



Introducing

Ponto 3

The Definition of Power

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Objectives

- Learners will gain knowledge on current Oticon Medical Ponto processors.
- Learners will gain knowledge on fitting range of processors and candidacy.
- Learners will gain knowledge on bone conduction output versus air conduction output.

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**Output –
more loud
and soft
sounds**



**Bandwidth -
greater range of
high and low
tones**



**Clarity -
without
distortion**



These are all at core of our development and the fundamentals
for delivering Ponto Sound Quality.

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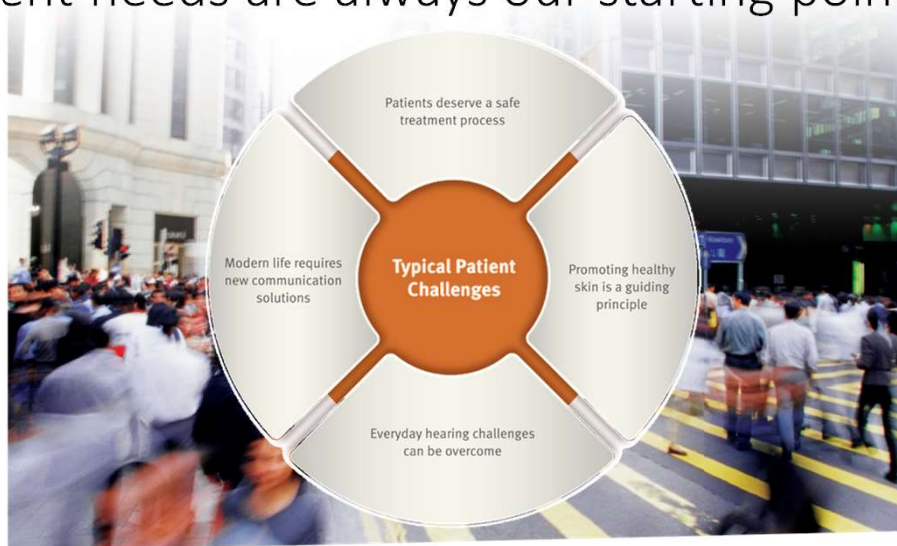


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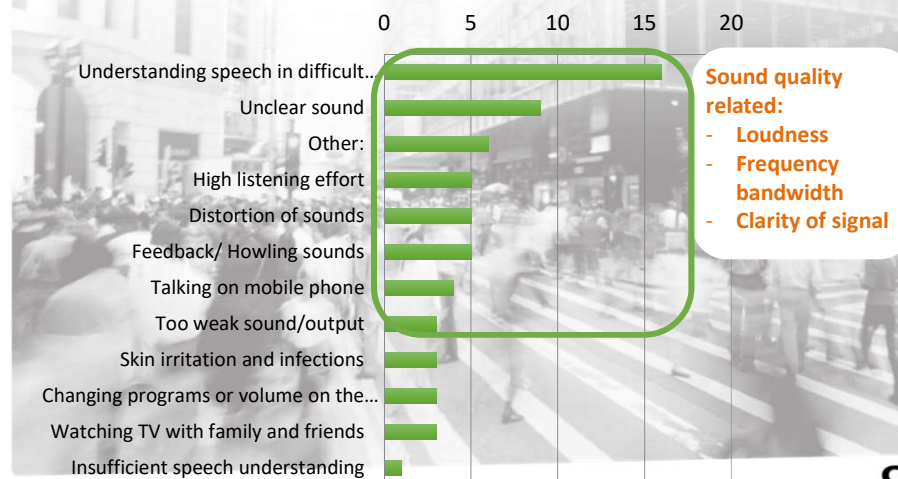
INIUM Sense Oticon BrainHearing™ Technology

Patient needs are always our starting point



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Question: Prioritize the following challenges from your point of view

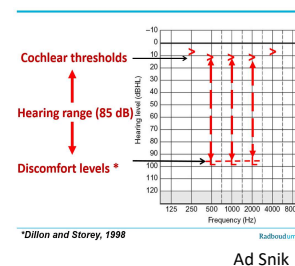
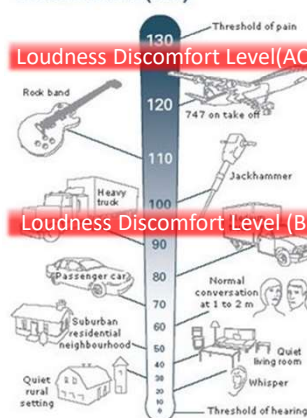


Results from internal research interviews.

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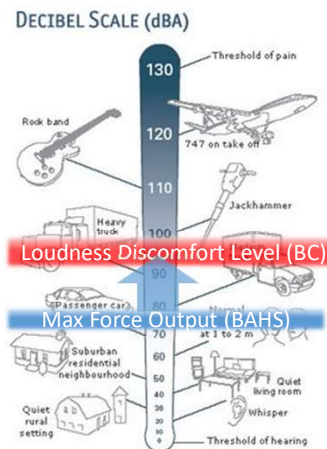


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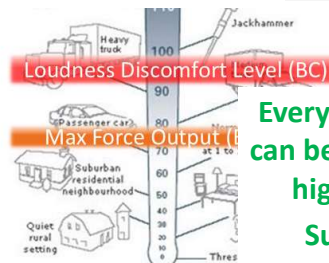
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To be associated with ...

- High max. force output (MFO)



Every BAHS patient
can benefit from the
higher MFO in
SuperPower

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as we know it in traditional hearing aids

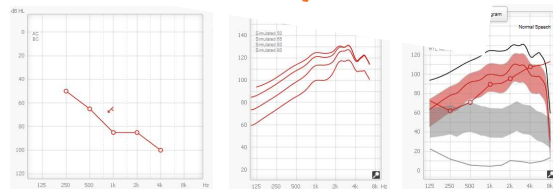
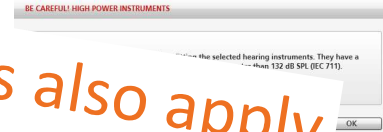


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Associated with ...

- High max. pow
- Big hearing losses

Does this also apply to BAHs?

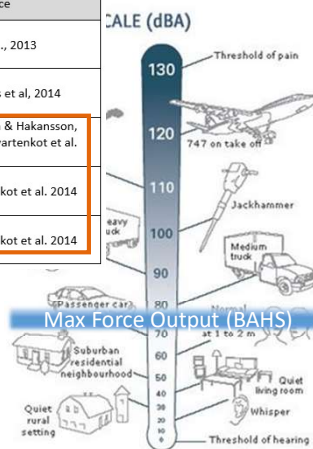


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Objective measurement of the MPO of several hearing devices

Device	Measured MPO	Reference
Sophono Alpha 1	56 dB HL	Hol et al., 2013
Bonebridge	65 dB HL	Mertens et al, 2014
Standard Baha Divino / BP100	67-69 dB HL	Carlsson & Hakansson, 1997 Zwartenkot et al. 2014
Ponto Pro	67-69 dB HL	Zwartenkot et al. 2014
Baha Cordelle	80 dB HL	Zwartenkot et al. 2014

<http://www.snikimplants.nl>

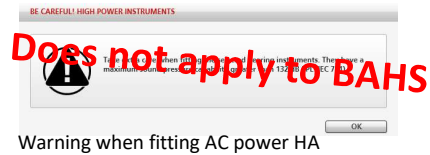


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What about the risk of using a SuperPower device?

