

## ANT-W63WS3-SMA Hinged Blade WiFi 6 Antenna

The Linx ANT-W63WS3-SMA is a dipole, blade-style antenna for WiFi 6/WiFi 6E applications in the 2.4 GHz, 5 GHz and 6 GHz bands.

The hinged design allows for the antenna to be positioned for optimum performance and reduces the potential for damage from impact compared to a fixed whip design. The antenna is available with an SMA plug (male pin) connector.



### Features

- Performance at 5.15 GHz to 5.85 GHz
  - VSWR:  $\leq 1.8$
  - Peak Gain: 5.0 dBi
  - Efficiency: 66%
- Performance at 5.925 GHz to 7.125 GHz
  - VSWR:  $\leq 3.5$
  - Peak Gain: 5.3 dBi
  - Efficiency: 58%
- Hinged design with detents for straight, 45 degree and 90 degree positioning
- SMA plug (male pin)

### Applications

- WiFi/WLAN coverage
  - 802.11b/g
  - WiFi 4 (802.11n)
  - WiFi 5 (802.11ac)
  - WiFi 6 (802.11ax)
  - WiFi 6E (802.11ax)
- 2.4 GHz ISM applications
  - Bluetooth®
  - ZigBee®
- U-NII bands 1-4 and 5-8 (proposed)
- Internet of Things (IoT) devices
- Smart Home networking
- Sensing and remote monitoring

### Ordering Information

Part Number	Description
ANT-W63WS3-SMA	WiFi 6/WiFi 6E blade-style antenna with SMA plug (male pin)

Available from Linx Technologies and select distributors and representatives.

Electrical Specifications

ANT-W63WS3	ISM/WiFi	WiFi/U-NII 1-3	WiFi 6E
Frequency Range	2400 MHz to 2485 MHz	5150 MHz to 5850 MHz	5925 MHz to 7125 MHz
VSWR (max.)	2.3	1.8	3.5
Peak Gain (dBi)	2.4	5.0	5.3
Average Gain (dBi)	-4.3	-2.0	-3.1
Efficiency (%)	40	66	58
Polarization	Linear	Impedance	50 Ω
Radiation	Omnidirectional	Connection	SMA plug (male pin)
Max Power	5 W	Electrical Type	Dipole
Wavelength	1/2-wave	Operating Temp. Range	-20 °C to +65 °C
Weight	14.9 g (0.53 oz)		
Dimensions	Length: 135.7 mm x 20.1 mm x 10.0 mm (5.34 in x 0.79 in x 0.39 in)		

Electrical specifications and plots measured with the antenna in a straight orientation.

Product Dimensions

Figure 1 provides dimensions of the W63WS3. The antenna whip can be tilted 90 degrees, and has a detent at 45 degrees enabling the antenna to be oriented in any direction. The rotating base allows for continuous positioning through 360 degrees even while installed.

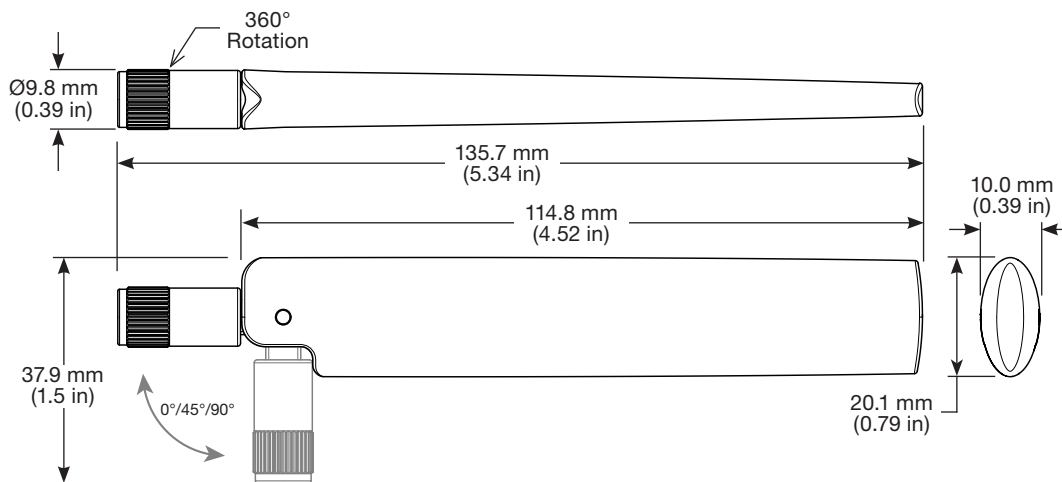


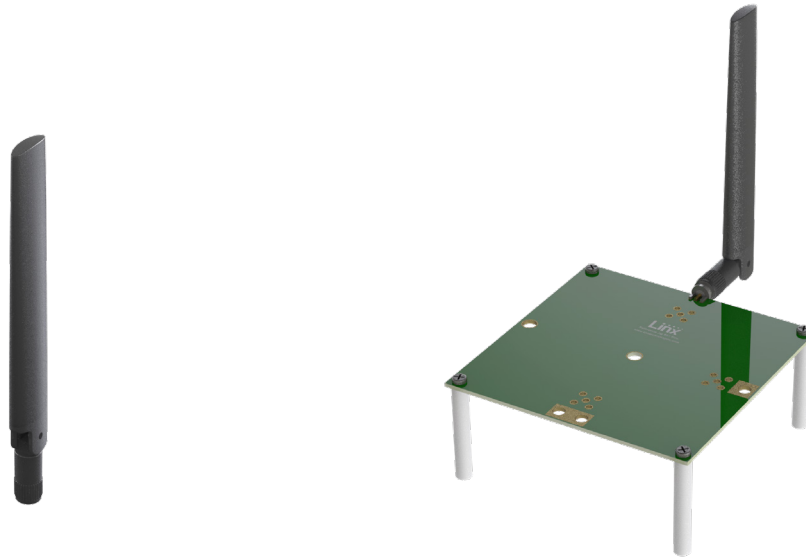
Figure 1. ANT-W63WS3-SMA Antenna Dimensions

Packaging Information

The W63WS3 antennas are individually sealed in a clear plastic bag. 600 bags per carton, 400 mm x 300 mm x 230 mm (15.7 in x 11.8 in x 9.1 in), total weight 10.1 kgs (22.3 lb). Distribution channels may offer alternative packaging options.

