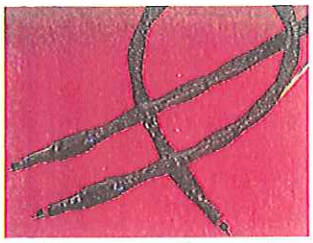
strengths and work best when used together, with a huge amount of resolution and focus, clear and deeply extended bass, dynamic expressiveness, and the ability to enhance both clarity and smoothness. They lean toward the "clarity" side, so avoid components with midrange brightness or edge. Reviewed by CM, AVgM, Issue 4



Purist Audio Design Dominus Interconnect and Speaker Cable
Interconnect: $5250/1m
Speaker: $10,980/1.5m
puristaudiodesign.com
The all-silver Dominus is very detailed, very dynamic, very rich. Less open than Nordost Valhalla and darker in balance, it is also quieter, and because of its fluid-damped construction, virtually immune to floorborne and airborne vibration. JV

Rega Couple Interconnect
$195/1m
soundorg.com
The Couple offers plenty of upper midrange/treble detail, with fine resolution of textures, yet without exaggerated transients or edginess. Its bass is tight and punchy, and it is wonderfully neutral throughout the midrange. While it doesn't offer the almost "luminous" midrange quality you'll hear in some very expensive cables, its essential neutrality makes a fine substitute for a "pennies-on-the-dollar" price. Reviewed by CM, AVguide.com, 10/2003

Shunyata Python Alpha Helix CX Power Cord
$1095 GE 05 PoY 06
shunyata.com
As RH put it in his review, "the idea that a power cord comes at the end of a very long power-transmission system is purely one of perspective. From the amplifier's point of view the power cord is the first few feet of the power-deliver system." With the Python, expect greatly improved transparency, soundstaging, tighter focus, and air, "fostering a greater impression of hearing an actual instrument in an acoustic space." Reviewed by RH, Issue 164

Paul Speltz "Anti-Cable" Speaker Cable
$80/8'
anticables.com
A godsend to those who want good sound but don't want to spend big bucks. SK was blown away by its neutrality and lack of coloration, high frequencies that were open and clear with no tizziness, a midrange of exceptional clarity, transparency and detail, and bass that was extended, with remarkable articulation. Reviewed by SK, Issue 162

Synergistic Research Al[illegible] Interconnect
$150/1m PoY 03
synergisticresearch.com
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Synergistic Research Tesla Series Interconnect and Speaker Cable
Accelerator interconnect: $1400/1m
Accelerator speaker cable: $1700/8'
Precision Reference interconnect: $2600/1m
Precision Reference speaker cable: $2800/8'
Apex interconnect: $3600/1m
Apex speaker cable: $7400/8'
synergisticresearch.com
Some of the most transparent cable at any pri[illegible] A splendid balance of detail, ro[illegible]antic richness, and Grand C[illegible]yon-like soundstaging that is mag[illegible]d as you move up[illegible]ard th[illegible] The top-o[illegible] t[illegible] is the [illegible]

$14[illegible]
taralabs.com
Although the differe[illegible] makes might not be quite a[illegible] staggering as the interconnect, speaker, and digital cables mentioned below, TARA Labs' "The One" power cord has much the same effect as the company's other remarkable wires, and it rounds out the top-of-the-line package with top-of-the-line sound. WG, review forthcoming

TARA Labs Zero Gold Interconnect and Omega Gold Speaker Cable PoY 07
Zero Gold interconnect: $14,900/1m ($2000 per add'l meter)
Omega Gold speaker cable: $22,000/8' ($3000 per add'l foot)
Zero Gold digital cable: $8900/1m ($1000 per add'l meter)
Zero GX Phono Cable: $3800/1m
taralabs.com
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[illegible]ave: $180/8'
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[illegible]owerWave 8: $995
Although we have experience only with Transparent's lower-priced offerings (at the moment), what we've heard has been extremely impressive. The $85 The Link interconnect