



FCC SAR TEST REPORT

FCC ID PPD-QCNFA435

Equipment Single Stream 802.11a/b/g/n/ac + BT 4.1 M.2

Type Card

Brand Name Qualcomm Atheros

 QCNFA435 **Model Name**

Applicant Qualcomm Atheros, Inc.

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Manufacturer: **Qualcomm Atheros, Inc.**

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 FCC 47 CFR Part 2 (2.1093) Standard

ANSI/IEEE C95.1-1992

IEEE 1528-2013

The product was installed into Portable Computer (Brand Name DELL, Model Name: P87G, P87G001) during test.

The product was received on Sep 01, 2017 and testing was started from Mar. 30, 2018 and completed on Jun. 01, 2018. We, SPORTON INTERNATIONAL INC., would like to declare that the tested sample has been evaluated in accordance with the test procedures and has been in compliance with the applicable technical standards.

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1. Statement of Compliance

The maximum results of Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) found during testing for Qualcomm Atheros, Inc., Single Stream 802.11a/b/g/n/ac + BT 4.1 M.2 Type **Card**, QCNFA435, are as follows.

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Equipment Class	Frequency Band	Highest SAR Summary Body (Separation 0mm) 1g SAR (W/kg)	Highest Simultaneous Transmission 1g SAR (W/kg)
DTS	2.4GHz WLAN	0.33	0.06
NII	5GHz WLAN	0.75	0.96
Date of Testing:		2018/3/30	~2018/6/1

Sporton Lab is accredited to ISO 17025 by Taiwan Accreditation Foundation (TAF code: 1190) and the FCC designation No. TW1190 under the FCC 2.948(e) by Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) in FCC test. This device is in compliance with Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) for general population/uncontrolled exposure limits (1.6 W/kg) specified in FCC 47 CFR part 2 (2.1093) and ANSI/IEEE C95.1-1992, and had been tested in accordance with the measurement methods and procedures specified in IEEE 1528-2013 and FCC KDB publications

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2. Guidance Applied

The Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) testing specification, method, and procedure for this device is in accordance with the following standards:

- FCC 47 CFR Part 2 (2.1093)
- ANSI/IEEE C95.1-1992
- IEEE 1528-2013
- FCC KDB 865664 D01 SAR Measurement 100 MHz to 6 GHz v01r04
- FCC KDB 865664 D02 SAR Reporting v01r02
- FCC KDB 447498 D01 General RF Exposure Guidance v06
- FCC KDB 248227 D01 802.11 Wi-Fi SAR v02r02
- FCC KDB 616217 D04 SAR for laptop and tablets v01r02

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3. Equipment Under Test (EUT) Information

3.1 General Information

	Product Feature & Specification			
Equipment Name	quipment Name Single Stream 802.11a/b/g/n/ac + BT 4.1 M.2 Type Card			
Brand Name	Qualcomm Atheros			
Model Name	QCNFA435			
FCC ID	PPD-QCNFA435			
Wireless Technology and Frequency Range	WLAN 2.4GHz Band: 2412 MHz ~ 2462 MHz WLAN 5.2GHz Band: 5180 MHz ~ 5240 MHz WLAN 5.3GHz Band: 5260 MHz ~ 5320 MHz WLAN 5.5GHz Band: 5500 MHz ~ 5720 MHz WLAN 5.8GHz Band: 5745 MHz ~ 5825 MHz Bluetooth: 2402 MHz ~ 2480 MHz			
WLAN 2.4GHz : 802.11b/g/n/ac HT20/HT40/VHT20/VHT40 WLAN 5GHz : 802.11a/n/ac HT20/HT40/VHT20/VHT40/VHT80 Bluetooth BR/EDR/LE				

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 This device had two antenna vendors, RF exposure evaluation is selected HONGBO as the main test, ACON will spot check worst cases found in HONGBO.

Host Information			
Equipment Name	Portable Computer		
Brand Name	DELL		
Model Name	P87G, P87G001		
EUT Stage	Identical Prototype		

Antenna Information					
Manufacturer HONGBO		Manufacturer	AC	ON	
Model Name	ame 260-26160		Model Name	ANF6Y-	200018
Ant. Type	PIFA		Ant. Type	PIFA	
Peak Gain (dBi)	2.4GHz WLAN	Main: -0.59 Aux: -1.18	Dook Coin (4Di)	2.4GHz WLAN	Main:-1.38 Aux:-2.7
reak Gaill (UBI)	5GHz WLAN	Main: -1.07 Aux: -1.64	Peak Gain (dBi)	5GHz WLAN	Main:-1.14 Aux:-1.73

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4. <u>RF Exposure Limits</u>

4.1 Uncontrolled Environment

Uncontrolled Environments are defined as locations where there is the exposure of individuals who have no knowledge or control of their exposure. The general population/uncontrolled exposure limits are applicable to situations in which the general public may be exposed or in which persons who are exposed as a consequence of their employment may not be made fully aware of the potential for exposure or cannot exercise control over their exposure. Members of the general public would come under this category when exposure is not employment-related; for example, in the case of a wireless transmitter that exposes persons in its vicinity.

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4.2 Controlled Environment

Controlled Environments are defined as locations where there is exposure that may be incurred by persons who are aware of the potential for exposure, (i.e. as a result of employment or occupation). In general, occupational/controlled exposure limits are applicable to situations in which persons are exposed as a consequence of their employment, who have been made fully aware of the potential for exposure and can exercise control over their exposure. The exposure category is also applicable when the exposure is of a transient nature due to incidental passage through a location where the exposure levels may be higher than the general population/uncontrolled limits, but the exposed person is fully aware of the potential for exposure and can exercise control over his or her exposure by leaving the area or by some other appropriate means.

Limits for Occupational/Controlled Exposure (W/kg)

Whole-Body	Partial-Body	Hands, Wrists, Feet and Ankles
0.4	8.0	20.0

Limits for General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure (W/kg)

Whole-Body	Partial-Body	Hands, Wrists, Feet and Ankles
0.08	1.6	4.0

1. Whole-Body SAR is averaged over the entire body, partial-body SAR is averaged over any 1gram of tissue defined as a tissue volume in the shape of a cube. SAR for hands, wrists, feet and ankles is averaged over any 10 grams of tissue defined as a tissue volume in the shape of a cube.