- BAHS's **MFO** is well below patients' LDL
- So no risk of "over-fitting" by using a BAHS Power device



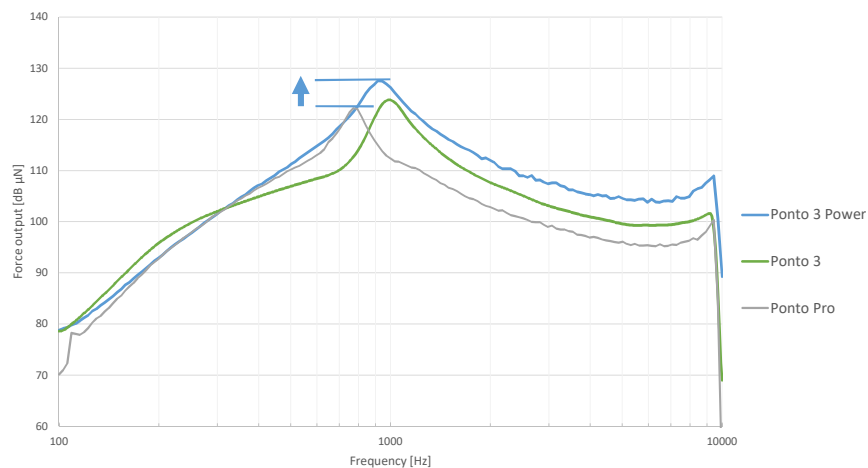
- **Gain** is prescribed to HL (and can be set low enough)
- Patient can max turn up volume 10 dB
- So no risk of "over-amplification"

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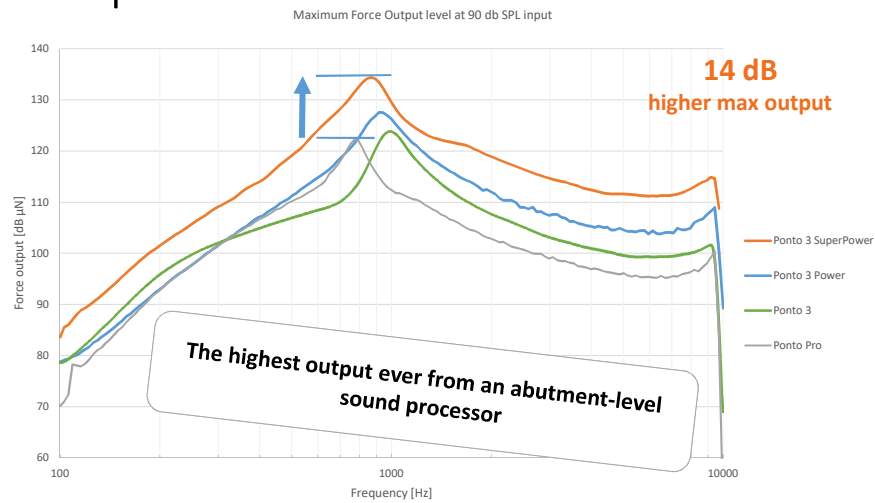
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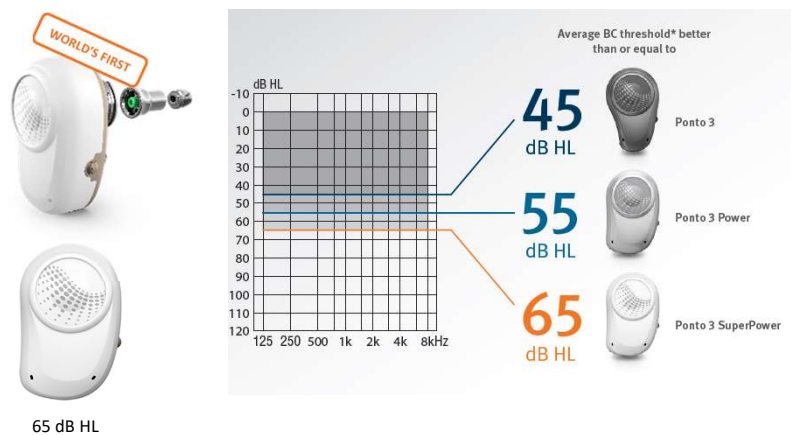
Maximum Force Output level at 90 dB SPL input



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- Ponto 3 SuperPower max output made possible by a combination of:



- Step-up Transducer technology



SUPERPOWER MAX
OUTPUT 135 dB μ N



- INIUM Sense platform technology

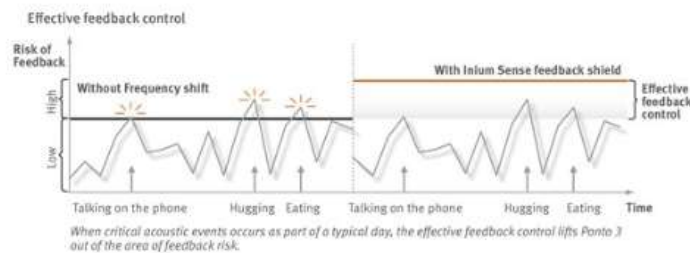
- Battery management

UltraDrive™ technology together with the INIUM Sense platform boost the signal to the transducer while minimizing the risk of feedback.

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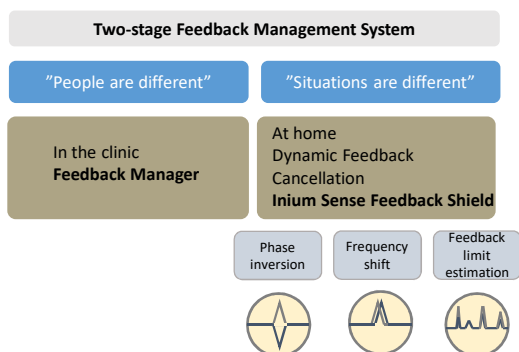
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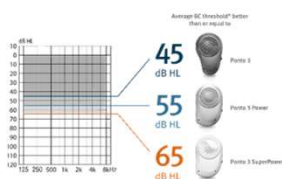
- INIUM Sense Feedback Management;

- Minimizes the risk of feedback
- Allows for high amplification



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The fitting range is not the whole story....



All candidates benefit from more power and higher output –
LOUD sounds should sound LOUD!

- Softband and headband users - remember skin attenuation
- For SSD - to match their normal loudness perception in best ear
- For more moderate / severe loss
- For progressive loss - remember longevity



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- **All** candidates benefit from higher output.
LOUD sounds should sound LOUD

- Softband and head band users – the perceived loudest sound is, due to skin attenuation, weaker as compared to abutment solutions.
 - SuperPower will be better at compensating for the loss
- SSD patients - best ear has normal LDL, sound from the device should match it.
- Patients with conductive and mixed hearing losses



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Ponto 3 SuperPower is not a niche product!

