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Subject: Re: Goldring 1042 troubles

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Actually the cartridge should be tracking at the high end of the range. Record wear occurs due to mis-alignment more so than tracking force. The worst case occurs when the cart tip rattles around in the groove due to too light a force applied. I would track the 1042 at 1.8g's for a start. The conventional wisdom on carts and tracking is more is better than less force. Yrs ago Shure did a electron scan of the record grooves to determine wear patterns and they found that the cart should be well seated in the groove and angled properly for best case wear conditions. That's a good sounding cart. Once it's dialed in on the Rega it should be a real musical sound. That is the cart Audionote modifies for their IQ series.

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