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AUDITC PROCESSING DISORDER

A specific type of hearing impairment

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PREVALENCE

- 2 – 7 % children (Bamiou, Musiek & Luxon, Archives of Diseases in Childhood, 2001)
- Up to 40% of children with learning disorders (Iliadou et al., Int J Ped ORL, 2009)
- Up to 70% of older adults (Golding et al, Blue mountain hearing study, Journal of American Academy of Audiology, 2004)

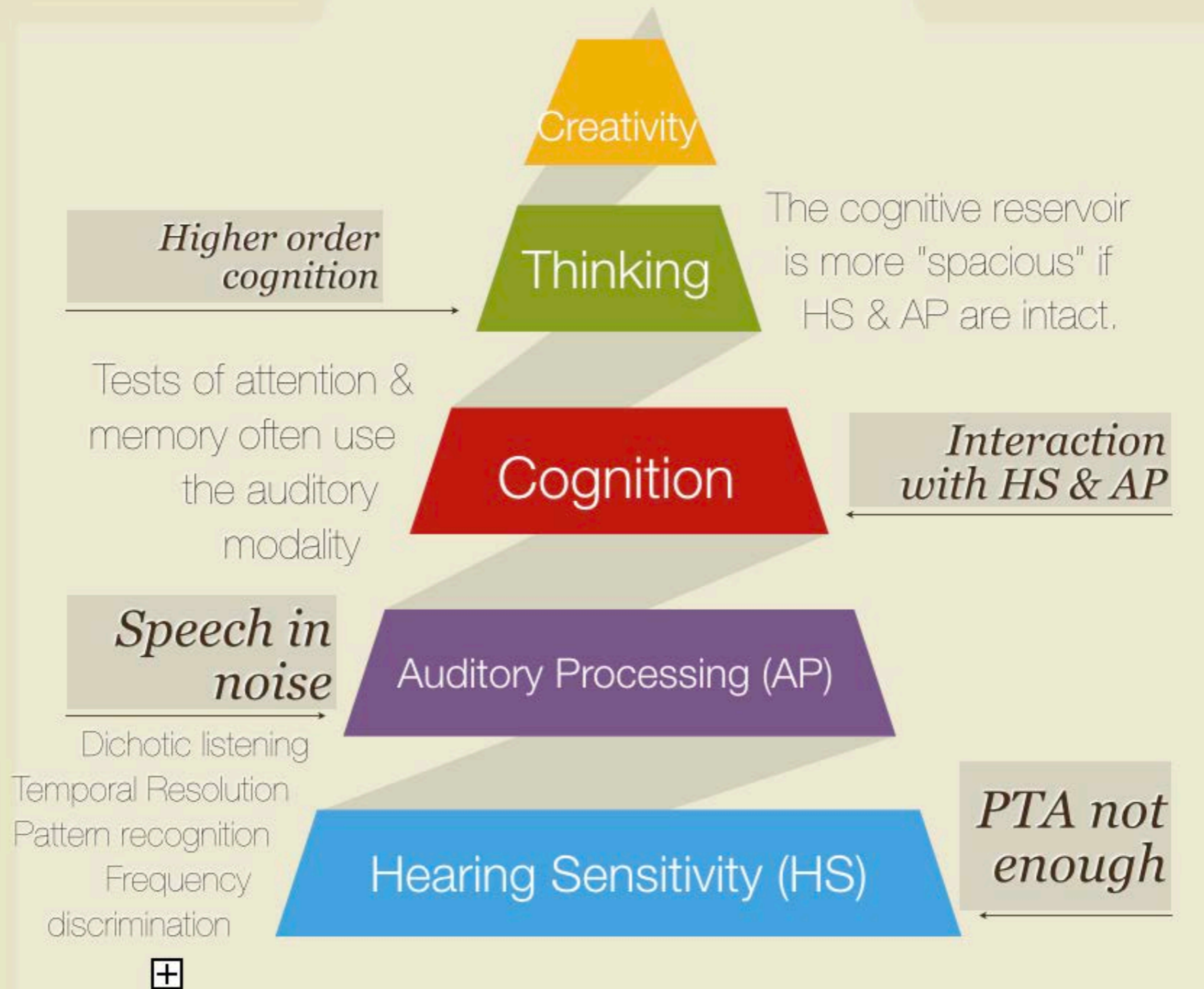
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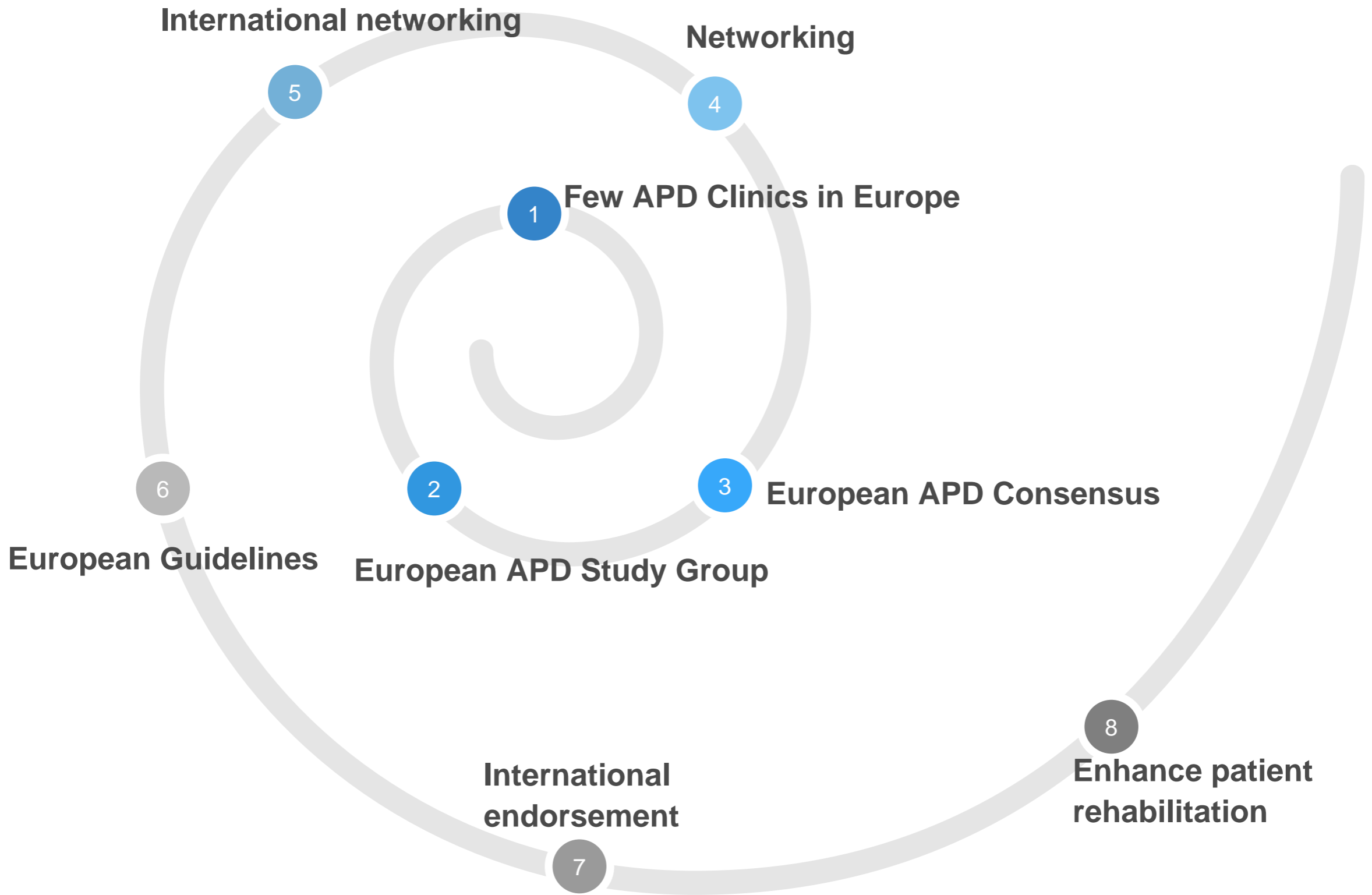
**Hearing = Hearing Sensitivity
+ Auditory Processing**



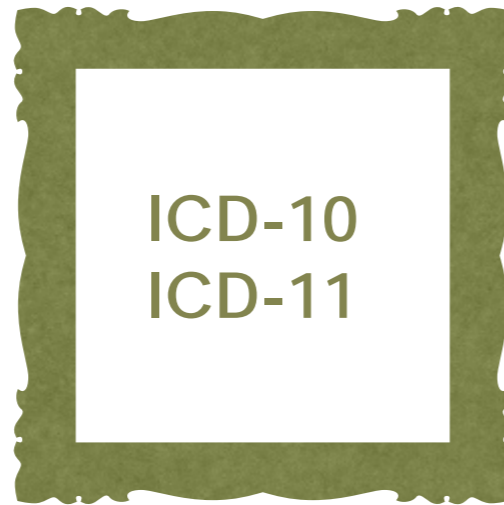
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Hearing is more than we are currently testing



