

5-mW and 5% efficiency 216-GHz InP-based heterostructure barrier varactor tripler

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We report on record performance in terms of efficiency and output power for an InP-based heterostructure barrier varactor (HBV) tripler. Owing to a step-like InGaAs/InAlAs/AlAs barrier scheme, the device exhibits excellent voltage handling with low leakage current ($10 \text{ A/cm/sup } 2/$) up to at least 5 V. A $4/\text{spl times}/12 \text{ /spl mu/m/sup } 2/$ finger-shaped device in a dual configuration yielded a delivered output power of 5 mW (5.4% conversion efficiency) at 216 GHz.

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