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Native Instruments releases GUITAR RIG 3.1

Free update brings optimized amplifier and stomp box algorithms for powerful, noise-free high-gain tones; various usability improvements

Berlin, April 2nd, 2008 - Native Instruments has just released GUITAR RIG 3.1, a free software update for its acclaimed digital guitar studio. The new version offers optimized high-precision modeling for improved sound quality as well as several usability enhancements, further expanding the unique power and versatility that make GUITAR RIG an ideal creative tool for modern guitarists and producers.

Based on recent engineering progress, GUITAR RIG 3.1 has been equipped with optimized high-precision algorithms, which result in a significantly reduced noise floor for virtual amps and stomp box components with no increase in processor load. This now enables GUITAR RIG to deliver rich, saturated high-gain tones without the usual amount of associated background hiss.

Further improvements in version 3.1 include the new ability to conveniently handle multiple rack components at once, an optimized Live View with more customization options, enhanced Rig Kontrol integration, extended support for external foot pedals, and a revised user manual.

Based on the many advances in the third generation of GUITAR RIG, the system has recently been adopted by high-profile artists like Kirk Hammett from Metallica, Beck bassist Justin Meldal-Johnsen and YouTube virtuoso sensation Gustavo Guerra, and used as the main guitar recording solution in professional studio productions such as the upcoming Alanis Morissette album "Flavors of Entanglement".

The 3.1 update is now available as a free download for registered users of GUITAR RIG 3 Kontrol Edition and Software Edition.

Further product information and press material

Additional information on GUITAR RIG is available at
www.native-instruments.com/guitarrig.info

A digital press kit including picture material is available at
www.native-instruments.com/press.info

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About Native Instruments

Native Instruments is the pioneer and market leader in the field of software instruments, and one of the key players in the market of computer-based audio production technology. The company's mission is to develop outstanding musical tools for all styles and genres. The resulting products regularly push technological boundaries and open up new creative horizons for professionals and amateurs alike.

Native Instruments opened up the fascinating world of real-time sound synthesis on standard computers in 1996, and today offers an extensive product range for the Instruments, Guitar and DJ markets, designed and developed by three corresponding divisions within the company. Native Instruments currently employs more than 150 people in its two offices in Berlin and Los Angeles, and works closely with more than 40 international distribution partners to ensure its future growth and success.