



WHO Environmental Noise Guidelines for the European Region: A Systematic Review on Environmental Noise and Permanent Hearing Loss and Tinnitus

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1. Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria for Individual Studies

Table S1. Individual studies had to meet the following criteria in order to be included in the evidence review. If the criteria were adjusted, a justification is given detailing the reasons.

	Inclusion Criteria	Exclusion Criteria
Population: general population in settings (hospitals, residences, public venues, educational facilities)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Studies including members of the general population - Studies including specific segments of the population particularly at risk, such as children or vulnerable groups - Studies including participants exposed to noise in occupational settings if relevant with combined exposure to environmental noise only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Does not meet inclusion criteria - Studies including participants exposed to noise in occupational settings not relevant with combined exposure to environmental noise
Exposure: exposure to high levels of environmental noise from various noise sources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noise exposure levels either measured or calculated and expressed in decibel values. They should aim to be representative of the individual exposure of the study participants. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Does not meet inclusion criteria - Studies using hearing loss or defective hearing as a proxy for (previous) noise exposure - Surveys assessing noise exposure on the basis of subjective ratings, as given by the subjects in a questionnaire
Comparator: no noise exposure or lower levels of noise exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Should have comparator group (corresponding to no exposure or lower level exposure) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Does not meet inclusion criteria
Confounding: adjusted for confounding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No inclusion criteria applied; however, for every study, we will assess which possible confounders have been taken into account 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No exclusion criteria applied
Outcome: assessment of outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Permanent threshold shift measured with pure-tone audiometry and permanent tinnitus assessed with the questionnaire; - Relative risks (RR) or odds ratios (OR) as primary outcome measures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Does not meet inclusion criteria

Table S2. The template for assessment of quality and risk of bias.

Risk of Bias Check List for Studies on Noise and Health Outcomes	Study Name:	Assessor Name:	Date Assessed:	
Study Design	Cohort Case-control Cross-sectional			
Domain	Description of criteria for judgment	Quote from article on which the judgment is based	Judgment of risk of bias	
Noise Exposure assessment leading to information bias				
	<p>The noise level (in decibel) is expressed in Lden and Lnight or its components (Lday, Levening, Lnight and the duration in hours of Lnight) AND:</p> <p>For long term average noise level:</p> <p>A. is based on a noise map using as input the actual traffic volume, composition and speed per 24 h per road/railway /airport, or the type and sound power of an industrial installation and the size in terms of either production volume or persons employed</p> <p>OR</p> <p>B. is based on measurements for a minimum of 1 week by qualified staff, and adjusted for data under point A. as well as meteorological conditions when necessary</p> <p>OR</p> <p>C. is based on a noise map reported in a separate publication but which fulfils conditions A or B</p> <p>For short-term noise level:</p> <p>D. is based on measurements for a sufficient time by qualified staff</p> <p>The noise level is not expressed in decibels OR is not expressed in Lden and Lnight or its components</p> <p>OR:</p> <p>For long term average noise level:</p> <p>A. is based on a map that does not use as input the actual traffic volume, composition and speed per 24 h per road/railway/airport, or the type and sound power of an industrial installation and the size in terms of either production volume or persons employed</p> <p>OR</p> <p>B. is based on measurements of less than 1 week OR not adjusted for data under point A. or meteorological conditions when necessary OR by unqualified staff</p> <p>OR</p> <p>C. is based on a noise map reported in a separate publication but which does not fulfils conditions A or B</p> <p>For short-term noise level:</p> <p>D. is based on measurements for an insufficient time OR by unqualified staff</p> <p>If not enough information reported, to judge the above</p>	Low	High	Unclear
Bias due to confounding				

