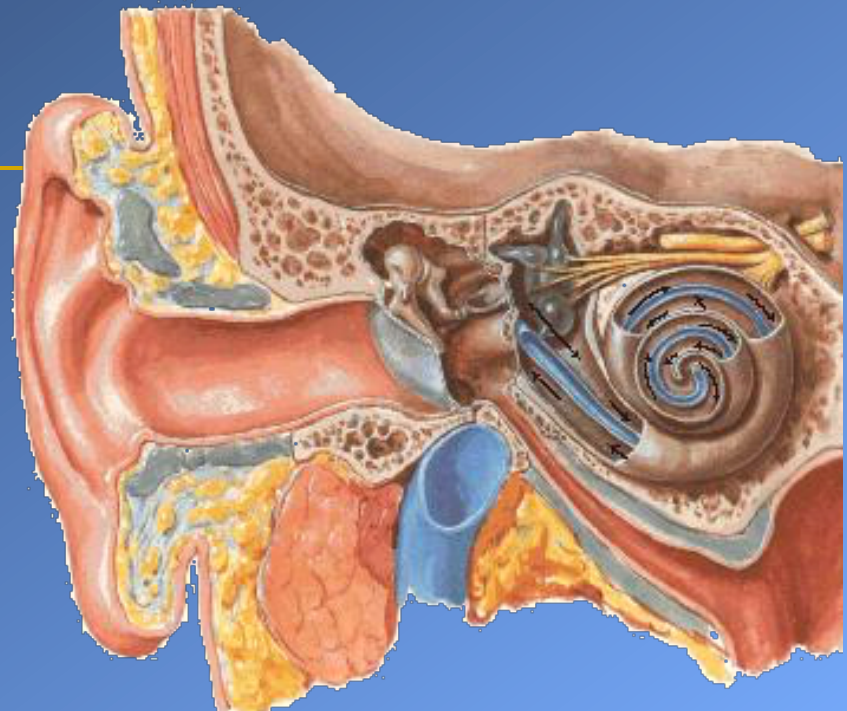


Deafness

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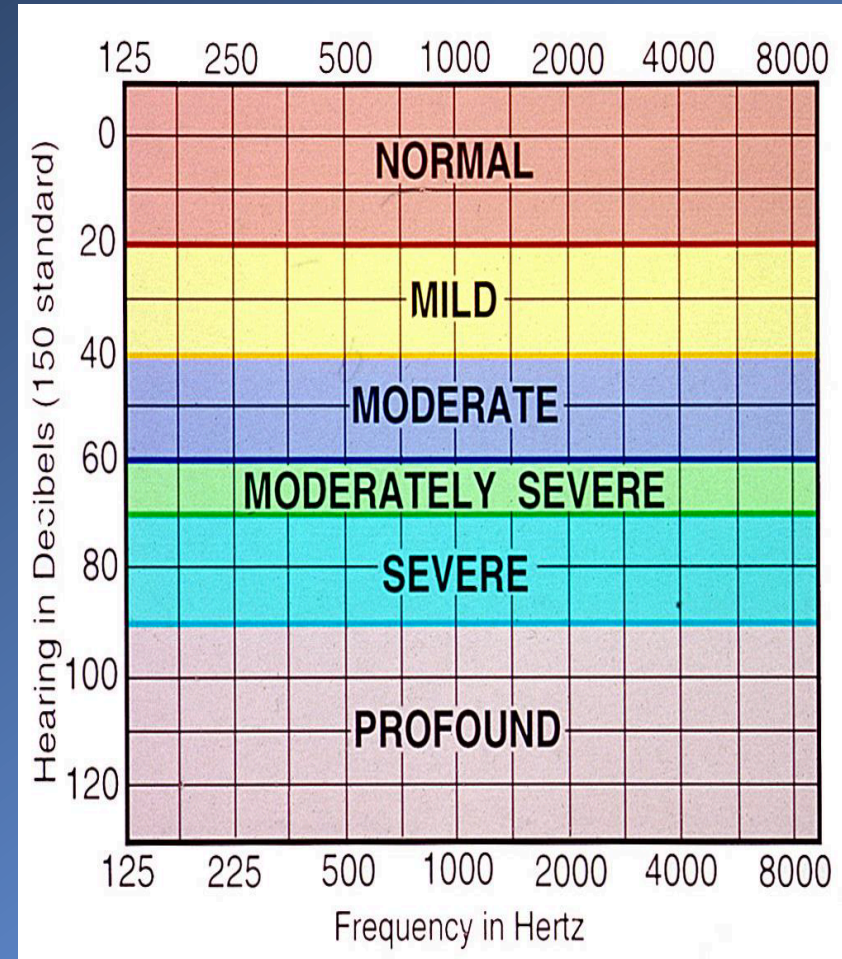
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Introduction

Hearing loss : is define by the World Health Organization (WHO) as a hearing loss with thresholds ≥ 25 dB on one or both ear .



Hearing Loss

Types:

