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Highly Efficient Compact Q-Band MMIC Power Amplifier Using 2-mil Substrate and Partially-Matched Output (1996 [MCS])

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Presented is an 850 mW Q-Band PHEMT MMIC power amplifier with a peak efficiency of 34% at 45.5 GHz, believed to be the highest reported at this power level and frequency. The compact amplifier (3.6 mm by 1.6 mm) features the use of a thinned 2-mil GaAs substrate and off-chip output matching and combining on a 5-mil alumina substrate.

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