

COCHLEAR™ NUCLEUS® SYSTEM RELIABILITY REPORT

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Reporting to ANSI/AAMI CI86 Standard

ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

This document provides reliability data for the internal (cochlear implant) and external (sound processor) components of our Cochlear™ Nucleus® Implant Systems.

This data meets the reporting standards and methodology recommended by ANSI/AAMI CI86 – Cochlear implant systems: Requirements for safety, functional verification, labeling and reliability reporting¹.

THE ANSI/AAMI CI86 STANDARD

In 2017, the ANSI/AAMI CI86 guidelines were approved, outlining procedures that manufacturers should follow when reporting the reliability of cochlear implants and sound processors.

The guidelines require manufacturers to provide information to the public about the percentage of implanted devices that have been removed following implantation. This number is the cumulative removal percentage, or CRP. Age-related differences may affect the CRP, so data is shown for patients who are both older (10 years of age or older) and younger (less than 10 years of age) at the time they received the implant. Typically, children younger than 10 years of age have a higher chance of activity-related damage to the device.

The guidelines also require manufacturers to provide information about returned device failure rates for sound processor models sold in the US. This metric is the Failed Component Return Rate (FCRR).

You will note that no hearing implant device has perfect reliability over time. If a cochlear implant is removed, the surgeon returns the device to the implant manufacturer for testing. If the manufacturer finds that the device is not working properly, additional tests are performed to determine the cause of the failure. Once testing is complete, the results are sent to the hearing professional and the manufacturer's reliability data is updated. As part of the requirements of ANSI/AAMI CI86, device manufacturers send detailed reliability reports to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) every six months. Frequently, the device manufacturer uses the results of these tests to improve the design of future products.

The guidelines require manufacturers to publish their updated reliability data every six months. To ensure you have the most recent information, check the date on this document. The most recent report is available at www.cochlear.com/intl.

COCHLEAR™ IMPLANT DATA

In this document, Cumulative Removal Percentage (CRP) is used to measure implant reliability. CRP is the percentage of implanted devices that have been removed following implantation. The CRP provides information regarding the reliability of a certain make and model of implant over time.

For example, if the CRP after five years of experience with a specific implant model is 2%, this means that after five years, the patient's chance of obtaining continued benefit from the cochlear implant system, as described for its intended use, is 98%.

It is important to track device reliability information over time because cochlear implants typically remain implanted for many years. It is also important to track the reasons for removal when devices are replaced. The CRP classifies removed devices into three categories that define the reason for removal:

- Medical Related. Examples of medical reasons for device removal include infection, rejection of the device due to allergy, or incorrect positioning of the internal device.
- Device Failure. Examples of device failure reasons for removal include suspected implant failure due to mechanical or electrical issues, moisture damage, or other problems with device function.
- Inconclusive. Occasionally, testing of the device indicates no fault, despite a reason for removal. For example, a patient experiences unexplained performance decline, but testing of the removed device reveals normal function.

NUCLEUS® PROFILE™ PLUS SERIES IMPLANT

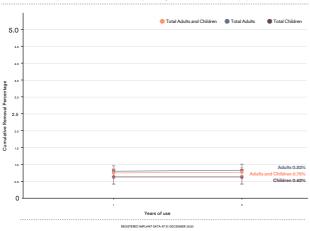
Number of registered Profile™ Plus Series Implants - 31 December 2020

ADULTS	CHILDREN	COMBINED
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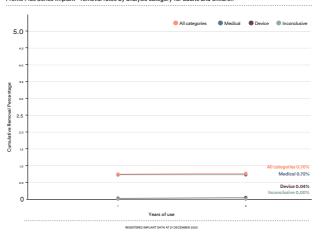
Profile Plus Series Implant Cumulative Removal Rates

Group	Group Adults							Children							Combined Adults and Children							
Sub- category	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	tal	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	То	tal	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	tal				
Years	CRP	CRP		CRP		Cl_low*	CRP		CRP		CLup*	CL_low*	CRP					Cl_low*				
1	0.76%	0.03%	0.00%	0.79%	0.16%	0.16%	0.62%	0.00%	0.00%	0.62%	0.22%	0.22%	0.72%	0.02%	0.00%	0.74%	0.13%	0.13%				
2	0.76%	0.06%	0.00%	0.82%	0.17%	0.17%	0.62%	0.00%	0.00%	0.62%	0.22%	0.22%	0.72%	0.04%	0.00%	0.76%	0.14%	0.14%				

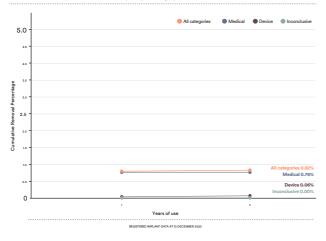




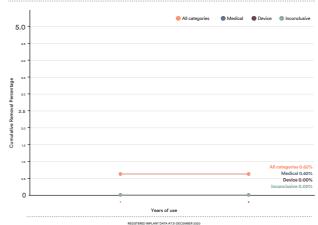








Profile Plus Series Implant - removal rates by analysis category for children



^{*} CI_up and CI_low are 95% confidence limits.

NUCLEUS PROFILE SERIES IMPLANT

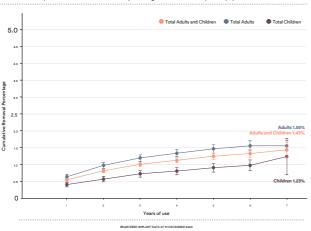
Number of registered Profile Series Implants - 31 December 2020

ADULTS	CHILDREN	COMBINED
57,110	38,716	95,826

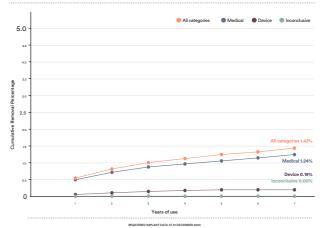
Profile Series Implant Cumulative Removal Rates