### Antenna Orientation

The W63WS3 antenna is characterized in two antenna orientations as shown in Figure 2. The antenna straight orientation characterizes use of an antenna attached to an enclosure-mounted connector which is connected by cable to a printed circuit board. Although the antenna is a dipole not requiring a ground plane for function, characterization with an adjacent ground plane (102 mm x 102 mm) provides insight into antenna performance when attached directly to a printed circuit board mounted connector. The two orientations represent the most common end-product use cases.



Straight, without ground plane

On edge of ground plane, bent 90 degrees

Figure 2. ANT-W63WS3-SMA on evaluation PCB

### Straight, No Ground Plane

The charts on the following pages represent data taken with the antenna oriented straight, as shown in Figure 3.



Figure 3. ANT-W63WS3-SMA Straight, No Ground Plane (Straight)

VSWR

Figure 4 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.

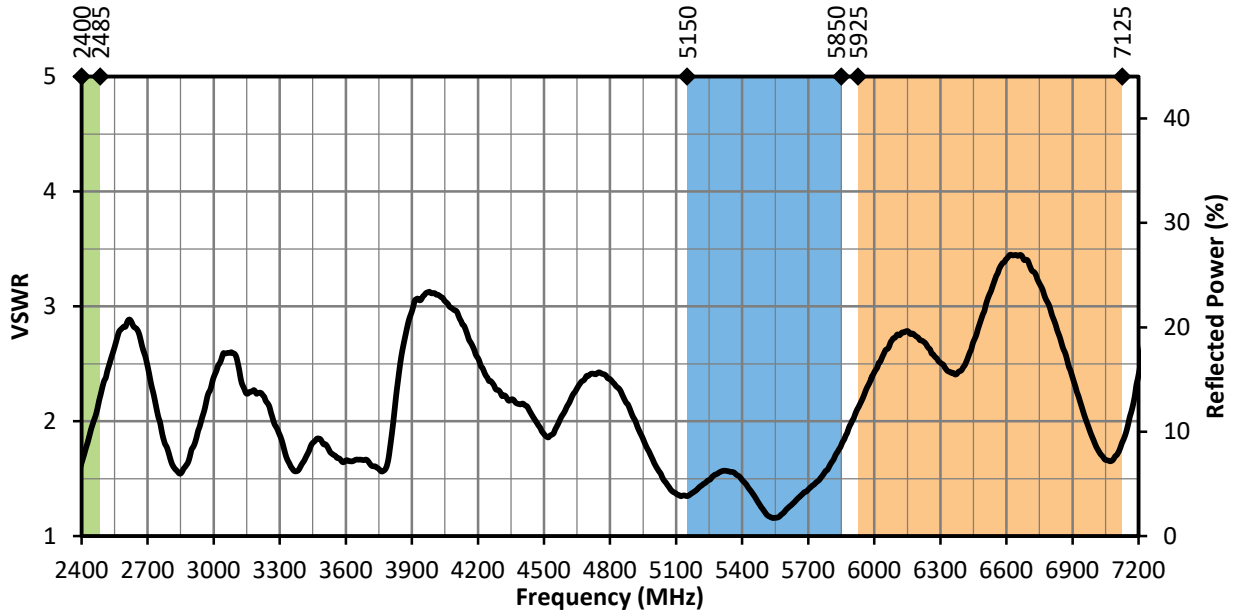


Figure 4. W63WS3 VSWR, Straight

Return Loss

Return loss (Figure 5), 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.

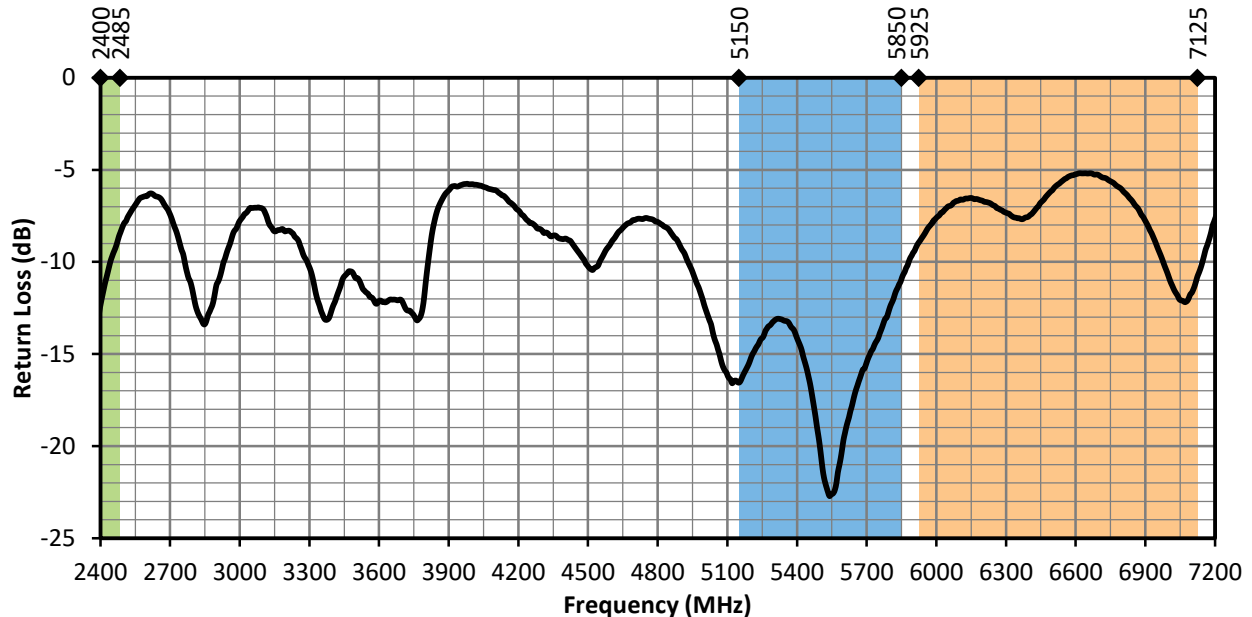


Figure 5. W63WS3 Return Loss, Straight

Peak Gain

The peak gain across the antenna bandwidth is shown in Figure 6. 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.

