

## An Ultra Broadband GaAs MESFET Preamplifier IC for a 10 Gb/s Optical Communication System

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An ultra broadband GaAs MESFET preamplifier IC has been developed for a 10 Gb/s optical communication system. High transimpedance of 44 dB Omega has been obtained over dc to 12 GHz. A receiver has also been fabricated by using this preamplifier IC and a photodiode. The receiver operates with extremely low equivalent input noise current of 12.6 pA//spl radic/Hz over dc to 7.8 GHz. This paper describes circuit design and high frequency characteristics of both the preamplifier IC and the receiver.

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