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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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Subject: Re: I think I found a substitute for the 2123 in 3-way  
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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