

GRAS 45BC

KEMAR Head & Torso with Mouth Simulator, Non-configured



Connection: 0 V/CCP or 200 V/LEMO

Channel(s): 2

ANSI: S3.36, S3.25

IEC: 60318-7

Special feature: Built-in mouth simulator and power amplifier

The 45BC KEMAR head & torso with mouth simulator is an acoustic research tool with built-in ear and mouth simulators that simulates the changes that occur to soundwaves as they pass a human head and torso. Its equivalent without mouth is [GRAS 45BB KEMAR Head & Torso, non-configured](#).

Introduction

The KEMAR head and torso simulator was introduced by Knowles in 1972 and quickly became the industry standard for hearing-aid manufacturers and research audiologists (visit [KEMAR.us](https://www.kemar.us) to read the full story). The GRAS KEMAR has the same dimensions and acoustical properties as the original KEMAR from 1972 and is 100% backward compatible.

When fitted with pinna simulators, ear canal extension, and Ear Simulator, according to IEC 60318-4 or low-noise, KEMAR closely mimics the acoustic properties of the human ear. A KEMAR equipped with a mouth simulator also mimics the properties of the human mouth, and can, therefore, be used for testing of communication devices containing both microphone and loudspeaker. A 45BC KEMAR with mouth simulator has the same acoustical properties as a 45BB KEMAR without mouth simulator, except for a minor difference caused by the 45BC KEMAR's slightly open mouth.

The 45BC KEMAR meets the international standards as specified by IEC: 60318-7 and ANSI: S3.36, S3.25 and is based on ITU-T P 58.

The 45BB KEMAR is identical but without a Mouth Simulator. Read more about 45BB KEMAR [here](#).

Design

Anthropometric Head and Torso

The major difference between KEMAR and the standard commercially available head and torso simulators (HATS) is that KEMAR is built on large statistical research of the average human body – meaning that the KEMAR has the same acoustical properties as an average human, including distinct facial features. Therefore it provides acoustic diffraction similar to that encountered around the median human head and torso, both in the proximity

and in the far-field. Because of its anthropometric shape, it does so more realistically than any other manikin. KEMAR is the only manikin with a changeable ear-to-shoulder ratio simulating both male and female median values.

Mouth Simulator

The built-in mouth simulator simulates the sound field around the human head at close quarters and the far-field. It is based on ITU-T Rec. P.58. At the mouth reference point (MRP) – 25 mm from the lip plane – the mouth simulator can be equalized to produce a signal from 100 Hz to 10 kHz up to a level of minimum 100 dB re. 20 Pa. The internal amplifier provides 10 dB amplification. If switched off, it is bypassed.

Ear Simulators

The IEC 60318-4 Ear Simulator

The GRAS Ear Simulator according to IEC 60318-4 is an ear simulator with an input impedance that closely resembles that of the human ear. It meets the requirements of IEC 60318-4:2007 “Occluded-ear simulator for the measurement of earphones coupled to the ear by ear inserts.” ITU-T P. 57 (08/96) “Series P: Telephone transmission quality, Objective measuring apparatus: Artificial ears.” It embodies a number of carefully designed volumes connected via well-defined and precisely tuned resistive grooves. Its input impedance resembles that of the human ear and therefore it loads the device under test in a way very similar to the human ear. It is delivered in two versions:

The Externally Polarized Ear Simulator [RA0045](#) with the GRAS [40AG](#) ½” Ext. Polarized Pressure Microphone. It requires a traditional 200 V polarization voltage. The connection is via 7-pin LEMO.

The Pre-polarized Ear Simulator [RA0045-S1](#) with the GRAS [40AO](#) ½" Prepolarized Pressure Microphone. It requires a CCP supply. The connection is via a BNC cable.

Both are supplied with an individual calibration chart for the coupler-microphone combination.

The 43BB Low-noise Ear Simulator System

The 43BB Low-noise Ear Simulator System is based on the standardized IEC 60318-4 (711) Ear Simulator, but the built-in microphone is the 40AH low-noise microphone which has a specially reduced inherent noise floor in order to achieve a large dynamic range.

It has a very low noise floor – below 10.5 dB(A) – and can measure sound levels below or close to the threshold of human hearing. For comparison, a standard IEC 60318-4 (711) ear simulator with a GRAS 40AG 1/2" microphone has its noise floor at 24.2 dB(A).

