Affinity².0
integrated fitting solution

Audiometry, REM, HIT, and Visible Speech Mapping
Affinity™ is a user friendly, all-in-one system for audiometry, real-ear measurement and technical hearing instrument testing. It also offers various counseling tools and a variety of special tests for advanced audiometry.

Mix and match modules
- Audiometry (basic audiometry & a wide range of specialized tests)
- Real-ear measurements with optional Visible Speech Mapping
- Hearing instrument testing

The Affinity™ combines easy to use hardware and software interfaces controlled from your laptop or desktop PC. Mixing and matching the modules as you need them provides additional flexibility - customized to your needs.

Built for the future
As new hearing aid technologies evolve - so will the Affinity™. The modules will be upgraded as new stimuli or other advanced techniques become available. All associated client records are stored through Noah or through the Interacoustics database called OtoAccess™. Both systems are networkable. The software concept allows you to include other Interacoustics modules within the same suite, e.g. VIOT video otoscopy.

A complete package
All the necessary accessories are included with each module. Every accessory has its own dedicated connection on the hardware, so there is no need to unplug devices between activities.

Personal settings and protocols
The Affinity™ permits personalized test configurations to match your clinical needs. The user defined protocols are saved under a unique name for easy recall via a drop down menu. This enables multiple users to make test selections that are suitable for their own applications. Larger clinics or dispensing facilities will find this useful as the protocols can be downloaded and transferred to sites over the internet.

The complete solution

Sales and counseling

A Visible Speech Mapping module is available with the Affinity\textsuperscript{\textregistered} to assist you in educating clients and family members about the complexities of hearing aid amplification and the benefits they will receive. Likewise, the Hearing Loss Simulation (HLS440) and Master Hearing Aid (MHA440) modules engage clients and relatives in the fitting process which is especially important in establishing the trust and confidence of first-time users.
Set your own combination on one user-friendly platform

Customize your Affinity through dedicated software modules to create your personal combination for Audiometry, REM, HIT, and Visible Speech Mapping.

- **HIT440**: Hearing aid testing
- **VSP440**: Visible speech mapping
- **REM440**: Real ear measurement
- **AC440**: Audiometry
The audiometry module (AC440) offers advanced diagnostic testing in a simple and user-friendly layout. On top of standard air, bone and speech audiometry, the AC440 module offers a wide variety of tests.

VA Quasar compatible
AudSoft EHR/EMR compatible

Dedicated audiometer keyboard
**Full-test battery**
The AC440 has a basic set of test for traditional audiometry but also includes a battery of tests suitable for CAPD, differential diagnosis, tinnitus, hearing loss and hearing aid simulations.

**Historical sessions**
Any historical audiogram can be retrieved for display while you are performing a test, or after you have completed the examination. The historical data retrieval will display overlapping audiograms for diagnostic and educational purposes and even transfers immediately into the REM440 fitting software.

**Data extraction and output**
The Affinity is designed to streamline the process of data extraction, for condensing patient records and sharing information across clinics. Data may be extracted in PDF and XML formats for printouts and email attachments.

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**High Frequency (HF440) and Multi Frequency (MF440)**
With the High Frequency option, you can test up to 20kHz, which is useful when monitoring for ototoxicity or early stages of hearing loss. When used with the Multiple Frequency option, it becomes an even more powerful tool for precise analysis of tinnitus.

**QuickSIN™**
The QuickSIN™ is a popular test for evaluating a person’s ability to perceive speech in a variety of signal-to-noise ratio environments. The AC440 software provides a convenient scoring and recommendation chart to support the process and counseling.

**Masking Level Difference (MLD440)**
The MLD test is often recommended as part of the CAPD test battery. It consists of binaural presentation of tones and noise with different signal phases, which can produce masked threshold shifts. Results can help identify persons with binaural integration difficulties.

**Speech tests from the hard drive (SFH440)**
This feature eliminates the need for an external CD player for the majority of your speech tests. Choices for scoring methods allow you to customize the word presentations and view the chosen word lists.

**Dedicated keyboard**
The AC440 has an optional dedicated audiometric keyboard to aid in the transition from stand alone audiometers to PC based. Function keys may be customized to speed up your test time.

**Customizable Counseling Overlays**
Counseling overlays enhance the patient education experience concerning their hearing loss and rehabilitation options. Overlays can be maximized on an external monitor.
Real Ear Measurements

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**REM440 Real Ear Measurement**

The Real-Ear Measurement module (REM440) is an essential verification tool that ensures precise hearing aid fittings.

**Objective quantification**

Real-Ear measurements are the only means to objectively quantify what you put in your clients ear – potentially having a huge impact on client satisfaction. The REM440 Real-ear Measurement module is a reliable fitting tool suitable for all types of hearing aids. It ensures precise hearing aid fittings and easy side-by-side management with the hearing aid manufacturer software.

**Binaural REM**

Binaural REM makes it faster to fit both ears simultaneously. It saves time while maintaining an insertion gain measurement. Used together with On-top mode it is a very efficient procedure.

**On-Top mode**

REM440 features On-Top mode allowing for smooth and fast hearing aid fittings and finetuning. The 'On-Top' mode converts the REM440 software into an overlay window which is automatically placed on top of the hearing aid fitting software. While making adjustments to the hearing aid – observe immediate changes to your real-ear measures. REM440 will launch directly from the Oticon Genie Module.