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5. Specific Absorption Rate (SAR)

5.1 Introduction

SAR is related to the rate at which energy is absorbed per unit mass in an object exposed to a radio field. The SAR distribution in a biological body is complicated and is usually carried out by experimental techniques or numerical modeling. The standard recommends limits for two tiers of groups, occupational/controlled and general population/uncontrolled, based on a person's awareness and ability to exercise control over his or her exposure. In general, occupational/controlled exposure limits are higher than the limits for general population/uncontrolled.

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5.2 SAR Definition

The SAR definition is the time derivative (rate) of the incremental energy (dW) absorbed by (dissipated in) an incremental mass (dm) contained in a volume element (dv) of a given density (p). The equation description is as below:

$$SAR = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{dW}{dm} \right) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{dW}{\rho dv} \right)$$

SAR is expressed in units of Watts per kilogram (W/kg)

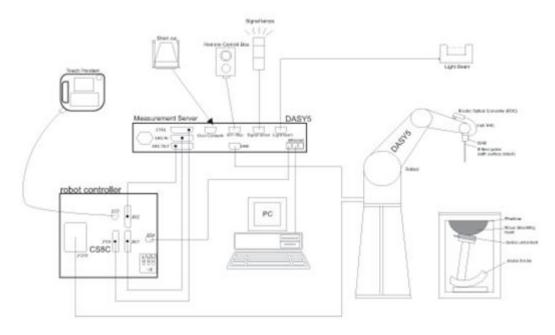
$$SAR = \frac{\sigma |E|^2}{\rho}$$

Where: σ is the conductivity of the tissue, ρ is the mass density of the tissue and E is the RMS electrical field strength.

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6. System Description and Setup

The DASY system used for performing compliance tests consists of the following items:



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- A standard high precision 6-axis robot with controller, teach pendant and software. An arm extension for accommodating the data acquisition electronics (DAE).
- An isotropic Field probe optimized and calibrated for the targeted measurement.
- A data acquisition electronics (DAE) which performs the signal amplification, signal multiplexing, AD-conversion, offset measurements, mechanical surface detection, collision detection, etc. The unit is battery powered with standard or rechargeable batteries. The signal is optically transmitted to the EOC.
- The Electro-optical converter (EOC) performs the conversion from optical to electrical signals for the digital communication to the DAE. To use optical surface detection, a special version of the EOC is required. The EOC signal is transmitted to the measurement server.
- The function of the measurement server is to perform the time critical tasks such as signal filtering, control of the robot operation and fast movement interrupts.
- The Light Beam used is for probe alignment. This improves the (absolute) accuracy of the probe positioning.
- A computer running WinXP or Win7 and the DASY5 software.
- Remote control and teach pendant as well as additional circuitry for robot safety such as warning lamps, etc.
- The phantom, the device holder and other accessories according to the targeted measurement.

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6.1 E-Field Probe

The SAR measurement is conducted with the dosimetric probe (manufactured by SPEAG). The probe is specially designed and calibrated for use in liquid with high permittivity. The dosimetric probe has special calibration in liquid at different frequency. This probe has a built in optical surface detection system to prevent from collision with phantom.

<ES3DV3 Probe>

Construction	Symmetric design with triangular core Interleaved sensors Built-in shielding against static charges PEEK enclosure material (resistant to organic solvents, e.g., DGBE)	
Frequency	10 MHz – 4 GHz; Linearity: ±0.2 dB (30 MHz – 4 GHz)	
Directivity	±0.2 dB in TSL (rotation around probe axis) ±0.3 dB in TSL (rotation normal to probe axis)	
Dynamic Range	5 μW/g – >100 mW/g; Linearity: ±0.2 dB	
Dimensions	Overall length: 337 mm (tip: 20 mm) Tip diameter: 3.9 mm (body: 12 mm) Distance from probe tip to dipole centers: 3.0 mm	



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<EX3DV4 Probe>

Construction	Symmetric design with triangular core
	Built-in shielding against static charges
	PEEK enclosure material (resistant to organic
	solvents, e.g., DGBE)
Frequency	10 MHz – >6 GHz
	Linearity: ±0.2 dB (30 MHz – 6 GHz)
Directivity	±0.3 dB in TSL (rotation around probe axis)
	±0.5 dB in TSL (rotation normal to probe axis)
Dynamic Range	10 μW/g – >100 mW/g
	Linearity: ±0.2 dB (noise: typically <1 µW/g)
Dimensions	Overall length: 337 mm (tip: 20 mm)
	Tip diameter: 2.5 mm (body: 12 mm)
	Typical distance from probe tip to dipole centers: 1
	mm



6.2 Data Acquisition Electronics (DAE)

The data acquisition electronics (DAE) consists of a highly sensitive electrometer-grade preamplifier with auto-zeroing, a channel and gain-switching multiplexer, a fast 16 bit AD-converter and a command decoder and control logic unit. Transmission to the measurement server is accomplished through an optical downlink for data and status information as well as an optical uplink for commands and the clock.

The input impedance of the DAE is 200 MOhm; the inputs are symmetrical and floating. Common mode rejection is above 80 dB.



Fig 5.1 Photo of DAE

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6.3 Phantom

<SAM Twin Phantom>

Shell Thickness	2 ± 0.2 mm; Center ear point: 6 ± 0.2 mm	A
Filling Volume	Approx. 25 liters	
Dimensions	Length: 1000 mm; Width: 500 mm; Height: adjustable feet	7 5
Measurement Areas	Left Hand, Right Hand, Flat Phantom	

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The bottom plate contains three pair of bolts for locking the device holder. The device holder positions are adjusted to the standard measurement positions in the three sections. A white cover is provided to tap the phantom during off-periods to prevent water evaporation and changes in the liquid parameters. On the phantom top, three reference markers are provided to identify the phantom position with respect to the robot.

<ELI Phantom>

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Shell Thickness	2 ± 0.2 mm (sagging: <1%)	
Filling Volume	Approx. 30 liters	
Dimensions	Major ellipse axis: 600 mm Minor axis: 400 mm	

The ELI phantom is intended for compliance testing of handheld and body-mounted wireless devices in the frequency range of 30 MHz to 6 GHz. ELI4 is fully compatible with standard and all known tissue simulating liquids.