Group			Ad	ults			Children							Combined Adults and Children							
Sub- category	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	tal	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	tal	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	tal			
Years	CRP		CRP	CRP			CRP						CRP					Cl_low*			
1	0.59%	0.04%	0.00%	0.63%	0.07%	0.07%	0.33%	0.07%	0.00%	0.40%	0.06%	0.06%	0.49%	0.05%	0.00%	0.54%	0.05%	0.05%			
2	0.89%	0.07%	0.00%	0.97%	0.08%	0.08%	0.42%	0.13%	0.00%	0.56%	0.08%	0.08%	0.71%	0.10%	0.00%	0.81%	0.06%	0.06%			
3	1.09%	0.10%	0.00%	1.19%	0.09%	0.09%	0.53%	0.19%	0.00%	0.72%	0.09%	0.09%	0.87%	0.14%	0.00%	1.00%	0.07%	0.07%			
4	1.21%	0.12%	0.00%	1.33%	0.11%	0.11%	0.56%	0.24%	0.00%	0.80%	0.10%	0.10%	0.96%	0.17%	0.00%	1.12%	0.08%	0.08%			
5	1.31%	0.14%	0.00%	1.46%	0.12%	0.12%	0.64%	0.26%	0.00%	0.90%	0.12%	0.12%	1.05%	0.19%	0.00%	1.24%	0.09%	0.09%			
6	1.41%	0.14%	0.00%	1.55%	0.15%	0.15%	0.71%	0.26%	0.00%	0.97%	0.16%	0.16%	1.14%	0.19%	0.00%	1.32%	0.11%	0.11%			
7	1.41%	0.14%	0.00%	1.55%	0.15%	0.15%	0.97%	0.26%	0.00%	1.23%	0.54%	0.54%	1.24%	0.19%	0.00%	1.43%	0.23%	0.23%			

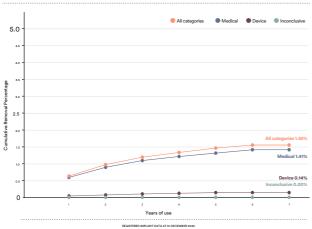




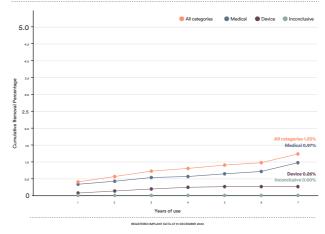
Profile Series Implant - removal rates by analysis category for adults and children







Profile Series Implant - removal rates by analysis category for children



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NUCLEUS CI24RE SERIES IMPLANT

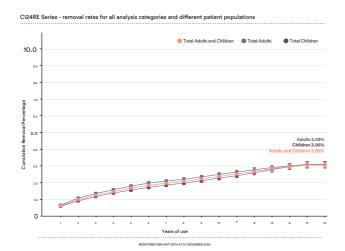
Number of registered Cl24RE Series Implants - 31 December 2020

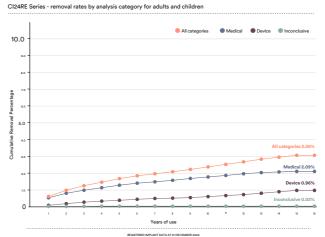
ADULTS	CHILDREN	COMBINED
94,693	107,331	202,024

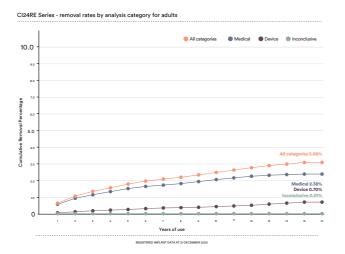
Cl24RE Series Cumulative Removal Rates

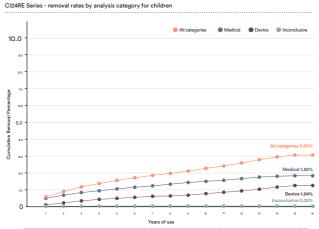
Group			Ad	ults					Chile	dren				Comb	ined Adu	lts and Cl	hildren	
Sub- category	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	tal	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	otal	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	otal
Years	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	Cl_up*	Cl_low*	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	Cl_up*	Cl_low*	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	Cl_up*	Cl_low*
1	0.57%	0.06%	0.01%	0.64%	0.05%	0.05%	0.48%	0.09%	0.01%	0.57%	0.05%	0.05%	0.52%	0.07%	0.01%	0.60%	0.03%	0.03%
2	0.93%	0.12%	0.01%	1.06%	0.07%	0.07%	0.67%	0.21%	0.01%	0.89%	0.06%	0.06%	0.79%	0.17%	0.01%	0.97%	0.04%	0.04%
3	1.14%	0.18%	0.01%	1.34%	0.07%	0.07%	0.82%	0.33%	0.01%	1.16%	0.07%	0.07%	0.97%	0.26%	0.01%	1.24%	0.05%	0.05%
4	1.33%	0.22%	0.01%	1.56%	0.08%	0.08%	0.93%	0.42%	0.02%	1.36%	0.07%	0.07%	1.12%	0.32%	0.02%	1.45%	0.05%	0.05%
5	1.51%	0.26%	0.01%	1.78%	0.09%	0.09%	1.04%	0.48%	0.02%	1.54%	0.08%	0.08%	1.27%	0.37%	0.02%	1.66%	0.06%	0.06%
6	1.64%	0.31%	0.01%	1.96%	0.09%	0.09%	1.14%	0.54%	0.02%	1.70%	0.08%	0.08%	1.39%	0.43%	0.02%	1.83%	0.06%	0.06%
7	1.72%	0.35%	0.01%	2.08%	0.09%	0.09%	1.22%	0.60%	0.02%	1.84%	0.09%	0.09%	1.47%	0.48%	0.02%	1.95%	0.06%	0.06%
8	1.81%	0.37%	0.01%	2.19%	0.10%	0.10%	1.32%	0.62%	0.02%	1.96%	0.09%	0.09%	1.56%	0.50%	0.02%	2.07%	0.07%	0.07%
9	1.93%	0.39%	0.01%	2.33%	0.10%	0.10%	1.42%	0.67%	0.02%	2.10%	0.10%	0.10%	1.67%	0.53%	0.02%	2.21%	0.07%	0.07%
10	2.05%	0.43%	0.01%	2.48%	0.11%	0.11%	1.49%	0.76%	0.02%	2.26%	0.11%	0.11%	1.76%	0.59%	0.02%	2.36%	0.08%	0.08%
11	2.15%	0.47%	0.01%	2.62%	0.12%	0.12%	1.55%	0.84%	0.02%	2.40%	0.12%	0.12%	1.85%	0.65%	0.02%	2.51%	0.08%	0.08%
12	2.25%	0.51%	0.01%	2.76%	0.13%	0.13%	1.65%	0.92%	0.02%	2.58%	0.13%	0.13%	1.95%	0.71%	0.02%	2.66%	0.09%	0.09%
13	2.31%	0.58%	0.01%	2.89%	0.14%	0.14%	1.74%	1.02%	0.02%	2.77%	0.15%	0.15%	2.02%	0.79%	0.02%	2.82%	0.10%	0.10%
14	2.35%	0.64%	0.01%	2.98%	0.15%	0.15%	1.79%	1.15%	0.02%	2.94%	0.17%	0.17%	2.06%	0.88%	0.02%	2.94%	0.11%	0.11%
15	2.38%	0.70%	0.01%	3.08%	0.17%	0.17%	1.82%	1.24%	0.02%	3.05%	0.20%	0.20%	2.09%	0.96%	0.02%	3.05%	0.13%	0.13%
16	2.38%	0.70%	0.01%	3.08%	0.17%	0.17%	1.82%	1.24%	0.02%	3.05%	0.20%	0.20%	2.09%	0.96%	0.02%	3.05%	0.13%	0.13%

