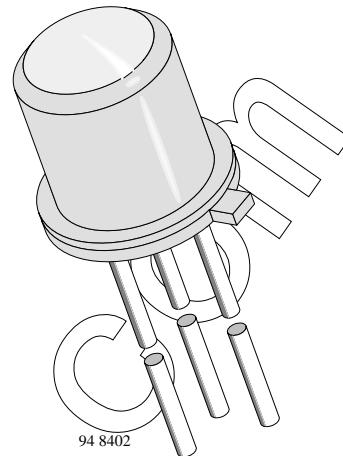


# Silicon NPN Phototransistor

## Description

BPX43 is a very high sensitive silicon NPN epitaxial planar phototransistor in a standard TO-18 hermetically sealed metal case with a glass lens. A superior linearity of photocurrent vs. irradiation makes it ideal for linear applications. A base terminal is available to enable biasing and sensitivity control.



## Features

- Hermetically sealed TO-18 case
- Lens window
- Angle of half sensitivity  $\varphi = \pm 15^\circ$
- Exact central chip alignment
- Base terminal available
- Very high photo sensitivity
- High linearity
- Suitable for visible and near infrared radiation
- Selected into sensitivity groups

## Applications

Detector for analogue and digital applications in industrial electronics, measuring and control, e.g. long range light barriers with additional optics, optical switches, alarm systems.

## Absolute Maximum Ratings

$T_{amb} = 25^\circ C$

Parameter	Test Conditions	Symbol	Value	Unit
Collector Base Voltage		$V_{CBO}$	80	V
Collector Emitter Voltage		$V_{CEO}$	70	V
Emitter Base Voltage		$V_{EBO}$	7	V
Collector Current		$I_C$	50	mA
Peak Collector Current	$t_p \leq 10 \mu s$	$I_{CM}$	200	mA
Total Power Dissipation	$T_{amb} \leq 25^\circ C$	$P_{tot}$	250	mW
Junction Temperature		$T_j$	125	°C
Operating Temperature Range		$T_{op}$	-55...+125	°C
Storage Temperature Range		$T_{stg}$	-55...+125	°C
Soldering Temperature	$t \leq 5 s$ , distance from touching border $\geq 2 mm$	$T_{sd}$	260	°C
Thermal Resistance Junction/Ambient		$R_{thJA}$	400	K/W
Thermal Resistance Junction/Case		$R_{thJC}$	150	K/W

**Basic Characteristics** $T_{amb} = 25^\circ C$ 

Parameter	Test Conditions	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Collector Emitter Breakdown Voltage	$I_C = 1 \text{ mA}$	$V_{(BR)CE}$	70			V
Collector Dark Current	$V_{CE} = 25 \text{ V}, E = 0$	$I_{CEO}$		10	200	nA
Collector Emitter Capacitance	$V_{CE} = 0 \text{ V}, f = 1 \text{ MHz}, E = 0$	$C_{CEO}$	23			pF
Emitter Base Capacitance	$V_{EB} = 0 \text{ V}, f = 1 \text{ MHz}, E = 0$	$C_{EBO}$	47			pF
Collector Base Capacitance	$V_{CB} = 0 \text{ V}, f = 1 \text{ MHz}, E = 0$	$C_{CBO}$	41			pF
Collector Light Current	$E_e = 0.5 \text{ mW/cm}^2, \lambda = 950 \text{ nm}, V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}$	$I_{ca}$	0.8			mA
Temp. Coefficient of $I_{ca}$	$\lambda = 950 \text{ nm}$	$TK_{I_{ca}}$		1	10	%/K
Base Light Current	$E_e = 0.5 \text{ mW/cm}^2, \lambda = 950 \text{ nm}, V_{CB} = 5 \text{ V}$	$I_{ba}$				$\mu\text{A}$
Angle of Half Sensitivity		$\phi$		$\pm 15$		deg
Wavelength of Peak Sensitivity		$\lambda_p$		920		nm
Range of Spectral Bandwidth		$\lambda_{0.5}$		630...1040		nm
Collector Emitter Saturation Voltage	$E_e = 0.5 \text{ mW/cm}^2, \lambda = 950 \text{ nm}, I_C = 0.1 \text{ mA}$	$V_{CEsat}$		0.15	0.3	V

