

MONOLITHIC BROADBAND AMPLIFIERS DC-8GHz

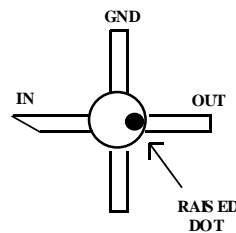
MARKING IDENTIFICATION / EQUIVALENT

Model Plastic Dot	Equivalent SMD	Equivalent 83mil	Equivalent Plastic	Equivalent SMD	Other Known Equivalents	Marking	Colour
Mini-circuits	Mini-Circuits	HP/Avantek	HP/Avantek	HP/Avantek	Avantek	Mini-Circuits	
MAR-1	MAR-1SM	MSA-0135	MSA0185	MSA-0186	MSA-0170	A01	Brown
MAR-2	MAR-2SM	MSA-0235	MSA0285	MSA-0286	MSA-0270	A02	Red
MAR-3	MAR-3SM	MSA-0335	MSA0385	MSA-0386		A03	Orange
MAR-4	MAR-4SM	-	MSA0485		-	A04	Yellow
MAR-6	MAR-6SM	-	MSA0685	MSA-0686	MSA-2111	A06	White
MAR-7	MAR-7SM	MSA-0735		MSA-0786	MSA-0711	A07	Violet
MAR-8	MAR-8SM	MSA-0835	MSA0885	MSA-0886	MSA-0870	A08	Blue

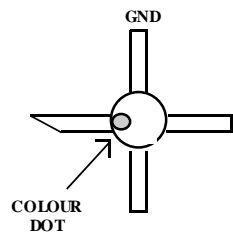
MAV-1	MAR-1		MSA0104		-	1	-
MAV-2	MAR-2		MSA0204		-	2	-
MAV-3	MAR-3		MSA0304		-	3	-
MAV-4	MAR-4		MSA0404		-	4	-
MAV-5	-		MSA0504		-	5	-
			MSA0604		-	6	-
			MSA0704		-	7	-
			MSA0804		-	8	-
MAV-11	MAV-11SM	-	MSA01104	MSA-1105	-	A	-

Model Plastic	Equivalent SMD	Possible Equivalent SOT-89	Marking Identification
Mini-Circuits	Mini-Circuits	Mini-Circuits	
ERA-1	ERA-1SM	Gali-1	E1 / 01
ERA-2	ERA-2SM	Gali-2	E2 / 02
-	ERA-21SM	Gali-21	21
ERA-3	ERA-3SM	Gali-3	E3 / 03
-	ERA-33SM	Gali-33	33
ERA-4	ERA-4SM	Gali-4	E4 / 04
-	-	Gali-4F	4F
ERA-5	ERA-5SM	Gali-5	E5 / 05
-	-	Gali-5F	5F
-	ERA-50SM	-	50
-	ERA-51SM	Gali-51	51
-	-	Gali-51F	51F
-	-	Gali-52	52
-	-	Gali-55	55
ERA-6	ERA-6SM	Gali-6	E6 / 06
-	-	Gali-6F	6F
-	-	Gali-S66	66
-	-	Gali-84	84

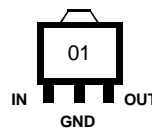
MAV / -04
(4-pac Plastic)



MAR / ERA / -85
(85mil Plastic)



FRONT VIEW



Gali SOT-89 (Plastic)

Generally most equivalents listed above can be used, but can have slightly different performance curves due to the different packaging of the devices. The manufacturers Data sheet should always be used to confirm specifications especially when using substitutes. Mini-Circuits types like the RAM / VAM, are different package types of the MAR types. Eg RAM-1 = MAR-1 = MAV-1 = MAR-1SM. Mini-Circuits GAL types have now been renamed Gali. The New Gali types seem to be a low cost SOT- 89 package of the ERA types. Suggested Amplifier Models & Applications show the commonly available packaged devices, & are recommended for general purpose Amateur Radio use.

SUGGESTED APPLICATIONS

Application	Mini-Circuits Model
High Freq Gain	ERA1 Usable to 10GHz ERA2 Usable to 6GHz
Very Low Noise	Gali-52 / Gali-S66 (2GHz)
Low Noise Amp	MAR6 / MAR8 / MAV11 (To 1.2GHz)
Medium Noise	ERA3 / ERA5 (To 2.4GHz)
High Dynamic range	MAV11 / ERA4 / 5
Stable High Gain	MAR1 / ERA3 / 5
Medium Output	MAV11 / MAR3 / MAR4
High Output	MAV11 / ERA4 / 5 / 6 / Gali-84

Max Power Out (1dB comp) = The point where the amplifier starts to compress the signal & becomes non linear

IP3 dBm = Third Order Intercept Point

Dynamic Range = The power range over which an amplifier provides linear operation, with the Lower limit dependant on the Noise Figure & the upper limit a function of the 1dB compression point