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NUCLEUS CI500 SERIES IMPLANT

Note: the CI500 Series was voluntarily recalled in September 2011.

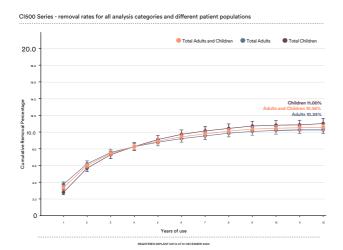
Number of registered Cl500 Series Implants - 31 December 2020

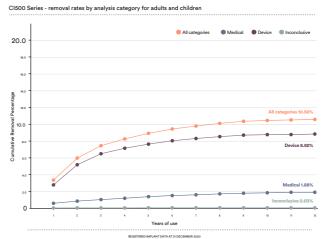
ADULTS	CHILDREN	COMBINED
17,549	12,346	29,895

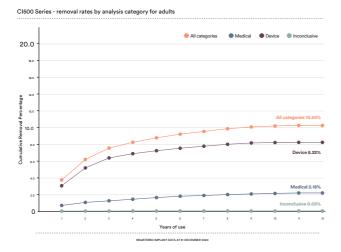
Cl500 Series Cumulative Removal Rates

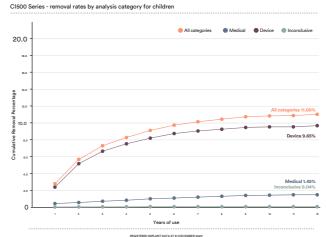
Group			Ad	ults					Chil	dren			Combined Adults and Children							
Sub- category	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	То	otal	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	То	otal	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	otal		
Years	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	Cl_up*	Cl_low*	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	CLup*	CLlow*	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	Cl_up*	Cl_low*		
1	0.69%	3.04%	0.02%	3.73%	0.28%	0.28%	0.41%	2.36%	0.00%	2.76%	0.29%	0.29%	0.57%	2.76%	0.01%	3.33%	0.20%	0.20%		
2	1.05%	5.17%	0.02%	6.18%	0.36%	0.36%	0.53%	5.14%	0.01%	5.65%	0.41%	0.41%	0.83%	5.16%	0.02%	5.96%	0.27%	0.27%		
3	1.24%	6.36%	0.02%	7.54%	0.39%	0.39%	0.68%	6.62%	0.02%	7.27%	0.46%	0.46%	1.01%	6.47%	0.02%	7.43%	0.30%	0.30%		
4	1.43%	6.87%	0.03%	8.23%	0.41%	0.41%	0.80%	7.50%	0.02%	8.25%	0.49%	0.49%	1.17%	7.13%	0.02%	8.24%	0.31%	0.31%		
5	1.63%	7.22%	0.03%	8.76%	0.42%	0.42%	0.97%	8.17%	0.04%	9.09%	0.51%	0.51%	1.36%	7.62%	0.03%	8.90%	0.32%	0.32%		
6	1.79%	7.52%	0.03%	9.20%	0.43%	0.43%	1.06%	8.72%	0.04%	9.71%	0.52%	0.52%	1.49%	8.02%	0.03%	9.42%	0.33%	0.33%		
7	1.88%	7.76%	0.03%	9.52%	0.44%	0.44%	1.17%	9.02%	0.04%	10.12%	0.53%	0.53%	1.58%	8.29%	0.03%	9.77%	0.34%	0.34%		
8	1.99%	7.99%	0.03%	9.85%	0.44%	0.44%	1.27%	9.23%	0.04%	10.42%	0.54%	0.54%	1.69%	8.51%	0.03%	10.09%	0.34%	0.34%		
9	2.06%	8.15%	0.03%	10.06%	0.45%	0.45%	1.37%	9.44%	0.04%	10.71%	0.55%	0.55%	1.77%	8.69%	0.03%	10.34%	0.35%	0.35%		
10	2.12%	8.20%	0.03%	10.18%	0.45%	0.45%	1.40%	9.51%	0.04%	10.81%	0.55%	0.55%	1.82%	8.75%	0.03%	10.44%	0.35%	0.35%		
11	2.18%	8.22%	0.03%	10.24%	0.46%	0.46%	1.45%	9.51%	0.04%	10.85%	0.55%	0.55%	1.88%	8.76%	0.03%	10.50%	0.35%	0.35%		
12	2.18%	8.22%	0.03%	10.24%	0.46%	0.46%	1.45%	9.65%	0.04%	11.00%	0.62%	0.62%	1.88%	8.82%	0.03%	10.56%	0.37%	0.37%		

