





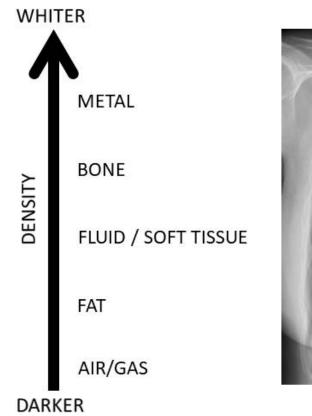
CENTRALIZATION

♦ PATIENT'S DATA (NAME, AGE, SEX, SMOKING, OCCUPATION)

CLINICAL HISTORY IN BRIEF



## **Conventional Radiography**





### Chest radiograph

### **PA POSITION/ORIENTATION**



Scp=scapulae, Cl=claviculae, C1-C4a=anterior arch ribs C1-C4, C2-C4p=posterior arch ribs T=traheea VCS=superior cava vein APd=right pulmonary artery APs=left pulmonary artery AD=right atrium BAo=aortic knuckle VS=left ventricle HDdr/HDstg=right/left hemidiaphragme



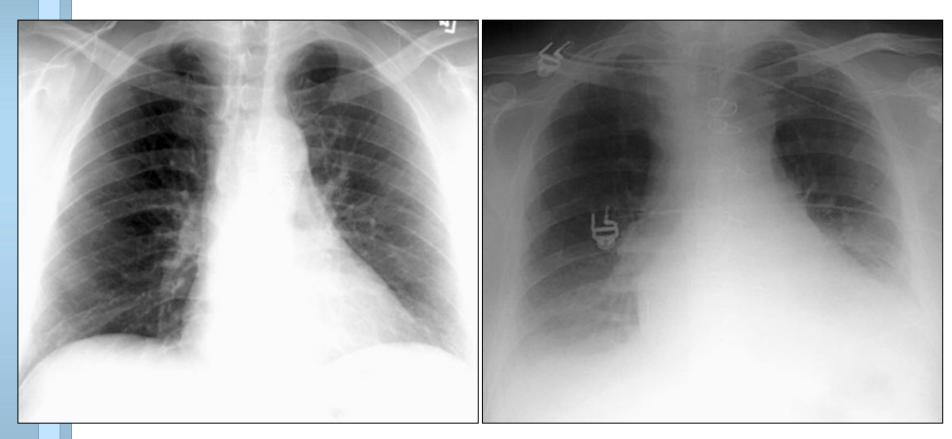
- Aortic knuckle
- Waist of the heart.
- Gas bubbles of the stomach