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- Ponto 3 SuperPower combines a discreet-, small design and a battery that lasts.
- Abutment-level processor - no strings or need for any bulky ear- or body-worn devices



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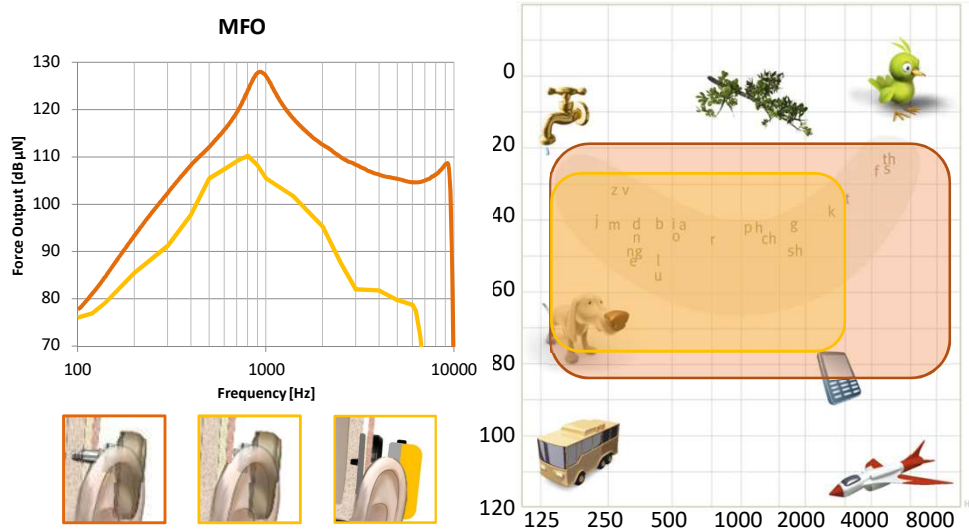
Direct Drive versus Skin Drive

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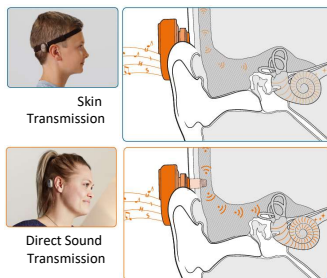
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Direct drive vs. skin drive

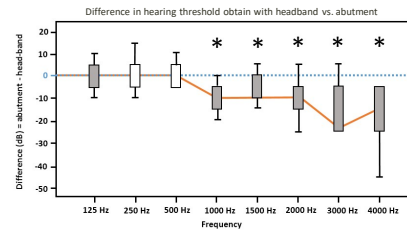


Benefits of Direct Sound Transmission

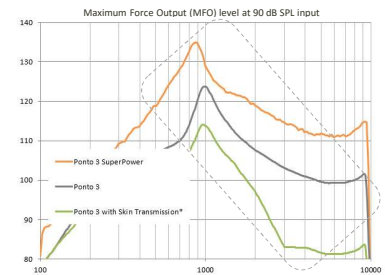
- Sounds are attenuated in Skin Transmission solutions – even with Softband correction.



- Direct Sound Transmission systems can provide an extra 10-20 dB of output in the mid to high frequency range.⁵



- The mid to high frequency range contains the most important sound information for speech understanding.



* MFO of Ponto 3 corrected by Skin Transmission dampening as measured in ref 5.

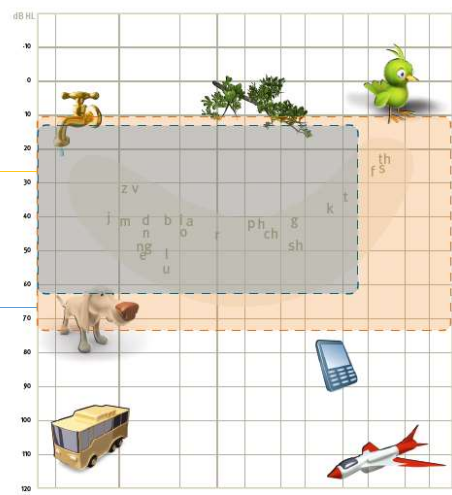
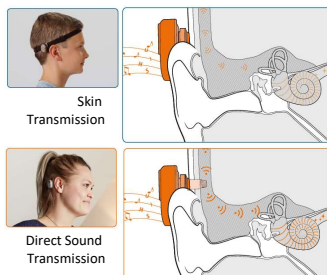
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5. Verstraeten et al (2008) Comparison of the audiologic results obtained with the bone-anchored hearing aid attached to the headband, the testband and to the 'snap' abutment. *Otology & Neurology* 30: 70-75

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Direct drive vs. skin drive

- Consequence of skin attenuation of speech phonemes

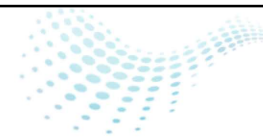


Hear the difference between Direct Sound
Transmission and Skin Transmission systems

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Learn faster – A test of learning speed¹



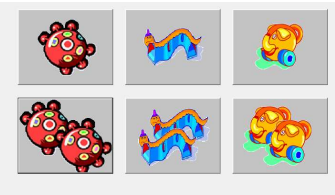
ASU Arizona State University



- Principal investigator:
Prof. Andrea Pittman
- Participants:
17 children (mean age: 11 years old);
16 with conductive hearing loss,
1 SSD.



- Conditions:
Power version of Ponto optimally
fitted on abutment and softband.



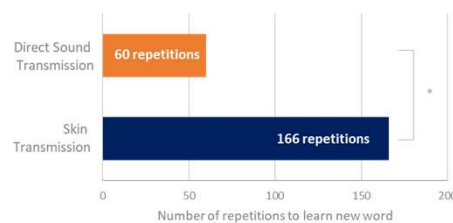
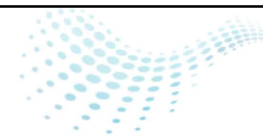
- Task:
Listen to and learn six new words.

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¹ Pittman, A. L. Bone conduction amplification in children: Stimulation via a percutaneous abutment vs. a transcutaneous softband. *Ear Hear* (under review).

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Learn faster – 2.5 x faster learning¹



Children learn new words
2.5 x faster
using a system with
Direct Sound Transmission
compared to a solution
with Skin Transmission.¹

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Direct drive vs. skin drive



- Principal investigators:
Prof. Thomas Lunner & Oticon Medical
- Participants:
16 adults (mean age: 58 years old)
with conductive or mixed hearing loss



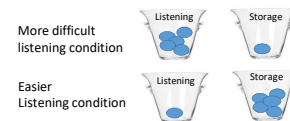
- Conditions:
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- Everybody wears **sunglasses**.
- He is still lying on the **sofa**.
- The student will write a long **report**.
- The whole town came to the **wedding**.
- His daughter wants to go to **college**.
- Yesterday was the film's **premiere**.
- The factory port was not **closed**.

