

# ANT-8/9-SPS1 Series Panel Mount 868/915 MHz LPWA Antenna

The ANT-8/9-SPS1 antenna is an external panel mount puck-style multiband antenna designed for use in 868 MHz and 915 MHz frequency bands for low-power, wide-area (LPWA) applications such as LoRaWAN®, Sigfox® and WiFi HaLow™ as well as ISM and remote control applications.

The ANT-8/9-SPS1 provides a ground plane independent dipole antenna solution which mounts permanently to metallic and non-metallic surfaces.

The antenna terminates in an SMA plug (male pin) connector on 1 meter, 2 meter and 3 meter lengths of RG-174/U coaxial cable enabling an environmentally sealed enclosure and protection from tampering.

#### **Features**

Performance at 862 MHz to 876 MHz

VSWR: ≤ 1.6Peak Gain: 5.1 dBiEfficiency: 34%

Performance at 902 MHz to 930 MHz

VSWR: ≤ 2.4Peak Gain: 5.2 dBiEfficiency: 32%

- Ground plane independent dipole antenna
- External mount, includes all hardware for installation including M12x1 hex nut, washer and optional boot
- SMA plug (male pin) gold plated connection
- IP67 rating
- Impact resistant UV stabilized ABS radome material



# **Applications**

- Low-power, wide-area (LPWA) applications
  - LoRaWAN®
  - Sigfox®
  - WiFi HaLow™ (802.11ah)
- Remote control, monitoring and sensing
- Internet of Things (IoT) devices
- ISM applications

# Ordering Information

Part Number	Description	
ANT-8/9-SPS1-1	1 meter (39.37 in) LPWA panel mount antenna with SMA plug (male pin) on RG-174/U coaxial cable and mounting hardware, including M12x1 hex nut, washer and rubber boot	
ANT-8/9-SPS1-2	2 meters (78.74 in) LPWA panel mount antenna with SMA plug (male pin) on RG-174/U coaxial cable and mounting hardware, including M12x1 hex nut, washer and rubber boot	
ANT-8/9-SPS1-3	3 meters (118.11 in) LPWA panel mount antenna with SMA plug (male pin) on RG-174/U coaxial cable and mounting hardware, including M12x1 hex nut, washer and rubber boot	

Available from Linx Technologies and select distributors and representatives.

Table 1. Electrical Specifications

ANT-8/9-SPS1	868 MHz	915 MHz	
Frequency Range	862 MHz to 876 MHz	902 MHz to 930 MHz	
VSWR (max.)	1.6	2.4	
Peak Gain (dBi)	5.1	5.2	
Average Gain (dBi)	-6.0	-5.1	
Efficiency (%)	34	32	
Polarization	Linear		
Radiation	Omnidirectional		
Max Power	15 W		
Wavelength	1/2-wave		
Electrical Type	Dipole		
Impedance	50 Ω		

Electrical specifications and plots measured with a 300 mm x 300 mm (11.8 in x 11.8 in) ground plane.

Table 2. Mechanical Specifications

ANT-8/9-SPS1		
Connection	SMA plug (male pin)	
Cable	1 meter (39.37 in), 2 meters (78.74 in) and 3 meters (118.11 in) of RG-174/U coaxial cable	
Weight	63.4 g (2.24 oz)	
Dimensions	23.3 mm x Ø54.7 mm (0.92 in x Ø2.15 in)	
IP Rating	IP67	
Operating Temp. Range	-40 °C to +70 °C	

# **Product Dimensions**

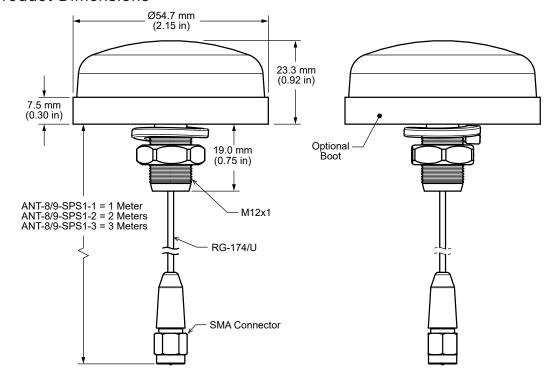


Figure 1. ANT-8/9-SPS1 Dimensions



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#### **VSWR**

Figure 2 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.