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NUCLEUS CI24R IMPLANT

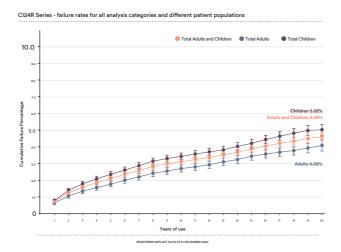
Number of registered Cl24R Implants - 31 December 2020

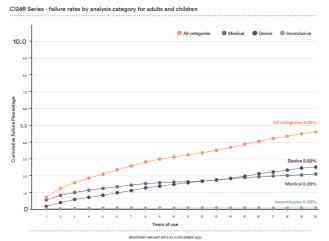
ADULTS	CHILDREN	COMBINED
23,243	30,306	53,549

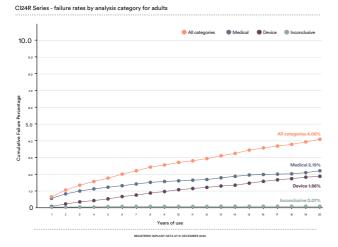
Cl24R Series Cumulative Removal Rates

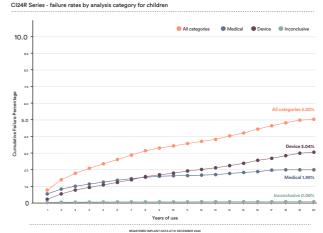
Group			Ad	ults			Children							Combined Adults and Children							
Sub- category	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	tal	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	otal	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	ital			
Years	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	Cl_up*	Cl_low*	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	CLup*	CLlow*	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	Cl_up*	Cl_low*			
1	0.54%	0.06%	0.02%	0.63%	0.10%	0.10%	0.53%	0.21%	0.02%	0.76%	0.10%	0.10%	0.54%	0.15%	0.02%	0.70%	0.07%	0.07%			
2	0.81%	0.21%	0.02%	1.04%	0.13%	0.13%	0.82%	0.53%	0.03%	1.38%	0.13%	0.13%	0.82%	0.39%	0.02%	1.23%	0.09%	0.09%			
3	0.98%	0.33%	0.03%	1.33%	0.15%	0.15%	0.99%	0.76%	0.03%	1.77%	0.15%	0.15%	0.99%	0.57%	0.03%	1.58%	0.11%	0.11%			
4	1.11%	0.41%	0.03%	1.55%	0.16%	0.16%	1.12%	0.92%	0.04%	2.07%	0.16%	0.16%	1.12%	0.70%	0.03%	1.84%	0.11%	0.11%			
5	1.21%	0.51%	0.05%	1.75%	0.17%	0.17%	1.24%	1.07%	0.04%	2.34%	0.17%	0.17%	1.23%	0.82%	0.05%	2.08%	0.12%	0.12%			
6	1.30%	0.65%	0.06%	1.99%	0.18%	0.18%	1.35%	1.22%	0.05%	2.60%	0.18%	0.18%	1.33%	0.97%	0.05%	2.34%	0.13%	0.13%			
7	1.40%	0.74%	0.06%	2.19%	0.19%	0.19%	1.45%	1.38%	0.05%	2.86%	0.19%	0.19%	1.43%	1.10%	0.05%	2.57%	0.13%	0.13%			
8	1.50%	0.86%	0.06%	2.41%	0.20%	0.20%	1.53%	1.57%	0.05%	3.13%	0.20%	0.20%	1.52%	1.26%	0.05%	2.81%	0.14%	0.14%			
9	1.55%	0.95%	0.06%	2.54%	0.20%	0.20%	1.59%	1.68%	0.05%	3.29%	0.20%	0.20%	1.57%	1.36%	0.05%	2.97%	0.14%	0.14%			
10	1.59%	1.06%	0.06%	2.69%	0.21%	0.21%	1.62%	1.78%	0.05%	3.42%	0.21%	0.21%	1.61%	1.47%	0.05%	3.10%	0.15%	0.15%			
11	1.63%	1.13%	0.06%	2.79%	0.21%	0.21%	1.63%	1.91%	0.05%	3.56%	0.21%	0.21%	1.63%	1.57%	0.06%	3.23%	0.15%	0.15%			
12	1.67%	1.20%	0.06%	2.92%	0.22%	0.22%	1.66%	2.00%	0.06%	3.69%	0.22%	0.22%	1.67%	1.66%	0.06%	3.35%	0.15%	0.15%			
13	1.77%	1.28%	0.07%	3.09%	0.23%	0.23%	1.69%	2.10%	0.06%	3.81%	0.22%	0.22%	1.73%	1.74%	0.06%	3.50%	0.16%	0.16%			
14	1.86%	1.33%	0.07%	3.23%	0.23%	0.23%	1.76%	2.23%	0.06%	4.02%	0.23%	0.23%	1.81%	1.83%	0.06%	3.67%	0.16%	0.16%			
15	1.94%	1.45%	0.07%	3.43%	0.24%	0.24%	1.82%	2.37%	0.06%	4.20%	0.24%	0.24%	1.88%	1.96%	0.06%	3.86%	0.17%	0.17%			
16	1.97%	1.56%	0.07%	3.56%	0.25%	0.25%	1.87%	2.55%	0.06%	4.43%	0.25%	0.25%	1.92%	2.10%	0.06%	4.04%	0.18%	0.18%			
17	1.99%	1.65%	0.07%	3.67%	0.25%	0.25%	1.96%	2.67%	0.06%	4.63%	0.26%	0.26%	1.97%	2.21%	0.06%	4.20%	0.18%	0.18%			
18	2.01%	1.72%	0.07%	3.77%	0.26%	0.26%	1.98%	2.83%	0.06%	4.81%	0.28%	0.28%	2.00%	2.32%	0.06%	4.33%	0.19%	0.19%			
19	2.08%	1.81%	0.07%	3.92%	0.28%	0.28%	1.98%	2.98%	0.06%	4.97%	0.30%	0.30%	2.03%	2.44%	0.06%	4.49%	0.21%	0.21%			
20	2.19%	1.86%	0.07%	4.08%	0.34%	0.34%	1.98%	3.04%	0.06%	5.02%	0.32%	0.32%	2.09%	2.50%	0.06%	4.59%	0.23%	0.23%			

^{*} CI_up and CI_low are 95% confidence limits.









