Subject: Question about output on guitar amp please help
Posted by Jeff on Mon, 21 Apr 2008 03:53:36 GMT
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I have a Carvin X100b  head playing through a half stack.  I've been trying to get into some recording.  On the back of the head there is a "preamp output".  It is has an XLR connection.  Can I plug this XLR cable into my computer for recording or what is this output suppose to be used for.  I can't find an solid answer anywhere on the web.  Thanks

Subject: XLR to RCA or 1/4" or 1/8" plug (balanced to unbalanced)
Posted by Wayne Parham on Mon, 21 Apr 2008 17:21:30 GMT
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The XLR connector is a balanced preamp output. Some amps accept balanced inputs, but some only accept unbalanced inputs. Most are that way, to tell the truth. Your sound card probably has RCA and/or 1/8" jacks for input, both of which are unbalanced. To make a cable between them, connect the XLR pin 1 to the outside sleeve of the RCA or 1/8" input and connect XLR pin 2 to the center pin on the RCA or 1/8" input.