MAR-8 Potentially Unstable, Use an ERA-3

Model	Gain Typical dB at Freq GHz								Maximum Power Out 1dB Comp @ 1GHz	Noise Figure @ 1GHz	IP3 dBm
	0.1	0.5	1	2	3	4	6	8			
MAR-1	18.5	17.5	15.5	-	-	-	-	-	+1.5dBm	5.5	+14.0
MAR-2	12.5	12.3	12.0	11.0	-	-	-	-	+4.5dBm	6.5	+17.0
MAR-3	12.5	12.2	12.0	11.5	-	-	-	-	+10.0dBm	6.0	+23.0
MAR-4	8.3	8.2	8.0	-	-	-	-	-	+12.5dBm	6.5	+25.5
MAR-6	20.0	18.5	16.0	11.0	-	-	-	-	+2.0dBm	3.0	+14.5
MAR-7	13.5	13.1	12.5	11.0	-	-	-	-	+5.5dBm	5.0	+19.0
MAR-8	32.5	28.0	22.5	-	-	-	-	-	+12.5dBm	3.3	+27.0
MAV-11	12.7	12.0	10.5	-	-	-	-	-	+17.5dBm	3.6	+30.0
ERA-1	-	-	-	11.6	11.2	-	10.5	9.6	+13.0dBm (2GHz)	7.0 (2GHz)	+26.0
ERA-2	16.0	-	-	14.9	13.9	-	11.8	-	+14.0dBm (2GHz)	6.0 (2GHz)	+27.0
ERA-3	22.2	-	-	20.2	18.2	-	-	-	+11.0dBm (2GHz)	4.5 (2GHz)	+23.0
ERA-4	13.8	-	14.0	13.9	13.9	13.4	-	-	+19.1dBm	5.2	+36.0
ERA-5	20.4	-	20.0	19.0	17.6	15.8	-	-	+19.6dBm	4.0	+36.0
ERA-6	11.1	-	11.1	11.3	11.5	11.3	-	-	+18.5dBm	8.4	+36.5
Gali-1	12.7	-	12.5	11.8	11.3	10.5	10.5	11.0	+12.2dBm (2GHz)	4.5 (2GHz)	+27.0
Gali-21	14.3	-	13.9	13.1	12.4	11.5	11.9	12.4	+12.6dBm (2GHz)	4.0 (2GHz)	+27.0
Gali-2	16.2	-	15.8	14.8	13.7	12.7	13.2	15.1	+12.9dBm (2GHz)	4.6 (2GHz)	+27.0
Gali-33	19.3	-	18.7	17.5	16.3	15.5	15.8	-	+13.4dBm (2GHz)	3.9 (2GHz)	+28.0
Gali-3	22.4	-	21.1	19.1	17.3	16.1	15.8	-	+12.5dBm (2GHz)	3.5 (2GHz)	+25.0
Gali-6F	12.1	-	12.0	11.6	11.4	10.9	12.3	-	+15.8dBm	4.5	+35.5
Gali-4F	14.3	-	14.0	13.4	13.0	12.3	13.2	-	+15.3dBm	4.0	+32.0
Gali-51F	18.0	-	17.3	15.9	14.8	13.4	13.3	-	+15.9dBm	3.5	+32.0
Gali-5F	20.4	-	19.3	17.4	16.0	14.8	15.1	-	+15.7dBm	3.5	+31.5
Gali-55	21.9	-	20.6	18.5	17.0	15.5	15.7	-	+15.0dBm (2GHz)	3.3 (2GHz)	+28.5
Gali-52	22.9	-	20.8	17.8	15.9	14.4	-	-	+15.5dBm	2.7	+32.0
Gali-6	12.2	-	12.2	11.8	11.3	11.4	12.3	-	+18.2dBm	4.5	+35.5
Gali-4	14.4	-	14.1	13.5	12.9	12.5	13.1	-	+17.5dBm	4.0	+34.0
Gali-51	18.1	-	17.5	16.1	14.7	13.7	13.4	-	+18.0dBm	3.5	+35.0
Gali-5	20.6	-	19.4	17.5	16.0	14.9	15.1	-	+18.0dBm	3.5	+35.0
Gali-S66	22.0	-	20.3	17.3	15.5	-	-	-	+2.8dBm	2.7 (2GHz)	+18.0
Gali-84	25.6	-	22.7	19.2	16.7	15.0	11.8	-	+21.5dBm	4.4	+37.8