Read more about the 43BB [here](#).

High-Frequency and Hi-Res Ear Simulators

The standard IEC 60318-4 ear simulator has a steep resonance at 13.5 kHz which makes it difficult to use above 8-10 kHz. For this reason, two IEC 60318-4 compliant/compatible versions with resonance damping have been developed.

The IEC 60318-4 compliant high-frequency version extends the useful frequency range to 20 kHz. It comes in two versions: The Externally Polarized Ear Simulator [RA0401](#) with the GRAS [40AG](#) ½" Ext. Polarized Pressure Microphone. It requires a traditional 200 V polarization voltage. The connection is via 7-pin LEMO, and the Pre-polarized Ear Simulator [RA0402](#) with the GRAS [40AO](#) ½" Prepolarized Pressure Microphone. It requires a CCP supply. The connection is via a BNC cable.

The IEC 60318-4 compatible Hi-Res version extends the useful frequency range to 50 kHz. It comes in two versions: The Externally Polarized Ear Simulator [RA0403](#) with the GRAS [GRAS 40BP](#) 1/4" Ext. Polarized Pressure Microphone. It requires a traditional 200 V polarization voltage. The connection is via 7-pin LEMO, and the pre-polarized Ear Simulator [RA0404](#) with the GRAS [GRAS 40BD](#) 1/4" Prepolarized Pressure Microphone. It requires a CCP supply. The connection is via a BNC cable.

Pinnae - Standardized or Anthropometric

Standardized pinnae

Twelve (six pairs) different types of standardized pinnae are available for KEMAR. They come in two sizes (standard and small), normal or soft (normal: 55 Shore 00 (IEC 60959) and soft: 35 Shore 00), and a VA-style (55 Shore 00 or 35 Shore 00). They are designed for an easy push-fit into the ear recesses on the sides of the KEMAR Head.

Anthropometric pinnae

In addition to the standardized pinnae, anthropometric pinnae for KEMAR are available. They have anatomically correct ear-entrance and ear-canal with correct soft ear helix and provide perfect sealing and insertion accuracy for headphones and earphones, and improved collapsibility when testing supra- and circum-aural headsets. The hardness is 35 Shore 00.

Read more about the anthropometric pinna [here](#).

Ear Canal Extensions

GRAS ear canal extensions are made of steel or POM and will not deform when testing devices in the concha or devices that are pressed against the pinnae, for example telephone handsets and earphones. This ensures an ultimate interface to the

IEC 60318-4 Ear Simulator, resulting in a high degree of repeatability. For testing of binaural hearing aids, ear canal extensions made of POM must be used.

GRAS RA0237	Ear Canal Extension Kit with standard pinna-extension tube, Ø 7.5 mm, 8.3 mm long. Standardized according to IEC60318-7. 2 pcs, O-rings included.
GRAS RA0238	Ear Canal Extension Kit with tapered pinna-extension tube, Ø 9.85 tapering down to Ø 7.5 mm, 7.4 mm long. 2 pcs, O-rings included.
GRAS RA0239	Ear Canal Extension Kit with silicone rubber lining, Ø 7.5 mm, 14 mm long. Standardized according to ANSI S12.42. 2 pcs, O-rings included.
GRAS RA0249	Straight Ear Canal Extension Kit for KEMAR, Ø 7.5 mm, 8.3 mm long. Made of POM*. Standardized according to IEC60318-7. 2 pcs. O-rings are included.
GRAS RA0250	Tapered Ear Canal Extension Kit for KEMAR. Made of POM*. Ø 9.85 tapering down to Ø 7.5 mm, 7.4 mm long. 2 pcs. O-rings are included.

*To obtain the desired effect of non-interference with RF communication inside the head, KEMAR must also be fitted with plastic ear holder plates. These are part of the GRAS RA0251 Retrofit Kit for Binaural Hearing Aid Test. This kit also contains the RA0249 and RA0250 Ear Canal Extensions.

The ear canal extensions are for use with the standard pinnae. The anthropometric pinnae seal directly against the ear simulator.

True to the Legacy - but Improved

The current KEMAR has the same dimensions and acoustical properties as the original KEMAR, but has been developed further by GRAS to meet the industry's demand for realistic measurements. Today, more than 40 years after its inception, KEMAR can test any device that contains both loudspeakers and microphones as well as perform binaural recordings of product sound and music.

