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### **Chapter 1**

## **OctaMED**

#### 1.1 OctaMED ReadMe

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please read all topics carefully before doing anything else.

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### 1.2 Compatibility

OctaMED requires operating system 2.04 or later, but OctaMEDPlayer and executable modules saved by OctaMED, still only require Kickstart/WB 1.2 or higher to run, thus allowing you to pass on your PD music (along with the OctaMEDPlayer itself) to others that may still be using an older Amiga®. (Note that the OctaMEDPlayer is the ONLY part of this disk that is freely distributable).

OctaMED and OctaMEDPlayer support the AmigaGuide® system to provide on-line help, allowing you to press HELP at any time to get a complete manual in hypertext format. Use the guide via OctaMED, by pressing the HELP key

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whilst the prog is running. No commercial printing of the docs is allowed by law, they may be printed out for the purchaser's personal use only, they may not be passed on. Printing any portion of the on disk help or "OctaMED Companion" IS illegal and any Company wishing to do so must first apply for a licence.

OctaMED uses the following disk-based operating system libraries:

amigaguide.library® (optional), but required to use the on-line help.

Available on WB 3.0 or later, but for WB 2 users an older version is provided in the LIBS directory.

asl.library (obligatory)

diskfont.library (optional, required for font support)

iffparse.library (optional, required for loading IFF samples)

(Amigaguide® and wb 2.1 files are used under licence with Commodore)

Besides AmigaGuide, the following programs may be optionally used as OctaMED's hypertext display program:

Hyper© .guide reader, reads PowerPacked .guide files.

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XPKGuide v1.6 .guide reader, reads PowerPacked .guide files.

The author of XPKGuide is Simon Dick and he has very kindly given specific permission to include his program for use within OctaMED.

(why not e-mail him on sidick@essex.ac.uk and say hello).

One final thing..., we have found that depending on where your 1200 was assembled, (don't ask us why!), the Chord function does not work on that particular A1200 keyboard, (works fine all the others, including the 4000's!), so if you are using an A1200 and this function fails to work, then you will have to insert your chords manually, don't blame us!!

#### 1.3 MED USERS GROUP

If you haven't yet joined the MED Users Group (or MUG for short), we strongly recommend that you do! This non-profit making group offers a great deal of help and very friendly guidance on OctaMED. By joining you will receive lots of OctaMED info, songs, help, etc, etc.

Write to MUG, 6 Glevum Road, Stratton St. Margaret, Swindon, Wilts. SN3 4AF Ask for details of membership, stating that you have OctaMED Soundstudio V1

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( Take a look in the TI-Magazines drawer at some "early" magazine releases ) Finaly.....
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PLEASE..enclose an S.A.E or IRC coupon for your reply!!

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#### 1.5 About OctaMED & Thanks

This program has been entirely designed and programmed by Teijo Kinnunen.

This Copyrighted OctaMED.guide files have been written by Ed Wiles. (based mainly on the documentation of older versions of OctaMED).

Note that these may not be reproduced without permission.

The icons for OctaMED/OctaMEDP layer have been designed by  $Izrael\ Simil\ddot{a}\ (Iz\ Productions)$ . Thanks!

OctaMED has been pre-release-tested by Richard Bannister, Kevan Craft, Tony Horgan, Bjørn A. Lynne, Ed Wiles, Daniel Amor, Stephan Fuhrmann, Dean Murray, Andy Soar and Paul Overraa Thank you!

Also many thanks for the numerous suggestions sent in by users worldwide.

And last, but certainly not the least, thanks to Ray for suggesting and subsequently taking care of the world distribution of OctaMED!

#### 1.6 DevWare Do The Dirty On Us and their OctaMED Customers

Note that DevWare are no longer licenced to act as our N. American distributors as after having sold thousands of Dollars worth of our program in America, instead of sending us the agreed payments, they chose to steal the Royalties and plough it back into the company to attempt to keep themselves bouyant!!

So all customers that purchased V5 from them, are, unfortunately, not entitled to "upgrade" prices as the great majority of the money taken from you for our program, never arrived here!

\*\*Update on the DevWare Saga

The Boss of DevWare pulled the plugs of all the phone numbers at his DevWare offices, claimed bankruptcy and then proceeded to use the money, (some of that being ours), to start up all over again calling himself NT Inc, so, be very carefull.....

After the way he treated us, you would be well advised to place any orders with NT Inc, with a great amount of caution!!!

#### 1.7 Contact Addresses

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The author may not be able to reply individually to every letter received, but you are still very welcome to write and share your ideas and feelings. All suggestions/ideas will be considered.

Please remember to indicate the version number of OctaMED you are using. This is important if you are reporting bugs, the version number and its compilation date are displayed in the OctaMED "About" screen (select About from the Project menu).