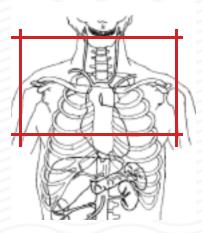
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MRI CHEST WITHOUT & WITH CONTRAST: Thoracic Outlet



| Indications | Thoracic outlet syndrome | | | | |
|------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Patient Position | Supine, arms adducted out of FOV | | | | |
| Contrast | Without and with | | | | |
| Respiration | Breath- hold should be encouraged | | | | |
| Scan Parameters | Center at aortic arch, body coil | | | | |
| Special notes | If unsure of scan parameters, check with Radiologist. | | | | |
| | PLACE IV in CONTRALATERAL extremity to symptoms | | | | |
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| PLANE | | Fat Sat | Mode | SLT/SP | FOV | NOTES |
|---|-----------------|------------|---------------------------------------|--------|-------------------|---|
| Coronal: HIGH RES | T1 WTSE | | | | fit to patient | |
| Axial: HIGH RES | T1 WTSE | | | | fit to patient | |
| Sagittal: HIGH RES | T1 WTSE | | | | fit to patient | |
| Axial 3D | 3D GRE | | | | fit to patient | BREATH HOLD |
| Coronal 3D | 3D MRA | | | | fit to patient | BREATH HOLD |
| Test bolus: Timed off aortic arch | | | | | | |
| Coronal + C | 3D MRA | | | | #1: at test bolus | BREATH HOLD |
| Coronal + C | 3D MRA | | | | #2: 12 sec delay | BREATH HOLD |
| Coronal + C | 3D MRA | | | | #3: 40 sec delay | BREATH HOLD |
| Axial + C | 3D MRA | | | | | BREATH HOLD |
| CHANGE PT Position: Arms ABDUCTED external rotation | | | | | | Repeat Variable scout |
| Coronal + C | 3D MRA | | 2 acquisitions | | | BREATH HOLD |
| Coronal + C | 3D MRA | | isotropic voxel, reduce voxel size | | | BREATH HOLD |
| Axial + C | 3D MRA - GRE | | volume interpolated GRE | | | BREATH HOLD |
| Sagittal + C HIGH RES | T1 WTSE | | | | | for assessment of brachial plexus compression |