- Conductive hearing loss
- Sensory Neural hearing loss

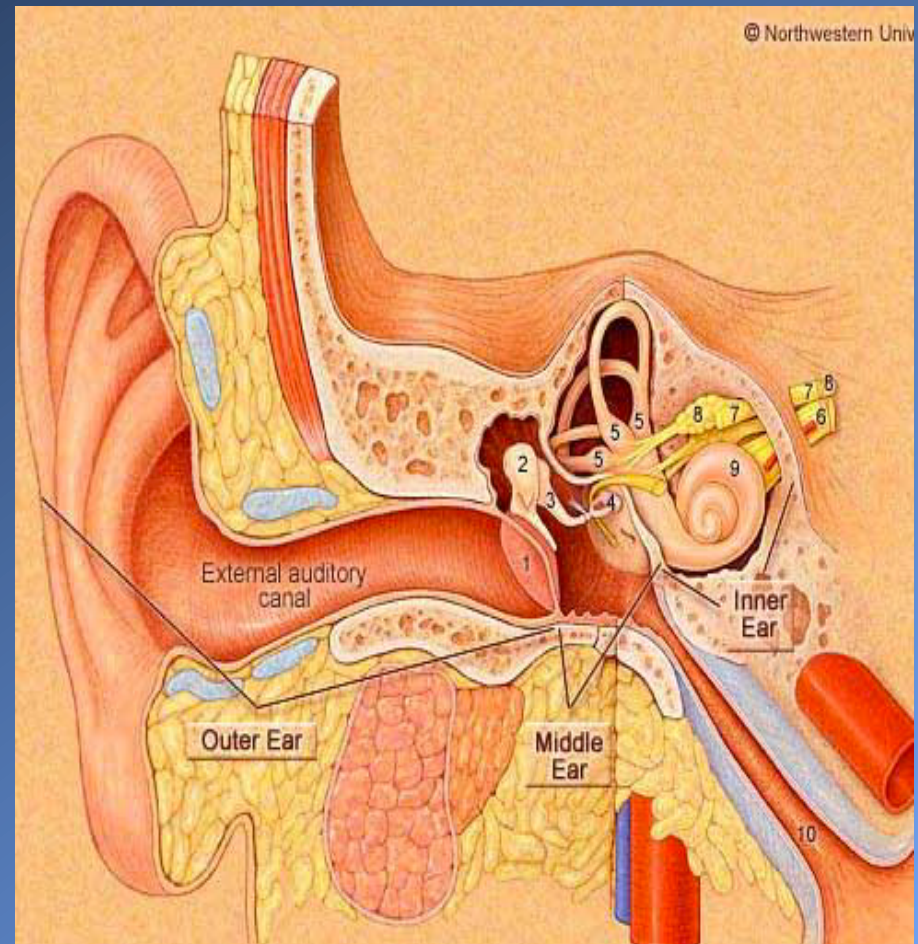


Hearing Loss

Types:

- **Conductive hearing loss**

1. Concha
2. Ear Canal
3. Drum
4. Ossicular Chain
5. Eustachian Tube



Conductive hearing loss

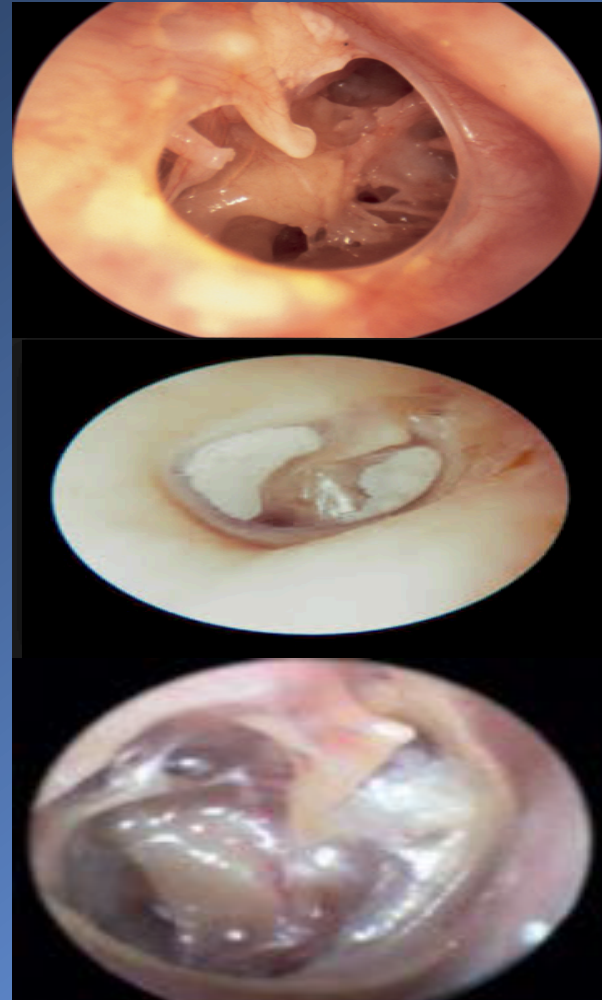
- External canal pathology :
 - Congenital : *Artesia*
 - Inflammatory: acute otitis externa
 - Wax
 - Foreign body
 - Osteoma or Exostosis



Conductive hearing loss

Tympanic membrane:

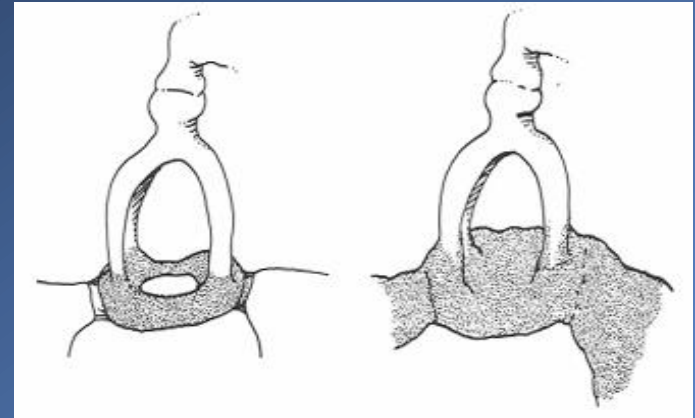
- Absent Perforated
- Too thick : Myringosclerosis
- Too thin



Conductive hearing loss

Ossicular chains :

- Absent & Erosion
- Ossicular Fixation (otosclerosis)
- Disrupted trauma



Conductive hearing loss

Eustachian Tube Dysfunction:

- Retraction

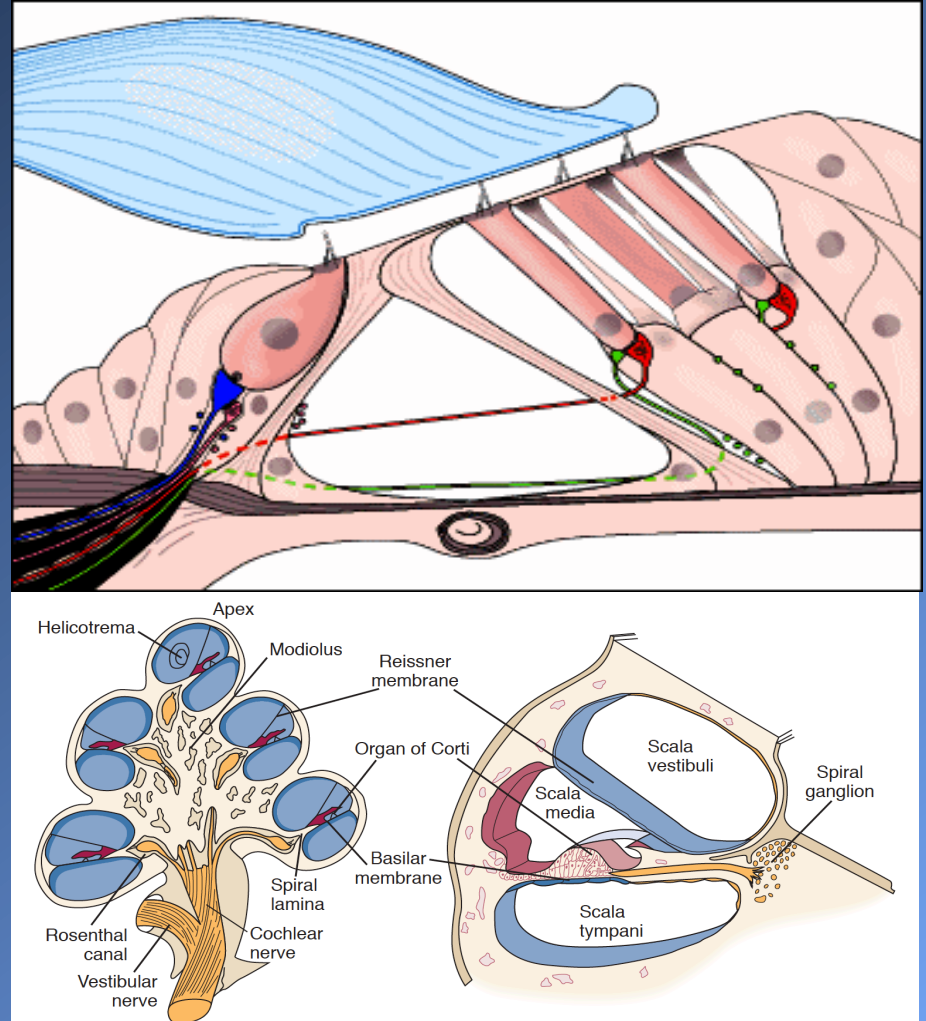


- Effusion



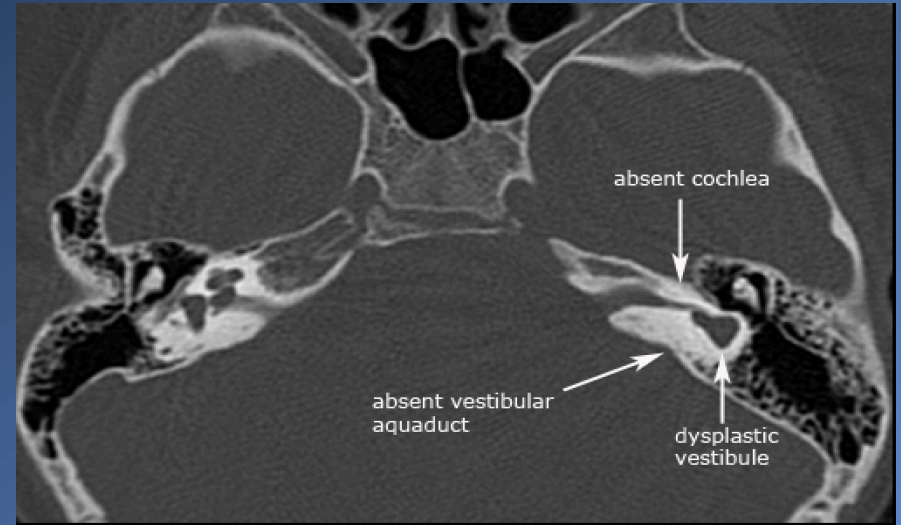
Sensorineural Hearing Loss

- **Sensory** : pathology is within hair cells in cochlea.
- **Neural** : pathology is within the auditory nerve and it's connection.



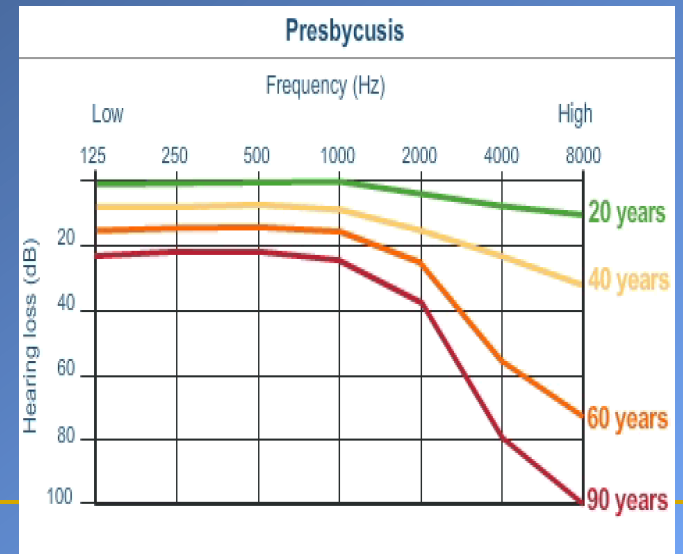
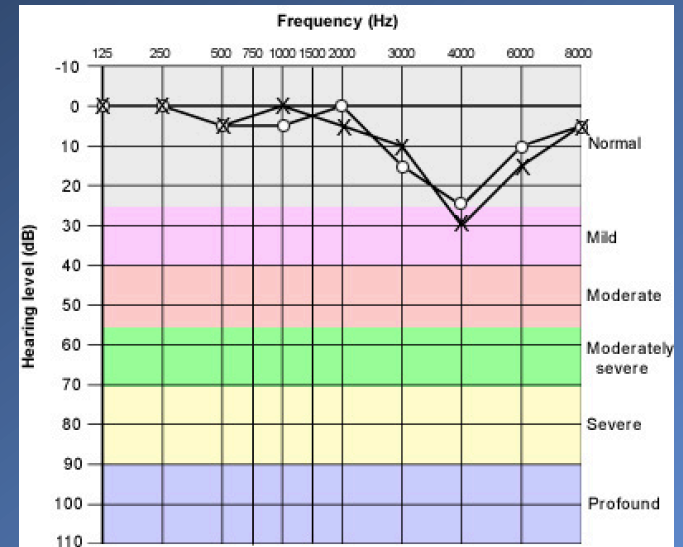
Sensorineural Hearing Loss