**Type Dedicated Characteristics** $T_{amb} = 25^\circ C$ 

Parameter	Test Conditions	Type	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Current Gain	$V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}, I_C = 1 \text{ mA}$	BPX38-4	B		330		
		BPX38-5	B		520		
		BPX38-6	B		650		
Collector Light Current	$E_e = 0.5 \text{ mW/cm}^2, \lambda = 950 \text{ nm}, V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}$	BPX38-4	$I_{ca}$	0.5	0.7	1.0	mA
		BPX38-5	$I_{ca}$	0.8	1.25	1.6	mA
		BPX38-6	$I_{ca}$	1.25	2		mA
Rise Time/ Fall Time	$V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}, I_C = 1 \text{ mA}, R_L = 1 \text{ k}\Omega, \lambda = 820 \text{ nm}$	BPX38-4	$t_r, t_f$		15		$\mu\text{s}$
		BPX38-5	$t_r, t_f$		20		$\mu\text{s}$
		BPX38-6	$t_r, t_f$		25		$\mu\text{s}$

## Typical Characteristics ( $T_{amb} = 25^\circ C$ unless otherwise specified)

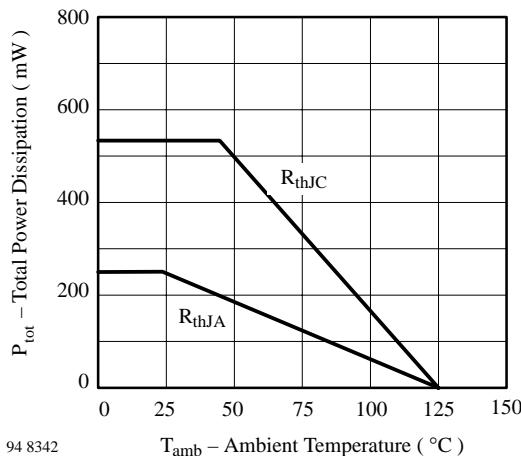


Figure 1. Total Power Dissipation vs.  
Ambient Temperature

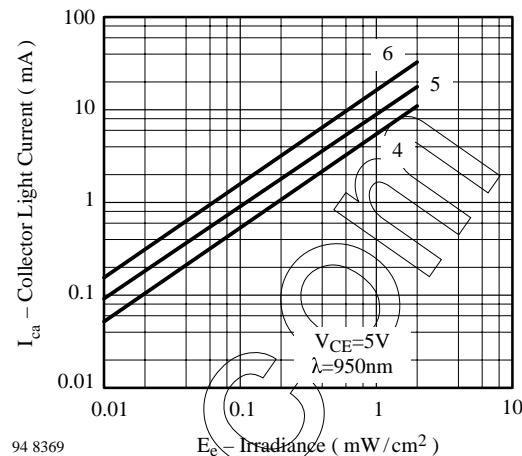


