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Instructions for Use - EN

AT235



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1 Introduction

1.1 About this manual

This manual is valid for the AT235 firmware version 1.42.

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1.2 Intended use

The AT235 is an automatic impedance audiometer with built-in screening audiometry suited for screening, as well as diagnostic work. Neonatal screening programs will particularly appreciate the presence of high probe tone tympanometry, allowing more dependable tympanometric results in neonates.

The AT235 tympanometer is intended to be used by an audiologist, hearing healthcare professional, or trained technician in a quiet environment.

1.3 Contraindications for performing impedance audiometry

- Recent stapedectomy or another middle ear surgery
- Discharging ear
- Acute external auditory canal trauma
- Discomfort (e.g., severe otitis externa)
- Occlusion of the external auditory canal
- Presence of tinnitus, hyperacusis or other sensitivity to loud sounds may contraindicate testing when high intensity stimuli are used

Testing should not be performed on patients with such symptoms without a medical doctor's approval.

Visual inspection for obvious structural abnormalities of the external ear structure and positioning as well as the external ear canal should be performed before testing.



1.4 Product description

The AT235 consists of the following parts:

Included Parts



AT235 instrument.



Clinical Probe System¹



Diagnostic Probe System^{1, 2}



Power supply unit UES65-240250SPA3



Contralateral headphone¹

Daily check cavity

CAT50 (option)

DD65v2 Audiometric headset

Patient Response (Option)

Printer kit (Option)

Wall mounting kit (Option)

Cleaning cloth

Sanibel ADI Ear Tip Kit

¹ Applied part as according to IEC60601-1

² Several options



1.5 About warnings and cautions

Throughout this manual the following meaning of warnings, cautions and notices are used:



WARNING indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or severe injury.



CAUTION, used with the safety alert symbol, indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

NOTICE

NOTICE is used to address practices not related to personal injury.



2 Unpacking and installation

2.1 Unpacking and inspection

Check box and contents for damage

When the instrument is received, please check the shipping box for rough handling and damage. If the box is damaged, it should be kept until the contents of the shipment have been checked mechanically and electrically. If the instrument is faulty, please contact your local distributor. Keep the shipping material for the carrier's inspection and insurance claim.

Keep carton for future shipment

AT235 comes in its own shipping carton, which is specially designed for the AT235. Please keep this carton. It will be needed if the instrument must be returned for service. If service is required, please contact your local distributor.

Reporting imperfections

Inspect before connection

Prior to connecting the product it should once more be inspected for damage. All the cabinet and the accessories should be checked visually for scratches and missing parts.

Report immediately any faults

Any missing part or malfunction should be reported immediately to the supplier of the instrument together with the invoice, serial number, and a detailed report of the problem. In the back of this manual, you will find a "Return Report" where you can describe the problem.








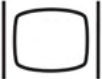

Please use the "Return Report"

Use of the return report provides the service engineer with the relevant information to investigate the reported issue. Without this information, there may be difficulty in determining the fault and repairing the device. Please always return the device with a completed Return Report to guarantee that correction of the problem will be to your satisfaction.



2.2 Markings

The following markings can be found on the instrument:

Symbol	Explanation
	Type B applied parts. Patient applied parts that are not conductive and can be immediately released from the patient.
	Refer to instruction manual
	WEEE (EU-directive) This symbol indicates that the product should not be discarded as unsorted waste but must be sent to separate collection for facilities for recovery and recycling.
 0123	The CE-mark in combination with MD symbol indicates that Interacoustics A/S meets the requirements of the Medical Device Regulation (EU) 2017/745. Approval of the quality system is made by TÜV – identification no. 0123.
	Medical Device
	Year of manufacture
	Do not re-use Parts like ear-tips and similar are for single use only
	Display Port Connection – HDMI type
	“ON” / “OFF” (push-push)



2.3 Important safety instructions

Read this instruction manual carefully and completely before using the product.



1. External equipment intended for connection to signal input, signal output or other connectors shall comply with relevant IEC standard (e.g., IEC 60950 for IT equipment). In these situations, an optical isolator is recommended to fulfill the requirements. Equipment not complying with IEC 60601-1 shall be kept outside the patient environment, as defined in the standard (usually 1.5 meter). If in doubt, contact qualified medical technician or your local representative.
2. This instrument does not incorporate any separation devices at connections for PC's, printers, active speakers etc. (Medical Electrical System). A galvanic I isolator is recommended to fulfill the requirements. For safe setup, please refer to section 2.10.
3. When the instrument is connected to a PC and other items of equipment of a medical electrical system, assure that the total leakage current cannot exceed the safety limits and that separations have the dielectric strength, creepage clearances and air clearances required fulfilling the requirements of IEC/ES 60601-1. When the instrument is connected to a PC and other similar items, be aware of not touching the PC and patient simultaneously.
4. To avoid the risk of electric shock, this equipment must only be connected to supply mains with protective earth.
5. Do not use any additional multiple socket-outlet or extension cord. For safe setup please refer to section 2.3
6. This instrument contains a coin-type lithium battery. The cell can only be changed by service personnel. Batteries may explode or cause burns, if disassembled, crushed, or exposed to fire or high temperatures. Do not short-circuit.
7. No modification of this equipment is allowed without Interacoustics authorization. Interacoustics will make available on request circuit diagrams, component part lists, descriptions, calibration instructions, or other information that will assist service personnel to repair those parts of this audiometer that are designated by the Interacoustics as repairable by service personnel.
8. For maximum electrical safety, turn off the power from a mains powered instrument when it is left unused.
9. The instrument is not protected against harmful ingress of water or other liquids. If any spillage occurs check the instrument carefully before use or return for service.
10. No part of the equipment can be services or maintained while in use with the patient.



1. Never insert or in any way use the insert headset without a new clean non defect test tip. Always make sure that foam or ear-tip is mounted correctly. Ear tips and foam are single use.
2. The instrument is not intended to be used in environments exposed to fluid spills.
3. The instrument is not intended to be used in oxygen rich environments or use in conjunction with flammable agents.
4. Check calibration if any parts of the equipment is exposed to shock or rough handling.

NOTICE

1. To prevent system faults, take appropriate precautions to avoid PC viruses and similar.
2. Use only transducers calibrated with actual instrument. To identify a valid calibration, the serial number for the instrument will be marked on the transducer.
3. Although the instrument fulfils the relevant EMC requirements precautions should be taken to avoid unnecessary exposure to electromagnetic fields, e.g., from mobile phones etc. If the device is used adjacent to other equipment it must be observed that no mutual disturbance appears. Please also refer to EMC considerations in section 5.5
4. Use of accessories, transducers, and cables other than specified, except for transducers and cables sold by Interacoustics or representatives may result in increased emission or decreased immunity of the equipment. For list of accessories, transducers and cables that fulfils the requirements please refer to section 5.5.

2.4 Malfunction



In the event of a product malfunction, it is important to protect patients, users, and other persons against harm. Therefore, if the product has caused, or potentially could cause such harm, it must be quarantined immediately.

Both harmful and harmless malfunctions, related to the product itself or to its use, must immediately be reported to the distributor where the product was acquired. Please remember to include as many details as possible e.g., the type of harm, serial number of the product, software version, connected accessories and any other relevant information.

In case of death or serious incident in relation to the use of the device, the incident must immediately be reported to Interacoustics and the local national competent authority.

2.5 Disposal of the product


Interacoustics is committed to ensuring that our products are safely disposed of when they are no longer usable. The cooperation of the user is important to ensure this. Interacoustics therefore expects that local sorting and waste regulations for disposal of electric and electronic equipment are followed, and that the device is not discarded together with unsorted waste.

In case the distributor of the product offers a take-back scheme, this should be used to ensure correct disposal of the product.



2.6 Connections



1	Probe	Dedicated probe connection.
2	LAN	LAN (Not used).
3	USB B	For printer, mouse, keyboard, Memory stick.
4	USB A	For PC connection.
5	HDMI	For external monitor or projector.
6	In 24 V	 <p>Only specified power supply unit UES65-240250SPA3 type.</p>
7	Trigger in / out	Cochlear implant trigger option.
8	Pat. Resp.	Patient response button.
9	Right	Audiometry Right output.
10	Left	Audiometry Left output.
11	Contra	Contra transducer output.

2.7 Calibration cavities

You can use the 0.2 ml, 0.5 ml, 2.0ml and 5 ml for validity check of the probe calibration.

To perform a calibration check, select a protocol the measures a tympanogram.

Do not use an ear tip! Place the probe tip completely into the cavity. Perform the measurement. Check the volume that was measured.

The allowed tolerance in the volume measurement is ± 0.1 ml for cavities up to 2 ml and $\pm 5\%$ for larger cavities. These tolerances are applicable for all probe tone frequencies.

We strongly recommend calibrating probe and contra phone at least once a year.



2.8 Changing probe system

Change between the standard and clinical probe as follows:



1. Locate the probe connection on the back of the unit.



2. Open the 2 locks by pushing them to the sides.



3. Swap to the other probe system.

4. Close the 2 locks by pushing them to the center.



2.9 Safety precautions to take when connecting the AT235.

NOTICE

Please note that if connections are made to standard equipment like printers and networks, special precautions must be taken to maintain medical safety.

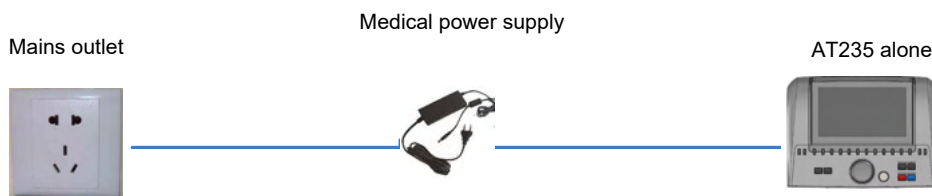
2.10 Security precautions

NOTICE: As a part of data protection, ensure to be compliant to all the following points:

1. Use Microsoft supported operating systems
2. Ensure operating systems are security patched
3. Enable database encryption
4. Use individual user accounts and passwords
5. Secure physical and network access to computers with local data storage
6. Use updated antivirus and firewall and anti-malware software
7. Implement appropriate backup policy
8. Implement appropriate log retention policy

Please follow instructions below.

Fig 1. AT235 used with the medically approved power supply UES65-240250SPA3.



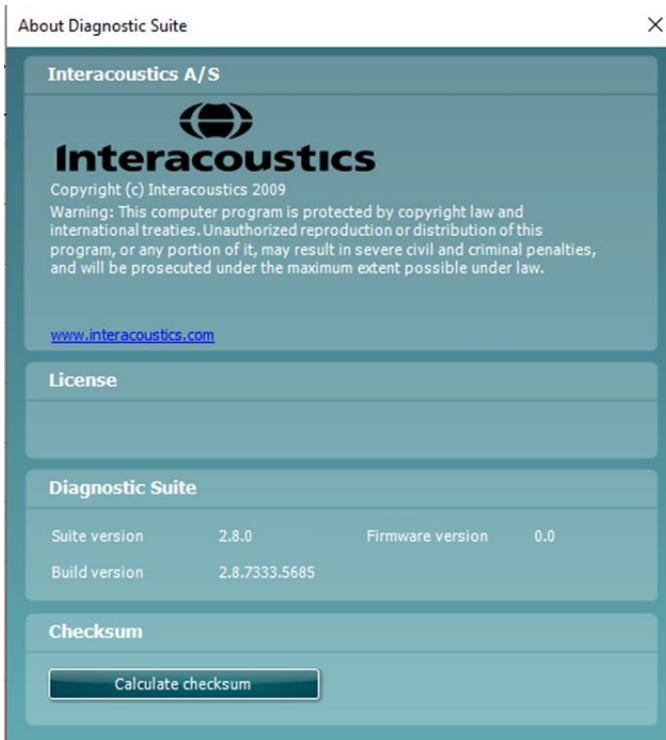


2.11 License

When you receive the AT 235 it already contains the license you have ordered. If you would like to add licenses that are available in AT235, please contact your dealer for a license.

2.12 About Diagnostic Suite

Should you go to Menu > Help > About then you will see the below window. This is the area of the software where you can manage license keys and check your Suite, Firmware and Build Versions.



Also, in this window you will find the Checksum section which is a feature designed to help you identify the integrity of the software. It works by checking the file and folder content of your software version. This is using a SHA-256 algorithm.

On opening the checksum, you will see a string of characters and numbers, you can copy this by double clicking on it.



