Ultrasound in Brain Tumor Resection (anatomy, landmarks)

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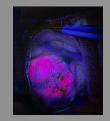
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Intra-operative MRI



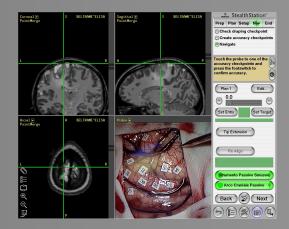
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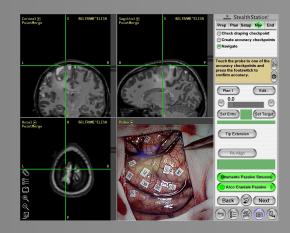
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Mainstays of image guided surgery Neuronavigation

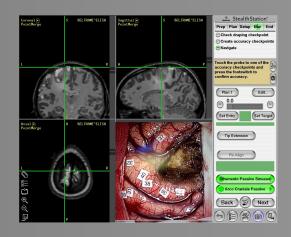


Mainstays of image guided surgery Neuronavigation



- Standard imaging
- Routine use

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- Standard imaging
- Routine use
- Pre-op imaging
- Virtual / No real-time navigation
- Brain shift

Neuronavigation



Intraoperative MRI



- Standard imaging
- Accurate

Neuronavigation



Intraoperative MRI



- Standard imaging
- Accurate
- Dedicated area/tools
- Time consuming
- Expensive
- Non dynamic offline

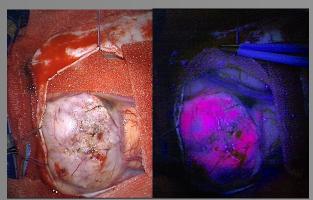
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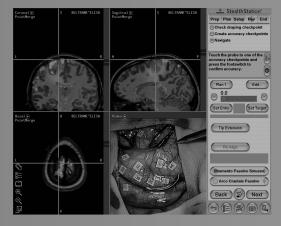




• Real time

• Marks tumor cells

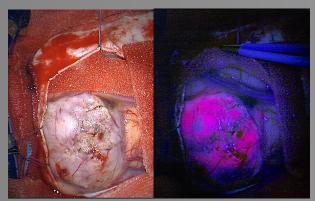
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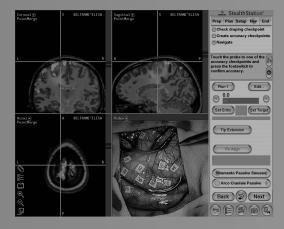




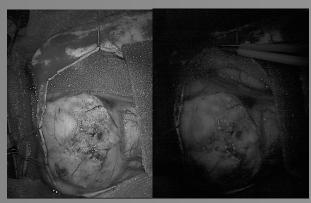
• Real time

- Marks tumor cells
- Works only on HG gliomas
- Visualized only on surface

Neuronavigation



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Intraoperative MRI



Intraoperative ultrasounds

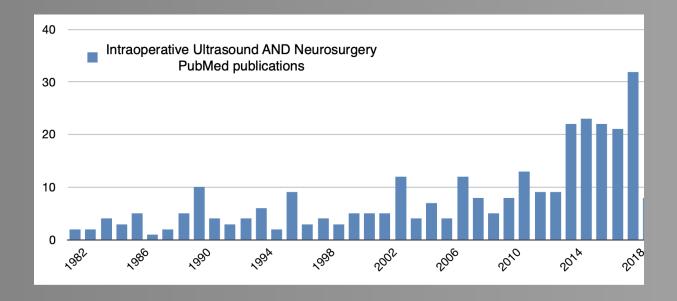


Intraoperative ultrasounds

- Real time
- Dynamic
- Relatively inexpensive



Intraoperative ultrasound in neurosurgery: publications per year *



* Keywords: Intraoperative ultrasound neurosurgery

Intraoperative ultrasounds - advantages

• Recent dramatic improvement of resolution and image definition



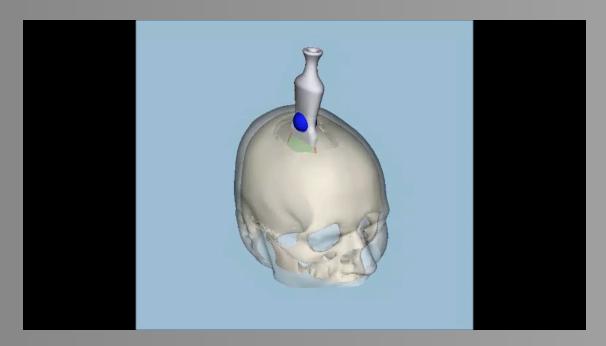
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Unusual imaging