At least the following confounders should be incorporated for a valid assessment for the relation between noise and XXX outcome: 1....2....3....4....	All important confounders taken into account either through matching, restriction or in the analysis	Low
	Only 1 or no confounder taken into account OR Subjects in exposed and unexposed groups differ for one or more important confounders and there is no adjustment in the analysis	High
	Less than all to >1 important confounders taken into account OR Insufficient information to decide on one of the above	Unclear
Bias due to selection of Participants		
	Participants randomly sampled from a known population AND response rate higher than 60% AND attrition rate less than 20% in follow up studies	Low
	No random sampling OR response rate less than 60%	High
	No information to judge the above	Unclear
Health outcome assessment leading to information bias I		
	The health outcome of interest is objectively measured OR taken from medical records OR taken from questionnaire or interview using a known scale or validated assessment method	Low
	The health outcome of interest is self-reported and not assessed using a known scale or validated assessment method	High
	Not sufficient information reported to assess the above	Unclear
Health outcome assessment leading to information bias II		
	The health outcome of interest is assessed blind for exposure information in cohort and cross-sectional studies or exposure is assessed blind for being a case in case-control studies	Low
	The health outcome and/or exposure assessment is not blinded	High
	Not sufficient information reported to assess the above	Unclear
	Total Risk of Bias in Study	
	At least 4/5 at low risk of bias, including for domains 1, 2 and 3	Low
Any other	High	

Table S3. GRADE for quality of evidence from personal listening devices associated with hearing impairment and tinnitus.

Hearing Impairment			
Domains	Criterion	Assessment	Downgrading
Start Level	Longitudinal = high; others = low	All cross-sectional studies	Low quality
1. Study Limitations	Majority of studies low quality	All with high risk of bias	Downgrade one level
2. Inconsistency	Conflicting results; high I ²	Generally consistent results on association between environmental noise and permanent hearing loss	No reason for downgrading
3. Directness	Direct comparison; same PECO*	Yes, same PECO*	No reason for downgrading
4. Precision	Confidence interval contains 25% harm or benefit	All CI wider than 25%	Downgrade one level
5. Publication Bias	Funnel plot indicates	Not able to assess; too few studies	No downgrade
Overall judgment			Very low quality
6. Exposure-response	Significant trend	Not observed	No upgrading
7. Magnitude of effect	RR > 2	Not observed	No upgrading
8. Confounding adjusted	Effect in spite of confounding working towards the nil	Not observed	No upgrading
Overall Judgement			Very low quality
Tinnitus			
Domains	Criterion	Assessment	Downgrading
Start Level	Longitudinal = high; others = low	All cross-sectional	Low quality
1. Study Limitations	Majority of studies low quality	All studies with high risk of bias	Downgrade one level
2. Inconsistency	Conflicting results; high I ²	Contradictory results on association between environmental noise and permanent tinnitus	Downgrade one level
3. Directness	Direct comparison; same PECO*	Yes, same PECO*	No reason for downgrading
4. Precision	Confidence interval contains 25% harm or benefit	All CI wider than 25%	Downgrade one level
5. Publication Bias	Funnel plot indicates	Not able to assess	No reason for downgrading
Overall judgment			Very low quality
6. Exposure-response	Significant trend	Not possible to assess	No reason for upgrading
7. Magnitude of effect	RR > 2	Not possible to assess	No reason for upgrading
8. Confounding adjusted	Effect in spite of confounding working towards the nil	Not observed	No reason for upgrading
Overall Judgement			Very low quality

* Population Exposure Comparator Outcome.

Table S4. The template for assessment of quality and risk of bias of individual studies.

REFERENCE No 1			
Risk of Bias Check List for Studies on Noise and Health	Study Name:	Assessor Name:	Date Assessed:
	<i>Audiometric Thresholds and Portable Digital Audio Player User Habits.</i>	Mariola Sliwinska-Kowalska, Kamil Zaborowski	10.12.2014
Outcomes	<i>Feder et al., 2013</i>		
Study Design	<u>Cross-sectional</u>		
Domain	Description of criteria for judgment		Judgment of risk of bias
	Noise Exposure assessment leading to information bias <i>Leq (32 s) and Lex(8hr) estimates. The Leq(32 s) values were taken from the two 32-s measurements for both typical and maximum settings (corrected for transfer function of the open ear). The Lex(8 h) or daily exposure level was calculated using a 3-dB exchange rate. Daily usage was estimated by dividing subjects' self-reported weekly usage in hours by seven.</i>		Low
	Bias due to confounding <i>Variables included into multivariate models for audiometric frequencies and Lex(8 h)/Leq(32 s) comprised socioeconomic status, demographic factors, tubes in ears, other leisure noise exposures.</i>		Low
	Bias due to selection of Participants <i>237 subjects aged 10 to 17 years. Out of 35 schools invited to participate, 19 schools declined participation. Every 3rd or 4th student on their class lists were selected and distributed equally to male and female subjects in grades 5 – 12. Low participation rate – only 11% out of 2337 invitations sent.</i>		Unclear
	Health outcome assessment leading to information bias I <i>Hearing thresholds were measured by means of pure-tone audiometry.</i>		Low
	Health outcome assessment leading to information bias II <i>No information is provided about blinding the health outcome and/or exposure assessment.</i>		Unclear
	Total Risk of Bias in Study: 3/5 High		
REFERENCE No 2			
Risk of Bias Check List for Studies on Noise and Health	Study Name:	Assessor Name:	Date Assessed:
	<i>Hearing Risk Associated with the Usage of Personal Listening Devices among Urban High School Students.</i>	Mariola Sliwinska-Kowalska Kamil Zaborowski	10.12.2014
Outcomes	<i>Sulaiman et al., 2013</i>		
Study Design	<u>Cross-sectional</u>		
Domain	Description of criteria for judgment		Judgment of risk of bias
	Noise Exposure assessment leading to information bias		