3 Operating instructions

The instrument is switched on by pressing the ON button on the unit. When operating the instrument, please observe the following general precautions:



1. Use this device only as described in this manual.
2. Use only the disposable Sanibel ear tips designed for use with this instrument.
3. Always use a new ear tip for each patient to avoid cross-contamination. The ear tip is not designed for reuse.
4. Never insert the probe tip into the ear canal without affixing an ear tip as omission may damage the patient's ear canal.
5. Keep the box of ear tips outside the reach of the patient.
6. Be sure to insert the probe tip in a way which will assure an airtight fit without causing any harm to the patient. Use of a correct and clean ear tip is mandatory.
7. Be sure to use only stimulation intensities acceptable to the patient.
8. When presenting contralateral stimuli using the insert phones – do not insert the phones or in any way try to conduct measurements, without a correct insert ear tip in place.
9. Clean the headphone cushion regularly using a recognized disinfectant.
10. Contraindications to testing include recent stapedectomy or middle ear surgery, a discharging ear, acute external auditory canal trauma, discomfort (e.g., severe otitis externa) or occlusion of the external auditory canal. Testing should not be performed on patients with such symptoms without a medical doctor's approval.
11. The presence of tinnitus, hyperacusis or other sensitivity to loud sounds may contraindicate testing when high intensity stimuli are used.

NOTICE

1. Careful handling of the instrument whenever in contact with a patient should be given high priority. Calm and stable positioning while testing is preferred for optimal accuracy.
2. The AT235 should be operated in a quiet environment, so that measurements are not influenced by outside acoustic noises. This may be determined by an appropriately skilled person trained in acoustics. ISO 8253 Section 11, defines a quiet room for audiometric hearing testing in its guideline.
3. It is recommended that the instrument be operated within an ambient temperature range of 15°C / 59°F – 35°C / 95°F.
4. The headphone and insert phone are calibrated to the AT235 – introducing transducers from other equipment requires a re-calibration.
5. Never clean the transducer housing with water or insert non-specified instruments into the transducer.
6. Do not drop and avoid other undue impact to this device. If the instrument is dropped or otherwise damaged, return it to the manufacturer for repair and/or calibration. Do not use the instrument if any damage is suspected.
7. Although the instrument fulfils the relevant EMC requirements, precautions should be taken to avoid unnecessary exposure to electromagnetic fields, e.g., from mobile phones etc. If the



device is used adjacent to other equipment, caution must be taken to observe that no mutual disturbance appears.



3.1 Handling and selection of ear tips

When using the AT235 probe and CIR contra phone, Sanibel ear tips must be used.



The Sanibel ear tips are single use only and should not be reused. Reuse of ear tips can lead to the spread of infection from patient to patient.

The probe and CIR contra phone must be fitted with an ear tip of a suitable type and size before testing. Your choice will depend on the size and shape of the ear canal and ear. Your choice may also depend on personal preference and the way you perform your test.



When performing a quick impedance screening test, you may choose an umbrella shaped ear tip. Umbrella ear tips seal the ear canal without the probe tip going into the ear canal. Press the ear tip firmly into the ear canal in such a way that a seal remains during the complete test.



For more stable testing, we recommend using an extension cord with a mushroom shaped ear tip. Make sure that this ear tip inserts completely into the ear canal. Mushroom shaped ear tips allow you to test 'hands free' from the AT235. This reduces the chance of contact noise disturbing the measurement.

Refer to the "Selecting the Correct Ear Tip" Quick Guide included in the AT235 Additional Information document for an overview of ear tip sizes and selection.

3.2 Switching the AT235 on and off

Switch the AT235 on or off by pressing the ON (1).
















NOTICE

The AT235 takes approximately 35 seconds to boot up. Allow the unit to warm up for 1 minute before use.



3.3 Probe status

The probe status is indicated by the color of the light on the control panel, standard probe system and the clinical probe system. Below, the colors and their meanings are explained:

Color	Control panel	Standard probe	Clinical probe	Status
Red				Right ear is selected. Probe is out of the ear.
Blue				Left ear is selected. Probe is out of the ear.
Green				Probe is in the ear and a seal is maintained.
Yellow				Probe is in the ear and is blocked, leaking or too noisy.
White				The probe has just been attached. Probe status is unknown. If the probe light stays white in any other situation the AT235 may need to be switched off and back on again to regain proper probe status.
Blinking				AT235 is pausing and/or an interaction is expected. The AT235 will for example remain blinking green if the protocol has finished testing and the probe is still in the ear. The user may pause the AT235 before inserting the probe resulting in blue or red blinking.



Color	Control panel	Standard probe	Clinical probe	Status
No light				AT235 is not monitoring the probe status.



3.4 Use of standard and clinical probe system

For establishing most stable measurements, it is recommended not to hold the probe between fingers during the measurements. Particularly acoustic reflex measurements could be affected by probe movements.

3.5 AT235 stand-alone operation

3.5.1 AT235 stand-alone operation panel



	Name	Description
1	ON	Turns the AT235 ON and OFF.
2	Shift	Shift is used to access secondary functions of the other keys.
3	Setup	Hold down Setup and use the wheel (19) to select the desired Setup menu then let go of the Setup button to open it.
4-13	Function keys	The 10 function keys hold functions of which labels are displayed in the screen.
14	Tests	Hold down Test and use the wheel (19) to select the desired protocol or audiometry or impedance module. Let go of the Test button to make your selection.
15	New Session	Clears data and starts a new session in the current module.
16	Clients	Press the Clients button to open a window in which a client can be selected, edited, or created. Also, its historic sessions can be viewed.
17	Save	Saves the current session for the current module.
18	Print	Prints the session that is currently on screen.



	Name	Description
19	Wheel	Used for manual pump control as well as scrolling through menus and selection possibilities. In the audiometry module the wheel controls the stimulus intensity.
20	Tymp	Selects or deselects a tympanogram test from the protocol.
21	Reflex	Selects or deselects a reflex test from the protocol. If necessary, a test with ipsilateral or contralateral reflexes is automatically added to the protocol.
22	Tone Switch, Enter, Start/stop	In audiometry it is the tone switch. In tympanometry it interrupts or starts the auto-start function, and it operates as a stop and start button while the probe is in an ear. In menus that require textual input the tone switch is used for making selections.
23	Right	Selects right ear for testing.
24	Left	Selects left ear for testing.

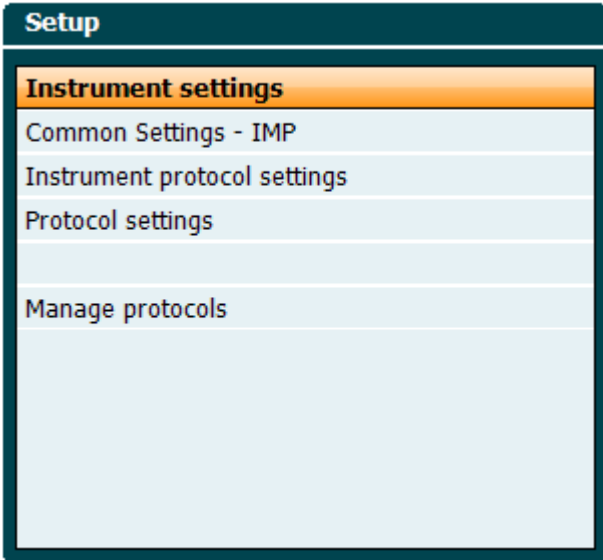
3.5.2 Startup

The AT235 will always load the last used tympanometry protocol as a starting point.



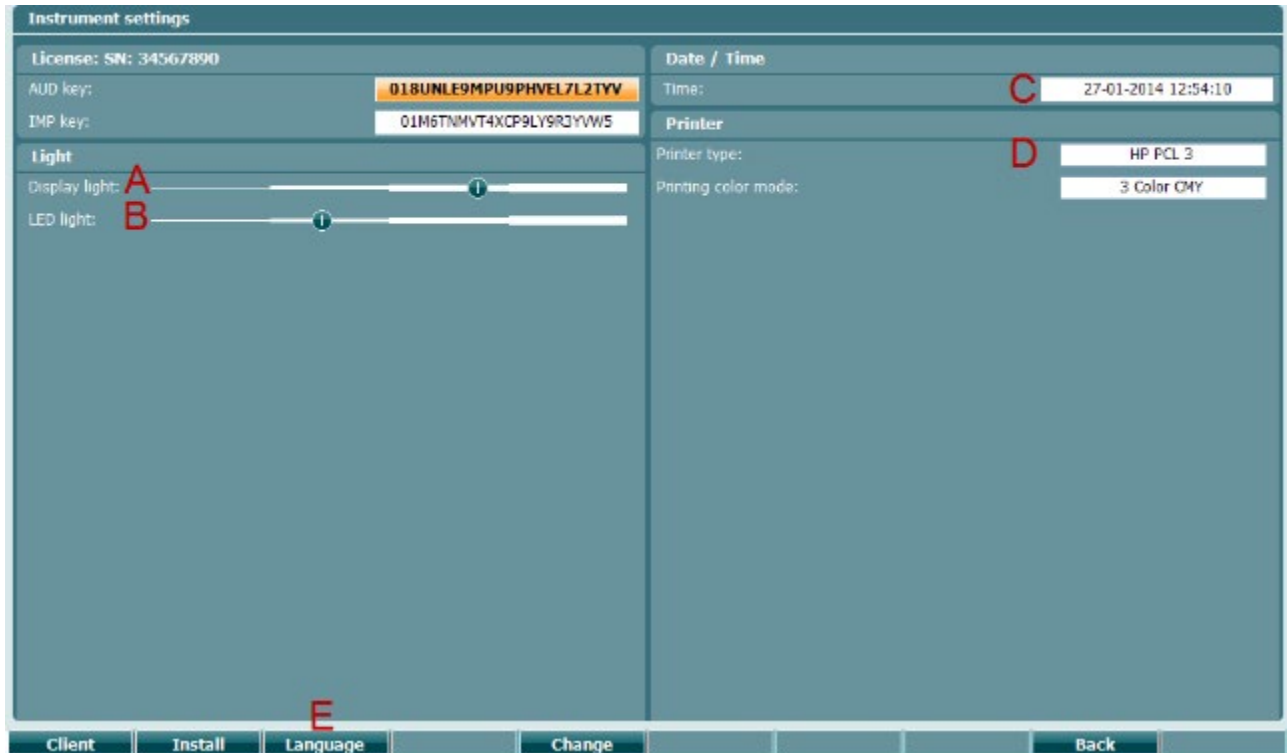
3.5.3 Instrument settings – language, printer, date & time, etc.

While holding down the “Setup” button (3), use the wheel (19) for selecting Instrument settings and release the “Setup” button (3) to open it.



For changing the operation language of the system hold the Language button (6) while using the wheel (19) to selecting the language of your choice. The AT235 needs to be restarted for the change to be effectuated.

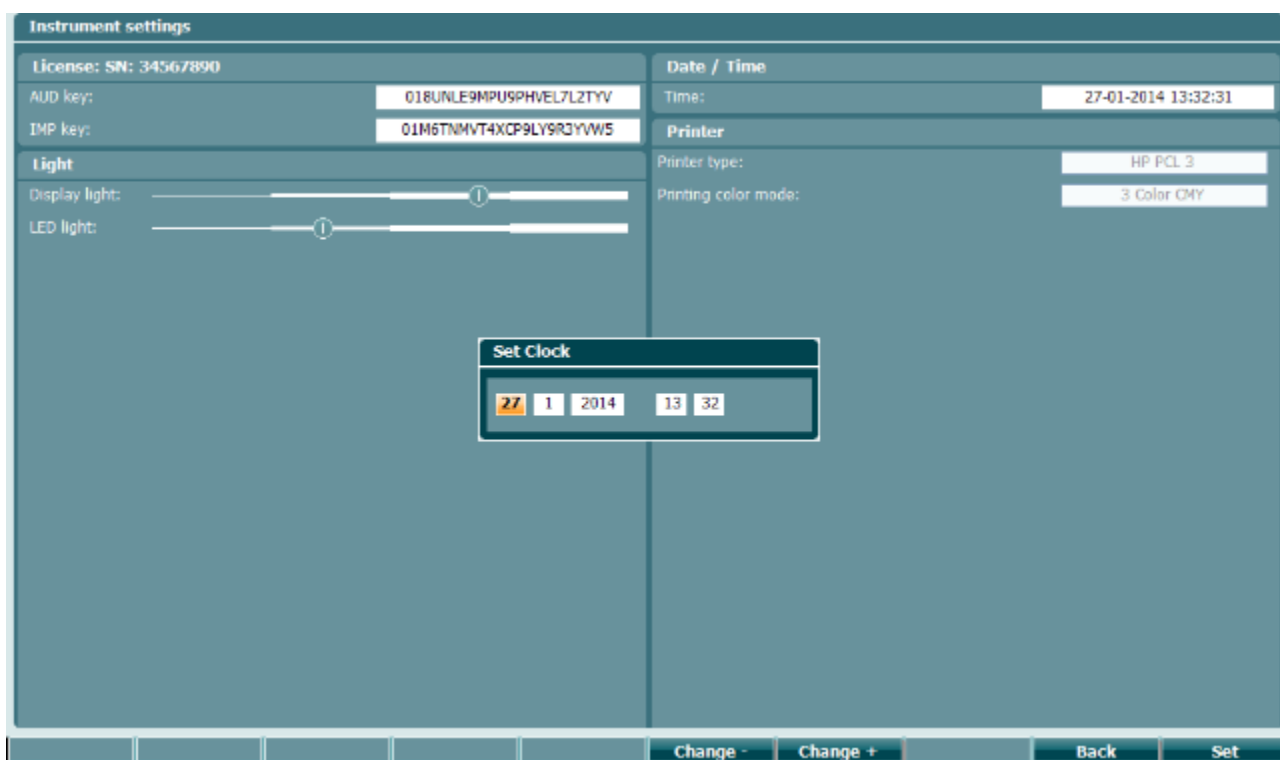
Use the wheel (19) to preselect Display light (A), LED light (B), Date and time (C) and Printer type (D). To make changes at Display light, LED light and the Printer type, hold the Change button (7) while rotating the wheel (19).





