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Subject: I think I found a substitute for the 2123 in 3-way  
Posted by [Bill Epstein](#) on Mon, 26 Mar 2007 07:40:29 GMT  
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\$200 the pair, down 3.9dB @ 350Hz in a .5 cu.ft. sealed box and 98dB efficient to match the 98dB of the ribbon and 97dB 2226. Should I change the coil on the 2226 to cut off at 500Hz instead of 350? Comments?  
B&C 8PE21

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Subject: Re: I think I found a substitute for the 2123 in 3-way  
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Mon, 26 Mar 2007 14:36:21 GMT  
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I was looking at the B&C drivers for a while, possibly to use them to replace the Magnums in the Audiophile Series. The B&C drivers look like capable parts. But I have too many things on my plate as it is, so I abandoned that, at least for now.

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Subject: Re: I think I found a substitute for the 2123 in 3-way  
Posted by [dB](#) on Tue, 27 Mar 2007 08:29:00 GMT  
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Wayne, do you find a lot of differences from speakers specs (brochures and factories specs) to the way they really sound. Like good specs and bad or different sound than expected? Regards

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Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Tue, 27 Mar 2007 15:04:26 GMT  
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Accurate specifications do a pretty good job of describing a speaker's sound, in my opinion. The place where T/S specs and response charts tend to stop describing a speaker are at high power levels, where specs tend to shift and even become non-linear. Another thing that is often lacking is polar plots. And of course, you don't describe environmental influence on a loudspeaker data sheet. But all-in-all, I think accurate spec sheets describe a loudspeaker pretty well.

Subject: Re: Thanks Wayne!  
Posted by [dB](#) on Tue, 27 Mar 2007 15:23:53 GMT  
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Thanks Wayne for your insight.

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Subject: Re:They arrived today  
Posted by [Bill Epstein](#) on Wed, 28 Mar 2007 00:33:57 GMT  
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But so did a Benz Ace Micro L cartridge and Nova Phenomena phono stage. I'm listening to the Benz now. Natch!. Both from Musical Surroundings.I did take them out of the box tho', and the fit'n finish is first rate. Heavy, too. And they have the copper shorting wrong. I'll try to get them set-up tomorrow in a temp baffle (the batspeakers have a 2123-sized hole) just to take a peak.

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Subject: Re:They arrived today  
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 28 Mar 2007 01:51:04 GMT  
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Very cool, let us know how everything works out!

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