Usual listening levels were measured while listening to initial 40 s of a pre-selected song ("Just like Heaven" by The Cure). During the test, subjects were blinded from the iPod volume setting and told to set it to their usual listening level without considering preference to the test song. Individual LAeq8h was calculated for every single person based on estimation of the level of music and hours a day of listening to the music.

Bias due to confounding

Low

Subjects with exposure to other sources of loud noises (e.g., disco, concerts, school bands, noisy tools, home stereo) at least twice per month and prior ear problems were excluded from the study. No other confounders were taken into account (e.g., head trauma, drug ototoxicity, cigarette smoking).

Bias due to selection of Participants

Low

Subjects aged 13-16 years were recruited from three schools selected at random from the list of high schools located within 20 km of the authors' university. They had to be regular users of PLDs for the previous six months. Participants were probably not randomly selected, and the response rate was not provided. Eight out of 185 subjects were excluded due to ear abnormalities.

Health outcome assessment leading to information bias I

Hearing thresholds were measured by means of pure-tone audiometry and extended high frequency audiometry. Subjects were requested to refrain from listening to their PLDs for 24 h prior to the hearing test. Tinnitus was self-reported,

Low

Health outcome assessment leading to information bias II

No information is provided about blinding the health outcome and/or exposure assessment.

Unclear

Total Risk of Bias in Study:

3/5 High

REFERENCE No 3

Risk of Bias Check List for Studies on Noise and Health	Study Name: <i>Evaluation of Early Hearing Damage in Personal Listening Device Users Using Extended High-Frequency Audiometry and Otoacoustic Emissions.</i> <i>Sulaiman et al., 2014</i>	Assessor Name: Mariola Sliwinska-Kowalska Kamil Zaborowski	Date Assessed: 10.12.2014
Outcomes			
Study Design	<u>Cross-sectional</u>		
Domain	Description of criteria for judgment Noise Exposure assessment leading to information bias		Judgment of risk of bias
	Usual listening levels were measured while listening to initial 40 s of a pre-selected song ("Just like Heaven" by The Cure) in a quiet room (45-50 dBA ambient noise level). During the test, subjects were blinded from the iPod volume setting and told to set it to their usual listening level without considering preference to the song. Individual LAeq8h was calculated for every single person based on estimation of the level of music and hours a day listen to the music.		Low
	Bias due to confounding		

No prior exposure to any loud occupational noise. None of the subjects had participated in a band, was engaged in shooting activities or had a hobby of playing musical instrument. None of the subjects was exposed to other sources of loud noises (e.g., disco, concerts, noisy tools, home stereo) more than once in a month. No prior ear disorders and currently taken medications, including ototoxic drugs.

Low

Bias due to selection of Participants

Subjects aged 18-30 years were recruited voluntarily from the students and staff of one university, using strictly defined inclusion and exclusion criteria. Exposed group of 35 subjects (users of PLDs for at least 1 year, 1 h/day and at >50% of the maximum volume setting) was sex- and age matched to the control group of 35 subjects who never or rarely used a PLD.

Unclear

Health outcome assessment leading to information bias I

Hearing thresholds were measured by means of pure-tone audiometry and extended high frequency audiometry. TEOAE and DPOAE amplitude were measured objectively. Subjects were requested to refrain from listening to their PLDs for 24 h prior to the hearing tests.

Low

Health outcome assessment leading to information bias II

No information is provided about blinding the health outcome and/or exposure assessment.

