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Ultra Low Noise Q-Band Monolithic Amplifiers Using InP- and GaAs-Based 0.1 μ m HEMT Technologies

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Design and development of ultra low noise MMIC Q-band LNAs using both InP and GaAs-based 0.1- μ m HEMT technologies with state-of-art noise figures are reported in this paper. For InAlAs/InGaAs/InP HEMT LNAs, we have achieved noise figure performance as low as 1.6 dB with 10-dB associated gain for a one-stage LNA. With a two-stage design, 20 dB gain with 1.8-dB noise figure was obtained. Single- and multistage MMIC LNAs were also designed and fabricated using a production 0.1- μ m AlGaAs/InGaAs/GaAs HEMT process. A four-stage LNA also demonstrated 2.5dB noise figure with 28-dB gain, which is the best MMIC LNA result ever reported for on GaAs-based HEMTs.

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