



Innovative Device Providing Relief from Tinnitus

A new easy-to-use device which could provide symptomatic relief to tinnitus patients.



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IP Status

Patent application submitted

Seeking

Development partner, Commercial partner, Licensing

About **University of Leicester**

The University of Leicester works hand in hand with industry to generate business growth and find real applications for its leading innovation and research.

Tech Overview

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.

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.

Applications

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.

Opportunity

Investment/collaborative project opportunity for healthcare company Licensing opportunity.

Patents

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