

# SAM Calista II



USER MANUAL

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# Specifications

**Brand:** Small Audio Manufacture

**Name:** Calista II

**Type:** Unipivot

**Center pivot:** 240 mm

**Overhang:** 15 mm

**Sequential error:** +2/-1 degree

**Regulation of antiskating using the counterweight**

**Possibility of height adjustment lever**

**Adjustable VTA**

**Effective weight:** 12 grams

**Category:** mid heavy to heavy type of arms

**Material:** aluminium, inox, brass

**Length:** 10 inch

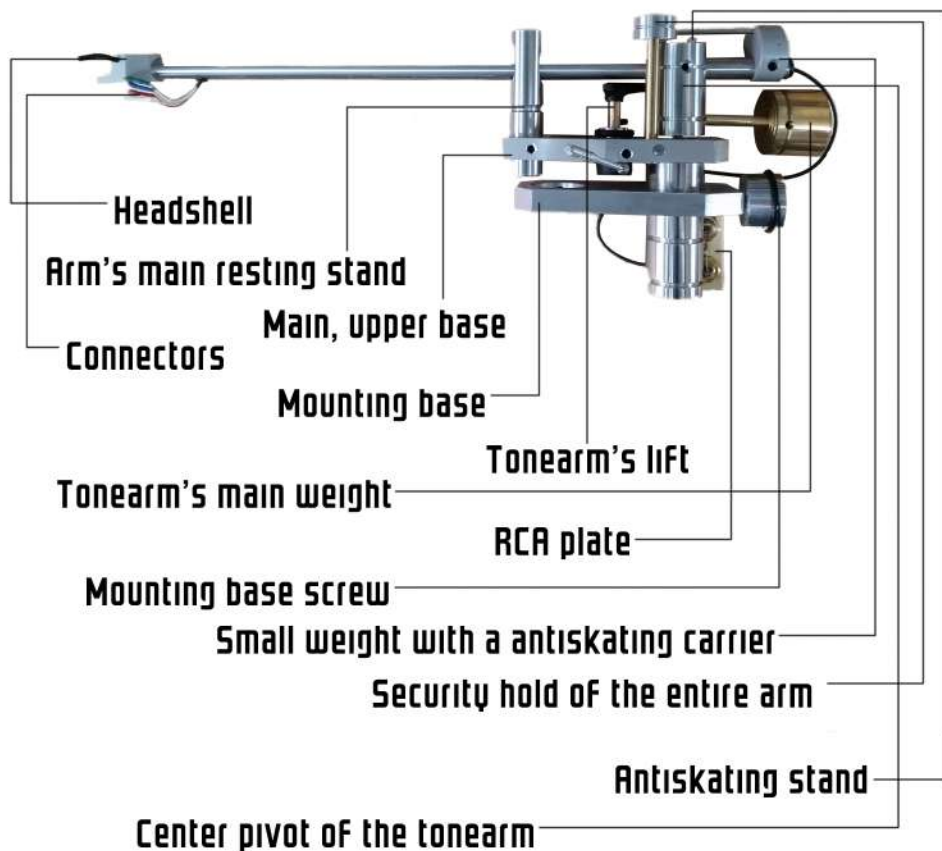