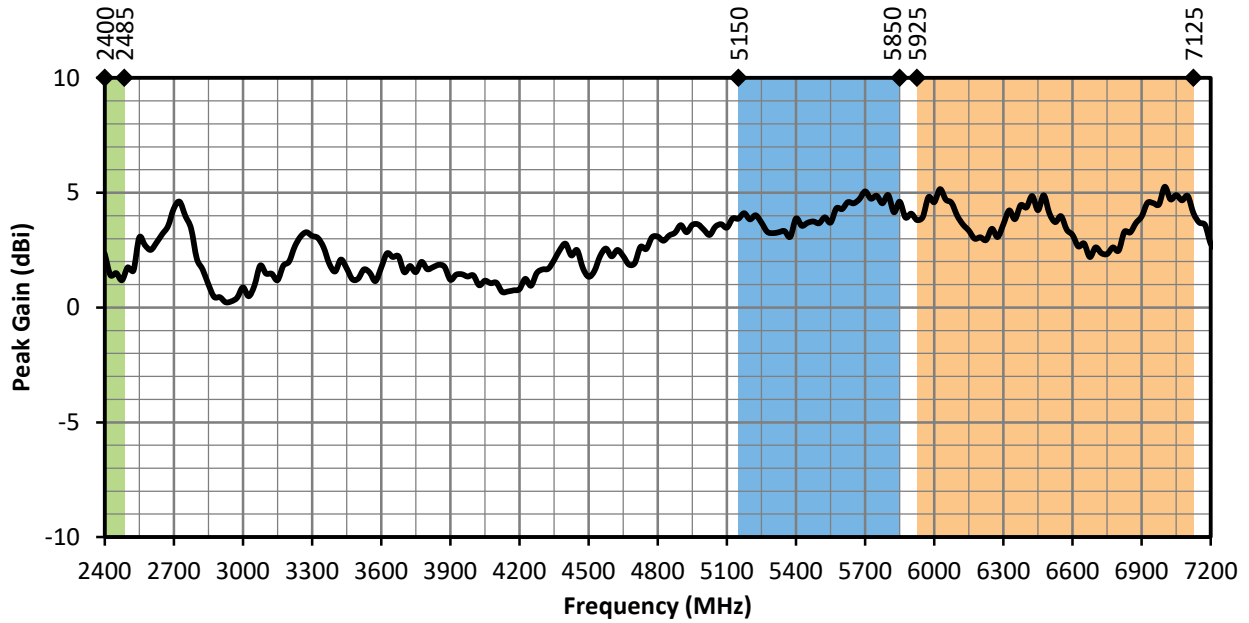


Figure 6. W63WS3 Peak Gain, Straight

Average Gain

Average gain (Figure 7), is the average of all antenna gain in 3-dimensional space at each frequency, providing an indication of overall performance without expressing antenna directionality.

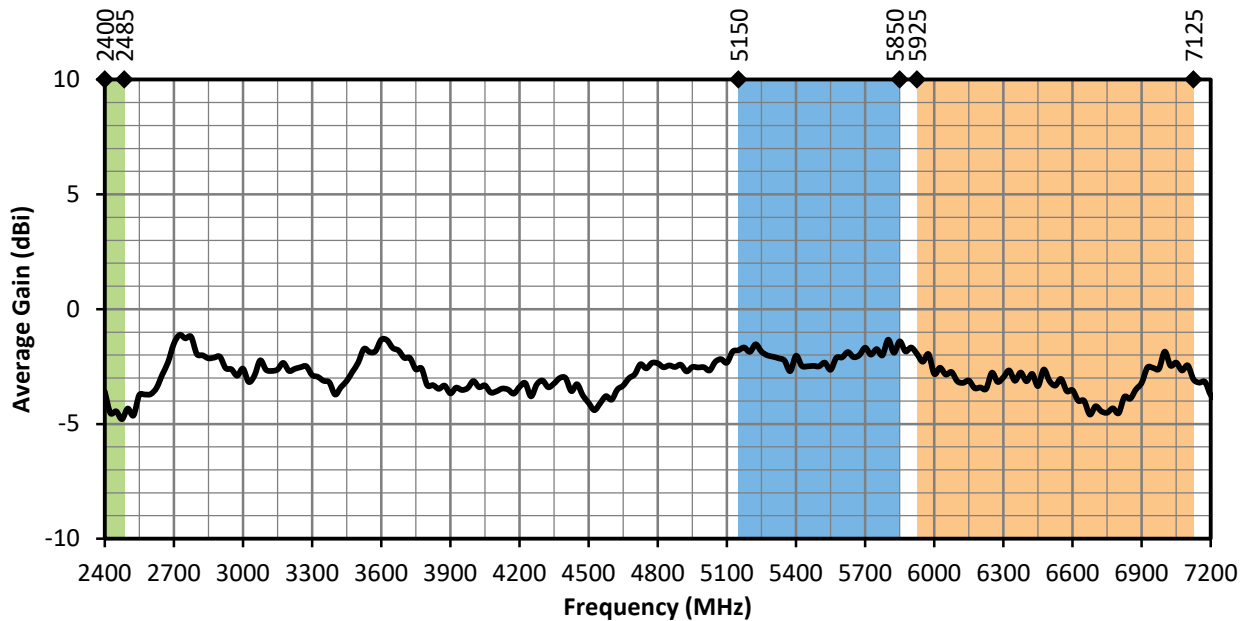


Figure 7. W63WS3 Antenna Average Gain, Straight

### Radiation Efficiency

Radiation efficiency (Figure 8), 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.

