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## **Personal Reflection:**

Angiosome targeted fem-distal bypass surgery - It was interesting to read this from a sonography point of view. The findings here demonstrate the importance of looking at all distal vessels for patency as if one is not patent, there may be other viable options for revascularisation. This perhaps adds weight to the argument for including peroneal distal arteries in our scans and this is something I will raise to discuss in a sonographer staff meeting.

Graduated compression stockings - This paper explains why we have been seeing less postsurgery patients wearing compression stockings when they attend for a scan. The cost-saving implications for this piece of work are huge. Some patient education may be required as there is probably some expectation to be provided with stockings following surgery. This is useful research to be aware of as some patients attending for DVT scans may ask why they were not offered compression stockings after their surgery.