Intraoperative ultrasounds - downsides

- Unusual imaging
- Orientation difficulties

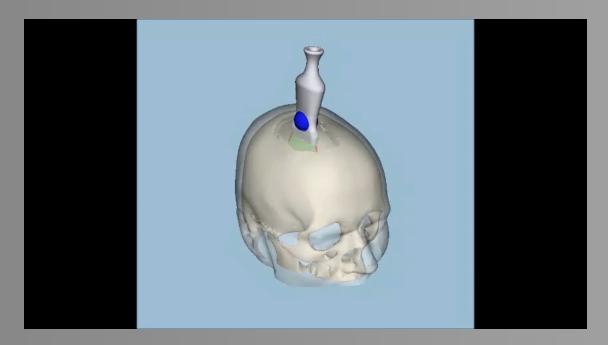


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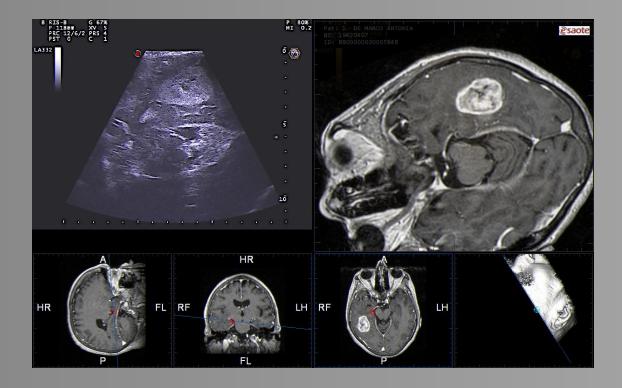
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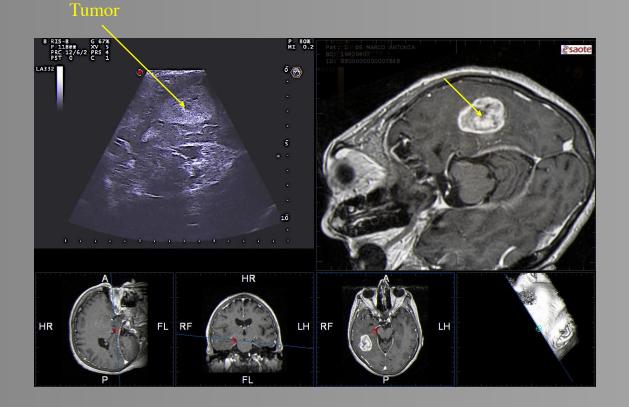
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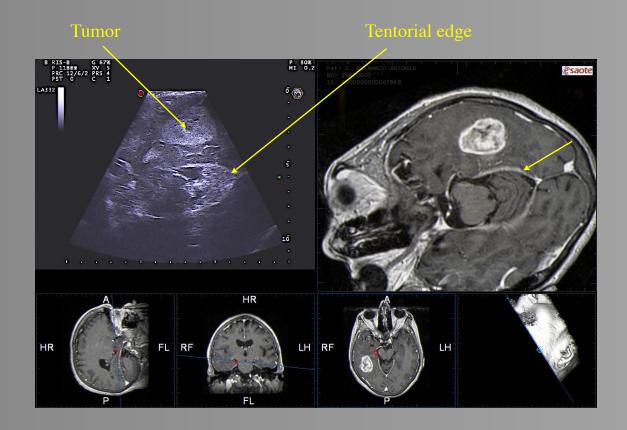
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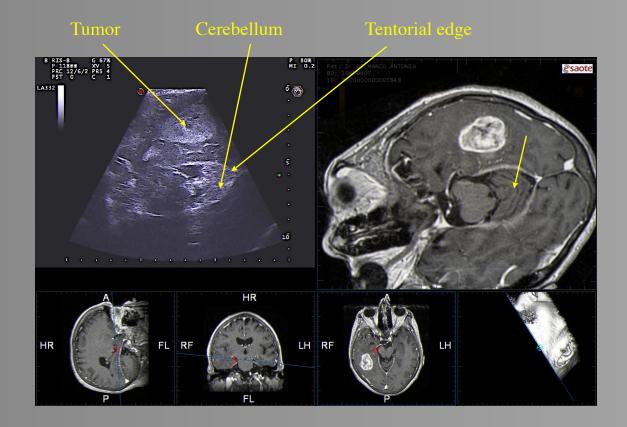


