# Persistent varicose veins after GSV ablation





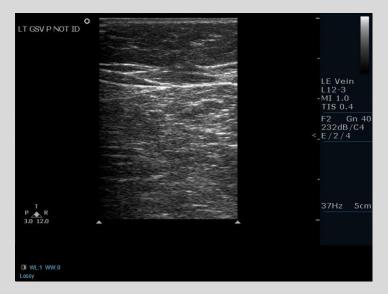
- 56-year-old female with symptomatic left lower limb varicose veins
- Symptoms: She feels heaviness, achiness with standing. She used compression stockings with improvement, but they are not so comfortable to wear
- PMH Left GSV laser ablation in 2016
  - After her procedure she was not happy as her varicose veins decreased slightly in size, but her symptoms did not completely resolve
  - She did not follow up and comes now with worsening symptoms
  - Denies pelvic symptoms







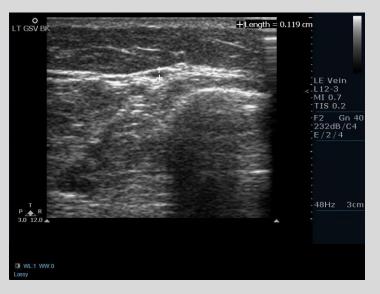




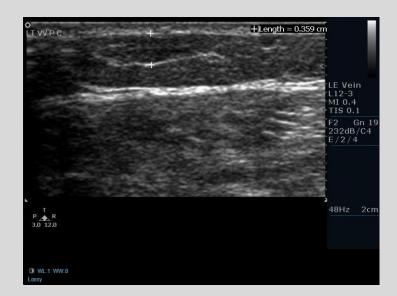
## GSV in thigh not visualized



Medial thigh varicose veins with reflux

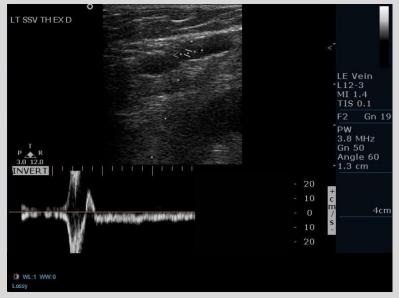


## GSV in calf not visualized

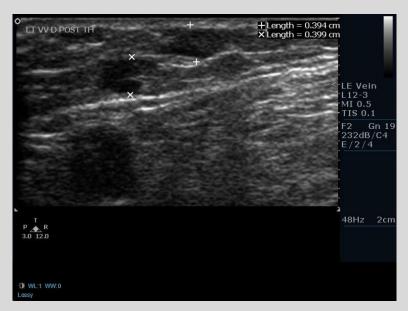


Medial thigh varicose veins 4mm

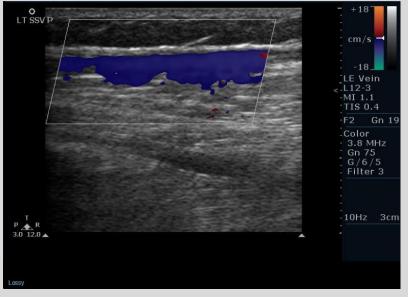




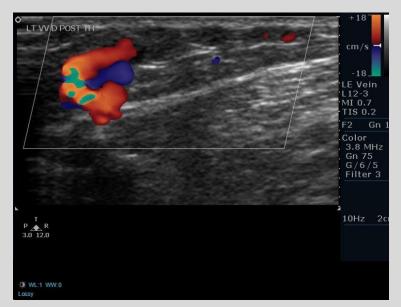
SSV thigh-extension with no reflux



4mm varicose veins in posterior thigh



SSV with no reflux



### Varicose veins with reflux



## Key clinical questions:

- When treating GSV reflux should varicose veins be addressed at same time or staged?
- With distribution of varicose veins in posterior thigh, is pelvic evaluation necessary in this patient?
- How to best treat posterior thigh varicosities?



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