- **Congenital :**
 - Michel deformity (complete labyrinthine aplasia)
- **Acquired :**
 - **Inflammatory**
 - Meningitis lead to labyrinthine ossificans: **membranous labyrinth replaced by fibrous or osseous tissue**



Sensorineural Hearing Loss

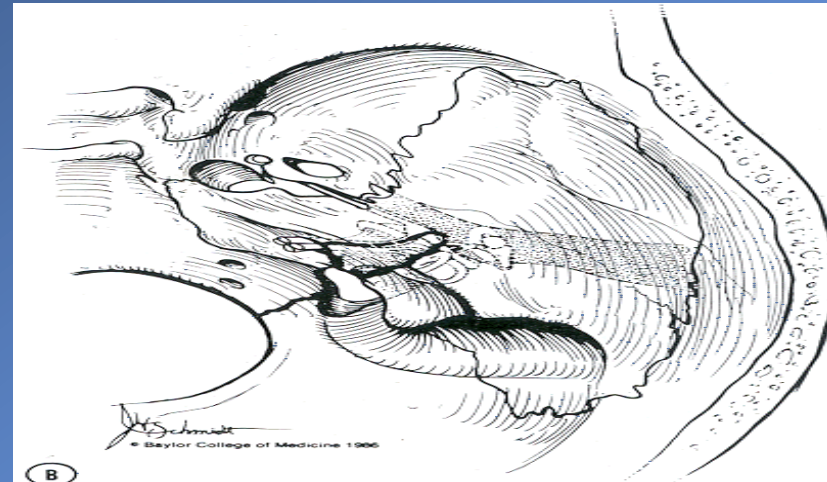
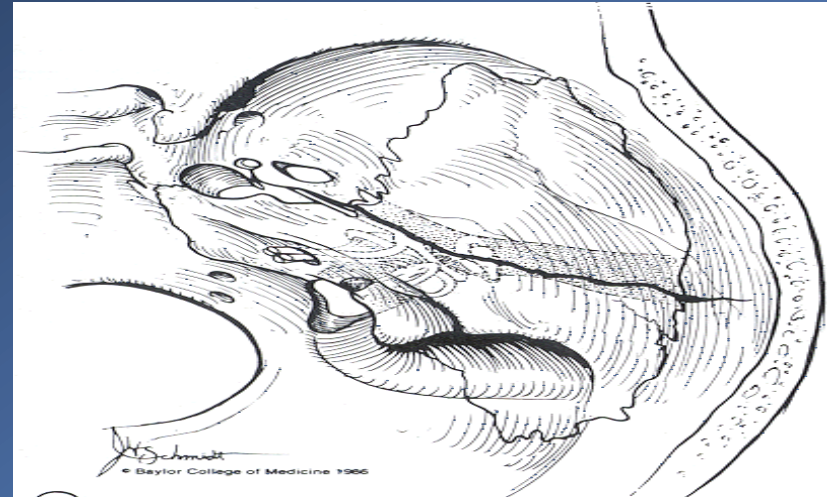
- Noise exposure : hearing loss on 4000 Hz
- **Presbycusis**: most common type of SNHL caused by natural aging of the auditory system.
- Autoimmune
- Cogan syndrome
- Ototoxic drugs
- Aminoglycosides groups ,....



Sensorineural Hearing Loss

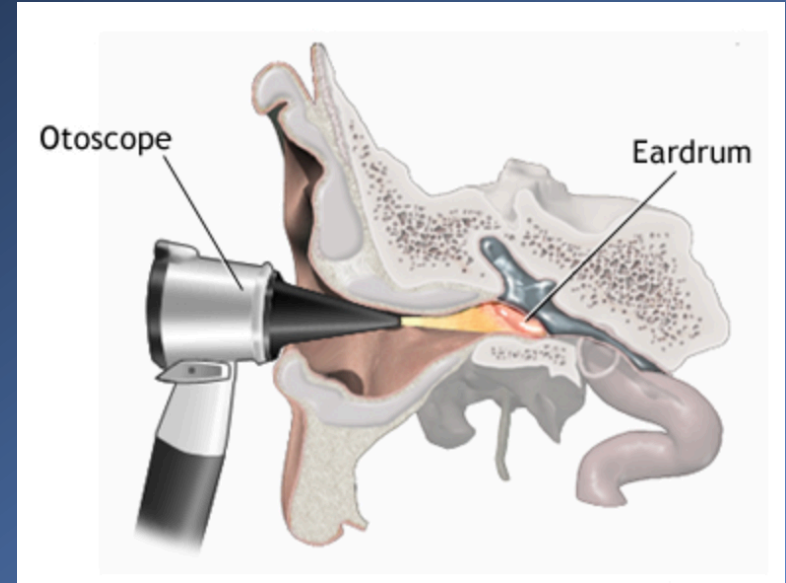
Trauma

- Temporal bone fracture
 - Longitudinal fracture (mainly conductive hearing loss)
 - Transverse fracture (profound SNHL)