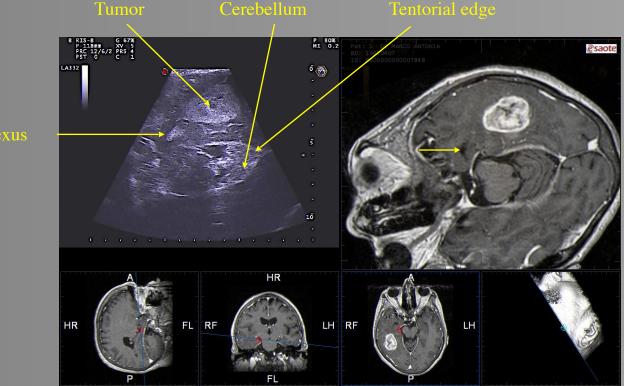




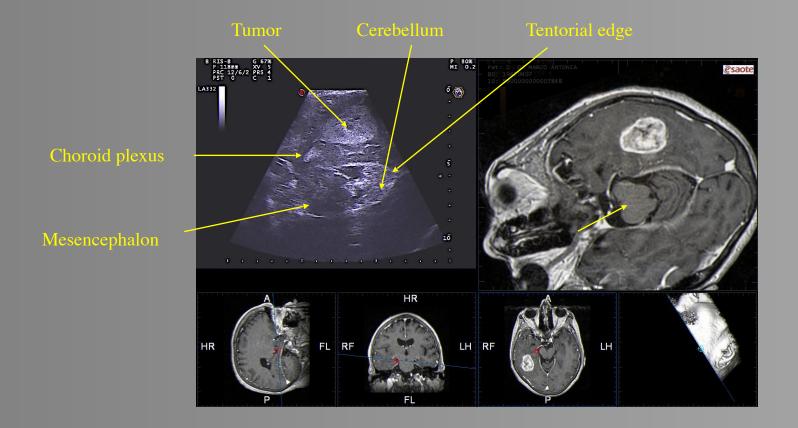


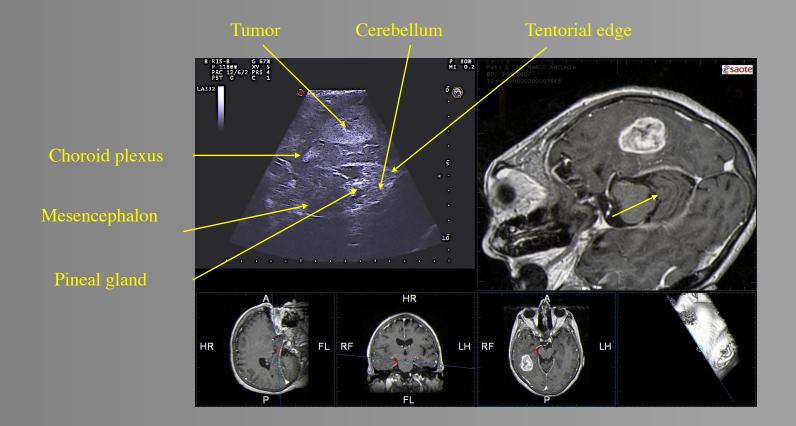




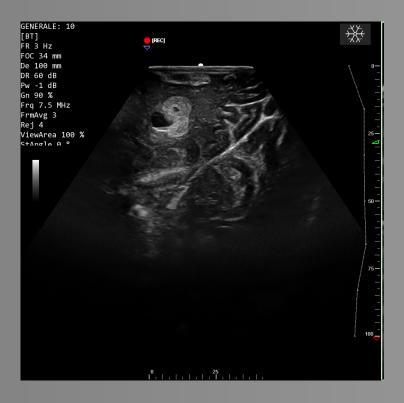


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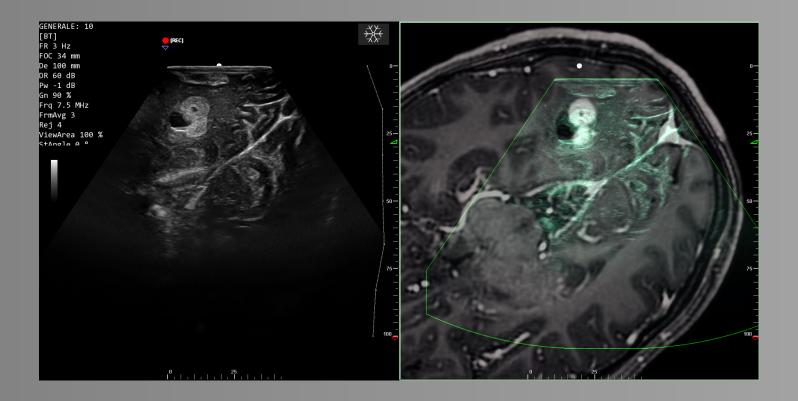




Real time images for anatomical landmarks identification

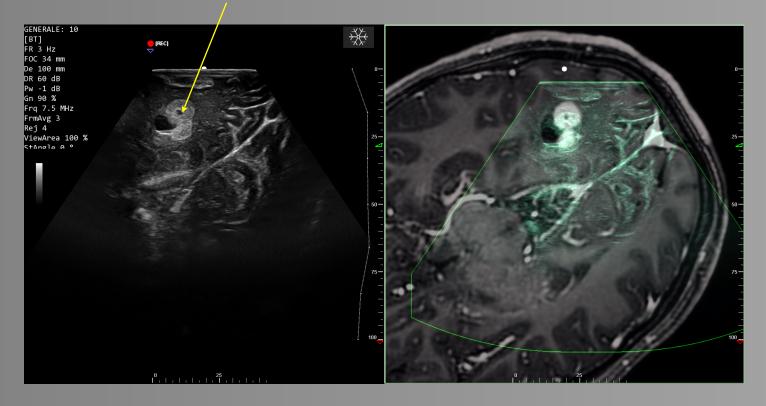


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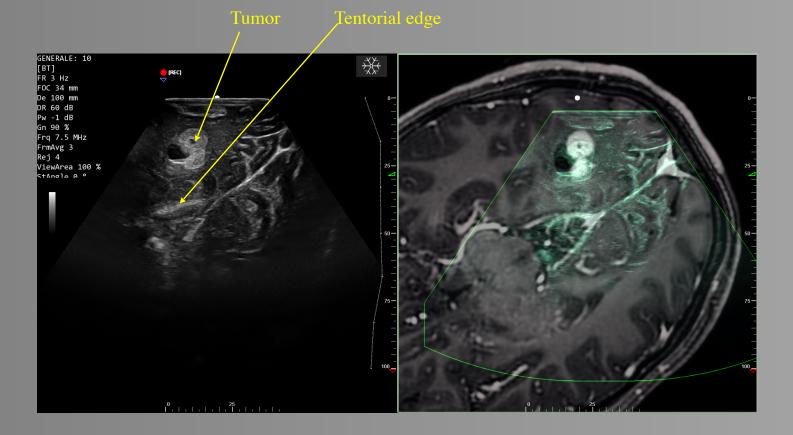


