

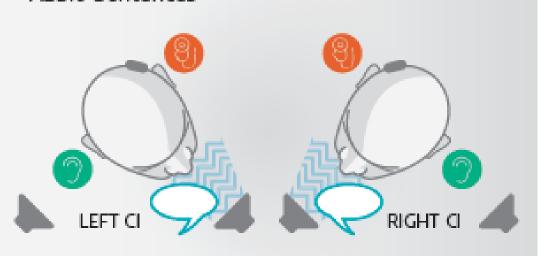
Binaural Summation

A function of central auditory processing in which the listener perceives increased sound intensity when both ears are presented with a similar signal versus either ear alone.

Does having two ears improve performance over listening with one ear alone, when speech and noise are presented from the front?

TEST MATERIAL

AzBio Sentences



Summation is assessed by:

- Speech front, noise front with CI on
- Speech front, noise front with CI off
- Benefit is quantified as amount of improvement with CI on

when it matters MOST

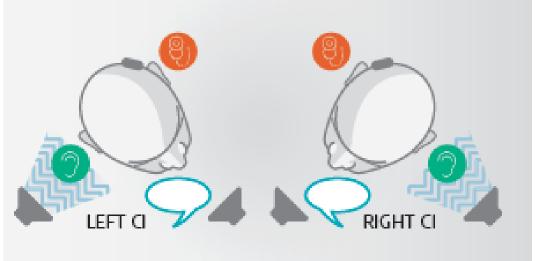


Head Shadow Benefit

Head shadow occurs when the mass of the head creates an acoustic shadow preventing sound presented on one side from reaching the opposite side.

Is performance improved when noise is on the side of the NE?

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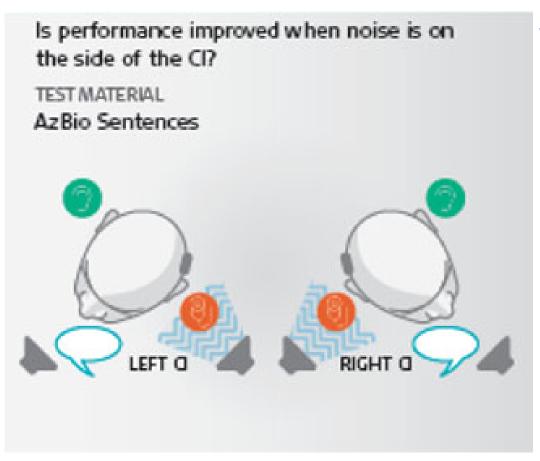
The Head Shadow Effect is assessed by:

- Speech front, noise to NE with CI on
- Speech front, noise to NE side with CI off
- Benefit is quantified as the amount of improvement with the CI on se Sunnybrook



Squelch

Requires central auditory processing to differentiate meaningful sound from background noise by comparing input from both sides.



