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348-GHz Endfire Slotline Antennas on Thin Dielectric Membranes

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Tapered slotline endfire antennas, of BLTSA type, have been fabricated on 1.7- μ m thin SiO₂/Si₃N₄/SiO₂ (epsilon_r = 4.5) membranes. Antenna patterns in the E-, H-, D- and D⁺ cross planes have been measured at the design frequency 348 GHz, with bismuth micro bolometer detectors. The antennas have approximately 12 dB directivity, and the -10-dB beam widths are 50° and 56° in the E- and H-planes, respectively. The 348-GHz measurements have been compared with model measurements at 45 GHz, and show good agreement.

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