Translated from Danish.

- Task:
Recall words after listening to 7
sentences (SWIR test⁴)



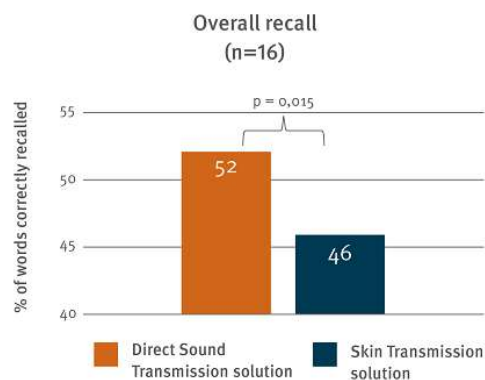
Remember more – A memory and recall test²

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13% relative improvement in
recall performance with
Direct Sound Transmission.
Fewer resources are needed
to process the signal, and
more resources can be used
for remembering.²

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Fitting Examples

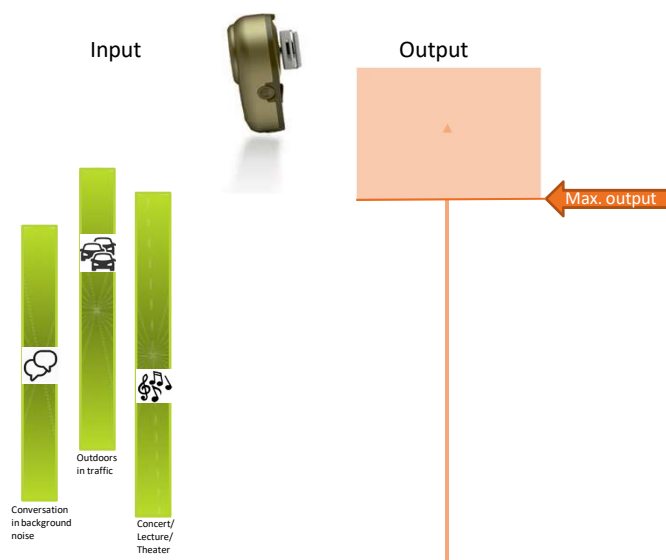
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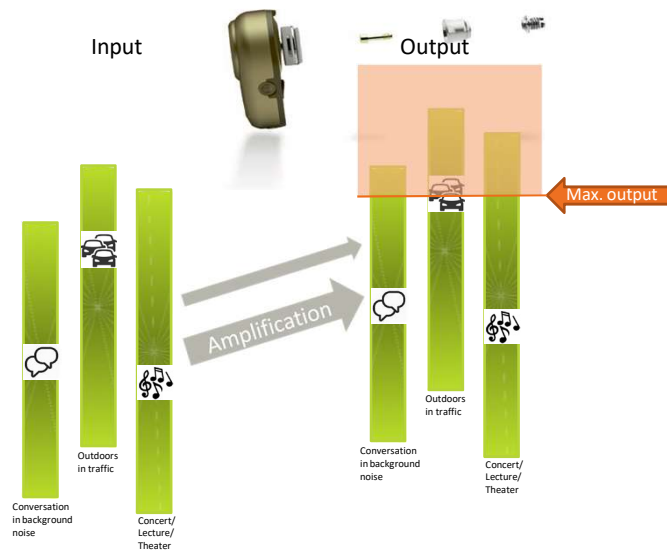
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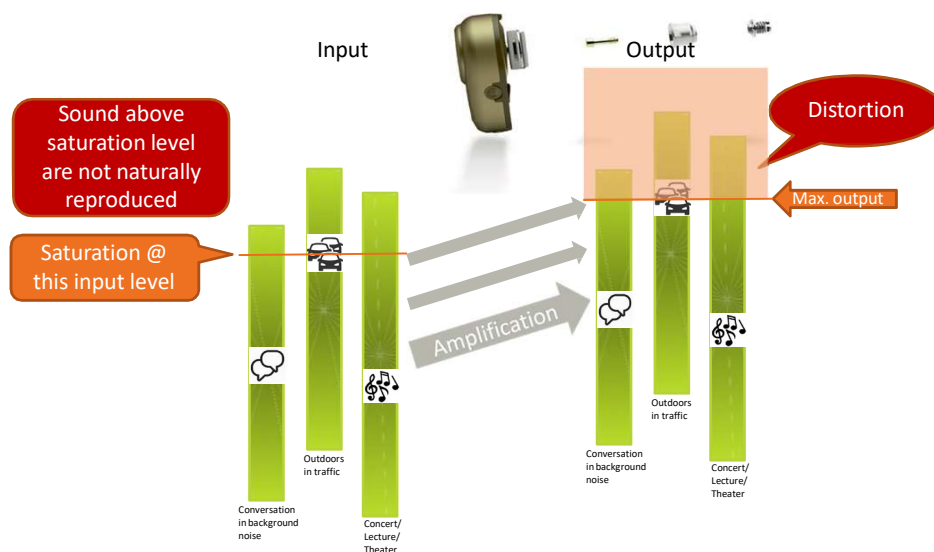
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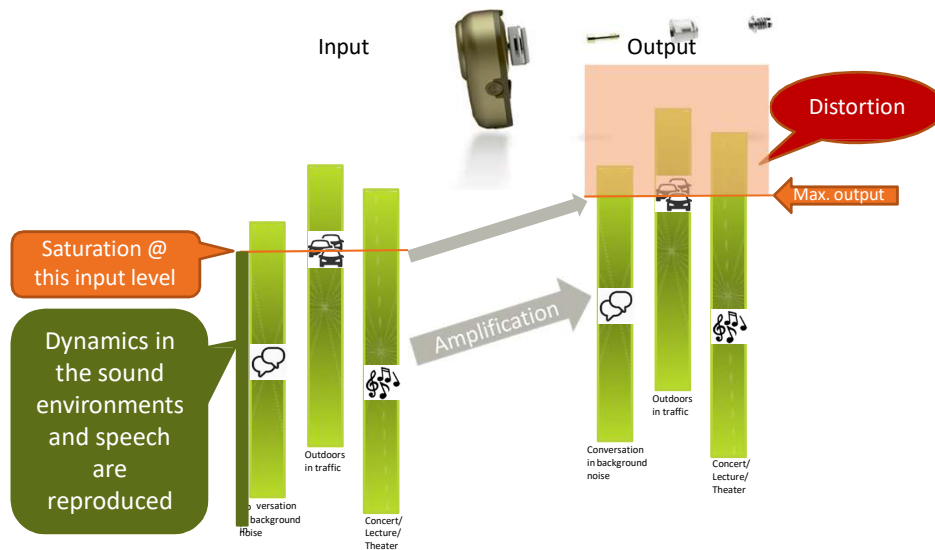
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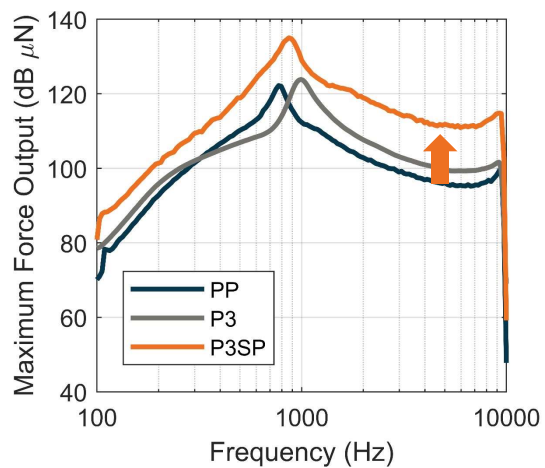
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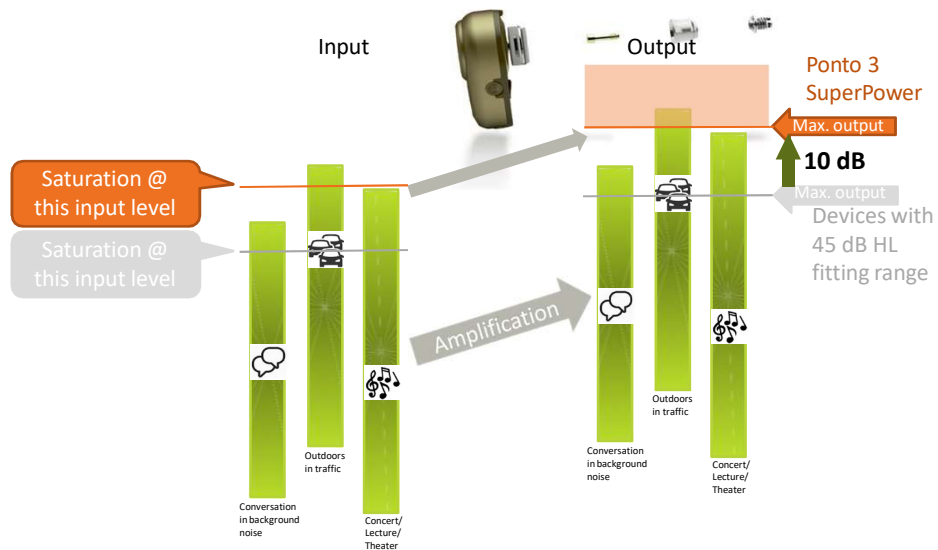
Ponto 3 SuperPower (P3SP)

