Configurable Systems for Evoked Response Audiometry





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# Frequency specific measurement of hearing thresholds

The objective determination of frequency specific hearing thresholds gains increasing importance within auditory evoked potentials measurements. It is crucial to know the exact threshold curve for hearing aid fitting purposes as well as for cochlear implantation decisions. Nowadays, different methods are available.

#### Chirp-ABR

The Chirp-Stimulus generates an optimized synchronous excitation of neurons in all regions of the basilar membrane. The stimulus structure also allows modifications to excite predefined regions in the Cochlea. The application of the Low-Chirp (100 – 800 Hz) and the High-Chirp (1 kHz – 10 kHz) provides the possibility of an objective assessment of the hearing threshold in the respective frequency range.

#### Notched-Noise-ABR

The Notched-Noise-Technology uses specific masking with noise that shows a notch in its spectrum. A tone pulse with the respective frequency is embedded into the notch of the masking noise. The evoked potential is frequency specific since all but the frequency area of the tone pulse are desynchronized on the Cochlea.

#### Auditory steady-state response (ASSR)

The acoustic stimulation is performed by an amplitude modulated continuous tone.

The amplitude of the carrier frequency varies in a sinusoidal manner with the modulation frequency. This steady tone variation elicits a periodic response signal whose frequency follows the amplitude variation of the stimulus carrier. Specific statistic tests are used to objectively detected the evoked response.



### **Corona – free configurable ABR-System**

The measurement of Acoustic Brain Responses (ABR) is a basic diagnostic tool in the daily audiologic routine. ABR can be used to detect disorders from the peripheral hearing organ to the neural pathway.

Especially to meet these demanding applications in clinics and private practices the ABR device "Corona" was been developed. One or two channel versions are offered to match different requirements.

Besides standard ABR, middle latency potential (MLP) and late response measurements, methods for the frequency specific threshold determination are available, including Notched-Noise techniques, ASSR and Chirp-ABR. Stimulus rate, stimulus polarity, analysis time and other parameters can be selected. Measurement sequences can be stored and re-used for other measurements.

The universal concept allows to grade up the system with additional options at any time.

Furthermore, bone conduction stimulation and VEMPapplication are possible as well as other special options.

The devices are easy to use because of a user friendly handling and the availability of all necessary parameters.

## **Technical Data**



#### MAX. STIMULUS LEVEL

- Stimulation 100 dBHL
- Masking White Noise max.: 70 dBHL

#### FILTERS

ABR	30 Hz 3000 Hz
	150 Hz 3000 Hz
MLR	30 Hz 300 Hz
VEMP	90 HZ 300 Hz
LLR	0,3 Hz 30 Hz

#### REPETITION RATE 0,2 Hz .. 90Hz

#### **STIMULI**

Click	150 µs
Gauss	2 ms (0,5, 1, 2, 3, 4 kHz)
Burst	320 ms (0,5, 1, 2, 3, 4 KHz)
Wave	Arbitrary stimulus in wav-file
ASSR	Amplitude-modulated sinewave
	(carrier: 0,5; 1; 2; 4kHz;
	modulation: 80-90Hz)

#### Distribution

PREAMPLIFIER SENSITIVITY				
	300 µVss			
INPUT IMPEDANCE	10 MOhm			
INPUT NOISE LEVEL	< 0,8 µV			
ADU-CHANNELS	2			
ADU-RESOLUTION	16 Bit			
ADU-ACQUISITION RATE	20 kHz			
ANALYSIS TIME				
Screening-ABR	16 ms			
ABR	20 ms			

#### System Modules

80 ms

800 ms



VEMP/MLR

LLR

2. Channel