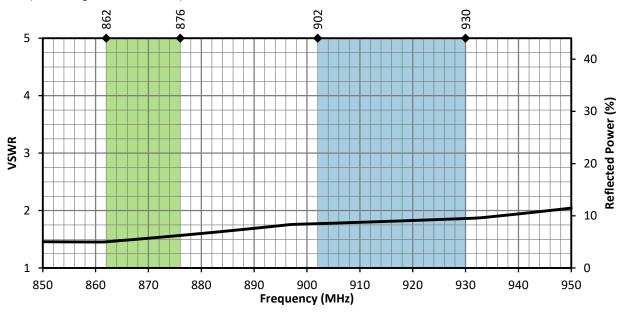


Figure 2. ANT-8/9-SPS1 Antenna VSWR with Frequency Band Highlights

## Return Loss

Return loss (Figure 3), 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.

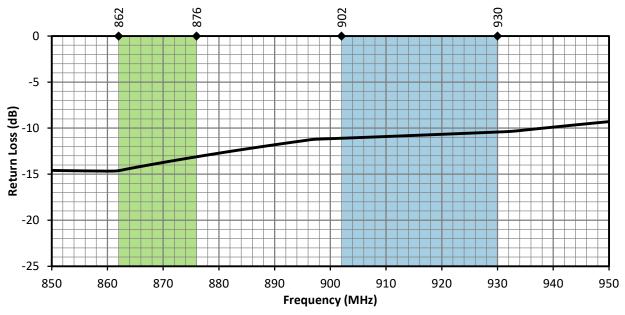


Figure 3. ANT-8/9-SPS1 Antenna Return Loss with Frequency Band Highlights



#### Peak Gain

The peak gain across the antenna bandwidth is shown in Figure 4. 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.

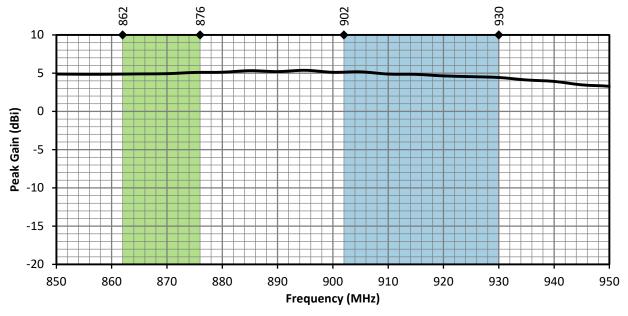


Figure 4. ANT-8/9-SPS1 Antenna Peak Gain with Frequency Band Highlights

## Average Gain

Average gain (Figure 5), is the average of all antenna gain in 3-dimensional space at each frequency, providing an indication of overall performance without expressing antenna directionality.

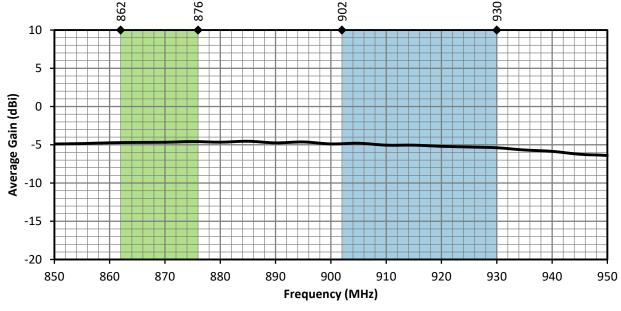


Figure 5. ANT-8/9-SPS1 Antenna Average Gain with Frequency Band Highlights



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# Radiation Efficiency

Radiation efficiency (Figure 6), 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.

