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Subject: Ping Retsel: your open baffle speaker?

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Hi Retsel, Regarding your reply to Akhilesh's Orion post below. First, I want to say that the Orion and Visaton NoBox design has inspired me to go in the open baffle speaker direction. You mentioned your open baffle speaker that uses a U frame type midbass set up with Genesis woofers. Which could fill my articulate midbass desire for an open baffle speaker. I have been trying to track down some quality 20cm midrange drivers and good midbass drivers that will work well in an open baffle speaker design. But, I am still in the research phase and would like to ask you for some suggestions please? I have been looking at mainly German 20cm drivers for the midrange region, like Saba, Loewe Opta, Siemens, RFT, Telefunken, etc. And mainly pro-drivers for the midbass, like Eminence Delta 15LF and other PA drivers. I have not come up with any clear winner from any of these drivers. Also, I have not figured out which direction to go for implementing the midbass either, U frame, open baffle, sealed cabinet, EQ or just in line passive. I would appreciate any input that will help me find the proper format for an open baffle speaker system? I have enough tube amplifiers where I could power the midrange and midbass separately in a four-way speaker to include subwoofers. I have a pair of sealed push pull subwoofers that I would use for the bottom octaves. So, I would like to focus on the midbass and up for an open baffle speaker. If you have time, we can converse here, or you can email me at (nwwdlw(at)netzero(dot)net). Thanks for any input. Norris Wilson

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