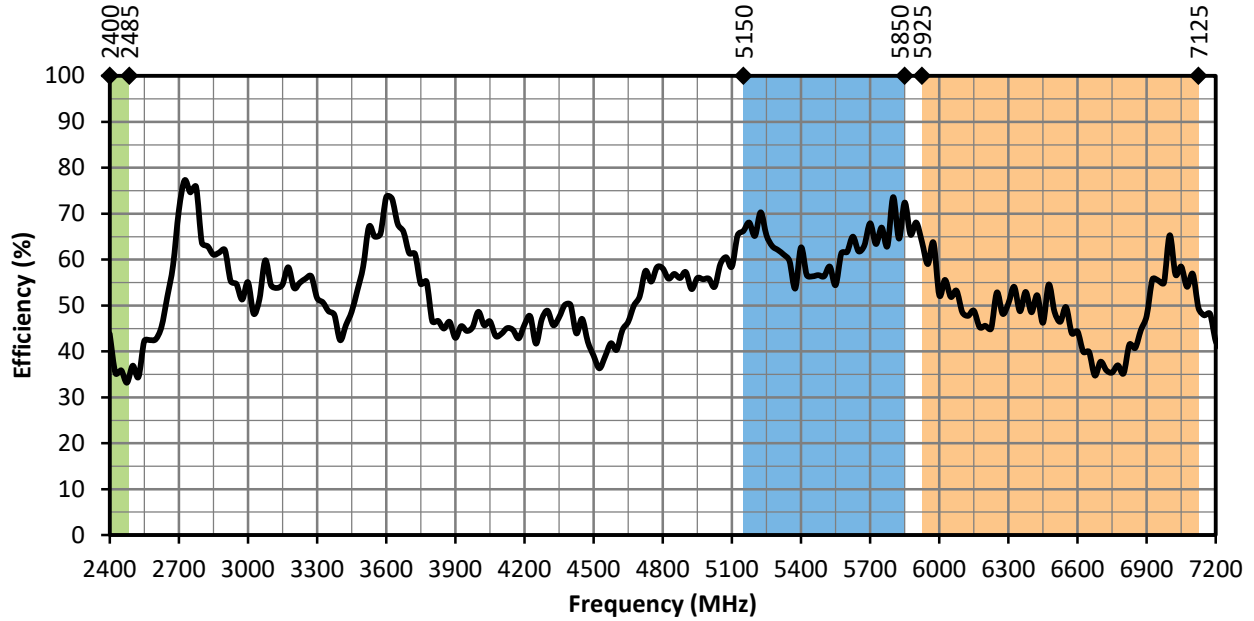


Figure 8. W63WS3 Antenna Efficiency, Straight

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 9 using polar plots covering 360 degrees. The antenna graphic at the top of the page 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.

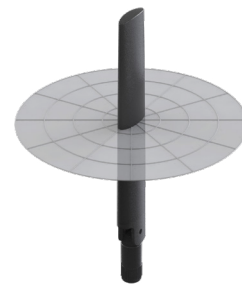
Radiation Patterns - Straight



XZ-Plane Gain

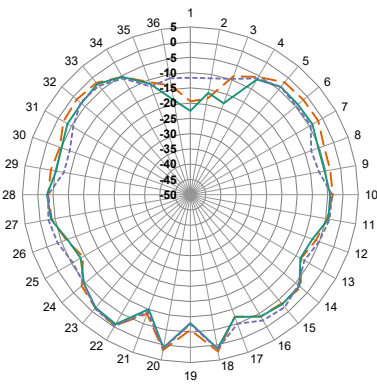


YZ-Plane Gain

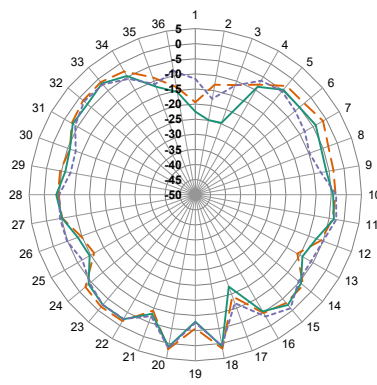


XY-Plane Gain

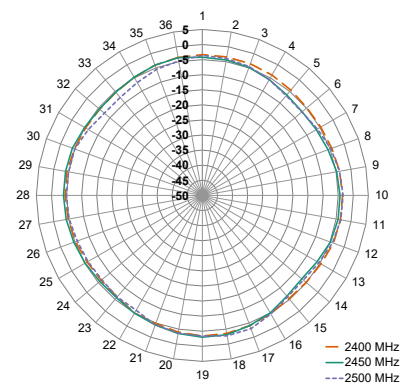
2400 MHz to 2485 MHz (2450 MHz)



