

MRI Checklist for MED-EL CI models

Mi1200 SYNCHRONY | Mi1200 SYNCHRONY PIN

If the conditions or instructions herein are NOT followed, **INJURY** to the patient and/or **DAMAGE** to the implant may result!
 → **VALID** for all intracochlear electrode variants
 → **VALID** for all body regions
 In case of additional implants, e.g. a hearing implant in the other ear: MRI safety guidelines for this implant need to be considered in addition.

	The external components of the MED-EL Implant System (audio processor and accessories) are MR Unsafe and need to be removed prior to scanning.	
	The implant components of the MED-EL Implant System are MR Conditional.	

GENERAL CONDITIONS

→ PERMITTED, static magnetic field strength	0.2 T, 1.0T, 1.5 T, 3.0 T						
→ MAXIMUM PERMITTED SAR (at 0.2T, 1.0T, 1.5T)	NORMAL OPERATING MODE 3.2W/kg (Head), 2.0W/kg (Whole-Body)						
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NOTE: For head examinations and examinations of the body that are less than 35cm from the top of the head, the MRI system must have the ability to set a reduced maximum specific absorption rate (SAR) or to display the estimated maximum SAR value.

PREPARATION

- **PATIENT ID CARD** OK
Request patient ID card in order to identify the implant type
- **IMAGE ARTEFACT** YES → continue (next bullet point)
Is an accurate diagnosis possible even with the expected image artefact? NO → decide if the magnet should be removed

MAGNET REMOVAL YES → continue
Has the implant magnet been surgically removed? NO → STOP
- **AUDITORY/NON-AUDITORY SENSATIONS** OK
Inform the patient about possible auditory and non-auditory sensations during the examination.
NOTE: The likelihood and intensity of auditory and non-auditory sensations can be reduced by selecting sequences with a lower Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) and slower gradient slew rates.
- **HEAD ORIENTATION** (only applicable at 1.0T, 1.5T, 3.0T) OK
Inform the patient not to tilt their head to either side.
- **EXTERNAL COMPONENTS** OK
Remove audio processor and accessories before entering the scanner room.
- **OPTIONAL HEAD BANDAGE** OK
A supportive head bandage over the implant using an elastic bandage wrapped tightly around the head for at least three times can optionally be used.

NOTE: In rare cases the patient might perceive a clicking sound upon entry in the MRI scanner tube.

EXECUTION

NOTE: To reduce the likelihood and degree of patient discomfort, the patient should keep their head away from the scanner wall near the entrance of the scanner.

- **PATIENT POSITIONING** (only applicable at 1.0T, 1.5T, 3.0T) OK
The patient should be lying in the scanner in a supine, prone or side position with the head kept straight.
NOTE: When lower extremities are to be examined, it is recommended that patient's legs are positioned in the scanner first.
- **OPERATING MODE** (only applicable at 0.2T, 1.0T, 1.5T) OK
Run sequences in "Normal Operating Mode" only.
NOTE: max. 3.2W/kg for Head scans, 2.0W/kg for Whole-Body scans
- **OPERATING MODE** (only applicable at 3.0T) OK
Apply maximum permitted SAR according to following table only:

SAR (Head)	SAR (Whole-Body)	
	<35 cm from the top of the head	≥35 cm from the top of the head
1.6W/kg	1.0W/kg	2.0W/kg

- **ACCESSORIES** (only applicable at 3.0T) OK
Do not utilise head transmit coils or multi-channel transmit coils.

NOTE: In rare cases temporary pain or discomfort may occur in the implant area during MRI even if all protocols and bandaging instructions are followed.

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Mi1000 CONCERTO | Mi1000 CONCERTO PIN | SONATA

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→ PERMITTED, static magnetic field strength	0.2 T, 1.0 T, 1.5 T
→ MAXIMUM PERMITTED SAR	NORMAL OPERATING MODE, i.e. 3.2 W/kg (Head), 2.0 W/kg (Whole-Body)
PREPARATION	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PATIENT ID CARD <input type="radio"/> OK Request patient ID card in order to identify the implant type IMAGE ARTEFACT <input type="radio"/> YES → continue <input type="radio"/> NO → STOP Is an accurate diagnosis possible even with the expected image artefact? AUDITORY/NON-AUDITORY SENSATIONS <input type="radio"/> OK Inform the patient about possible auditory and non-auditory sensations during the examination. NOTE: The likelihood and intensity of auditory and non-auditory sensations can be reduced by selecting sequences with a lower Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) and slower gradient slew rates. HEAD ORIENTATION (only applicable at 1.0 T, 1.5 T) <input type="radio"/> OK Inform the patient not to tilt their head to either side. EXTERNAL COMPONENTS <input type="radio"/> OK Remove audio processor and accessories before entering the scanner room. HEAD BANDAGE (only applicable at 1.0 T, 1.5 T) <input type="radio"/> OK Place a supportive headband over the implant. NOTE: The bandage may be an elastic bandage wrapped tightly around the head at least three times. 	
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 → **VALID** for all body regions
 → **VALID** for unilateral as well as bilateral implant provision

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PREPARATION

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PATIENT ID CARD Request patient ID card in order to identify the implant type 	<input type="radio"/> OK
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IMPLANT CONDITION Is the implant housing mechanically intact? (not fractured or shattered) 	<input type="radio"/> YES → continue <input type="radio"/> NO → STOP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IMPLANTATION STATUS Has the implant been implanted for at least six months? 	<input type="radio"/> YES → continue <input type="radio"/> NO → STOP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BONE THICKNESS Is the bone underneath the implant at least 0.4mm thick? 	<input type="radio"/> YES → continue <input type="radio"/> NO → STOP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IMAGE ARTEFACT Is an accurate diagnosis possible even with the expected image artefact? 	<input type="radio"/> YES → continue <input type="radio"/> NO → STOP
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