Which additional instrument based tests are necessary?

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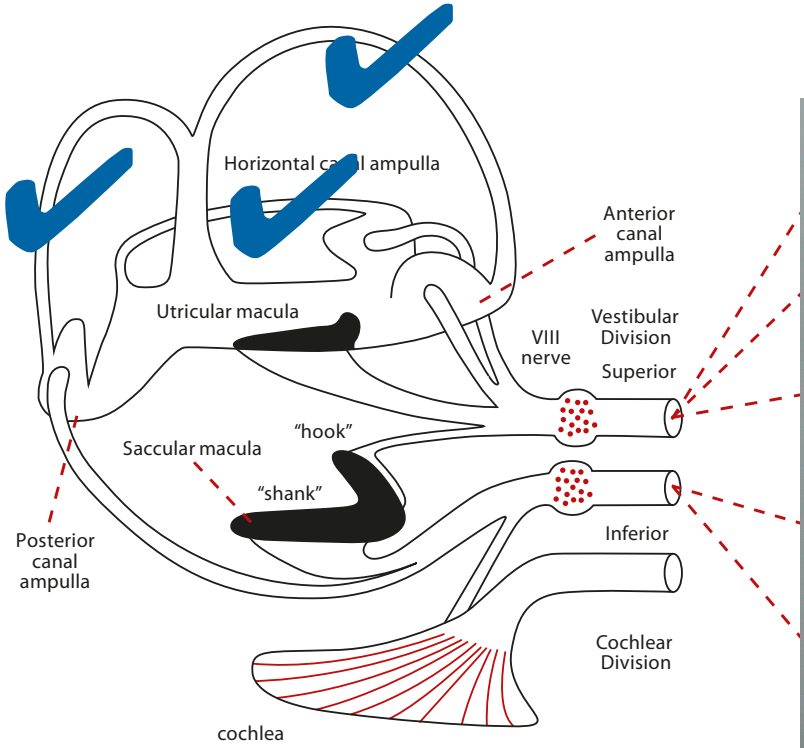
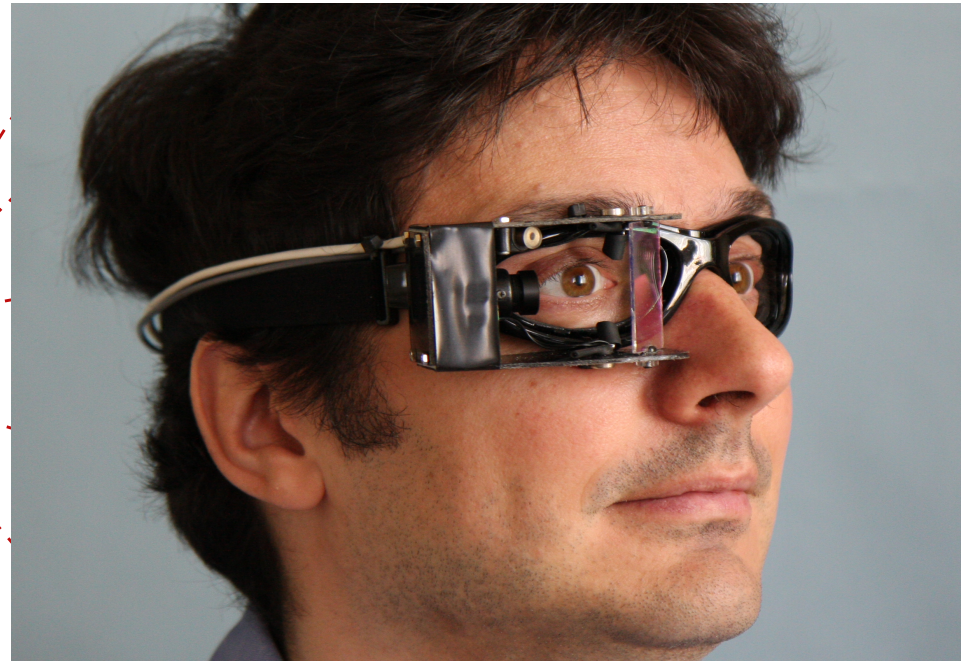
Complete Testing of the Peripheral Vestibular System

