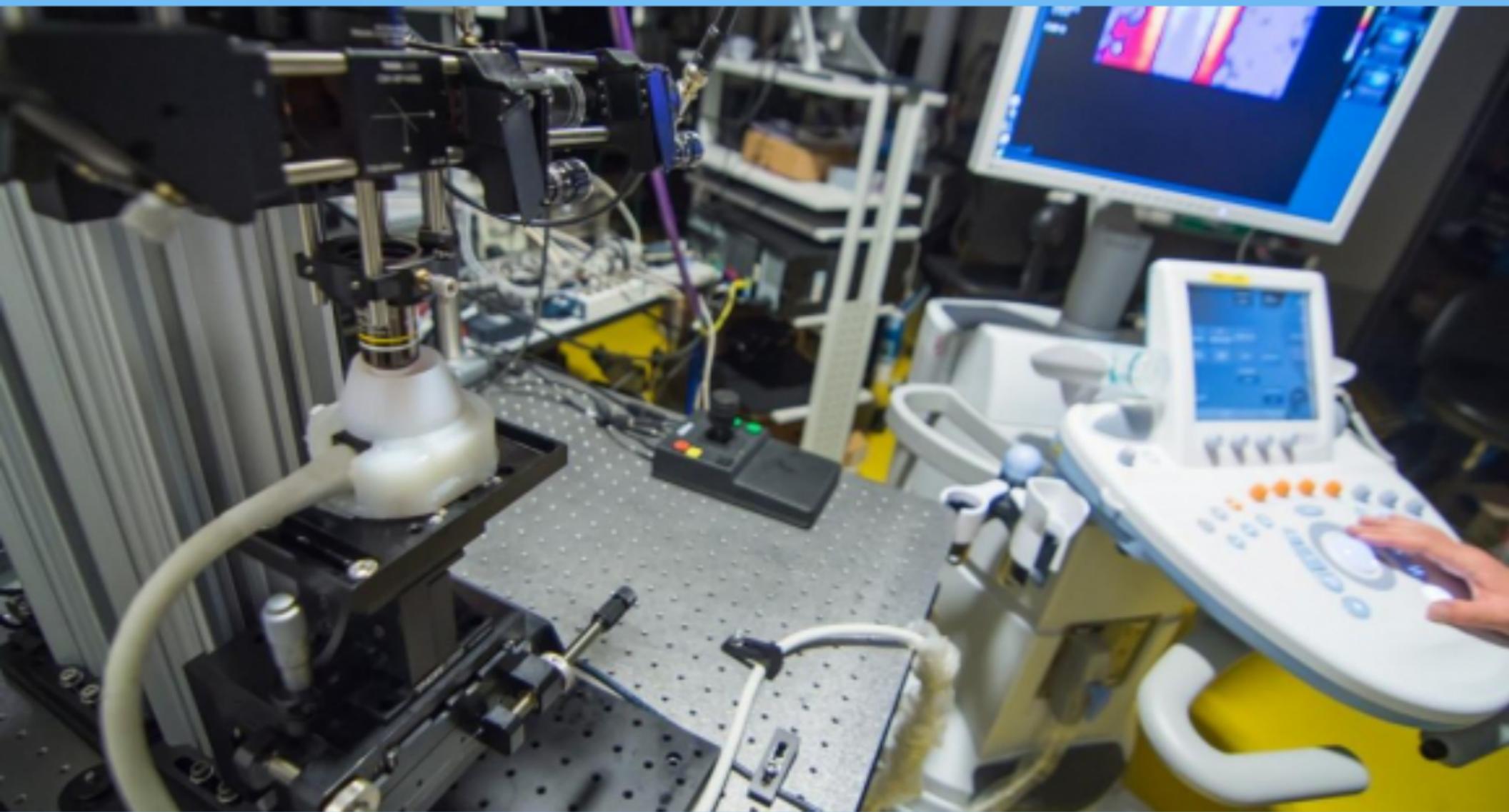
# Pre-Clinical

## Possible Uses

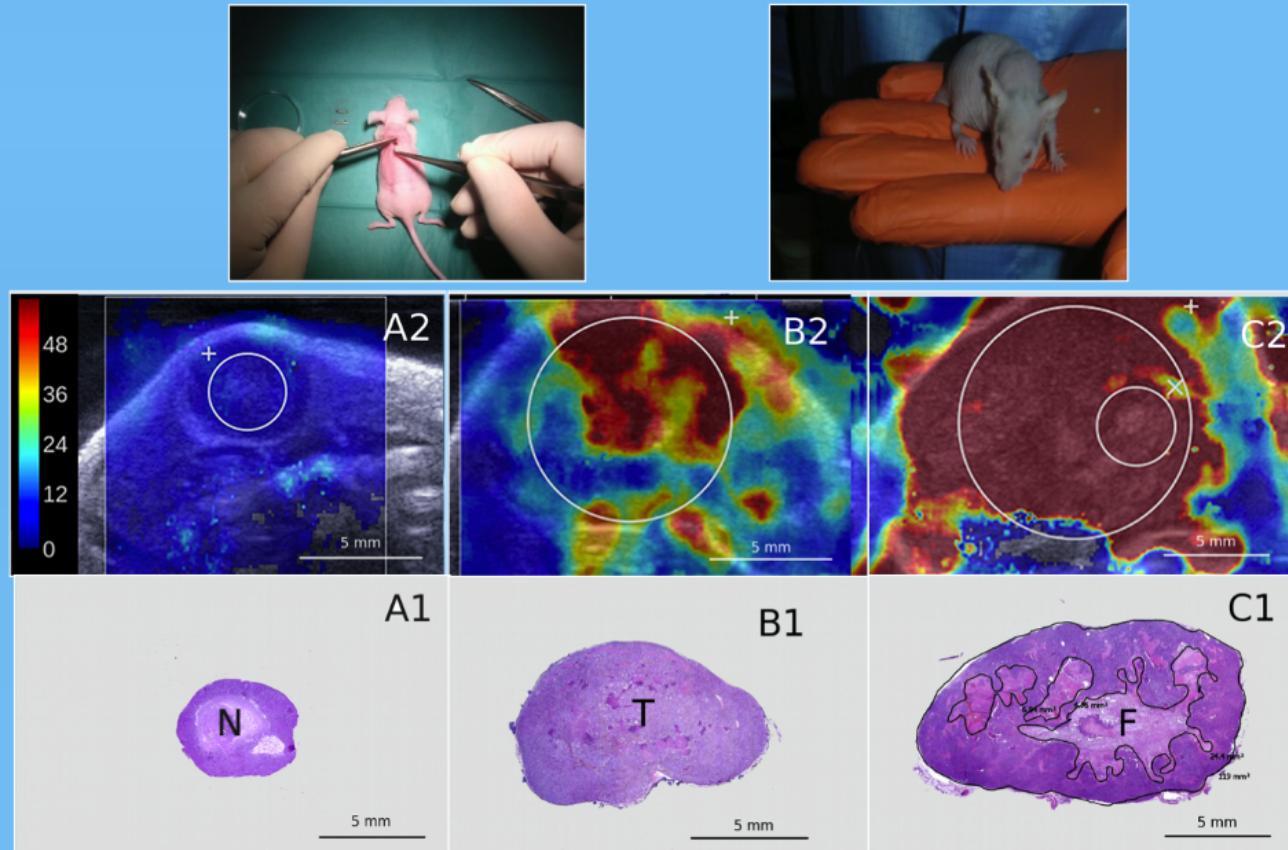
The raw RF data, easily acquired by the SonicResearch