At GRAS we safeguard KEMAR's legacy, but are also continuously expanding the range of features and functionalities leading to new applications and uses - without compromising KEMAR's original form.

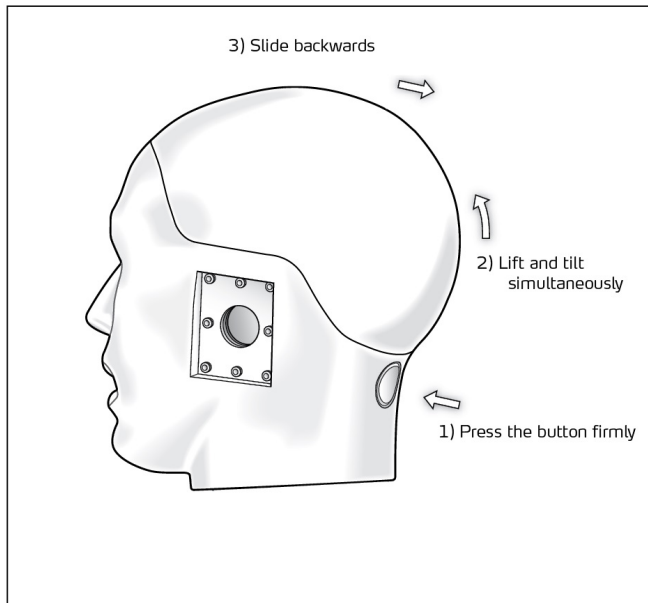
In 2013, KEMAR underwent a substantial rejuvenation that introduced major improvements to build quality, user-friendliness and configurability. KEMAR's previous fiberglass construction was updated to a plastic composite that provides a more user-friendly and rugged construction. At the same time, many other improvements were introduced, making KEMAR much easier to configure, calibrate and service.

Ease of Use

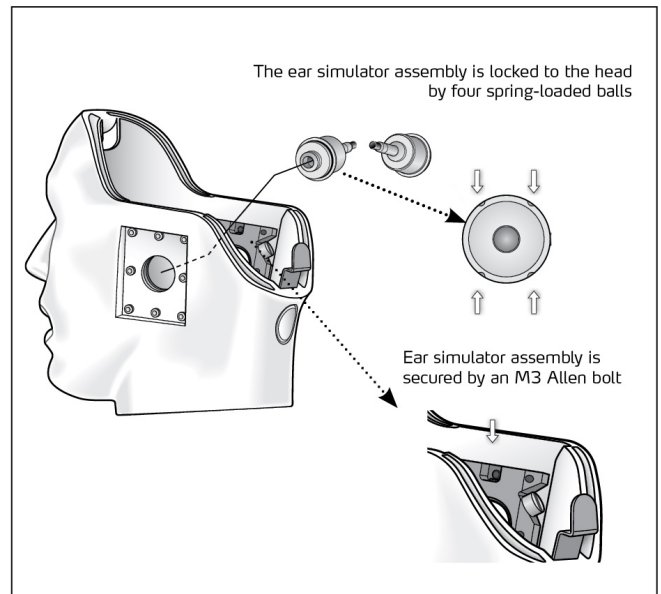
The improvements to KEMAR's user-friendliness comprise:

- The interior of KEMAR's head can be accessed easily by pushing a button and lifting the scalp.
- The transducers are mounted and removed by a simple snap-fit mechanism.
- Standard pinnae are push mounted from the outside. The anthropometric pinnae, however, are secured from the inside by two screws in addition to the push mounting.
- A scale around KEMAR's neck indicates the head angle and allows for repeatable measurements.