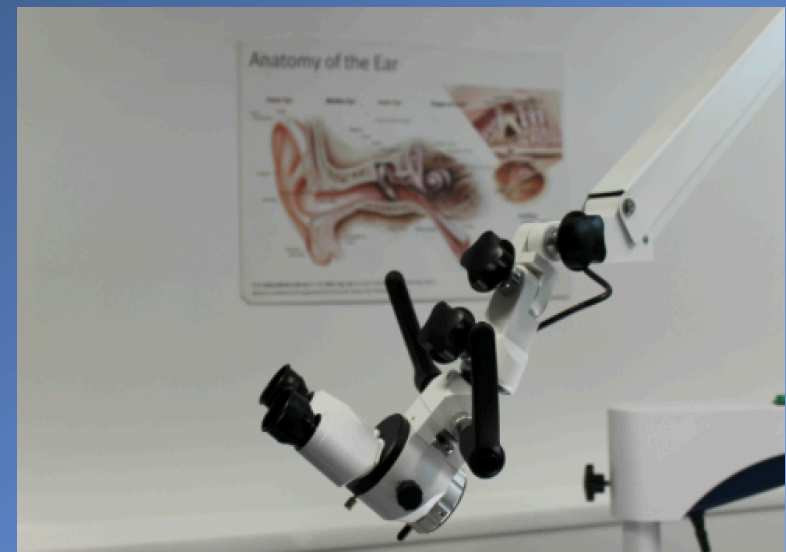


Examination

- Otoscopic



- Microscopic

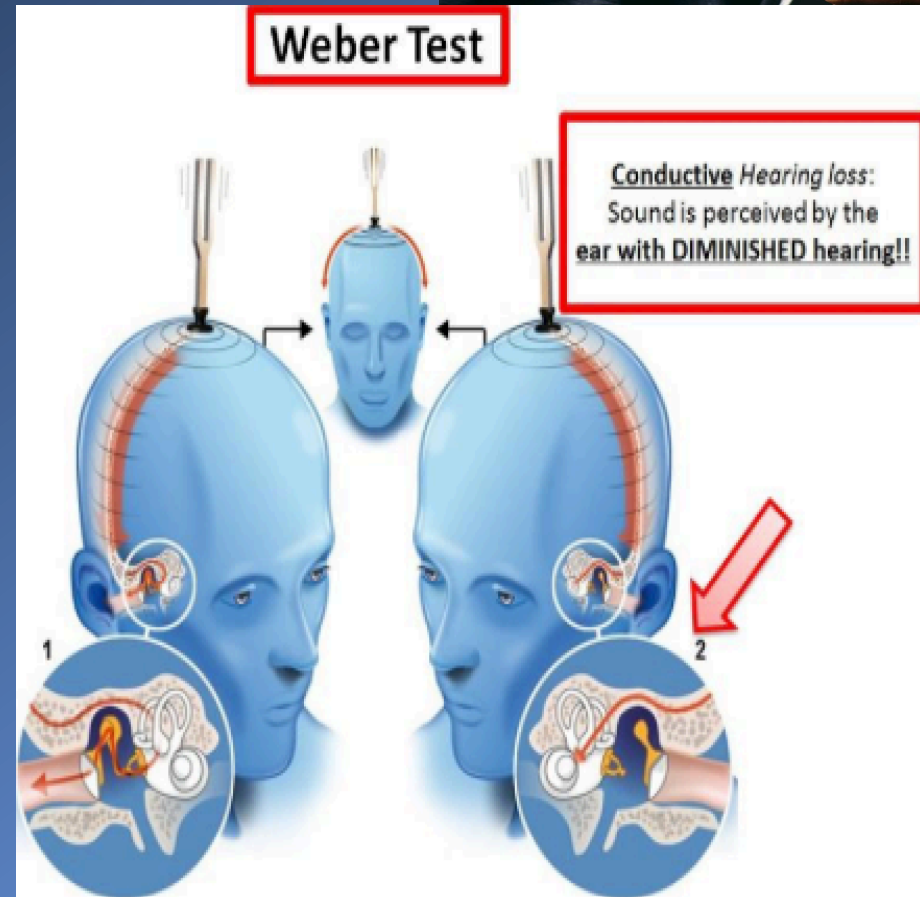


Clinical testing of hearing

- Tuning forks
- Audiogram:
 - Pure tone audiogram
 - Speech audiogram
- Impedance
 - Acoustic reflex
- Tympanogram
 - Volume
 - Acoustic reflex decay

Tuning forks

- Weber test: is a quick screening test for hearing.
- It can detect:
 - Unilateral **conductive hearing** loss (middle ear hearing loss) deviated to affected ear.
 - Unilateral **sensorineural hearing** loss (inner ear hearing loss) deviated to better ear.



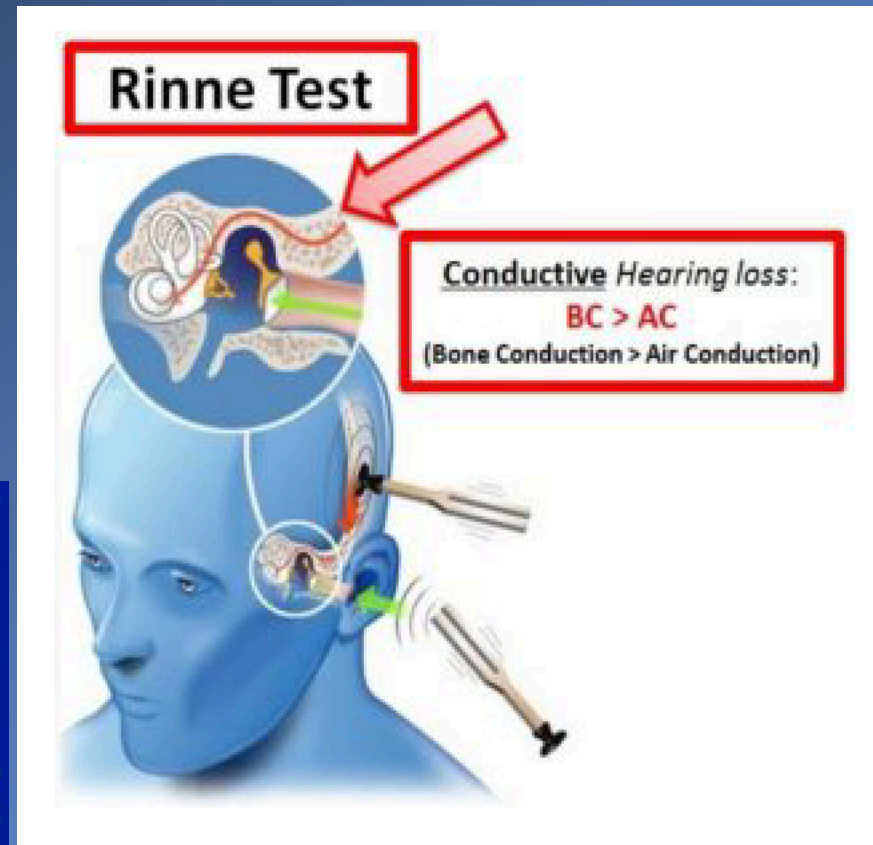
Tuning forks

- Rinne test: evaluate hearing loss in one ear.
- It compares perception of sounds transmitted by air conduction to those transmitted by bone conduction through mastoid.