option, can be useful in many research fields such as:

- UltraFast Hemodynamics
- Impact Biomechanics
- Physiology of Muscle Contraction
- Elastography





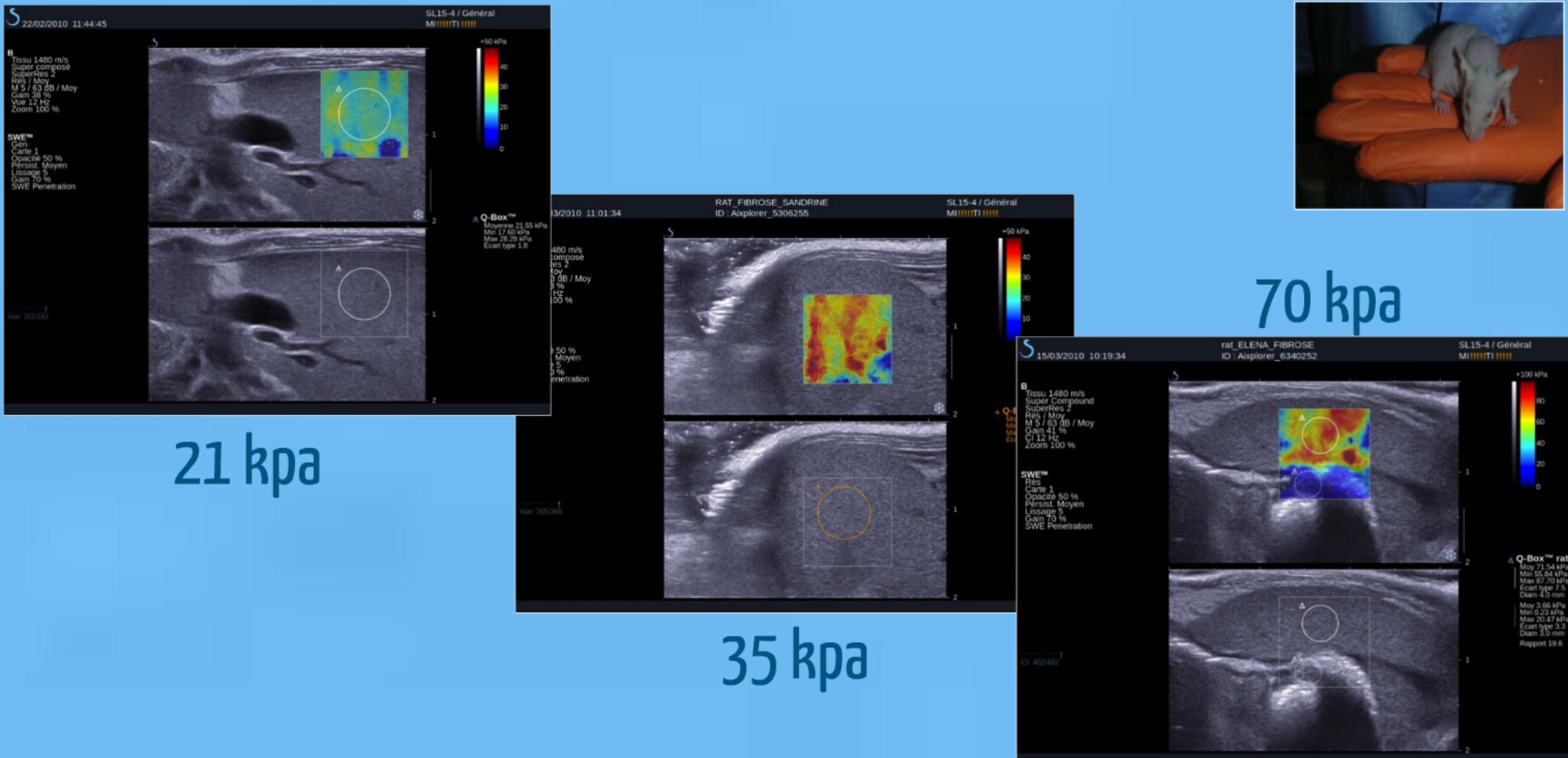
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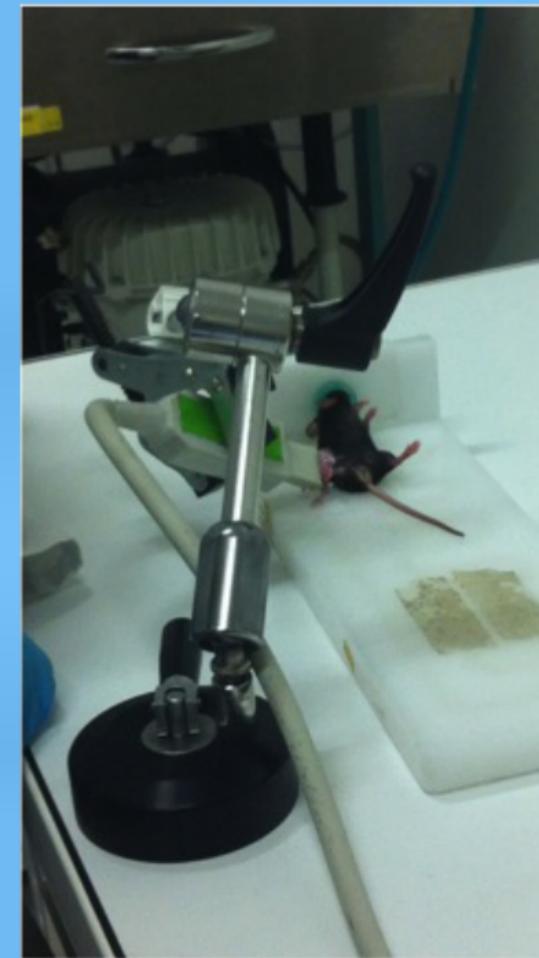
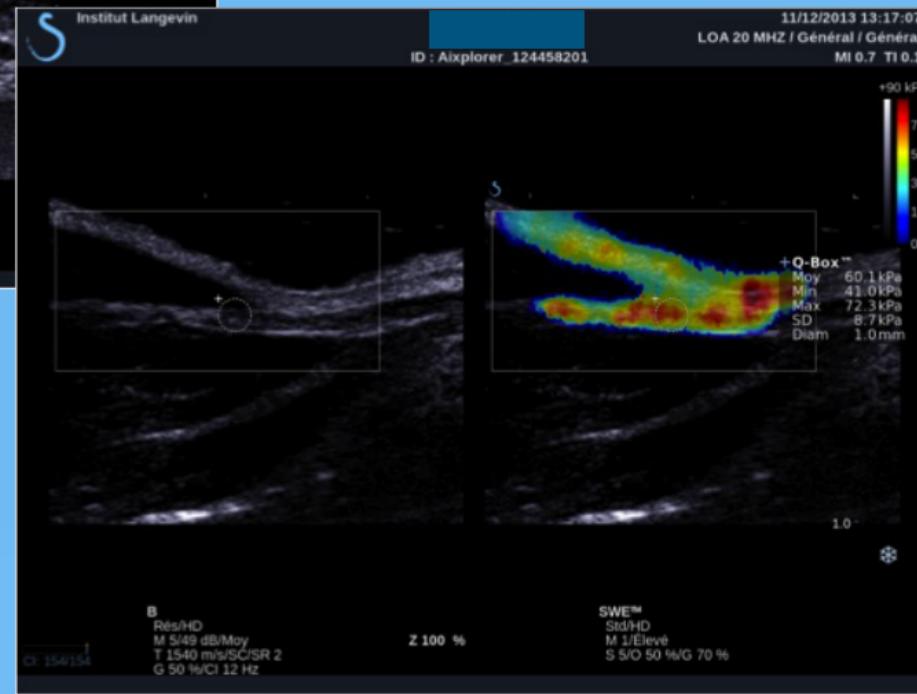
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Shear wave elastography of tumour growth in a human breast cancer model with pathological correlation.

