

**VWA 0000942 AA**

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**2 to 20 GHz – 15 dB – 27 dBm  
Medium Power QFN MMIC**

### General description

The **VWA 0000942 AA** is a MMIC distributed amplifier in a 5x5mm 24 leads Plastic Surface Mount Package (ROHS).

This component uses VWA5000056AA Vectrawave die.

The device is operating in the frequency range 2 to 20 GHz and is capable of +27 dBm of output power in saturation regime. Linear gain is typically of 15 dB. The Design has been optimized to provide high efficiency, typical operating supply current is as low as 290 mA with a drain voltage at +8 V.

### Applications

- Wideband MPA
- Radar / ECM / ECCM
- Test and measurement
- Broadband / datalink communication

### Features

- Distributed amplifier pHEMT GaAs MMIC
- Wideband : 2 to 20 GHz
- High output Psat : +27 dBm
- Small signal gain: 15 dB
- 50Ω RF input and output
- AC coupled RF input, DC coupled RF output
- Power supply: 290 mA @ +8 V (typical conditions)
- Package : QFN 5x5 mm 24 Lead

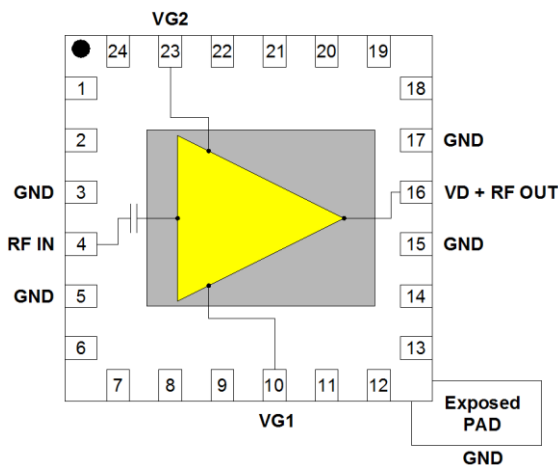
### Tools

S2P file can be provided for system design simulation.  
DXF drawing file is available for mechanical design.  
Evaluation board available on request.

### Ordering information

| Product code   | Definition                      |
|----------------|---------------------------------|
| VWA 0000942 AA | QFN 5x5 mm 24 Lead MPA          |
| VWA 0000960 AA | VWA 0000942 AA Evaluation Board |

### Functional diagram / Pinout



TOP VIEW

| PINOUT |       |     |             |
|--------|-------|-----|-------------|
| PIN    | NAME  | PIN | NAME        |
| 1      | NC    | 13  | NC          |
| 2      | NC    | 14  | NC          |
| 3      | GND   | 15  | GND         |
| 4      | RF IN | 16  | VD + RF OUT |
| 5      | GND   | 17  | GND         |
| 6      | NC    | 18  | NC          |
| 7      | NC    | 19  | NC          |
| 8      | NC    | 20  | NC          |
| 9      | NC    | 21  | NC          |
| 10     | VG1   | 22  | NC          |
| 11     | NC    | 23  | VG2         |
| 12     | NC    | 24  | NC          |

### Typical Characteristics (Ambient temperature T= 25°C)

Operating conditions:

Drain voltage : VD=+8V

VG2= +3V

VG1 : adjusted between -1V and 0V to obtain Drain current ID=290 mA<sup>(\*)</sup>

(Typically VG= -0.25 V)

| Measured parameters             | Symbol | Min | Typ    | Max | Unit |
|---------------------------------|--------|-----|--------|-----|------|
| Frequency range                 | F      | 2   |        | 20  | GHz  |
| Small signal gain               | G      |     | 15     |     | dB   |
| Small signal gain flatness      | ΔG     |     | +/-1.6 |     | dB   |
| Input return loss               | S11    |     | -13    | -6  | dB   |
| Output return loss              | S22    |     | -13    | -7  | dB   |
| Output power at 1dB compression | P1dB   |     | 25     |     | dBm  |
| Saturated output power          | PSat   | 25  | 27     |     | dBm  |
| Drain supply voltage            | VD     |     | + 8    |     | V    |
| Supply current <sup>(*)</sup>   | ID     |     | 290    |     | mA   |

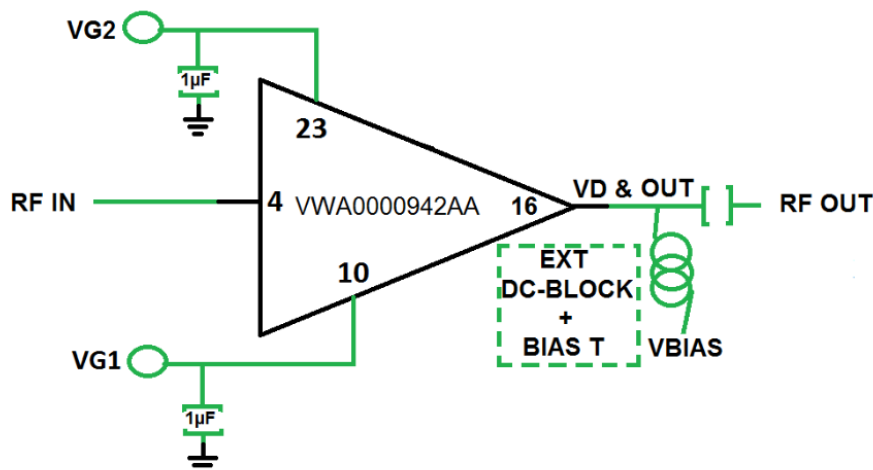
<sup>(\*)</sup> : without RF input signal

### Absolute maximum ratings

| Maximum ratings              | Symbols | Min  | Max  | Units |
|------------------------------|---------|------|------|-------|
| Drain voltage                | VD      |      | +9   | V     |
| Gate voltage first stage     | VG1     | -2.5 |      | V     |
| Gate voltage second stage    | VG2     | -1   | VD/2 | V     |
| CW RF input power            | Pin     |      | +18  | dBm   |
| Continuous power dissipation | Pcw     |      | 3.3  | W     |
| Storage temperature          | Tst     | -55  | +125 | °C    |
| Operating temperature        | Top     | -40  | +85  | °C    |

Operation of this device above any of these parameters may cause permanent damages.

### Application circuit



1µF : 0402 capacitor, must be placed as close as possible to the QFN access

## Biasing procedure

### Switch on

1. Set VG1 to -1V
2. Set VD to +8V
3. Set VG2 to +3V
4. Increase VG1 to obtain ID = 290mA (typically VG = -0.25V)
5. Turn RF ON

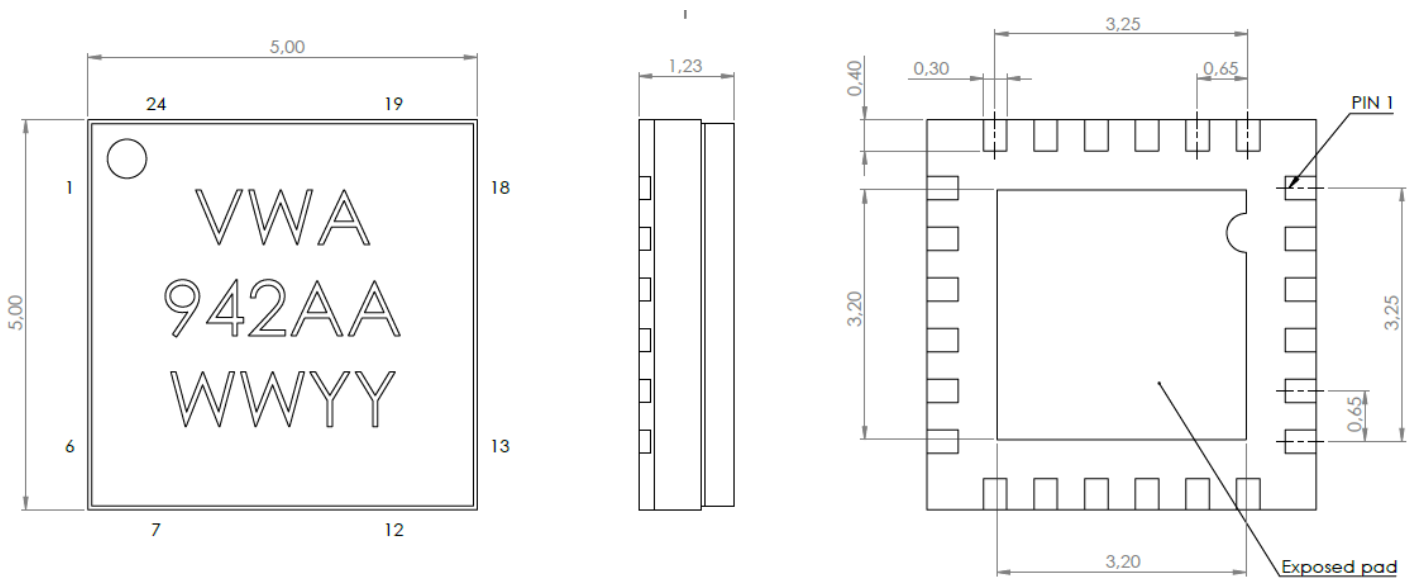
### Switch off

1. Turn RF OFF
2. Decrease VG1 to -1V
3. Set VG2 to 0V
4. Set VD to 0V
5. Set VG1 to 0V



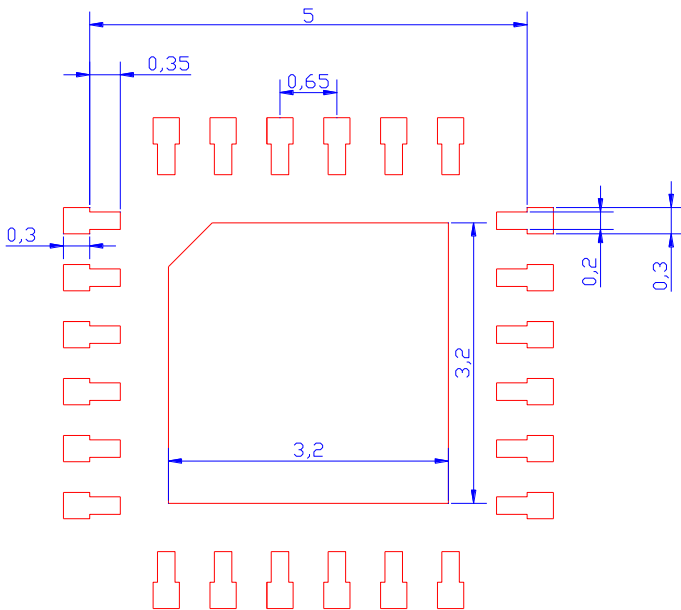
- *Always apply VG1 before applying VD*
- *This stress may cause permanent damage on component.*

**Mechanical Drawing**

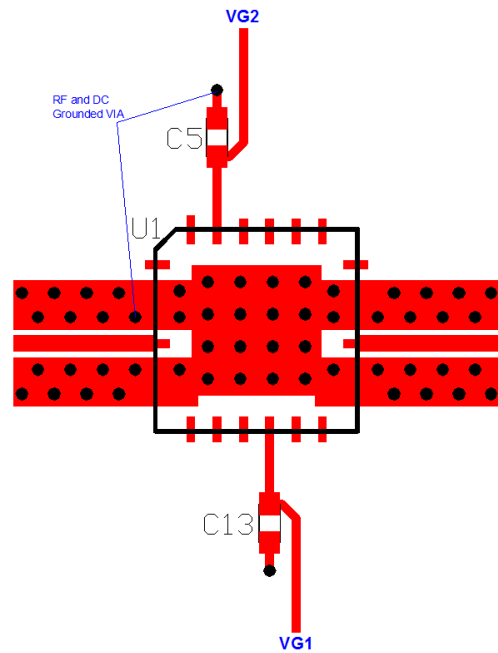


➤ QFN exposed PAD must be connected to ground (RF and DC).

**Recommended Land pattern**



**Suggested Board Layout**



C5, C13 : 0402 1µF/16V capacitor  
Substrate : RO4350B, thickness 0.254mm

**Handling**

This product is sensitive to electrostatic discharge and should not be handled except at a static free workstation. Take precautions to prevent ESD; use wrist straps, grounded work surfaces and recognized anti-static techniques when handling the **VWA 0000942 AA** device.