Horizontal Canal
Anterior Canal
Posterior Canal



Video Head Impulse Test



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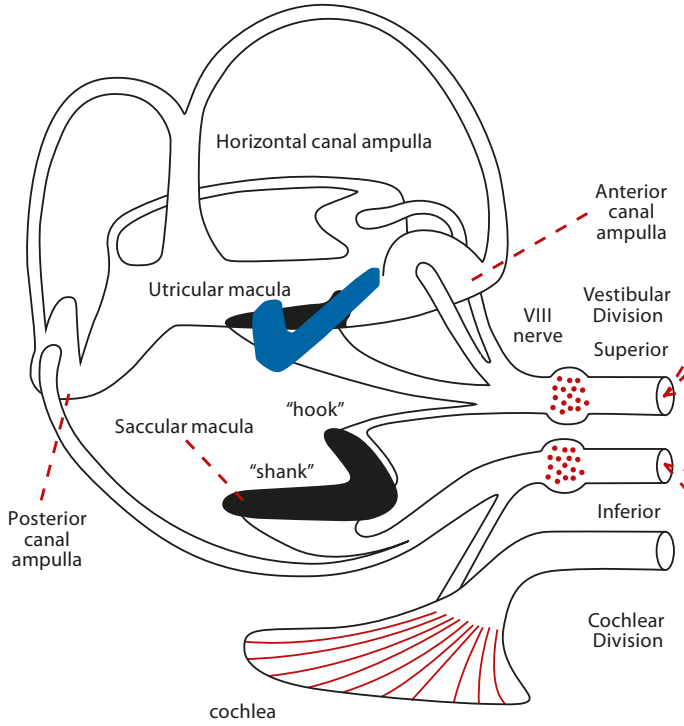
oVEMPs

Utricle



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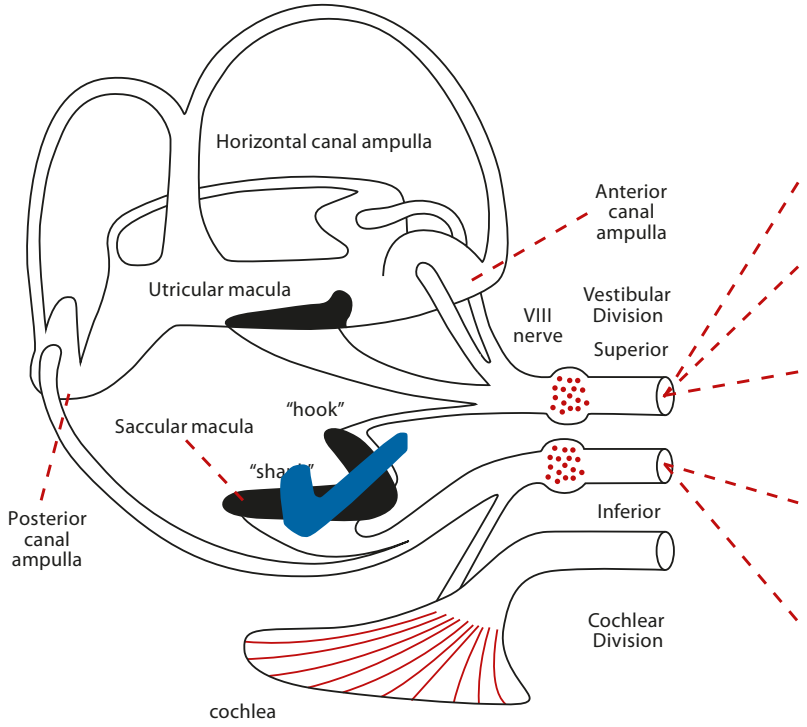
Saccule



