

## **PERIPHERAL VASCULAR CAROTID DOPPLER ECHOGRAPHY**

Like the heart, the major vessels, especially the ones closer to the surface, can also be effectively explored by means of echography. It is therefore possible to detect the presence of anomalies in the walls of the vessels (plaques), which may cause obstructions in the blood-flow.

This examination is very important for the carotid, because it makes it possible to check the arteries which convey blood to the head, and which are largely responsible for strokes, as well as those that lead to the lower limbs, which can be the cause of reduced mobility. The vascular doppler is also useful in ascertaining the correct functioning of the veins.

This also is an examination which is entirely harmless, non-invasive, without pain, and it may be repeated without consequences.