In case the AT235 is connected to the Diagnostic Suite, your PC will automatically update date and time.

Manually updating date and time is done by pressing the Change button (7) when Date and time (C) is preselected. This gives access to the screen below. Use the wheel (19) to select day, month, year, hour, or minutes. Use the Change - and Change + buttons (9 and 10) to adjust the number. Press the Set button (13) to keep changes and set date and time or press the Back button (12) to reject any change made.



3.5.4 Test and module selection

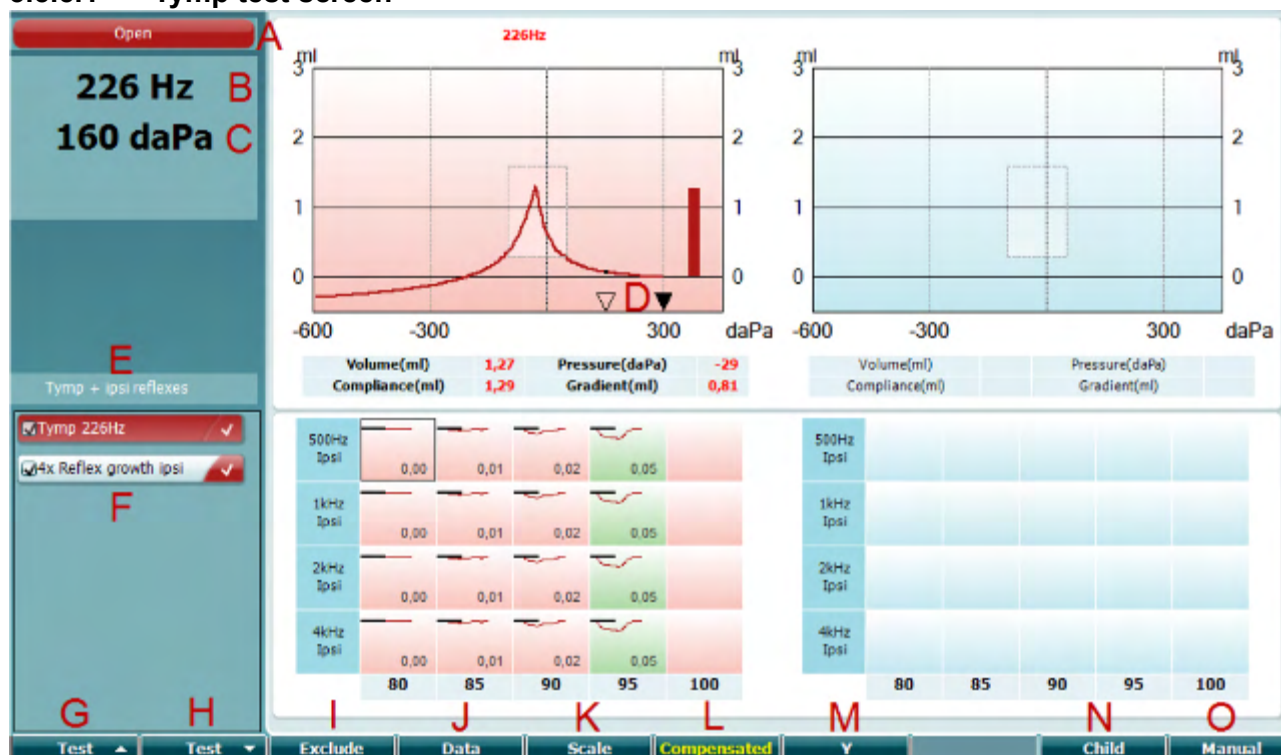
While holding the “Tests” button (14), use the wheel (19) for selecting either one of the protocols or a different module. Release the wheel (19) for making your selection.

3.5.5 Tympanometry test screens

After startup, the AT235 will have selected the last used impedance protocol and will be ready to start a test. The screen now shown we refer to as the test screen. The following paragraphs describe which information and functionalities are found on the tympanogram, reflex, and audiometry test screens.



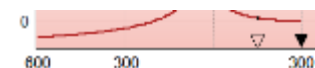
3.5.5.1 Tympanometry screen



A Open

B 226 Hz

C 300 daPa



E Tymp + ipsi reflexes

- Tymp 226Hz
- 4x Reflex growth ipsi

G Prev. Test

H Next Test

I Include

I Exclude

- A** Probe status showing the color corresponding to the probe light as described in paragraph 3.3. It shows the labels: in ear, out of ear, leaking or blocked.
- B** Probe tone frequency.
- C** The current pressure is indicated in daPa.
- D** The open triangle shows the current pressure. The solid triangle (in manual mode (O) only) shows the target pressure.
- E** The name of the current protocol.
- F** Protocol list showing which test is currently viewed and, in the check, boxes which tests will be tested after starting a test.
- G** Press Prev. Test to select the previous test of the protocol list.
- H** Press Next Test to select the next test of the protocol list.
- I** Press Include to select or Exclude to deselect the checkbox of the currently viewed test (F) and thereby include or exclude it from testing.



Data

J When several measurement attempts were done, pressing Data allows choosing which data set is being viewed. Only the viewed data can be saved to a client.

Scale

K Pressing Scale allows changing the scale of the compliance axis in the tympanogram.

Compensated

L Pressing Compensated allows activating or deactivating the compensation of the tympanogram according to the estimated ear canal volume.

Y

M Pressing Y allows toggling between viewing the so called Y, B or G tympanogram. The one shown currently shown is recognized by the capital in the button label.

Child

N Pressing Child activates a train that will move across on the lower part of the screen to help distract the child while obtaining the measure.

0 daPa

Pressing 0 daPa results in quickly setting ambient pressure as target pressure and quickly pumping back to 0 daPa. The function is only available in manual mode (O).

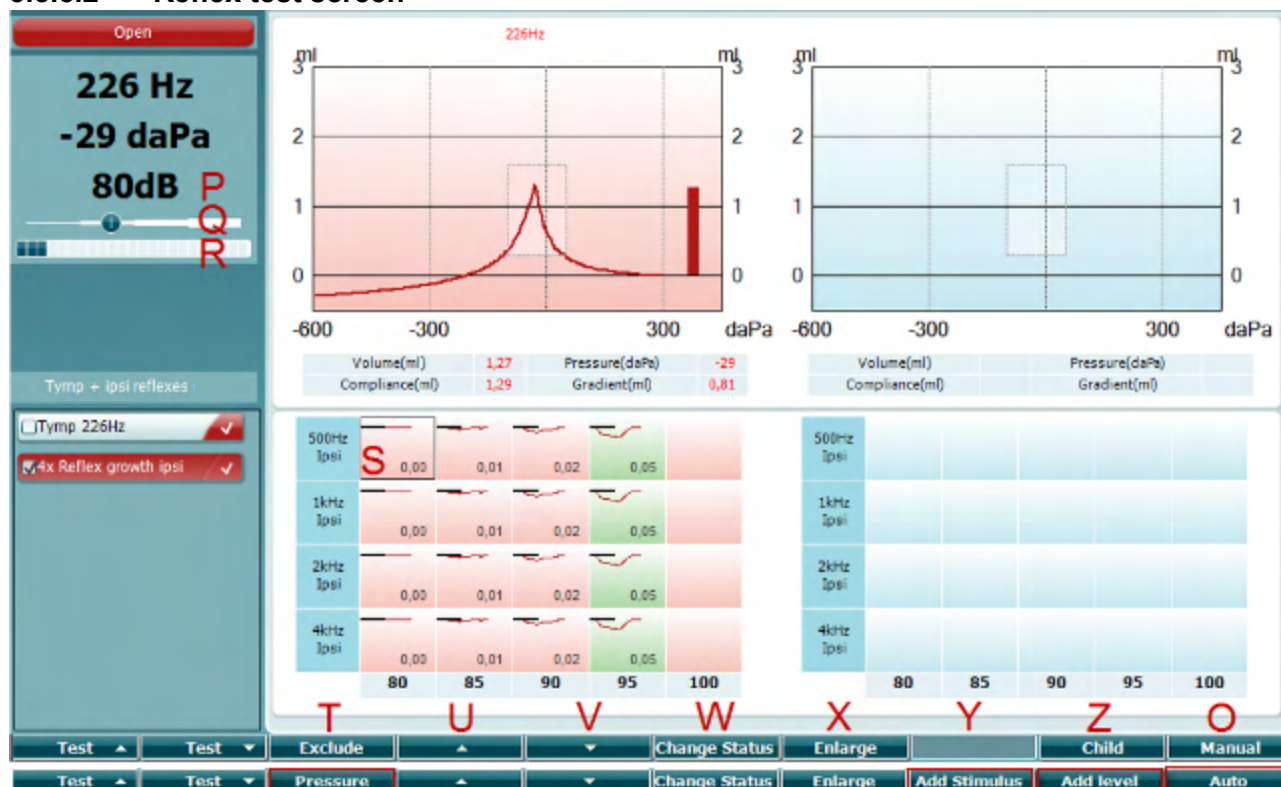
Manual

O Activating manual mode in the tympanogram test allows setting the pressure manually with the wheel (19). Press the attenuator (22) to start and stop recording in manual mode. Switching manual mode off and returning to automatic testing is done by pressing Auto.

Auto



3.5.5.2 Reflex test screen



The upper bar of the soft keys indicates the function in auto mode, while the lower bar shows the function for the soft keys in manual mode.

Manual

O Activating manual mode in the reflex test allows single reflex measurements at a time and optionally the pressure at which the reflex is measured can be manually set (see T).

Auto

80dB

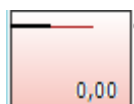
P The level is showing the reflex activator intensity of the currently selected reflex measurement (Q).



Q The pressure slider gives an indication for at which pressure reflex measurements are set to be tested (in manual mode (O) only). The slider is moved by holding the pressure button (see T) and turning the wheel.



R The compliance meter shows an indication for the current non compensated compliance value and might be used as a help to set the pressure at peak pressure or at an offset from peak pressure (in manual mode (O) only).



S The currently selected reflex measurement is indicated by the rectangle around it. Within the reflex graph also the numerical deflection value is displayed.

Pressure

T Pressing pressure allows setting the pressure manually (see Q) (in manual mode (O) only).

Exclude



Press Exclude to exclude the highlighted test. Once excluded press include to have it back as part of the measure.



U Pressing the arrow up button moves the reflex selection to the previous reflex row. Moving the selection sideways is done with the wheel (19).



V Pressing the arrow down button moves the reflex selection to the next reflex row. Moving the selection sideways is done with the wheel (19).



W Pressing Change Status toggles the status of the currently selected reflex (Q). Green indicates that a reflex is present while red/blue indicates that the reflex is not present.



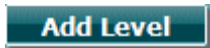
X Holding the Enlarge button show the currently selected reflex (Q) in highest available detail.



Y Pressing Child activates a train that will move across on the lower part of the screen to help distract the child while obtaining the measure.