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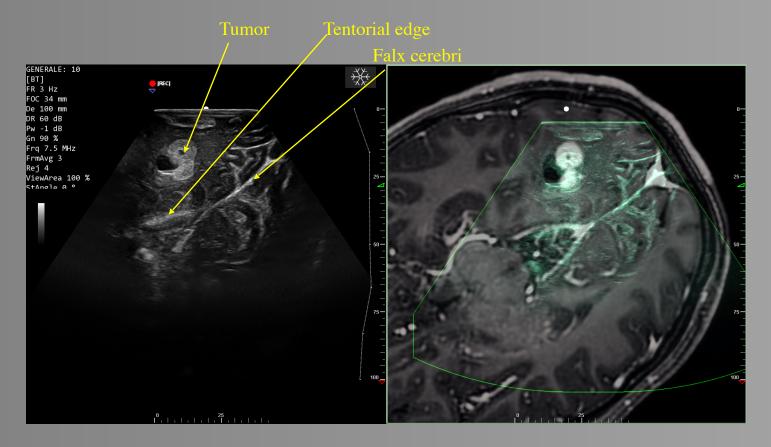
Tumor



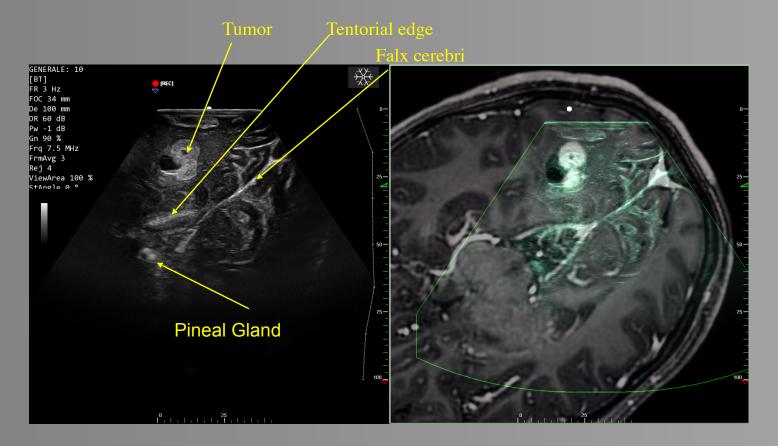
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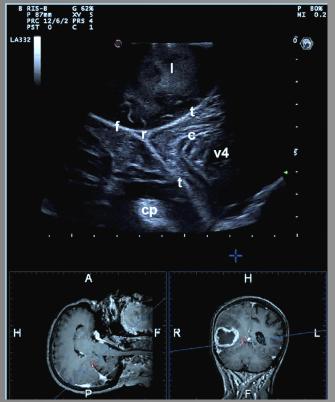
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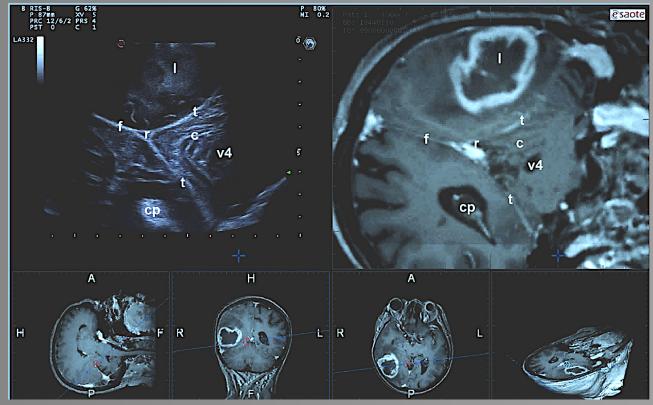
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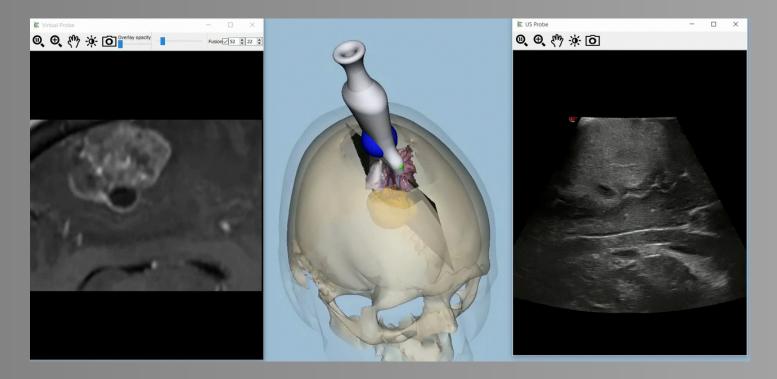
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Integrated Intra-operative MR/US neuronavigation