AUDITORY



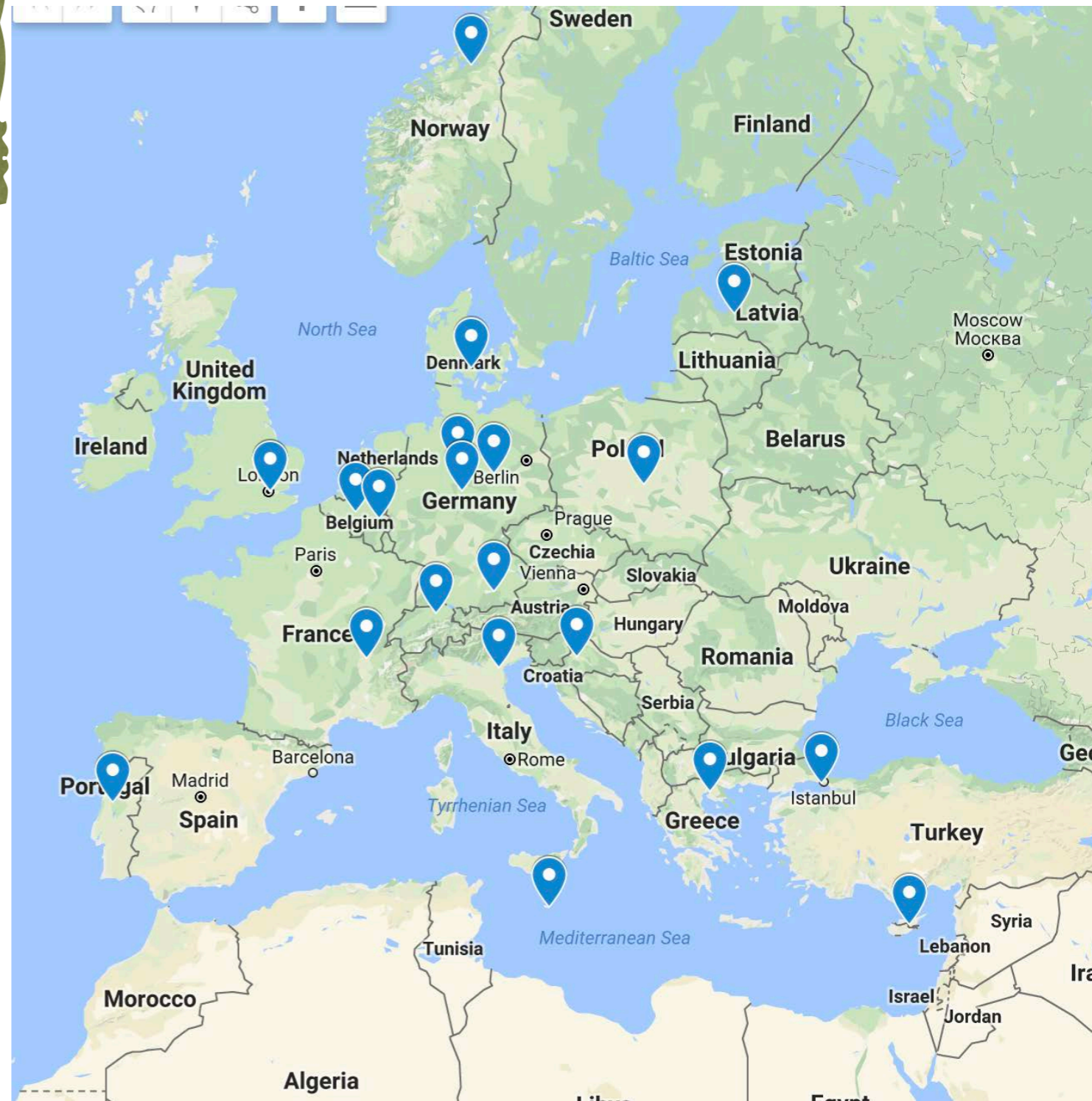
Debate?

- ▶ Reject AP test batteries
- ▶ APD conclusion on APD suspected individuals

When to initiate APD diagnosis

1. Symptoms
2. Conditions

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OUR AIM

- To produce specific evidence-based **guidelines for APD** screening, diagnosis and treatment/management.
- To raise awareness of the need to go beyond standard clinical audiological assessment to evaluate hearing.

| | Right Ear | Left Ear | Adult Normative Data |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|
| Speech Audiometry | 92% | 100% | ≥95 |
| SinB | 2dB HL | -0.6dB HL | -0.6 to 0.2dB HL |
| DD | 75% | 95% | >85% |
| PPS | 80% | 90% | >85% |
| RGDT | 8.3msec | | <8msec |
| DPS | 100% | 100% | >67% |
| GIN | 20msec | 6msec | <8msec |

Auditory Processing Disorder as the Sole Manifestation of a Cerebellopontine and Internal Auditory Canal Lesion

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Course Director:
Prof Doris-Eva Bamiou & Prof Jennifer
Linden

Wednesday, 7th March

Auditory Processing and Developmental Disorders

| Time | Title | Speaker |
|-------------|---|--|
| 09.00-09.15 | Registration Morning Session - Chair: TBA | |
| 09.20-09.30 | Welcome and opening remarks | |
| 09.30-10.00 | Auditory Processing Disorders: risk factors, clinical presentations, assessment and management considerations | Prof Doris-Eva Bamiou |
| 10.00-10.30 | APD - a European consensus | Prof Vivian Iliadou |
| 10.30-11.15 | The multidisciplinary approach to APD: a case study | Dr Chrysa Spyridakou |
| 11.15-11.30 | Coffee break | |
| 11.30-12.00 | The APD test battery | Dr Nehzat Koochi |
| 12.00-12.30 | The child with auditory neuropathy | Dr Hannah Cooper |
| 12.30-13.30 | Lunch break | |
| | Afternoon Session - Chair: TBA | |
| 13.30-14.30 | Keynote Lecture: Developmental language disorder and auditory processing disorder: same or different? | Prof Dorothy Bishop |
| 14.30-15.00 | Auditory training and learning: scientific principles | Dr Lorna Halliday |
| 15.00-15.30 | Coffee break | |
| 15.30-16.00 | Managing the child with listening difficulties: an overview | Dr Christina Murphy |
| 16.00-16.30 | Remote microphone hearing aids for APD: what is available and the evidence | Georgios Stavrinos |
| 16.30-17.15 | Managing the child with listening difficulties: case studies | Prof Doris-Eva Bamiou, Dr Christina Murphy & Prof Vivian Iliadou |
| 17.15-17.30 | Panel and audience discussion | |
| 17.30 | Soiree in the Atrium, Ear Institute | |



Common Misconceptions Regarding Pediatric Auditory Processing Disorder

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Specialty section:

Pediatric hearing evaluation based on pure tone audiometry does not always reflect how a child hears in everyday life. This practice is inappropriate when evaluating the difficulties children experiencing auditory processing disorder (APD) in school or on the playground. Despite the marked increase in research on pediatric APD, there remains limited access to proper evaluation worldwide. This perspective article presents five common misconceptions of APD that contribute to inappropriate or limited management in children experiencing these deficits. The misconceptions discussed are (1) the disorder cannot be diagnosed due to the lack of a gold standard diagnostic test; (2) making generalizations based on profiles of children suspected of APD and not diagnosed with the disorder; (3) it is best to discard an APD diagnosis when another disorder is present; (4) arguing that the known link between auditory perception and higher cognition function precludes the validity of APD as a clinical entity; and (5) APD is not a clinical entity. These five misconceptions are described and rebutted using published data as well as critical thinking on current available knowledge on APD.

Keywords: auditory processing disorder, children, hearing, central auditory processing disorder, hearing evaluation, auditory processing disorder management, hearing management

Hearing acuity may be difficult to assess in children and does not always reflect how a child “hears” in everyday life. The audiological test battery must be built around the pure tone audiogram and may include tympanometry, stapedial reflexes, auditory brainstem responses, and otoacoustic emissions. However, relying on such a test battery to measure auditory function in the setting of school or playground in children referred for auditory processing deficits is incomplete (1).

COGNITION & HEARING

Psychiatry and Clinical Neurosciences 2018

Letter to the Editor

Over-diagnosis of cognitive deficits in psychiatric patients may be the result of not controlling for hearing sensitivity and auditory processing

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Why?
Cognition is mostly evaluated through the auditory modality!

This applies to other patient populations as well. Especially those with communication difficulties and possible low self-awareness.

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Diagnostic criteria for APD

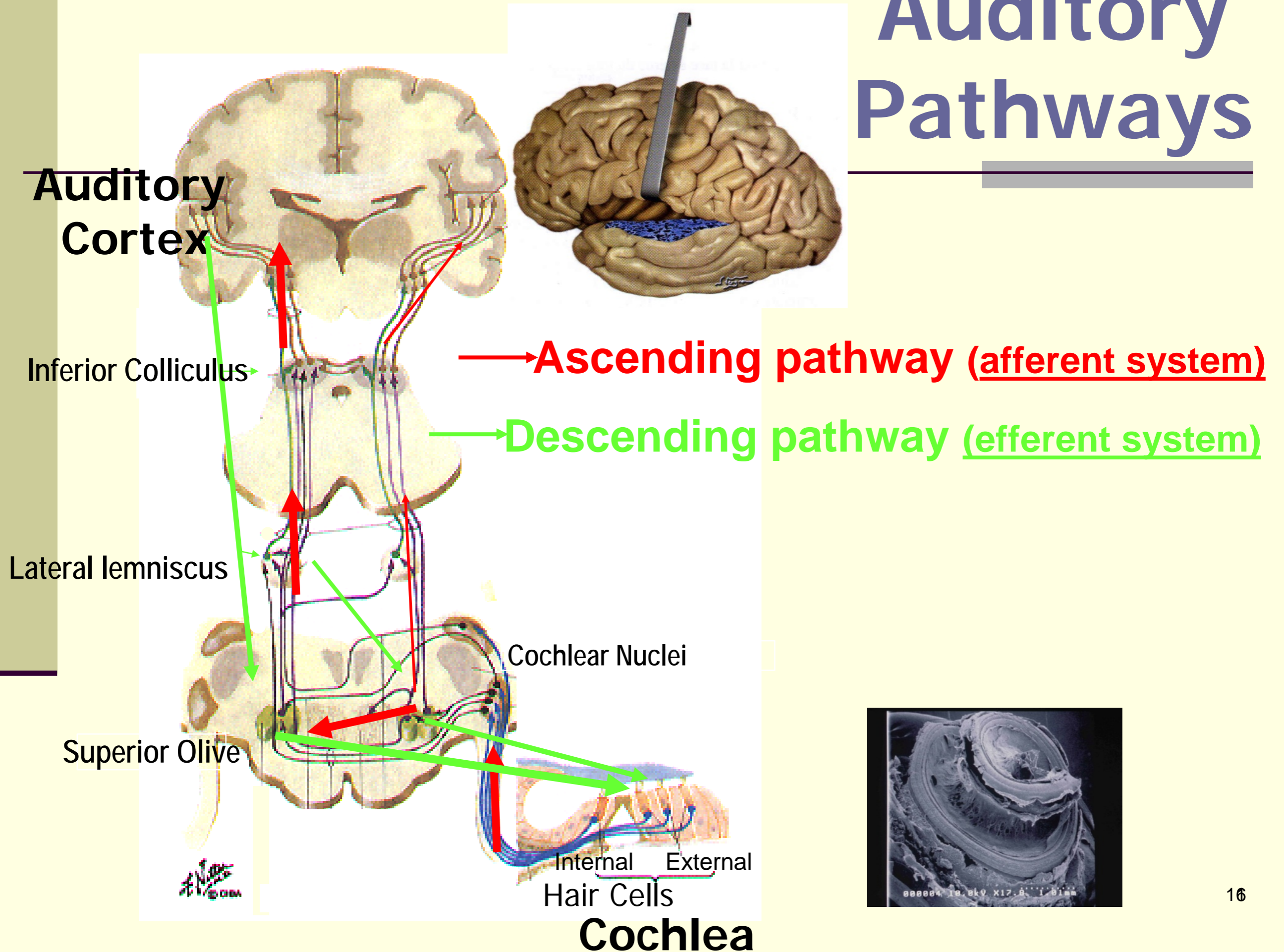
| Criterion | Explained |
|--|--|
| Pure Tone Audiometry | ≤ 15 dB HL for each frequency between 250Hz-8000Hz in both ears |
| Abnormal auditory processing results | performance at or below 2 SD below the mean in at least 2 validated auditory processing tests |
| Symptoms & risk factors | Reported by the affected individual/their family/educational environment AND/OR presence of risk factors |
| Non-Verbal intelligence coefficient (IQ) | >80 |
| Ability to follow instructions in ideal conditions | Patient can understand and reliably follow instructions for the AP tests and reliably perform the pre-testing training |

