# FPA Series Preamplifiers Datasheet

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**Product Overview**

Uputronics FPA series preamplifiers for software defined radio/other similar applications. Depending on the model they are fitted with band pass filters to increase sensitivity on certain frequencies of interest.

Using SAW bandpass filters in conjunction with low noise amplifier reduces out of band intermodulation while providing additional gain for increased sensitivity. When fitted the LNA is before the SAW filter. The wideband unit is not fitted with any filter.

**Powering The Unit**

There are 2 options for powering the unit either by the USB-C header or via bias-tee. Some SDR’s such as the Airspy can enable bias-tee and power the device. Alternatively, any USB-C cable can be used to power the device (USB-C Cable not provided). Both USB and Bias-tee can be connected at the same time with no detrimental effects.

Most USB wall chargers will power the unit, we note issues have been reported with some Apple USB-C plugs as the current requirement of the device is so low the charger doesn’t trigger.

There is an LED indicator above the USB-C socket to indicate the unit is operational. Depending on stock availability at the time of manufacture this indicator can be either green or red.

Internally the device runs at 3.3V so minimum bias-tee voltage is 3.5V.

**Operation**

Connect your antenna to the port marked ANT and your receiver to the port marked RX. Either power via USB or bias-tee as discussed above.

If the unit is not powered there is no passthrough of signal and the unit attenuates heavily.
Specifications

NF: Average 0.75dB
Supply Voltage: USB/Bias tee 5V
Power Usage (from 5V): 50mA approx.
Case Dimensions: 63.5mm x 63.5mm x 30mm (2.5” x 2.5” x 1.2”) (Excluding optional lug kit)
Operational Temperature: -40°C to +85°C
Connectors: SMA Female input and output. USB-C Power
Case: Extruded Aluminium
In The Box: Uputronics FPA Preamplifier (No cables supplied)
Antenna Connector: DC Blocked (No Bias-tee passthrough)
ESD Protection: Skyworks Limiter on antenna input
Input HPF: HPF fitted to attenuate <100MHz on all models.

Gain

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Disclaimer

All Uputronics products are sold as test equipment with no guarantees of performance or operation, they are intended for engineering, research or lab use only and have not been tested for integration into commercial systems.

This product is not rated for outdoor use and isn’t IP rated.
Physical Dimensions

Showing the optional lug kit. This is available as a separate PDF download under the document links on all our FPA product pages.
162MHz Frequency Response

The following images show the frequency response of the 162MHz variant.
403MHz Frequency Response

The following images show the frequency response of the 403MHz Radiosonde variant.
434MHz Frequency Response

The following images show the frequency response of the 434MHz variant.
440MHz Frequency Response

The following images show the frequency response of the 440MHz Cubesat variant.
868MHz Frequency Response

The following images show the frequency response of the 868MHz variant.
915MHz Frequency Response

The following images show the frequency response of the 915MHz variant.
978MHz Frequency Response
The following images show the frequency response of the 978MHz UAT variant.
1090MHz Frequency Response

The following images show the frequency response of the 1090MHz ADS-B variant.
Wide Band Frequency Response

The following image show the frequency response of the Wideband variant.
CE Declaration of Conformity

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That the product:
Product type: Filtered PreAmp
Model #: Wide/137.5/162/403/434/440/868/915/978/1090MHz

Is in compliance with the essential requirements of the following:

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