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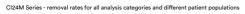
Number of registered Cl24M Implants - 31 December 2020

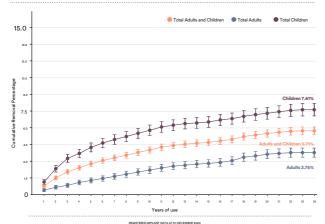
ADULTS	CHILDREN	COMBINED
9,679	9,844	19,523

Cl24M Series Cumulative Removal Rates

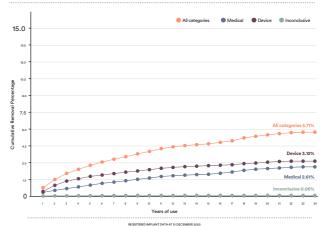
Group			Ad	ults					Chil	dren			Combined Adults and Children							
Sub- category	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	ital	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	То	otal	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	otal		
Years	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	Cl_up*	Cl_low*	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	CLup*	CLlow*	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	Cl_up*	Cl_low*		
1	0.27%	0.10%	0.01%	0.38%	0.12%	0.12%	0.39%	0.71%	0.01%	1.11%	0.21%	0.21%	0.33%	0.41%	0.01%	0.75%	0.12%	0.12%		
2	0.42%	0.21%	0.02%	0.64%	0.16%	0.16%	0.60%	1.70%	0.02%	2.31%	0.30%	0.30%	0.51%	0.96%	0.02%	1.48%	0.17%	0.17%		
3	0.51%	0.28%	0.02%	0.81%	0.18%	0.18%	0.84%	2.39%	0.02%	3.23%	0.35%	0.35%	0.67%	1.34%	0.02%	2.03%	0.20%	0.20%		
4	0.69%	0.35%	0.03%	1.07%	0.21%	0.21%	0.95%	2.73%	0.02%	3.68%	0.37%	0.37%	0.82%	1.55%	0.03%	2.39%	0.21%	0.21%		
5	0.83%	0.39%	0.03%	1.25%	0.22%	0.22%	1.12%	3.10%	0.03%	4.22%	0.40%	0.40%	0.98%	1.76%	0.03%	2.75%	0.23%	0.23%		
6	0.97%	0.42%	0.04%	1.43%	0.24%	0.24%	1.30%	3.32%	0.04%	4.62%	0.42%	0.42%	1.14%	1.88%	0.04%	3.04%	0.24%	0.24%		
7	1.08%	0.50%	0.04%	1.62%	0.25%	0.25%	1.43%	3.50%	0.05%	4.93%	0.43%	0.43%	1.25%	2.01%	0.05%	3.29%	0.25%	0.25%		
8	1.22%	0.56%	0.04%	1.81%	0.27%	0.27%	1.51%	3.69%	0.05%	5.20%	0.44%	0.44%	1.37%	2.14%	0.05%	3.52%	0.26%	0.26%		
9	1.35%	0.63%	0.04%	2.01%	0.28%	0.28%	1.65%	3.82%	0.07%	5.49%	0.45%	0.45%	1.50%	2.24%	0.06%	3.77%	0.27%	0.27%		
10	1.43%	0.71%	0.04%	2.18%	0.29%	0.29%	1.79%	3.97%	0.07%	5.76%	0.46%	0.46%	1.61%	2.36%	0.06%	3.99%	0.28%	0.28%		
11	1.53%	0.82%	0.04%	2.38%	0.31%	0.31%	1.96%	4.11%	0.07%	6.06%	0.47%	0.47%	1.75%	2.48%	0.06%	4.24%	0.28%	0.28%		
12	1.61%	0.89%	0.04%	2.53%	0.32%	0.32%	2.03%	4.21%	0.07%	6.22%	0.48%	0.48%	1.82%	2.56%	0.06%	4.40%	0.29%	0.29%		
13	1.67%	0.92%	0.04%	2.62%	0.32%	0.32%	2.08%	4.30%	0.07%	6.36%	0.48%	0.48%	1.87%	2.63%	0.06%	4.51%	0.29%	0.29%		
14	1.71%	0.98%	0.04%	2.72%	0.33%	0.33%	2.12%	4.32%	0.07%	6.42%	0.49%	0.49%	1.92%	2.67%	0.06%	4.59%	0.30%	0.30%		
15	1.74%	1.02%	0.04%	2.78%	0.33%	0.33%	2.15%	4.38%	0.07%	6.51%	0.49%	0.49%	1.95%	2.72%	0.06%	4.67%	0.30%	0.30%		
16	1.79%	1.06%	0.04%	2.87%	0.34%	0.34%	2.29%	4.43%	0.07%	6.69%	0.50%	0.50%	2.04%	2.76%	0.06%	4.80%	0.30%	0.30%		
17	1.90%	1.11%	0.04%	3.03%	0.35%	0.35%	2.39%	4.45%	0.07%	6.81%	0.50%	0.50%	2.15%	2.80%	0.06%	4.94%	0.31%	0.31%		
18	2.13%	1.20%	0.04%	3.34%	0.37%	0.37%	2.48%	4.58%	0.07%	7.01%	0.51%	0.51%	2.30%	2.90%	0.06%	5.20%	0.32%	0.32%		
19	2.22%	1.23%	0.04%	3.46%	0.38%	0.38%	2.59%	4.64%	0.07%	7.17%	0.52%	0.52%	2.40%	2.95%	0.06%	5.34%	0.32%	0.32%		
20	2.24%	1.37%	0.04%	3.61%	0.39%	0.39%	2.69%	4.66%	0.07%	7.29%	0.53%	0.53%	2.46%	3.03%	0.06%	5.47%	0.33%	0.33%		
21	2.28%	1.39%	0.04%	3.68%	0.40%	0.40%	2.73%	4.76%	0.07%	7.43%	0.53%	0.53%	2.51%	3.09%	0.06%	5.58%	0.34%	0.34%		
22	2.32%	1.43%	0.04%	3.75%	0.41%	0.41%	2.83%	4.79%	0.07%	7.55%	0.55%	0.55%	2.57%	3.12%	0.06%	5.67%	0.35%	0.35%		
23	2.32%	1.43%	0.04%	3.75%	0.41%	0.41%	2.90%	4.79%	0.07%	7.61%	0.56%	0.56%	2.61%	3.12%	0.06%	5.71%	0.35%	0.35%		
24	2.32%	1.43%	0.04%	3.75%	0.41%	0.41%	2.90%	4.79%	0.07%	7.61%	0.56%	0.56%	2.61%	3.12%	0.06%	5.71%	0.35%	0.35%		

 $^{^{\}star}$ CI_up and CI_low are 95% confidence limits.

