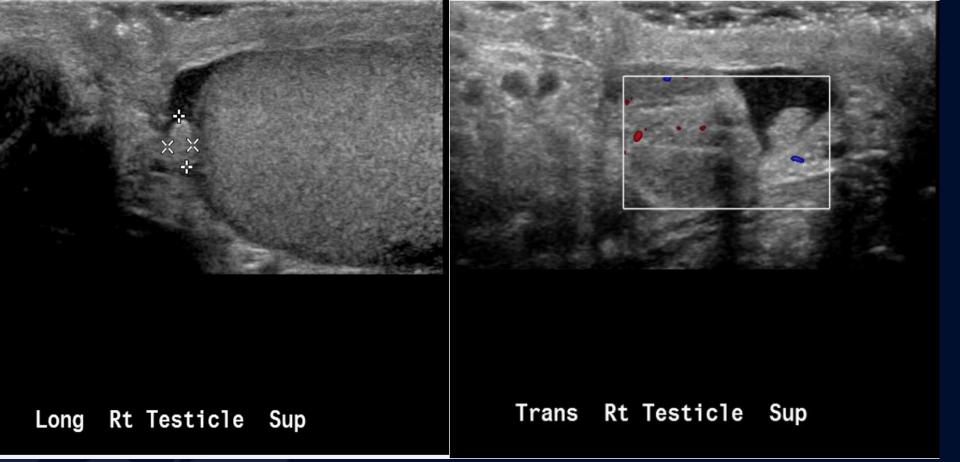
51 year old man, right testicular pain, currently being treated with antibiotics for 3 days. Status post left orchiectomy for a germ cell tumor performed in 2007

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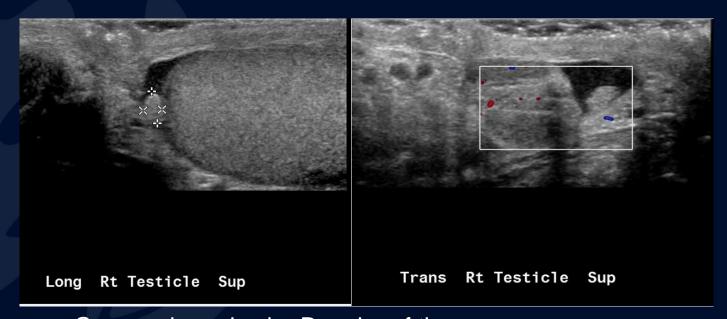




Torsion of Testicular Appendage



Torsion of testicular appendage



Gray scale and color Doppler of the of the right testicle demonstrates a well circumscribed testicular appendix with no color Doppler flow



Torsion of Testicular Appendage

- Imaging findings:
- Best diagnostic clue enlarged, spherical, hypoechoic, avascular nodule along testis or epididymis at site of patient pain + hyperemia of surrounding tissues.
- Ultrasound with Doppler best imaging modality > Classically, \(\psi\) or absent internal vascularity of torsed appendix with periappendiceal hyperemia
- On grayscale → Appendix size best indicator of torsion (> 5-6 mm acutely)
- Duration of symptoms determines echogenicity< 24 hours: Hypoechoic with salt & pepper pattern, > 24 hours: Hypo-, iso-, or hyperechoic



Torsion of Testicular Appendage

- Top Differential Diagnoses
 - Testicular torsion
 - Epididymoorchitis or orchitis
 - Isolated scrotal wall edema
 - Inguinal hernia complications
 - Testicular or paratesticular tumor
 - Testicular trauma
- Management
 - Self-limited illness, excellent prognosis
 - Conservative pain management

