

# Ultra Linear Low Noise, Ceramic Monolithic Amplifier

CMA-103+

50Ω □ 0.05 to 4 GHz

## The Big Deal

- Ceramic, hermetically sealed, nitrogen filled
- Low profile case, 0.045"
- Ultra High IP3
- Broadband High Dynamic Range



CASE STYLE: DL1721

MIL Screening Available  
Please consult Applications Dept.

## Product Overview

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## Key Features

Feature	Advantages
Hermetically Sealed	Ideal for use anywhere long-term reliability adds bottom-line value: high moisture areas, busy production lines, high-speed distribution centers, heavy industry, outdoor settings, and unmanned facilities, as well as military applications.
Broad Band: 0.05 to 4.0 GHz	Broadband covering primary wireless communications bands: Cellular, PCS, LTE, WiMAX
Ultra High IP3 Versus DC power Consumption: 45 dBm typical at 2 GHz at +5.0V Supply Voltage and only 97mA	The CMA-103+ provides excellent IP3 performance relative to device size and power consumption. The combination of the design and E-PHEMT Structure provides enhanced linearity over a broad frequency range as evidence in the IP3 being typically 20 dB above the P 1dB point. This feature makes this amplifier ideal for use in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Driver amplifiers for complex waveform up converter paths</li> <li>• Drivers in linearized transmit systems</li> <li>• Secondary amplifiers in ultra High Dynamic range receivers</li> </ul>
Low Noise Figure: 0.5 dB up to 1.0 GHz	A unique feature of the CMA-103+ which separates this design from all competitors is the low noise figure performance in combination with the high dynamic range.
Ceramic, hermetic package	Low inductance, repeatable performance, outstanding reliability in tough operating conditions, and small size (0.12 x 0.12 x 0.045")



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## Product Features

- Ceramic, hermetically sealed, high reliability
- Low profile case, .045" high
- 5V/3V operation
- High IP3, 45 dBm typ. at 2 GHz, Vd=5V
- Low Noise Figure, 0.5 at 1 GHz; 0.8 dB at 2 GHz
- Gain, 10.9 dB typ. at 2 GHz
- P1dB 23.1 dBm typ. at 2 GHz at Vd=5V



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**+RoHS Compliant**

The +Suffix identifies RoHS Compliance. See our web site for RoHS Compliance methodologies and qualifications

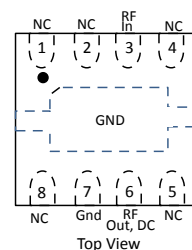
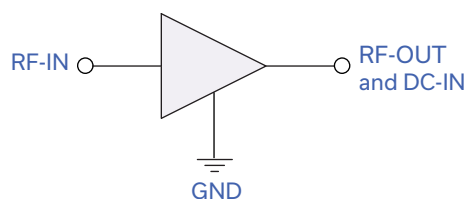
## Typical Applications

- High Rel Systems
- Defense and Aerospace
- Base station infrastructure
- Portable Wireless
- CATV & DBS
- MMDS & Wireless LAN
- LTE

## General Description

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## simplified schematic and pad description



Function	Pad Number	Description
RF IN	3	RF input pin. This pin requires the use of an external DC blocking capacitor chosen for the frequency of operation.
RF-OUT and DC-IN	6	RF output and bias pin. DC voltage is present on this pin; therefore a DC blocking capacitor is necessary for proper operation. An RF choke is needed to feed DC bias without loss of RF signal due to the bias connection, as shown in "Recommended Application Circuit", Fig. 2
GND	7, Paddle	Connections to ground. Use via holes as shown in "Suggested Layout for PCB Design" to reduce ground path inductance for best performance.
NC	1,2,4,5,8	Not used internally. Connected to ground on test board