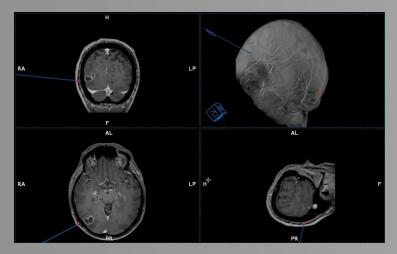


Integrated Intra-operative MR/US neuronavigation Surgical planning



Probe tracking Preop MRI and US imaging fusion Real-time intraop navigation



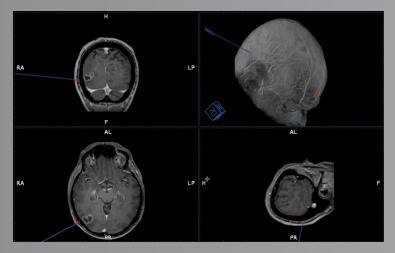


Integrated Intra-operative MR/US



Validation study:

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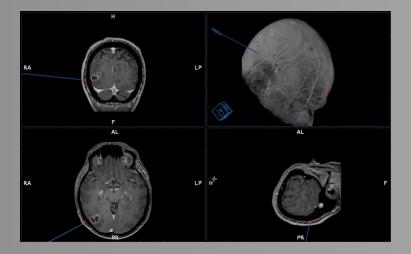


Integrated Intra-operative MR/US



Validation study:

- ✓ Registration error < 2mm
- ✓ Initial brain shift in all cases
- \checkmark > 4 mm in 48 cases



Integrated Intra-operative MR/US neuronavigation



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Validation study:

24 gliomas3 metastases11 meningiomas1 radionecrosis



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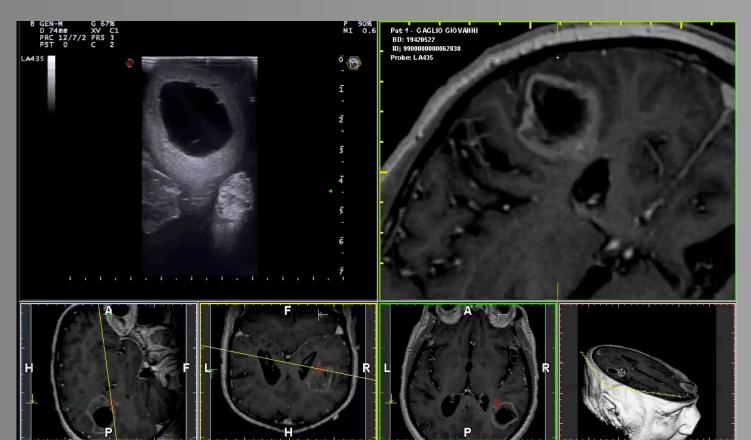
Registration error: < 1mm

Error after craniotomy: 2.5 mm

Brain shift after dural opening: 5 mm



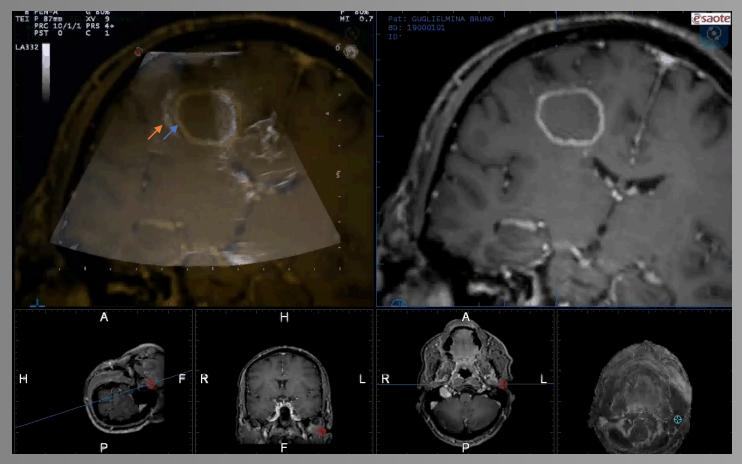
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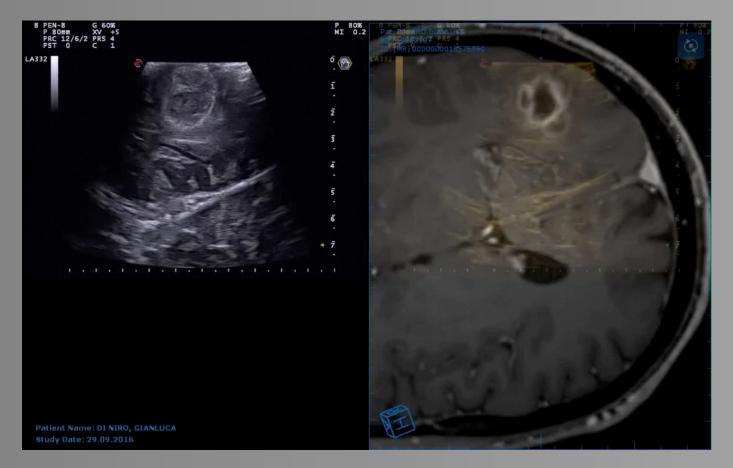
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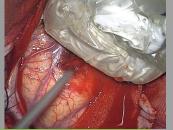
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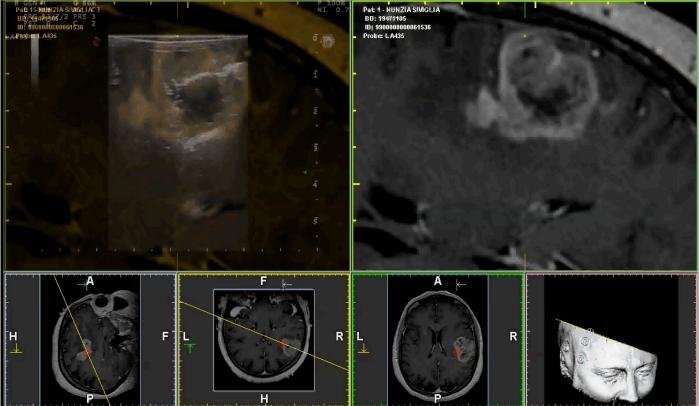