**Mounting hole:** 25 mm

**Pre-wired**

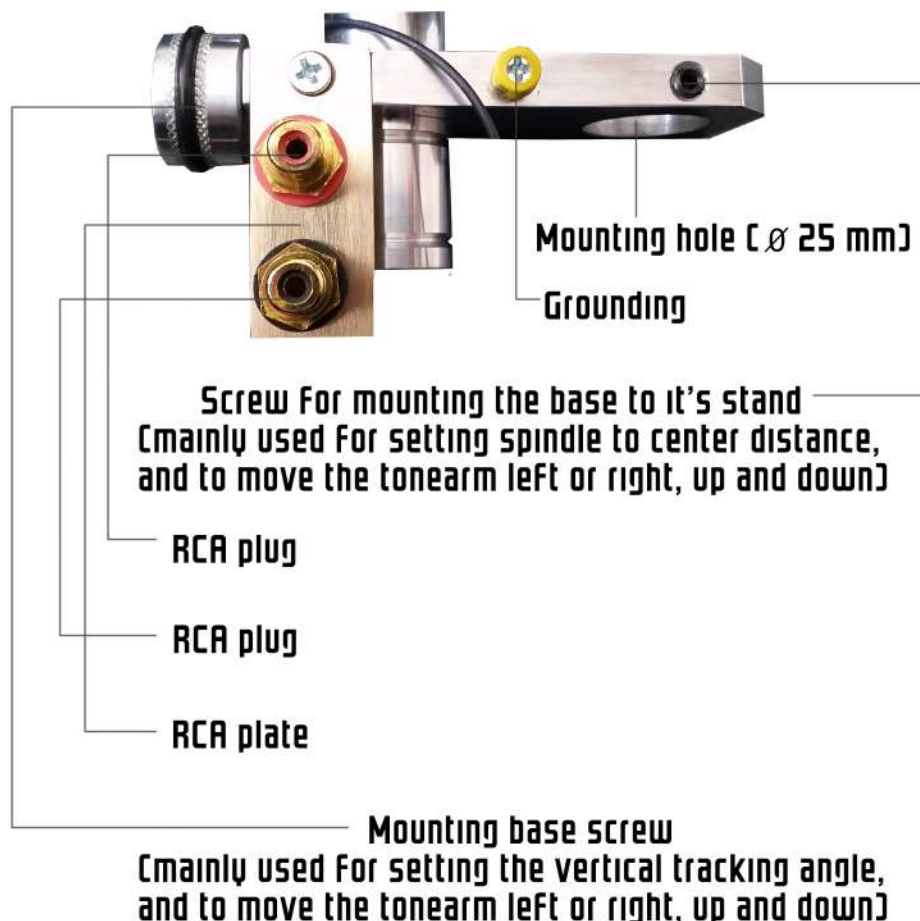
**Wires:** Oxygen Free copper

**Suitable:** For all kinds of turntables and cartridges

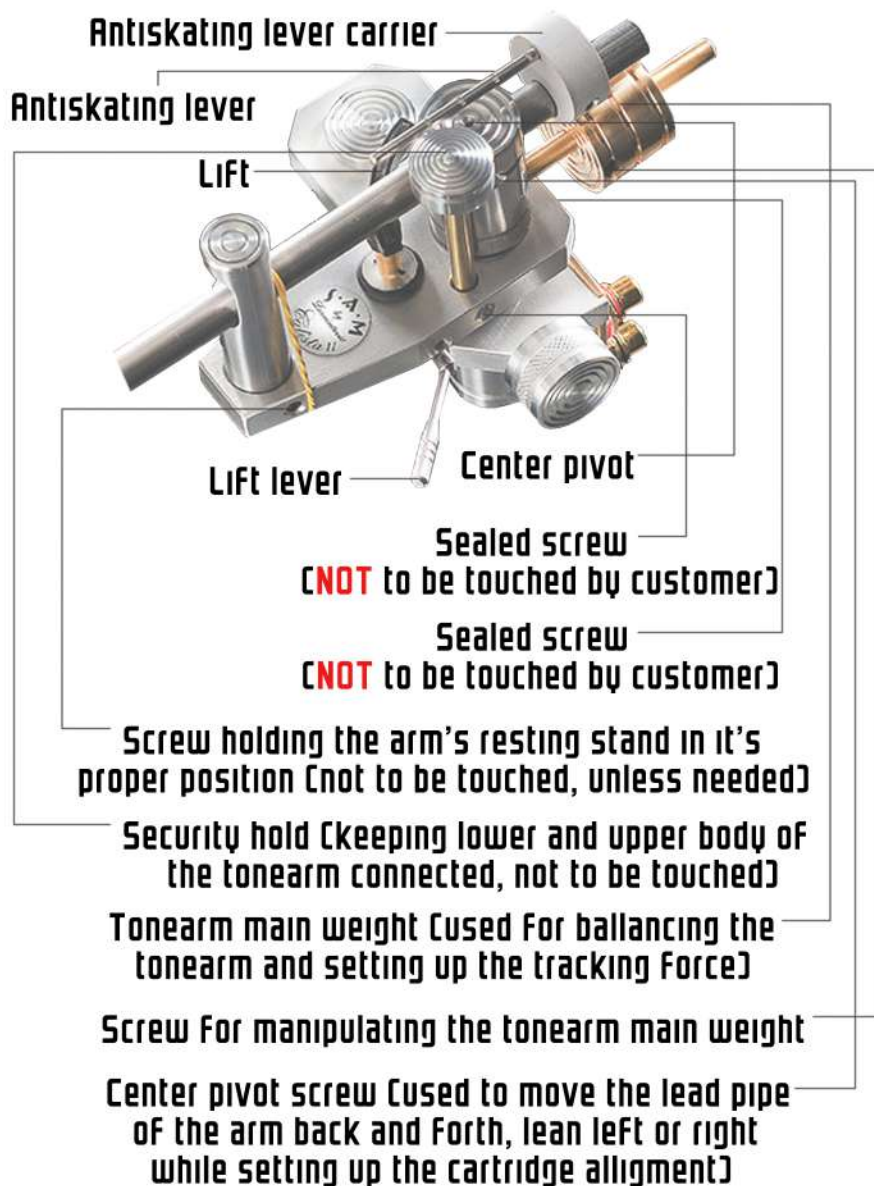
# General Overview



# Functions One



# Functions Two



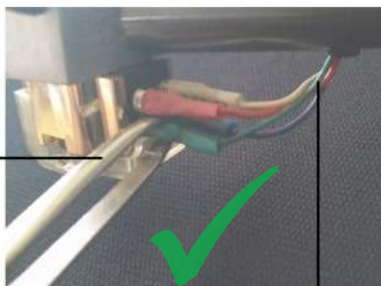
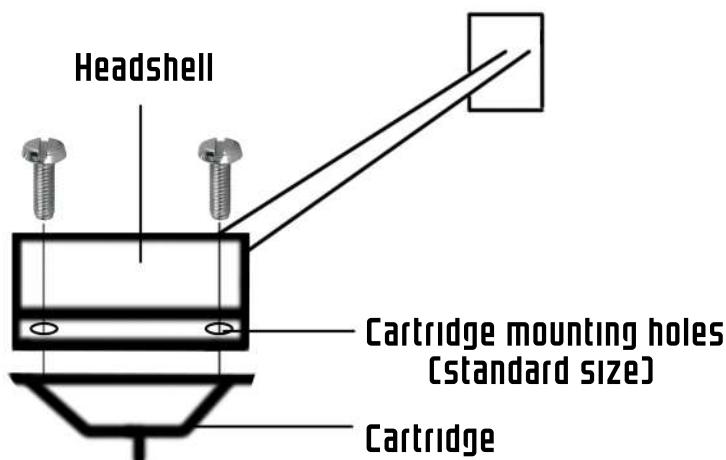
# Safety statement

Please be extra careful with the operations on following pages, as any careless, reckless act or simply wrongdoings could cause a serious damage to your stylus. Besides reading carefully the entire manual and getting to know the tonearm, on operations where it's possible, S.A.M. recommends using stylus original cover mounted as much as possible.

S.A.M. does not have any responsibilities in any kind of damage (which may lead to further extra costs and expenses for a customer) that may occur during these operations.

Thank you for your understanding.