### **AP POSITION/ORIENTATION**

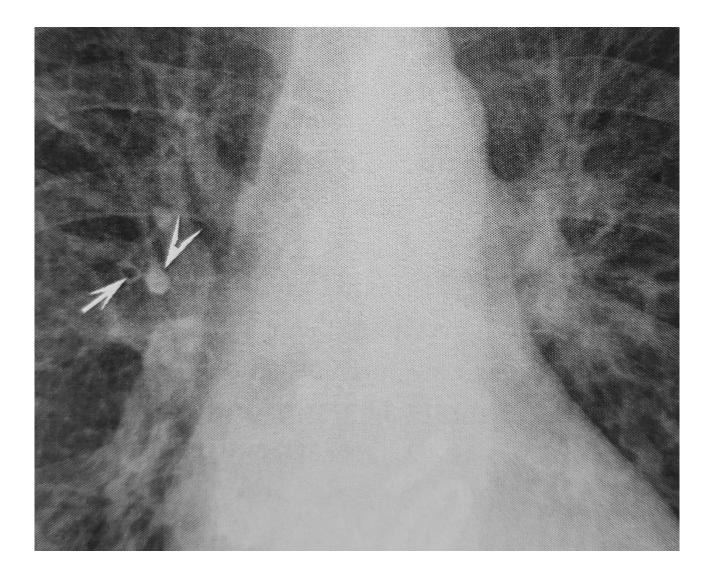






AP

### **"BROKEN GLASSES"**



### **GENERAL CRITERIA**

## **Bit-by-bit checklist**

Trachea

Mediastinum

Heart

Cardio-phrenic angles

Diaphragm

Costo-phrenic angles

Lungs

Bony cage

Lateral film, if present

Other findings

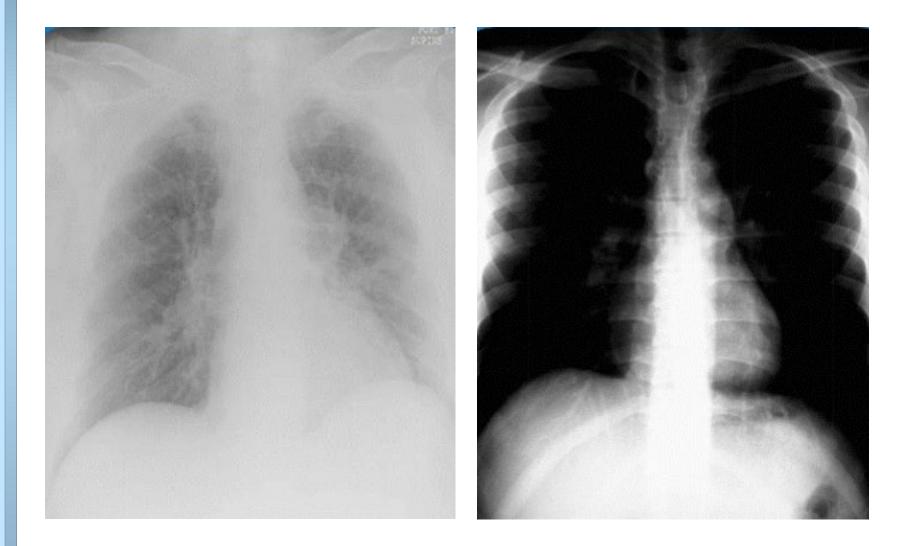
## **GENERAL CRITERIA**



- Penetration through trachea transparency only see the first three, four thoracic vertebrae - the dorsal spine is not seen due to mediastinal opacity
- An adequate contrast between lung fields radiolucency and mediastinal opacity
- Centralization Sterno-clavicular joints (radiolucent joint spaces) must be equal and symmetrical and mediastinal opacity must be located on the midline
- The **scapulae** must not overlap the lung fields
- Lung fields must be contained entirely on the x-ray (including tops, bases, regions or costo-diaphragmatic sinuses);