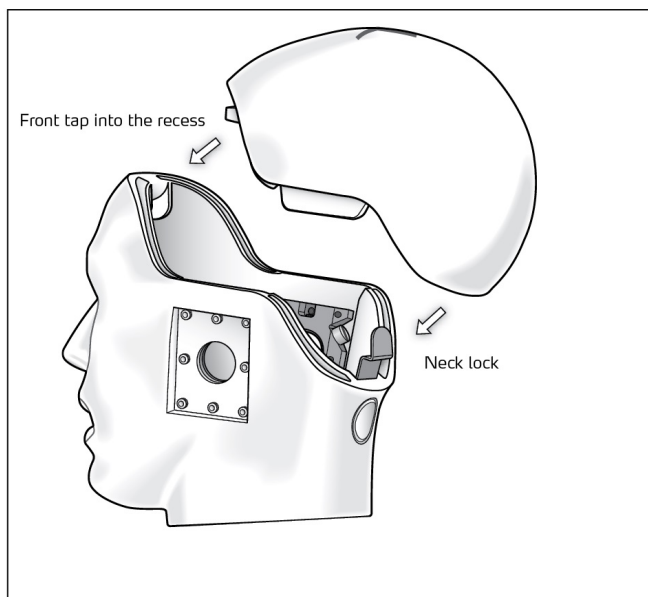
In most cases, calibration can be done from the outside without dismantling the ear simulator(s). However, for some configurations - with microphones and anthropometric pinnae - dismantling of the transducers before calibration is necessary.



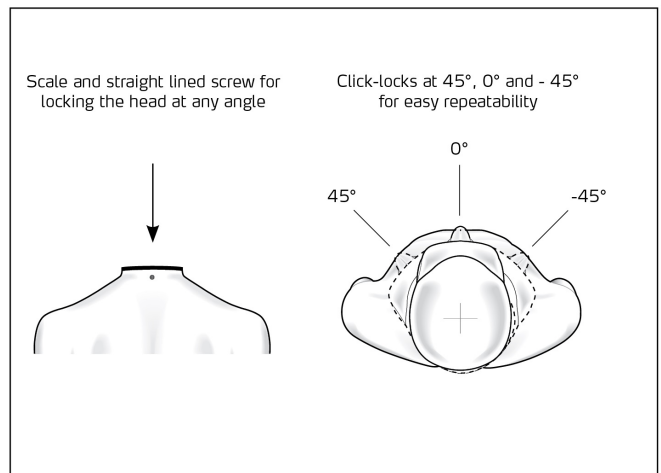
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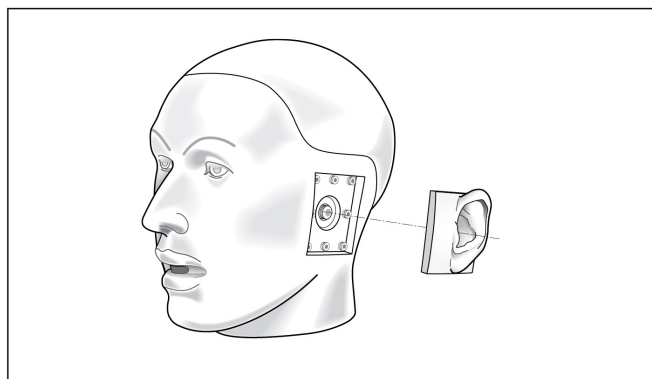
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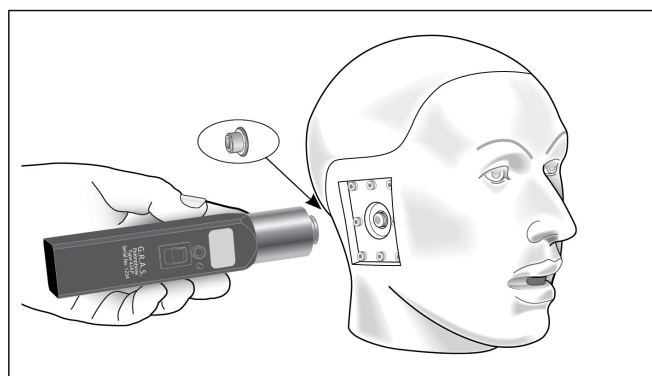
Mounting the neck is a simple push fit.



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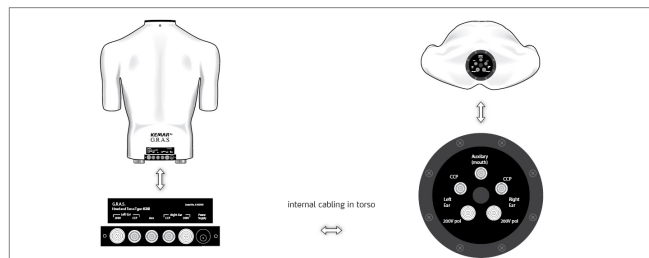
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Cabling and Connections

All internal cabling is factory mounted. The sockets for connection to ear simulators or microphones are easily accessible at the top of the neck, the sockets for connection to instrumentation are located at the lower back.