# Pre-Clinical reSearch and Mice Imaging



# Pre-Clinical reSearch and Mice Imaging



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G 50 %/CI 12 Hz

Z 100 %  
M 2/12 kPa  
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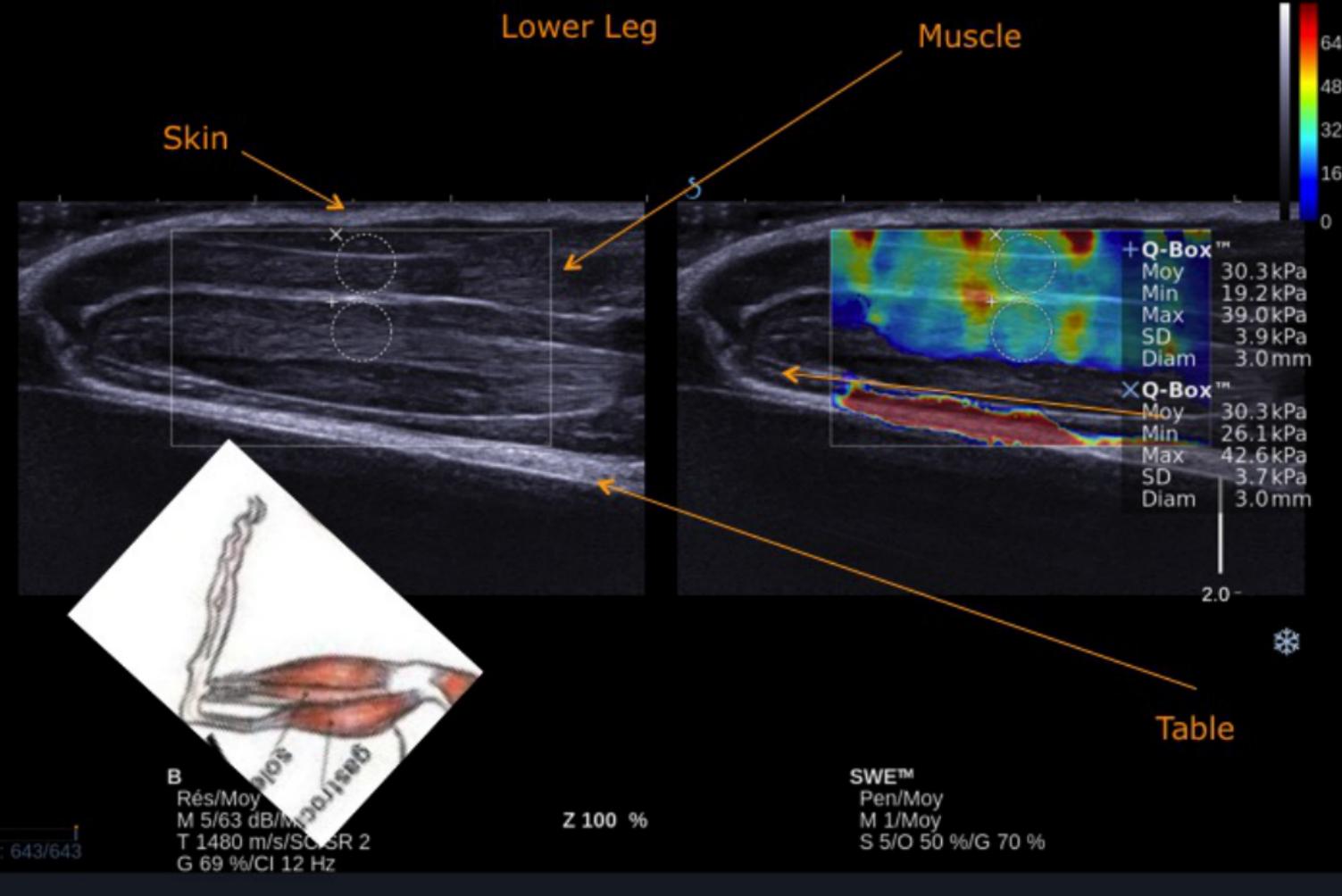
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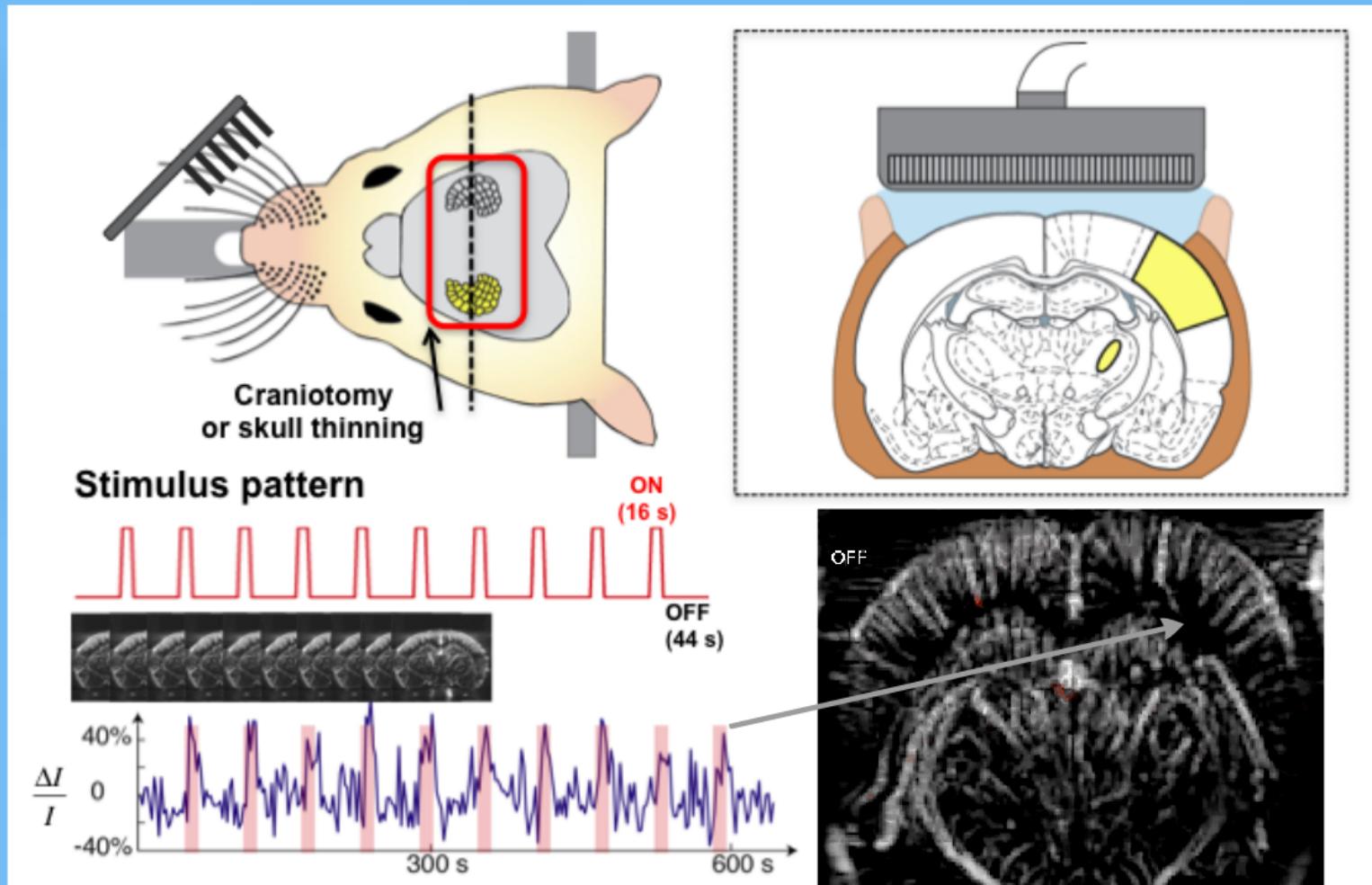
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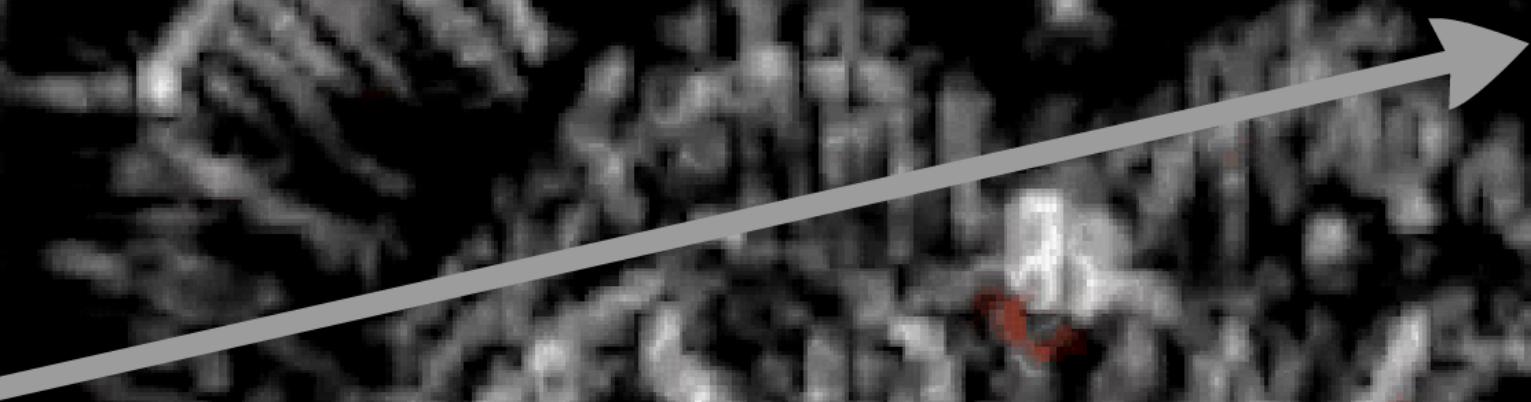
