

Title (en)
ITE HEARING DEVICE WITH MICROPHONE PROTECTOR ELEMENT

Title (de)
ITE-HÖRGERÄT MIT MIKROFONSCHUTZELEMENT

Title (fr)
DISPOSITIF AUDITIF INTRA-AURICULAIRE AVEC ÉLÉMENT PROTECTEUR DE MICROPHONE

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Abstract (en)
There is provided an ITE hearing device comprising a housing to be worn at least in part in the ear canal of a user and including an outer portion (10) oriented towards the exterior of the user's ear when the housing is worn at least in part in the ear canal of the user, and a microphone (22) accommodated in the housing, the outer portion of the housing comprising a sound port (12) for allowing ambient sound (20) to reach the microphone. The ITE hearing device further comprises a microphone protector element (14) configured to be inserted into an outer aperture of the sound port so as to cover the sound port for inhibiting ingress of cerumen (26) towards the microphone. The sound port comprises a trough (28) for collecting residual cerumen having passed through the microphone protector element, with the microphone being laterally off-set with regard to the trough. The microphone protector element comprises an outer end portion (34) for covering the outer aperture of the sound port, an inner end portion (36) extending towards the bottom (38) of the trough so as to guide the residual cerumen into the trough, and a lateral opening (40) allowing sound to propagate towards the microphone.

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