| Symptoms | |
|---|---|
| Speech understanding difficulties | In background noise, acoustically challenging/complex acoustic environments, when speech quality is degraded |
| Speech discrimination difficulties | difficulties to repeat or recall similar sounding words |
| Auditory memory/attention difficulties | Difficulties recalling instructions; difficulties concentrating in noise |
| Sound localisation/streaming difficulties | Difficulties identifying the source of a sound; with separation of auditory foreground from auditory background |
| Relies on multisensory cues | Eg seeking visual / facial cues to better understand |
| Hyperacusis | With or without a diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder |
| Disproportionate educational/cognitive/language difficulties | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In the presence of normal audiometry and no other developmental disorders OR 2. in the presence of normal audiometry and other diagnosed developmental disorders (specific language impairment; attention deficit disorder; autism; dyslexia) and a. DESPITE implementation of appropriate interventions or b. when other specialists or the educational environment seek further advice/assessment on management of the auditory aspect of this presentation |
| Risk factors | |
| Ear related | Intermittent middle ear pathologies, eg Chronic otitis with effusion (glue ear), recurrent upper respiratory tract infections |
| Brain related | Genetic or acquired neurological syndromes (eg brain tumours; traumatic brain injury; stroke;demyelination etc) |
| Development related | Attention Deficit Disorder; dyslexia; Specific Language Impairment; phonological disorder; autism spectrum disorders |
| Age related | Central presbycusis |

Individualised management decided upon

| | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Client considerations | clinical characteristics, test results, overall needs and preferences |
| Evidence | best available evidence; of relevance to the particular client |
| Environment & resources | Availability of local resources; client's environment context; related health/educational/workplace organizational context |
| Key pillars of management | |
| Listening strategies | optimisation of the listening environment (eg minimise noise); teacher/speaker based adaptations; other related strategies |
| Listening devices/systems | frequency modulated systems; sound field systems; hearing aid fitting with directional microphone to enhance SNR (Signal-to-Noise-Ratio) |
| Auditory training | Formal and/or informal; chosen on the basis of patient's AP test deficits/other symptoms and needs |
| Other means of management | Broader management of the client's specific needs (eg reading deficiency; memory deficits; educational needs) by other agencies whenever needed and wherever possible |

Auditory Pathways



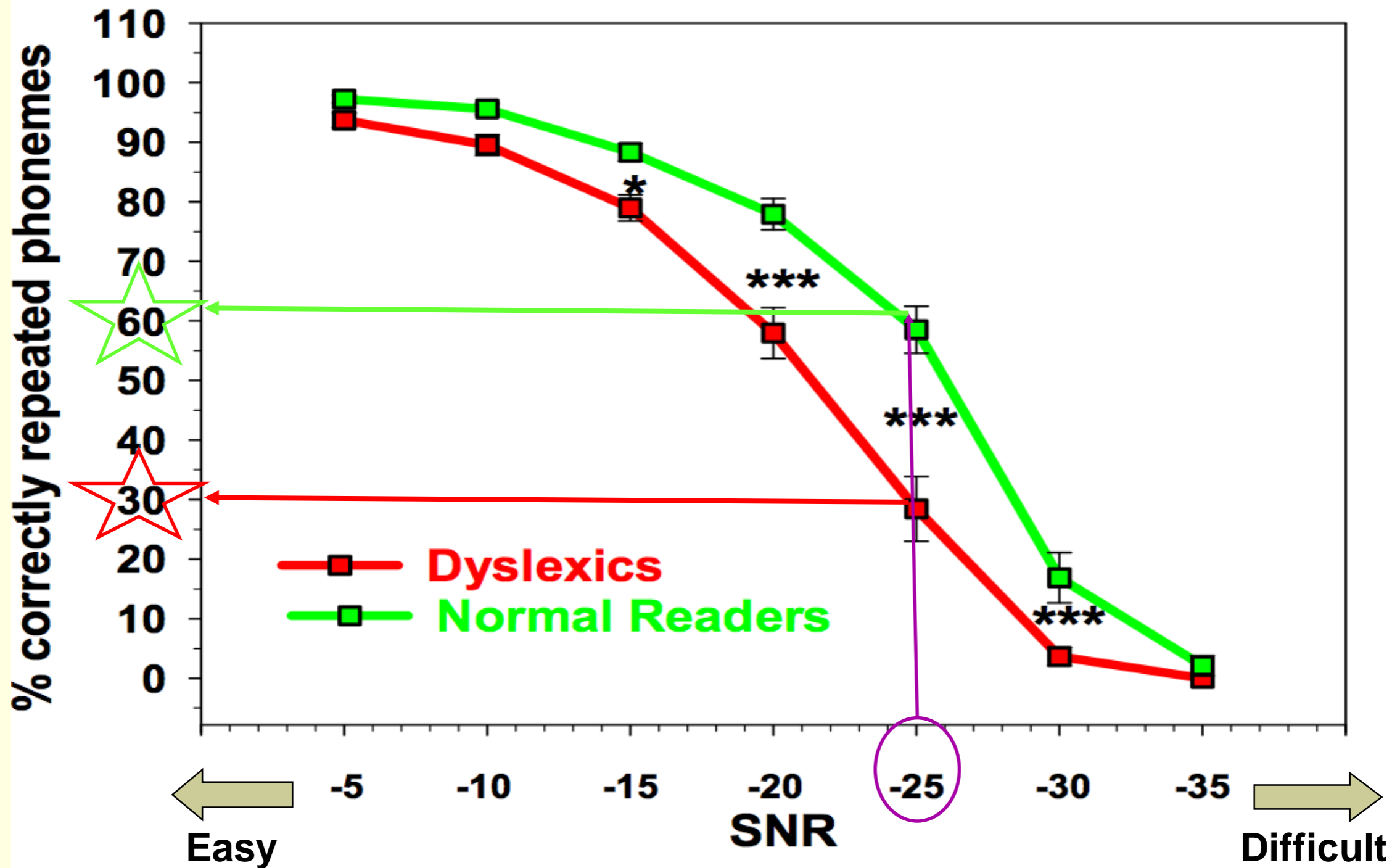


DIAGNOSIS OF CENTRAL AUDITORY PROCESSING DISORDERS (Clinical approach)

CENTRAL AUDITORY PROCESSING ASSESSMENT

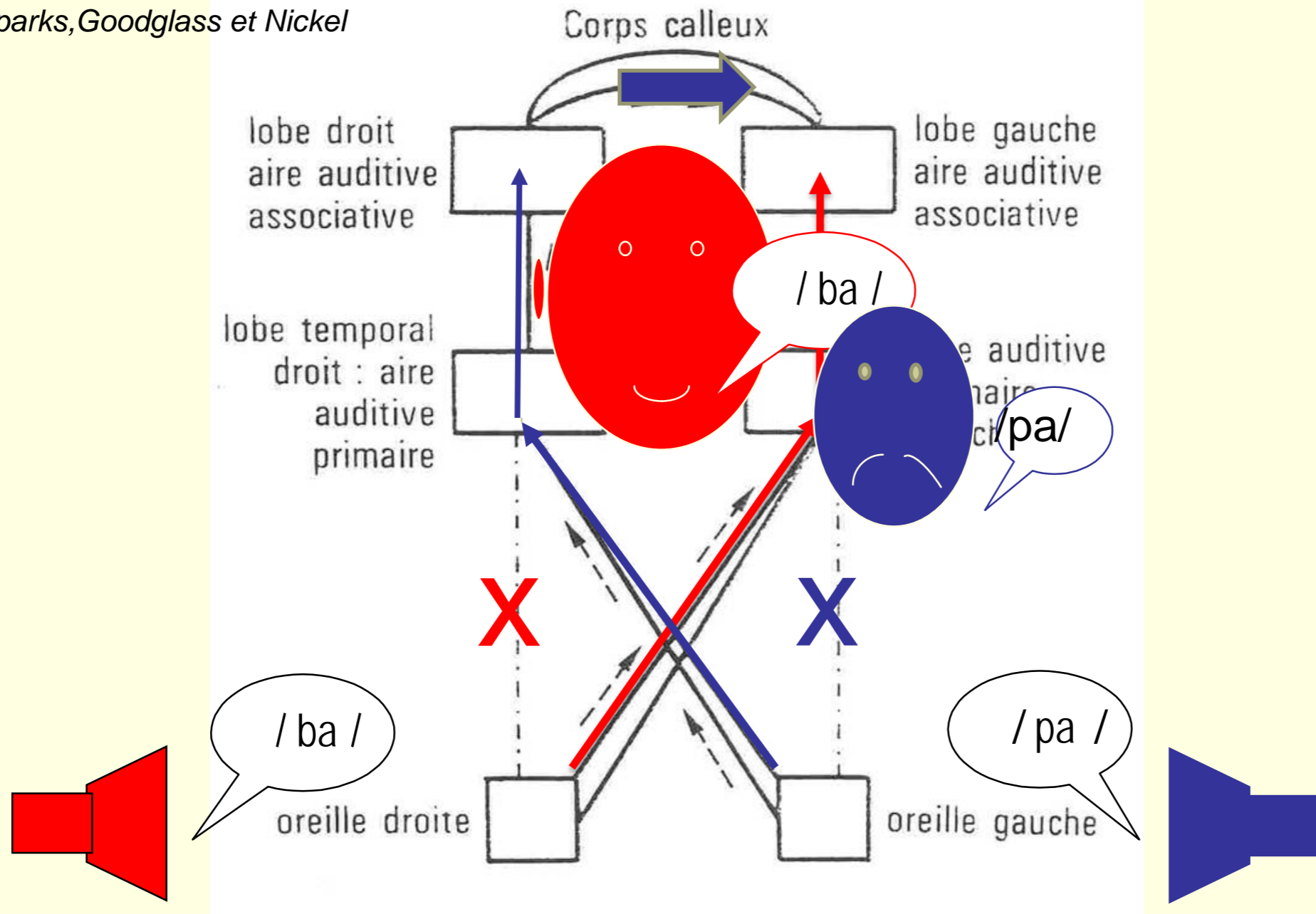
- Listening in Noise (1)
- Dichotic listening (2)
- Phonemic categorization (3)
- Descending auditory pathway functioning (4)
- Temporal resolution
- Pattern recognition (pitch & duration)

