

10 Reasons to Choose MED-EL

Choosing a cochlear implant is a big decision. It's not just choosing a device—it's choosing a lifelong hearing partner.

At MED-EL, everything we do is designed around one goal: supporting you every step of the way.

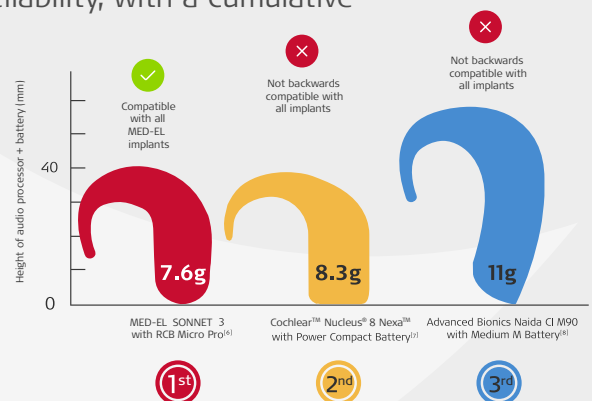
Here are 10 reasons why you can put your trust in us.

50 Years of Hearing Implant Experience

FACT: Building on cochlear implant innovation dating back to 1975, all MED-EL cochlear implants are handmade at our headquarters in Austria. The SYNCHRONY 2 implant offers the highest reliability, with a cumulative survival rate of 99.88% at 6 years^{[1][2][3]}.

Smallest & Lightest Processor

FACT: The SONNET 3 is MED-EL's smallest processor and is the lightest on the market^[4]. It offers wireless streaming and up to 23 hours of battery life^[5] from a single charge.



Local Hearpeers Support in Scotland

FACT: For over 10 years, MED-EL's Hearpeers community has connected implant candidates with experienced users who volunteer their time to share their real-life experiences — because sometimes the best advice comes from someone who's experienced the journey.

Being based in Scotland, I want to share my experience and encourage others that there is a better hearing solution.

Fiona,
Cochlear Implant User

Free Counselling Support

FACT: BeHeard by MED-EL offers a free counselling service before, and after, implantation to help patients and families feel informed and supported.

Chosen by Musicians

FACT: MED-EL cochlear implants are individually designed to let you hear the full range of sounds for closest-to-natural hearing and music enjoyment, making us the obvious choice for musicians.



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A Personal Approach to Your Hearing

FACT: Every person's cochlea is a different shape and size. MED-EL is the only company who tailor their implant system to be individualised to your specific anatomy.

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Designed to Protect Your Existing Hearing

FACT: If you still have some hearing, protecting it matters - and preserving the inner ear structures is important too. MED-EL is the only company with FDA approval confirming that its FLEX electrode design provides the best opportunity to preserve existing natural hearing after implantation in the majority of recipients.

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Compatible with All Hearing Aids

FACT: When using a hearing aid in your other ear, MED-EL cochlear implants can be adjusted to ensure both your hearing aid and cochlear implant work together, enabling you to better judge the direction of sound sources^[9].

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Care Beyond the Clinic

FACT: MED-EL's DirectCare service and Remote Care app can help reduce the need for hospital visits and provide remote support beyond the clinic^[10].

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Wear It Your Way

FACT: MED-EL offers both on-the-ear and off-the-ear processor options. Design covers are also available from MED-EL, so you can personalise your look.



Find out more about what makes MED-EL that wee bit different.



Get in touch with
the MED-EL Team



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