# Sound Manager

Sound Manager features are technology-tier and style dependent. Higher levels of technology provide more options and assistance for the patient. Default values are research driven based on patient performance and preference. Sound Manager allows for adjustments to Consonant Brightness, Sound Enhancement, Situational Sound Management and Directionality on a per-program basis. Motion-Based Optimization\* may also be adjusted in Sound Manager. Launch Pro Fit, then connect and detect hearing aids and select **Sound Manager** on the **Flyout Menu**  $\equiv$ .

#### Reference the Fitting Protocol QuickTIP for more information.

| ound Manager                    |                                  |             | Right Binaural Left |         |             |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|---------|-------------|
| Motion-based Optimization : On  |                                  | 1 *Personal | 2 Crowd             | 3 Music | (4) Disable |
| Consonant<br>Brightness         | Strength                         | 2           | 2                   | Off     |             |
| Sound<br>Enhancement            | Binaural Speech<br>in Loud Noise | Off         | On                  | N/A     |             |
|                                 | Speech in Noise                  | 3           | 3                   | N/A     |             |
|                                 | Quiet                            | 2           | 2                   | 2       |             |
| Situational Sound<br>Management | Transients                       | 3           | 3                   | N/A     |             |
|                                 | Binaural Wind                    | 3           | 3                   | Off     |             |
|                                 | Binaural Machine                 | 3           | 3                   | Off     |             |
| Directionality                  | Binaural Mode                    | Adaptive    | Adaptive            | Omni    |             |

Figure 1

# Motion-Based Optimization

#### Motion-Based Optimization

Motion-detection feature designed to specifically reduce the risk of feedback and improve situational awareness when motion is detected, providing better sound quality and an improved overall listening experience.

# **Consonant Brightness**

#### **Consonant Brightness**

Feature designed to adjust the fast compressor for better speech audibility.

### Sound Enhancement

#### **Binaural Speech in Loud Noise**

Binaural noise management feature designed to specifically reduce dynamic background noise (e.g., speech babble) providing better clarity through selective identification and enhancement of speech while preserving spatial cues.

#### Speech in Noise

Fast-acting noise management and speech preservation system designed to provide comfort in speech-in-noise situations and reduced listening effort.

#### Quiet

Expansion algorithm designed to provide comfort for low-level noise.

# Situational Sound Management

#### Transients

Fast-acting noise reduction algorithm designed to quickly attenuate transient acoustic signals without distorting other important environmental or speech sounds.

#### **Binaural Wind**

Noise reduction algorithm designed to provide comfort for wind noise when turbulence is detected over the microphones.

#### **Binaural Machine**

Noise reduction algorithm designed to provide comfort for loud, steady-state noise.

# There are two ways to adjust Consonant Brightness, Sound Enhancement, and Situational Sound Management controls:

Select the **Setting Value** on the adjustment table. The control will highlight. Select the up or down arrows to increase or decrease the setting. *[Fig. 1]* 

OR

- 2 Select Consonant Brightness, Sound Enhancement, or Situational Sound Management.
  - For **Consonant Brightness**, select a higher radio button to increase the amount of compression applied to the signal, or a lower radio button to decrease the amount of compression applied to the signal. *[Fig. 2]*
  - For **Sound Enhancement** select a higher radio button to increase the amount of noise control, or a lower radio button to decrease the amount. [*Fig. 3*]
  - For **Situational Sound Management**, select a higher radio button to increase the amount of noise control, or a lower radio button to decrease the amount. *[Fig. 4]*





|             |     |       | Right Binaural |                |            | ) Left |    |     |                |     |
|-------------|-----|-------|----------------|----------------|------------|--------|----|-----|----------------|-----|
| 1 *Personal | 2   | Crowd | 3 Mu:          | sic (          | 4 Disabled |        |    |     |                |     |
|             | 0-  |       | -0-            |                |            | 0      | 0  | 0   |                | _   |
| Transients  | Off | 1     | 2              | Up to<br>12 dB | 4          | Off    | 1  | 2   | Up to<br>12 dB |     |
| 1000        | 0   |       | -0-            |                |            | 0      | -0 | -0- |                |     |
| Wind        | Off | 1     | 2              | Up to<br>26 dB | 4          | Off    | 1  | 2   | Up to<br>26 dB |     |
|             | 0   | -0    | -0-            |                | 0          | 0      | 0  | 0   | •              |     |
| Machine     | Off | 1     | 2              | Up to<br>17 dB | 4          | Off    | 1  | 2   | Up to<br>17 dB | - 2 |



# Directionality

The optimal microphone mode will be determined as a function of the chosen program environment. It is recommended to leave the directionality mode at the default settings in most situations. Professional flexibility is provided for adjusting the microphone mode and settings, as necessary.

#### There are two ways to adjust the Directionality settings:

1 Select the **Setting Mode** on the adjustment table. The control will highlight. Select the up or down arrows to change the mode. *[Fig. 1]* 

OR -

2 Select **Directionality** and change the mode. [Fig. 5]

- Adaptive: Automatic, adaptive null steering to protect speech at all angles around the listener.
- B **Dynamic:** Automatic switching between omnidirectional and fixed directional modes based on the environment.
- © **Directional:** Fixed directional; amplifies sound from in front of the listener more than from behind via a hypercardioid polar plot.
- D Omni: Fixed response; amplifies sound from all directions equally.

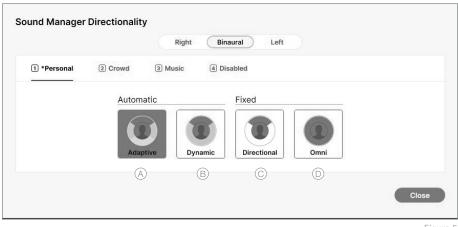


Figure 5

