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Population (millions)	1.35	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Population density (per km <sup>2</sup> )	35	12	61	3.5	1	11
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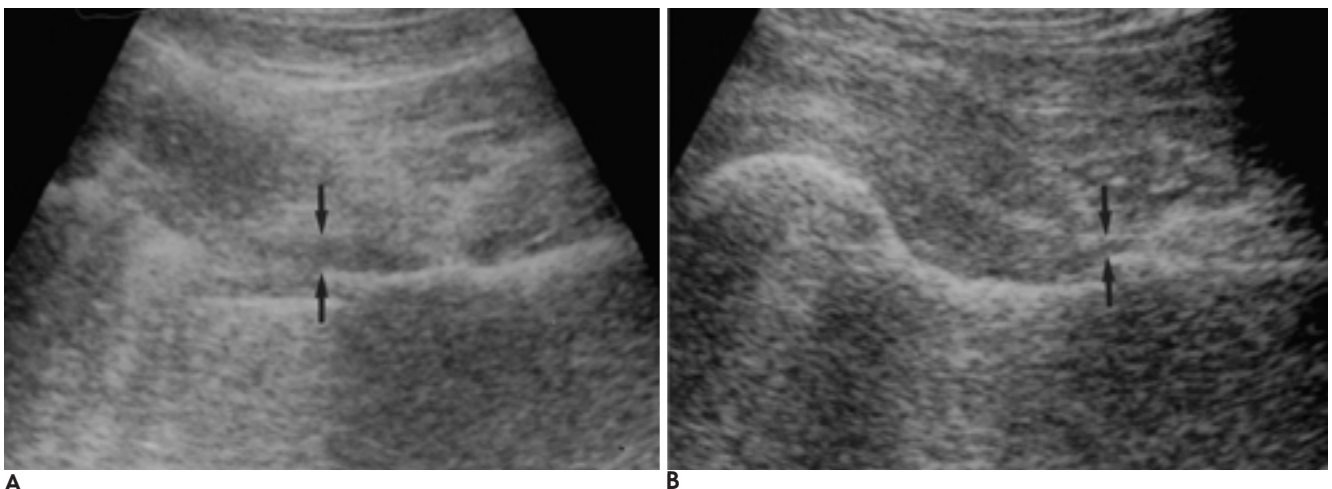
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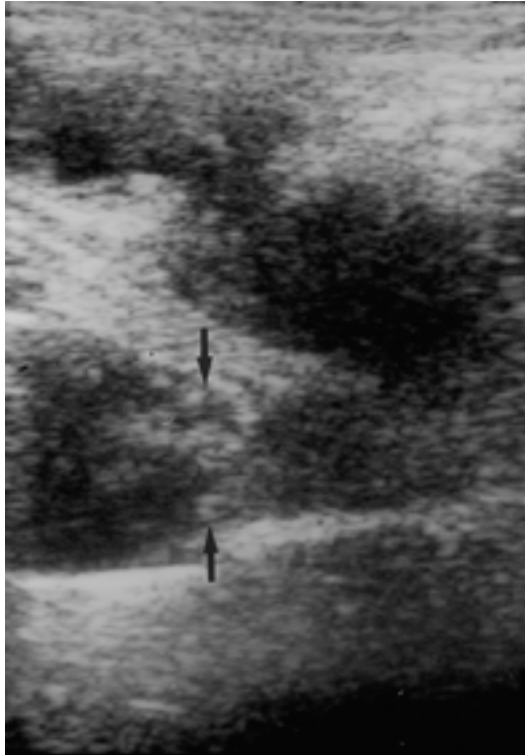
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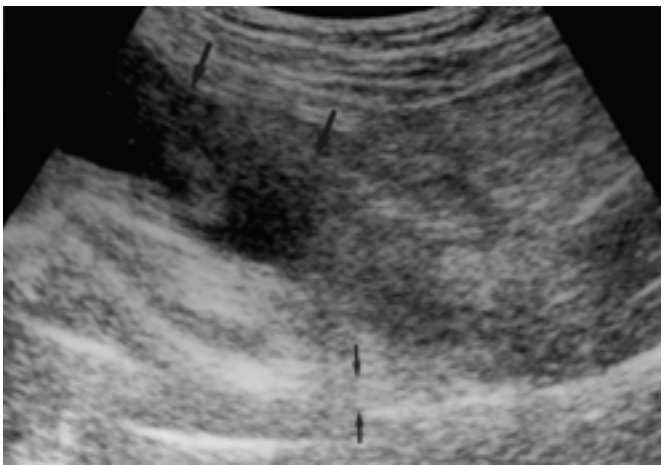
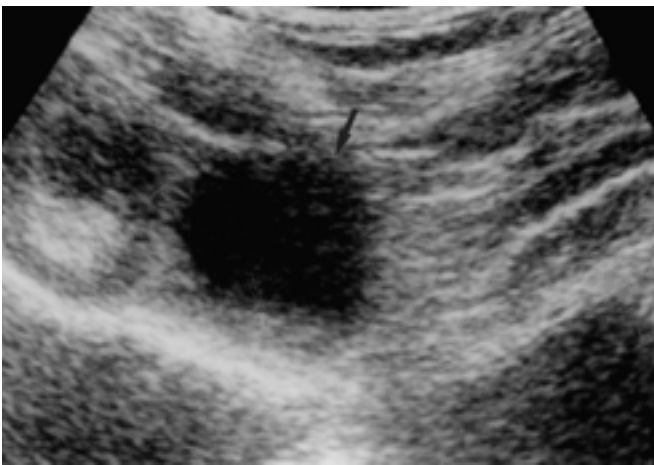