LISTENING IN NOISE (1/4)



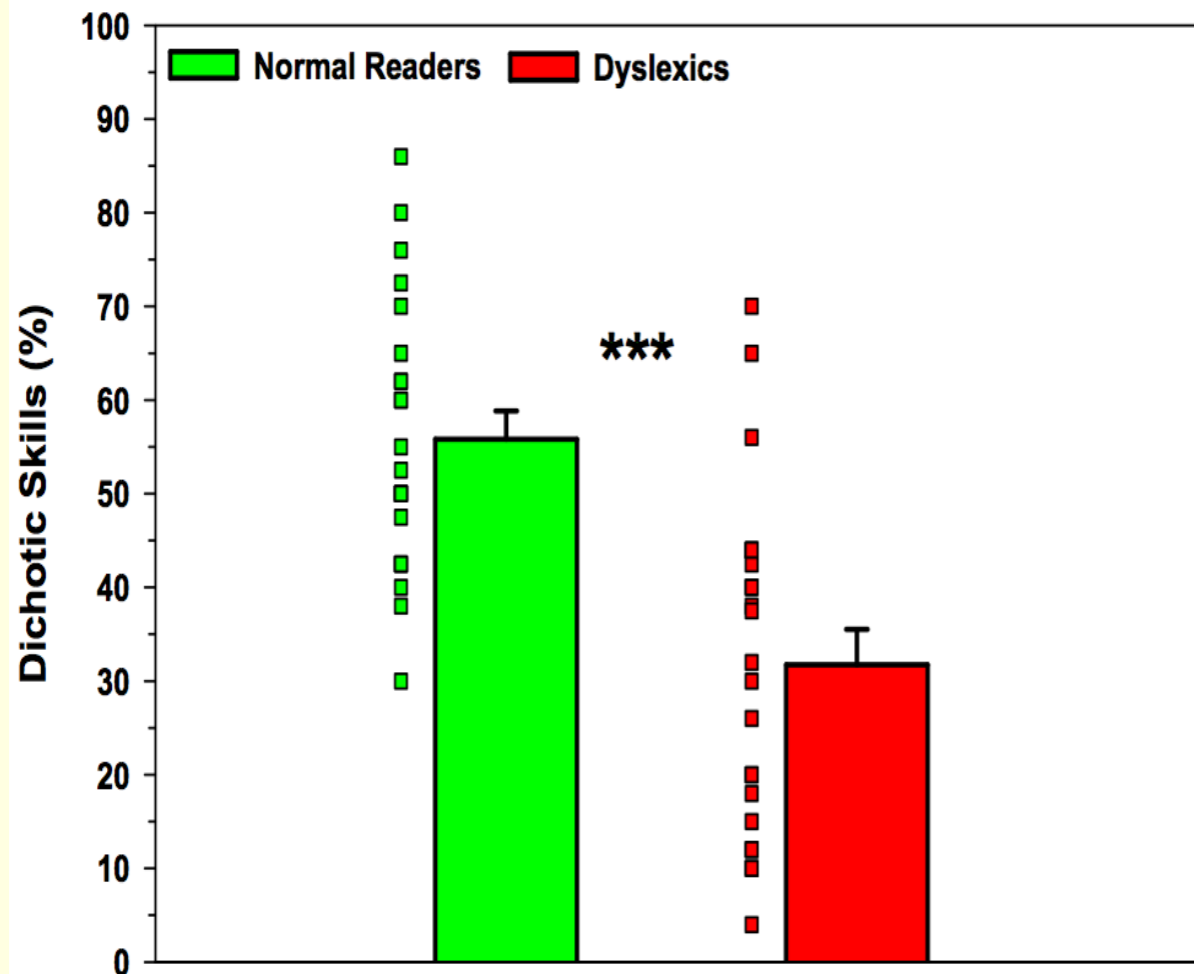
DICHOTIC TEST (2/4)

Schéma
Sparks, Goodglass et Nickel

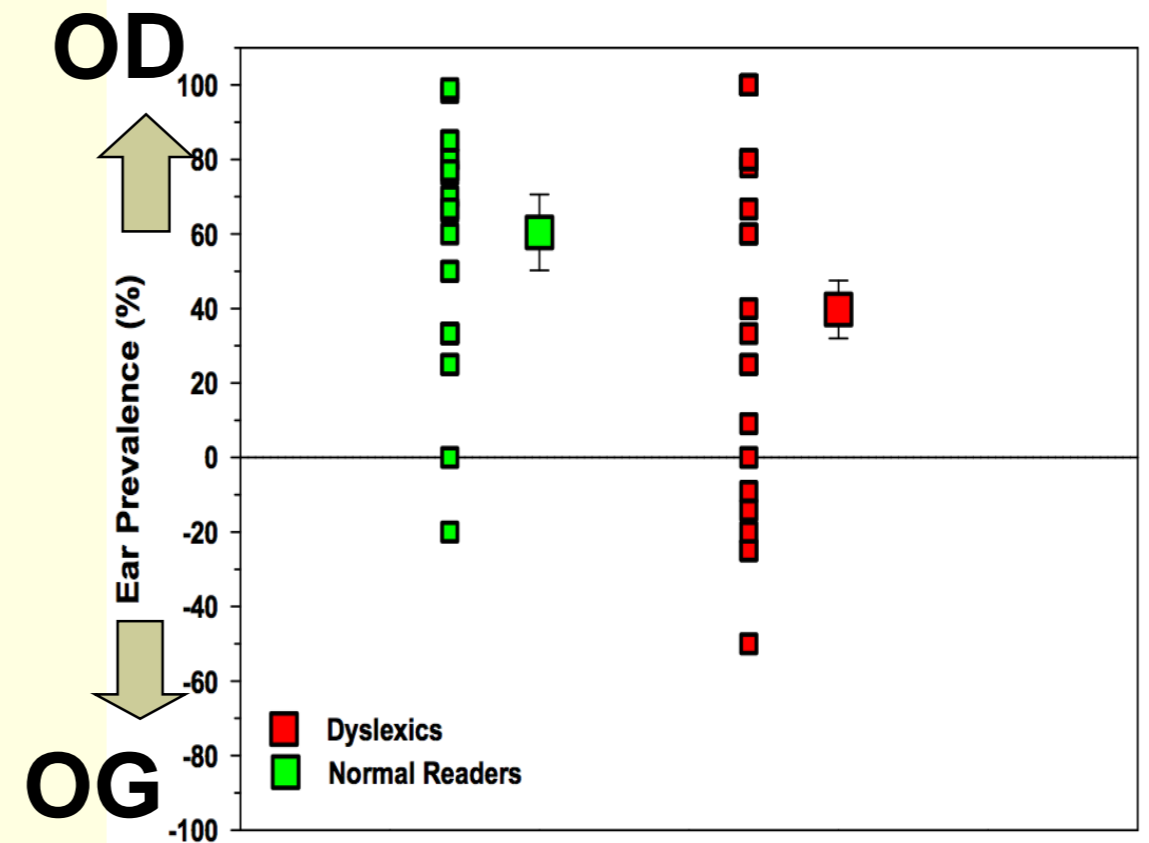


DICHOTIC LISTENING (2/4)

