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## **ARDMS Launches Web-Based Practice Exams**

(ROCKVILLE, MD, May 19, 2003) – To assist ultrasound professionals in making the best possible preparation for its certification examinations, the American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (ARDMS) today announces the launch of new Web-based practice examinations.

The first practice examination to debut online was the Ultrasound Physics & Instrumentation Exam, followed by the Cardiovascular Principles & Instrumentation Physics Exam. The Vascular Physical Principles and Instrumentation Examination, along with specialty-practice examinations, will be available shortly.

Each practice exam consists of 30 questions. The exams are very much like the real ARDMS tests in the selection of the content areas covered, as well as the style of the questions included. The pace of the actual ARDMS tests is also simulated in the practice examinations. Test-takers have exactly 30 minutes to finish the 30-question practice exam.

The test-taker's results on the practice examination are provided as soon as they finish the exam. The results report highlights any particular areas of weakness revealed by the pattern of incorrect answers on the practice examination.

Because they are available online, the practice examinations can be taken any time, any place. Students can take any given test as many as three times, so they can continue to fine-tune their ultrasound knowledge and test-taking skills.

"These practice examinations will be an invaluable tool for anyone who wants to learn about ultrasound," notes ARDMS Chair Kari Boyce.

The practice examination on Ultrasound Physics & Instrumentation was selected as the first online Practice Examination, because it is often the test that causes the greatest concern for ARDMS applicants.

To access the new practice examinations, go to the ARDMS Web site, at [www.ardms.org](http://www.ardms.org).

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The American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (ARDMS), incorporated in June 1975, is an independent, nonprofit organization that administers examinations and awards credentials in the areas of diagnostic medical sonography, diagnostic cardiac sonography, vascular technology, and ophthalmic biometry. Recognition of ARDMS practices in providing these credentials has earned ARDMS Category A membership in the National Commission for Certifying Agencies.

To date, ARDMS has certified more than 42,000 individuals in the U.S. and Canada, and throughout the world.