Ponto 3 (P3)

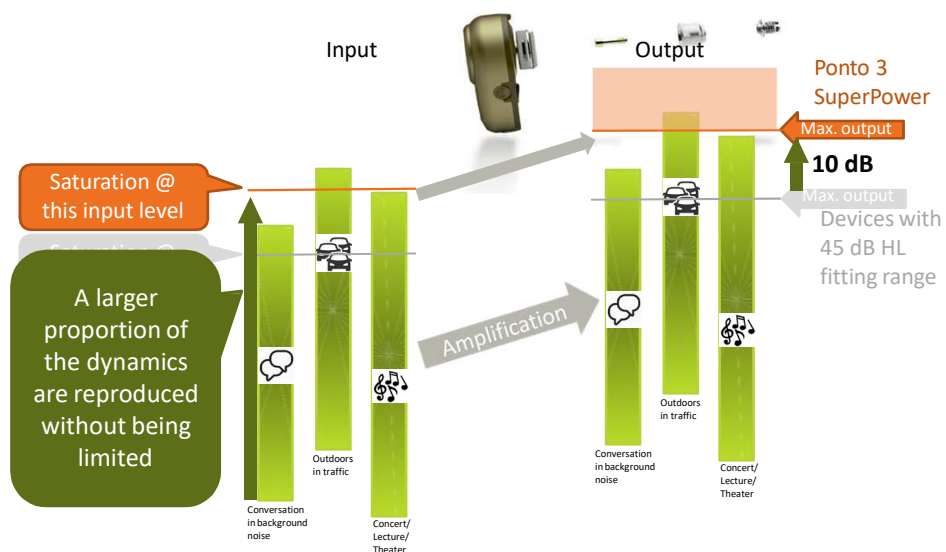
Pro Pro (PP)



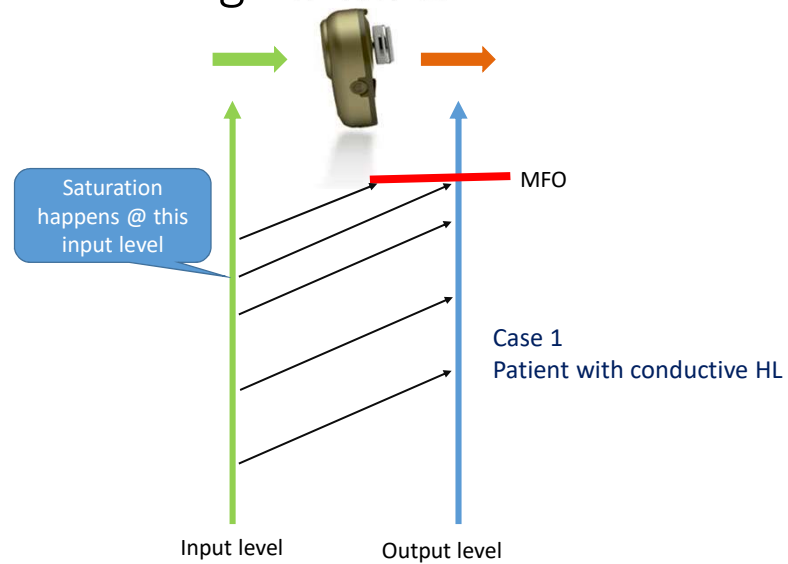
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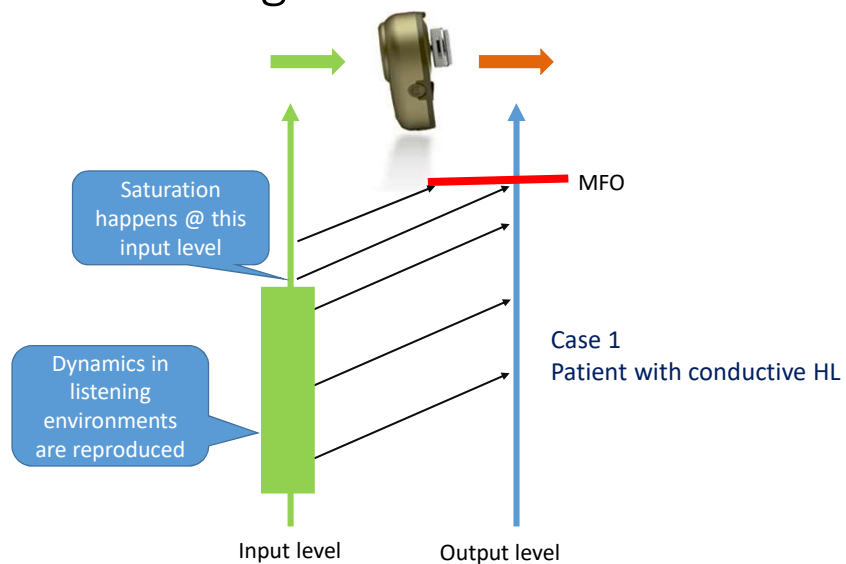
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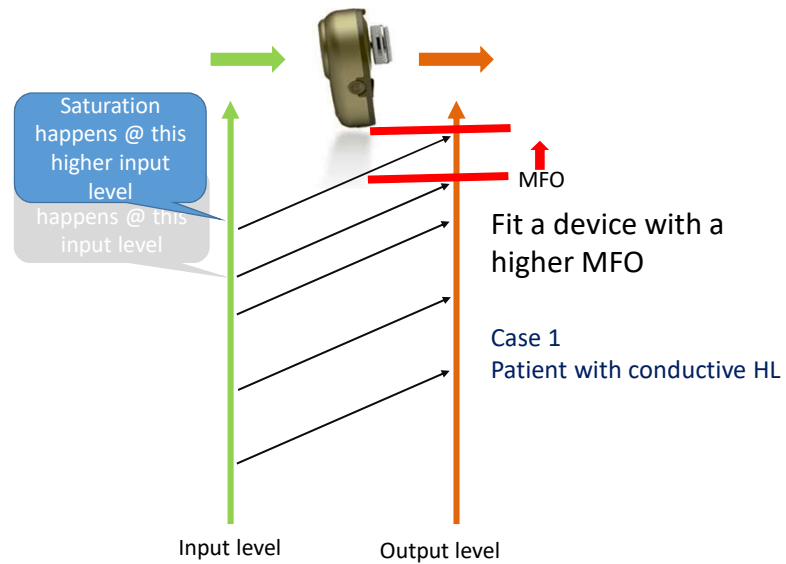
Using a BAHS with higher MFO



