



## ANT-DB1-LPD-125

### Panel-Mount Dipole WiFi/WLAN Antenna

The ANT-DB1-LPD-125 (LPD) is a panel-mount dipole antenna for WiFi/WLAN/U-NII 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz frequency band applications.

The snap-in panel mount provides for easy and secure installation and the hinged whip with 3-position detent allows for optimal antenna positioning.

Connection is made to the radio via a 125 mm long, 1.13 mm coaxial cable terminated in an MHF1/U.FL-compatible plug connector.

### FEATURES

- 2.4 GHz
  - VSWR:  $\leq 4.5$
  - Peak Gain: 5.5 dBi
  - Efficiency: 70%
- 2496 MHz to 2690 MHz (LTE 7, 41)
  - VSWR:  $\leq 3.1$
  - Peak Gain: 5.0 dBi
  - Efficiency: 59%
- Compact, low-profile
  - 64 mm x 17 mm x 0.2 mm
- MHF1/U.FL-type plug (female socket) on 1.13 mm coaxial cable
- Flexible to fit in challenging enclosures
- Adhesive backing permanently adheres to non-metal enclosures using 3M 467MP™/200MP adhesive

### APPLICATIONS

- Single- and dual-band WiFi / WLAN / 802.11
  - WiFi 4, WiFi 5
- U-NII and ISM applications
- 2.4 GHz applications
  - Bluetooth® and ZigBee®
- Smart Home networking
- Sensing and remote monitoring
- Internet of Things (IoT) devices
- Gateways

### ORDERING INFORMATION

| Part Number     | Description  |
|-----------------|--|
| ANT-DB1-LPD-125 | Antenna with MHF1/U.FL-compatible connector on 125 mm (4.92 in) 1.13 mm coax cable |

Available from Linx Technologies and select distributors and representatives.

## ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

| ANT-DB1-LPD-125                    | 2.4 GHz                                  | 5 GHz                |
|------------------------------------|--|----------------------|
| <b>Frequency Range</b>             | 2.4 GHz to 2.485 GHz                     | 5.15 GHz to 5.85 GHz |
| <b>VSWR (max.)</b>                 | 1.5                                      | 1.5                  |
| <b>Return Loss (max.)</b>          | -14.7                                    | -14.2                |
| <b>Peak Gain (dBi)</b>             | 2.8                                      | 4.5                  |
| <b>Average Gain (dBi)</b>          | -0.8                                     | -2.5                 |
| <b>Efficiency (%)</b>              | 85                                       | 63                   |
| <b>Polarization</b>                | Linear                                   |                      |
| <b>Radiation</b>                   | Omnidirectional                          |                      |
| <b>Max Power</b>                   | 10 W                                     |                      |
| <b>Wavelength</b>                  | 1/2-wave                                 |                      |
| <b>Electrical Type</b>             | Dipole                                   |                      |
| <b>Impedance</b>                   | 50 $\Omega$                              |                      |
| <b>Connection</b>                  | MHF1/U.FL-compatible plug, female socket |                      |
| <b>Coaxial Cable</b>               | Type: 1.13 mm / Length: 125 mm (4.92 in) |                      |
| <b>Weight</b>                      | 6.1 g (0.22 oz)                          |                      |
| <b>Height</b>                      | 93.7 mm (3.69 in)                        |                      |
| <b>Operating Temperature Range</b> | -20 °C to +85 °C                         |                      |

Electrical specifications and plots measured in Bent-90 configuration.

## PACKAGING INFORMATION

The ANT-DB1-LPD-125 antennas are individually sealed in a clear plastic bag. Individual packages are packed in a bag of 50, seven bags of 50 to a box and twenty boxes to a carton. Distribution channels may offer alternative packaging options.

## PRODUCT DIMENSIONS

Figure 1 shows the overall dimensions and mounting information for the LPD antenna. The antenna's hinged whip can be tilted 90 degrees and has detents at 0, 45 and 90 degrees.

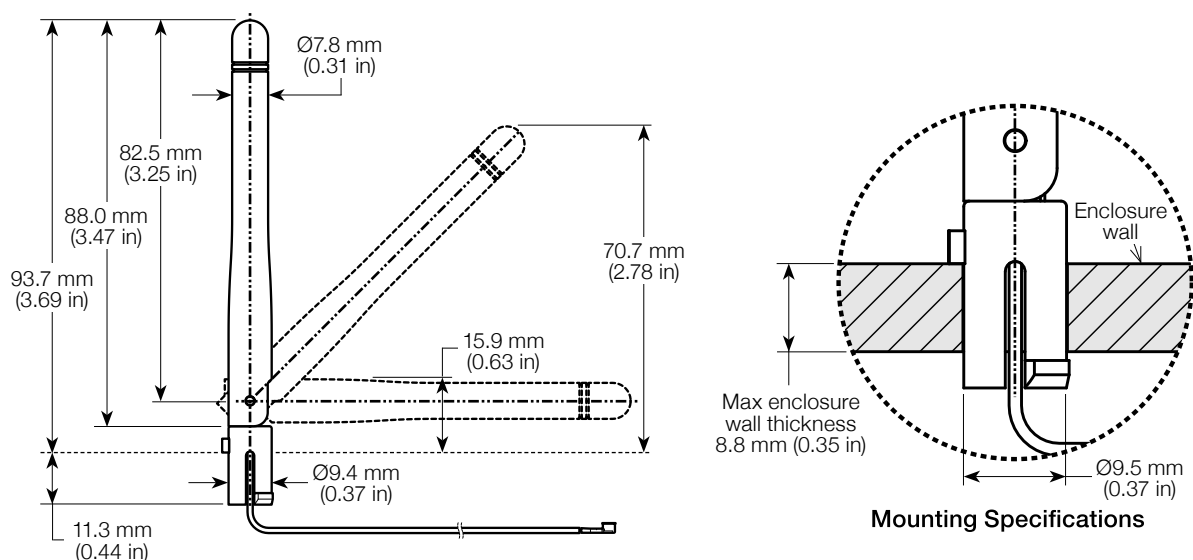


Figure 1: ANT-DB1-LPD-125 Dimensions and Mounting Data

## ANTENNA ORIENTATION - BENT 90 DEGREES

The charts on the following pages represent data taken with the antenna Bent-90 degrees, as shown in Figure 2.



Figure 2: LPD Antenna, Bent 90 Degrees (Bent-90)

## VSWR

Figure 3 provides the voltage standing wave ratio (VSWR) across the antenna bandwidth. VSWR describes the power reflected from the antenna back to the radio. A lower VSWR value indicates better antenna performance at a given frequency. Reflected power is also shown on the right-side vertical axis as a gauge of the percentage of transmitter power reflected back from the antenna.

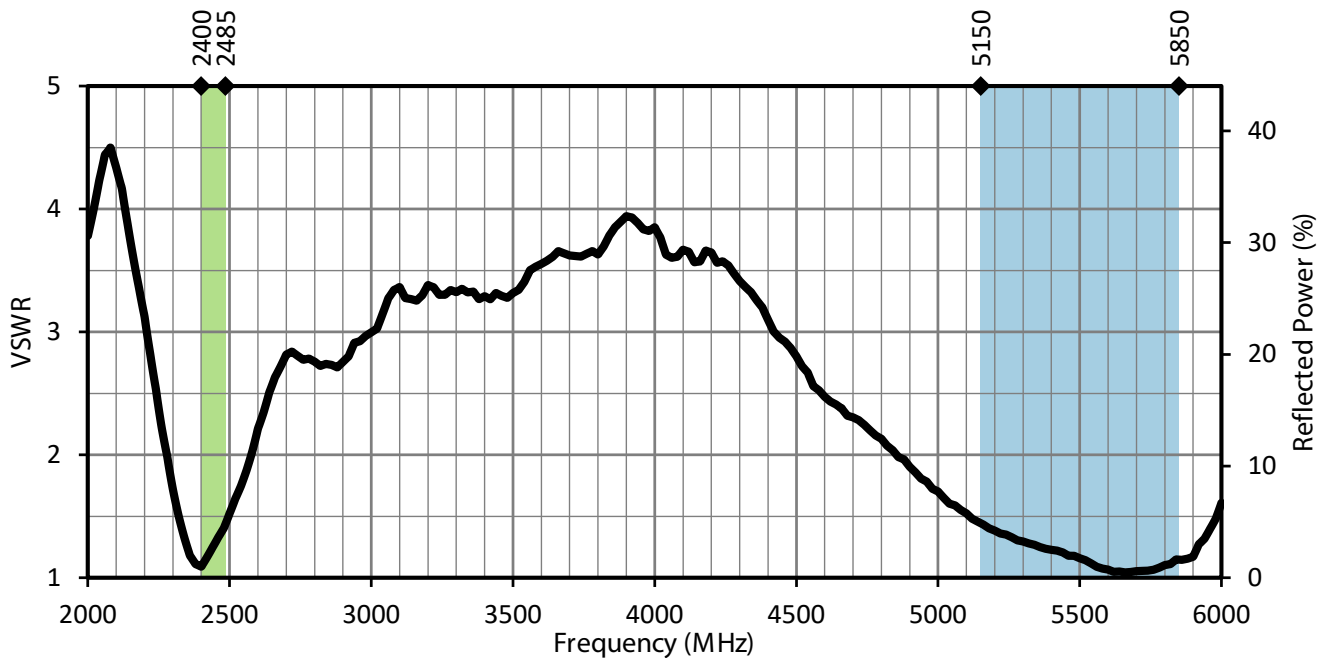


Figure 3: LPD VSWR, Bent-90, with Frequency Band Highlights

## RETURN LOSS

Return loss (Figure 4), represents the loss in power at the antenna due to reflected signals. Like VSWR, a lower return loss value indicates better antenna performance at a given frequency.

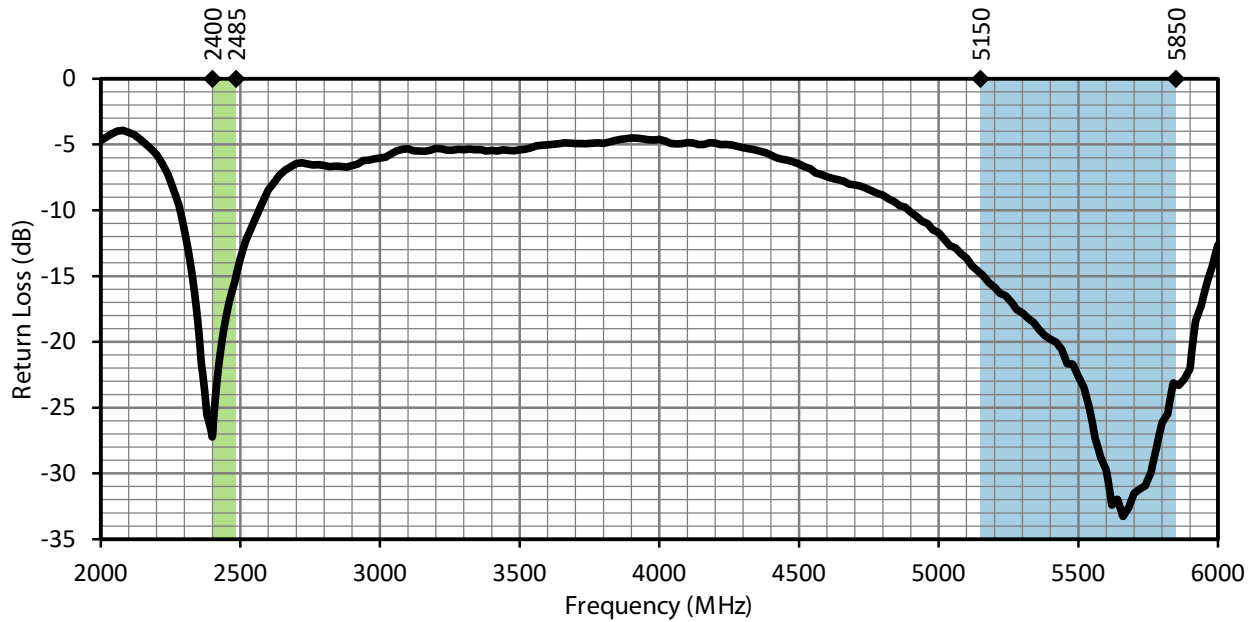


Figure 4: LPD Return Loss, Bent-90, with Frequency Band Highlights

## PEAK GAIN

The peak gain across the antenna bandwidth is shown in Figure 5. Peak gain represents the maximum antenna input power concentration across 3-dimensional space, and therefore peak performance at a given frequency, but does not consider any directionality in the gain pattern.

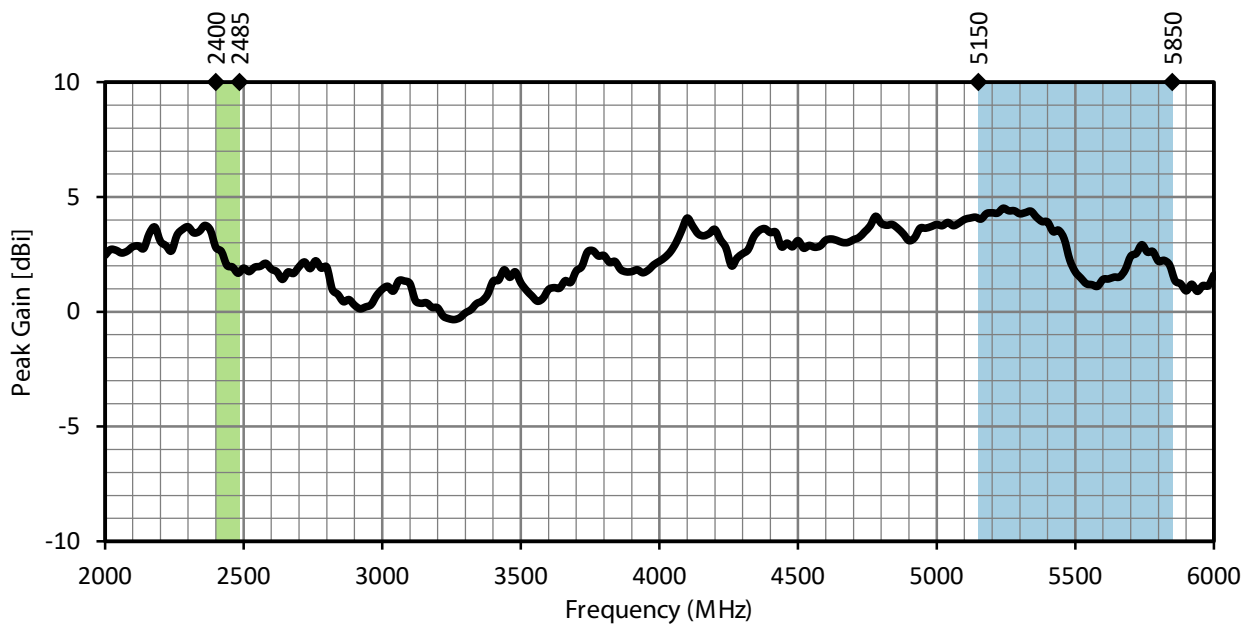


Figure 5: LPD Peak Gain, Bent-90, with Frequency Band Highlights

## AVERAGE GAIN

Average gain (Figure 6), is the average of all antenna gain in 3-dimensional space at each frequency, providing an indication of overall performance without expressing antenna directionality.

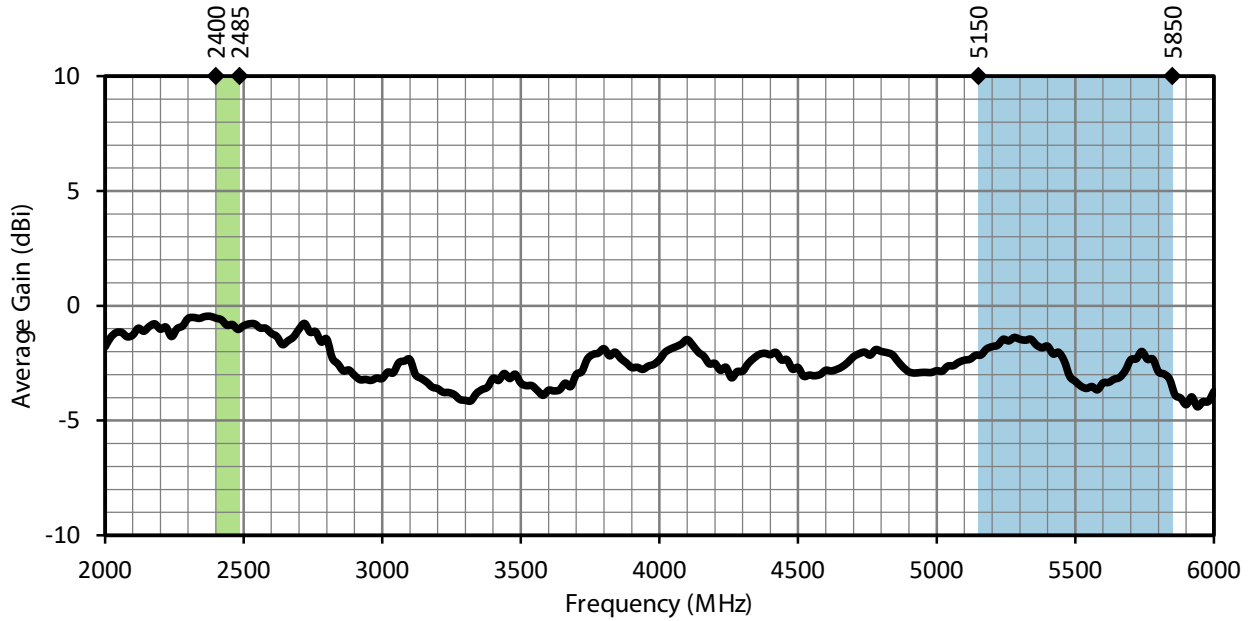


Figure 6: LPD Average Gain, Bent-90, with Frequency Band Highlights

## RADIATION EFFICIENCY

Radiation efficiency (Figure 7), shows the ratio of power delivered to the antenna relative to the power radiated at the antenna, expressed as a percentage, where a higher percentage indicates better performance at a given frequency.

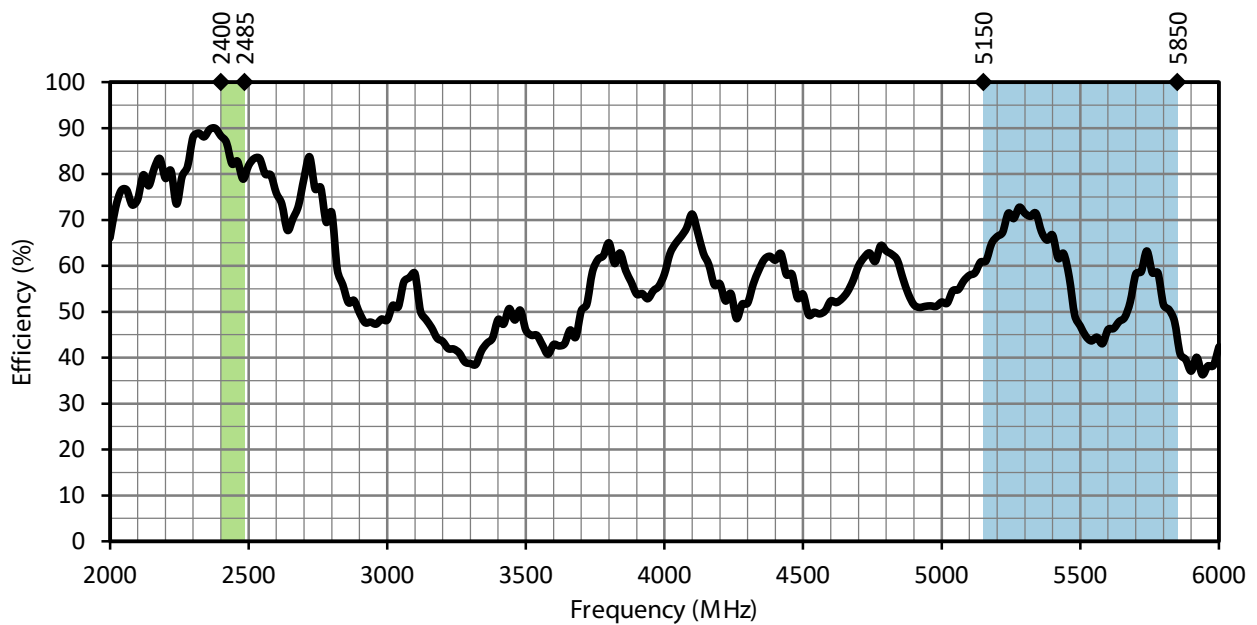
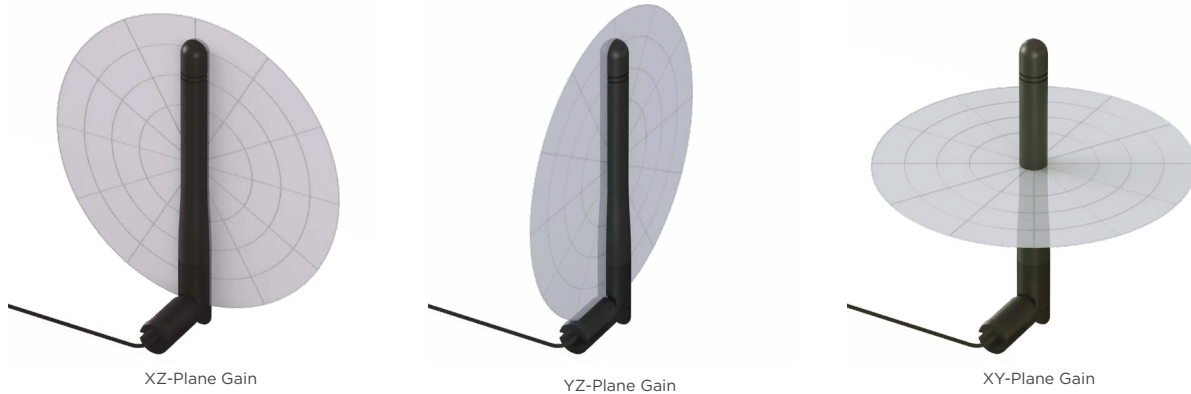


Figure 7: LPD Radiation Efficiency, Bent-90, with Frequency Band Highlights

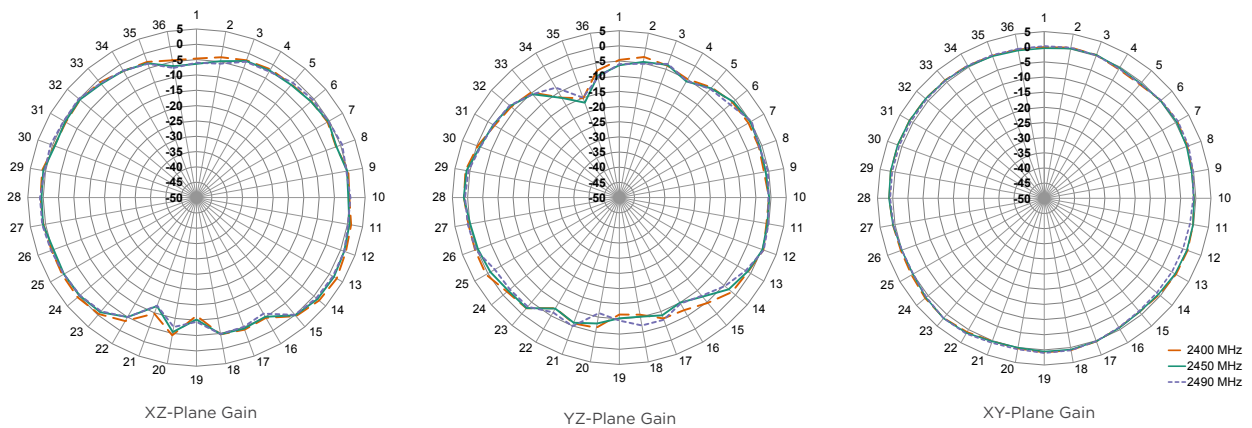
## RADIATION PATTERNS

Radiation patterns provide information about the directionality and 3-dimensional gain performance of the antenna by plotting gain at specific frequencies in three orthogonal planes. Antenna radiation patterns for a Bent-90 orientation are shown in Figure 8 using polar plots covering 360 degrees. The antenna graphic provides reference to the plane of the column of plots below it. Note: when viewed with typical PDF viewing software, zooming into radiation patterns is possible to reveal fine detail.

## RADIATION PATTERNS - BENT-90 DEGREES



## 2400 MHZ TO 2490 MHZ (2450 MHZ)



## 5150 MHZ TO 5850 MHZ (5500 MHZ)

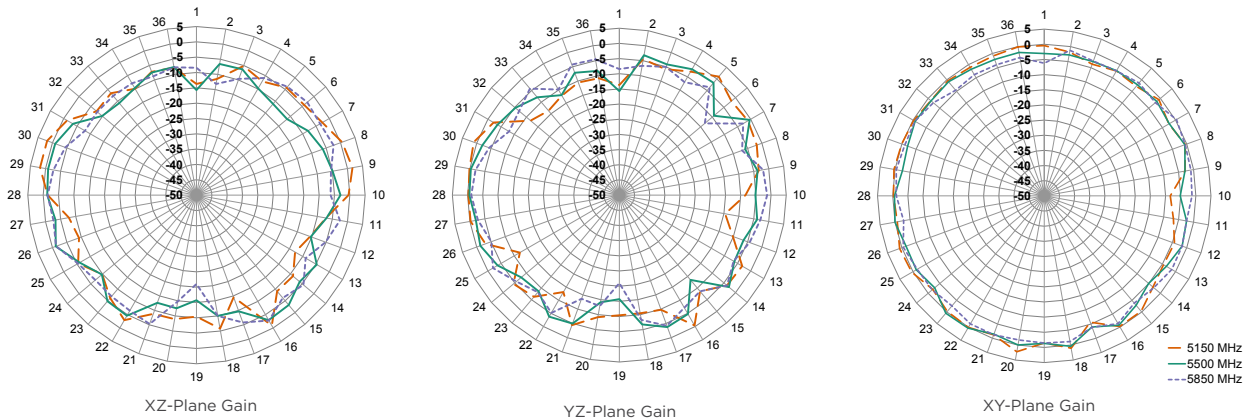


Figure 8: Radiation Patterns for LPD, Bent-90

## ANTENNA ORIENTATION - STRAIGHT

The charts on the following pages represent data taken with the antenna oriented straight, as shown in Figure 9.



Figure 9: LPD Antenna Shown Straight

## VSWR

Figure 10 provides the voltage standing wave ratio (VSWR) across the antenna bandwidth. VSWR describes the power reflected from the antenna back to the radio. A lower VSWR value indicates better antenna performance at a given frequency. Reflected power is also shown on the right-side vertical axis as a gauge of the percentage of transmitter power reflected back from the antenna.

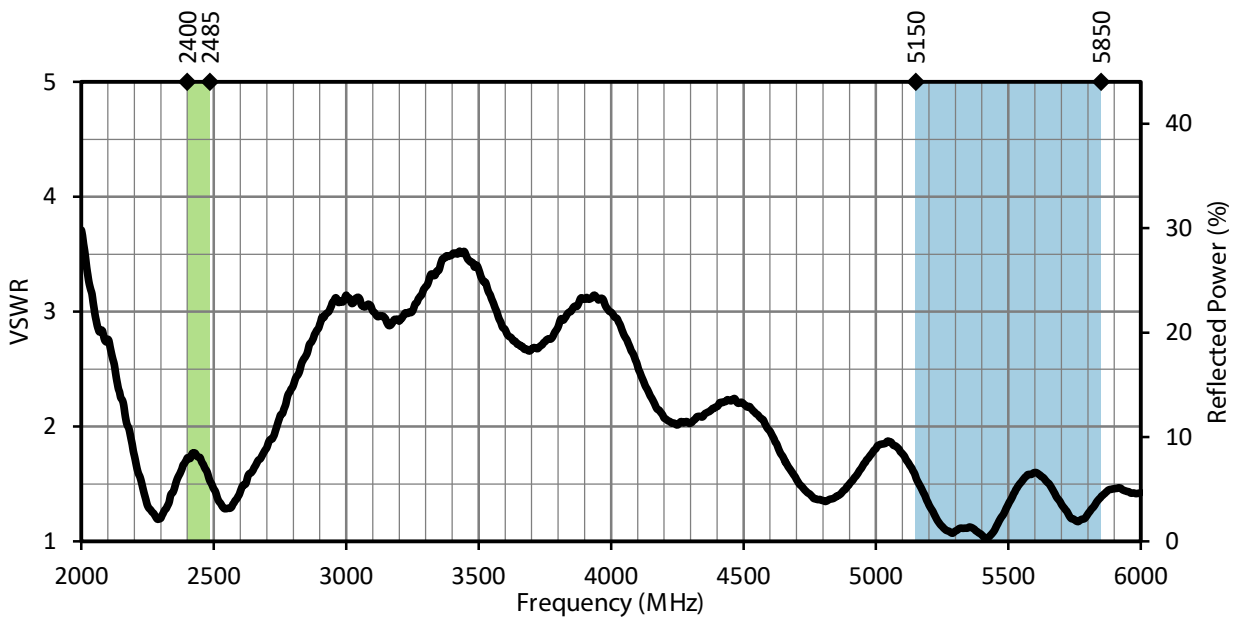


Figure 10: LPD VSWR, Straight, with Frequency Band Highlights

## RETURN LOSS

Return loss (Figure 11), represents the loss in power at the antenna due to reflected signals. Like VSWR, a lower return loss value indicates better antenna performance at a given frequency.

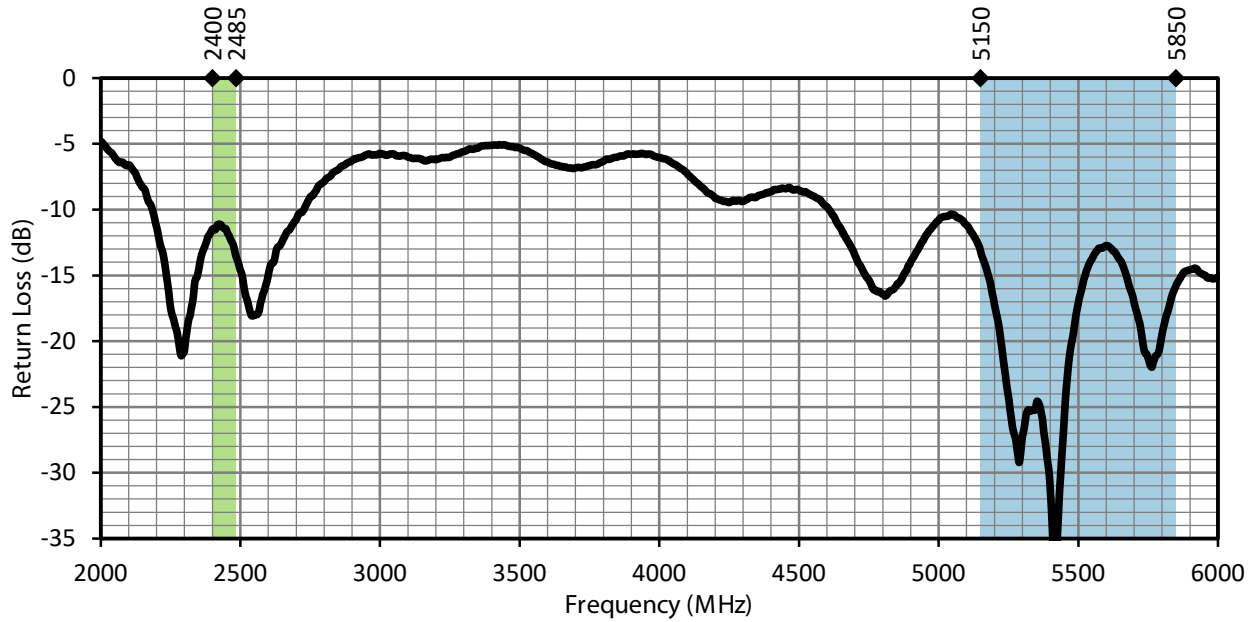


Figure 11: LPD Return Loss, Straight, with Frequency Band Highlights

## PEAK GAIN

The peak gain across the antenna bandwidth is shown in Figure 12. Peak gain represents the maximum antenna input power concentration across 3-dimensional space, and therefore peak performance at a given frequency, but does not consider any directionality in the gain pattern.

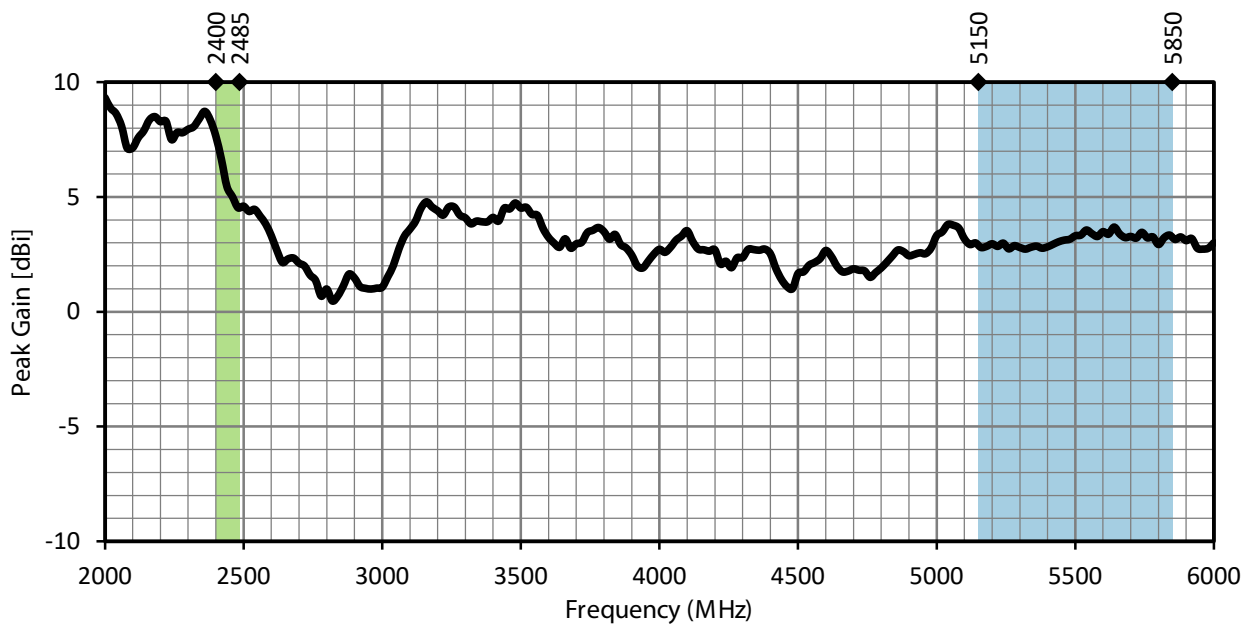


Figure 12: LPD Peak Gain, Straight, with Frequency Band Highlights



## AVERAGE GAIN

Average gain (Figure 13), is the average of all antenna gain in 3-dimensional space at each frequency, providing an indication of overall performance without expressing antenna directionality.

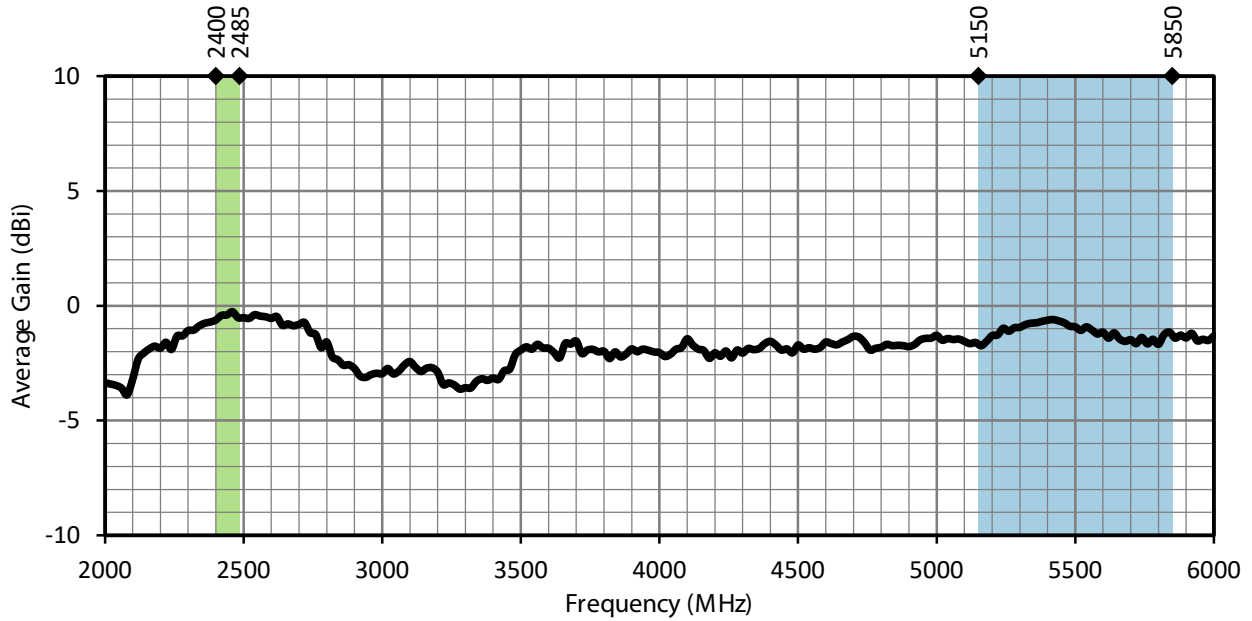


Figure 13: LPD Average Gain, Straight, with Frequency Band Highlights

## RADIATION EFFICIENCY

Radiation efficiency (Figure 14), shows the ratio of power delivered to the antenna relative to the power radiated at the antenna, expressed as a percentage, where a higher percentage indicates better performance at a given frequency.

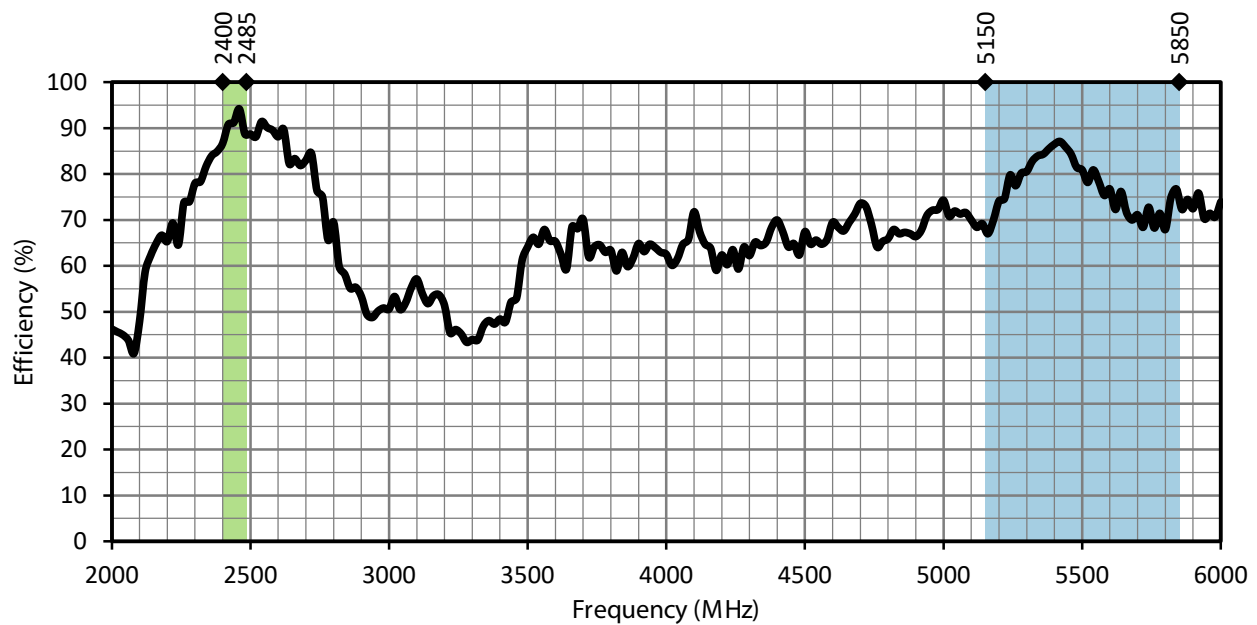


Figure 14: LPD Radiation Efficiency, Straight, with Frequency Band Highlights

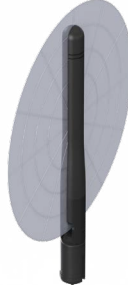
## RADIATION PATTERNS

Radiation patterns provide information about the directionality and 3-dimensional gain performance of the antenna by plotting gain at specific frequencies in three orthogonal planes. Antenna radiation patterns for a straight orientation are shown in Figure 15 using polar plots covering 360 degrees. The antenna graphic provides reference to the plane of the column of plots below it. Note: when viewed with typical PDF viewing software, zooming into radiation patterns is possible to reveal fine detail.

### RADIATION PATTERNS - STRAIGHT



XZ-Plane Gain

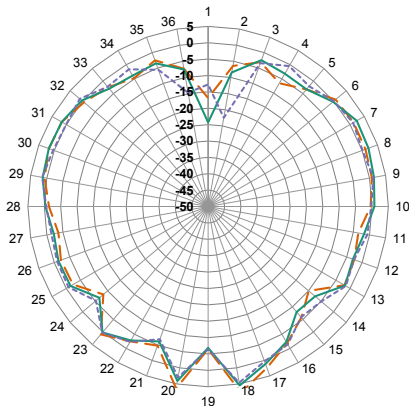


YZ-Plane Gain

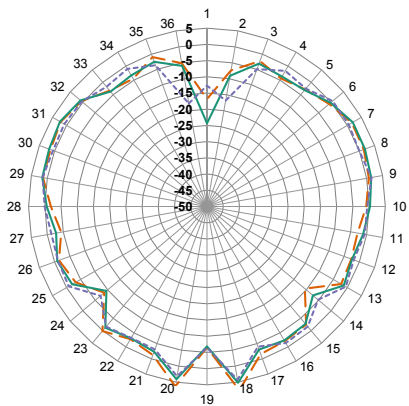


XY-Plane Gain

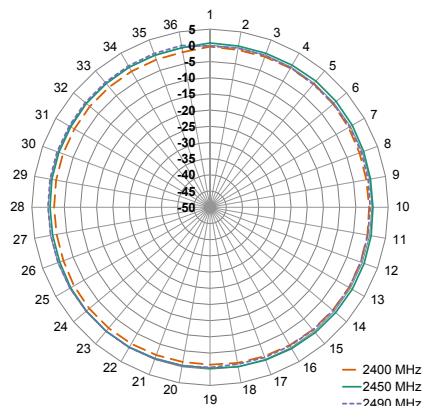
### 2400 MHZ TO 2490 MHZ (2450 MHZ)



XZ-Plane Gain

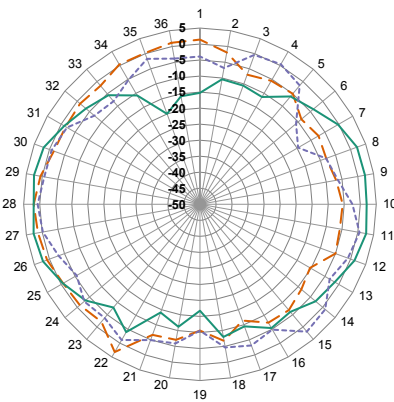


YZ-Plane Gain

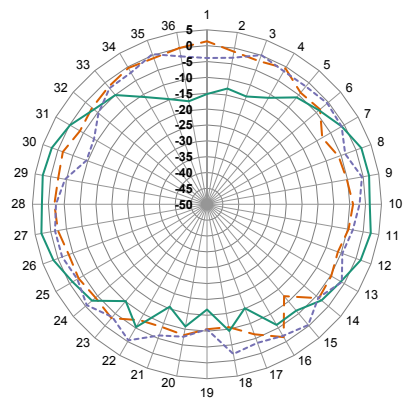


XY-Plane Gain

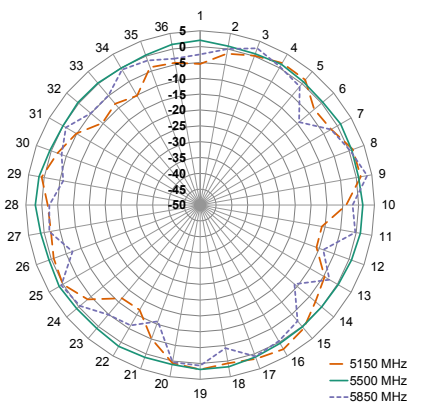
### 5150 MHZ TO 5850 MHZ (5500 MHZ)



XZ-Plane Gain



YZ-Plane Gain



XY-Plane Gain

Figure 15: Radiation Patterns for LPD, Straight

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## ANTENNA DEFINITIONS AND USEFUL FORMULAS

**VSWR** - Voltage Standing Wave Ratio. VSWR is a unitless ratio that describes the power reflected from the antenna back to the radio. A lower VSWR value indicates better antenna performance at a given frequency. VSWR is easily derived from Return Loss.

$$\text{VSWR} = \frac{10^{\left[\frac{\text{Return Loss}}{20}\right]} + 1}{10^{\left[\frac{\text{Return Loss}}{20}\right]} - 1}$$

**Return Loss** - Return loss represents the loss in power at the antenna due to reflected signals, measured in decibels. A lower return loss value indicates better antenna performance at a given frequency. Return Loss is easily derived from VSWR.

$$\text{Return Loss} = -20 \log_{10} \left[ \frac{\text{VSWR} - 1}{\text{VSWR} + 1} \right]$$

**Efficiency ( $\eta$ )** - The total power radiated from an antenna divided by the input power at the feed point of the antenna as a percentage.

**Total Radiated Efficiency** - (TRE) The total efficiency of an antenna solution comprising the radiation efficiency of the antenna and the transmitted (forward) efficiency from the transmitter.

$$\text{TRE} = \eta \cdot \left( 1 - \left( \frac{\text{VSWR} - 1}{\text{VSWR} + 1} \right)^2 \right)$$

**Gain** - The ratio of an antenna's efficiency in a given direction (G) to the power produced by a theoretical lossless (100% efficient) isotropic antenna. The gain of an antenna is almost always expressed in decibels.

$$G_{\text{db}} = 10 \log_{10}(G)$$

$$G_{\text{dBd}} = G_{\text{dBi}} - 2.51\text{dB}$$

**Peak Gain** - The highest antenna gain across all directions for a given frequency range. A directional antenna will have a very high peak gain compared to average gain.

**Average Gain** - The average gain across all directions for a given frequency range.

**Maximum Power** - The maximum signal power which may be applied to an antenna feed point, typically measured in watts (W).

**Reflected Power** - A portion of the forward power reflected back toward the amplifier due to a mismatch at the antenna port.

$$\left( \frac{\text{VSWR} - 1}{\text{VSWR} + 1} \right)^2$$

**decibel (dB)** - A logarithmic unit of measure of the power of an electrical signal.

**decibel isotropic (dBi)** - A comparative measure in decibels between an antenna under test and an isotropic radiator.

**decibel relative to a dipole (dBd)** - A comparative measure in decibels between an antenna under test and an ideal half-wave dipole.

**Dipole** - An ideal dipole comprises a straight electrical conductor measuring 1/2 wavelength from end to end connected at the center to a feed point for the radio.

**Isotropic Radiator** - A theoretical antenna which radiates energy equally in all directions as a perfect sphere.

**Omnidirectional** - Term describing an antenna radiation pattern that is uniform in all directions. An isotropic antenna is the theoretical perfect omnidirectional antenna. An ideal dipole antenna has a donut-shaped radiation pattern and other practical antenna implementations will have less perfect but generally omnidirectional radiation patterns which are typically plotted on three axes.

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