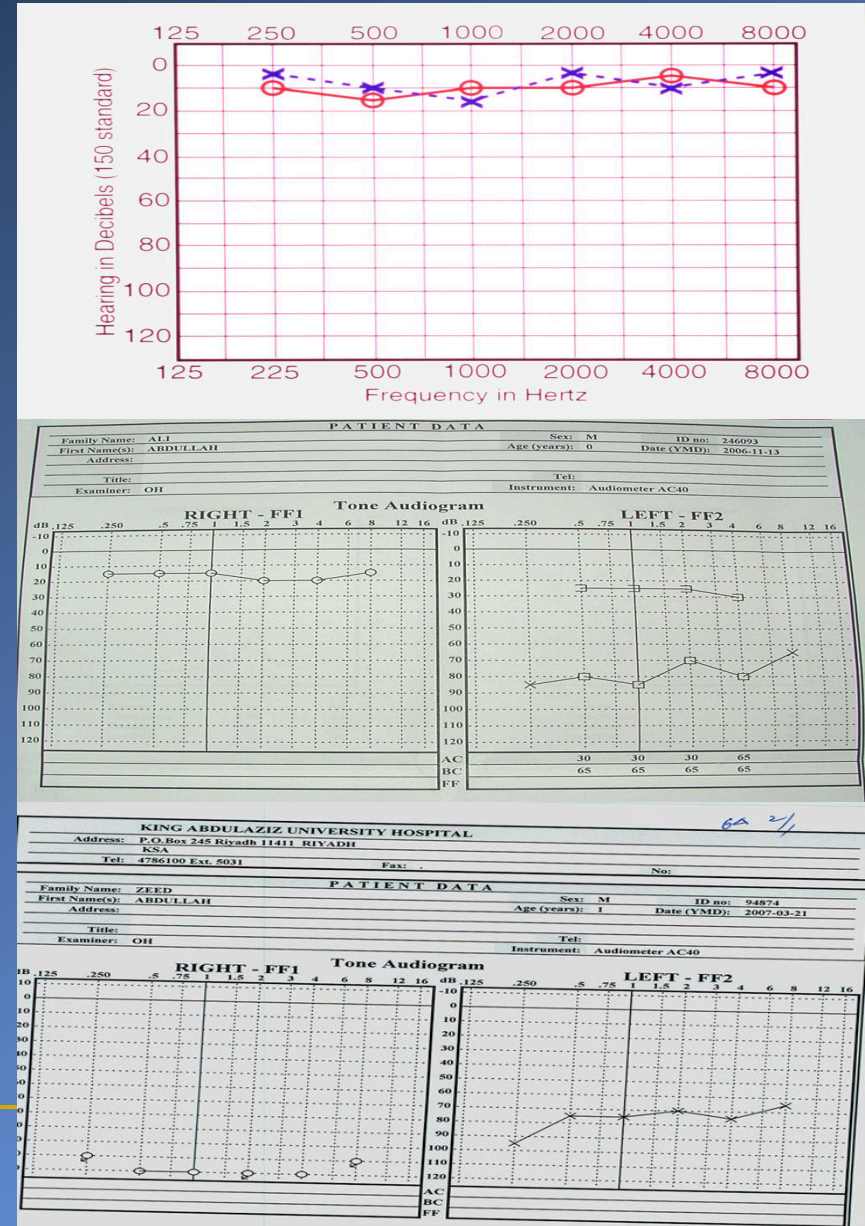
AC > BC (POSITIVE)

AC < BC (NEGATIVE)



Pure Tone Audiogram

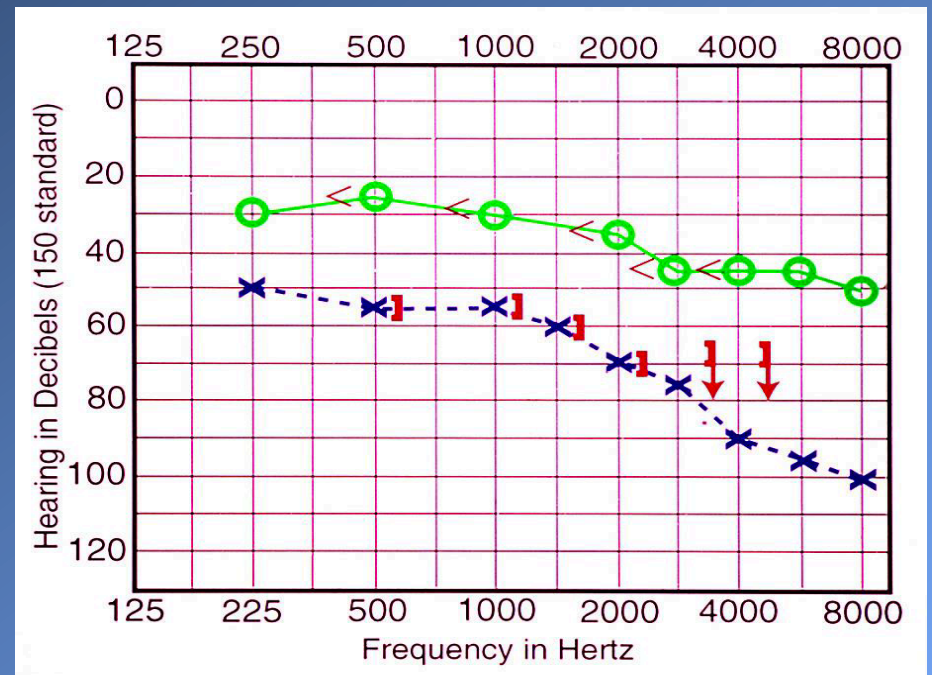
- Normal Hearing
- Conductive Hearing Loss
- Sensory Neural Hearing Loss



