## **Jobson-Horne Ear Probe**



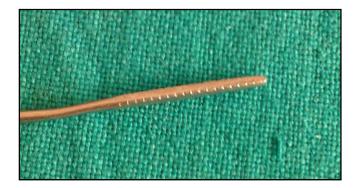
This is a commonly used OPD instrument and is also called the wax hook or ring curette.

## **Uses:**

- Ear wax removal
- Removal of foreign body from the ear
- Removal of otomycotic debris or discharge from the external auditory canal
- Probing of aural polyp or other mass in the ear canal
- Probing of nasal masses and checking their sensitivity to touch



If you look closely, you will find that one end of the probe is shaped like a ring. This end may be used to hook out wax or foreign bodies from the ear canal.



The other end of the instrument is sharp and serrated. An ear wick can be fashioned out of this end by rolling cotton on to it and used to mop ear discharge.

## More Information:

- If wax in the ear canal is impacted, it is better to first soften it with wax-softening or dissolving agents and then attempt to remove it.
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