DICHOTIC SKILLS



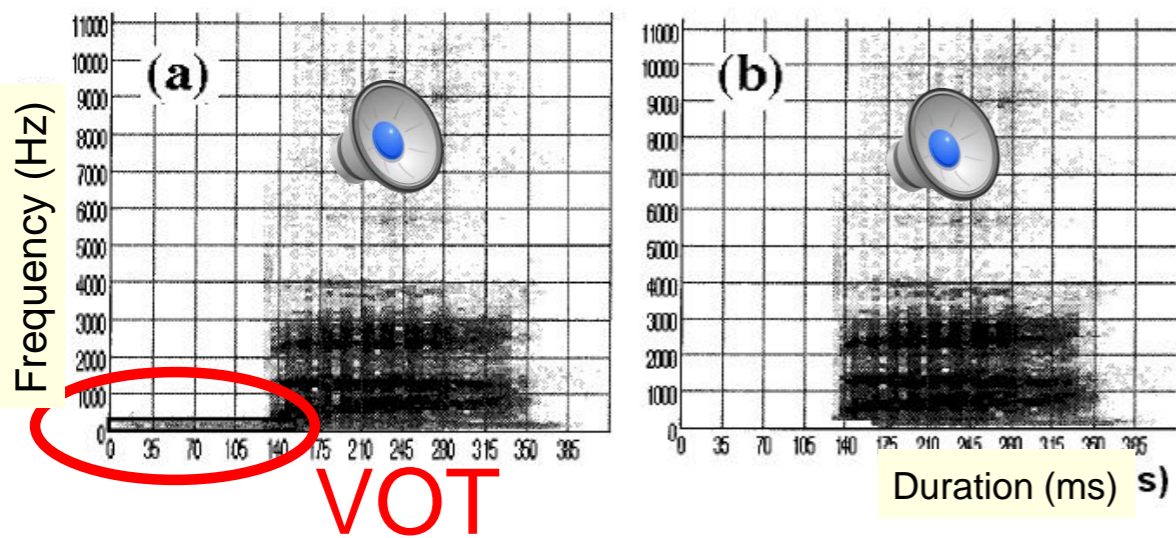
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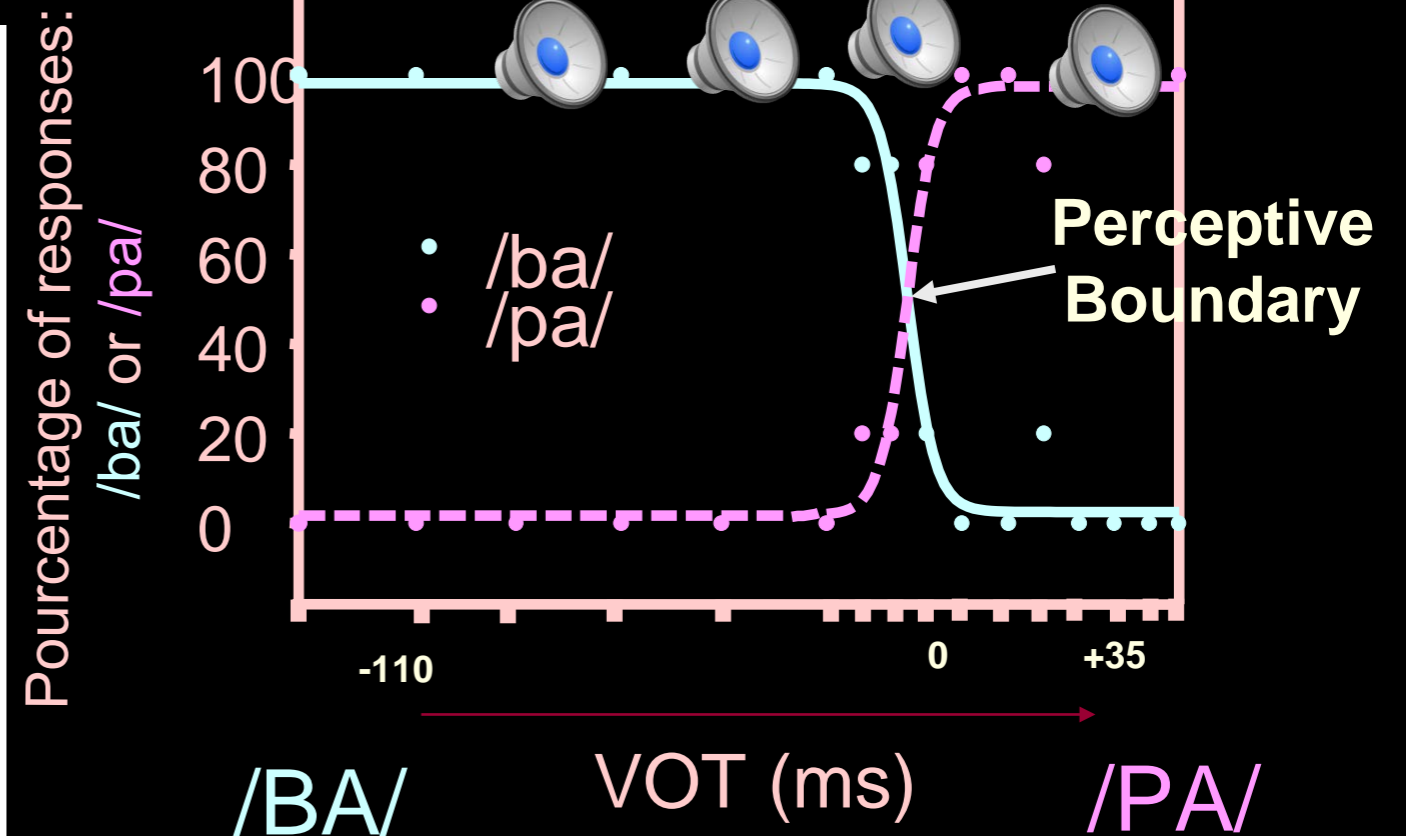
PHONEMIC CATEGORIZATION (3/4)

