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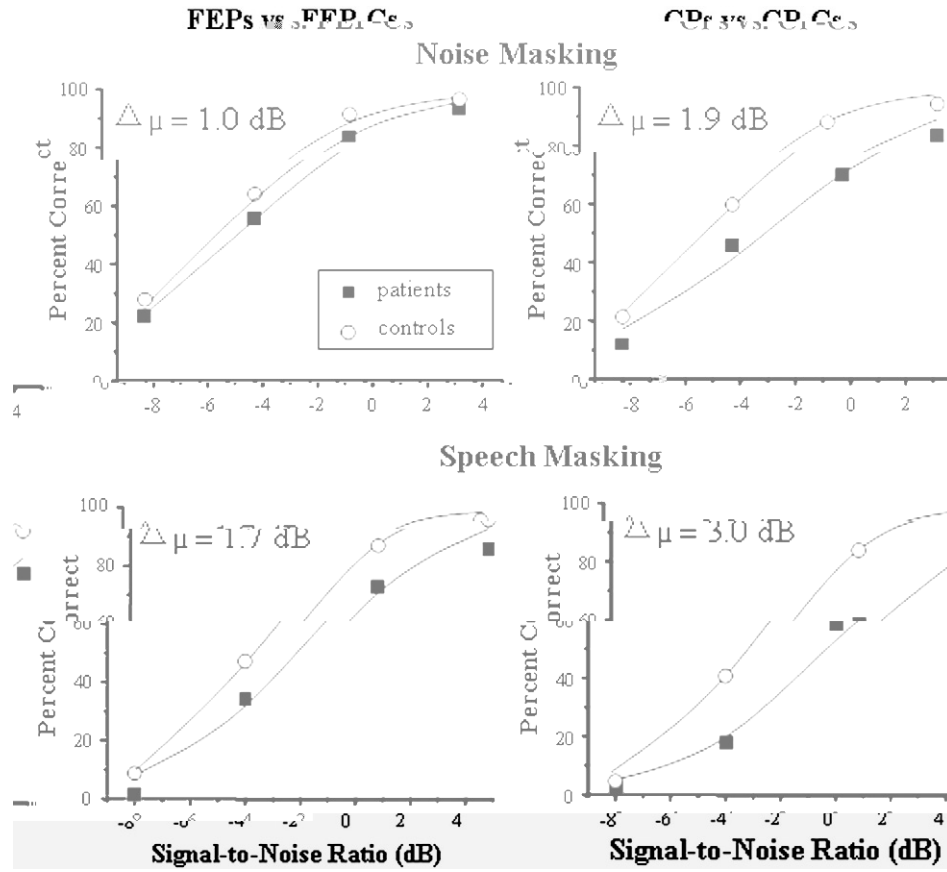
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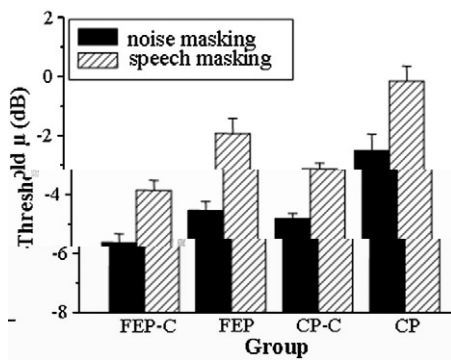
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**Fig. 1.** Psychometric curves for the recognition of the prime keywords under the priming condition. The x-axis represents the Signal-to-Noise Ratio (dB) and the y-axis represents the Percent Correct. The curves show the performance of patients (squares) and controls (circles) under Noise Masking and Speech Masking conditions. The difference in mean (Δμ) is indicated for each plot.



**Fig. 2.** Threshold  $\mu$  (dB) for the recognition of the prime keywords under the priming condition. The chart compares the performance of patients (squares) and controls (circles) under Noise Masking and Speech Masking conditions. The difference in mean (Δμ) is indicated for each plot.





