

Reporting of Ultrasound Imaging

BMUS Position Statement

An ultrasound practitioner requires competencies and skills required to acquire and report ultrasound examinations. BMUS believes that the two elements of an ultrasound examination are interdependent and should not be separated. There are only a few situations in which a purely protocol driven scan is appropriate (for example aortic aneurysm screening). It is essential that the practitioner acquiring the ultrasound images during an examination is also responsible for the writing of the report; with access to a second opinion from an experienced colleague whenever necessary. BMUS acknowledges that the quality of the report is paramount in ensuring clinical effectiveness of the investigation. As such BMUS (in partnership with the Society of Radiographers) has published tools to support sonographers in producing high quality diagnostic reports.