# Cartridge installation

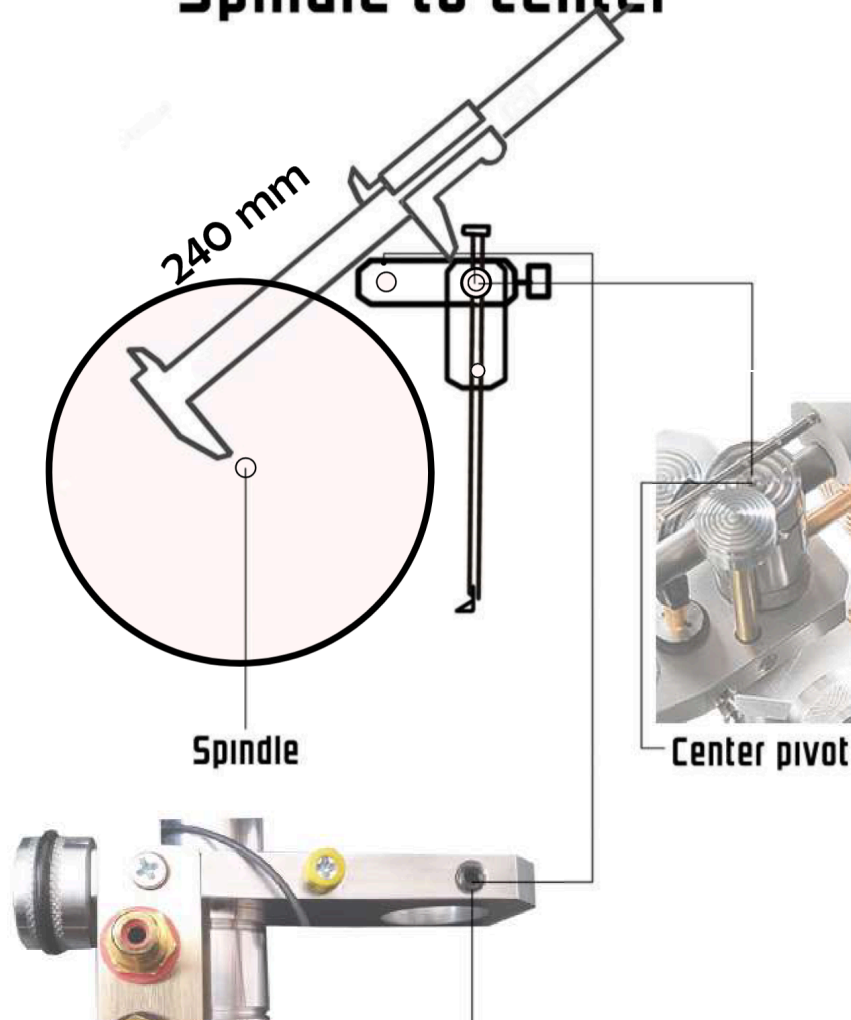


Connecting the tonearm's wires with the cartridge

Tonearm wires: Right channel (red+/green -)  
Left channel (white+/blue -)