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6.4 Device Holder

<Mounting Device for Hand-Held Transmitter>

In combination with the Twin SAM V5.0/V5.0c or ELI phantoms, the Mounting Device for Hand-Held Transmitters enables rotation of the mounted transmitter device to specified spherical coordinates. At the heads, the rotation axis is at the ear opening. Transmitter devices can be easily and accurately positioned according to IEC 62209-1, IEEE 1528, FCC, or other specifications. The device holder can be locked for positioning at different phantom sections (left head, right head, flat). And upgrade kit to Mounting Device to enable easy mounting of wider devices like big smart-phones, e-books, small tablets, etc. It holds devices with width up to 140 mm.





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Mounting Device for Hand-Held Transmitters

Mounting Device Adaptor for Wide-Phones

< Mounting Device for Laptops and other Body-Worn Transmitters>

The extension is lightweight and made of POM, acrylic glass and foam. It fits easily on the upper part of the mounting device in place of the phone positioned. The extension is fully compatible with the SAM Twin and ELI phantoms.



Mounting Device for Laptops

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7. Measurement Procedures

The measurement procedures are as follows:

<Conducted power measurement>

(a) For WWAN power measurement, use base station simulator to configure EUT WWAN transmission in conducted connection with RF cable, at maximum power in each supported wireless interface and frequency band.

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- (b) Read the WWAN RF power level from the base station simulator.
- (c) For WLAN/BT power measurement, use engineering software to configure EUT WLAN/BT continuously transmission, at maximum RF power in each supported wireless interface and frequency band
- (d) Connect EUT RF port through RF cable to the power meter, and measure WLAN/BT output power

<SAR measurement>

- (a) Use base station simulator to configure EUT WWAN transmission in radiated connection, and engineering software to configure EUT WLAN/BT continuously transmission, at maximum RF power, in the highest power channel.
- (b) Place the EUT in the positions as Appendix D demonstrates.
- (c) Set scan area, grid size and other setting on the DASY software.
- (d) Measure SAR results for the highest power channel on each testing position.
- (e) Find out the largest SAR result on these testing positions of each band
- (f) Measure SAR results for other channels in worst SAR testing position if the reported SAR of highest power channel is larger than 0.8 W/kg

According to the test standard, the recommended procedure for assessing the peak spatial-average SAR value consists of the following steps:

- (a) Power reference measurement
- (b) Area scan
- (c) Zoom scan
- (d) Power drift measurement

7.1 Spatial Peak SAR Evaluation

The procedure for spatial peak SAR evaluation has been implemented according to the test standard. It can be conducted for 1g and 10g, as well as for user-specific masses. The DASY software includes all numerical procedures necessary to evaluate the spatial peak SAR value.

The base for the evaluation is a "cube" measurement. The measured volume must include the 1g and 10g cubes with the highest averaged SAR values. For that purpose, the center of the measured volume is aligned to the interpolated peak SAR value of a previously performed area scan.

The entire evaluation of the spatial peak values is performed within the post-processing engine (SEMCAD). The system always gives the maximum values for the 1g and 10g cubes. The algorithm to find the cube with highest averaged SAR is divided into the following stages:

- (a) Extraction of the measured data (grid and values) from the Zoom Scan
- (b) Calculation of the SAR value at every measurement point based on all stored data (A/D values and measurement parameters)
- (c) Generation of a high-resolution mesh within the measured volume
- (d) Interpolation of all measured values form the measurement grid to the high-resolution grid
- (e) Extrapolation of the entire 3-D field distribution to the phantom surface over the distance from sensor to surface
- (f) Calculation of the averaged SAR within masses of 1g and 10g

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7.2 Power Reference Measurement

The Power Reference Measurement and Power Drift Measurements are for monitoring the power drift of the device under test in the batch process. The minimum distance of probe sensors to surface determines the closest measurement point to phantom surface. This distance cannot be smaller than the distance of sensor calibration points to probe tip as defined in the probe properties.

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7.3 Area Scan

The area scan is used as a fast scan in two dimensions to find the area of high field values, before doing a fine measurement around the hot spot. The sophisticated interpolation routines implemented in DASY software can find the maximum found in the scanned area, within a range of the global maximum. The range (in dB0 is specified in the standards for compliance testing. For example, a 2 dB range is required in IEEE standard 1528 and IEC 62209 standards, whereby 3 dB is a requirement when compliance is assessed in accordance with the ARIB standard (Japan), if only one zoom scan follows the area scan, then only the absolute maximum will be taken as reference. For cases where multiple maximums are detected, the number of zoom scans has to be increased accordingly.

Area scan parameters extracted from FCC KDB 865664 D01v01r04 SAR measurement 100 MHz to 6 GHz.

	≤ 3 GHz	> 3 GHz		
Maximum distance from closest measurement point (geometric center of probe sensors) to phantom surface	5 ± 1 mm	$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \delta \cdot \ln(2) \pm 0.5 \text{ mm}$		
Maximum probe angle from probe axis to phantom surface normal at the measurement location	30° ± 1°	20° ± 1°		
	\leq 2 GHz: \leq 15 mm 2 – 3 GHz: \leq 12 mm	$3 - 4 \text{ GHz:} \le 12 \text{ mm}$ $4 - 6 \text{ GHz:} \le 10 \text{ mm}$		
Maximum area scan spatial resolution: $\Delta x_{\text{Area}},\Delta y_{\text{Area}}$	When the x or y dimension of the test device, in the measurement plane orientation, is smaller than the above, the measurement resolution must be \leq the corresponding x or y dimension of the test device with at least one measurement point on the test device.			

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7.4 Zoom Scan

Zoom scans are used assess the peak spatial SAR values within a cubic averaging volume containing 1 gram and 10 gram of simulated tissue. The zoom scan measures points (refer to table below) within a cube shoes base faces are centered on the maxima found in a preceding area scan job within the same procedure. When the measurement is done, the zoom scan evaluates the averaged SAR for 1 gram and 10 gram and displays these values next to the job's label.

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Zoom scan parameters extracted from FCC KDB 865664 D01v01r04 SAR measurement 100 MHz to 6 GHz.