cVEMPs

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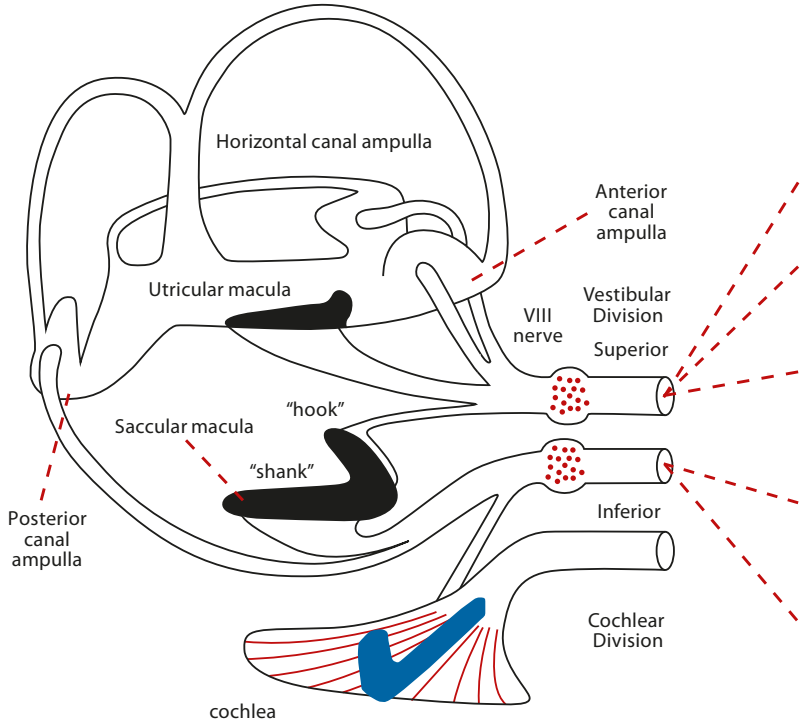
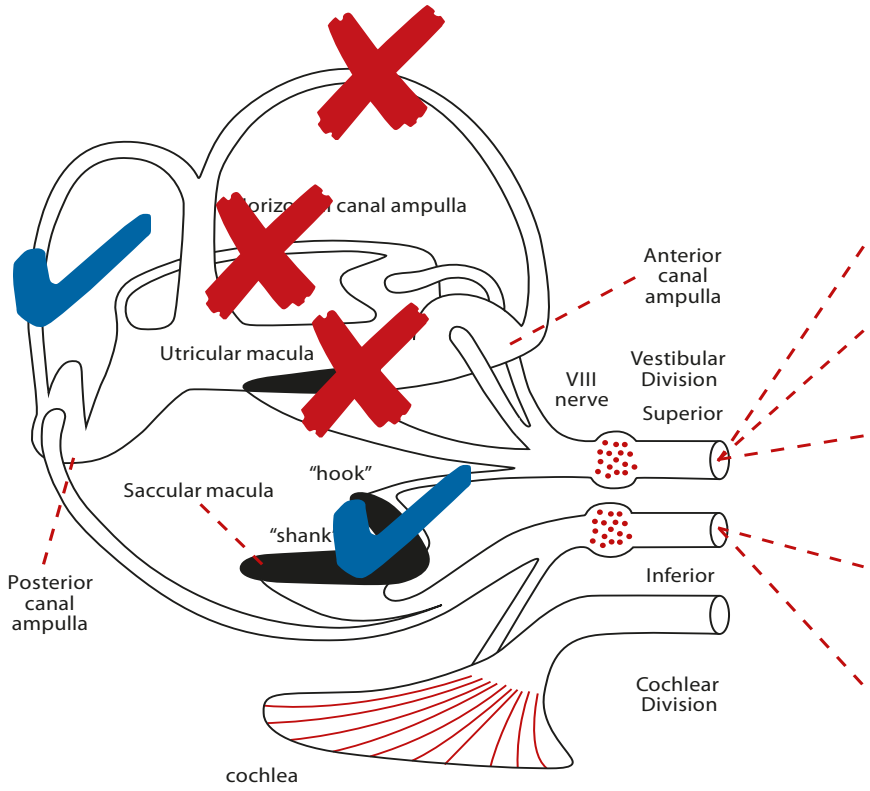


Audiogram

Complete Testing of the Peripheral Vestibular System: Example



Clinical Test	Healthy Subjects	Superior Vestibular Neuritis	Inferior Vestibular Neuritis	Unilateral Vestibular Loss
Horizontal HIT	✔	✘	✔	✘
Anterior HIT	✔	✘	✔	✘
oVEMP	✔	✘	✔	✘
cVEMP	✔	✔	✘	✘
Posterior HIT	✔	✔	✘	✘

✔ = Normal Response ✘ = Abnormal Response

Superior Vestibular Neuritis

Aw ST et al. *Neurology* 2001
Taylor RL et al. *Neurology* 2016

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Key Message

- All 6 sensors of the labyrinth can be tested individually.
- In daily practice, the head impulse test together with an audiogram provide the most helpful clinical information.

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