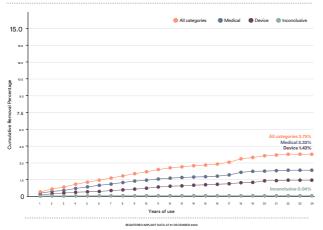




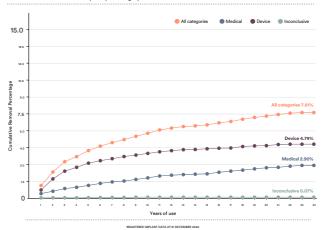
CI24M Series - removal rates by analysis category for adults and children



CI24M Series - removal rates by analysis category for adults



CI24M Series - removal rates by analysis category for children



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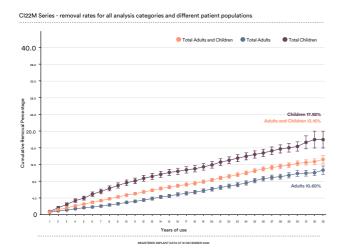
Number of registered Cl22M implants - 31 December 2020

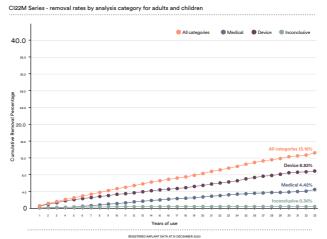
ADULTS	CHILDREN	COMBINED
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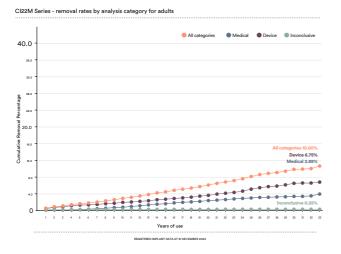
Cl22M Series Cumulative Failure Rates

