

to produce ion densities of high values. By using voltages of the order of 10^4 and discharge currents between 1 and 50mA, nuclear and chemical reactions can be induced on targets introduced into the centre part of the beam. The efficiency of ion production in the disk generator, defined as the ratio of the ion current in the reaction space to the primary current strength in the discharge space reached the value of 10 per cent under optimum conditions. (Germany)

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Measurement by means of Widmannstatten pattern of the thickness of thin metallic films for examination in the electron microscope. See Abstr. No. 421

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Speed of sorption of nitrogen activated by electron impact. See Abstr. No. 372

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435. Degassing characteristics of some "O" ring materials. (Great Britain)

The degassing rates of nitrile and viton A "O" rings were measured both at room temperature and after having been baked at various temperatures between 100 and 200°C (Viton) and 50-100°C (Nitrile). Degassing rates are more sensitive means of comparing elastomers than pump-down or ultimate tests in an assembled system, since any difference may then be obscured by additional degassing from all the solid surfaces. In the unbaked condition, Viton rings showed about half the degassing rate of the nitrile variety. After baking for 4 hours at 100°C, the difference became much more marked, the rate of the Viton being only 1/50 that of the Nitrile and approaching degassing rate for unbaked metal samples. Heating the Viton to 200°C, however, increases the degassing rate and there is evidence of contamination of the test chamber by volatile products. Similar chemical changes take place with Nitrile at temperature above 100°C. It should be emphasized that the results quoted apply to materials of one particular specification only and should not be applied without reservation to samples from the manufacturers. (Great Britain)

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