

Shadow visualization of an atmospheric pressure pulse discharge in a quasi-homogeneous and highly inhomogeneous electric field

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The article presents experimental results obtained by shadow visualization of a pulsed discharge of atmospheric pressure in a quasi-homogeneous and highly inhomogeneous electric field. In experiments, a shock wave formed during a pulsed breakdown of a short gas gap of atmospheric pressure initiated by a spark discharge along the surface of a dielectric was recorded. A comparative analysis of the features of shock wave propagation during its excitation in discharge devices of various geometries is carried out.

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