



## Electrostatic generator, 400 (kV), (Van De Graaff)

EQ047C

### Function

Intended for study, physics laboratory, physics experiments on: Electricity. The cathode electrode and the anode electrode in the Van de Graaff generator. The dielectric strength of a material. The electrical conductivity of a material. The conductivity of a gas. Gases, conductors of the third kind. Configurations of the lines of force between electrodes, the lightning rod, the Faraday cage and the coaxial cable. The electric field. Analogy between the Earth's gravitational field and the electric field, conservative fields. Michael Faraday, lines of force and the electric field vector between two electrodes. What is a line of force for an electric field. Properties of electric field lines of force. The lines of force between a pair of straight, parallel electrodes with electrical charges of opposite signs. The lines of force between a pair of point electrodes with electrical charges of opposite signs. Lines of force between a ring electrode and a centered point electrode, with electrical charges of opposite signs. The lines of force between a straight electrode and a point electrode with electrical charges of opposite signs. Lines of force between two straight electrodes with charges of opposite signs and a ring between them, the Faraday cage, the electrostatic shield. The electrical potential and the amount of charge accumulated in the generator. Electric potential and the work to move an electric charge. The unit of natural electrical charge and the amount of electrical charge. The surface charge density. The measurement of the potential on the outer surface of the generator sphere. Measurement of the surface charge density of the generator sphere. The spark span in the Van de Graaff generator and the dielectric strength. Assessment of the extent of the spark produced by the generator and some factors that

may intervene. The principle of operation of the leaf electroscope and the distribution of charges in a conductor. Lighting a neon lamp without contact with the generator. Lighting fluorescent lamp without contact with the generator. Making an electric fountain. Strips of paper that repel each other, with the generator. Simulating a lightning rod with the generator. Making your hair stand on end with the electrostatic generator. The turnstile, electric wind effect, with the generator, etc.

Note: Generator designed taking into account its use in different geographic locations, including coastal strips, its bearings are shielded and its shafts and devices with stainless steel bearing housings, the motor is built-in so as not to contaminate the load conveyor belt and the The engine belt is surrounded by a grille to protect the operator.

## **Knowledge areas**

Physics

## **Key Experiments**

Discharge in gases under atmospheric pressure

Configurations of the power lines between submerged electrodes, lightning rods, Faraday cage and coaxial cables

The electric potential and the amount of accumulated charge in the generator

The extent of the spark in the Van de Graaff generator and dielectric strength

The principle of the operation of a leaves electroscope and the distribution of charges in a conductor

Playful experiment: Lighting a fluorescent lamp

Playful experiment: Lighting a neon lamp

Playful experiment: Making a "fountain" with Styrofoam balls (or confetti)

Playful experiment: Rearing paper strips

Playful experiment: Simulating a lightning rod

Playful experiment: Ruffling a person's hair

Playful experiment: One effect of "electric wind" - the tourniquet

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