

Frequently Asked Questions



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VarioTherm
Moulds

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We now introduce a new material called VarioTherm® to be used as an alternative to our current acrylic LiteTips and micro moulds. The VarioTherm (VT) moulds has several benefits for the end user such as improved comfort and cosmetics due to the body temperature-reactive nature of the material. In addition, the design of the VT moulds makes it possible to fit even smaller ear canals.

This FAQ provides an overview of questions frequently asked.

Treatment

Question	Answer
What is VarioTherm?	VarioTherm is a body temperature-reactive material for soft moulds. The properties of this material allow the mould to remain hard at room temperature and then soften at body temperature for increased comfort and optimal sealing and retention.
What are the benefits of VT moulds compared to our other moulds?	The design of the VT mould allows us to forgo the adaptor used on acrylic moulds. This enables us to produce a smaller mould that fits better with deeper insertion.
How many versions does VT moulds exist?	Available versions are: VT LiteTip 70, VT micro mould 70 and VT micro mould 50 .
What do the shore numbers (50/70) mean?	The shore number measures the hardness of a given material. The higher the number, the harder the material.
When should one shore number be chosen over another?	70 Shore is recommended for the hollow design of LiteTip and will be standard. Micro mould can use either a 70 Shore or 50 Shore. Both offer optimal sealing and retention, however if feedback issues arise, the softer version 50 Shore is recommended.
Is the VarioTherm material hypoallergenic?	Yes. VarioTherm is hypoallergenic and non-toxic.

Do the moulds discolor?	The VT moulds are transparent in color and do not discolor.
How long do moulds made with the VarioTherm material typically last?	A mould made with VarioTherm material can last about 2 years. However this is dependent on the daily care and maintenance of the VT mould.
Which speakers are they available for?	The VT moulds are available for miniFit speakers 60, 80 and 85 only. Power moulds are not available in VarioTherm material.
Can VT moulds be used for BTE instruments?	Yes, VT micro mould and VT LiteTip can be used with BTE 85 just like acrylic moulds. For BTE 100 and higher fitting levels only VT micro mould are available.
Can VT moulds be used with Corda miniFit?	Yes, VT moulds can be used with Corda miniFit thin tubes.
What is the best way for the patient to care for their VT mould?	Wiping the mould down with a damp cloth is the best way to care for the VT mould.
What is the best way to heat the VT mould?	Warm the VT mould with a blower (2200W hair dryer is recommended) for about 10 seconds at a distance of approximately 4 centimeters before attaching the receiver. Remember to use caution when heating and handling the mould.
How do I ensure a proper speaker placement?	Be sure the tip of the speaker is flush with the tip of the VT mould.
How do I order VT moulds?	VT moulds are ordered just like acrylic moulds.
Are there any recommendations for choosing a vent?	Use the vent size recommended in the Genie fitting software for the moulds selected.
How do I select VT moulds in Genie?	Select existing LiteTip or micro mould (long/short) option in the Genie fitting software and select the recommended vent size .
Are there any wax protection on VT moulds ?	No, the only wax protection are on the speaker or thin tube itself. A higher replacement rate should therefore be expected.



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