

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

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Ultrasound assessment of Achilles enthesitis: a dedicated training program

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Supplementary Table 1. Image quality assessment: average score (0-10) given by the expert to the quality of the images acquired by the trainees.

	Trainee 1	Trainee 2	Trainee 3	Global
Day 1	5.75	4.50	5.50	5.25
Day 2	5.38	5.00	5.25	5.21
Day 3	6.13	5.63	5.75	5.83
Day 4	5.50	5.00	6.00	5.50
Day 5	6.38	5.50	5.75	5.88
P for trend	0.14	0.17	0.05	0.11

Average score ≥ 6 (bold) was reached in the third and fifth sessions by Trainee 1 and in the fourth session by Trainee 3. Trainee 2 did not reach an average score ≥ 6 .

Supplementary Table 2. Sonographer Reported Outcome questionnaire results (average of the three trainees).

	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3	Question 4
Day 1	4.7	4.8	5.0	4.8
Day 2	6.2	6.0	6.2	5.9
Day 3	6.5	6.3	7.2	6.3
Day 4	6.2	6.2	6.5	5.7
Day 5	6.8	6.7	7.3	6.1
p for trend	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	0.01

As “Question 4” the average of Questions 4.1-4.4 was considered.