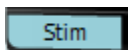
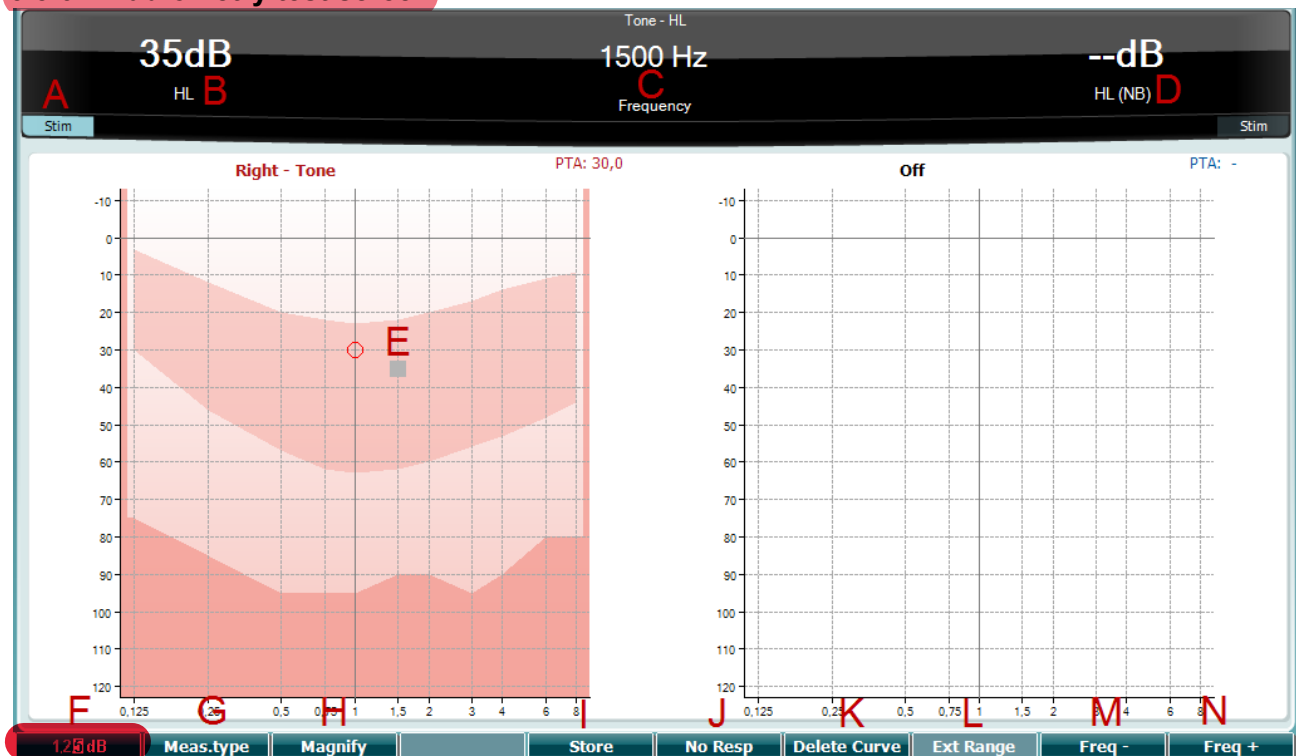
In manual mode (O) the Add Stimulus button is available and allows adding new reflex rows.



Z In manual mode (O) the Add Level button is available and allows including additional test intensities.



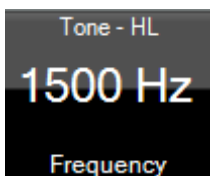
3.5.6 Audiometry test screen



A Use the tone switch (22) to present a sound to the client. The stimulus area will light up when a sound is being presented.



B This visualizes the dial setting of the stimulus intensity which can be changed by rotating the wheel (19).



C The measurement type (HL, MCL, UCL or Tinnitus is shown) as well as the presentation type (tone or pediatric noise) and the test frequency is shown.



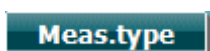
D For clarity second channel information is shown, although the AT235 cannot contain licenses to use this second channel.



E The cursor in the audiogram visualized the currently selected stimulus frequency and intensity.

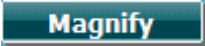





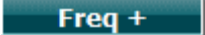


F Press the "1,2,5 dB" button (4) to toggle the dB step size. The current step size is indicated on the label of this button.



G Hold down the "Meas.type" button (5) and use the wheel (19) to select the measurement type.



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|---|---|--|
|  | H | Press the “Magnify” button (6) to increase the intensity and frequency labels (B, C and D). |
|  | I | Press the “Store” button (8) for storing points in the audiogram. |
|  | J | Press the “No Resp” button (9) for storing a no response indication in the audiogram. |
|  | K | Press the “Delete Curve” button (10) for deleting the curve of the current measurement type. |
|  | L | Press the “Ext Range” button (11) to activate the maximum intensity range of the transducer. |
|  | M | Press the “Freq -“ button (12) to lower the test frequency. |
|  | N | Press the “Freq +“ button (13) to increase the test frequency. |

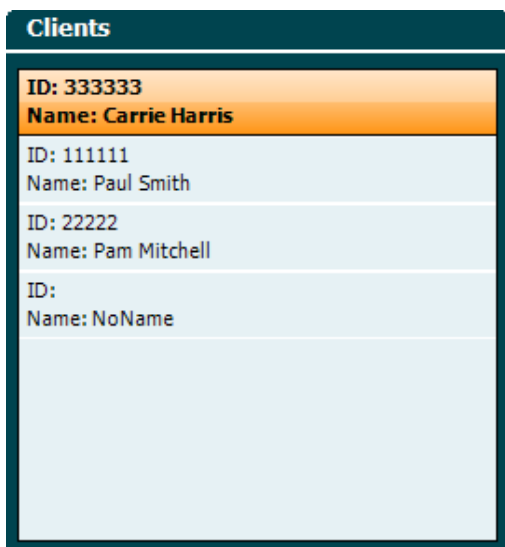
3.5.7 Start and stop of a tympanometric test

After startup, the AT235 is ready to automatically start a measurement as soon as it detects that the probe is in the ear. When the probe is in the ear the test can be manually stopped (or paused) and again started by pressing the “Start/stop” button (22) or by pressing the probe button. When the probe is out of the ear the test can be stopped (as if it is paused before inserting the probe) or started by pressing the “Start/Stop” button (22). Using the probe button while the probe is out of ear will result in changing the selected ear side and at the same time restoring the automatic start function if necessary.

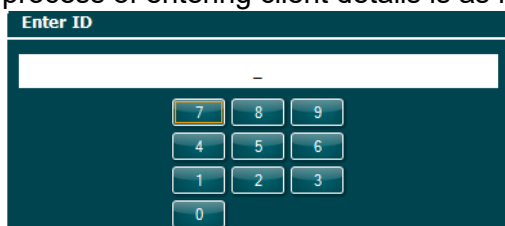


3.5.8 Save

Press “Save” (17) to enter the save screen.



Use the wheel (19) to select a client from the list and press “Enter” (22) or press “Save” (13) to confirm that data must be saved for the selected client. Before saving the session, you may edit an existing client or create a new client by pressing the Edit button (5) or the New button (6). The process of entering client details is as follows:



Use the wheel (19) to scroll and use “Enter” (22) to select numbers to be inserted for the client ID. Press the “Next” button (13) to proceed.



Use the wheel (19) to scroll and use “Enter” (22) to select letter to be inserted for the client’s first name. A clear, backspace, shift, caps lock and spacebar function are found under the soft key buttons (4 to 8). Press the “Next” button (13) to proceed.



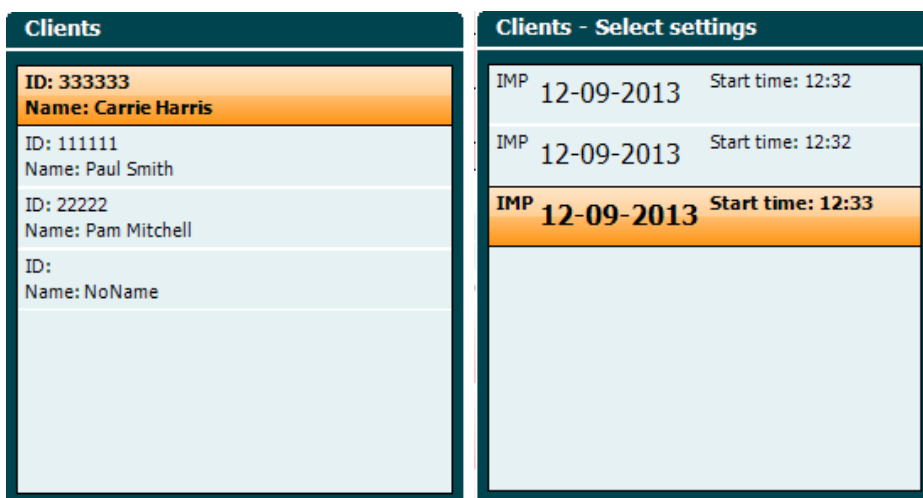
Use the wheel (19) to scroll and use “Enter” (22) to select letter to be inserted for the client’s last



name. A clear, backspace, shift, caps lock and spacebar function are found under the soft key buttons (4 to 8). Press the “Done” button (13) to proceed.

3.5.9 View historical sessions

Press the “Clients” button (16) and use the wheel (19) to scroll between clients. Select the client by pressing the “Select” button (13) and a list of available sessions will appear. Use again the wheel (19) to highlight the session that needs to be selected. Press the “View” button (13) to show the historic session in a separate window.



Use the “Next” button (13) to browse through the tests in within the session. Return to the test screen by pressing “Back” three times.



3.6 Operating in sync mode (only with Diagnostic Suite)

NOTICE

3.6.1 PC power configuration

Allowing the PC to go into sleep mode or hibernation may cause the Suite to crash when the PC wakes up again. From the Start menu of your operating system, go to the **Control Panel | Power Options** to change these settings.

3.6.2 Starting from OtoAccess®

For instructions about working with the OtoAccess® database, please see the operation manual for OtoAccess®.

3.6.3 Starting from Noah 4

To start the Diagnostic Suite from Noah 4:

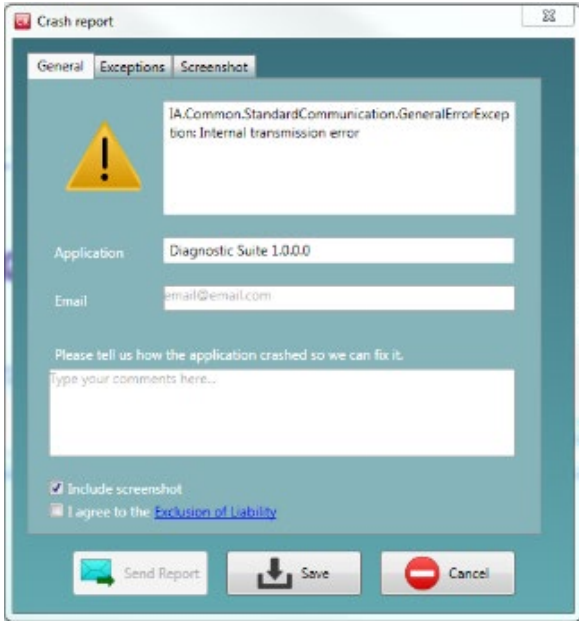
1. Open Noah 4.
2. Search for and select the patient you want to work with.
3. If the patient is not yet listed:
 - Click on the **Add a New Patient** icon
 - Fill in the required fields and click **OK**
4. Click on the **Diagnostic Suite module** icon at the top of the screen.

For further instructions about working with the database, please see the operation manual for Noah 4.

3.6.4 Crash report

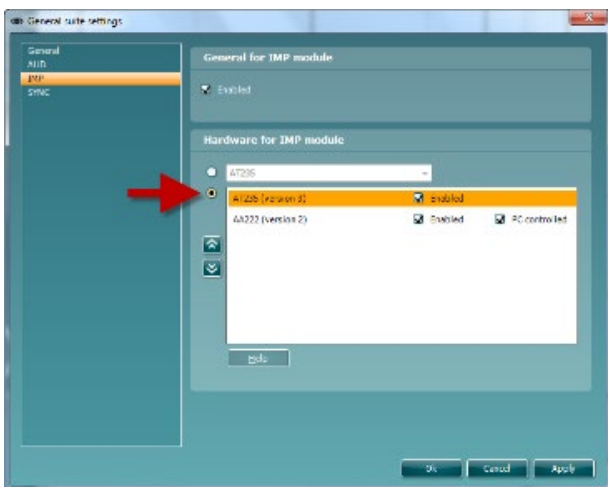
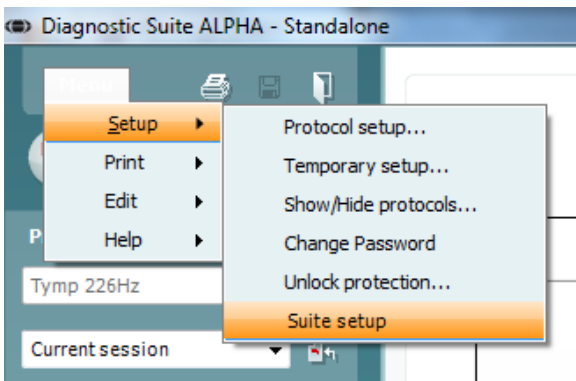
If the Diagnostic Suite crashes and the details can be logged by the system, the Crash Report window will appear on the test screen (as shown below). The crash report provides information to Interacoustics about the error message and extra information can be added by the user outlining what they were doing before the crash occurred to assist in fixing the problem. A screen shot of the software can also be sent.