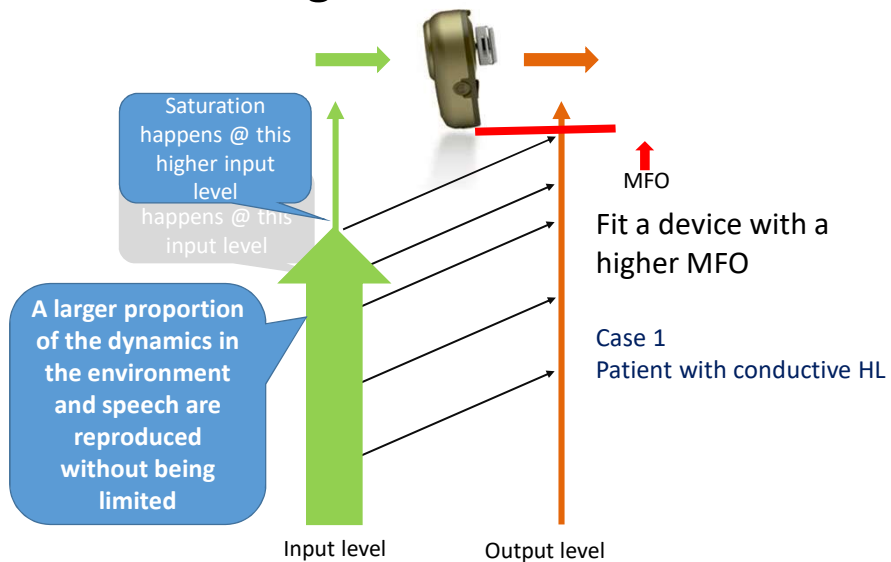
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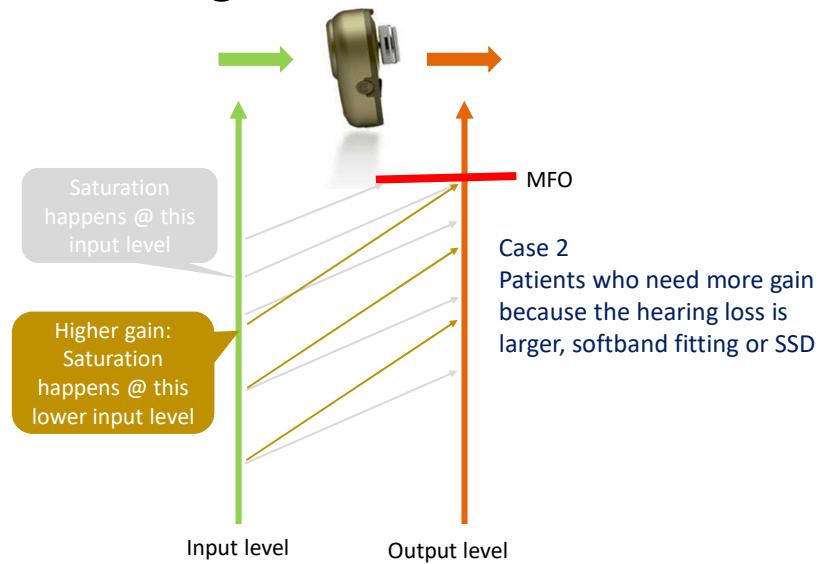
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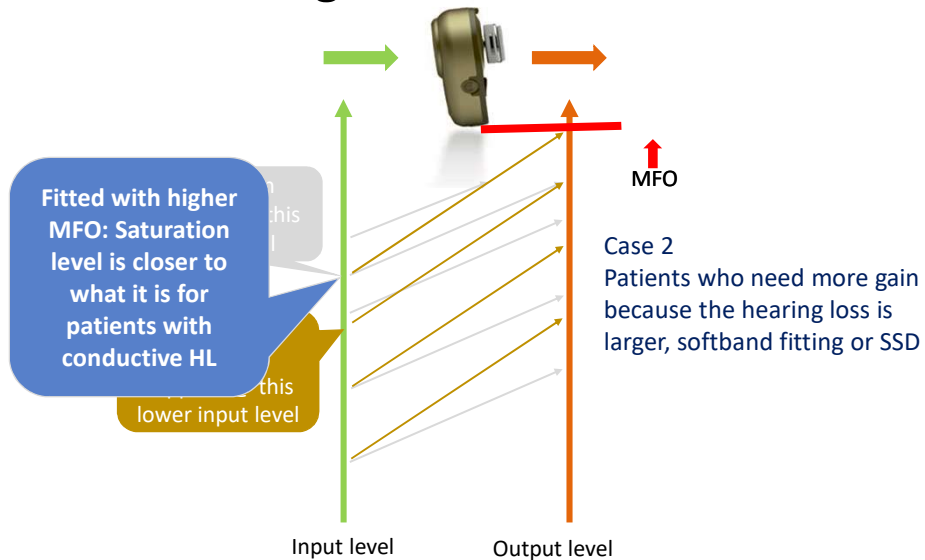
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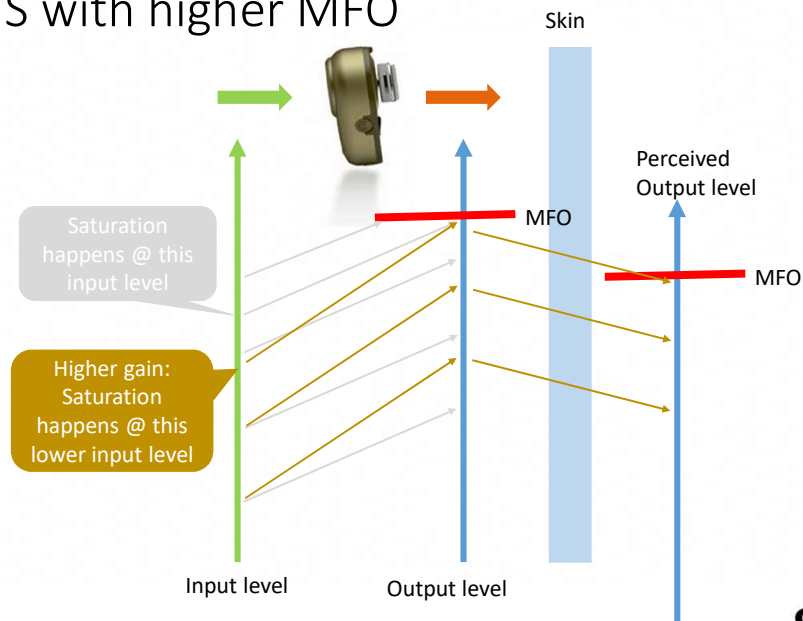
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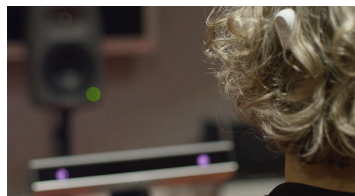
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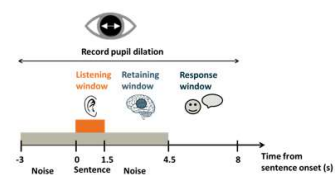
Less effort – An objective measure of listening effort³