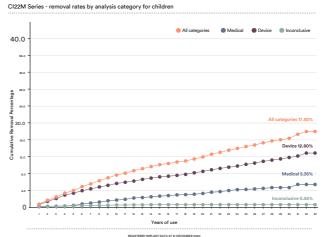
Group			Ad	ults					Chil	dren				Comb	oined Adu	lts and Cl	hildren	
Sub- category	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	tal	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	tal	Medical Related	Device Failure	Inconclu- sive	Total	To	otal
Years	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	Cl_up*	Cl_low*	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	CLup*	CLlow*	CRP	CRP	CRP	CRP	Cl_up*	Cl_low*
1	0.05%	0.43%	0.02%	0.49%	0.13%	0.13%	0.09%	0.52%	0.06%	0.68%	0.20%	0.20%	0.06%	0.46%	0.03%	0.56%	0.11%	0.11%
2	0.09%	0.68%	0.08%	0.85%	0.17%	0.17%	0.15%	1.33%	0.12%	1.60%	0.31%	0.31%	0.11%	0.92%	0.10%	1.13%	0.16%	0.16%
3	0.10%	0.85%	0.10%	1.05%	0.19%	0.19%	0.19%	2.01%	0.20%	2.39%	0.37%	0.37%	0.13%	1.28%	0.14%	1.55%	0.18%	0.18%
4	0.13%	1.08%	0.12%	1.33%	0.21%	0.21%	0.23%	2.84%	0.24%	3.30%	0.44%	0.44%	0.17%	1.74%	0.16%	2.06%	0.21%	0.21%
5	0.18%	1.26%	0.16%	1.59%	0.23%	0.23%	0.38%	3.28%	0.25%	3.89%	0.47%	0.47%	0.25%	2.01%	0.19%	2.45%	0.23%	0.23%
6	0.26%	1.30%	0.20%	1.76%	0.25%	0.25%	0.71%	3.87%	0.30%	4.83%	0.52%	0.52%	0.43%	2.26%	0.23%	2.90%	0.25%	0.25%
7	0.38%	1.42%	0.20%	1.98%	0.26%	0.26%	0.92%	4.31%	0.32%	5.49%	0.56%	0.56%	0.58%	2.50%	0.24%	3.29%	0.27%	0.27%
8	0.49%	1.58%	0.21%	2.26%	0.28%	0.28%	1.17%	4.76%	0.38%	6.23%	0.59%	0.59%	0.74%	2.76%	0.27%	3.74%	0.28%	0.28%
9	0.65%	1.69%	0.21%	2.54%	0.30%	0.30%	1.47%	5.14%	0.42%	6.92%	0.62%	0.62%	0.95%	2.98%	0.29%	4.18%	0.30%	0.30%
10	0.74%	1.90%	0.23%	2.86%	0.31%	0.31%	1.65%	5.59%	0.47%	7.59%	0.65%	0.65%	1.08%	3.28%	0.32%	4.63%	0.31%	0.31%
11	0.91%	1.99%	0.23%	3.11%	0.33%	0.33%	1.82%	5.87%	0.48%	8.03%	0.67%	0.67%	1.24%	3.43%	0.33%	4.95%	0.32%	0.32%
12	1.09%	2.14%	0.23%	3.43%	0.34%	0.34%	2.14%	6.16%	0.50%	8.63%	0.69%	0.69%	1.48%	3.63%	0.33%	5.37%	0.34%	0.34%
13	1.29%	2.29%	0.23%	3.78%	0.36%	0.36%	2.24%	6.55%	0.50%	9.10%	0.71%	0.71%	1.64%	3.88%	0.33%	5.77%	0.35%	0.35%
14	1.47%	2.53%	0.23%	4.18%	0.38%	0.38%	2.41%	6.86%	0.54%	9.59%	0.72%	0.72%	1.81%	4.14%	0.35%	6.20%	0.36%	0.36%
15	1.57%	2.66%	0.23%	4.41%	0.39%	0.39%	2.58%	7.15%	0.55%	10.05%	0.74%	0.74%	1.94%	4.34%	0.35%	6.52%	0.37%	0.37%
16	1.78%	2.83%	0.23%	4.78%	0.41%	0.41%	2.70%	7.31%	0.55%	10.32%	0.75%	0.75%	2.12%	4.50%	0.35%	6.85%	0.38%	0.38%
17	1.91%	2.97%	0.23%	5.05%	0.42%	0.42%	2.87%	7.51%	0.55%	10.67%	0.76%	0.76%	2.26%	4.66%	0.35%	7.15%	0.39%	0.39%
18	2.02%	3.15%	0.23%	5.33%	0.43%	0.43%	2.93%	7.74%	0.55%	10.93%	0.77%	0.77%	2.35%	4.86%	0.35%	7.43%	0.39%	0.39%
19	2.14%	3.39%	0.23%	5.68%	0.44%	0.44%	3.03%	8.12%	0.55%	11.39%	0.78%	0.78%	2.47%	5.15%	0.35%	7.82%	0.40%	0.40%
20	2.33%	3.58%	0.23%	6.05%	0.46%	0.46%	3.21%	8.45%	0.55%	11.87%	0.79%	0.79%	2.65%	5.40%	0.35%	8.23%	0.41%	0.41%
21	2.44%	3.88%	0.23%	6.45%	0.47%	0.47%	3.51%	8.83%	0.55%	12.52%	0.81%	0.81%	2.83%	5.73%	0.35%	8.73%	0.43%	0.43%
22	2.57%	4.09%	0.25%	6.78%	0.48%	0.48%	3.65%	9.16%	0.55%	12.96%	0.83%	0.83%	2.97%	5.98%	0.36%	9.10%	0.44%	0.44%
23	2.73%	4.28%	0.25%	7.11%	0.50%	0.50%	3.91%	9.45%	0.55%	13.48%	0.84%	0.84%	3.16%	6.22%	0.36%	9.51%	0.44%	0.44%
24	2.85%	4.59%	0.25%	7.54%	0.51%	0.51%	4.11%	9.72%	0.55%	13.91%	0.85%	0.85%	3.32%	6.51%	0.36%	9.93%	0.46%	0.46%
25	2.95%	5.06%	0.25%	8.08%	0.54%	0.54%	4.18%	10.12%	0.55%	14.36%	0.87%	0.87%	3.40%	6.96%	0.36%	10.45%	0.47%	0.47%
26	3.08%	5.41%	0.25%	8.55%	0.56%	0.56%	4.28%	10.42%	0.55%	14.72%	0.89%	0.89%	3.53%	7.28%	0.36%	10.87%	0.49%	0.49%
27	3.12%	5.67%	0.25%	8.84%	0.58%	0.58%	4.41%	10.83%	0.55%	15.23%	0.93%	0.93%	3.60%	7.59%	0.36%	11.24%	0.50%	0.50%
28	3.20%	5.80%	0.25%	9.04%	0.59%	0.59%	4.60%	11.13%	0.55%	15.69%	0.97%	0.97%	3.71%	7.77%	0.36%	11.51%	0.52%	0.52%
29	3.24%	6.09%	0.25%	9.36%	0.62%	0.62%	4.60%	11.41%	0.55%	15.96%	1.02%	1.02%	3.73%	8.06%	0.36%	11.81%	0.54%	0.54%
30	3.33%	6.46%	0.25%	9.80%	0.68%	0.68%	4.60%	11.75%	0.55%	16.28%	1.11%	1.11%	3.81%	8.42%	0.36%	12.23%	0.59%	0.59%
31	3.33%	6.53%	0.25%	9.87%	0.69%	0.69%	5.35%	12.10%	0.55%	17.26%	1.55%	1.55%	3.93%	8.54%	0.36%	12.44%	0.62%	0.62%
32	3.45%	6.53%	0.25%	9.98%	0.72%	0.72%	5.35%	12.80%	0.55%	17.92%	2.01%	2.01%	4.03%	8.63%	0.36%	12.63%	0.67%	0.67%
33	3.89%	6.75%	0.25%	10.60%	1.00%	1.00%	5.35%	12.80%	0.55%	17.92%	2.01%	2.01%	4.42%	8.82%	0.36%	13.16%	0.90%	0.90%

^{*} Cl_up and Cl_low are 95% confidence limits.









SOUND PROCESSOR DATA

In this document, Failed Component Return Rate (FCRR) is the metric used to measure sound processor reliability. FCRR provides information regarding the reliability of each make and model of sound processor.

Cochlear tests sound processors that have been returned to determine if they are working and, if not, why they failed. The FCRR is the percentage of the total number of failed processors received within a month compared to the total number of the same processor sold by the end of that month.

For example, if 20 faulty sound processors are returned in a month and 10,000 of the same sound processors have been sold as at the end of the month, the FCRR is 0.2%.

The FCRR classifies reasons for failure into the following categories:

- Moisture Damage Failure. A functional failure that is a result of moisture ingress. This
 category excludes corrosion and other similar damage unless it results in a functional
 failure.
- Electronic Failure. A functional failure of the electronics or the electronic assembly.
- Mechanical Failure. A functional failure resulting from physical damage caused by mechanical stress, chemical exposure, or ultraviolet (UV) exposure that is a result of normal use.
- Other/Unknown. Failures that don't fit in the other categories (e.g. firmware failures).
- Fault-Free. A returned device that is found to be fully functional is classified as fault-free. The device condition might reflect normal wear and tear, such as minor mechanical damage (including scratches, cracks, and discoloration), corrosion, and/or moisture damage that did not result in a functional failure.