XZ-Plane Gain



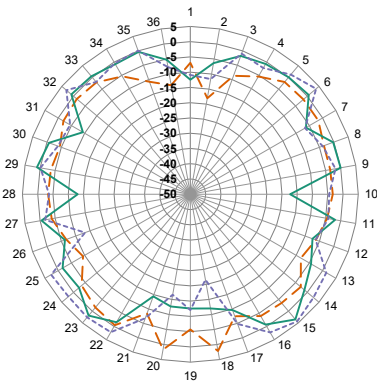
YZ-Plane Gain



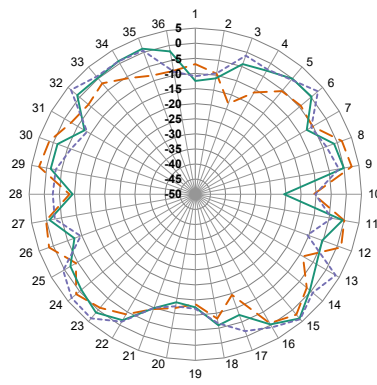
XY-Plane Gain

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— 2450 MHz  
- - 2500 MHz

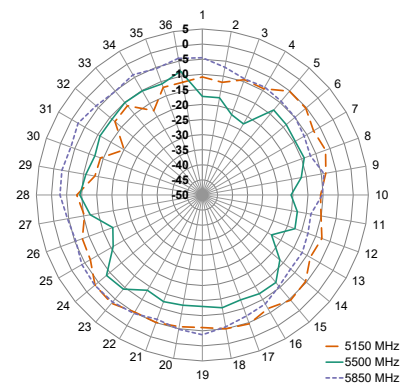
5150 MHz to 5850 MHz (5500 MHz)



XZ-Plane Gain



YZ-Plane Gain



XY-Plane Gain

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— 5500 MHz  
- - 5850 MHz

Radiation Patterns - Straight  
5925 MHz to 7125 MHz (6500 MHz)

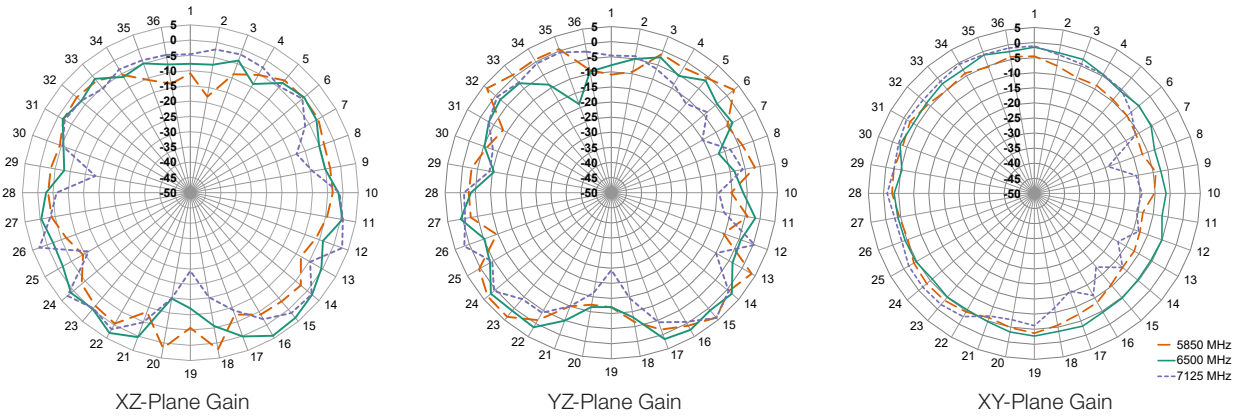


Figure 9. Radiation Patterns for ANT-W63WS3-SMA, Straight



Edge of Ground Plane, Bent 90 Degrees

The charts on the following pages represent data taken with the antenna oriented at the edge of the ground plane, bent 90 degrees (Edge-Bent), as shown in Figure 10.

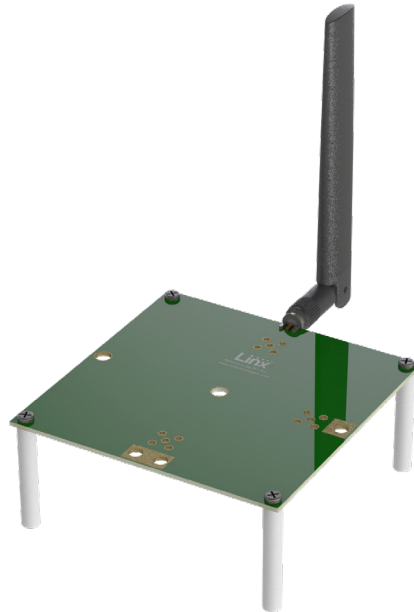


Figure 10. ANT-W63WS3-SMA on Edge of Ground Plane, Bent 90 Degrees (Edge-Bent)

VSWR

Figure 11 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.