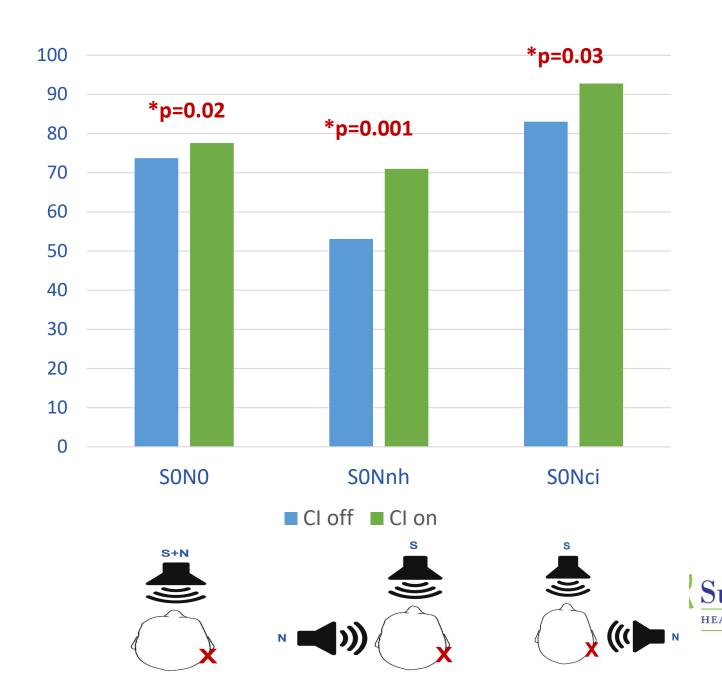
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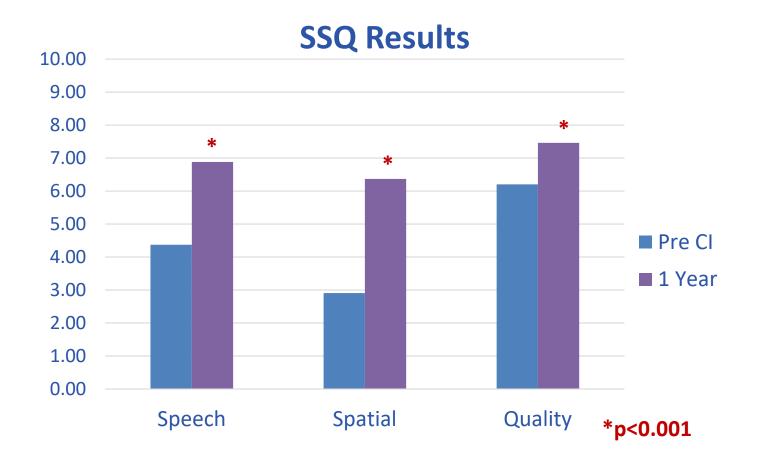
Spatial Hearing