The “I agree to the Exclusion of Liability” check box must be checked before the crash report can be sent via the internet. For those users without an internet connection, the crash report can be saved to an external drive so it can be sent from another computer with an internet connection.



3.6.5 Instrument setup

Select Menu | Setup | Suite setup... to open general suite settings.



Important: Both at the AUD module and the IMP module, please be sure to select the “AT235 (version 3)” (and not “AT235”, which refers to the old version).

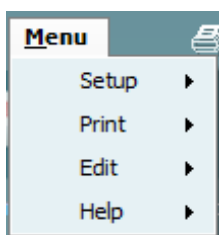
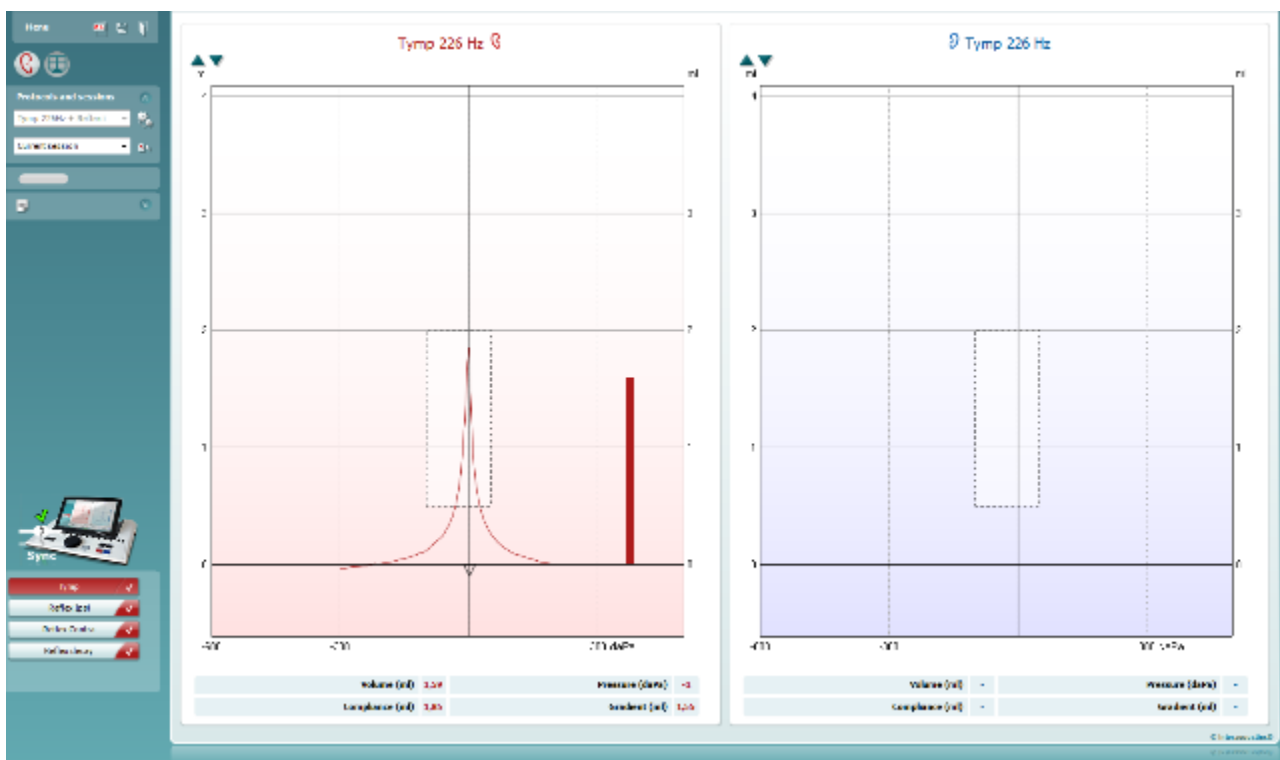


3.7 Using sync mode

Sync mode allows for a one click data transfer. When pressing *Save Session* on the instrument, the session will automatically be transferred to the Diagnostic Suite. Start the suite with device connected.

3.7.1 Using IMP sync

The following operations are available on the IMP tab of the Diagnostic Suite:



Menu provides access to Setup, Print, Edit and Help (refer to the Additional Information document for more details about the menu items).

Change of language:

Menu | Setup | Suite Setup takes you to a window from where you can change the language.



Print allows for printing the onscreen results directly to your default printer or to a pdf file. You will be prompted to select a print template if the protocol does not have one linked to it (refer to the Additional Information document for more details about the print wizard).



Save & New Session saves the current session in Noah or OtoAccess® (or to a commonly used XML file when running in standalone mode) and opens a new session.



Save & Exit saves the current session in Noah or OtoAccess® (or to a commonly used XML file when running in standalone mode) and exits the Suite.



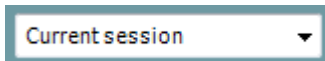
Toggle Ear changes from right to left ear and vice versa.



List of Defined Protocols allows viewing which protocol was used for historic sessions.



Temporary setup allows viewing the used settings for historic sessions.



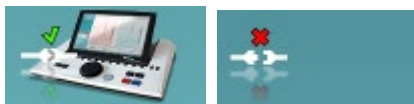
List of historical sessions accesses historical sessions for review or the **Current Session**.



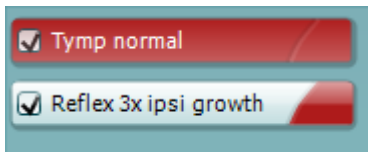
Go to current session takes you back to the current session.



Report editor button opens a separate window for adding and saving notes to the current session.

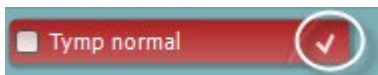


The hardware indication picture indicates whether the hardware is connected. **Simulation mode** is indicated when operating the software without hardware.



The **protocol listing** shows all tests that are part of the used protocol. The test that is displayed in the test screen area is highlighted blue or red, depending on the chosen ear.

If more tests than can fit in the window are included in the protocol, a scrollbar will be visible.

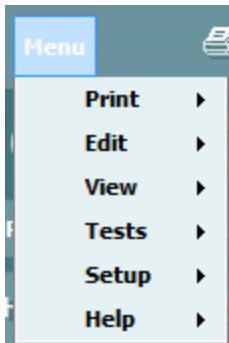
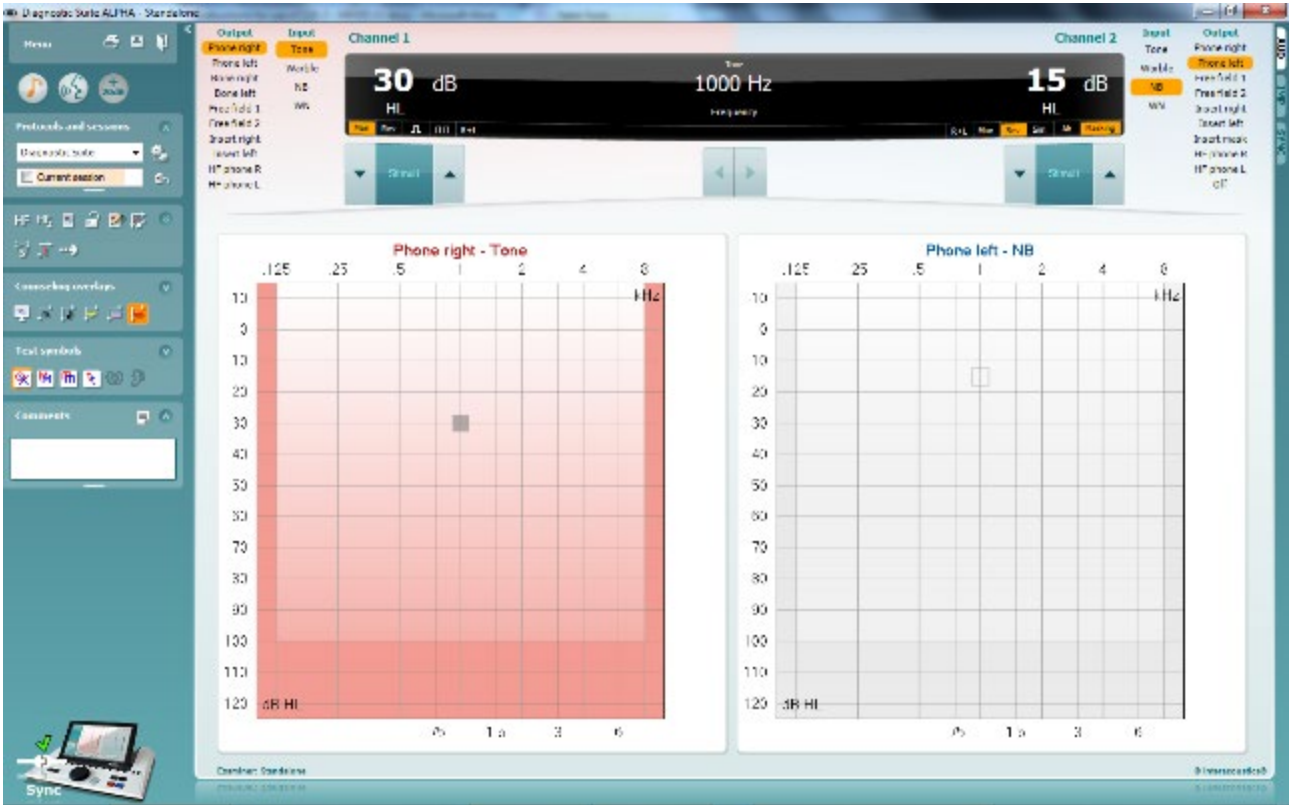


A **white checkmark** indicates that (at least some) data for this test was saved.



3.7.2 Using AUD sync

The following operations are available on the AUD tab of the Diagnostic Suite:



Menu provides access to Print, Edit, View, Tests, Setup and Help (refer to the Additional Information document for more details about the menu items).

Change of language:

Menu | Setup | Language takes you to a window from where you can change the language.



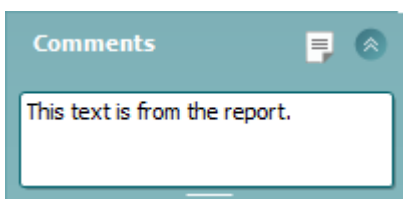
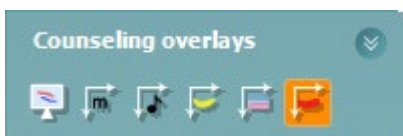
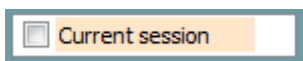
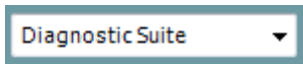
Print allows for printing the onscreen results directly to your default printer or to a pdf file. You will be prompted to select a print template if the protocol does not have one linked to it (refer to the Additional Information document for more details about the print wizard).



Save & New Session saves the current session in Noah or OtoAccess® (or to a commonly used XML file when running in standalone mode) and opens a new session.



Save & Exit saves the current session in Noah or OtoAccess® (or to a commonly used XML file when running in standalone mode) and exits the Suite.



Tone test shows the tone audiogram.

Speech test shows the speech graph or speech table.

Extended range allows opening the highest intensities of the currently selected transducers.

List of Defined Protocols allows viewing which protocol was used for historic sessions.

Temporary setup allows viewing the used settings for historic sessions.

List of historical sessions accesses historical sessions for review or the **Current Session**.

Go to current session takes you back to the current session.

Single audiogram showing both right and left data in a single audiogram.

Synchronize channels locking channel 2 to channel 1 so that the intensity difference between the channels remains constant.

Edit mode allowing entering an audiogram by clicking with the mouse.

Mouse controlled audiometry allowing stimulus presentation and storage by mouse control in the audiogram.

dB step size allowing to toggle between 1, 2 and 5 dB step size.

Hide unmasked threshold allowing showing or hiding unmasked thresholds for which a masked threshold exists.

Transfer allowing updating the PC screen with data currently available in the audiometry module of the AT235.

The **counseling overlays** can be activated on a separate **patient monitor**. Phonemes, sound examples, speech banana, a severity indication and maximum testable values are available as overlay.

Report editor button opens a separate window for adding and saving notes to the current session. These notes can also be read or typed in the white space.



The hardware indication picture indicates whether the hardware is connected. **Simulation mode** is indicated when operating the software without hardware.