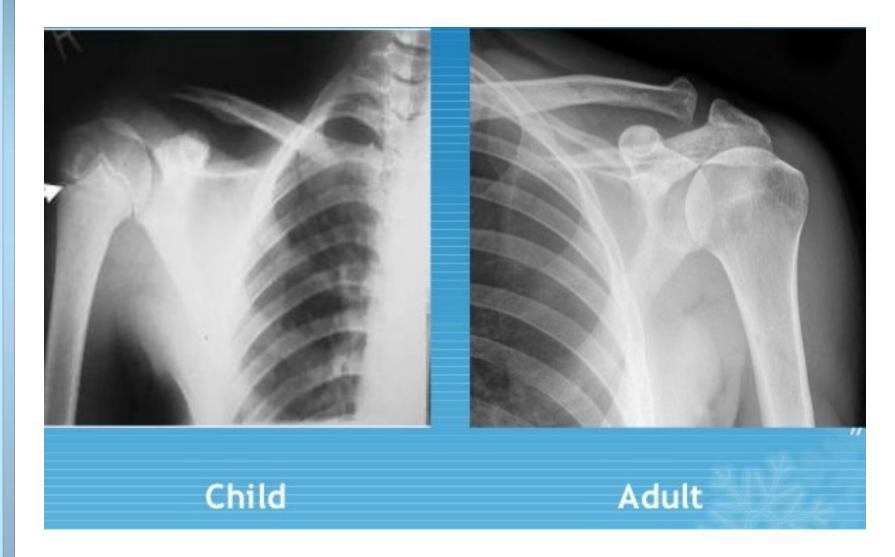


## PENETRATION

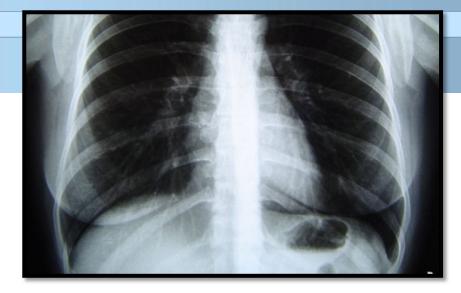


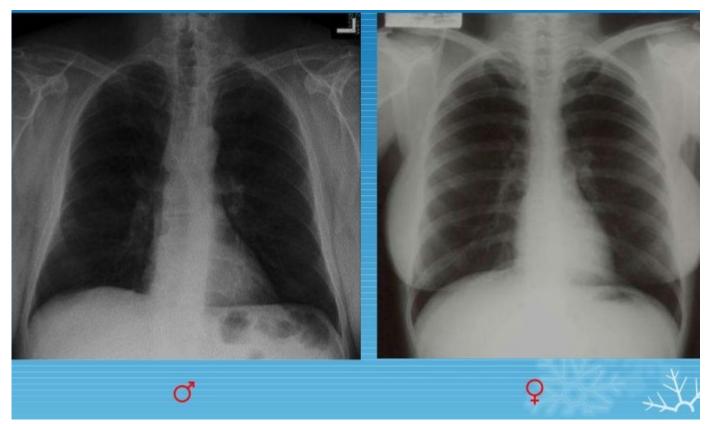


## **CHILD OR ADULT?**

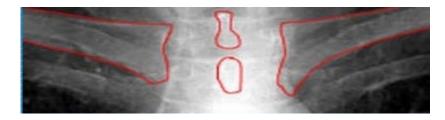


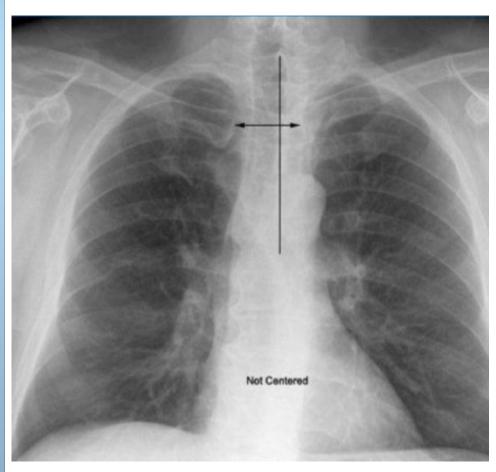
### MALE OR FEMALE?