- Principal investigator:
Oticon Medical
- Participants:
21 adults (mean age: 59 years old)
with conductive or mixed hearing loss.



- Conditions:
Sound processors with different maximum output: Ponto Pro, Ponto 3, Ponto 3 SuperPower.



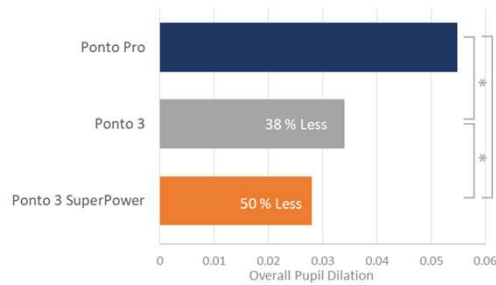
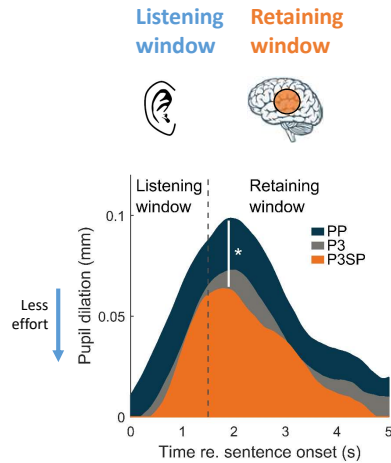
- Task:
Listen to and repeat sentences, while an eye-tracking camera monitors pupil dilation, as a measure of listening effort.

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³ Bianchi, F., Wendt, D., Wassard, C., Maas, P., Lunner, T., Rosenbom, T., and Holmberg, M. Benefit of higher maximum force output on listening effort in bone-anchored hearing system users: a pupillometry study. *Ear Hear* (in press).

Less effort – Significantly less effort³



A significant decrease in listening effort can be achieved with the Ponto 3 SuperPower, as indicated by reduced pupil dilation.³

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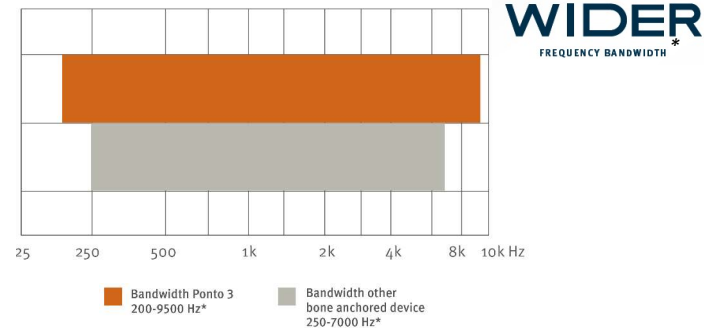


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- Industry widest frequency bandwidth
- Frequency bandwidth is needed for the full spectrum of sound and particularly important for speech understanding.



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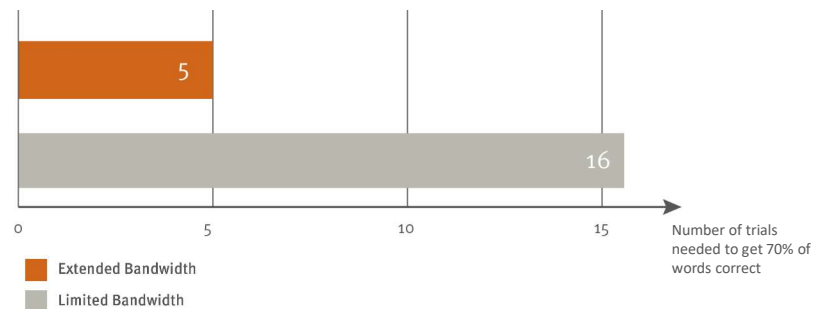
**Linear comparison of equivalent bone anchored sound processors.
The perceptual performance has not been evaluated.*

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- The importance of extended frequency bandwidth

**Children learn new words
3 times quicker with extended bandwidth^{3*}**




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**The study included both normal hearing and hearing impaired children who were exposed to limited and extended bandwidth. No conclusion can be drawn from this study with regards to Ponto 3.*


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- FreeFocus optimized directionality
- In order to recognize a sound, users need to know what is happening around them
- Ponto 3 features FreeFocus directionality system is designed to help the brain to focus while continuing to orient and separate sounds.




Optimised
Omni




NEW
Speech
Omni



Split
Directional



Full
Directional



■ Omni directional mode
■ Split directional mode
■ No directional mode

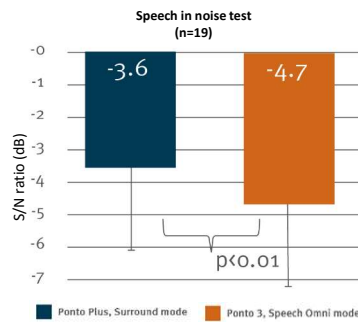
A typical user spends 70% of time in Omni mode
- We focus on improving the situations that matter

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- The unique Speech Omni mode provides 15 % better speech understanding in the majority of situations*.