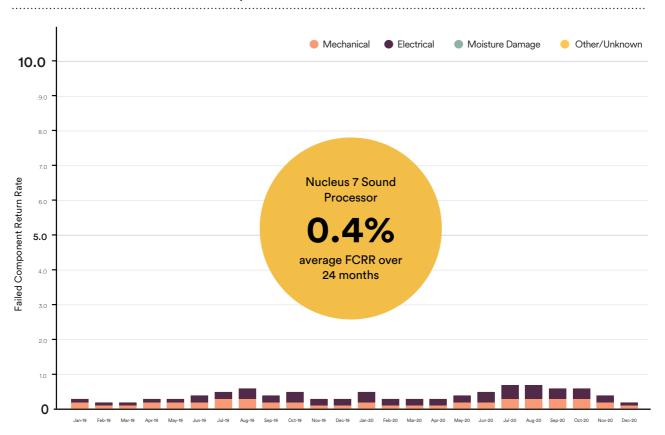
NUCLEUS 7 SOUND PROCESSOR

Nucleus 7 Sound Processor Component Return Rate

Fail mode	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19
Mechanical	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Electrical	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%
Moisture	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Fault-Free	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%

Fail mode	Jan-20	Feb-20	Mar-20	Apr-20	May-20	Jun-20	Jul-20	Aug-20	Sep-20	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20
Mechanical	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%
Electrical	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%
Moisture	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Fault-Free	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%

Nucleus 7 Sound Processor - Failed Component Return Rate



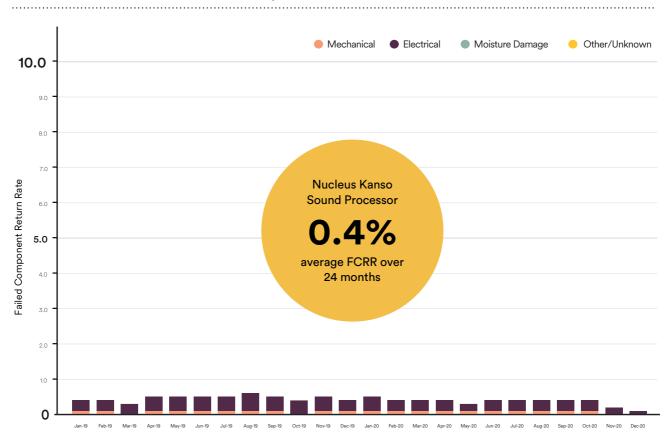
NUCLEUS KANSO SOUND PROCESSOR

Nucleus Kanso Sound Processor Component Return Rate

Fail mode	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19
Mechanical	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Electrical	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%
Moisture	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Fault-Free	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%

Fail mode	Jan-20	Feb-20	Mar-20	Apr-20	May-20	Jun-20	Jul-20	Aug-20	Sep-20	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20
Mechanical	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Electrical	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	O.1%
Moisture	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Fault-Free	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%

Nucleus Kanso Sound Processor - Failed Component Return Rate



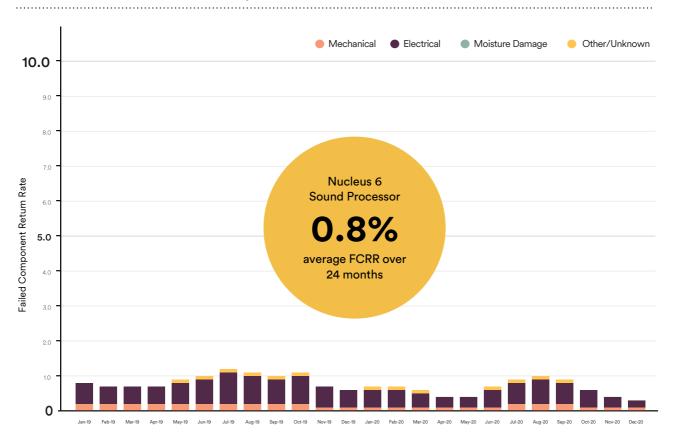
NUCLEUS 6 SOUND PROCESSOR

Nucleus 6 Sound Processor Component Return Rate

Fail mode	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19
Mechanical	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Electrical	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.6%	0.7%	0.9%	0.8%	0.7%	0.8%	0.6%	0.5%
Moisture	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Fault-Free	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%

Fail mode	Jan-20	Feb-20	Mar-20	Apr-20	May-20	Jun-20	Jul-20	Aug-20	Sep-20	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20
Mechanical	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Electrical	0.5%	0.5%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.5%	0.6%	0.7%	0.6%	0.5%	0.3%	0.2%
Moisture	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Fault-Free	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%

Nucleus 6 Sound Processor - Failed Component Return Rate



APPENDIX

GRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION OF IMPLANT DATA

Each implant graph represents a type of device based on the receiver/stimulator portion.

RECEIVER/ STIMULATOR	IMPLANTS'
Profile [™] Plus Series	Cochlear™ Nucleus® Profile™ Plus with Contour Advance® Electrode (Cl612) Cochlear Nucleus Profile Plus with Slim Straight Electrode (Cl622) Cochlear Nucleus Profile Plus with Slim Modiolar Electrode (Cl632)
Profile Series	Cochlear Nucleus Profile with Contour Advance Electrode (Cl512) Cochlear Nucleus Profile with Slim Straight Electrode (Cl522) Cochlear Nucleus Profile with Slim Modiolar Electrode (Cl532) Cochlear Nucleus Profile Auditory Brainstem Implant (ABI541)
CI24RE Series	Nucleus Freedom® with Contour Advance Electrode Nucleus Freedom with Straight Electrode Cochlear Nucleus Cl422 Cochlear Implant Cochlear Hybrid™ L24 Cochlear Implant
Cl500 Series	Cochlear Nucleus Cl512 Cochlear Implant Cochlear Nucleus Cl513 Cochlear Implant Cochlear Nucleus Cl551 Double Array Cochlear Implant Cochlear Nucleus ABI541 Auditory Brainstem Implant
Cl24R	Nucleus 24 with Contour Advance Electrode Nucleus 24 with Contour® Electrode Nucleus 24k with Straight Electrode
Cl24M	Nucleus 24 with Straight Electrode Nucleus 24 with Double Array Nucleus 24 Auditory Brainstem Implant [ABI]
Cl22M	Nucleus 22

^{*} Implant availability varies by market.

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