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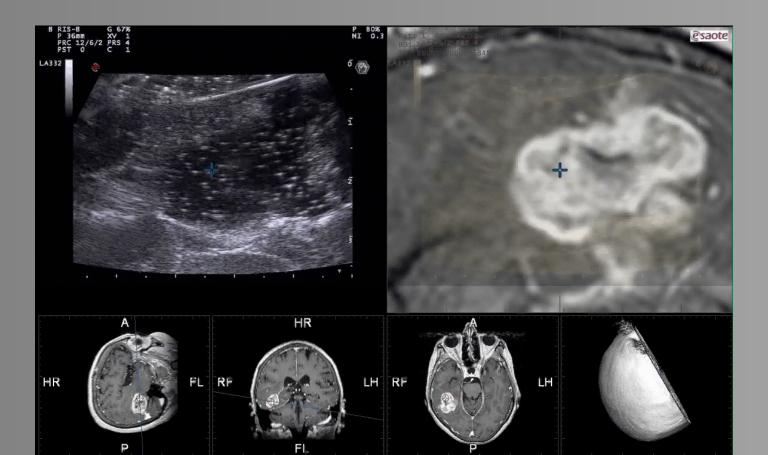


Resection control





Resection control



ioUS drawback: technical artifacts

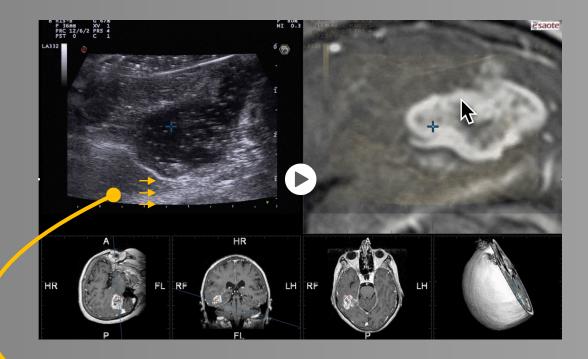
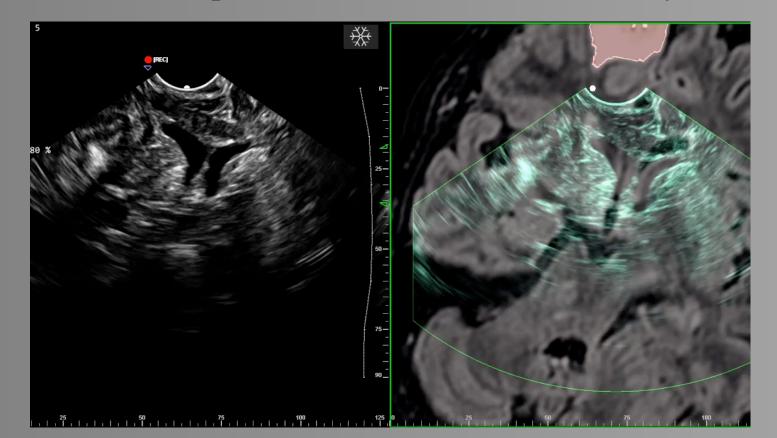


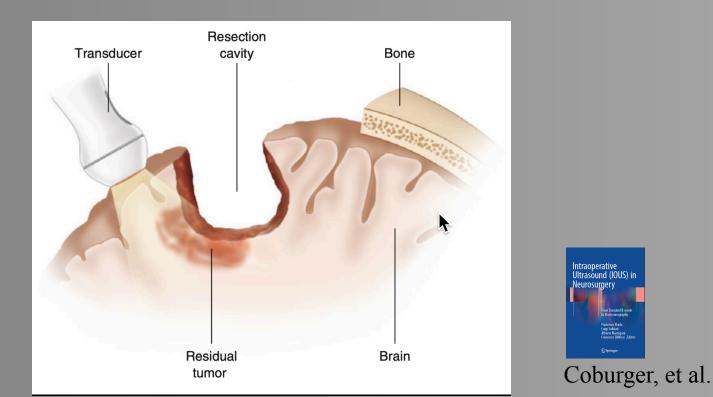
Image artifacts due to the acoustic properties of saline