Mounting Options

KEMAR is delivered with two tripod adapters, one for tripods with 3/8" thread and one for ø35 mm loudspeaker stands.

Typical Applications and Use

A Multi-configurable Test Tool

The 45BC KEMAR Head and Torso, non-configured is a KEMAR without any application-specific accessories. As such, this KEMAR is intended for customers who want to reuse accessories already in their possession. But the non-configured KEMAR is also the core of all configured 45BC KEMARs.

The main application-specific accessories are:

- 60318-4 ear simulators, both externally polarized and prepolarized
- A low-noise ear simulation system, externally polarized
- ½ inch or ¼ inch. microphones, externally polarized and prepolarized
- Preamplifiers selected to match the actual configuration
- Straight and conical ear canal extensions, made from steel
- Straight and conical ear canal extensions, made from POM
- 12 different standard pinnae, small and large, soft

and normal, straight or VA-style

- 2 anthropometric pinnae, with anthropometric concha and ear canal.
- A mouth simulator with a built-in power amplifier.

With these accessories, KEMAR can be configured for a wide range of both standard and special applications, making it the most versatile manikin for in-situ anthropometric testing today.

KEMAR is used in various industries around the world and is the recognized industry-standard for in-situ anthropomorphic testing in the fields of:

- Hearing aid testing
- Ear and headphone testing
- Sound recording and sound-quality evaluation
- Headset and telephone testing
- Testing of active noise cancellation systems

A number of pre-configured KEMARs with mouth simulator are available. Each configuration is optimized for a specific application, with transducer(s), preamplifiers, pinna simulators, and cables and accessories. They are delivered fully assembled, tested and calibrated as complete out-of-the-box systems. These are:

Headset Testing

For headset testing, 6 different configurations are available.

45BC-1 and 2 for Headset Test

For testing headsets with 60318-4 ear simulators and standardized pinnae, a LEMO version and a CCP version are available. They are configured with 60318-4 ear simulators and large pinnae 55 Shore 00. These two configurations are for testing in accordance with the relevant standards.

[GRAS 45BC-1 KEMAR for Headset Test, 2-Ch LEMO](#)

[GRAS 45BC-2 KEMAR for Headset Test, 2-Ch CCP](#)

45BC-9 and 10 for Headset Test with Anthropometric Pinnae

For headset testing with anthropometric pinnae, two configurations with 60318-4 ear simulators and anthropometric pinnae are available. The anthropometric pinnae introduce a number of advantages over the standardized pinnae when testing insert types of transducers and supra-aural headsets. With the anthropometric pinnae, you get improved fit, seal and repeatability when testing in-ear devices and more realistic collapsibility when testing supra and circum-aural devices.

[GRAS 45BC-9 KEMAR with Mouth Simulator and Anthropometric Pinnae for Headset Test, 2-Ch LEMO](#)

[GRAS 45BC-10 KEMAR with Mouth Simulator and Anthropometric Pinnae for Headset Test, 2-Ch CCP](#)

45BC-11 and 12 for Low-noise Headset Test

For low-noise testing of ear and headphones, two configurations with low-noise ear simulator system(s) and anthropometric pinnae are available, both for single-channel and dual-channel testing. The combination of a special low-noise version of the ear simulator and the anthropometric pinnae introduces major improvements to fit, accuracy and repeatability. Also, the low- and high-frequency performance is improved when testing insert type ear and headphones. This KEMAR can also test at or below the threshold of human hearing. The low-noise artificial ear is available in a LEMO version only.

[GRAS 45BC-11 KEMAR with Mouth Simulator and Anthropometric Pinnae for Low-noise Headset Test, 1-Ch LEMO](#)

[GRAS 45BC-12 KEMAR with Mouth Simulator and Anthropometric Pinnae for Low-noise Headset Test, 2-Ch LEMO](#)

45BC-13 and 14 for High-frequency Testing of Headsets

For testing of headsets, a KEMAR configured with high-frequency ear simulators and anthropometric pinnae 35 Shore 00 is available. The high-frequency ear simulators extend the useful frequency range to 20 kHz. Both a LEMO and a CCP version are available. The anthropometric pinnae introduce better fit and repeatability when testing anthropometrically shaped insert types of ear and headphones. Read more here:

[GRAS 45BC-13 KEMAR for High-Frequency Test of Headsets, 2-Ch LEMO](#)

[GRAS 45BC-14 KEMAR for High-Frequency Test of Headsets, 2-Ch CCP](#)

45BC-15 and 16 for Hi-Res Testing of Headsets

For testing of headsets, a KEMAR configured with hi-res ear simulators and anthropometric pinnae 35 Shore 00 is available. The hi-res ear simulators extend the useful frequency range to 50 kHz. Both a LEMO and a CCP version are available. The anthropometric pinnae introduce better fit and repeatability when testing anthropometrically shaped insert types of ear and headphones. Read more here:

[GRAS 45BC-15 KEMAR for High-Frequency Test of Headsets, 2-Ch LEMO](#)

[GRAS 45BC-16 KEMAR for High-Frequency Test of Headsets, 2-Ch CCP](#)

Telephone Testing

For telephone test, two configurations with the 45EA

Handset Positioning System are available. With this, very realistic in-situ measurements on mobile telephones as well as conventional handsets are possible.

[GRAS 45BC-3 KEMAR for Telephone Test, 1-Ch LEMO](#)

[GRAS 45BC-4 KEMAR for Telephone Test, 1-Ch CCP](#)

KEMAR without Mouth Simulator

The 45BB KEMAR is a KEMAR without Mouth Simulator. 16 different configurations are available. Read more [here](#).

Performance and Warranty

KEMAR is made of components from our standard portfolio, all manufactured of high-quality material and branded parts that were chosen and processed to ensure life-long stability and robustness. This enables us to offer 2 years warranty against defective materials and workmanship. Exceptions: Microphones included in KEMAR as for these our normal 5-year warranty apply. The warranty period for cables is 6 months.

Connector type		3 m 7-pin LEMO/BNC
Resonance frequency	kHz	Complex
Temperature range, operation	°C / °F	-30 to 60 / -22 to 140
Temperature range, storage	°C / °F	-40 to 65 / -40 to 149
Humidity range non condensing	% RH	0 to 95%
ANSI standard		S3.36, S3.25
IEC standard		60318-7
ITU-T recommendations		P. 58
Weight	g / oz	13 k / 459
MOUTH SIMULATOR		.
Output impedance	Ω	8
Maximum power, continuous	W	10
Maximum power, pulsed 2 sec.	W	50
Input impedance	k Ω	20
Gain	dB	10
Input signal, max.	Vrms	2
Power supply, external	Vdc	24

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Included items

GRAS 45BH-S1	KEMAR Head Assembly with GRAS 44AA Mouth Simulator
GRAS 45BT-S1	KEMAR Torso
GRAS GR1589	Neck Extension Ring, 11 mm, 2 pcs
GRAS KB0010	T-Shirt
GRAS SW0005	USB Flash Drive with HRTF and Free-field corrections data
GRAS RA0188	Mouth Calibration Jig for KEMAR
GRAS AA0032	BNC-BNC Cable, 50 cm
GRAS AA0035	BNC-BNC Cable, 3 m
GRAS AB0012	Power supply for mouth simulator amplifier
GRAS KB0000	KEMAR Book
GRAS YY0018	Allen key, 2 mm
GRAS YY0013	Allen key, 4 mm
GRAS YY0039	Screwdriver, 5.5 mm
GRAS GR1573	Bottom plate with 3/8" thread for tripod
GRAS GR1602	Bottom plate with 35mm hole for loudspeaker stand (AL0026)

Optional items

Power Modules for Externally Polarized Ear Simulators and Microphones

GRAS 12AK	1-Channel Power Module with gain, filters and SysCheck generator
GRAS 12AD	1-Channel Power Module
GRAS 12AA	2-Channel Power Module with gain, filters and SysCheck generator
GRAS 12AR	2-Channel Power Module
GRAS 12AQ	2-Channel Universal Power Module with signal conditioning and PC interface

Power Modules for Pre-polarized Ear Simulators and Microphones

GRAS 12AL	1-Channel CCP Power Module with A-weighting filter
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[GRAS 12AQ](#)

2-Channel Universal Power Module with signal conditioning and PC interface

For Ear Simulator Calibration

[GRAS 42AP](#)

Intelligent Pistonphone (250 Hz or 251.2 Hz, 114 dB +/- 0.05 dB)

[GRAS 42AA](#)

