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Neuromonics[©]

Туре	Safety	Efficacy	Recommended?
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Education and sound therapy	Regarded as safe	Limited evidence that it is effective	Discuss with your GP

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Claims for treatment	According to the manufacturers, the objective of the Neuromonics [©] Tinnitus Treatment is to make tinnitus a minor, background noise having minimal impact on quality of life ¹ .
What is the treatment?	Personalised therapy sound delivered via a small medical device resembling an MP3 player and earphones combined with a a treatment program including support, education and monitoring from an audiologist for six months ¹ .
What are the downsides of this treatment?	Sound therapy is generally regarded as safe. Some trial participants described it as 'pleasant' to use ² . As the treatment is only available privately, cost may be an issue.
Has there been research into this treatment?	PubMed database has 13 papers with both Neuromonics and tinnitus as a key word. One paper is a review ³ .
What does the research say?	Although clinical trials of this device show positive results, the quality of the studies is low, with weak blinding and risk of bias. A proof for the claims of neurophysiological effects is still lacking ³ .

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How high quality is the research?*	A/B
Tinnitus UK's opinion on this treatment:	Independent evidence of effectiveness of Neuromonics [©] for tinnitus management is lacking.
Would Tinnitus UK support further studies into this treatment?	Yes, if a high quality study.
Notes	Neuromonics [©] would only be available in the UK through private practice only but we have been unable to locate a current source. It has FDA approval allowing it to be sold in the USA.

* A = Systematic review/meta analysis. B = Randomised control studies. C = Cohort studies. D = Case control studies. E = case studies/reports. +/- to be used to indicate quality within bands

For further information

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We also offer a free tinnitus e-learning programme, Take on Tinnitus at **takeontinnitus.co.uk**

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