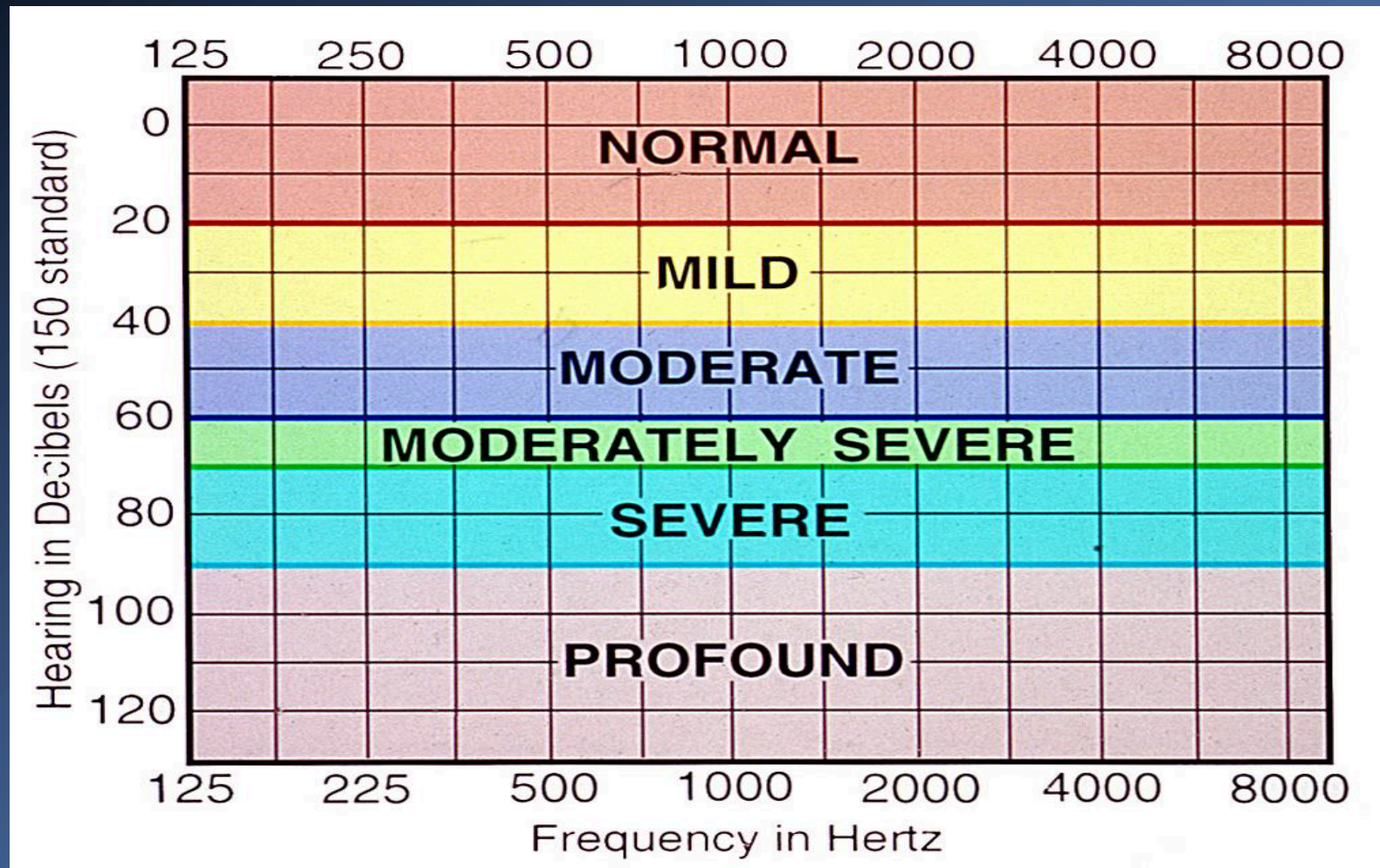
Pure Tone Audiogram



- Mixed Hearing Loss

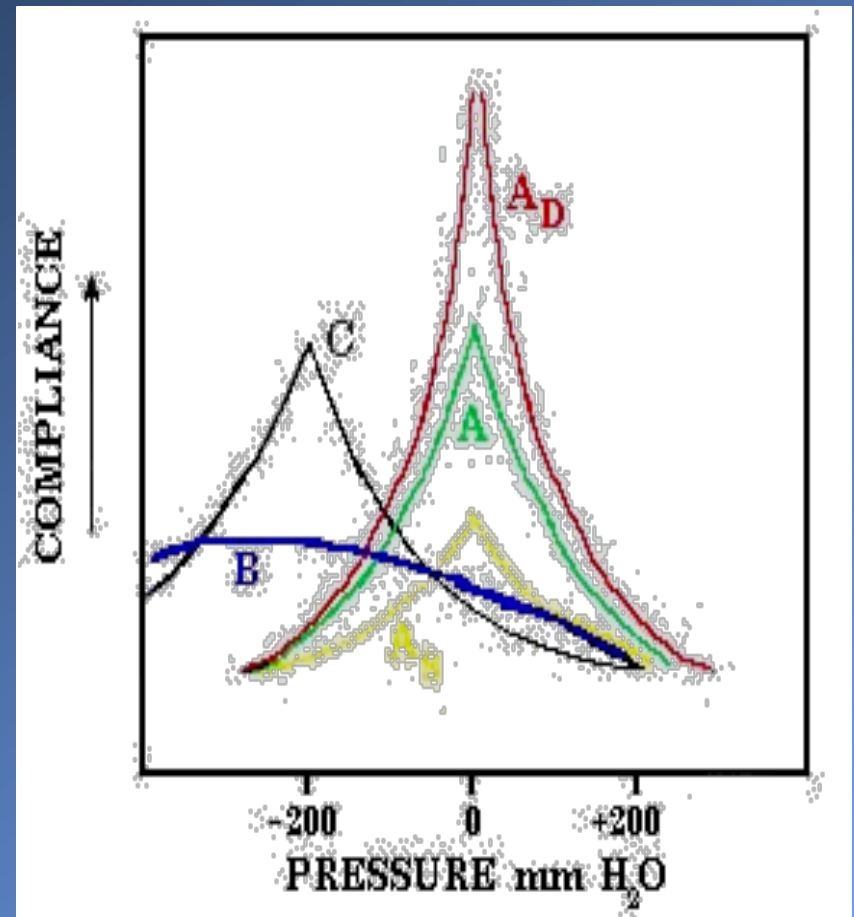


Degree of hearing impairment



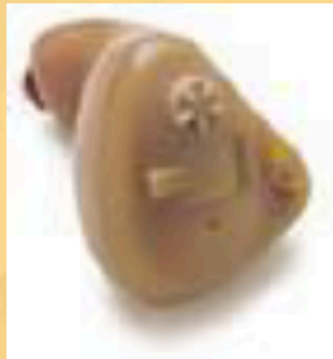
Tympanogram

- Is graphic representation of the relationship between the air pressure in the ear canal and the movement of the tympanic membrane.
 - Type A: normal
 - Type B: fluid or perforated tympanic membrane
 - Type C: negative pressure in the middle ear
 - Type Ad: ossicular disruption with normal TM
 - Type As: ossicular fixation



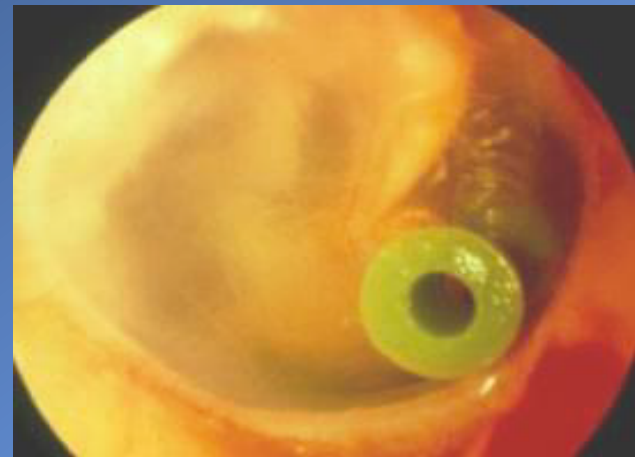
Management of deafness

- Medical management