Pistonphone (250 Hz, 114 dB +/- 0.08 dB)

[GRAS RA0157](#)

1/2" Calibration Adapter for KEMAR Pinna

Pinna Simulators

[GRAS KB0060](#)

KEMAR Small Right Ear 55 Shore 00

[GRAS KB0061](#)

KEMAR Small Left Ear 55 Shore 00

[GRAS KB0065](#)

KEMAR Large Right Ear 55 Shore 00

[GRAS KB0066](#)

KEMAR Large Left Ear 55 Shore 00

[GRAS KB1060](#)

KEMAR Small Right Ear, 35 Shore 00

[GRAS KB1061](#)

KEMAR Small Left Ear 35 Shore 00

[GRAS KB1065](#)

KEMAR Large Right Ear 35 Shore 00

[GRAS KB1066](#)

KEMAR Large Left Ear 35 Shore 00

[GRAS KB0090](#)

KEMAR Large Right Ear (VA-Style/SQ) 55 Shore 00

[GRAS KB0091](#)

KEMAR Large Left Ear (VA-Style/SQ) 55 Shore 00

[GRAS KB1090](#)

KEMAR Large Right Ear (VA-Style) 35 Shore 00

[GRAS KB1091](#)

KEMAR Large Left Ear (VA-Style) 35 Shore 00

[GRAS KB5000](#)

KEMAR Large Right Anthropometric Pinna 35 Shore 00

[GRAS KB5001](#)

KEMAR Large Left Anthropometric Pinna 35 Shore 00

Ear Mould Simulators

[GRAS KB0110](#)

Ear Mould Simulator for 2 mm Inner diameter tubing

[GRAS KB0111](#)

Ear Mould Simulator for 3 mm Inner diameter tubing

Ear Canal Extension and Microphone Holder Kits (kits with 2 pcs and O-rings)

GRAS RA0237	Straight Ear Canal Extension Kit for KEMAR
GRAS RA0238	VA-tapered Ear Canal Extension Kit for KEMAR
GRAS RA0239	Ear canal Extension Kit w. silicone lining for KEMAR
GRAS RA0240	Holder for long 1/2" microphone Kit for KEMAR
GRAS RA0241	Holder for short 1/2" microphone Kit for KEMAR
GRAS RA0243	Holder for 1/2" microphone Kit for KEMAR
GRAS RA0244	O-ring kit for KEMAR, 2 pcs.
GRAS RA0249	Straight Ear Canal Extension Kit for KEMAR, made of POM, for binaural hearing aid test
GRAS RA0250	Tapered Ear Canal Extension Kit for KEMAR, made of POM, for binaural hearing aid test

KEMAR Retrofit Kit for Binaural Hearing Aid Test

GRAS RA0251	KEMAR Retrofit Kit for Binaural Hearing Aid Test: The Kit includes Ear Holder Plates, mounting bolts and the RA0249 and RA0250 Ear Canal Extension Kits. Included items are made of POM, Nylon and Teflon.
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Extension Cables

GRAS AA0008	LEMO 7-pin - LEMO 7-pin Cable, 3 m
GRAS AA0009	LEMO 7-pin - LEMO 7-pin Cable, 10 m
GRAS AA0034	BNC-BNC Cable, 2 m
GRAS AA0035	BNC-BNC Cable, 3 m
GRAS AA0036	BNC-BNC Cable, 5 m
GRAS AA0037	BNC-BNC Cable, 10 m

Flight Case

GRAS KM0094	PELI Case for KEMAR
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Simulation Model of KEMAR

GRAS KB3000	Simulation Model of KEMAR with large pinnae
GRAS KB3001	Simulation Model of KEMAR with small pinnae

Stand for KEMAR

GRAS AL0026	Loudspeaker stand for KEMAR, Ø 35 mm
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Miscellaneous

GRAS KB0000	KEMAR Handbook
GRAS KB0010	T-Shirt for KEMAR

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GRAS is a worldwide leader in the sound and vibration industry. We develop and manufacture state-of-the-art measurement microphones and related equipment for industries where acoustic measuring accuracy and repeatability are of the utmost importance. This includes applications and solutions for customers within the fields of aerospace, automotive, audiology, consumer electronics and other highly demanding industries. GRAS microphones are designed to live up to the high quality, durability and accuracy that our customers have come to expect, trust and require.

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