Figure 4. Collector Light Current vs.  
Irradiance

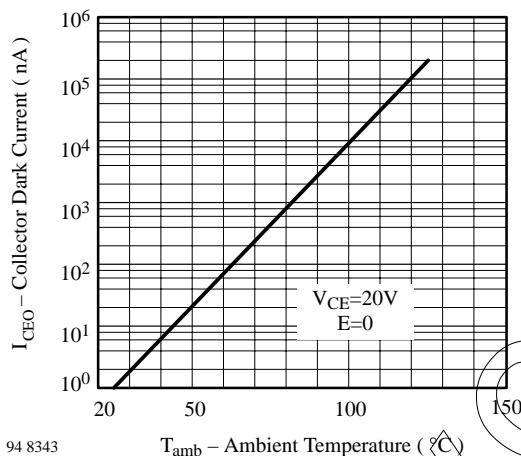


Figure 2. Collector Dark Current vs.  
Ambient Temperature

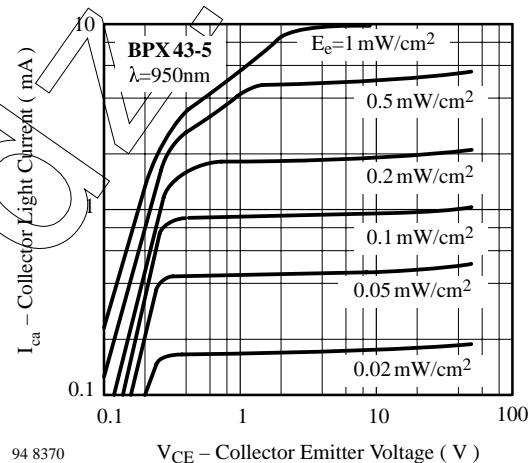


Figure 5. Collector Light Current vs.  
Collector Emitter Voltage

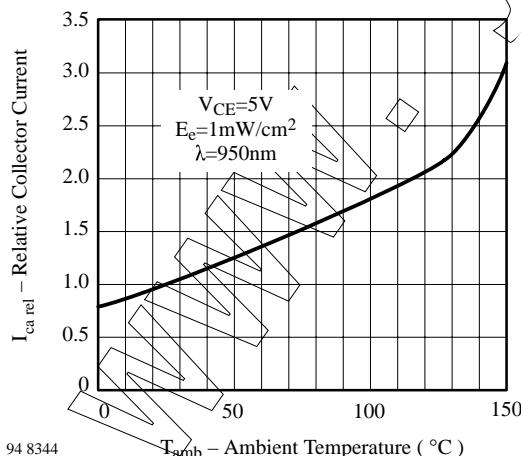


Figure 3. Relative Collector Current vs.  
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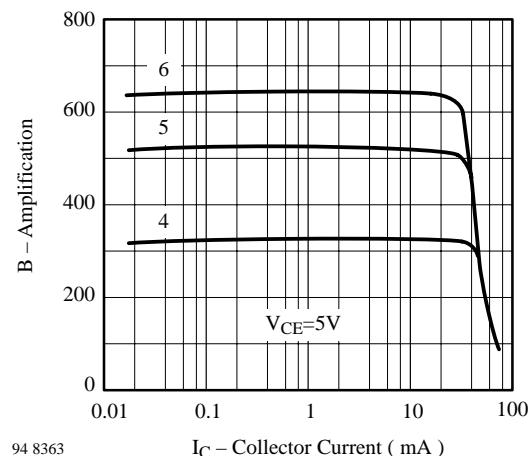


Figure 6. Amplification vs. Collector Current

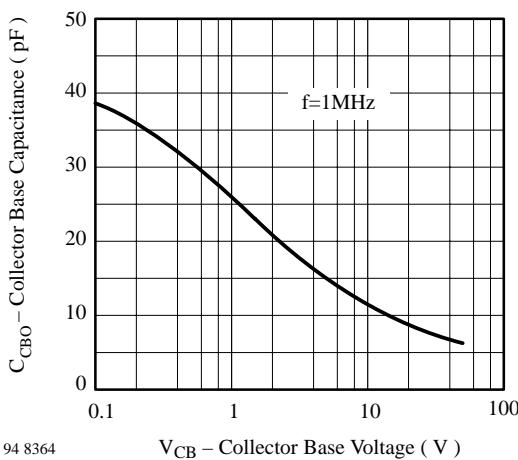
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Figure 7. Collector Base Capacitance vs. Collector Base Voltage

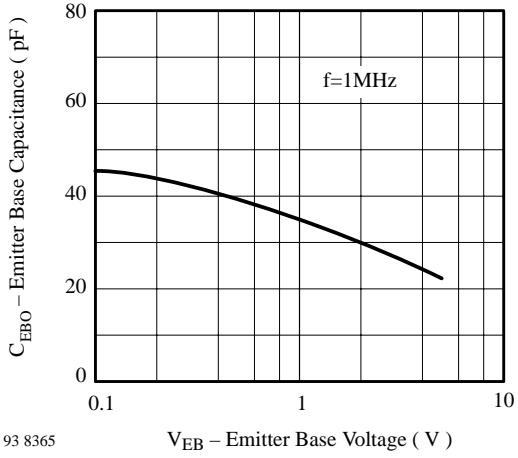
93 8365       $V_{EB}$  – Emitter Base Voltage ( V )

Figure 8. Emitter Base Capacitance vs. Emitter Base Voltage

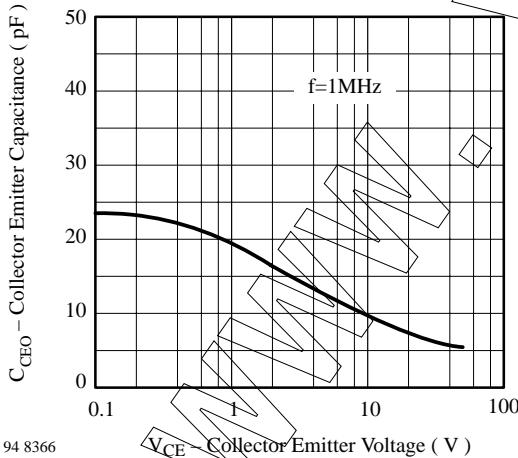
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Figure 9. Collector Emitter Capacitance vs. Collector Emitter Voltage

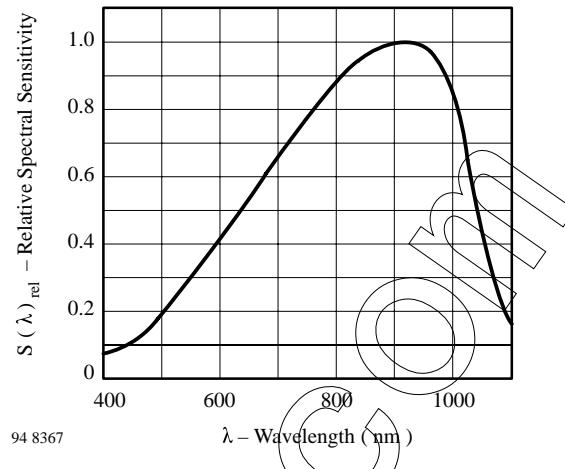
94 8367       $\lambda$  – Wavelength (nm)