			≤ 3 GHz	> 3 GHz
Maximum zoom scan s	Maximum zoom scan spatial resolution: Δx_{Zoom} , Δy_{Zoom}			$3 - 4 \text{ GHz: } \le 5 \text{ mm}^*$ $4 - 6 \text{ GHz: } \le 4 \text{ mm}^*$
	uniform grid: $\Delta z_{Zoom}(n)$		≤ 5 mm	$3 - 4 \text{ GHz: } \le 4 \text{ mm}$ $4 - 5 \text{ GHz: } \le 3 \text{ mm}$ $5 - 6 \text{ GHz: } \le 2 \text{ mm}$
Maximum zoom scan spatial resolution, normal to phantom surface	graded	Δz _{Zoom} (1): between 1 st two points closest to phantom surface	≤ 4 mm	3 – 4 GHz: ≤ 3 mm 4 – 5 GHz: ≤ 2.5 mm 5 – 6 GHz: ≤ 2 mm
	grid	Δz _{Zoom} (n>1): between subsequent points	$\leq 1.5 \!\cdot\! \Delta z_{\text{Zoom}}(n\text{-}1)$	
Minimum zoom scan volume x, y, z		≥ 30 mm	3 – 4 GHz: ≥ 28 mm 4 – 5 GHz: ≥ 25 mm 5 – 6 GHz: ≥ 22 mm	

Note: δ is the penetration depth of a plane-wave at normal incidence to the tissue medium; see draft standard IEEE P1528-2011 for details.

7.5 Volume Scan Procedures

The volume scan is used for assess overlapping SAR distributions for antennas transmitting in different frequency bands. It is equivalent to an oversized zoom scan used in standalone measurements. The measurement volume will be used to enclose all the simultaneous transmitting antennas. For antennas transmitting simultaneously in different frequency bands, the volume scan is measured separately in each frequency band. In order to sum correctly to compute the 1g aggregate SAR, the EUT remain in the same test position for all measurements and all volume scan use the same spatial resolution and grid spacing. When all volume scan were completed, the software, SEMCAD postprocessor can combine and subsequently superpose these measurement data to calculating the multiband SAR.

7.6 Power Drift Monitoring

All SAR testing is under the EUT install full charged battery and transmit maximum output power. In DASY measurement software, the power reference measurement and power drift measurement procedures are used for monitoring the power drift of EUT during SAR test. Both these procedures measure the field at a specified reference position before and after the SAR testing. The software will calculate the field difference in dB. If the power drifts more than 5%, the SAR will be retested.

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When zoom scan is required and the <u>reported</u> SAR from the area scan based 1-g SAR estimation procedures of KDB 447498 is $\leq 1.4 \text{ W/kg}$, $\leq 8 \text{ mm}$, $\leq 7 \text{ mm}$ and $\leq 5 \text{ mm}$ zoom scan resolution may be applied, respectively, for 2 GHz to 3 GHz, 3 GHz to 4 GHz and 4 GHz to 6 GHz.

8. Test Equipment List

Manufactura	Name of Environment	Tyron (Mandal	Carial Number	Calib	ration
Manufacturer	Name of Equipment	Type/Model	Serial Number	Last Cal.	Due Date
SPEAG	2450MHz System Validation Kit	D2450V2	736	Sep. 18, 2017	Sep. 17, 2018
SPEAG	5GHz System Validation Kit	D5GHzV2	1171	Jul. 18, 2017	Jul. 17, 2018
SPEAG	Data Acquisition Electronics	DAE4	1424	Jan. 18, 2018	Jan. 17, 2019
SPEAG	Data Acquisition Electronics	DAE4	778	May. 22, 2017	May. 21, 2018
SPEAG	Data Acquisition Electronics	DAE4	1338	Dec. 04, 2017	Dec. 03, 2018
SPEAG	Dosimetric E-Field Probe	EX3DV4	3925	May. 24, 2017	May. 23, 2018
SPEAG	Dosimetric E-Field Probe	ES3DV3	3270	Sep. 25, 2017	Sep. 24, 2018
SPEAG	Dosimetric E-Field Probe	EX3DV4	3931	Sep. 29, 2017	Sep. 28, 2018
RCPTWN	Thermometer	HTC-1	TM685-1	Mar. 16, 2018	Mar. 15, 2019
RCPTWN	Thermometer	HTC-1	TM281-1	Mar. 16, 2018	Mar. 15, 2019
SPEAG	Device Holder	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Anritsu	Signal Generator	MG3710A	6201502524	Dec. 07, 2017	Dec. 06, 2018
Agilent	ENA Network Analyzer	E5071C	MY46316648	Jan. 17, 2018	Jan. 16, 2019
SPEAG	Dielectric Probe Kit	DAK-3.5	1126	Sep. 26, 2017	Sep. 25, 2018
LINE SEIKI	Digital Thermometer	LKMelectronic	DTM3000SPEZIAL	Sep. 06, 2017	Sep. 05, 2018
Anritsu	Power Meter	ML2495A	932001	Sep. 26, 2017	Sep. 25, 2018
Anritsu	Power Sensor	MA2411B	846202	Sep. 26, 2017	Sep. 25, 2018
Anritsu	Power Meter	ML2495A	1218006	Oct. 06, 2017	Oct. 05, 2018
Anritsu	Power Sensor	MA2411B	1207363	Oct. 06, 2017	Oct. 05, 2018
Agilent	Spectrum Analyzer	E4408B	MY44211028	Aug. 23, 2017	Aug. 22, 2018
Anritsu	Spectrum Analyzer	MS2830A	6201396378	Jun. 26, 2017	Jun. 25, 2018
Mini-Circuits	Power Amplifier	ZVE-8G+	D120604	Mar. 12, 2018	Mar. 11, 2019
Mini-Circuits	Power Amplifier	ZHL-42W+	QA1344002	Mar. 12, 2018	Mar. 11, 2019
ATM	Dual Directional Coupler	C122H-10	P610410z-02	No	te 1
Woken	Attenuator 1	WK0602-XX	N/A	No	te 1
PE	Attenuator 2	PE7005-10	N/A	No	te 1
PE	Attenuator 3	PE7005-3	N/A	No	te 1

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General Note:

1. Prior to system verification and validation, the path loss from the signal generator to the system check source and the power meter, which includes the amplifier, cable, attenuator and directional coupler, was measured by the network analyzer. The reading of the power meter was offset by the path loss difference between the path to the power meter and the path to the system check source to monitor the actual power level fed to the system check source.

