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PRODUCT Review

Two months ago, I took a look at Primera Technology's BravoPro Disc

Publisher. A fine CD/DVD duplicator, to be sure, but its high capacity (up to 100 discs) and high price might be a bit much for your operation.

The Bravo II is a revised version of the Bravo that our school owns. The Bravo II is more precise in its robotics, has a faster drive, and upped its printing resolution to 4800 dpi.

I loaded 25 blank discs into the right tray. The Bravo II may also handle up to 50 discs at a time in the kiosk mode.

The cover must be closed during most of the operation and keeps me from putting my hands where they should not be. The system hooks up easily and a novice may be up to speed in a few minutes. Using a single USB 2 cable, the Bravo II is happy with a PC or Mac.

The duplication software is extremely straightforward and offers many options. It's second nature to me now, but my students mastered it with no instruction. The printing process is sharp, clear, and comparable to its competition.

The actual creation or burning process is also very easy. I told the software which drive my master CD lived in (playback) and the burner in the Bravo II became the recorder/burner (this may be changed at will). For my first test, I chose to transfer an entire disc to another. I also could choose specific tracks from numerous CDs or files I had elsewhere in my computer.

In my humble opinion, the nod goes toward the



The Bravo II offers Windows and Mac support, plus it can handle up to 50 discs.

Bravo II, mainly because of its Mac compatibility, additional disc capacity, and smaller footprint. ■

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