3.7.3 SYNC mode

If there are several sessions stored on the AT235 (under one or more patients) then the Sync tab is supposed to be used. The screen shot below shows the Diagnostic Suite with the SYNC tab open (underneath the AUD and IMP tabs in the upper right corner).



The SYNC tab provides the following possibilities:



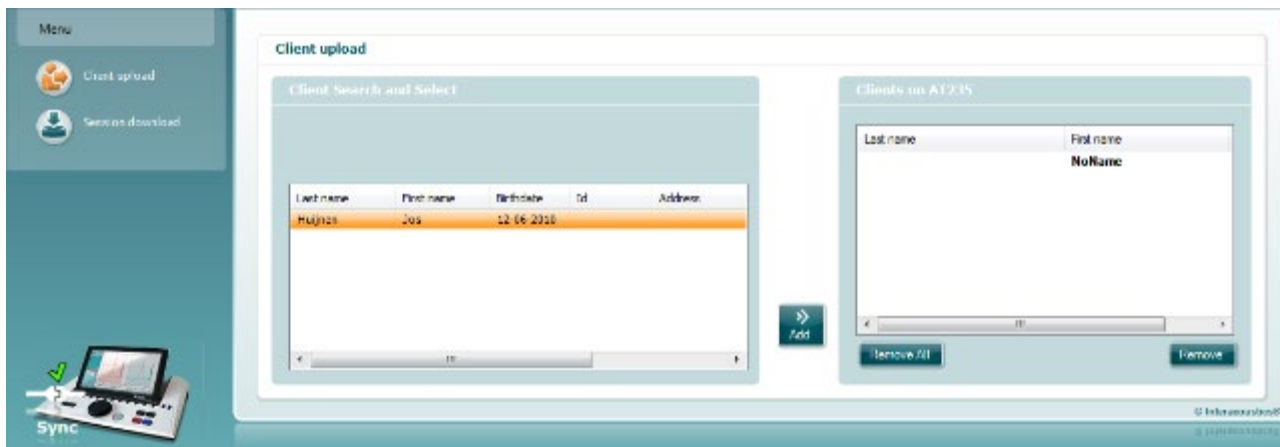
Client upload is used for uploading clients from the database (Noah or OtoAccess®) to the AT235. The internal AT235 memory can hold up to 500 clients and 50.000 sessions.

Session download is used to download (audiogram and/or tympanometry) sessions from the AT235 memory to Noah, OtoAccess® or XML (the latter when running Diagnostic suite without a database).



3.7.4 Client upload

The following screen shot shows the client upload screen:



- On the left side it is possible to search for the client in the database to transfer to the database using different search criteria. Use the “Add” button to transfer (upload) the client from the database to the internal AT235 memory. The internal AT235 memory can hold up to 500 clients and 50.000 sessions.
- On the right side the clients currently stored on the internal AT235 memory (hardware) is down. It is possible to remove all clients for individual clients using the “Remove all” or “Remove” buttons.

3.7.5 Session download

The following screen shot shows the session download screen:



When pressing the “Find client” button a window as per below pops up from which the corresponding client can be found. Press the “Save” button to start downloading the sessions of this client to the database.



Client not found in database

The client you were trying to load cannot be found in the database, please specify where you want the data stored.

Unknown client

- 04-02-2014 (AUD)
- 05-02-2014 (IMP)
- 18-02-2014 (IMP)
- 18-02-2014 (IMP)

Select client target in database

Search: Field: Any

Last name	First name	Birthdate	Id	Address	Zip
Demo	Demo	31-05-1970	0101013...	Drejervaenget 8	DK-56
Jones	Joan	05-05-1962	-1	Drejervaenget 8	
Huijnen	Jos	12-06-1975	007		
Doe	John	05-03-1964	2	??	



4 Maintenance

4.1 General maintenance procedures

Routine checking (subjective tests)

It is recommended that routine check procedures are conducted weekly in full on all equipment in use. Check 1-9 outlined below should be followed on the equipment on each day of use.

General

The purpose of routine checking is to ensure that the equipment is working properly, that its calibration has not noticeably changed, and that its transducers and connections are free from any defect that might adversely affect the test result. The checking procedures should be conducted with the audiometer set up in its usual working situation. The most important elements in daily performance checks are the subjective tests and these tests can only be successfully conducted by an operator with unimpaired and preferably known good hearing. If a booth or separate test room is used, the equipment should be checked as installed; an assistant may be required to conduct the procedures. The checks will then cover the inter-connections between the audiometer and the equipment in the booth, and all connecting leads, plugs, and socket connections at the junction box (sound room wall) should be examined as potential sources of intermittency or incorrect connection. The ambient noise conditions during the tests should not be worse than those encountered when the equipment is in use.

- 1) Clean and examine the audiometer and all accessories.
- 2) Check earphone cushions, plugs, main leads, and accessory leads for signs of wear or damage. Damaged or badly worn parts should be replaced.
- 3) Switch on equipment and leave for the recommended warm-up time. Conduct any set-up adjustments as specified. On battery-powered equipment, check battery state using the manufacturer's specified method. Switch on equipment and leave for the recommended warm-up time. If no warm-up period is quoted, allow 5 min for circuits to stabilize. Conduct any setting-up adjustments as specified. On battery-powered equipment, check battery state.
- 4) Check that earphone and bone vibrator serial numbers are correct for use with the audiometer.
- 5) Check that audiometer output is correct on both air and bone conduction by conducting a simplified audiogram on a known test subject with known hearing check for any change.
- 6) Check at high level (for example hearing levels of 60 dB on air conduction and 40 dB on bone conduction) on all appropriate functions (and on both earphones) at all frequencies used; listen for proper functioning, absence of distortion, freedom from clicks, etc.
- 7) Check all earphones (including masking transducer) and the bone vibrator for absence of distortion and intermittency; check plugs and leads for intermittency.
- 8) Check that all switch knobs are secure and that indicators work correctly.
- 9) Check that the subject's signal system operates correctly.
- 10) Listen at low levels for any sign of noise, hum, or unwanted sounds (break-through arising when a signal is introduced in another channel) or for any change in tone quality as masking is introduced.



- 11) Check that attenuators do attenuate the signals over their full range and that attenuators which are intended to be operated while a tone is being delivered are free from electrical or mechanical noise
- 12) Check that controls operate silently and that no noise radiated from the audiometer is audible at the subject's position.
- 13) Check subject communication speech circuits, if appropriate, applying procedures like those used for pure-tone function.
- 14) Check tension of headset headband. Ensure that swivel joints are free to return without being excessively slack.
- 15) Check headbands and swivel joints on noise-excluding headsets for signs of wear strain or metal fatigue.

4.2 General cleaning procedures



- Before cleaning always switch off and disconnect from the power supply
- Follow local best practice and safety guidelines if available
- Use a soft cloth lightly dampened with cleaning solution to clean all exposed surfaces
- Do not allow liquid to meet the metal parts inside the earphones / headphones
- Do not autoclave, sterilize, or immerse the instrument or accessory in any fluid
- Do not use hard or pointed objects to clean any part of the instrument or accessory
- Do not let parts that have been in contact with fluids dry before cleaning
- Rubber ear-tips or foam ear-tips are single use components
- Ensure isopropyl alcohol does not come into contact with any screens on the AT235

Recommended cleaning and disinfection solutions:

- Warm water with mild, nonabrasive cleaning solution (soap)
- 70% isopropyl alcohol

Procedure

- Clean the instrument by wiping outer case with a lint free cloth lightly dampened in cleaning solution
- Clean cushions and patient hand switch and other parts with a lint free cloth lightly dampened in cleaning solution
- Make sure not to get moisture in the speaker portion of the earphones and similar parts



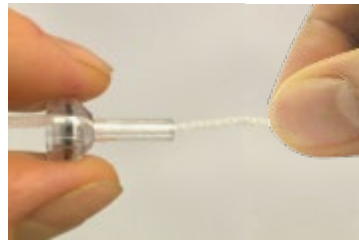
4.3 Cleaning the probe tip

Diagnostic probe

Clinical probe



Step 1: Unscrew the probe cap and remove the probe tip.



Step 2: Thread the stiff end of the cleaning brush into one of the tubes from inside. Pull the cleaning floss completely through the probe tip tube. Clean each of the three tubes. Discard floss after use.



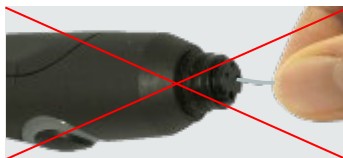
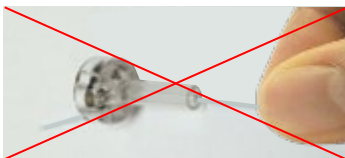
Step 3: Replace the cleaned tip.



Step 4: Assemble the probe again.

Notice:

Only insert the cleaning brush from inside out, this will ensure that the dirt is pushed out of the probe instead of into the probe and as well protect the gasket from being damaged. Never clean inside the probe holes.





4.4 Concerning repair

Interacoustics is only considered to be responsible for the validity of the CE marking, effects on safety, reliability, and performance of the equipment if:

1. assembly operations, extensions, readjustments, modifications, or repairs are conducted by authorized persons
2. a 1 year service interval is maintained
3. the electrical installation of the relevant room complies with the appropriate requirements, and
4. the equipment is used by authorized personnel in accordance with the documentation supplied by Interacoustics

The customer shall reach out to the local distributor to determine the service/repair possibilities including onsite service/repair. It is important that the customer (through local distributor) fills out the **RETURN REPORT** every time when the component/product is sent for service/repair to Interacoustics.

4.5 Warranty

Interacoustics guarantees that:

- The AT235 is free from defects in material and workmanship under normal use and service for a period of 24 months from the date of delivery by Interacoustics to the first purchaser
- Accessories are free from defects in material and workmanship under normal use and service for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of delivery by Interacoustics to the first purchaser

If any product requires service during the applicable warranty period, the purchaser should communicate directly with the local Interacoustics service center to determine the appropriate repair facility. Repair or replacement will be conducted at Interacoustics' expense, subject to the terms of this warranty. The product requiring service should be returned promptly, properly packed, and postage prepaid. Loss or damage in return shipment to Interacoustics shall be at purchaser's risk.

In no event shall Interacoustics be liable for any incidental, indirect or consequential damages in connection with the purchase or use of any Interacoustics product.

This shall apply solely to the original purchaser. This warranty shall not apply to any subsequent owner or holder of the product. Furthermore, this warranty shall not apply to, and Interacoustics shall not be responsible for, any loss arising in connection with the purchase or use of any Interacoustics product that has been:

- repaired by anyone other than an authorized Interacoustics service representative;
- altered in any way so as, in Interacoustics opinion, to affect its stability or reliability;
- subject to misuse or negligence or accident, or that has had the serial or lot number altered, defaced, or removed; or
- improperly maintained or used in any manner other than in accordance with the instructions provided by Interacoustics.

This warranty is in lieu of all other warranties, express or implied, and of all other obligations or liabilities of Interacoustics. Interacoustics does not give or grant, directly or indirectly, the authority



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INTERACOUSTICS DISCLAIMS ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FOR FUNCTION OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR APPLICATION.

4.6 Periodic calibration

Minimum periodic calibration requirements:

Minimum calibration interval of once (annually) per 12-month period.

Records of all calibrations should be kept on file.

Recalibration should be performed after:

- 1) A specified time has elapsed (12-month period maximum, annually).
- 2) When a specified usage (operating hours) has elapsed. This is based on usage and environment, requested by the audiometer's owner. Typically, this is an interval of a 3- or 6-month period, based on instrument usage.
- 3) When an audiometer or transducer has had a shock, vibration, malfunction, or a repair or part replacement has been performed which potentially may have put the audiometer out of calibration.
- 4) Whenever user observations or patient results are the result of questionable operation of an audiometer.


Annual calibration:

It is recommended that an annual calibration be performed by a trained technician/ a competent laboratory, knowledgeable and up to date in the relevant requirements of ANSI/ASA and/or IEC and the device specifications. The calibration procedure will validate all relevant performance requirements given in ANSI/ASA and/or IEC.