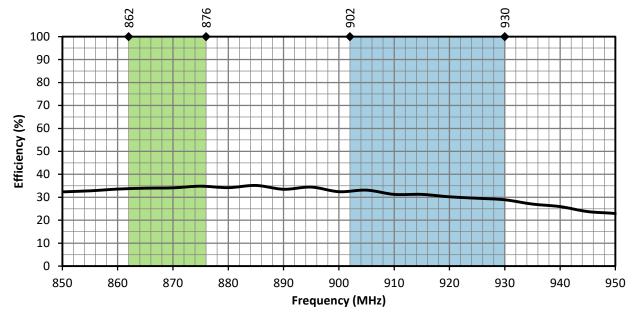


Figure 6. ANT-8/9-SPS1 Antenna Radiation Efficiency with Frequency Band Highlights

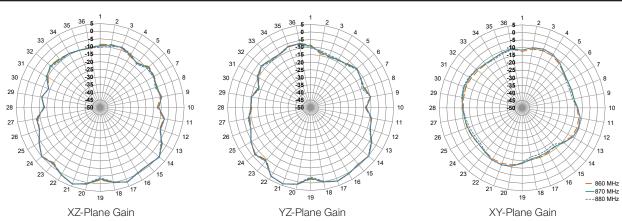


## Radiation Patterns

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 (Figure 7), are shown using polar plots covering 360 degrees. The antenna graphic above the plots 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.



## 862 MHz to 876 MHz (868 MHz)



#### 902 MHz to 930 MHz (915 MHz)

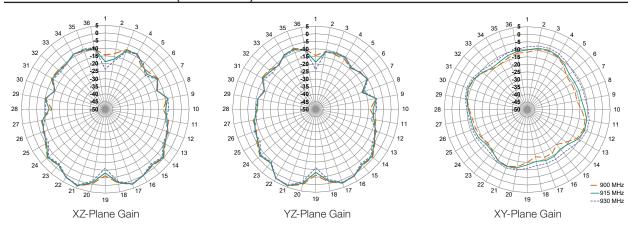


Figure 7. Radiation Patterns for ANT-8/9-SPS1 Antenna



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#### LPWA: LoRaWAN® and Sigfox®

LoRaWAN and Sigfox LPWA technologies operate within several of the frequencies supported by the ANT-8/9-SPS1 antenna. Notably, LoRaWAN operates at the frequency bands shown in Table 3. Sigfox operates at different frequencies determined by country (Table 4).

Table 3. LoRaWAN® Channel plan

Frequency Band	LoRaWAN Channel Plan
779 MHz to 787 MHz	CN779-787
865 MHz to 867 MHz	IN765-867
868 MHz to 873 MHz	EU863-870
902 MHz to 928 MHz	US902-928, AS923
915 MHz to 928 MHz	AU915-928
917 MHz to 923.5 MHz	KR920-923

Table 4. Sigfox® Frequencies by Country/Region

Center Frequency	Select Countries/Regions
868 MHz	Europe
902 MHz	USA, Mexico, Brazil
920 MHz	Australia
923 MHz	Japan

#### Antenna Mounting

The ANT-8/9-SPS1 antenna is an externally mounted multiband antenna that can be permanently installed onto metallic and non-metallic surfaces up to 3.9 mm (0.15 in) thick when used with the provided boot, and up to 4.2 mm (0.17 in) without the boot. Use of the boot is optional, and is intended to reduce the potential for marring of the mounting surface.

The antenna terminates in a M12x1 threaded shaft and is provided with a washer and hex nut. The mounting hole dimensions are shown in Figure 8.

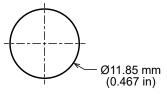


Figure 8. ANT-8/9-SPS1 Mounting Hole Dimensions

## Packaging Information

The ANT-8/9-SPS1 series antenna is individually placed in a polyethylene bag. 50 pcs. are sealed in larger polyethylene bags. Larger quantities are shipped in cartons of 100 pcs. Carton size = 320 mm x 250 mm x 230 mm (12.60 in x 9.84 in x 9.10 in). Distribution channels may offer alternative packaging options.



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