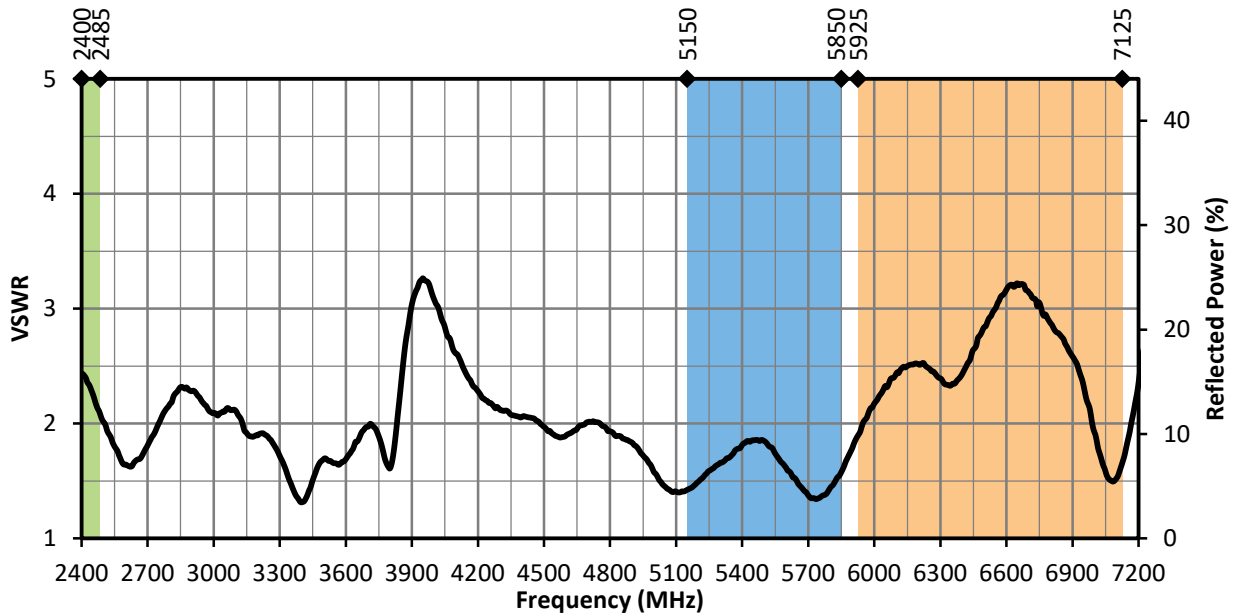


Figure 11. W63WS3 VSWR, Edge-Bent

### Return Loss

Return loss (Figure 12), 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.

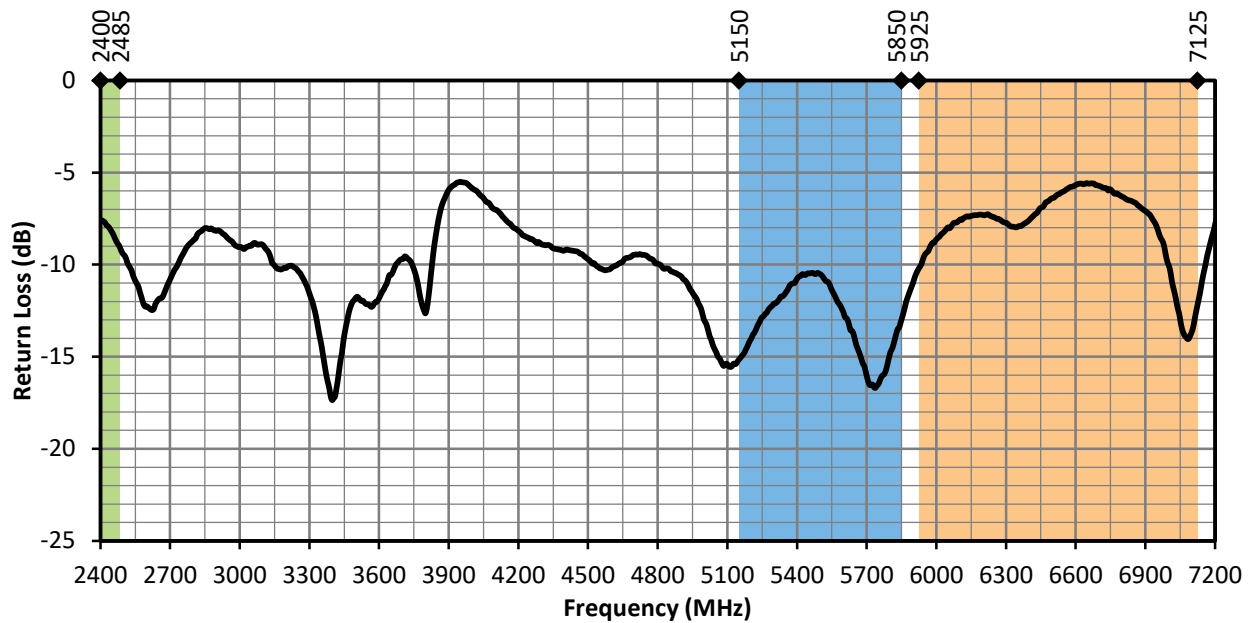


Figure 12. W63WS3 Return Loss, Edge-Bent

### Peak Gain

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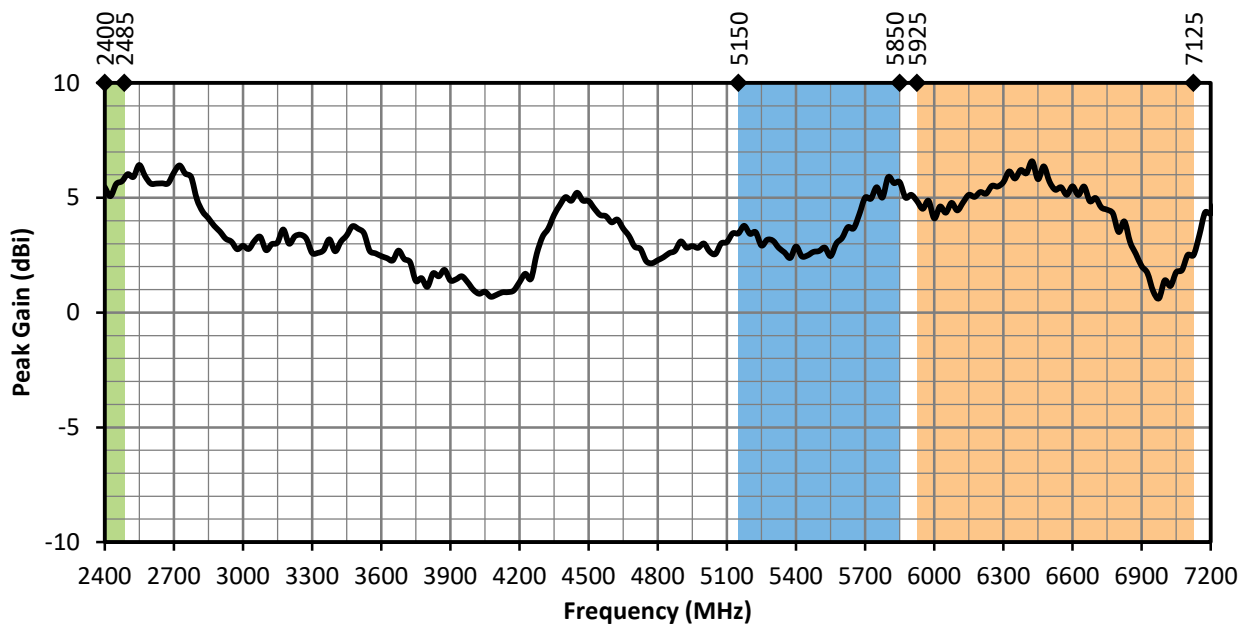


Figure 13. W63WS3 Peak Gain, Edge-Bent

### Average Gain

Average gain (Figure 14), is the average of all antenna gain in 3-dimensional space at each frequency, providing an indication of overall performance without expressing antenna directionality.