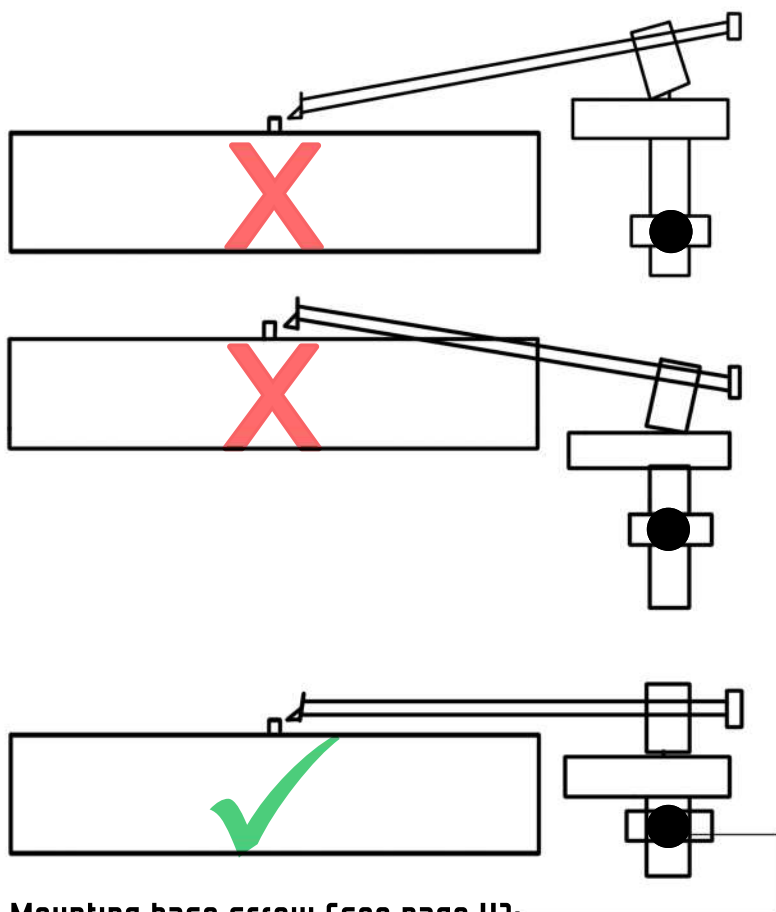


## Spindle to center



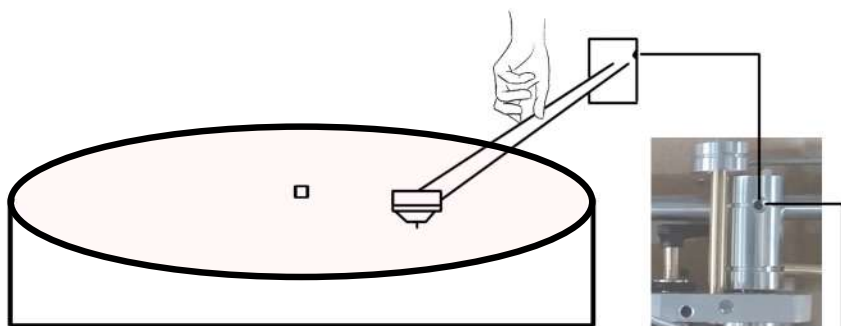
**Screw For mounting the base to it's stand: release the base by spinning the screw to the left (hex key provided). Once released, move the base left or right, Further or closer to the platter, until it reaches correct spindle to center distance (must be 240 mm). After correct distance is set, tight the base strongly by spinning the screw to the right.**

# Vertical tracking angle

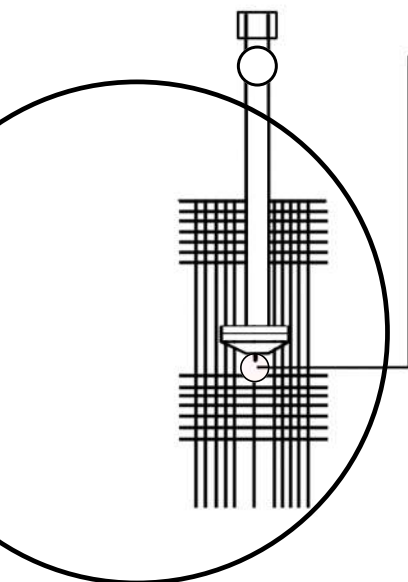


**Mounting base screw (see page 4):** \_\_\_\_\_  
Release the base by spinning the screw to the left while holding the rest of the arm with your other hand. Once released, move arm to proper height to achieve correct VTA. After setting the VTA, tight up the the arm strongly by spinning the same screw to the right.

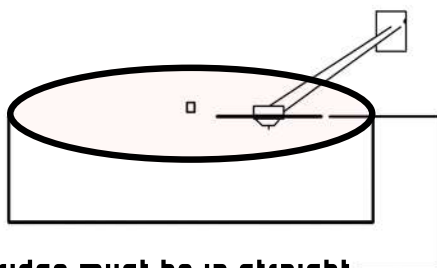
# Cartridge alignment



**Center pivot screw:** Release the arm (hex key provided) by spinning the screw to the left and use your hand to lean the main pipe left or right, move back and forth until it reaches a proper cartridge position. Once when a right position is set, spin the screw to the right to lock the main pipe. **Use the screw gently.**

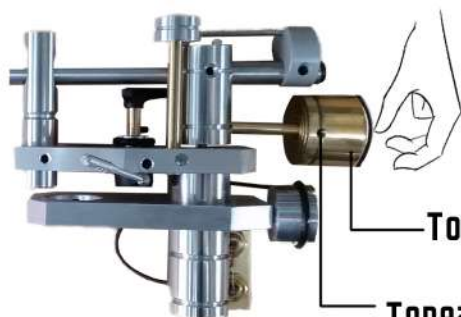


**Tip of the stylus must be placed on the small circle on the protractor**



**Cartridge must be in straight horizontal line. Use lighter objects (such as pen) if one does not own more advanced protractors, to visually set the line.**