5 Technical specifications

5.1 AT235 Technical specifications

General		
Medical CE-mark:	The CE-mark in combination with MD symbol indicates that Interacoustics A/S meets the requirements of the Medical Device Regulation (EU) 2017/745. Approval of the quality system is made by TÜV – identification no. 0123.	
Standards:	Safety:	IEC 60601-1, Class I, Type B applied parts.
	EMC:	IEC 60601-1-2+AMD1:2020
	Impedance:	IEC 60645-5 (2004)/ANSI S3.39 (2012), Type 1.
	Audiometer:	IEC60645-1 (2012)/ANSI S3.6 (2010), Type 4.
Operation environment:	Temperature:	15 – 35 °C.
	Relative Humidity:	30 – 90%.
	Ambient Pressure:	98kPa – 104kPa.
	Warm-up Time:	1 minute.
Display	10 inch high resolution color display 1024x600.	
Transport & Storage:	Storage Temperature:	0°C – 50°C
	Transport Temperature:	-20 – 50 °C
	Rel. Humidity:	10 – 95%
Internal storage	500 clients and 50.000 sessions.	
Internal battery	CR2032 3V, 230mAh, Li. Not serviceable by user.	
PC control:	USB:	Input/output for computer communication. Data can be sent to, saved on the PC, and stored in OtoAccess® (Diagnostic Suite sync module is required).
Thermal printer (Optional):	Type: MPT-III	Thermal MPT-III/HM-E300 printer with recording paper in rolls. Print on command via USB.
Power supply 	UES65-240250SPA3	Use only specified power supply unit model UES65-240250SPA3. Input: 100-240VAC 50/60Hz, 2.0 A. Output: 24.0 VDC, 2.5A.
Dimensions	H x W x L	29 x 38 x 7,5 cm.
AT235 weight		2.5 kg.
Impedance measuring system		
Probe tone:	Frequency:	226 Hz, 678 Hz, 800 Hz, 1000 Hz; pure tones; ±1%.
	Level:	85 dB SPL (≈ 69 dB HL) ±1.5 dB.
Air pressure:	Control:	Automatic.
	Indicator:	Measured value is displayed on the graphical display.
	Range:	-600 to +400 daPa. ±5%.
	Pressure limitation:	-750 daPa and +550 daPa.
Compliance:	Pump Speed:	Automatic, Fast 300 daPa/s, Medium 200 daPa/s, Slow 100 daPa/s, Very slow 50 daPa/s.
	Range:	0.1 to 8.0 ml at 226 Hz probe tone (Ear volume: 0.1 to 8.0 ml) and 0.1 to 15 mmho at 678, 800 and 1000 Hz probe tone. All ±5%.
Test types:	Tympanometry	Automatic, where the start and stop pressure can be user-programmed in the setup function. Manual control of all functions.
	Eustachian tube function 1 - Non perforated eardrum	Williams test.
	Eustachian tube function 2 - Perforated eardrum	Toynbee test.
	Eustachian tube function 3 - Patulous Eustachian tube	Continuous sensitive impedance measurement.



Reflex functions		
Signal sources:	Tone - Contra, Reflex:	250, 500, 1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, 6000, 8000 Hz, Wide Band, High and Low pass.
	Tone - Ipsi, Reflex:	500, 1000, 2000, 3000, 4000 Hz wide band, high and low pass.
	NB noise – Contra, Reflex	250, 500, 1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, 6000, 8000 Hz.
	NB noise – Ipsi, Reflex	1000, 2000, 3000, 4000 Hz.
	Stimulus duration:	750 ms.
	Reflex Acceptance	Adjustable between 2% and 6%, or 0.05 – 0.15 ml change of ear canal volume.
	Intervals	Down to 1 dB step size.
	Intensity max	90, 100, 120 dBHL.
Outputs:	Contra Earphone:	TDH39 earphone, DD45 earphone, IP30 single contra insert and/or IP30insert for Reflex measurements.
	Ipsi Earphone:	Probe earphone incorporated in the probe system for Reflex measurements.
	Probe connection	Connection of the electrical and air system to the probe.
Test types:	Manual Reflex	Manual control of all functions.
	Automated Reflex	Single intensities. Reflex growth.
	Reflex Decay	Automatic, 10 dB above threshold and manually controlled with stimulus durations of 10.
	Reflex latency	Automated, first 300 ms from stimulus start.

Audiometer functions		
Signals:	Frequencies Hz:	Intensities dB HL:
	125	-10 to 70
	250	-10 to 90
	500	-10 to 100
	1000	-10 to 100
	2000	-10 to 100
	3000	-10 to 100
	4000	-10 to 100
	6000	-10 to 100
8000	-10 to 90	
Test types	Auto Threshold Determination (Modified Hughson Westlake). Auto testing: duration 1-2 s adjusted in 0.1 s intervals.	

5.2 Calibration properties

Calibrated transducers:	Contralateral earphone:	Telephonic TDH39/DD45 with a static force of 4.5N \pm 0.5N.
	Probe system:	Ipsilateral Earphone: is integrated in the probe system.
		Probe frequency transmitter and receiver and pressure transducer is integrated in the probe system.
Accuracy:	General	The instrument is made and calibrated to be within and better than the tolerances required in the specified standards:
	Reflex frequencies:	\pm 1%.
	Contralateral reflex and Audiometer tone levels:	3 dB for 250 to 4000Hz and 5 dB for 6000 to 8000Hz.
	Ipsilateral reflex tone levels:	5 dB for 500 to 2000Hz and +5/-10 dB for 3000 to 4000Hz.
	Pressure measurement: Compliance measurement:	5% or 10 daPa, whichever is greater. 5% or 0.1 ml, whichever is greater.
Stimulus presentation control:	Reflexes:	ON-OFF ratio \geq 70 dB Rise time = 20 ms Fall time = 20 ms A weighted SPL in Off = 31 dB
Impedance calibration properties		
Probe tone	Frequencies:	226 Hz 1%, 678 Hz 1%, 800 Hz 1%, 1000 Hz 1%.
	Level:	85 dB SPL 1.5 dB measured in an IEC 60318-5 acoustic coupler. The level is constant for all volumes in the measurement range.
	Distortion:	Max 1% THD.
Compliance	Range:	0.1 to 8.0 ml.
	Temperature dependence:	-0.003 ml/C .
	Pressure dependence:	-0.00020 ml/daPa.
	Reflex sensitivity: Reflex artifact level:	0.001 ml is the lowest detectable volume change \geq 95 dB SPL (measured in the 711 coupler, 0.2 ml, 0.5 ml, 2.0 ml & 5.0 ml hard walled cavities).
	Temporal reflex characteristics: (IEC60645-5 clause 5.1.6)	Initial latency = 35 ms (5 ms). Rise time = 42 ms (5 ms). Terminal latency = 23 ms (5 ms). Fall time = 44 ms (5 ms). Overshoot = max. 1%. Undershoot = max. 1%.
Pressure	Range:	Values between -600 to +400 daPa can be selected in the setup.
	Safety limits:	-750 daPa and +550 daPa, 50 daPa.
Barometric pressure	The barometer pressure changes influence on the impedance measurement in the specified range (97300 – 105300 Pascal).	Admittance can vary inside: \pm 4%. The pressure accuracy is: \pm 10 daPa or 10%, whichever is greater.

Height above sea level	The pressure sensor used, is a differential/gauge type, which means, it measures the pressure difference and therefore not affected of the height above sea level.					
	Probe tones	0 meters	500 meters	1000 meters	2000 meters	4000 meters
	226 Hz	1.0 mmho	1.06 mmho	1.13 mmho	1.28 mmho	1.65 mmho
	678 Hz	3.0 mmho	3.19 mmho	3.40 mmho	3.85 mmho	4.95 mmho
	800 Hz	3.54 mmho	3.77 mmho	4.01 mmho	4.55 mmho	5.84 mmho
	1000 Hz	4.42 mmho	4.71 mmho	5.01 mmho	5.68 mmho	7.30 mmho
	The pressure accuracy is: ± 10 daPa or 10%, whichever is greater. To minimize the influence of temperature, barometer pressure, humidity, and height above sea level, it always recommended to calibrate the unit in the local positions.					
Temperature	The temperature has no theoretic impact on the impedance calculation, but the temperature has influence on the electronic circuits. This temperature influence for the standard specified temperature range (15-35 °C) is inside: Admittance can vary inside: $\pm 5\%$, $\pm 0.1 \text{ cm}^3$, $\pm 10^{-9} \text{ m}^3/\text{Pa}\cdot\text{s}$, whichever is greater.					
Reflex calibration standards and spectral properties:						
General	Specifications for stimulus and audiometer signals are made to follow IEC 60645-5					
Contralateral earphone	Pure tone:	ISO 389-1 for TDH39 and ISO 389-9 for IP30.				
	Wide Band noise (WB): Spectral properties:	Interacoustics Standard. As "Broad band noise" specified in IEC 60645-5, but with 500 Hz as lower cut-off frequency.				
	Low Pass noise (LP): Spectral properties:	Interacoustics Standard. Uniform from 500 Hz to 1600 Hz, 5 dB re. 1000 Hz level.				
	High Pass noise (HP): Spectral properties:	Interacoustics Standard. Uniform from 1600 Hz to 10KHz, 5 dB re. 1000 Hz level.				
Ipsilateral Earphone	Pure tone:	Interacoustics Standard.				
	Wide Band noise (WB): Spectral properties:	Interacoustics Standard. As "Broad band noise" specified in IEC 60645-5, but with 500 Hz as lower cut-off frequency.				
	Low Pass noise (LP): Spectral properties:	Interacoustics Standard. Uniform from 500 Hz to 1600 Hz, 10 dB re. 1000 Hz level.				
	High Pass noise (HP): Spectral properties:	Interacoustics Standard. Uniform from 1600 Hz to 4000 Hz, 10 dB re. 1000 Hz level.				
	General about levels:	The actual sound pressure level at the eardrum will depend on the volume of the ear.				
The risk of artifacts at higher stimulus levels in reflex measurements are minor and will not activate the reflex detection system.						

Reference values for stimulus calibration

Freq.	Reference Equivalent Threshold Sound Level (RETSPL) [dB re. 20 µPa]						Variation of Ipsi stimulus levels for different volumes of the ear canal Relative to the calibration performed on an IEC 126 coupler [dB].		Sound attenuation values for TDH39/DD45 earphones using MX41/AR or PN51 cushion [dB].
	ISO 389-1 (Interacoustics Standard)	ISO 389-9 (Interacoustics Standard)	Interacoustics Standard	Interacoustics Standard	Interacoustics Standard	ISO 389-4 (ISO 8798)	0.5 ml	1 ml	
[Hz]	TDH39	IP30	DD65 v2	DD4 5	Prob e	NB Stimulus Correction Values			
125	45	26	30,5	47.5	41	4			3
250	25.5	14	17	27	24.5	4			5
500	11.5	5.5	8	13	9.5	4	9.7	5.3	7
1000	7	0	4,5	6	6.5	6	9.7	5.3	15
1500	6.5	2	2,5	8	5	6			21 (1600 Hz)
2000	9	3	2,5	8	12	6	11.7	3.9	26
3000	10	3.5	2	8	11	6	-0.8	-0.5	31 (3150 Hz)
4000	9.5	5.5	9,5	9	3.5	5	-1.6	-0.8	32
6000	15.5	2	21	20.5	3	5			26 (6300 Hz)
8000	13	0	21	12	-5	5			24
RETSPL WB	-8	-5	-8	-8	-5		7.5	3.2	
LP	-6	-7	-6	-6	-7		8.0	3.6	
HP	-10	-8	-10	-10	-8		3.9	1.4	

Coupler types used for calibration

IMP:

TDH39 and DD45 is calibrated using a 6cc acoustic coupler made in accordance with IEC 60318-3, Ipsilateral earphone and probe tone are calibrated using a 2cc acoustic coupler made in accordance with IEC 60318-5.

General Information about specifications

Interacoustics continuously strives to improve its products and their performance. Therefore, the specifications can be subject to change without notice.

The performance and specifications of the instrument can only be guaranteed if it is subject to technical maintenance at least once per year. This should be conducted by a workshop authorized by Interacoustics.

Interacoustics puts diagrams and service manuals at the disposal of authorized service companies.