Electrical Specifications<sup>(1)</sup> at 25°C, 50Ω, unless noted

Parameter	Condition (GHz)	Vd=5V			Vd=3V	Units
		Min.	Typ.	Max.	Typ.	
Frequency Range		0.05				GHz
Gain	0.05	—	26.3	—	25.7	dB
	0.4	—	22.1	—	21.7	
	1.0	14.7	16.3	18.0	16.0	
	2.0	—	11.0	—	10.7	
	3.0	—	7.9	—	7.7	
Noise Figure	4.0	—	5.8	—	5.7	dB
	0.05		0.4		0.3	
	0.4		0.4		0.4	
	1.0		0.5		0.4	
	2.0		0.8		0.9	
Input Return Loss	3.0		1.1		0.8	dB
	4.0		1.3		1.3	
	0.05	—	6.2	—	5.8	
	0.4	—	10.9	—	10.2	
	1.0	10.0	14.0	—	13.0	
Output Return Loss	2.0	—	16.0	—	15.0	dB
	3.0	—	17.3	—	16.4	
	4.0	—	18.6	—	17.3	
	0.05	—	12.9	—	13.0	
	0.4	—	19.9	—	21.8	
Reverse Isolation	1.0	14.0	18.2	—	22.1	dB
	2.0	—	16.4	—	19.9	
	3.0	—	15.2	—	18.2	
	4.0	—	14.5	—	17.1	
	0.05	—	20.0	—	15.6	
Output Power @ 1dB compression <sup>(2)</sup>	0.4		22.1		18.6	dBm
	1.0		22.2		18.9	
	2.0		23.1		19.7	
	3.0		23.5		20.3	
	4.0		24.2		20.9	
Output IP3	0.05	—	37.4	—	34.9	dBm
	0.4	—	39.4	—	32.8	
	1.0	—	42.6	—	33.2	
	2.0	40.0	44.8	—	33.9	
	3.0	—	47.1	—	34.3	
4.0	—	47.9	—	35.0		
Device Operating Voltage		4.8	5.0	5.2	3.0	V
Device Operating Current			97	120	60	mA
DC Current Variation Vs. Temp.			-178		-54	μA/°C
DC Current Variation Vs. Voltage			0.014		0.018	mA/mV
Thermal Resistance, junction-to-ground lead			61		61	°C/W

<sup>(1)</sup> Measured on Mini-Circuits Characterization test board TB-829-103+. See Characterization Test Circuit (Fig. 1)

<sup>(2)</sup> Current increases at P1dB

## Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Ratings
Operating Temperature (ground lead)	-40°C to 125°C
Storage Temperature	-65°C to 150°C
Operating Current at 5.0V	200 mA
Power Dissipation at 5.0V	1W
Input Power (CW)	+21 dBm (50 to 2000 MHz) +26 dBm (2000 to 4000 MHz)
DC Voltage on Pin 6	6V

Note:

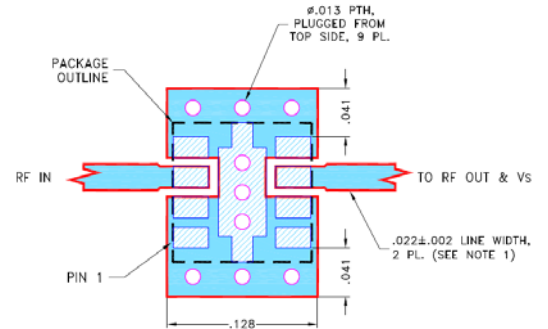
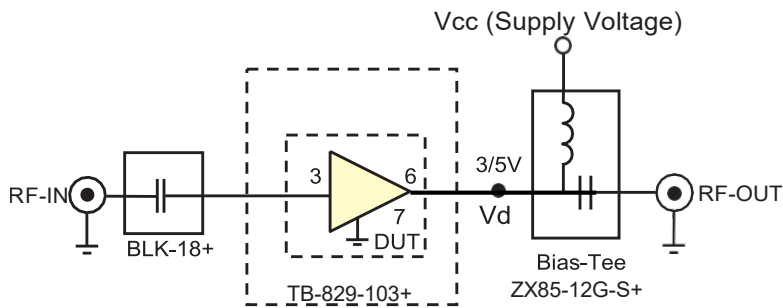
Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded.

Electrical maximum ratings are not intended for continuous normal operation.



Characterization Test Circuit

Suggested PCB Layout (PL-602)



**Fig 1.** Block Diagram of Test Circuit used for characterization. (DUT tested on Mini-Circuits Characterization test board TB-829-103+) Gain, Return loss, Output power at 1dB compression (P1 dB) , output IP3 (OIP3) and noise figure measured using Agilent's N5242A PNA-X microwave network analyzer.

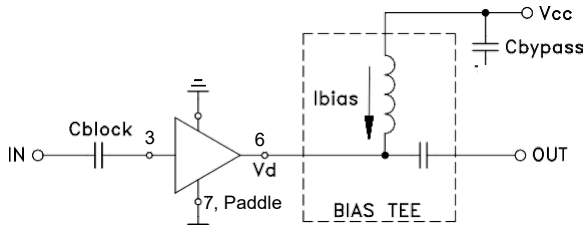
**NOTES:**

1. TRACE WIDTH IS SHOWN FOR ROGERS R04350B WITH DIELECTRIC THICKNESS .020" ± .0015"; COPPER: 1/2 OZ. EACH SIDE. FOR OTHER MATERIALS TRACE WIDTH AND GAP MAY NEED TO BE MODIFIED.
  2. BOTTOM SIDE OF THE PCB IS CONTINUOUS GROUND PLANE.
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**Conditions:**

1. Gain and Return loss: Pin= -25dBm
2. Output IP3 (OIP3): Two tones, spaced 1 MHz apart, 5 dBm/tone at output.

Recommended Application Circuit



Cblock=0.001µF, Bias-Tee=TCBT-14+, Cbypass=0.1µF

**Fig 2a.** Evaluation board TB-988-103+ includes case, connectors and components soldered to PCB

Product Marking

