

Muckraker

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A modulated distortion pedal with a bad attitude. It can range from subtle harmonic warmth to all-out filth — but it likes the latter better.

Installation (macOS)

1. Open the DMG
2. Drag **Muckraker** to the **Applications** folder shortcut
3. Run **Muckraker** from Applications — this registers the Audio Unit with the system
4. Muckraker is now available as an AU effect in any compatible host: Logic Pro, GarageBand, REAPER, Ableton Live, etc.

You only need to run the app once to register the AU. After that you can load it directly from your host’s plugin list.

Controls

Knob	Description
Grunt	Drive amount. Controls how hard the signal hits the distortion stages.
Ruin	Resonator intensity. Higher values push the resonant filters into self-oscillation territory.
Wrack	Distortion character. Shifts the waveshaper curve from gentle saturation to hard clipping.
Flux	Modulation and movement. Adds dynamic variation to the filter frequencies.
Ooze	Filter balance. Controls the tonal colour from dark and muffled to bright and cutting.
Level	Master output volume.

Switch	Description
Choke	Engages a tighter, more aggressive resonator configuration. Makes the effect more intense and compressed.
Bypass	Passes audio through unprocessed.

Knob Interaction

- **Drag diagonally** to adjust: ↗ up-right to increase, ↙ down-left to decrease
- **Double-click** (macOS) or **double-tap** (iOS) any knob to reset it to its default value

About

Muckraker is an AUv3 Audio Unit effect by [Matthew Caldwell](#). It runs on iOS and macOS.