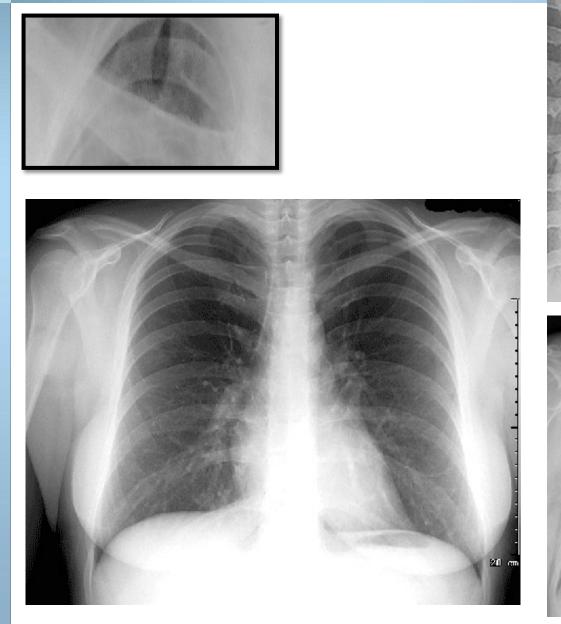


## **CENTRALIZED OR ROTATED?**



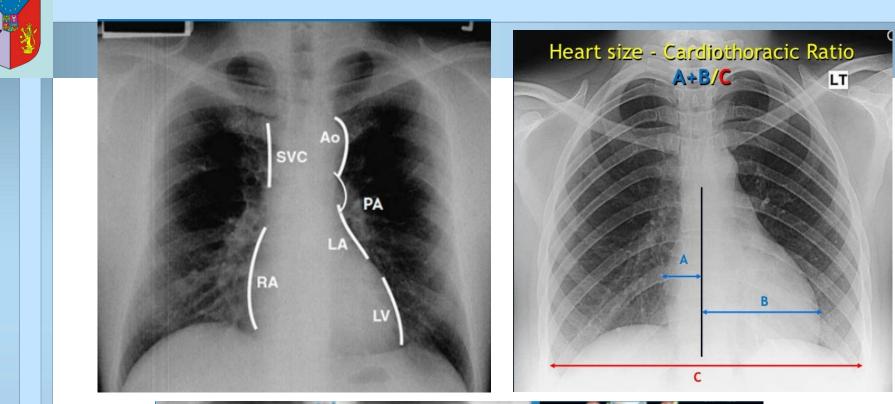


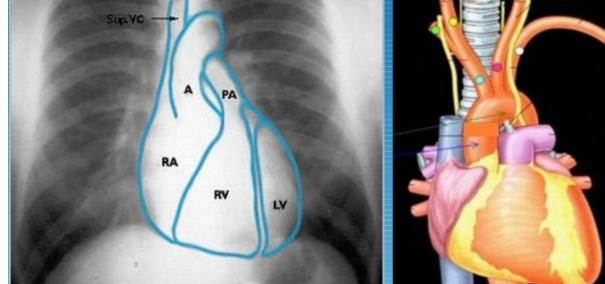












### LATERAL POSITION/ORIENTATION



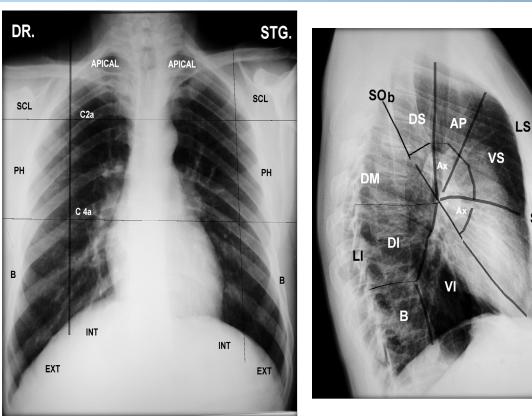
SCRST=retrosternal space, SCRC=retrocardiac space, San=breast St=sternum VD=right ventricle AP=pulmonary artery AS=let atrium VS=left ventricle AoASC=ascending aorta; TAP=pulmonary artery trunk; AoCr=aortic crosa HDS/HDD= left/right hemidiaphragma SCDP=posterior costo-diaphragmatic sinus



## **SEMIOLOGY OPACITY**

# *Semiologic features:* NFLDSICR

- Number;
- Form (SHAPE)
- Localization
- Dimensions
- Structure
- Opacity intensities
- Outline (contur)
- *Relationship* with neighbourng structures



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## **SEMIOLOGY CIRCUMSCRIBED LUCENCY**

- number
- localization
- dimensions
- form round ones: air cyst, emphysema bulbs, tertiary cavity or irregular form: neoplasic cavities, growing bacillary cavities.
- opaque ring circumscribing the image: internal outline, external outline, thickness, its continuity.
- **Ring law** the thicker the ring circumscribing a hypertransparence image, reduced intensity and more diffuse external outline, the more increased evolutive potential the lesion gets; if the ring gets a clear outline, thinner and more intense, evolutive potential is more reduced (chronic lesion).





## **SEMIOLOGY MIXED LESIONS**

- number
- localization
- dimension
- form round/oval: unilocular abscesses, irregular multilocullar abscesses
- separation limit horizontal or waved (opened hydatic cyst).

