

Plugin Alliance announces availability of one-off dual-stage tube saturator plugin as BIG AL arrives from NEOLD



Plugin Alliance, supporting all major plugin formats and uniting international audio companies under one virtual roof, announces the availability of BIG AL - an emulation based on one-off analog hardware harvesting novel circuitry and authentic NOS (New Old Stock) components from the 1930s, exclusively designed for this dual-stage tube saturator from new pro audio plugin partner NEOLD offering a broad palette of stunning sound flavors flowing from the interactive network within its preamp and transformer-coupled power amp, where it generates gorgeous harmonics.

BIG AL's frequency conditioning begins right in the EF9 preamp stage. Indeed, it is a filter freak at heart - hence the Low control being implemented as a Baxandall filter that allows for adjusting saturation intensity by around 100Hz in (optional) combination with boosting or cutting the bass at the same time. The High control is an additional EQ band placed in front of the preamp tube; its peaking filter boosts or

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cuts high-frequency content around 10kHz - essential for provoking or taming BIG AL's potentially aggressive treble.

The straightforward user interface is spiced up with a jumper matrix, allowing access to BIG AL's core circuitry: E (Emphasis Shift), B (Bass Compensator), and V (Voltage Sag) provide powerful options with which to make complex changes to the distortion profile on the fly by simply inserting or pulling out a few (virtual) plugs. An AL4 power pentode and its output transformer act as the finishing spice, driven hot by the preamp stage.

And anyone wondering what this all adds up to need not trouble themselves any longer because BIG AL is a truly gorgeous kind of harmonic saturation that will always sound organic, musical, and bold.

NEOLD BIG AL is available for purchase (as an AAX AudioSuite-, AAX Native-, AU-, VST2-, and VST3-supporting effect plugin for macOS 10.9 through 10.15 and Windows 7 through 10) at an attractive introductory price of \$149.99 USD until March 4, 2021 - rising thereafter to a price of appr. \$199.00 USD.

A fully-functional, 14-day trial of NEOLD BIG AL is available to anyone registering for a free Plugin Alliance account.

NEOLD BIG AL is included in Plugin Alliance's monthly MIX & MASTER Bundle and annual MIX & MASTER Bundle subscription services, and also its monthly MEGA Bundle and annual MEGA Bundle subscription services at no extra cost.

Note that the proprietary Plugin Alliance Installation Manager means users can select, download, and install only the products and formats needed for their system.

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