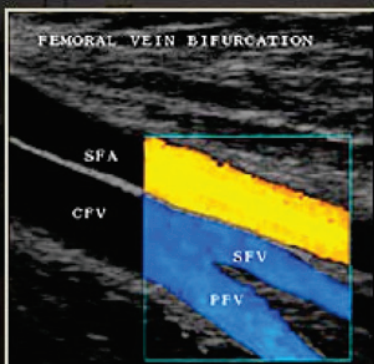




Union Hospital Healthcare Services

Vascular Center



Sample venous
ultrasound image

Venous ultrasound
test being performed
on an arm



Venous Ultrasound of Upper & Lower Extremities

What is Venous Ultrasound?

Venous ultrasound is a test which utilizes high frequency sound waves to obtain images of veins in the arms or legs. This test is used to determine if there are any problems with the vessels. The technologist applies an acoustic gel on your arms or legs over the area to be viewed. Then a painless instrument called a transducer is gently moved across that portion of your body to visualize the inside of the veins.

How is the test completed?

During the test you will be asked to lie on your back (if possible), while a trained technician records the images made by the ultrasound. The test usually takes less than 45 minutes. A venous ultrasound does not hurt and there are no documented complications from the use of this type of ultrasound. During the test you may hear several strange noises coming from the machine. Do not become alarmed; these noises are actually the sound of blood moving through your body.

Are there any special preparations?

There are no special preparations for this test.

How will I learn the test results?

The technician will not discuss any findings or conclusions about the test with you. Your personal physician is responsible for providing you with this information.

Contact Information

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Hours: 6:30 am - 5:00 pm

Directions

Union Hospital is conveniently located on the Boulevard in Dover, Ohio. Just take the Dover Exit 83, or New Philadelphia Exit 81 off I-77 and follow the blue hospital signs. When you arrive at the hospital, look for the Boulevard South Entrance.

My Appointment

Date: _____

Time: _____