50% SRT for Danish speech test Dantale II; fixed noise level at 70 dB SPL
The test revealed 1.1 dB SNR improvement with Speech Focused which is equivalent to 15% improvement of speech understanding.

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*FreeFocus test report (2016), Oticon Medical report no 34425-00

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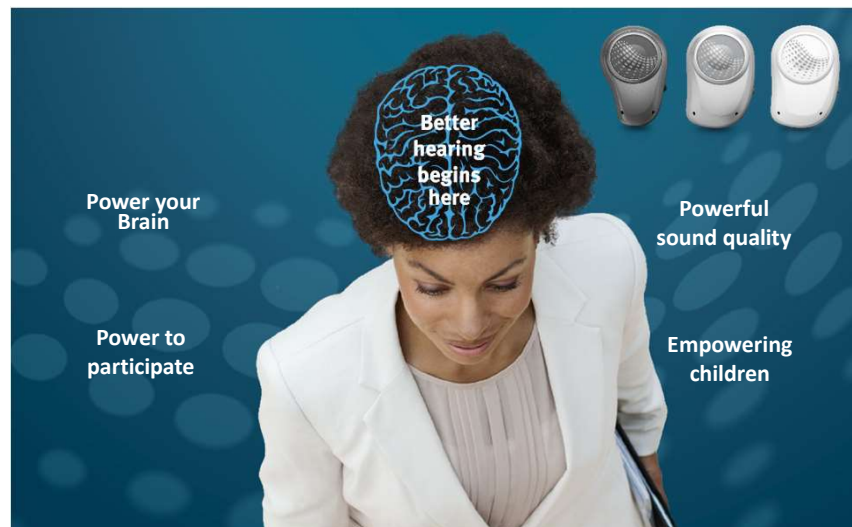
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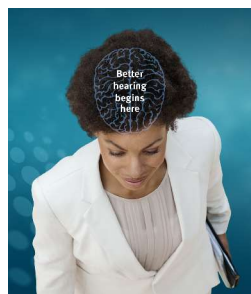
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- BrainHearing™ is about making listening easy
- Hearing loss puts an extra strain on the brain that has to work harder
- We provide audibility and signal processing that supports the brain's cognitive processes:



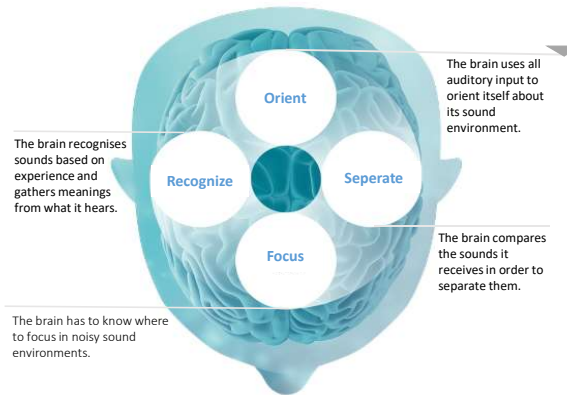
These are the prerequisite for delivering the output, bandwidth and clarity users need to experience powerful sound quality

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The most important part of hearing



BrainHearing™ is about a fundamental understanding of how hearing works – and how the brain makes sense of sound.

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The world's most powerful family of abutment-level processors

- ✓ BrainHearing™ for BAHS
- ✓ Direct Sound Transmission
- ✓ Inium Sense platform
- ✓ World's first single-unit SuperPower
- ✓ Highest output ever from an abutment level soundprocessor
- ✓ Widest frequency bandwidth
- ✓ Wireless power
- ✓ Reliable performance
- ✓ First ever DSL-BC

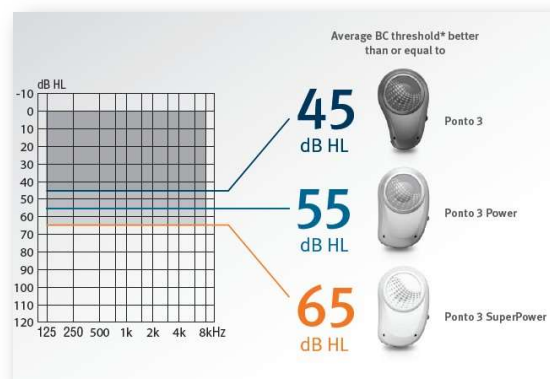
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Features	Ponto 3 	Ponto 3 Power 	Ponto 3 SuperPower 
Fitting range	45 dB HL	55 dB HL	65 dB HL
Peak OFL at 90 dB SPL	124 dB rel. 1µN	128 dB rel. 1µN	135 dB rel. 1µN
Frequency range	200 Hz – 9.5 kHz	260 Hz – 9.6 kHz	260 Hz – 9.6 kHz
Free Focus	X	X	X
Inium Sense feedback shield	X	X	X
UltraDrive™ technology			X
Wind Noise reduction	X	X	X
Speech Guard	X	X	X
Tri-state Noise reduction	X	X	X
Binaural Synchronisation & Coordination	X	X	X
Dimensions (L*W*H)	34*21*11 mm	34*21*14 mm	34*21*14mm
Weight without battery	14 g	17 g	17 g
Battery size	13	675	675P
Up to 4 programs	X	X	X
Wireless connectivity	Via Oticon Medical Streamer & ConnectLine App	Via Oticon Medical Streamer & ConnectLine App	Via Oticon Medical Streamer & ConnectLine App
Tamper-proof battery door	X	X	X
Volume control	X	X	X

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- It's time to rethink fitting ranges
- All bone anchored users can benefit from a Ponto SuperPower

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- **Patients with conductive loss**
 - Higher MFO means better utilization of patients dynamic range
 - More natural sound in louder listening environments
- **Patients with mixed hearing losses**
 - Higher MFO gives larger dynamic range / headroom in the device, so more sounds are reproduced naturally without being limited
 - Higher gain needs excellent feedback management
- **Softband and head band users**
 - Higher MFO to address skin attenuation
- **SSD patients**
 - Better ability to loudness match sounds from the device to the normal hearing ear



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Ponto evidence – Impact beyond better hearing



LEARN FASTER¹

System level
Direct Sound Transmission vs.
Skin Transmission
(Children)

2.5 x faster learning



REMEMBER MORE²

System level
Direct Sound Transmission vs.
Skin Transmission
(Adults)

13 % better recall



LESS EFFORT³

Product level
Ponto Pro, Ponto 3 vs.
Ponto 3 SuperPower

Significantly less effort



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What is the data telling us?

If **audiological outcomes, learning and memory abilities** are considered important, please consider:

The choice of System

Direct Sound Transmission provides better patient outcomes - on children & adults
Skin Transmission solutions are not to be considered as a long term solution.



2.5 x faster learning¹



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The choice of Sound processor

Users obtain a significant decrease in listening effort when using a device with higher maximum output



Significantly less effort³

Pediatrics

Type of device and timing of implantation

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Ponto 3 – The world's most powerful family of abutment-level processors



Ponto 3
45 dB HL



Ponto 3 Power
55 dB HL



Ponto 3 SuperPower
65 dB HL

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