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Subject: Tracking Force

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I just purchased an Audio Technica AT-PL120 direct drive turntable, which was supplied with an Audio Technica ATP-2 cartridge. The recommended stylus tracking force is a rather heavy 3-5 grams. The cartridge sounds fine at 3 grams, but I'm worried about excessive record wear. So, I'm considering purchasing a replacement cartridge with a recommended tracking force in the 2 gram range. I'm interested in feedback about whether I should be obsessing about tracking at 3 to 3.5 grams versus 2.

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