Solution #1 smaller probe at the bottom of the cavity



Solution #2

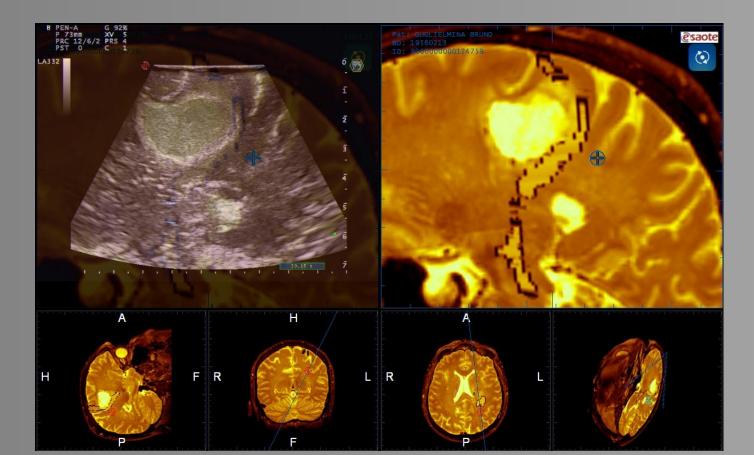
probe orientation avoiding the saline/brain interface



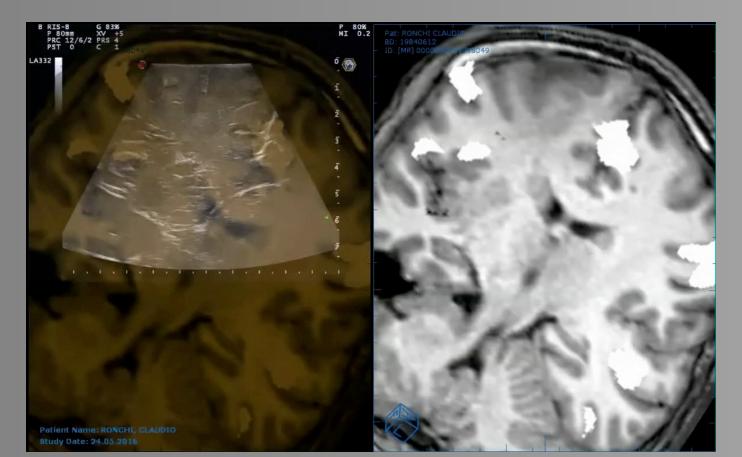
Solution #3

Fluids with acoustic properties coupling with brain parenchyma are currently under evaluation

US – MR DTI integrated neuronavigation



US – fMR DTI integrated neuronavigation



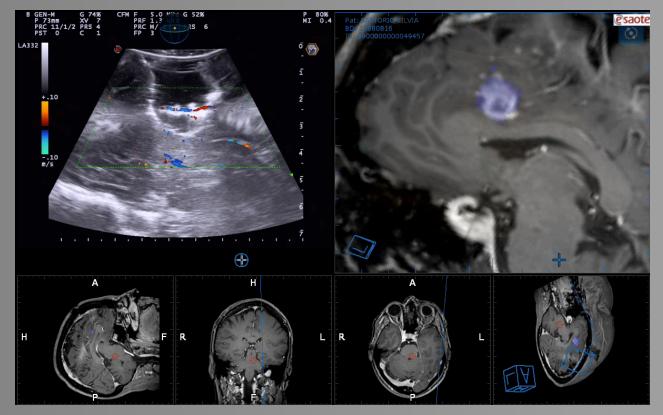
ioUS - Additional Features

- Doppler
- Elastosonography
- Contrast-enhanced Ultra-Sound (CEUS)

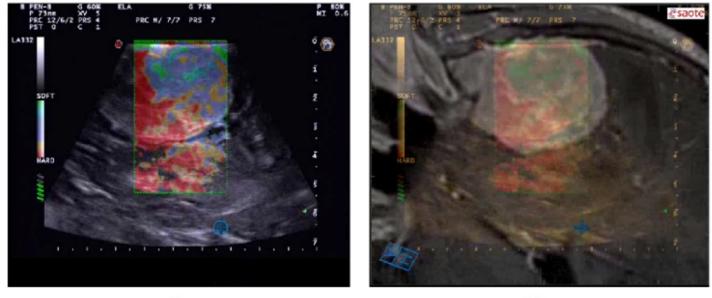
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ioUS - Additional Features 2 - Elastosonography



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ioUS - Additional Features 3 - CEUS

- Enhancing anatomical landmarks
- Hints about histology
- Angiosonography
- Identifying tumor remnants
- BBB disruption

ioUS - Not only Brain!

Spine

Intramedullary Cavernoma



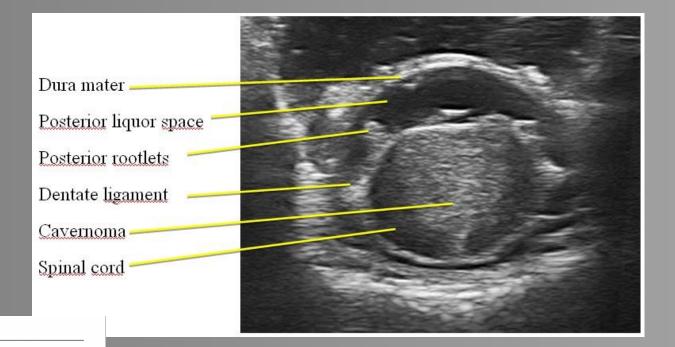
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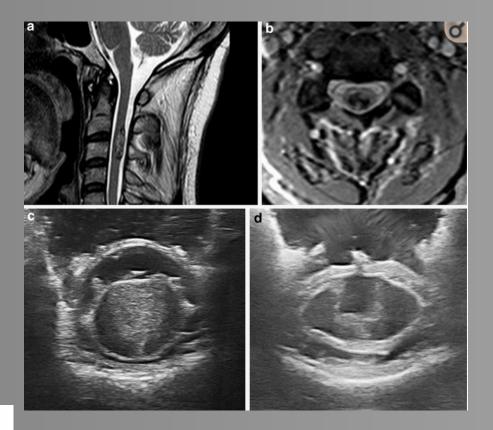
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Ependimoma



