Innovative device providing relief from tinnitus

Investment/collaborative project opportunity for healthcare company

Challenge

• There are currently no effective treatments specifically targeted towards tinnitus
• A clear need exists for a treatment that provides relief to a larger proportion of sufferers
• In the majority of cases, tinnitus leads to sleep deprivation, irritability, loss of external hearing and clinical depression, causing considerable distress to sufferers

Solution

A new approach is being developed at the University of Leicester. It is:

• **Practical:** treatment involves the use of a new innovative, easy to use, device
• **Effective:** it has the potential to deliver symptomatic relief to tinnitus patients

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Tinnitus can be perceived in one or both ears or in the head. It is usually described as a ringing noise, but it can take many other forms including, buzzing, humming, whistling, hissing, whining or a ‘whooshing’ sound.

Benefits

- Further information can be provided under a confidentiality agreement

Market

Tinnitus is a highly prevalent condition affecting people around the world.

In Europe and the US, around 1 in 10 adults (about 10 million) have significant tinnitus. This is defined as prolonged, spontaneous tinnitus with each episode lasting 5 minutes or more.

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IP status

Patent application filed in UK in 2010. Currently being prosecuted in the EU and USA.

Are you company supplying medical devices into the forensics market looking for an investment opportunity?

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