**Testing of advanced hearing aid features**

The REM440 software lets you analyze advanced hearing aid features, such as noise reduction and directionality, which are now standard features in modern hearing aids.

**Real world simulation**

Bring the real world to your clients with real world sounds and speech stimuli that are relevant to their everyday listening environment. Simply choose from a variety of digitized male, female or combined recordings and even import your own files or play sounds using the “external sound” option. A special 'in-the-ear' monitor system provides valuable trouble shooting information about how the hearing aid sounds in the client’s ear.

**RECD and Pediatric hearing aid fitting**

Thanks to the benefits of universal neonatal hearing screening (UNHS) an increasing number of babies with hearing loss are identified within 6 months of age. As a result more infants and small children are referred for hearing aid fitting in which Real-Ear to Coupler Difference (RECD) is an essential measure. Specially designed components enable rapid testing of the RECD. In cases where measurement of the RECD is not practical, REM440 provides age related predicted data to approximate these values.

Universal Newborn Hearing Screening (UNHS) has necessitated the utilization of Real-Ear-To-Coupler (RECD) measurements for correctly fitting infants and young children with appropriate amplification. When not practical, the Affinity® includes age predicted RECD data for fitting babies with approximate prescriptive targets.
Visible Speech Mapping combines counseling with real-ear measurements and helps to visually explain the features, benefits and performance of hearing aids.

Counseling and verification combined
Counseling is an essential part of the client centered hearing aid fitting process. This is where Visible Speech Mapping plays a vital role, as it engages the client with dynamic, graphic examples next to the real-ear measurement information. This is why Visible Speech Mapping is becoming more and more popular with hearing healthcare professionals and their clients.

The concept of Visible Speech Mapping
Visible Speech Mapping merges real-ear measures and counselling into the one easy-to-understand visual display. You can match the amplification to target (e.g. NAL-NL1, DSLv5) on an aided display and at the same time show improvements by comparing to an unaided display - in real-time! The comprehensive layout shows dynamic range, normal hearing and clients hearing loss in SPL, environmental sound examples, predicted speech intelligibility differences and audibility improvements. The display enables the dispenser to explain compression characteristics, binaural benefits and other advanced features in a visual and easy-to-understand format.
HIT440
Hearing Instrument Testing

The Hearing Instrument Testing module allows for technical verification of all types of hearing instruments.

With you through any challenge
The HIT440 offers unlimited variables for measuring hearing aid performance - including a wide range of appropriate stimuli for non-linear hearing aids. Even bone anchored devices can be evaluated with our optional SKS10 Skull Simulator Coupler.

Endless loop testing
For aids with suspected intermittent faults you can set up a sequence of tests, specifying tolerances for each, and run the sequence in an endless loop until a tolerance is overstepped. This could be done overnight with results available next morning.

Testing directional microphones
HIT440 uses the special dual speaker set in the built-in test box for checking directional microphone function.

Built-in test sequences
Current ANSI test sequences paired with ready made print templates are included with the system. This means 'out-of-the-box' functionality when you receive it.

Compatibility with TBS25
For those requiring an 'industrial grade' acoustic test chamber, the Affinity has connectivity to our optional TBS25 test box.

Historical sessions
All test sessions can be saved and recalled at a later date for direct comparison with current performance. Results from both dates are displayed on the same chart, simplifying comparison. This objective measure of performance change is an invaluable reference tool.

Additional features:
- Tests all types of hearing aids
- NOAH compatible
- Variable smoothing of curves
- Telecoil testing
- Manual override
- Import/Export of protocols
- Wide range of test stimuli

Create your own tests or choose from the existing standard protocols

Perform technical measurements of bone anchored hearing solutions with the skull simulator from Interacoustics.
**Print Wizard**
Design your own print templates adding elements from audiometry, REM or even other Interacoustics Suites (e.g. impedance and video otoscopy).

**Easy integration**
The Affinity easily integrates with other Interacoustics instruments through their associated software suites. This makes it much easier and intuitive for data storage, sharing and merging diagnostic data sets into one concise report.

**OtoAccess™**
Interacoustics database, NOAH or XML

**Combined Reporting**
Print Wizard

**EMR/EHR**
(Electronic medical records)

**Titan Suite**
Tympanometry, OAE & Automated ABR

**Diagnostic Suite**
Supports all Interacoustics stand alone audiometers and tympanometers

**VIOT™ Video Otoscope Suite**

**Affinity™ / Equinox™ / Callisto™ Suite**
Audiometry, REM, HIT, and Visible Speech Mapping
Interacoustics
Interacoustics is a world leading provider of diagnostic solutions in the field of hearing and balance assessment. Since 1967 we have designed and manufactured our innovative diagnostic solutions for the world of audiology with a constant focus on providing our customers with quality, dependable products.

With you at all times
We operate in over 100 countries worldwide through a carefully selected network of distributors and service centres. Purchasing an Interacoustics product guarantees not only a quality product, but also direct access to our highly professional training and support service.

Product specifications
All technical and hardware specifications concerning the Affinity® can be downloaded from our website.

Read more at interacoustics-us.com