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# A bright future for ultrafast ultrasound ?



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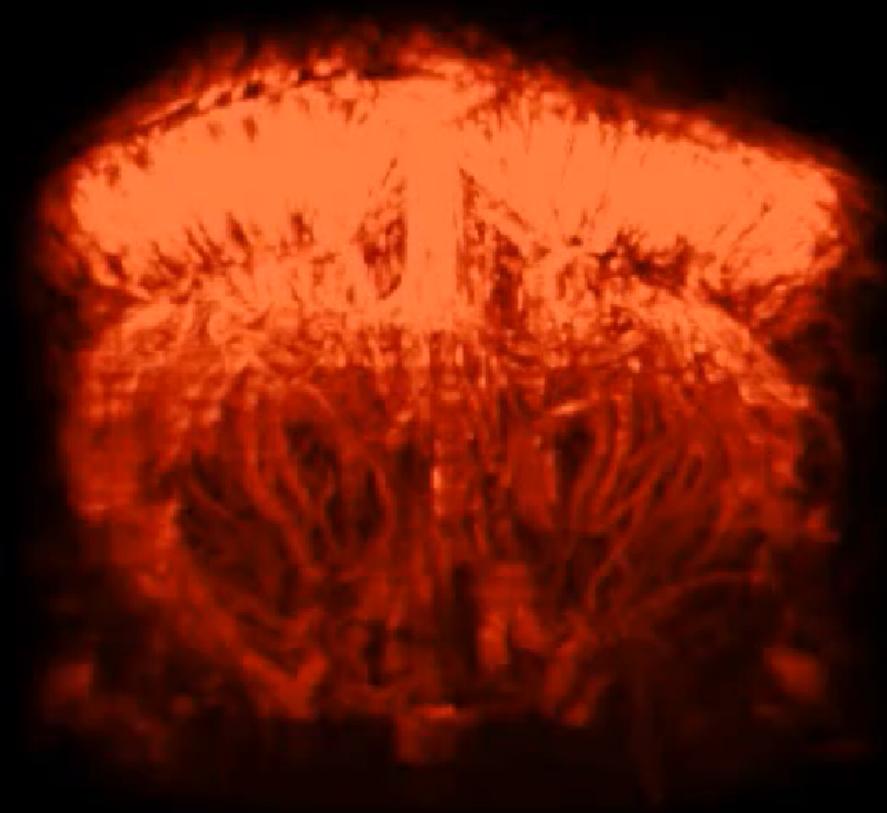
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