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9. System Verification

9.1 Tissue Simulating Liquids

For the measurement of the field distribution inside the SAM phantom with DASY, the phantom must be filled with around 25 liters of homogeneous body tissue simulating liquid. For head SAR testing, the liquid height from the ear reference point (ERP) of the phantom to the liquid top surface is larger than 15 cm, which is shown in Fig. 10.1. For body SAR testing, the liquid height from the center of the flat phantom to the liquid top surface is larger than 15 cm, which is shown in Fig. 10.2.







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Fig 10.2 Photo of Liquid Height for Body SAR

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9.2 Tissue Verification

The following tissue formulations are provided for reference only as some of the parameters have not been thoroughly verified. The composition of ingredients may be modified accordingly to achieve the desired target tissue parameters required for routine SAR evaluation.

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Frequency (MHz)	Water (%)	Sugar (%)	Cellulose (%)	Salt (%)	Preventol (%)	DGBE (%)	Conductivity (σ)	Permittivity (εr)	
	For Head								
750	41.1	57.0	0.2	1.4	0.2	0	0.89	41.9	
835	40.3	57.9	0.2	1.4	0.2	0	0.90	41.5	
900	40.3	57.9	0.2	1.4	0.2	0	0.97	41.5	
1800, 1900, 2000	55.2	0	0	0.3	0	44.5	1.40	40.0	
2450	55.0	0	0	0	0	45.0	1.80	39.2	
2600	54.8	0	0	0.1	0	45.1	1.96	39.0	
				For Body					
750	51.7	47.2	0	0.9	0.1	0	0.96	55.5	
835	50.8	48.2	0	0.9	0.1	0	0.97	55.2	
900	50.8	48.2	0	0.9	0.1	0	1.05	55.0	
1800, 1900, 2000	70.2	0	0	0.4	0	29.4	1.52	53.3	
2450	68.6	0	0	0	0	31.4	1.95	52.7	
2600	68.1	0	0	0.1	0	31.8	2.16	52.5	

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Ingredients	(% by weight)
Water	64~78%
Mineral oil	11~18%
Emulsifiers	9~15%
Additives and Salt	2~3%

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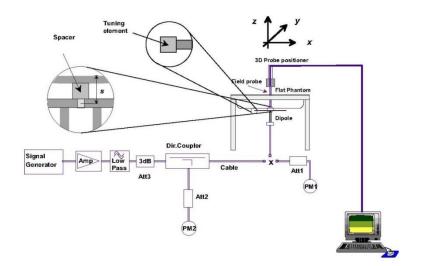
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Frequency (MHz)	Tissue Type	Liquid Temp. (°C)	Conductivity (σ)	Permittivity (ε _r)	Conductivity Target (σ)	Permittivity Target (ε _r)	Delta (σ) (%)	Delta (ε _r) (%)	Limit (%)	Date
2450	MSL	22.7	1.993	51.934	1.95	52.70	2.21	-1.45	±5	2018/5/18
2450	MSL	22.7	1.974	54.646	1.95	52.70	1.23	3.69	±5	2018/6/1
5250	MSL	22.5	5.447	47.441	5.36	48.95	1.62	-3.08	±5	2018/3/30
5600	MSL	22.5	5.905	46.888	5.77	48.50	2.34	-3.32	±5	2018/3/30
5750	MSL	22.5	6.103	46.614	5.94	48.28	2.74	-3.45	±5	2018/3/30
5750	MSL	22.7	5.956	46.631	5.94	48.28	0.27	-3.42	±5	2018/6/1

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9.3 System Performance Check Results

Comparing to the original SAR value provided by SPEAG, the verification data should be within its specification of 10 %. Below table shows the target SAR and measured SAR after normalized to 1W input power. The table below indicates the system performance check can meet the variation criterion and the plots can be referred to Appendix A of this report.

Date	Frequency (MHz)	Tissue Type	Input Power (mW)	Dipole S/N	Probe S/N	DAE S/N	Measured 1g SAR (W/kg)	Targeted 1g SAR (W/kg)	Normalized 1g SAR (W/kg)	Deviation (%)
2018/5/18	2450	MSL	250	D2450V2-736	ES3DV3 - SN3270	DAE4 Sn778	12.30	50.80	49.2	-3.15
2018/6/1	2450	MSL	250	D2450V2-736	ES3DV3 - SN3270	DAE4 Sn1338	11.70	50.80	46.8	-7.87
2018/3/30	5250	MSL	100	D5GHzV2-1171	EX3DV4 - SN3925	DAE4 Sn1424	8.17	78.10	81.7	4.61
2018/3/30	5600	MSL	100	D5GHzV2-1171	EX3DV4 - SN3925	DAE4 Sn1424	8.82	81.00	88.2	8.89
2018/3/30	5750	MSL	100	D5GHzV2-1171	EX3DV4 - SN3925	DAE4 Sn1424	8.56	78.70	85.6	8.77
2018/6/1	5750	MSL	100	D5GHzV2-1171	EX3DV4 - SN3931	DAE4 Sn1424	7.64	78.70	76.4	-2.92





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Fig 8.3.1 System Performance Check Setup

Fig 8.3.2 Setup Photo

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10. Conducted RF Output Power (Unit: dBm)

<WLAN Conducted Power>

General Note:

1. The reported TX power in EMC report is per actual shipping power setting and measured in this unit, the power set for SAR test is included the tune-up tolerance which is considered as worst case.

