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Small Audio Setup

Good audio quality is everything in podcasting, so a good audio setup is needed for it.

Audio Interface

A USB audio interface that works for your OS is enough. It should at least have 1 XLR input and 1 Headphone output. It should also provide 48V phantom power. I recommend this one Presonus AudioBox USB 96, it can be used on all major OS.

Microphone

A good microphone is the heart of the small audio setup. For podcasting a large diaphragm microphone with an cardioid pattern should be used. I can recommend two different ones:

- Audio Technica AT2020
- Rode Procaster

Microphone Accessories

A microphone needs accessories. First of all we need a shock mount, so that the microphone is less susceptible for vibrations of your table etc... Buy also the correct shock mount for your microphone.

- For the Audio Technica AT2020: Audio Technica AT8458
- For the Rode Procaster: Rode PSM1

Secondly you need an microphone stand. Stands come in all different sizes and variants. I would personally go with an table stand or a table mounted arm like the Rode PSA1.

A pop filter or wind shield is not a necessity, but a nice to have.

You need an XLR cable. Buy a good quality one and it shouldn't be too short.

Headphones

You need headphones. Without headphones, I will not let you participate. Anything is good here. If you want to buy new ones, I can recommend you the following: Audio Technica ATH-M50X

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