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Posted by [TCB](#) on Tue, 14 Oct 2008 22:14:51 GMT

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Posted by [Tom Bruhl](#) on Wed, 15 Oct 2008 00:06:08 GMT

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Posted by [AlexPlasko](#) on Wed, 15 Oct 2008 02:08:33 GMT

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Subject: Re: UAD-2  
Posted by [David L](#) on Wed, 15 Oct 2008 03:49:51 GMT  
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I couldn't remember when the "pumpkin time" was. Glad to know I still have a month or so to dawdle and save up. I'm definitely getting one of these as I have one extra PCIe slot. I'll go with the Solo version. I don't max my UAD1 out as it is, but I like the peace of mind that 2.5 times the processing power can bring. :-)

David

On 14-Oct-2008, "TCB" <nobody@ishere.com> wrote:

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Posted by [TCB](#) on Wed, 15 Oct 2008 11:52:30 GMT  
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Well, I don't take moral stances when it comes to audio hardware. They write good code, I want it, I'll pay up, right or wrong. I only have moral opinions when talking to Deej about politics and DC about religion. Or maybe the other way around.

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Posted by [TCB](#) on Wed, 15 Oct 2008 11:57:21 GMT  
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I'm guessing I'll pick up a Dual card. Especially mixing the rock band I'm  
in these days it seems like I never have enough compression and EQ.

The things I like about the UAD kit are the 1176 and Helios EQ models. And  
the Space Echo but one only needs a few of those.

I'm still annoyed that uadio is acting like they're doing me a favor by upgrading  
my already purchased plugs for free. But whatever, I don't really have a  
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Posted by [Deej \[5\]](#) on Fri, 17 Oct 2008 05:49:36 GMT

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Posted by [Bill L](#) on Tue, 21 Oct 2008 13:13:47 GMT

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Posted by [Tom Bruhl](#) on Tue, 21 Oct 2008 15:18:59 GMT  
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Hi Bill,

I don't doubt Rupert builds in a beautiful sound into almost everything he touches. Oddly, I had a hard time liking the Neve comp (UAD) when I gave it a spin. It seemed difficult to setup for seemingly not a huge audio gain. I'm sure I missed something there. It's cpu hungry tendency drove me away. I do like the Fairchild although rarely and frequently use the La2a and 1176.

I have heard engineers complain of the Neve buildup issue regarding consoles though. I like to use the hardware Neve pres as spice to bring some more attention to certain tracks.

If I get the UAD-2 I'll have the resources to try the Neve comp again and understand it's use. Have you got any tips there?

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Posted by [LaMontt](#) on Thu, 23 Oct 2008 14:40:56 GMT  
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Subject: Re: UAD-2...Not Good When used wit UAD1s...  
Posted by [Chris Ludwig](#) on Thu, 23 Oct 2008 20:50:18 GMT  
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Hi Lamont,

The DSP power of the UAD-2 card is not effected other than the system host load get a little higher.

Wish they would hurry up and get the rest of the plug ins ported so people can get rid of the old cards.

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Posted by [Deej \[5\]](#) on Fri, 31 Oct 2008 05:42:03 GMT  
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Posted by [LaMontt](#) on Sun, 02 Nov 2008 07:30:19 GMT

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