Unclear

Total Risk of Bias in Study:

3/5 High

REFERENCE No 4

Risk of Bias Check List for	Study Name:	Assessor Name: Mariola Sliwinska-Kowalska Kamil Zaborowski	Date Assessed: 10.12.2014
Studies on Noise and Health	Exposure of High School Students to Noise from Personal Music Players in Quebec City, Canada.		
Outcomes	Lévesque et al., 2010		
Study Design	Cross-sectional		
Domain	Description of criteria for judgment		Judgment of risk of bias
	Noise Exposure assessment leading to information bias		
	Individual $L_{Aeq,8h}$ were calculated based on 2-min. measurement of music sounds listen through own PLD at "typical volume" and at "maximum level volume"; the data about the daily average length of PLD use was taken from the questionnaire .		Low
	Bias due to confounding		
	No confounding factors included		High
	Bias due to selection of Participants		
	Students aged 14-17 years were recruited voluntarily from one high school. No inclusion or exclusion criteria specified. Lack of randomization. Participation rate was 63.3%.		High
	Health outcome assessment leading to information bias I		

No audiometric data. The presence of tinnitus was assessed by a questionnaire. Diagnostic criteria of tinnitus were not specified. It's not clear whether the outcome is a permanent tinnitus or transient tinnitus after listening to music.

High

Health outcome assessment leading to information bias II

No information is provided about blinding the health outcome and/or exposure assessment.

Unclear/High

Total Risk of Bias in Study:

1/5 very high

REFERENCE No 5

Risk of Bias Check List for	Study Name:	Assessor Name: Mariola Sliwinska-Kowalska Kamil Zaborowski	Date Assessed: 10.12.2014
Studies on Noise and Health	<i>Risky Music Listening, Permanent Tinnitus and Depression, Anxiety, Thoughts about Suicide and Adverse General</i>		
Outcomes	<i>Health. Vogel et al., 2014</i>		
Study Design	<u>Cross-sectional</u>		
Domain	Description of criteria for judgment		Judgment of risk of bias
	Noise Exposure assessment leading to information bias		
	<i>No direct measurement of noise levels. Average weekly exposure time to MP3 players was estimated by referring the volume of the device to dB(A) value and multiplying days per week and hours per day to calculate (weekly) Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL_{week} = music level of 89 dBA listen for 56 h a week).</i>		Unclear/High?
	Bias due to confounding		
	<i>Values adjusted for age and gender</i>		Low
	Bias due to selection of Participants		
	<i>A total of 1228 students, aged 16-25 years of 2 Dutch secondary vocational schools were invited. No randomization. Participation rate 77.9%</i>		Low
	Health outcome assessment leading to information bias I		
	<i>No audiometric data. The presence of "permanent hearing-related symptoms" were categorized as "I am constantly experiencing hearing symptoms (yes, no)".</i>		
	<i>There is not clear what proportion of subjects with "permanent hearing-related symptoms" experienced permanent tinnitus. Diagnostic criteria of permanent tinnitus were not specified. No validated method of tinnitus assessment.</i>		High
	Health outcome assessment leading to information bias II		
	<i>No information is provided about blinding the health outcome and/or exposure assessment.</i>		Unclear/High
	Total Risk of Bias in Study:		
	2/5 High		

Table S5. The list of included and excluded studies.

Included Studies	
1.	Feder, K.; Marro, L.; Keith, S.E.; Michaud, D.S. Audiometric thresholds and portable digital audio player user listening habits. <i>Int. J. Audiol.</i> 2013, 52, 606-616. doi: 10.3109/14992027.2013.798687.
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3.	Sulaiman, A.H.; Seluakumaran, K.; Husain, R. Hearing risk associated with the usage of personal listening devices among urban high school students in Malaysia. <i>Public Health</i> 2013, 127, 710-715.
4.	Sulaiman, A.H.; Husain, R.; Seluakumaran, K. Evaluation of early hearing damage in personal listening device users using extended high-frequency audiometry and otoacoustic emissions. <i>Eur. Arch. Otorhinolaryngol.</i> 2014, 271, 1463-1470. doi: 10.1007/s00405-013-2612-z.
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Excluded Studies	
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7.	Andrus, W.S.; Kerrigan, M.E.; Bird, K.T. Hearing in para-airport children. <i>Aviat. Space Environ. Med.</i> 1975, 46, 740-742. - airports
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