- Hearing aids



Management of deafness

- Myringotomy and ventilation tube Otitis media with effusion



Management of deafness

- Myringoplasty
- Tympanoplasty in case of CSOM



Management of deafness

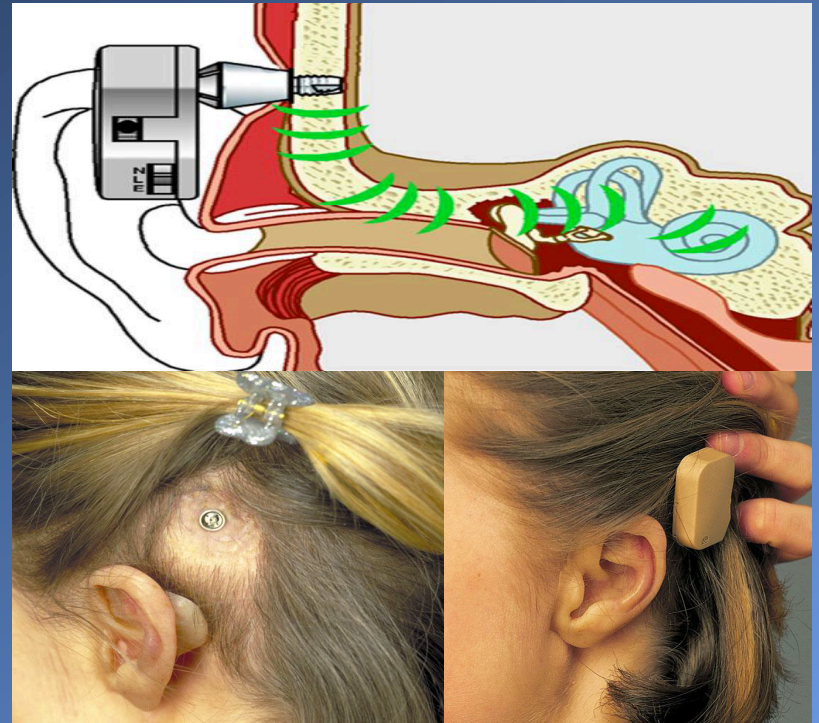
- Ossiculoplasty



Management of deafness

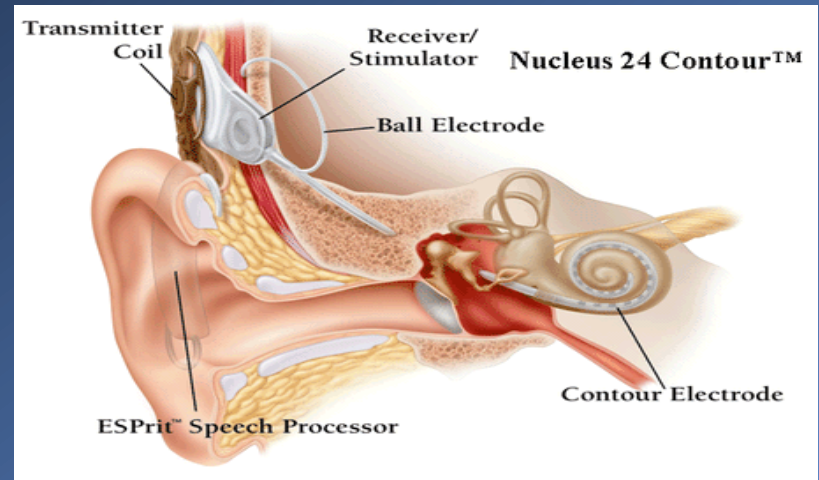
BAHA (Bone anchored hearing aid)

- Atresia of external canal
- Chronic drainage ear not responding to surgery



Management of deafness

- Cochlear implant
 - Pre-lingual children
 - post-lingual adult
- It pass by the external ,middle and inner ear to stimulate auditory nerve directly



Thank you