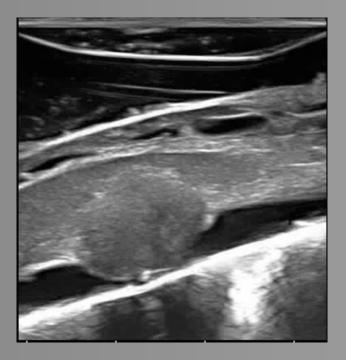
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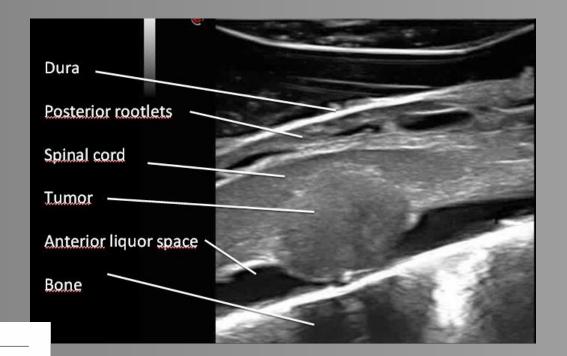
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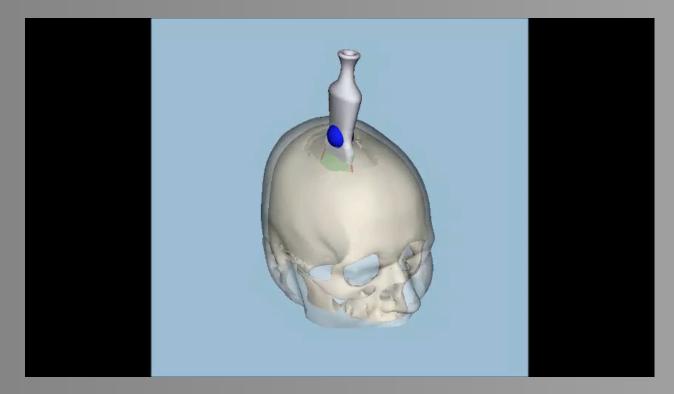


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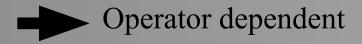


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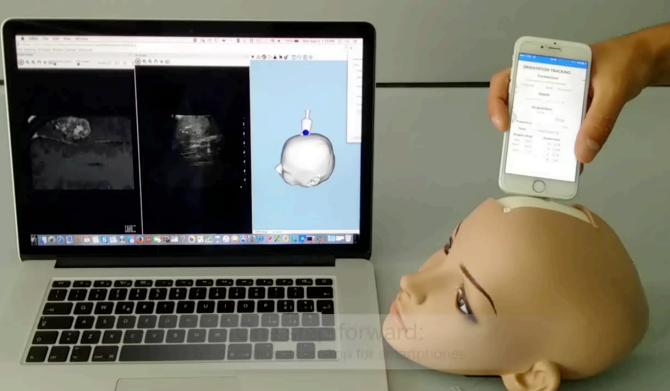
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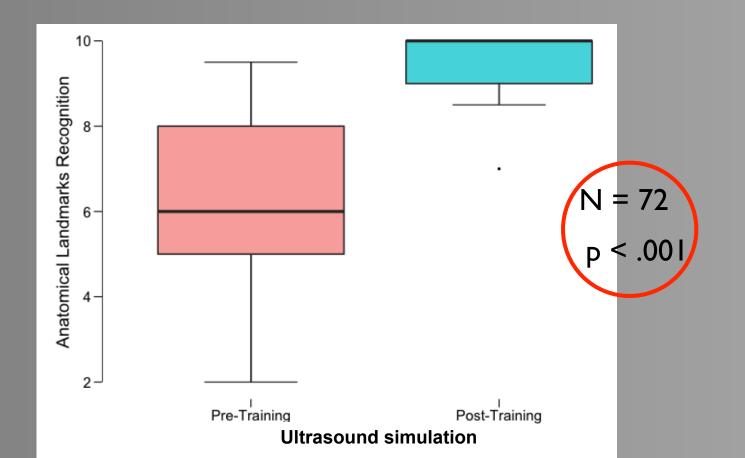
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ioUS - key points

- ioUS provides real time images
- Fusion of neuronavigation and ioUS helps to understand US semeiotics
- Fusion of neuronavigation and ioUS may correct the major drawback of neuronavigation: **the brain shift**
- Some anatomical landmarks have specific echoic characteristics
- US is a dynamic surgical tool, therefore scan the entire area moving and orienting the probe in all possible directions
- Exploit all US features (B-mode, doppler, CEUS, elastosonography)
- When possible, use tricks to overcome some drawbacks

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