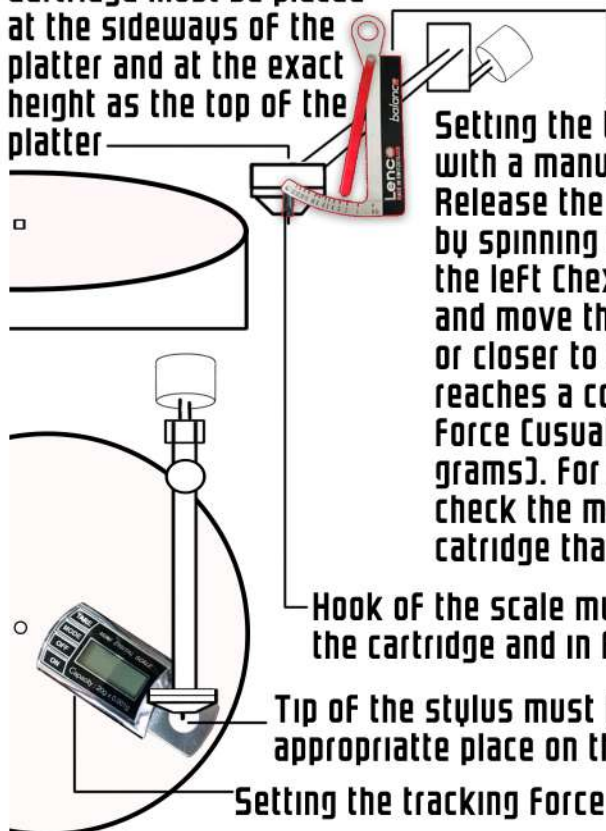
# Tracking Force



Tonearm main weight  
(see page 5)

Tonearm main weight screw

Cartridge must be placed  
at the sideways of the  
platter and at the exact  
height as the top of the  
platter



Setting the tracking Force  
with a manual scale:

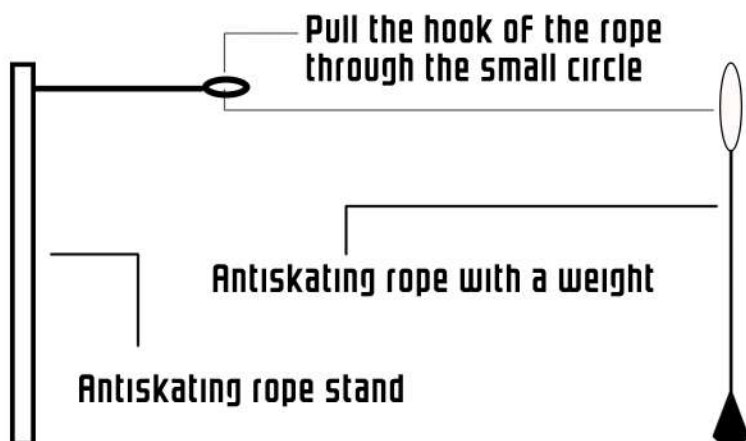
Release the main weight  
by spinning it's screw to  
the left (hex key provided)  
and move the weight further  
or closer to the arm until it  
reaches a correct tracking  
Force (usually between 2-3  
grams). For exact figure  
check the manual of  
catridge that is mounted.

Hook of the scale must be placed under  
the cartridge and in front of the stylus

Tip of the stylus must be placed on  
appropriate place on the scale

Setting the tracking Force with a digital scale

# Antiskating



**Antiskating carrier**  
[if needed, it can be  
leaned left or right  
and moved back and  
forth]

**Mounting hole for  
antiskating rope stand**

**Screw to lock and unlock the  
antiskating rope stand**

**Slots for antiskating rope**  
[the rope can be hooked around any slot, depending  
on the weight of the cartridge that is mounted]



# Resonant Frequency

$$f_{res} = \frac{1000}{2 \times \pi \sqrt{C \times M}}$$

$$\pi = 3,14$$

**C** = compliance

**M** = tonearm mass

Formula For calculating the resonant Frequency

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