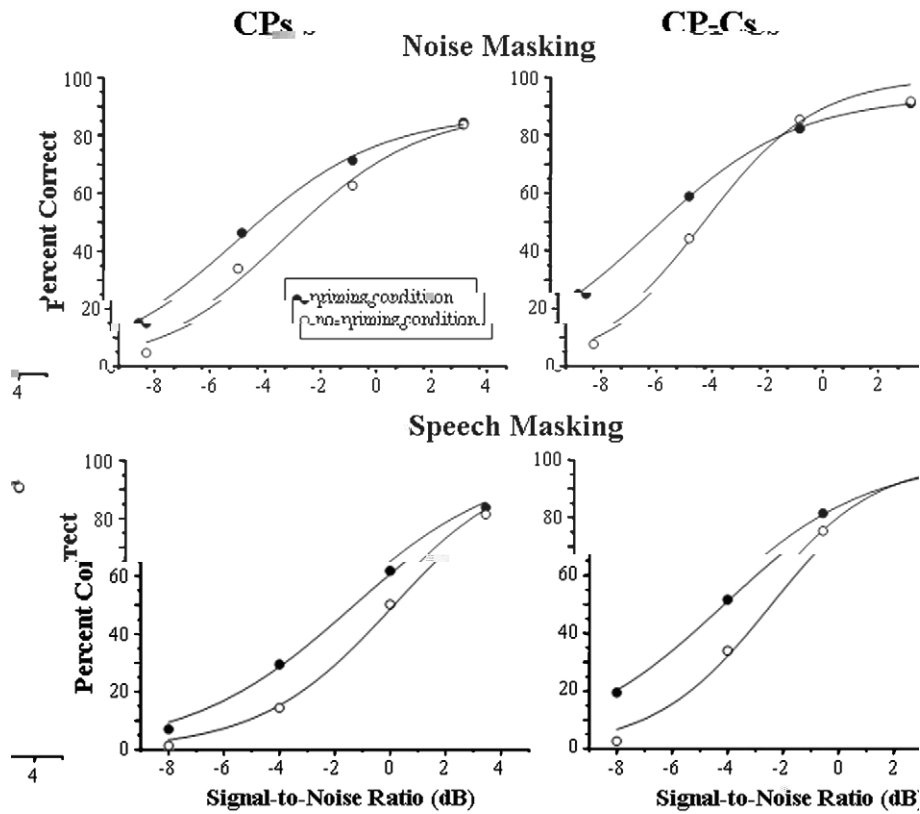


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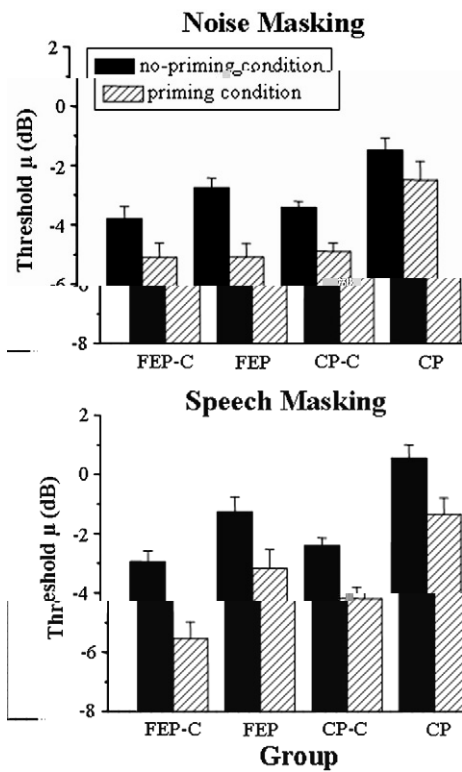


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#### 4.2. Working memory of the prime-content information under the priming condition

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4.3. Using the prime to unmask the last keyword in target speech

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5. Conclusions

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