BIAS CONFIGURATION

SUGGESTED RESISTOR BIAS VALUES

Model	ImA	Vd	+5Vcc	+9Vcc	+12Vcc	+13.8Vcc	P / Watts Resistor (+12V)
MAR-1	17	5.00	-	220ohm	470ohm	560ohm	0.119W
MAR-2	25	5.00	-	150ohm	270ohm	390ohm	0.175W
MAR-3	35	5.00	-	120ohm	200ohm	270ohm	0.245W
MAR-4	50	5.25	-	75ohm	150ohm	180ohm	0.338W
MAR-6	16	3.50	100ohm	390ohm	560ohm	680ohm	0.136W
MAR-7	22	4.00	47ohm	220ohm	390ohm	470ohm	0.176W
MAR-8	36	7.80	-	33ohm	120ohm	180ohm	0.151W
MAV-11	60	5.50	-	56ohm	120ohm	150ohm	0.390W
ERA-1	40	3.60	35ohm	130ohm	220ohm	255ohm	0.336W
ERA-2	40	3.60	35ohm	130ohm	220ohm	255ohm	0.336W
ERA-3	35	3.50	43ohm	157ohm	243ohm	300ohm	0.298W
ERA-4	65	5.00	-	62ohm	109ohm	130ohm	0.462W
ERA-5	65	4.90	-	62ohm	109ohm	130ohm	0.462W
ERA-6	70	5.50	-	50ohm	93ohm	136ohm	0.455W
Gali-1	40	3.40	40ohm	140ohm	220ohm	260ohm	0.344W
Gali-2	40	3.50	37.5ohm	137ohm	215ohm	260ohm	0.344W
Gali-3	35	3.30	47ohm	162ohm	249ohm	300ohm	0.305W
Gali-4	65	4.60	-	68ohm	110ohm	143ohm	0.480W
Gali-5	65	4.40	-	68ohm	110ohm	143ohm	0.480W
Gali-6	70	5.00	-	56ohm	100ohm	120ohm	0.490W
Gali-84	100	5.80	-	33ohm	62ohm	82ohm	0.620W

TYPICAL BIASING CONFIGURATION

MSA = Monolithic Silicon Amp
MMIC= Monolithic Microwave
Integrated Circuit

$$R \text{ bias} = \frac{V_{CC} - V_d}{I \text{ bias}}$$

V_{CC} = The supply Voltage

V_d = The Device Voltage

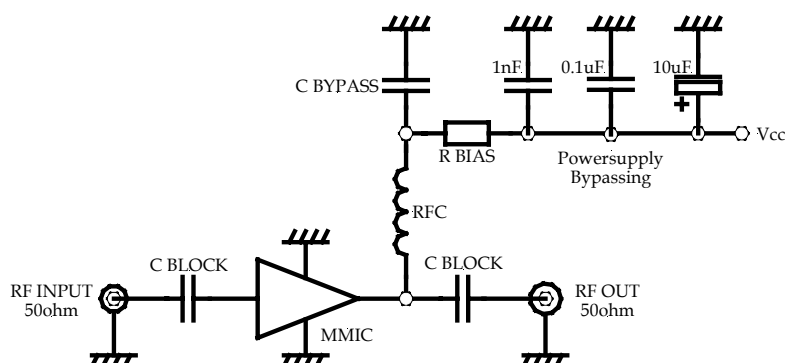
$I \text{ bias}$ = The Bias Current In mA (I_{mA})

$$P \text{ Watts} = V \times I$$

$P \text{ Watts}$ = Power Rating Of $R \text{ bias}$

V = Volts across $R \text{ bias}$

I = Current Through $R \text{ bias}$



C block: Determines the low frequency cut off of the amplifier circuit. The Capacitors value is chosen to suit the frequency that the amplifier circuit is going to be used for. On frequencies above 2.4GHz ATC Porcelain Chip Capacitors are normally used for low loss. On 10GHz & higher, $\frac{1}{4}$ wave stripline couplers are commonly used for low loss.

DC-60MHz (0.1uF) 100MHz (1nF) 400MHz (100pF) 1.2GHz (10pF) 2.5GHz (5pF) 10GHz (1 - 2pF)

RFC (Optional): Is used to isolate the bias resistor so that it does not appear in parallel with the output load of the amplifier, degrading the output match of the amplifier. The impedance of the choke at the lowest frequency of operation of the amplifier plus the value of the bias resistor should be at least 500ohms

DC to 60MHz (100uH to 10uH SMD Choke)

100MHz (10uH SMD choke)

400MHz (100nH or 3 turns 0.315mm TCW on a FB-43-101 ferrite bead)

1.2GHz (47uH SMD choke or, 6 turns 0.315mm ECW 3mm dia closewound airspaced)

2.4GHz (22uH SMD choke or 1/4wave Striplines on the PC board)

>2.4GHz (1/4Wave Striplines on the PC Board)

C bypass: A Capacitor should be used in conjunction with the RFC to present a low impedance path to ground for any signal that manages to get past the RFC. The Capacitor should be connected at the junction of the $R \text{ bias}$ resistor & the RFC to ground. On 2.4GHz or higher ATC Porcelain Capacitors or similar may be required for effective bypassing.

DC-60MHz (0.1uF) 100MHz (1nF) 400MHz (100pF) 1.2GHz (10pF) > 2.4GHz 5 to 10pF ATC or Microstrip Radial Stub

Powersupply Bypassing: Suitable Capacitors should be used on the V_{CC} rail to effectively bypass low & high frequencies.

Suggested Values 10uF Tantalum 0.1uF 1nF (Use all in parallel)

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