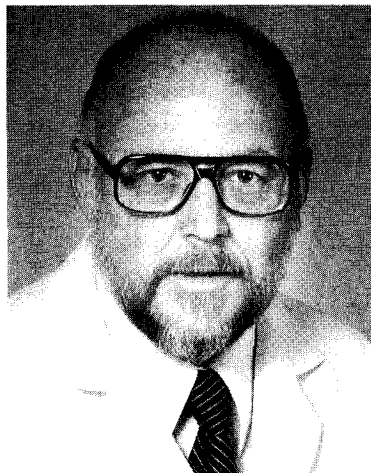


Editorial

VA CD-ROM Speech Materials



This special issue of *JAAA* focuses on the development and evaluation of recorded tonal and speech audiometric materials on compact disc. Under the leadership of Richard Wilson, then at the Long Beach Veterans Affairs Medical Center, a research team assembled most of the materials currently available for tonal and speech testing and painstakingly transferred them to the compact disc medium. Then they took the important further step of subjecting the newly recorded materials to field testing and standardization. For this special issue, guest editor Wilson has assembled a series of eight papers concerned with one or more aspects of this field test standardization. Although these materials were originally compiled and recorded for use by the Department of Veterans Affairs, they are available to all audiologists through the Long Beach Research Foundation. We are all indebted to Richard Wilson, Frank Musiek, Doug Noffsinger, and many other colleagues in the VA for this important step forward in audiologic evaluation.

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