

## A Novel Compact Monolithic Active Regulated Self-biased InP HEMT Amplifier

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This letter reports on the first results of a monolithic active regulated self-biased HEMT amplifier fabricated in InP technology. The self-bias scheme incorporates an op-amp-based HEMT regulator topology that regulates the bias current to within 6% over a threshold variation of  $\pm 0.2$  V. The dc yield based on this performance criteria was 75% across a wafer. The InP HEMT amplifier achieves an rf gain of 10-dB and a 3-dB bandwidth of 1-14 GHz. Across a wafer with a total threshold variation of 0.4 V, the gain variation was maintained to less than  $\pm 1$  dB. The compact integrated HEMT regulated amplifier circuit was realized using area-efficient analog design techniques that consumed less than  $1.3 \times 1.1$  mm<sup>2</sup>. This demonstration has far-reaching implications to the producibility and reliability of InP HEMT MMIC's.

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