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- 2. Per KDB 248227 D01v02r02, SAR test reduction is determined according to 802.11 transmission mode configurations and certain exposure conditions with multiple test positions. In the 2.4 GHz band, separate SAR procedures are applied to DSSS and OFDM configurations to simplify DSSS test requirements. For OFDM, in both 2.4 and 5 GHz bands, an initial test configuration must be determined for each standalone and aggregated frequency band, according to the transmission mode configuration with the highest maximum output power specified for production units to perform SAR measurements. If the same highest maximum output power applies to different combinations of channel bandwidths, modulations and data rates, additional procedures are applied to determine which test configurations require SAR measurement. When applicable, an initial test position may be applied to reduce the number of SAR measurements required for next to the ear, UMPC mini-tablet or hotspot mode configurations with multiple test positions.
- 3. For 2.4 GHz 802.11b DSSS, either the initial test position procedure for multiple exposure test positions or the DSSS procedure for fixed exposure position is applied; these are mutually exclusive. For 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz OFDM configurations, the initial test configuration is applied to measure SAR using either the initial test position procedure for multiple exposure test position configurations or the initial test configuration procedures for fixed exposure test conditions. Based on the reported SAR of the measured configurations and maximum output power of the transmission mode configurations that are not included in the initial test configuration, the subsequent test configuration and initial test position procedures are applied to determine if SAR measurements are required for the remaining OFDM transmission configurations. In general, the number of test channels that require SAR measurement is minimized based on maximum output power measured for the test sample(s).
- 4. For OFDM transmission configurations in the 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz bands, When the same maximum power is specified for multiple transmission modes in a frequency band, the largest channel bandwidth, lowest order modulation, lowest data rate and lowest order 802.11a/g/n/ac mode is used for SAR measurement, on the highest measured output power channel for each frequency band.
- 5. DSSS and OFDM configurations are considered separately according to the required SAR procedures. SAR is measured in the initial test position using the 802.11 transmission mode configuration required by the DSSS procedure or initial test configuration and subsequent test configuration(s) according to the OFDM procedures.18 The initial test position procedure is described in the following:
 - a. When the reported SAR of the initial test position is ≤ 0.4 W/kg, further SAR measurement is not required for the other test positions in that exposure configuration and 802.11 transmission mode combinations within the frequency band or aggregated band.
 - b. When the reported SAR of the test position is > 0.4 W/kg, SAR is repeated for the 802.11 transmission mode configuration tested in the initial test position to measure the subsequent next closet/smallest test separation distance and maximum coupling test position on the highest maximum output power channel, until the report SAR is ≤ 0.8 W/kg or all required test position are tested.
 - c. For all positions/configurations, when the reported SAR is > 0.8 W/kg, SAR is measured for these test positions/configurations on the subsequent next highest measured output power channel(s) until the reported SAR is ≤ 1.2 W/kg or all required channels are tested.
- 6. The table below, for "Not Required" SAR test reduction was applied from KDB 248227 guidance, when the same maximum power is specified for multiple transmission modes in a frequency band, the largest channel bandwidth, lowest order modulation, lowest data rate and lowest order 802.11a/b/g/n/ac mode is used for SAR measurement, on the highest measured output channel in the initial test configuration for each frequency, addition output power measurements were not deemed necessary

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<2.4GHz WLAN>

	Mode	Channel	Frequency (MHz)	Average power (dBm)	Tune-Up Limit	Duty Cycle %
		1	2412	16.41	18.00	
	802.11b 1Mbps	6	2437	17.98	18.00	98.57
		11	2462	17.70	18.00	
		1	2412	14.96	16.50	
	802.11g 6Mbps	6	2437	17.97	19.50	93.64
		11	2462	14.50	16.50	
	802.11n-HT20 MCS0	1	2412	13.37	15.00	
2.4GHz WLAN		6	2437	17.79	19.50	93.20
		11	2462	12.53	14.50	
		1	2412	13.74	15.00	
	802.11ac-VHT20 MCS0	6	2437	17.86	19.50	94.12
		11	2462	12.52	14.50	
		3	2422		9.50	
	802.11n-HT40 MCS0	6	2437	Not required	11.50	
		9	2452		10.50	
		3	2422		9.50	
	802.11ac-VHT40 MCS0	6	2437	Not required	11.50	
		9	2452		10.50	

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<5GHz WLAN>

			Fraguenes	Average power	Tuna Un	
	Mode	Channel	Frequency (MHz)	Average power (dBm)	Tune-Up Limit	Duty Cycle %
		36	5180	15.14	15.50	
	909 11a 6Mbna	40	5200	16.60	17.00	94.52
	802.11a 6Mbps	44	5220	16.54	17.00	94.52
		48	5240	16.59	17.00	
		36	5180		15.50	
	802.11n-HT20 MCS0	40	5200	Not required	17.00	
		44	5220		17.00	
5.2GHz WLAN		48	5240		17.00	
	802.11n-HT40	38	5190	Not no accine d	12.00	
	MCS0	46	5230	Not required	16.00	
		36	5180		15.50	
	802.11ac-VHT20	40	5200	Not required	17.00	
	MCS0	44	5220	Not required	17.00	
		48	5240		17.00	
	802.11ac-VHT40	38	5190	Not required	12.00	
	MCS0	46	5230	Not required	16.00	
	802.11ac-VHT80 MCS0	42	5210	Not required	12.50	

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	Mode	Channel	Frequency (MHz)	Average power (dBm)	Tune-Up Limit	Duty Cycle %
		52	5260	15.02	17.00	
	802.11a 6Mbps	56	5280	15.00	17.00	94.52
	602.11a 01VIDPS	60	5300	15.05	17.00	94.52
		64	5320	14.18	16.00	
		52	5260		17.00	
	802.11n-HT20 MCS0	56	5280	Not required	16.00	
		60	5300		17.00	
5.3GHz WLAN		64	5320		15.00	
	802.11n-HT40	54	5270	Not required	16.00	
	MCS0	62	5310	Not required	13.00	
		52	5260		17.00	
	802.11ac-VHT20	56	5280	Not required	16.00	
	MCS0	60	5300	Not required	17.00	
		64	5320		15.00	
	802.11ac-VHT40	54	5270	Not required	16.00	
	MCS0	62	5310	Not required	13.00	
	802.11ac-VHT80 MCS0	58	5290	Not required	12.00	