Procédure

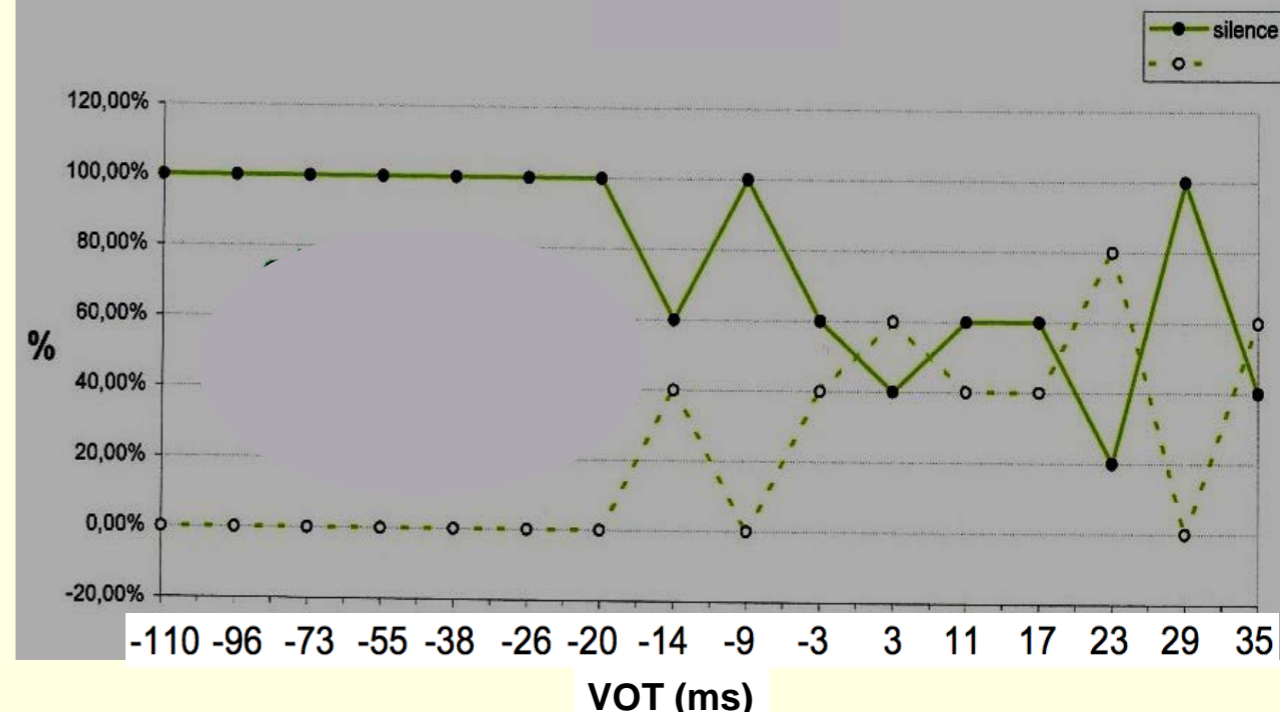
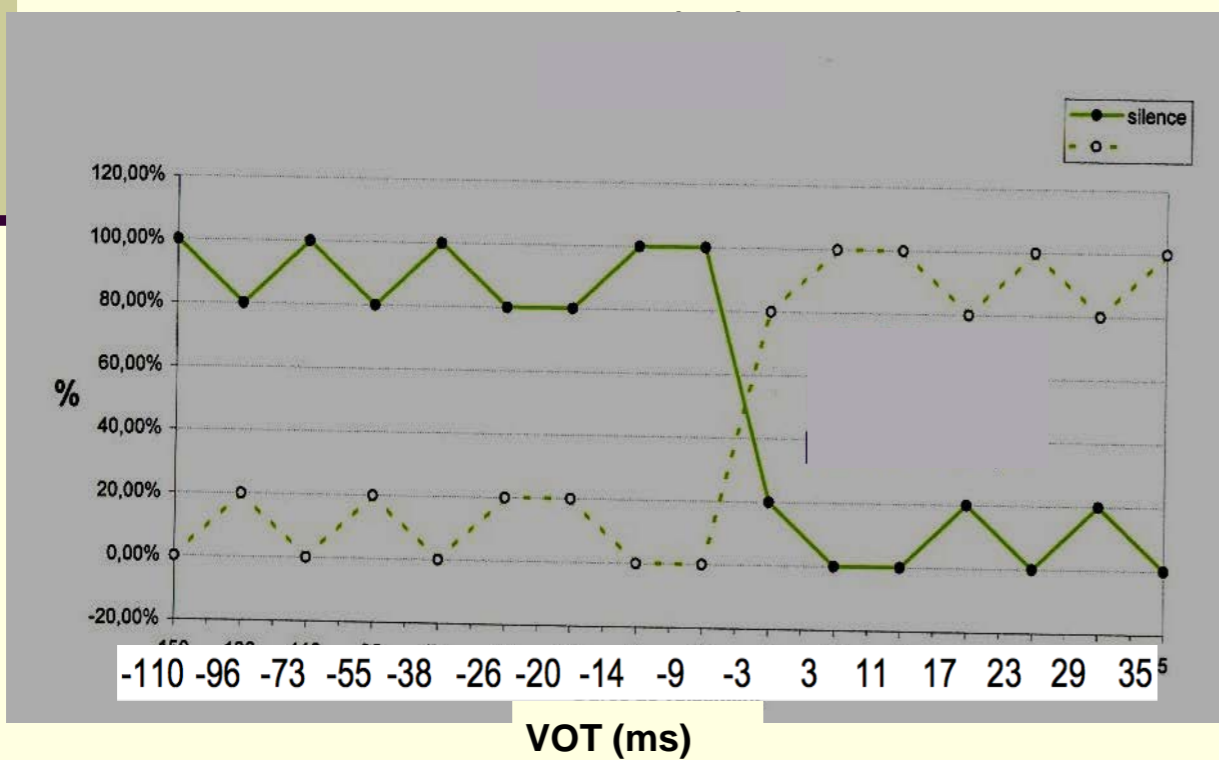
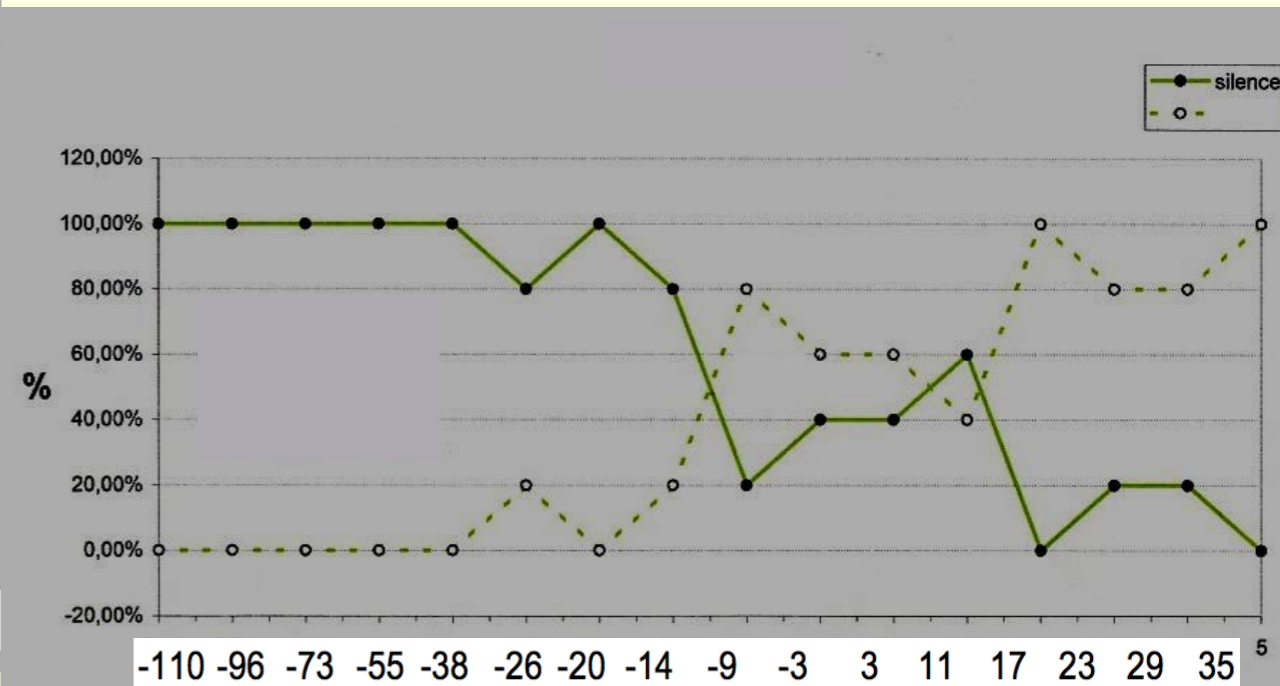
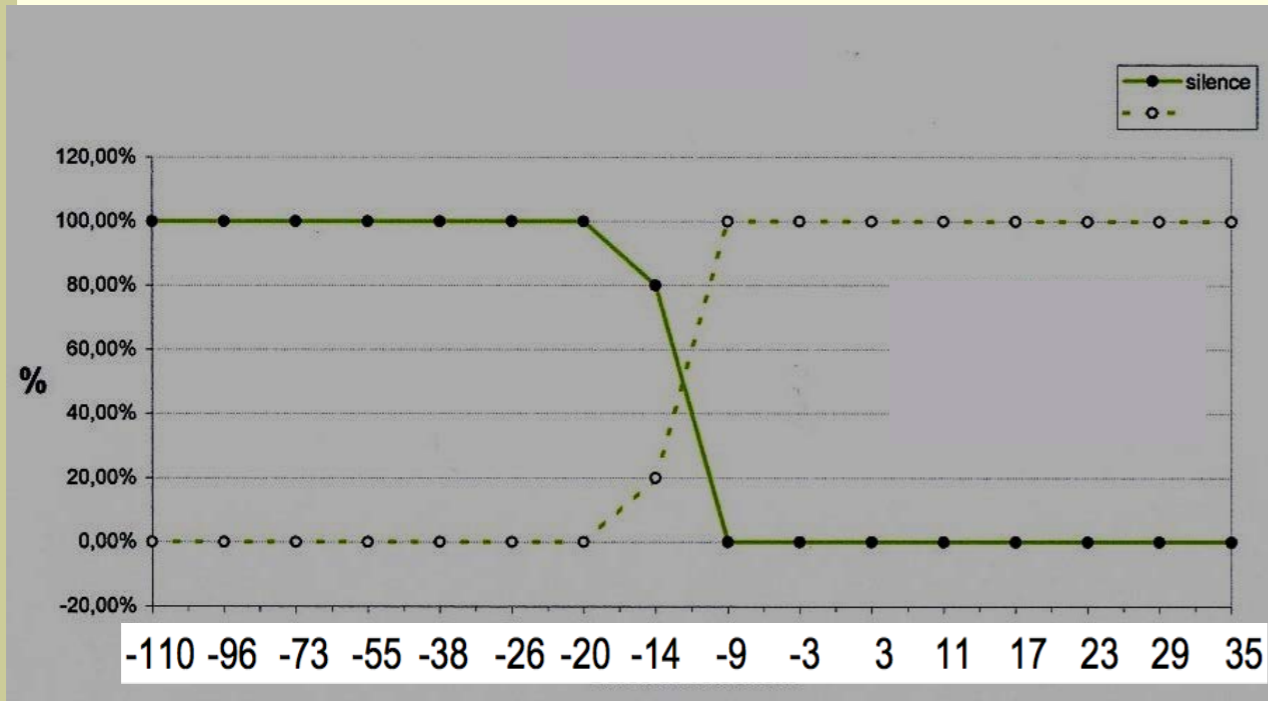
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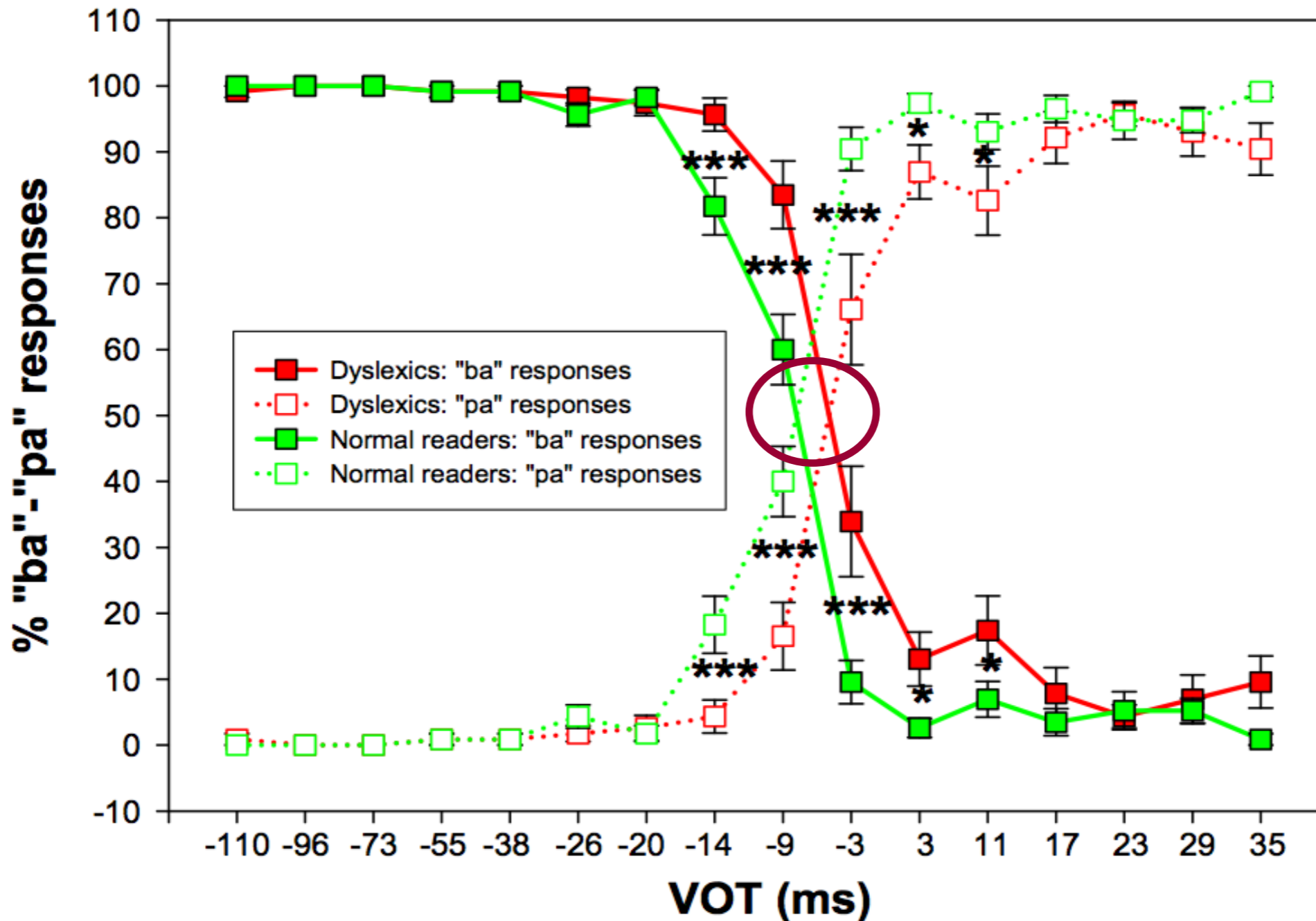
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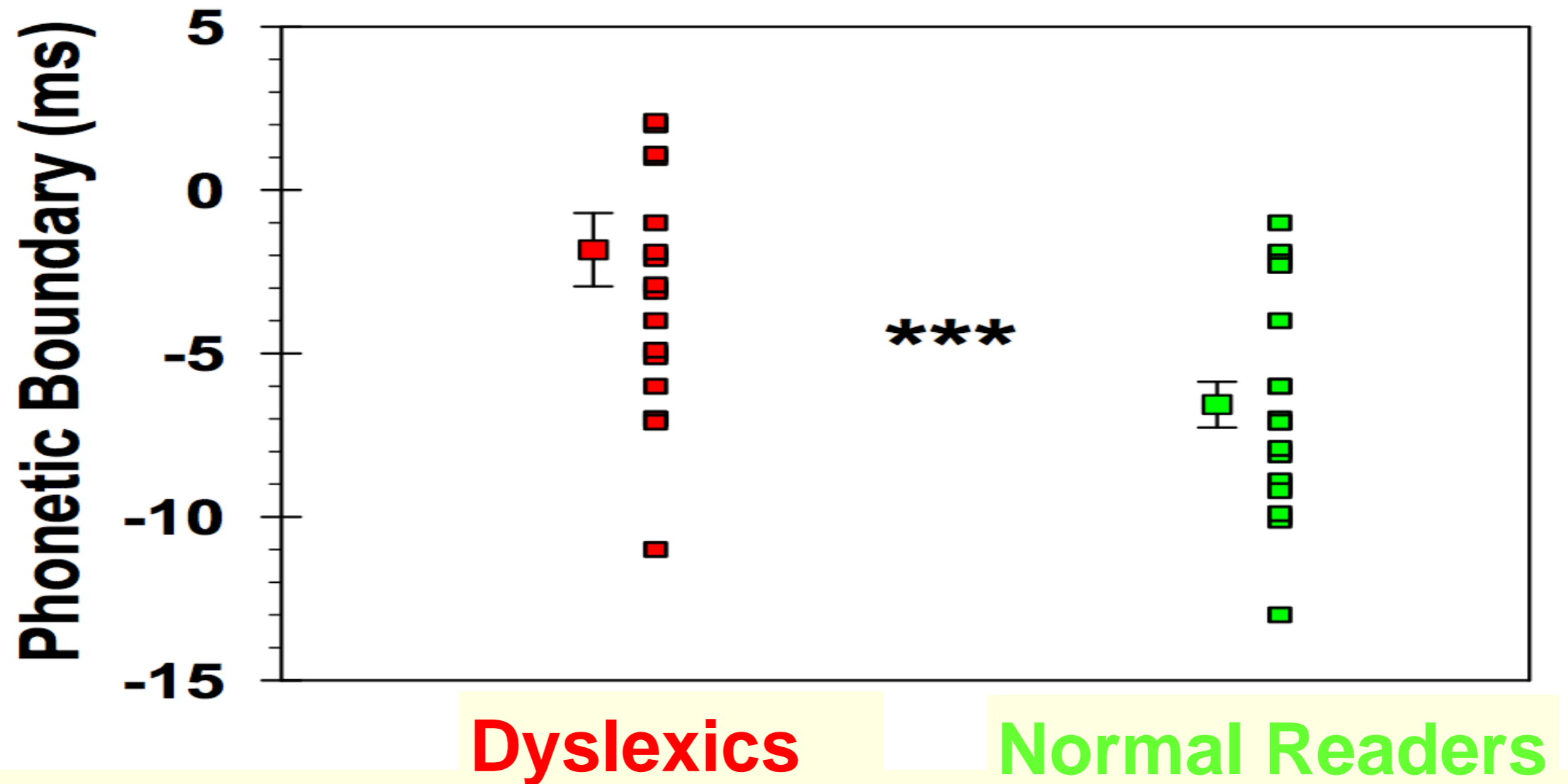
