# U 89 i

Large Diaphragm Microphone

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#### Features

- Variable large diaphragm microphone
- Pressure-gradient transducer with double membrane capsule
- Five directional characteristics: omni, wide angle cardioid, cardioid, hypercardioid, figure-8
- Thereby most versatile in all recording situations
- Two-stage roll-off filterSwitchable 10 dB pre-
- attenuation
- Extended frequency range in comparison to U 87 Ai

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L he U 89 is a studio microphone for universal applications. The headgrille protects a dual-diaphragm capsule. A rotary switch be-

low the headgrille selects from five different polar patterns. Therefore the microphone can be adapted easily to large sound sources, and those that are spread wide apart, or to sound sources to be recorded at a greater distance.



The amplifier accepts sound pressure levels up to 134 dB without distortion. This figure

can be increased to 140 dB. An additional rotary switch activates a filter that changes the low frequency response either below 80 Hz or 160 Hz.

#### Applications

The U 89 i is similar in appearance to the U 87. It is of smaller size, and lighter weight. It features five instead of three directional characteristics and a higher maximum sound pressure level which make this microphone easier adaptable to different applications.

#### Polar patterns

In addition to the usual directional polar patterns: omnidirectional, cardioid, and figure-8, we have added a hypercardioid and wide-angle cardioid characteristic.

When compared to the standard cardioid pattern, the hypercardioid characteristic suppresses sound from the side more efficiently. The wide-angle polar pattern is especially useful to record large sound sources.

#### Acoustic features

The microphone is addressed from the front, marked with the Neumann logo. The large diaphragm capsule has a very smooth frequency response for all polar patterns over a wide acceptance angle. The frequency response curves are flat up to 10 kHz within a pickup angle of  $\pm 100^{\circ}$ .

As a result the U 89 i has a very even diffusefield response for all polar patterns. This is important in a reverberant environment when more reflections arrive at the microphone capsule. The acoustic information is not affected in its tonal quality when recorded by the microphone. This characteristic is achieved without resorting to corrective resonance effects.

The capsule it is elastically mounted to avoid any structure borne noise that could interfere with its operation.

#### Filter and attenuation

The amplifier handles sound pressure levels up to 134 dB without distortion.

With a self noise level of 17 dB (A-weighted)

the total dynamic range is 117 dB. Maximum sound pressure level is 140 dB when the -6 dB rotary switch is in the ON position.



A low frequency roll-off at 80 Hz or 160 Hz can be activated with the third rotary switch below the headgrille.

This filter suppresses low frequency interference, yet maintains an even frequency response

for close-up sound sources, for example, when proximity effect could adversely affect the program material.



A steep high-pass filter in the LIN position prevents the output transformer of the microphone from being overloaded due to undesired subsonic frequencies.

#### **Operational safety**

All exposed surfaces of the microphone capsule, including the diaphragms, are at ground potential. This technology makes them highly immune to electrical and atmospheric interference and contamination through microscopic dust particles.

#### **Technical Data**

Acoustical operating principle	Pressure gradient transducer
Directional patternOmn	idirectional, wide angle cardioid,
	cardioid, hypercardioid, figure-8
Frequency range	
Sensitivity at 1 kHz into 1 kohm	
Rated impedance	
Rated load impedance	
Equivalent SPL CCIR 468-3	
Equivalent SPL DIN/IEC 651	
S/N ratio CCIR 468-3	
S/N ratio DIN/IEC 651	

#### Delivery Range

Microphone U 89 i (mt) Wooden box

#### Catalog No.

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#### Selection of Accessories

Battery supply, BS 48 i blk 06494 Power supply, N 248 (Euro) blk 08537 Power supply, N 248 (US) blk 08538 Power supply, N 248 (UK) blk 08539	
Auditorium hanger, MNV 87ni	
Elastic suspension, EA 89 Ani 07195 Elastic suspension, EA 89 A mt blk 07196	
Stand mount swivel, SG 389 mt blk 06620	
Popscreen, PS 20 a blk 08488 Windscreen, WS 89 blk 07197	
Microphone cable, IC 4 mt (with stand mount swivel)blk06557	
A complete survey and detailed descriptions of all accessories are contained in the accessories catalog.	
Meaning of color codes:	

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#### **Application Hints**

- A microphone for universal usage
- Use as spot mic for
- wind instruments,
- strings,
- piano

These are just some of the most common applications. We recommend additional experimentation to gain maximum use from this microphone.

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