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**Fig. 1.** Normal pseudocapsular morphology after total hip replacement. Longitudinal sonogram shows anterior part of postoperative hip pseudocapsule and surrounding soft tissues. Arrows indicate bone-to-pseudocapsule distance.  
**A.** Longitudinal sonogram shows the normal pseudocapsule was slightly convex toward the neck of the prosthesis.  
**B.** Longitudinal sonogram shows the normal pseudocapsule lay straight over the neck of the prosthesis.



**Fig. 2.** Infected total hip prosthesis in a 74-year-old man in whom pain developed 2 years after hip replacement. Longitudinal sonogram shows increased amount of intraarticular fluid collection communicating with extracapsular fluid collection. Bone-to-pseudocapsule distance measures 10.2 mm and significantly widened (arrows).

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**Fig. 3.** Chronic abscess in right psoas muscle in a 49-year-old woman in whom pain developed 5 years after hip replacement.  
**A.** Transverse sonogram shows round anechoic abscess (arrow) in the right psoas muscle.  
**B.** Longitudinal sonogram shows amorphous anechoic abscess (large arrows) in the right psoas muscle. But there is no communication between joint space and extracapsular fluid collection and normal range of bone-to-pseudocapsule distance (small arrows).

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## Sonographic Findings after Total Hip Arthroplasty: Normal and Complications<sup>1</sup>

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**Purpose:** The purpose of this study was to determine the efficacy of sonography in the evaluation of normal pseudocapsular morphology and the detection of complications after total hip arthroplasty.

**Materials and Methods:** Between January 1997 and June 2000, 47 patients [35 men and 12 women aged 24 to 84 (mean, 61) years] using real-time linear-array, convex US units with 3.5-MHz and 10-MHz transducers. Normal capsular morphology in 30 with total hip replacements, who had been asymptomatic for at least one year, was studied, and the prosthetic joint infection demonstrated in six of 17 who had experienced was confirmed at surgery or by US-guided aspiration.

**Results:** Sonograms indicated that a normal pseudocapsule lay straight over the neck of the prosthesis or was slightly convex toward the neck, and that the mean bone-to-pseudocapsule distance was 2.9 mm. However, in the 11 symptomatic patients in whom no evidence of infection was revealed by cultures, the mean distance was 4.7 mm; in the remaining six patients, whose joints were infected (a condition strongly suggested by the presence of extracapsular fluid), the mean distance was 5.5 mm, with no significant difference between the two groups.

**Conclusion:** Sonography can be used to evaluate normal capsular morphology after total hip replacement and to diagnose infection around hip prostheses. In all patients in whom sonography revealed the presence of extra-articular fluid, infection had occurred.

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