Figure 10. Relative Spectral Sensitivity vs. Wavelength

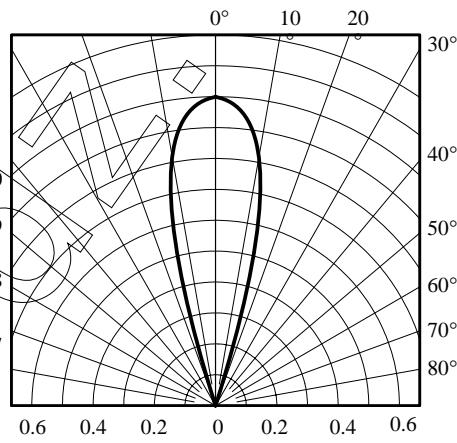
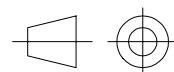
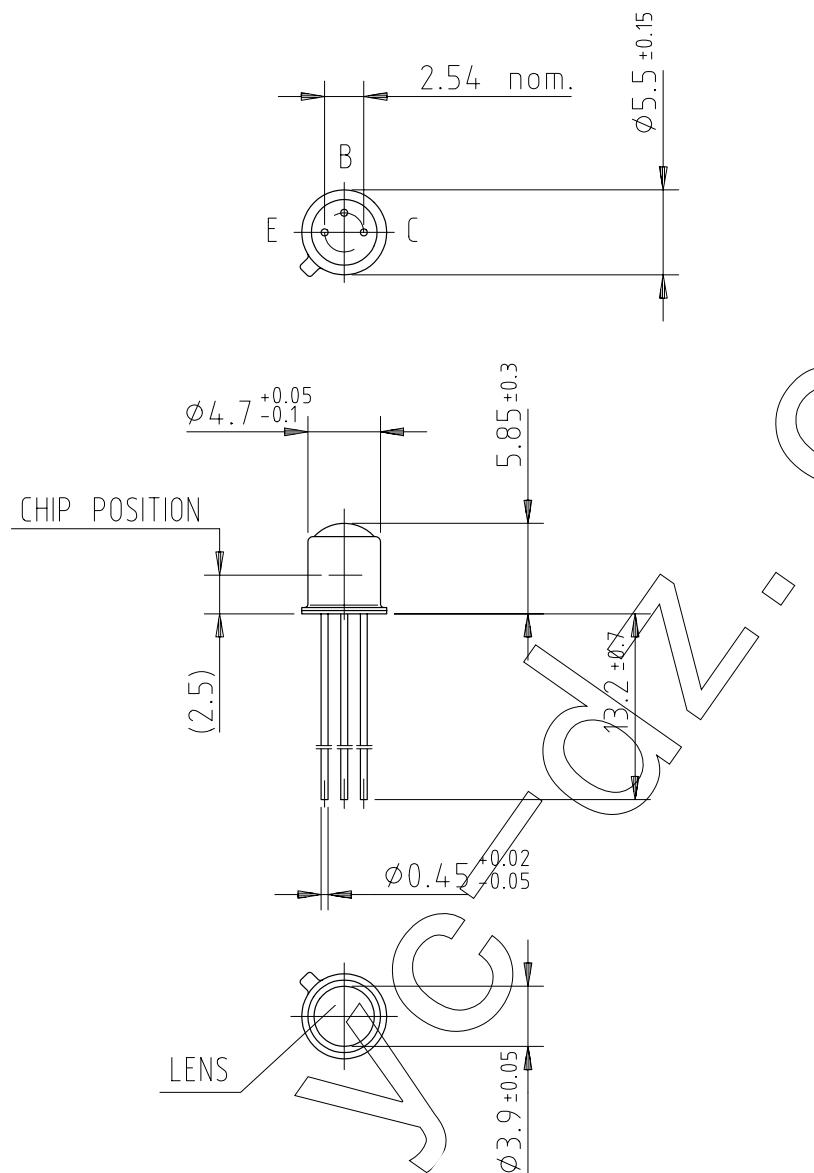
94 8371       $S_{\text{rel}}$  – Relative Sensitivity  
0° 10° 20° 30° 40° 50° 60° 70° 80°

Figure 11. Relative Radiant Sensitivity vs. Angular Displacement

**Dimensions in mm**


technical drawings  
according to DIN  
specifications

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