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	Mode	Channel	Frequency (MHz)	Average power (dBm)	Tune-Up Limit	Duty Cycle %
		100	5500	13.07	15.00	
		116	5580	15.27	17.00	
	802.11a 6Mbps	124	5620	15.13	17.00	94.52
		132	5660	15.03	17.00	
		144	5720	15.17	17.00	
		100	5500		15.00	
		116	5580		17.00	
	802.11n-HT20 MCS0	124	5620	Not required	17.00	
	WCSO	132	5660		17.00	
		144	5720		17.00	
		102	5510		13.00	
		110	5550		16.00	
5.5GHz WLAN	802.11n-HT40 MCS0	126	5630	Not required	16.00	
	WCSO	134	5670		15.50	
		142	5710		16.00	
		100	5500		15.00	
		116	5580		17.00	
	802.11ac-VHT20 MCS0	124	5620	Not required	17.00	
	WCSO	132	5660		17.00	
		144	5720		17.00	
		102	5510		13.00	
		110	5550		16.00	
	802.11ac-VHT40 MCS0	126	5630	Not required	16.00	
	IVICOU	134	5670		15.50	
		142	5710		16.00	
	000 44 1/1/700	106	5530		12.00	
	802.11ac-VHT80 MCS0	122	5610	Not required	16.00	
	IVICOU	138	5690		16.00	

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	Mode	Channel	Frequency (MHz)	Average power (dBm)	Tune-Up Limit	Duty Cycle %
		149	5745	15.17	17.00	
	802.11a 6Mbps	157	5785	15.02	17.00	94.52
		165	5825	15.08	17.00	
		149	5745		17.00	
	802.11n-HT20 MCS0	157	5785	Not required	17.00	
5.8GHz WLAN		165	5825		17.00	
	802.11n-HT40 MCS0	151	5755	Not required	15.00	
		159	5795	Not required	16.00	
	000.44	149	5745		17.00	
	802.11ac-VHT20 MCS0	157	5785	Not required	17.00	
		165	5825		17.00	
	802.11ac-VHT40	151	5755	Not required	15.00	
	MCS0	159	5795	Not required	16.00	
	802.11ac-VHT80 MCS0	155	5775	Not required	14.50	

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11. Bluetooth Exclusions Applied

	Mode Band	Max Average power(dBm)					
	Wode Darid	BR/EDR	LE				
	2.4GHz Bluetooth	7.0	4.5				

Note:

1. Per KDB 447498 D01v06, the 1-g and 10-g SAR test exclusion thresholds for 100 MHz to 6 GHz at test separation distances ≤ 50 mm are determined by:

[(max. power of channel, including tune-up tolerance, mW)/(min. test separation distance, mm)] $\cdot [\sqrt{f(GHz)}] \le 3.0$ for 1-g SAR and ≤ 7.5 for 10-g extremity SAR

- f(GHz) is the RF channel transmit frequency in GHz
- Power and distance are rounded to the nearest mW and mm before calculation
- The result is rounded to one decimal place for comparison

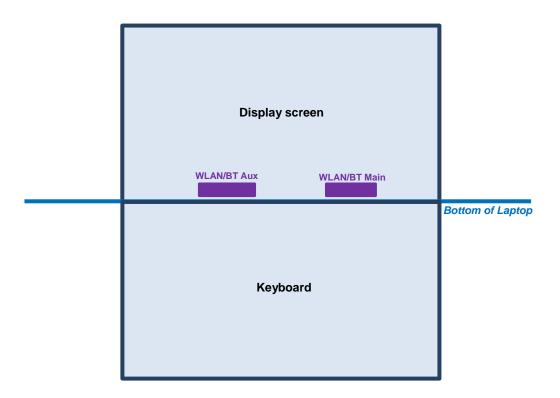
Bluetooth Max Power (dBm)	Separation Distance (mm)	Frequency (GHz)	exclusion thresholds		
7.0	< 5	2.48	1.58		

Note:

Per KDB 447498 D01v06, when the minimum test separation distance is < 5 mm, a distance of 5 mm is applied to determine SAR test exclusion. The test exclusion threshold is 1.58 which is <= 3, SAR testing is not required.

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12. Antenna Location



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Remark:

1. The antenna to user from bottom of laptop separation distance is 8.3mm.

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13. SAR Test Results

General Note:

- 1. Per KDB 447498 D01v06, the reported SAR is the measured SAR value adjusted for maximum tune-up tolerance.
 - a. Tune-up scaling Factor = tune-up limit power (mW) / EUT RF power (mW), where tune-up limit is the maximum rated power among all production units.

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- b. For SAR testing of WLAN signal with non-100% duty cycle, the measured SAR is scaled-up by the duty cycle scaling factor which is equal to "1/(duty cycle)"
- c. For WLAN: Reported SAR(W/kg)= Measured SAR(W/kg)* Duty Cycle scaling factor * Tune-up scaling factor
- 2. Per KDB 447498 D01v06, for each exposure position, testing of other required channels within the operating mode of a frequency band is not required when the *reported* 1-g or 10-g SAR for the mid-band or highest output power channel is:
 - ≤ 0.8 W/kg or 2.0 W/kg, for 1-g or 10-g respectively, when the transmission band is ≤ 100 MHz
 - ≤ 0.6 W/kg or 1.5 W/kg, for 1-g or 10-g respectively, when the transmission band is between 100 MHz and 200 MHz
 - ≤ 0.4 W/kg or 1.0 W/kg, for 1-g or 10-g respectively, when the transmission band is ≥ 200 MHz
- Per KDB 865664 D01v01r04, for each frequency band, repeated SAR measurement is required only when the measured SAR is ≥0.8W/kg.
- 4. The device supports Tx diversity and all of antenna can be application for WLAN and Bluetooth, since the maximum output power at both antenna are the same and the main antenna has a higher gain, therefore, for RF evaluation is selected main antenna as the main tested, aux antenna spot check 2.4GHz and 5GHz WLAN worst case for SAR compliance.

WLAN Note:

- 1. Per KDB 248227 D01v02r02, for 2.4GHz 802.11g/n SAR testing is not required when the highest reported SAR for DSSS is adjusted by the ratio of OFDM to DSSS specified maximum output power and the adjusted SAR is ≤ 1.2 W/kg.
- 2. Per KDB 248227 D01v02r02, U-NII-1 SAR testing is not required when the U-NII-2A band highest reported SAR for a test configuration is ≤ 1.2 W/kg, SAR is not required for U-NII-1 band.
- 3. When the reported SAR of the test position is > 0.4 W/kg, SAR is repeated for the 802.11 transmission mode configuration tested in the initial test position to measure the subsequent next closet/smallest test separation distance and maximum coupling test position on the highest maximum output power channel, until the report SAR is ≤ 0.8 W/kg or all required test position are tested.
- 4. For all positions / configurations, when the reported SAR is > 0.8 W/kg, SAR is measured for these test positions / configurations on the subsequent next highest measured output power channel(s) until the reported SAR is ≤ 1.2 W/kg or all required channels are tested.
- 5. During SAR testing the WLAN transmission was verified using a spectrum analyzer.