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5.3 Reference equivalent threshold values for transducers

AT235 Maximums IMP											
	TDH39		DD65 v2		IP30		IPSI		DD45		
Center	Reading		Reading		Reading		Reading		Reading		
Freq.	Tone	NB	Tone	NB	Tone	NB	Tone	NB	Tone	NB	
[Hz]	[dB HL]	[dB HL]	[dB HL]	[dB HL]	[dB HL]	[dB HL]	[dB HL]	[dB HL]	[dB HL]	[dB HL]	
125	80	65	85	70	100	85	70	60	75	60	
250	100	85	100	85	110	100	85	75	100	85	
500	120	100	110	95	115	105	100	85	120	100	
750	120	105	115	100	120	110	100	85	120	105	
1000	120	105	115	100	120	110	105	90	120	105	
1500	120	105	115	100	120	110	110	90	120	100	
2000	120	105	115	95	120	110	105	90	120	100	
3000	120	105	115	100	120	110	95	90	120	105	
4000	120	105	110	95	120	105	100	85	120	105	
6000	120	100	100	85	105	100	85	80	110	90	
8000	105	95	95	80	90	85	80	75	105	95	
10000											
WB	-	115	-	115	-	115	-	95	-	120	
LP	-	120	-	115	-	120	-	100	-	120	
HP	-	115	-	115	-	120	-	95	-	120	

5.4 Pin assignments

Inputs	Connector type	Electrical properties	
Patient response	Jack 6.3mm	Handheld switch: Pin 1: GND Pin 2: Signal	3V through 10K is forced to ground when activated
Outputs:			
Phones, Left	Jack, 6.3mm	Voltage: Min. load impedance: Pin 1: CH1 GND Pin 2: CH1 OUT	Up to 3V rms. by 10 ohm load 8 Pin 2:
Phones, Right	Jack 6.3mm	Pin 1: CH1 GND Pin 2: CH1 OUT	Up to 3V rms. by 10 ohm load 8 Pin 2:
Phones, Contralateral	Jack 6.3mm	Voltage: Min. load impedance: Pin 1: CH1 GND Pin 2: CH1 OUT	Up to 3V rms. by 10 ohm load 8
Probe system	15-pin D-sub high density with air connection	Pin 1	DSP_I2C_INTERRUPT
		Pin 2	GND
		Pin 3	IPSI_OUT
		Pin 4	GND_CONTRA
		Pin 5	GND_Probe-mic
		Pin 6	DSP_I2C_SCLK
		Pin 7	GND
		Pin 8	GND_IPSI
		Pin 9	PROBETONE_OUT
		Pin 10	MIC-IN
		Pin 11	DSP_I2C_DATA
		Pin 12	+5 Vprobe
		Pin 13	CONTRA_OUT
		Pin 14	GND_PROBETONE
		Pin 15	MIC-+IN
Data I/O:			
USB	USB type "B"	USB port for communication	

5.5 Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)

Portable and mobile RF communications equipment can affect the AT235. Install and operate the AT235 according to the EMC information presented in this chapter.

The AT235 has been tested for EMC emissions and immunity as a standalone AT235.

The use of accessories, transducers, and cables other than those specified, except for servicing parts sold by Interacoustics as replacement parts for internal components, may result in increased EMISSIONS or decreased IMMUNITY of the device.

Anyone connecting additional equipment is responsible for making sure the system complies with the IEC 60601-1-2 standard.

ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE for this instrument is defined by the manufacturer as:

This instrument does not have an ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE.

Absence or loss of ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE cannot lead to any unacceptable immediate risk.

Final diagnosis shall always be based on clinical knowledge.

This instrument is in compliance with IEC60601-1-2:2014+AMD1:2020, emission class B group 1.

Use of this instrument adjacent to or stacked with other equipment should be avoided because it could result in improper operation. If such use is necessary, this instrument and the other equipment should be observed to verify that they are operating normally.

This instrument is suitable in hospital environments except for near active HF surgical equipment and RF shielded rooms of systems for magnetic resonance imaging, where the intensity of electromagnetic disturbance is high.

Use of accessories and cables other than those specified or provided by the manufacturer of this equipment could result in increased electromagnetic emissions or decreased electromagnetic immunity of this equipment and result in improper operation. The list of accessories and cables can be found in this section.

Portable RF communications equipment (including peripherals such as antenna cables and external antennas) should be used no closer than 30 cm (12 inches) to any part of this equipment, including cables specified by the manufacturer. Otherwise, degradation of the performance of this equipment could result in improper operation.

NOTICE: There are no deviations from the collateral standard and allowances uses

NOTICE: All necessary instruction for maintaining compliance with regard to EMC can be found in the general maintenance section in this instruction. No further steps required.

Guidance and manufacturer's declaration - electromagnetic emissions

The *Instrument* (AT235) is intended for use in the electromagnetic environment specified below. The customer or the user of the *Instrument* should assure that it is used in such an environment.

Emissions Test	Compliance	Electromagnetic environment - guidance
RF emissions CISPR 11	Group 1	The <i>Instrument</i> uses RF energy only for its internal function. Therefore, its RF emissions are very low and are not likely to cause any interference in nearby electronic equipment. The <i>Instrument</i> is suitable for use in all commercial, industrial, business, and residential environments.
RF emissions CISPR 11	Class B	
Harmonic emissions IEC 61000-3-2	Complies Class A Category	
Voltage fluctuations / flicker emissions IEC 61000-3-3	Complies	

Recommended separation distances between portable and mobile RF communications equipment and the *Instrument*.

The *Instrument* (AT235) is intended for use in an electromagnetic environment in which radiated RF disturbances are controlled. The customer or the user of the *Instrument* can help prevent electromagnetic interferences by maintaining a minimum distance between portable and mobile RF communications equipment (transmitters) and the *Instrument* as recommended below, according to the maximum output power of the communications equipment.

Rated Maximum output power of transmitter [W]	Separation distance according to frequency of transmitter [m]		
	150 kHz to 80 MHz $d = 1.17\sqrt{P}$	80 MHz to 800 MHz $d = 1.17\sqrt{P}$	800 MHz to 2.7 GHz $d = 2.23\sqrt{P}$
0.01	0.12	0.12	0.23
0.1	0.37	0.37	0.74
1	1.17	1.17	2.33
10	3.70	3.70	7.37
100	11.70	11.70	23.30

For transmitters rated at a maximum output power not listed above, the recommended separation distance d in meters (m) can be estimated using the equation applicable to the frequency of the transmitter, where P is the maximum output power rating of the transmitter in watts (W) according to the transmitter manufacturer.

Note 1 At 80 MHz and 800 MHz, the higher frequency range applies.

Note 2 These guidelines may not apply to all situations. Electromagnetic propagation is affected by absorption and reflection from structures, objects and people.


Guidance and Manufacturer's Declaration - Electromagnetic Immunity

The **Instrument** (AT235) is intended for use in the electromagnetic environment specified below. The customer or the user of the **Instrument** should assure that it is used in such an environment.

Immunity Test	IEC 60601 Test level	Compliance	Electromagnetic environment - guidance
Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) IEC 61000-4-2	+8 kV contact +15 kV air	+8 kV contact +15 kV air	Floors should be wood, concrete or ceramic tile. If floors are covered with synthetic material, the relative humidity should be greater than 30%.
Immunity to proximity fields from RF wireless communications equipment IEC 61000-4-3	Spot freq. 385-5.785 MHz Levels and modulation defined in table 9	As defined in table 9	RF wireless communications equipment should not be used close to any parts of the Instrument .
Electrical fast transient/burst IEC61000-4-4	+2 kV for power supply lines +1 kV for input/output lines	+2 kV for power supply lines +1 kV for input/output lines	Mains power quality should be that of a typical commercial or residential environment.
Surge IEC 61000-4-5	+1 kV Line to line +2 kV Line to earth	+1 kV Line to line +2 kV Line to earth	Mains power quality should be that of a typical commercial or residential environment.
Voltage dips, short interruptions and voltage variations on power supply lines IEC 61000-4-11	0% <i>UT</i> (100% dip in <i>UT</i>) for 0.5 cycle, @ 0, 45, 90, 135, 180, 225, 270 and 315° 0% <i>UT</i> (100% dip in <i>UT</i>) for 1 cycle 40% <i>UT</i> (60% dip in <i>UT</i>) for 5 cycles 70% <i>UT</i> (30% dip in <i>UT</i>) for 25 cycles 0% <i>UT</i> (100% dip in <i>UT</i>) for 250 cycles	0% <i>UT</i> (100% dip in <i>UT</i>) for 0.5 cycle, @ 0, 45, 90, 135, 180, 225, 270 and 315° 0% <i>UT</i> (100% dip in <i>UT</i>) for 1 cycle 40% <i>UT</i> (60% dip in <i>UT</i>) for 5 cycles 70% <i>UT</i> (30% dip in <i>UT</i>) for 25 cycles 0% <i>UT</i> (100% dip in <i>UT</i>) for 250 cycles	Mains power quality should be that of a typical commercial or residential environment. If the user of the Instrument requires continued operation during power mains interruptions, it is recommended that the Instrument be powered from an uninterruptible power supply or its battery.
Power frequency (50/60 Hz) IEC 61000-4-8	30 A/m	30 A/m	Power frequency magnetic fields should be at levels characteristic of a typical location in a typical commercial or residential environment.
Radiated fields in close proximity — Immunity test IEC 61000-4-39	9 kHz to 13.56 MHz. Frequency, level and modulation defined in AMD 1: 2020, table 11	As defined in table 11 of AMD 1: 2020	If the Instrument contains magnetically sensitive components or circuits, the proximity magnetic fields should be no higher than the test levels specified in Table 11
Note: <i>UT</i> is the A.C. mains voltage prior to application of the test level.			

Guidance and manufacturer's declaration — electromagnetic immunity

The **Instrument** (AT235) is intended for use in the electromagnetic environment specified below. The customer or the user of the **Instrument** should assure that it is used in such an environment.

Immunity test	IEC / EN 60601 test level	Compliance level	Electromagnetic environment – guidance
<p>Conducted RF IEC / EN 61000-4-6</p> <p>Radiated RF IEC / EN 61000-4-3</p>	<p>3 Vrms 150kHz to 80 MHz</p> <p>6 Vrms In ISM bands (and amateur radio bands for Home Healthcare environment.)</p> <p>3 V/m 80 MHz to 2,7 GHz</p> <p>10 V/m 80 MHz to 2,7 GHz Only for Home Healthcare environment</p>	<p>3 Vrms</p> <p>6 Vrms</p> <p>3 V/m</p> <p>10 V/m (If Home Healthcare)</p>	<p>Portable and mobile RF communications equipment should be used no closer to any parts of the Instrument, including cables, than the recommended separation distance calculated from the equation applicable to the frequency of the transmitter.</p> <p>Recommended separation distance:</p> $d = \frac{3,5}{V_{rms}} \sqrt{P}$ $d = \frac{3,5}{V/m} \sqrt{P} \quad 80 \text{ MHz to } 800 \text{ MHz}$ $d = \frac{7}{V/m} \sqrt{P} \quad 800 \text{ MHz to } 2,7 \text{ GHz}$ <p>Where <i>P</i> is the maximum output power rating of the transmitter in watts (W) according to the transmitter manufacturer and <i>d</i> is the recommended separation distance in meters (m).</p> <p>Field strengths from fixed RF transmitters, as determined by an electromagnetic site survey,^a should be less than the compliance level in each frequency range.^b</p> <p>Interference may occur in the vicinity of equipment marked with the following symbol:</p> 

NOTE1 At 80 MHz and 800 MHz, the higher frequency range applies

NOTE 2 These guidelines may not apply in all situations. Electromagnetic propagation is affected by absorption and reflection from structures, objects and people.

^a) Field strengths from fixed transmitters, such as base stations for radio (cellular/cordless) telephones and land mobile radios, amateur radio, AM and FM radio broadcast and TV broadcast cannot be predicted theoretically with accuracy. To assess the electromagnetic environment due to fixed RF transmitters, an electromagnetic site survey should be considered. If the measured field strength in the location in which the **Instrument** is used exceeds the applicable RF compliance level above, the **Instrument** should be observed to verify normal operation, if abnormal performance is observed, additional measures may be necessary, such as reorienting or relocating the **Instrument**.

^b) Over the frequency range 150 kHz to 80 MHz, field strengths should be less than 3 V/m.

To ensure compliance with the EMC requirements as specified in IEC 60601-1-2, it is essential to use only the following accessories:

ITEM	MANUFACTURER	MODEL
Power supply unit UES65-240250SPA3	Interacoustics	UES65-240250SPA3-
Clinical Probe	Interacoustics	Clinical probe system 1077
Diagnostic prob	Interacoustics	Diagnostic probe system 1077
DD45C Contra Headset DD45C contra headset P3045	Interacoustics	DD45C
DD65 v2 Passive attenuation audiometric headset	Interacoustics	DD65 v2
IP30 Insert Phone 10ohm single	Interacoustics	IP30C
DD45 Audiometric Headset P3045	Interacoustics	DD45
IP30 Insert Phone 10ohm set	Interacoustics	IP30

Conformance to the EMC requirements as specified in IEC 60601-1-2 is ensured if the cable types and cable lengths are as specified below:

Description	Length	Screened?
Mains Cable	2.0m	Unscreened
USB Cable	2.0m	Screened
Clinical Probe	2.0m	Unscreened
Diagnostic probe	2.0m	Unscreened
DD45C contra headset P3045	0.4m	Screened
DD65 v2 Passive attenuation audiometric headset	2.0m	Screened
IP30 Insert Phone 10ohm single contra	0.5m	Screened
DD45 Audiometric Headset P3045	0.5m	Screened
IP30 Insert Phone 10ohm set	0.5m	Screened