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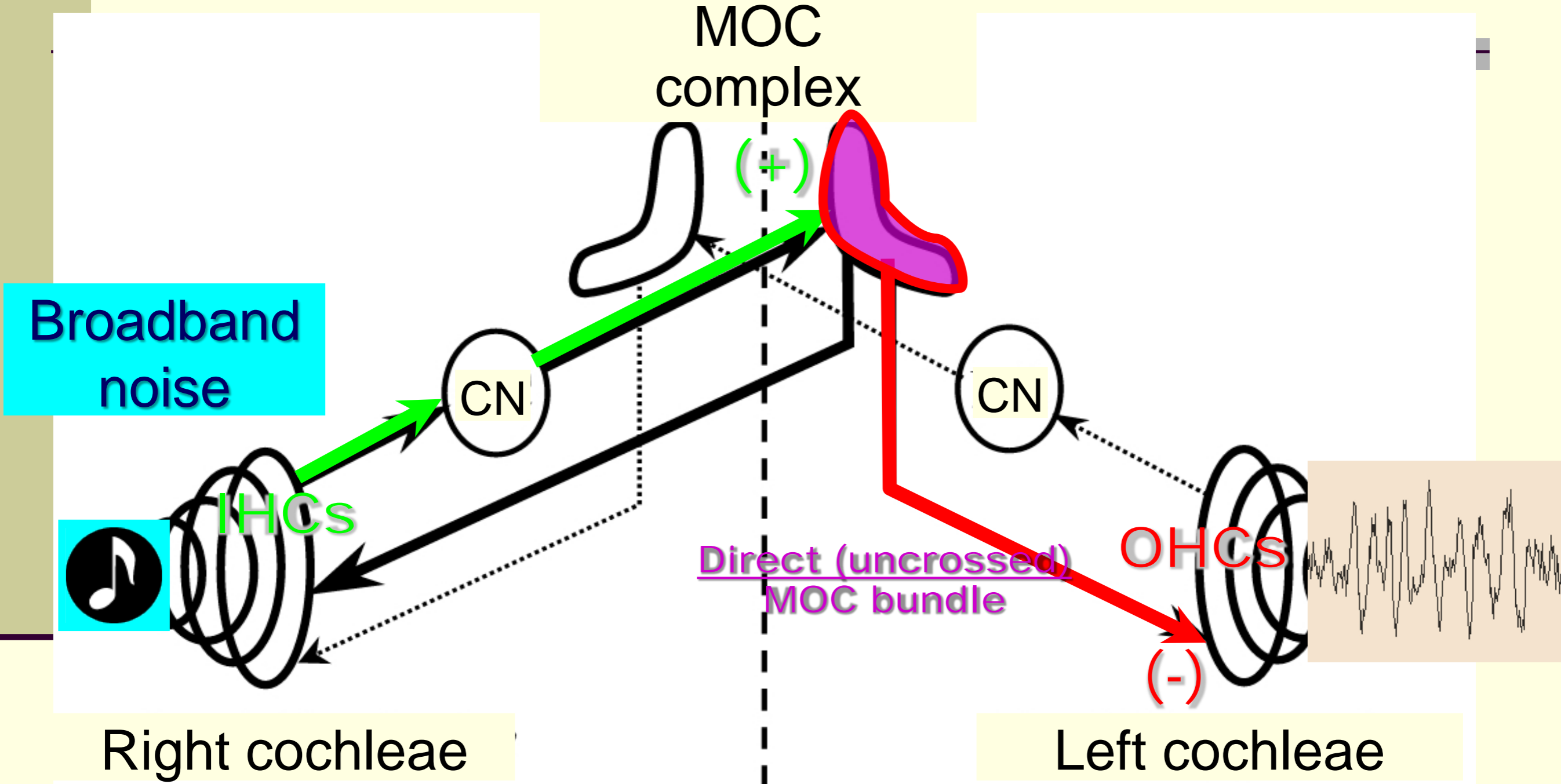
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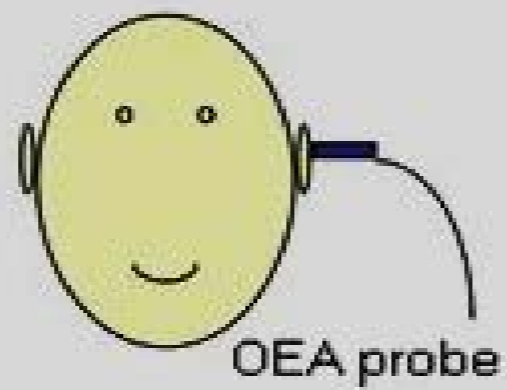
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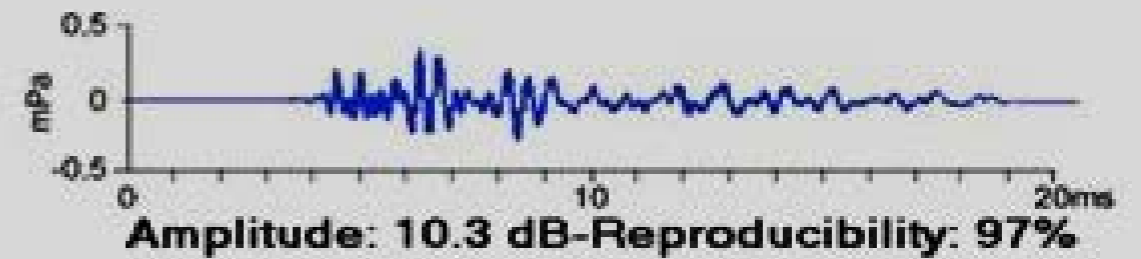
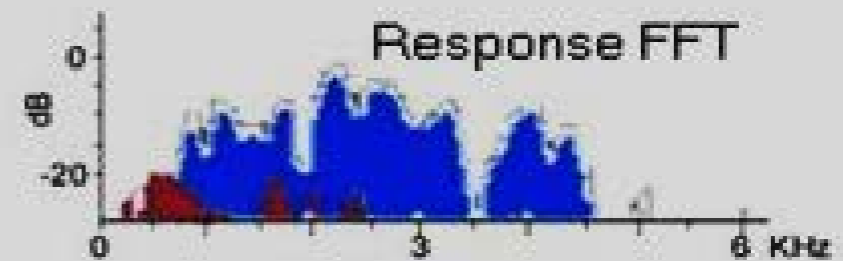
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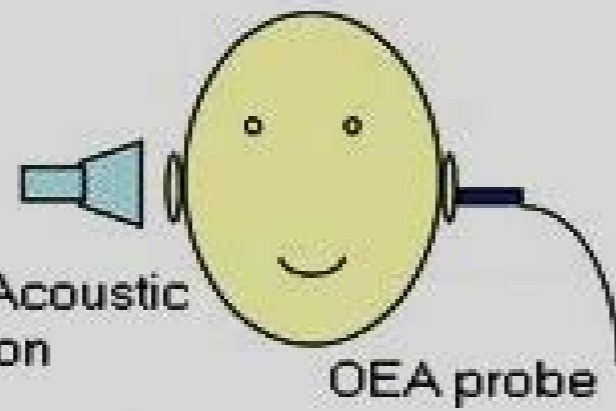