 $\begin{array}{c} \text{when it } matters \\ MOST \end{array}$

TEWE =

Speech, Spatial, Qualities Questionnaire





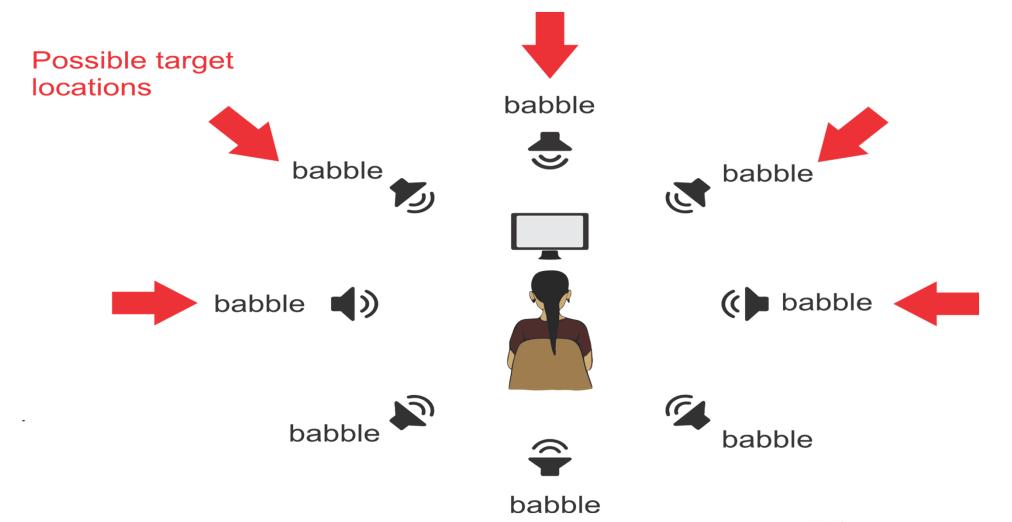
Tinnitus Handicap Inventory





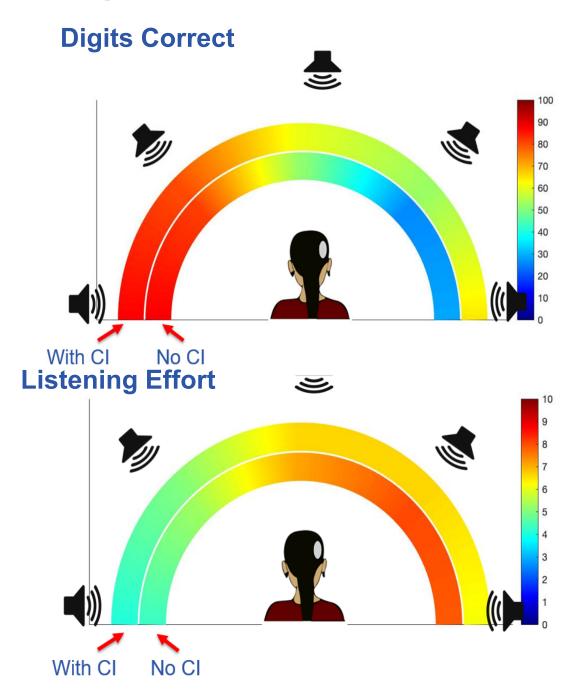


Listening Effort





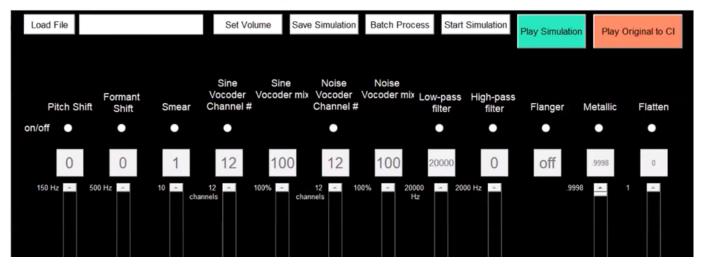
Hearing Performance and Listening Effort





What Does a Cochlear Implant Sound Like?

Experimenter's console

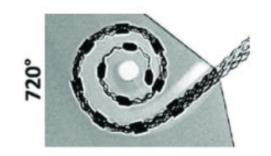






Do you like camping?

The sun is finally shining.









Conclusion

The provision of cochlear implants for SSD has been proven to be a successful treatment option to restore the benefits of binaural sound processing

- better localization for most but not all not to the same degree as natural hearing
- more balanced sound improved listening effort
- Improved listening in noise but still challenging
- Improved hearing in the implant ear but not to the level of the normal ear (AzBio ranges 0%-98%)
- Potential of tinnitus suppression
- Need for longer term rehab.
- Importance of consistent use



Questions?

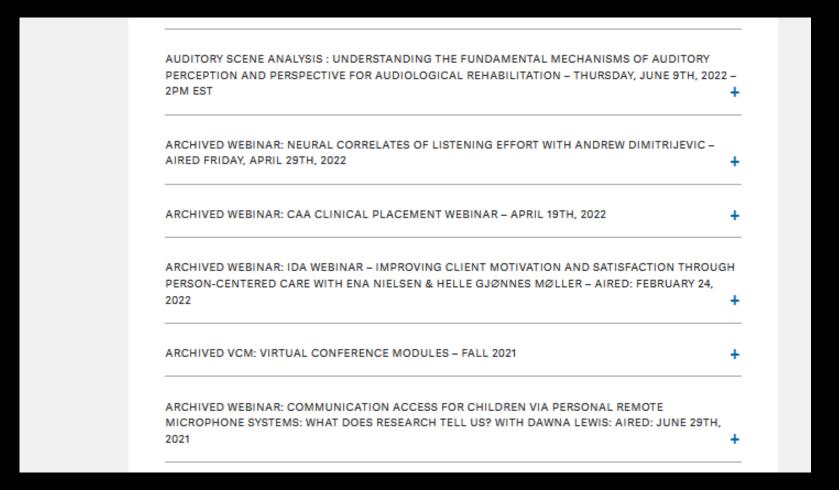
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