

Preface



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Guest Editors

This issue of *Ultrasound Clinics* takes a close look at women's imaging, a subspecialty of radiology that focuses on the diagnosis and treatment of diseases and conditions unique to women, such as infertility, pregnancy, breast abnormalities, and genitourinary problems.

Ultrasound is one of the most frequently used diagnostic tools in women's imaging; it is safe, noninvasive, and affordable. The most well-known application of ultrasound for women is fetal imaging. However, in this issue of *Ultrasound Clinics*, we examine ultrasound's effectiveness in detecting palpable and nonpalpable breast masses, ectopic pregnancy, pregnancy-related genitourinary diseases, postmenopausal bleeding, endometriosis, pelvic congestion syndrome, saline sonohysterography, and ovarian torsion and its mimics. We also look at how ultrasound is used to guide breast biopsies and aspirations, and how color-flow Doppler techniques aid in evaluating the uterus and ovaries.

We have assembled a group of leading radiologists to provide information about the latest advances and newest developments in women's imaging. This information will be beneficial for

obstetricians, gynecologists, sonographers, radiologists, and residents.

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