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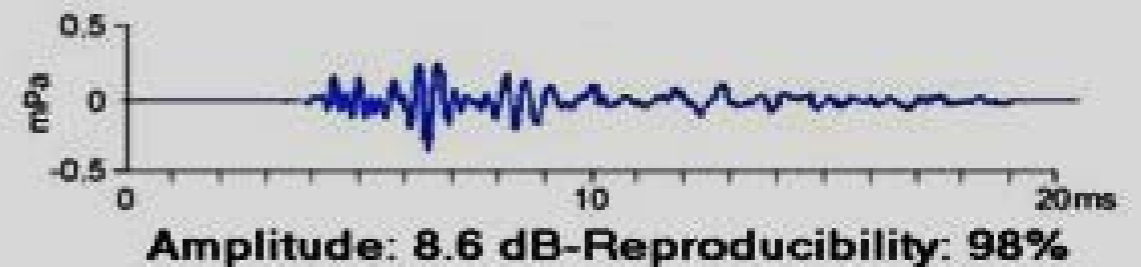
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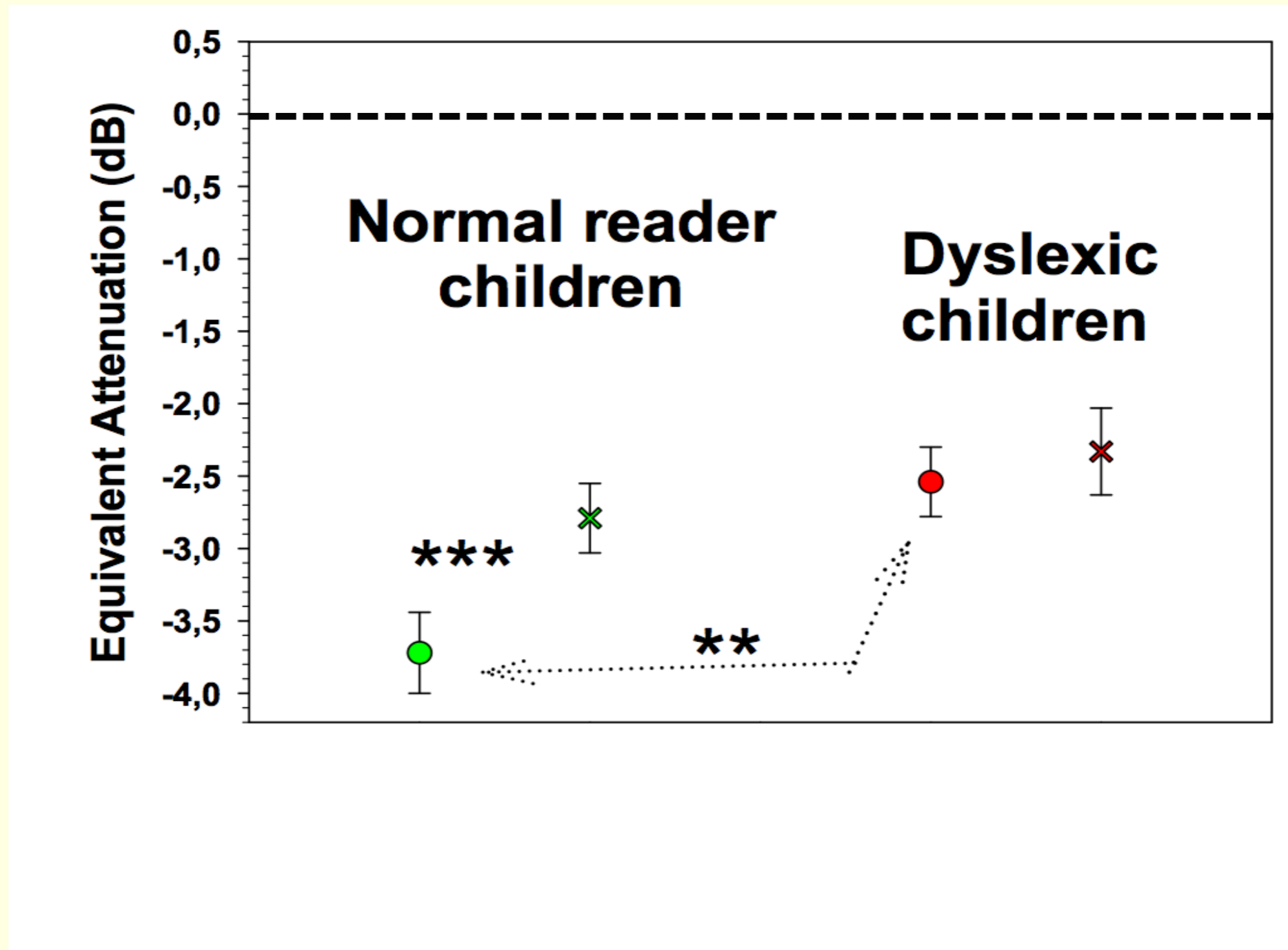
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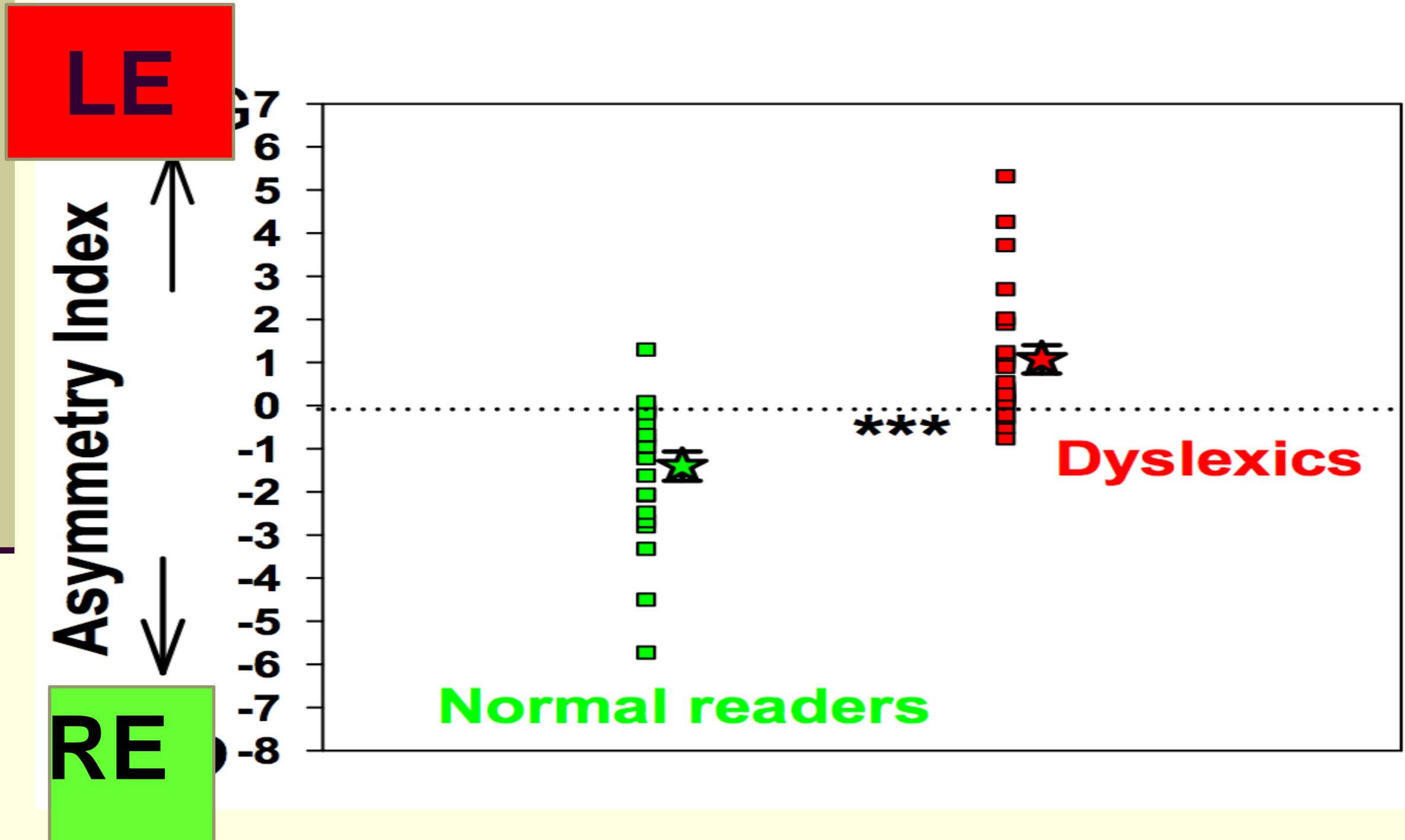
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