

# A new design of dielectric barrier discharge for surface self-sterilization

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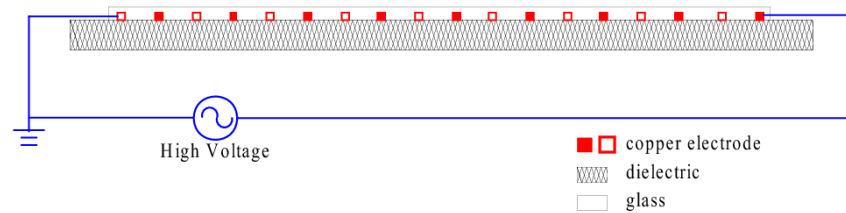


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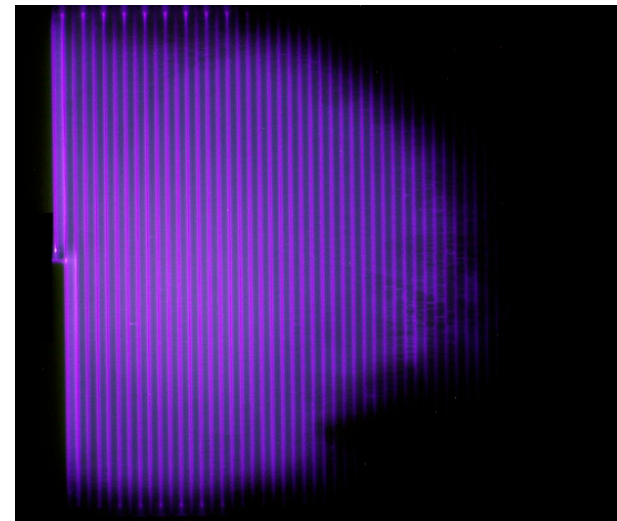
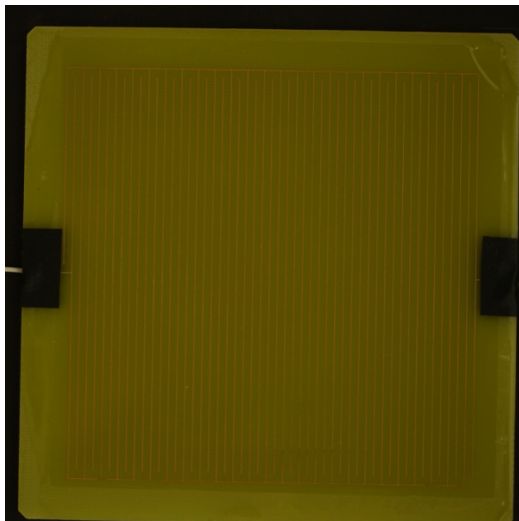
# Outline

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- **Summary and outlook**
  - prototype, life time testing, safety testing, industrial products...

# Introduction (1)

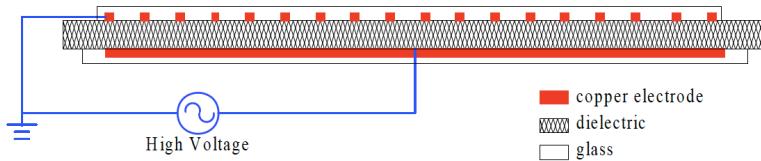


- plastic glass surface (~ 0.2 mm thick)
- two wire electrodes (distance ~ 2 mm, wire thickness 0.1 mm)
- epoxy board (thickness ~ 1.5 mm, 12 cm x 12 cm )
- electrode area (10 cm x 10 cm)

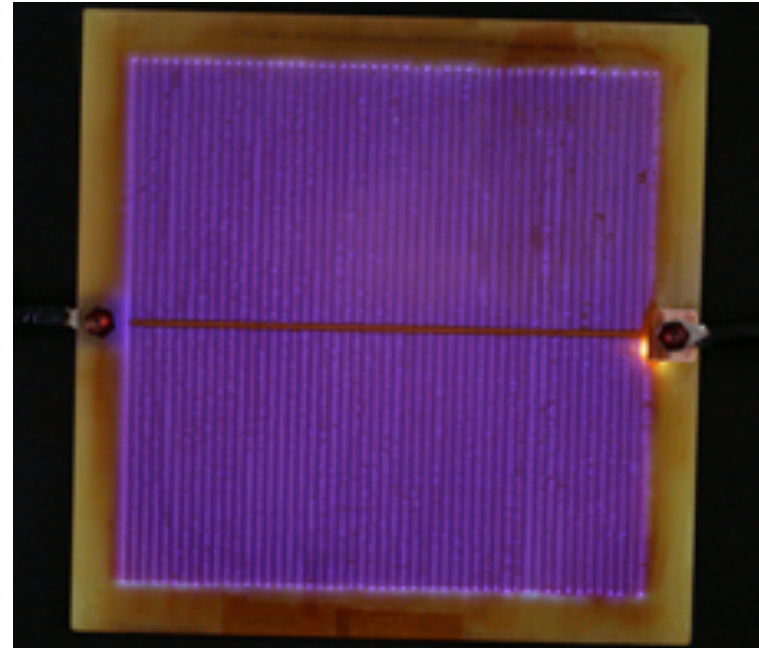


2kHz, 22kVpp, sine wave

# