# User Manual BFU5xx series starter kits Rev. 1 — 21 January 2014

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## 1. Introduction

The BFU5xxX transistor family is designed to meet the latest requirements on high frequency applications (up to approximately 1.5 GHz) such as communication, automotive and industrial equipment.

As soon as fast, low noise analogue signal processing is required, combined with medium to high voltage swings, the BFU5xxX transistors are the perfect choice. Due to the high gain at low supply current those types can also be applied very well in battery fed equipment.

Compared to previous Philips / NXP transistor generations and competitor products, improvements on gain, noise and thermal properties are realized. BFU5xxX transistors will be available in various packages.

The transistors will be promoted with a full promotion package, called "starter kits" (one kit type per package-type). Those kits include two PCB's (one with grounded emitter, one with emitter degeneration provision), RF connectors, transistors and simulation model parameters required to perform simulations. See the overview of available starter kits in the table below.

Transistor Types	Evaluation Kit
BFU520, BFU530, BFU550	OM7962, starter kit SOT143
BFU520X, BFU530X, BFU550X	OM7963, starter kit SOT143X
BFU520XR, BFU530XR, BFU550XR	OM7964, starter kit SOT143XR
BFU520A, BFU530A, BFU550A	OM7961, starter kit SOT23
BFU520W, BFU530W, BFU550W	OM7960, starter kit SOT323

#### Table 1. Customer evaluation kits

#### Table 2. Application Notes

Application Notes		
Transistor Type	Application Notes (433MHz LNA; 866MHz LNA)	
BFU520	AN11427; AN11428	
BFU530	AN11429; AN11430	
BFU550	AN11431; AN11432	
BFU520A	AN11377; AN11378	
BFU530A	AN11379; AN11380	
BFU550A	AN11381; AN11382	
BFU520W	AN11421; AN11422	
BFU530W	AN11423; AN11424	
BFU550W	AN11425; AN11426	
BFU520X	AN11433; AN11434	
BFU530X	AN11435; AN11436	
BFU550X	AN11437; AN11438	
BFU520XR	AN11439; AN11440	
BFU530XR	AN11441; AN11442	
BFU550XR	AN11443; AN11444	

## 2. Content of the starter kits

The starter kits contains following items:

- 1) 10 transistors of BFU520W
- 2) 10 transistors of BFU530W
- 3) 10 transistors of BFU550W
- 4) One generic Printed Circuit Board for amplifier design with grounded emitter
- 5) One generic Printed Circuit Board for amplifier design using feedback via emitter
- 6) 4 SMA connectors
- 7) 2 DC connectors
- 8) A USB memory stick containing Application notes, models, datasheets, S parameter data

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#### 2.1 The starter kit



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## 2.2 PCB's example for BFU5xx series LNA

## 3. Target applications for starter kit PCB's

Basically the PCB's are designed to accommodate an RF amplifier. These could be:

- 1) LNA's
- 2) Generic RF Amplifiers, small signal, small band
- 3) Wide band amplifiers (by applying feedback)
- 4) Amplifiers for large signal (using for example BFU550 types).



## 3.1 Basic schematic for Grounded Emitter versions (VGE0x)

Remarks:

- Not all components are required, depends on amplifier/matching configuration
- Input and output considered to be 50 Ohms characteristic impedance (SMA type)
- Generic PI or T matching network at input and output possible
- Basically on all BFU5xx series amplifier EVB's this schematic is applied, small variations on implementation are possible



### 3.2 Basic schematic for Emitter Degeneration version (VED0x)

Remarks:

- Not all components are required, depends on amplifier/matching configuration
- Input and output considered to be 50 Ohms characteristic impedance (SMA type)
- Two parallel components from emitter to GND enable to split DC/AC
- Generic PI or T matching network at input and output possible
  - Basically on all BFU5xx series amplifier EVB's this schematic is applied, small variations on implementation are possible

## 4. PCB drawings for all versions

On all PCB's, except SOT143XR types the same circuit can be applied. On all PCB's except the SOT323, 0603 footprints for capacitors/inductors/resistors are implemented. For SOT323 types this is reduced to 0402 because of the smaller size transistor package.

#### 4.1 Layer stack



#### 4.2 SOT323 Grounded Emitter



#### 4.3 SOT323 Emitter Degeneration



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#### 4.4 SOT23 Grounded Emitter



#### 4.5 SOT23 Emitter Degeneration



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#### 4.6 SOT143 Grounded Emitter



Fig 14. PCB Assembly drawing Amplifier design VGE



## 4.7 SOT143 Emitter Degeneration



Fig 16. PCB Assembly drawing Amplifier design VED



Fig 17. PCB Assembly drawing Amplifier design VED zoomed in

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#### 4.8 SOT143X Grounded Emitter



Fig 18. PCB Assembly drawing Amplifier design VGE



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#### 4.9 SOT143X Emitter Degeneration



Fig 20. PCB Assembly drawing Amplifier design VED



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#### 4.11 SOT143XR Grounded Emitter



Fig 24. PCB Assembly drawing Amplifier design VGE



. FCB Assembly drawing Ampimer design VGE zoomed in

#### 4.12 SOT143XR Emitter Degeneration



Fig 26. PCB Assembly drawing Amplifier design VED



## 5. USB memory device: content

#### 5.1 **Product Datasheets**

15 Datasheets for all BFU520, 530 and 550 types that are commercially available.

#### 5.2 Files for in-circuit Simulations

Mextram, Spice, S-parameters 400MHz - 2GHz with Noise, 40MHz - 6GHz no noise, instruction manual for installing the ADS design-kit

#### 5.3 Product Application Notes

Application notes as listed in table 2.

#### 5.4 Design files from PCB's

DXF files of all EVB's, created by ADS.

## 6. Example amplifier designs

Some examples that can be used as starting point, for more detailed description, measurement and simulation results please refer to NXP application notes on BFU5xx series. Basic schematic for Grounded Emitter version (VGE0x) can be found in the next sections.

#### 6.1 433MHz LNA using BFU520A



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#### 6.2 866MHz LNA using BFU520A

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#### 6.3 433MHz LNA using BFU530A

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### 6.4 866MHz LNA using BFU530A



#### 6.5 433MHz LNA using BFU550W



#### 6.6 866MHz LNA using BFU550W

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