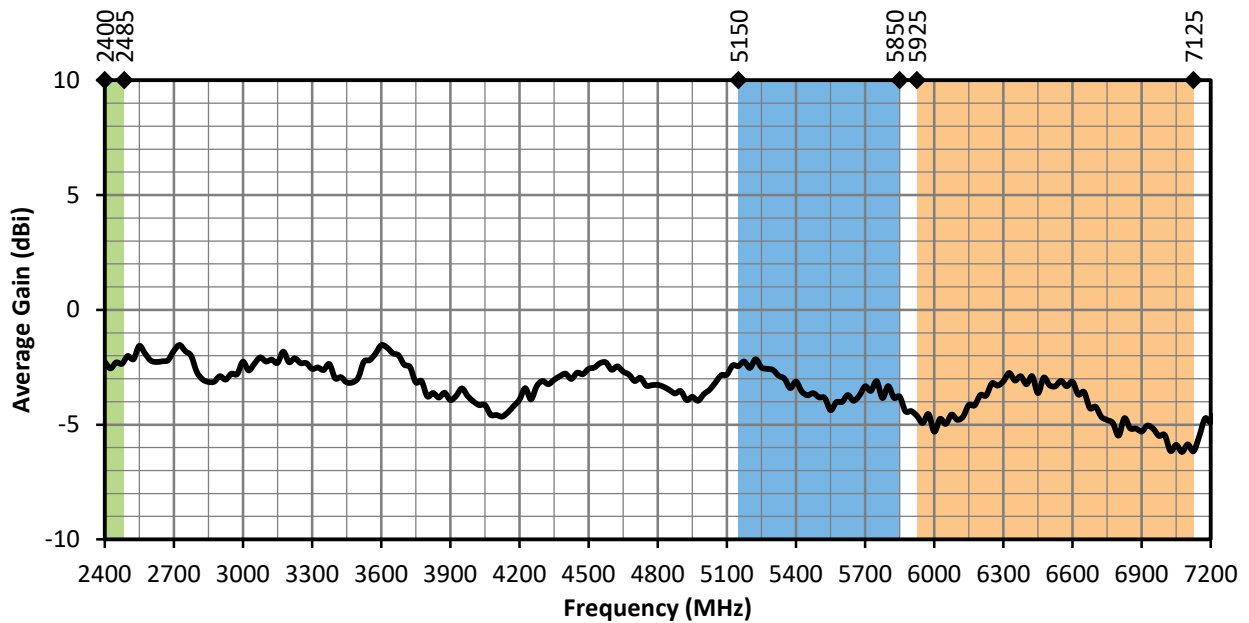


Figure 14. W63WS3 Antenna Average Gain, Edge-Bent

### Radiation Efficiency

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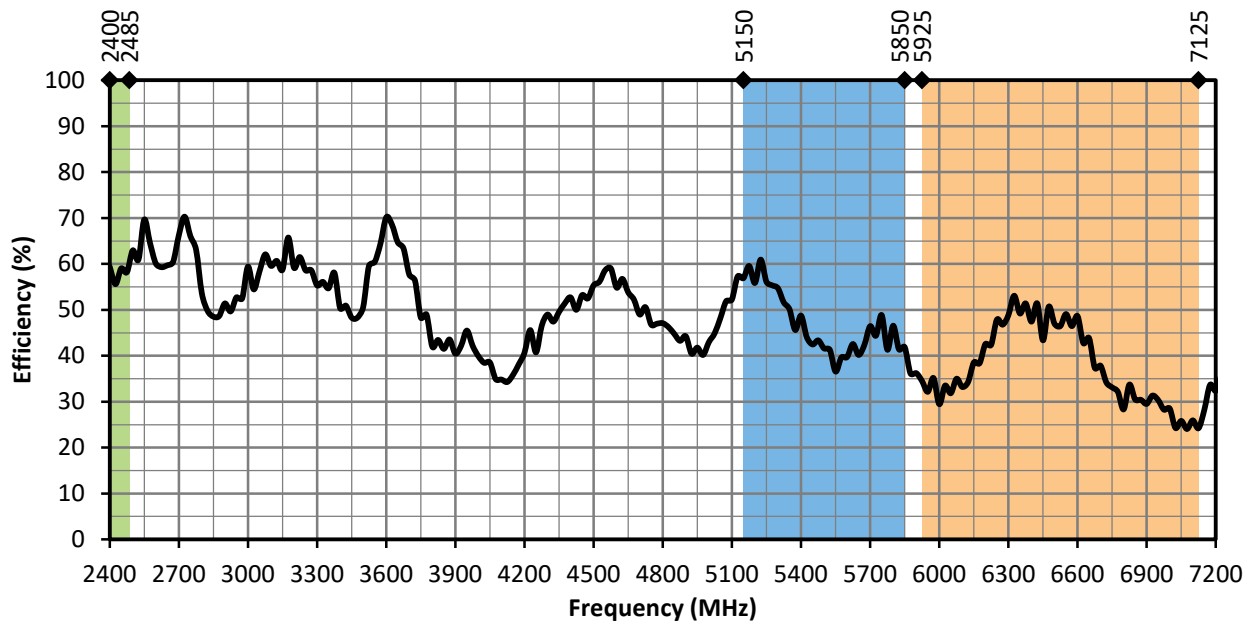
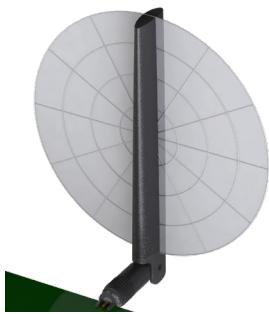


