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Validierung von Selbstbeurteilungs- und audiometrischen Maßen zur Messung von Hyperakusis bei chronischem Tinnitus

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Abstract

The phenomenon of hyperacusis is often related to chronical tinnitus and a crucial point for the distress caused. Up to the present, there is no standardised reliable and valid measure for it. To search for one such tool in a pilot study, 25 test persons suffering from chronic tinnitus answered the questionnaires of GUF and a modified HQ as well as two TSCHQ screening questions. Moreover, we identified their Uncomfortable Loudness Level (ULL). All tests were done two times with a six months' gap. The statistic results point out that the ULL, due to its subjectivity of perception, is not a valid measuring device, whereas GUF and the modified HQ showed to be quite equally valid tools.

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