TRP HY/RD £109.99 > Hydraulic road disc brakes simplified...

LIKE IT OR not, disc brakes are coming, but up until the recent launch of SRAM's Hydro Red, true hydraulic disc brakes have been very elusive. TRP got in early with its Parabox converter, though like all cable-to-hydraulic converters it adds complexity and extra weight. But its all-new HY/RD simplifies the issue of cable to hydraulic actuation. This contains the hydraulic fluid reservoir master cylinder within the calliper itself (old-school mountain bikers may remember a similar design on the original Pro-Stop discs in the early Nineties), which means you can run any shifter setup you like – SRAM, Shimano or Campagnolo – and their electronic versions too. TRP has also worked on countering potential heat build-up issues by using composite pistons that can manage heat better than traditional steel. At 195g per wheel plus 89g for the rotors the HY/RD is no heavyweight either.

