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Product	Vaio VGC-RA801G	OptiPlex GX280	HP Compaq dc7100	OptiPlex SX280	E-6100 HX
<b>Vendor</b>	Sony Electronics Inc. San Diego tel. 800-571-7669 <a href="http://www.sony.com">www.sony.com</a>	Dell Inc. Round Rock, Texas tel. 800-999-3355 <a href="http://www.dell.com">www.dell.com</a>	Hewlett-Packard Co. Palo Alto, Calif. tel. 650-857-1501 <a href="http://www.hp.com">www.hp.com</a>	Dell Inc.	Gateway Inc. Poway, Calif. tel. 888-221-9616 <a href="http://www.gateway.com">www.gateway.com</a>
<b>Processor</b>	3.4-GHz Pentium 4 (Grantsdale)	3.2-GHz Pentium 4 (Grantsdale)	3.2-GHz Pentium 4 (Grantsdale)	3-GHz Pentium 4 (Grantsdale)	3.2-GHz Pentium 4
<b>Hard drive in gigabytes</b>	230	150	75	150	75
<b>RAM in megabytes</b>	1,024	512	512	512	512
<b>Graphics card</b>	ATI X600XT	ATI Radeon X300	Intel 82915 Express	Intel 82915 Express	Nvidia GeForce FX 5200
<b>Alterion benchmark score</b>	9,643	8,471	6,633	6,325	5,732
<b>Reviewer's comments</b>	A jack-of-all-trades, this Vaio has everything and plenty of it.	Dell blends equal amounts of good performance and price in the GX280.	The dc7100 chassis needs work, but processing speed is notable.	Dell hit a home run with the chassis, but the price is a little high.	The Gateway has a fair processor but could be smaller.
<b>Price as tested</b>	\$2,134	\$1,863	\$1,349	\$1,628	\$1,186 GSA
<b>Overall grade</b>	<b>A</b>   REVIEWER'S CHOICE ★	<b>A-</b>   REVIEWER'S CHOICE ★	<b>B+</b>   BANG FOR THE BUCK	<b>B</b>	<b>C+</b>