Figure 15. W63WS3 Antenna Efficiency, Edge-Bent

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 an Edge-Bent orientation are shown in Figure 16 using polar plots covering 360 degrees. The antenna graphic at the top of the page 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 - Edge-Bent



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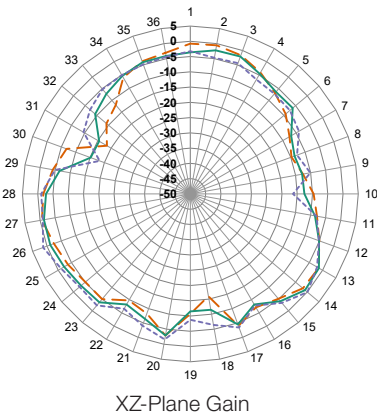


YZ-Plane Gain

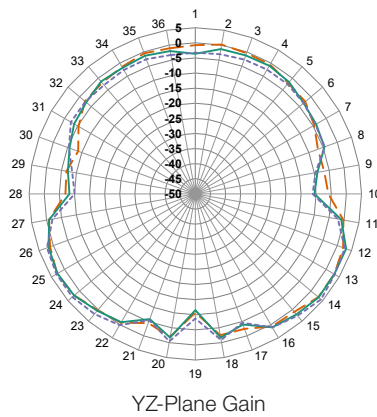


XY-Plane Gain

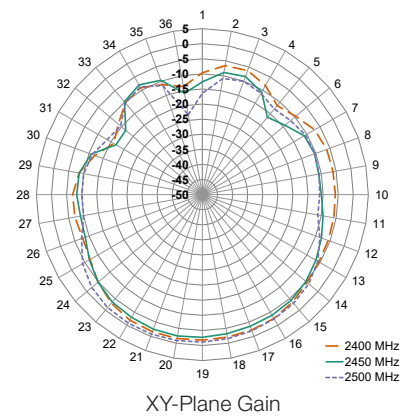
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XZ-Plane Gain



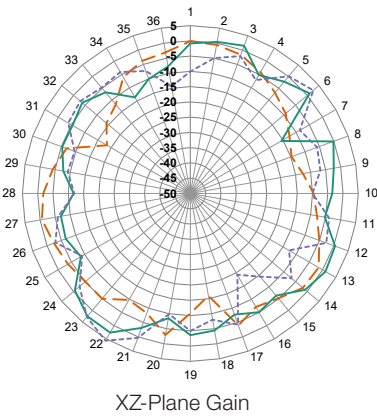
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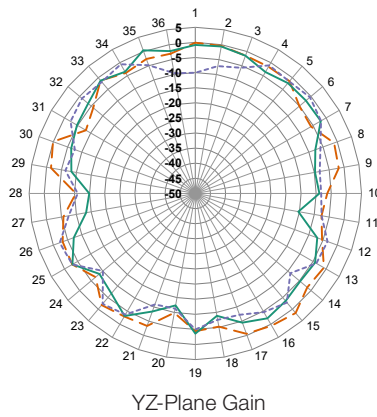
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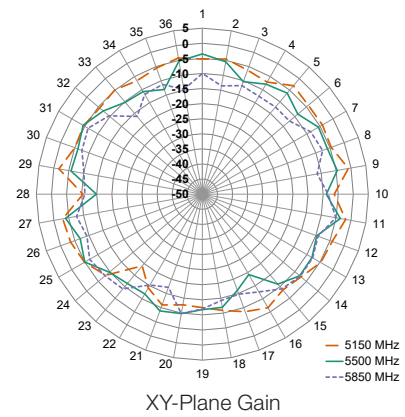
5150 MHz to 5850 MHz (5500 MHz)



XZ-Plane Gain



YZ-Plane Gain



XY-Plane Gain

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Radiation Patterns - Edge-Bent

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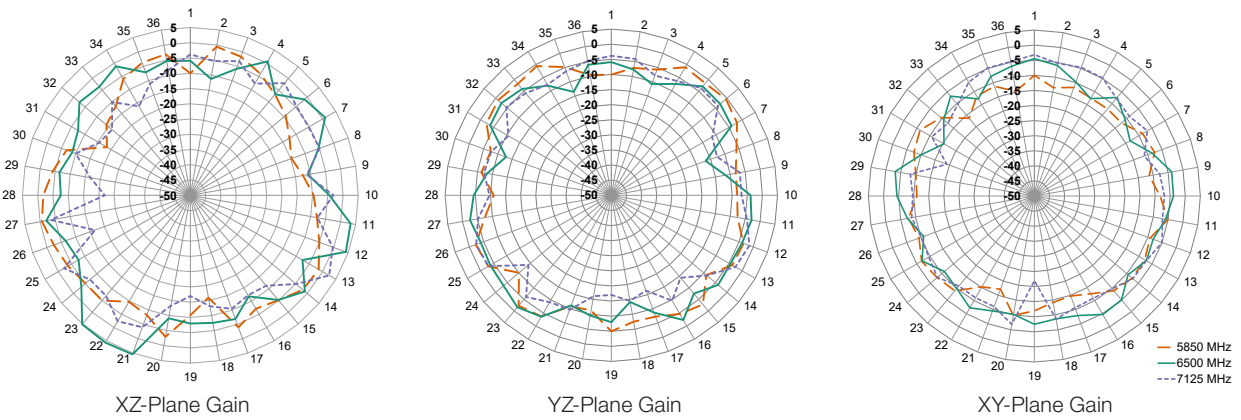


Figure 16. Radiation Patterns for ANT-W63WS3-SMA, Edge-Bent

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