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There's much to savour on this debut from Basel trumpeter Marco von Orelli's sextet, from the wiry lines and multiphonics of trombonist Lukas Briggen to Lukas Roos's wild bass clarinet, with bassist Kaspar von Grunigen and drummer Samuel Duhsler ensuring the mechanism runs smoothly. Pianist Michel Wintsch deftly counterpoints the horn solos with pockets of activity that perfectly encapsulate the music's larger harmonic evolution. Orelli's compositions, like his trumpet playing, are intricately structured and technically impressive without being flashy. And it's not without surprise: love how "Urban Ways" moves from M-Base metrics into post-Reductionist splutter without batting an eyelid.