13.1 <u>Body SAR</u>

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Plot No.	Band	Mode	Test Position	Gap (mm)		Transmit Antenna		Freq. (MHz)	Power	Tune-Up Limit (dBm)	Tune-up Scaling Factor			Drift	Measured 1g SAR (W/kg)	Reported 1g SAR (W/kg)
	WLAN2.4GHz	802.11b 1Mbps	Bottom of Laptop	0mm	HONGBO	Main	6	2437	17.98	18.00	1.005	98.57	1.015	0.13	0.298	0.304
01	WLAN2.4GHz	802.11b 1Mbps	Bottom of Laptop	0mm	ACON	Main	6	2437	17.98	18.00	1.005	98.57	1.015	0.04	0.319	0.325
	WLAN2.4GHz	802.11b 1Mbps	Bottom of Laptop	0mm	ACON	Aux	6	2437	17.98	18.00	1.005	98.57	1.015	0.02	0.222	0.226
02	WLAN5GHz	802.11a 6Mbps	Bottom of Laptop	0mm	HONGBO	Main	60	5300	15.05	17.00	1.565	94.52	1.058	0.14	0.086	0.142
	WLAN5GHz	802.11a 6Mbps	Bottom of Laptop	0mm	ACON	Main	60	5300	15.05	17.00	1.565	94.52	1.058	0	0.070	0.116
03	WLAN5GHz	802.11a 6Mbps	Bottom of Laptop	0mm	HONGBO	Main	116	5580	15.27	17.00	1.488	94.52	1.058	-0.1	0.412	0.649
	WLAN5GHz	802.11a 6Mbps	Bottom of Laptop	0mm	ACON	Main	116	5580	15.27	17.00	1.488	94.52	1.058	0.06	0.213	0.335
04	WLAN5GHz	802.11a 6Mbps	Bottom of Laptop	0mm	HONGBO	Main	149	5745	15.17	17.00	1.522	94.52	1.058	-0.12	0.465	0.749
	WLAN5GHz	802.11a 6Mbps	Bottom of Laptop	0mm	HONGBO	Aux	149	5745	15.17	17.00	1.522	94.52	1.058	-0.08	0.276	0.445
	WLAN5GHz	802.11a 6Mbps	Bottom of Laptop	0mm	ACON	Main	149	5745	15.17	17.00	1.522	94.52	1.058	0.13	0.125	0.201

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14. Simultaneous Transmission Analysis

NO.	Simultaneous Transmission Configurations	Support		
1.	WLAN 2.4GHz + Bluetooth	No		
2.	WLAN 2.4GHz + WLAN 5GHz	No		
3.	WLAN 5GHz + Bluetooth	Yes		

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General Note:

- WLAN/BT coexistence mode :
 - (i) WLAN 5GHz 802.11a/an (or 11ac) transmit concurrent with Bluetooth.
 - (ii) WLAN 2.4GHz timely shared coexistence with Bluetooth.
- 2. EUT will choose either WLAN 2.4GHz or WLAN 5GHz according to the network signal condition; therefore, 2.4GHz WLAN and 5GHz WLAN will not operate simultaneously at any moment.
- 3. The Scaled SAR summation is calculated based on the same configuration and test position.
- 4. Per KDB 447498 D01v06, simultaneous transmission SAR is compliant if,
 - i) Scalar SAR summation < 1.6W/kg.
 - ii) SPLSR = (SAR1 + SAR2)^1.5 / (min. separation distance, mm), and the peak separation distance is determined from the square root of [(x1-x2)2 + (y1-y2)2 + (z1-z2)2], where (x1, y1, z1) and (x2, y2, z2) are the coordinates of the extrapolated peak SAR locations in the zoom scan.
 - iii) If SPLSR ≤ 0.04, simultaneously transmission SAR measurement is not necessary.
 - iv) Simultaneously transmission SAR measurement, and the reported multi-band SAR < 1.6W/kg.
- For simultaneous transmission analysis, Bluetooth SAR is estimated per KDB 447498 D01v06 based on the formula below.
 - i) (max. power of channel, including tune-up tolerance, mW)/(min. test separation distance, mm)]· $[\sqrt{f(GHz)/x}]$ W/kg for test separation distances \leq 50 mm; where x = 7.5 for 1-g SAR, and x = 18.75 for 10-g SAR.
 - ii) When the minimum separation distance is < 5mm, the distance is used 5mm to determine SAR test exclusion.
 - iii) 0.4 W/kg for 1-g SAR and 1.0 W/kg for 10-g SAR, when the test separation distances is > 50 mm.
 - iv) Bluetooth estimated SAR is conservatively determined by 5mm separation, for all applicable exposure positions.

Bluetooth Max Power	Exposure Position	Bottom of Laptop		
7.0dBm	Estimated SAR (W/kg)	0.210 W/kg		

14.1 Body Exposure Conditions

	1	2	
Formation Basilla	5GHz WLAN	Bluetooth	1+2
Exposure Position	1g SAR (W/kg)	Estimated 1g SAR (W/kg)	Summed 1g SAR (W/kg)
Bottom of Laptop at 0mm	0.749	0.210	0.959

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15. <u>Uncertainty Assessment</u>

Per KDB 865664 D01 SAR measurement 100MHz to 6GHz, when the highest measured 1-g SAR within a frequency band is < 1.5 W/kg and the measured 10-g SAR within a frequency band is < 3.75 W/kg. The expanded SAR measurement uncertainty must be $\leq 30\%$, for a confidence interval of k = 2. If these conditions are met, extensive SAR measurement uncertainty analysis described in IEEE Std 1528-2013 is not required in SAR reports submitted for equipment approval. For this device, the highest measured 1-g SAR is less 1.5W/kg. Therefore, the measurement uncertainty table is not required in this report.

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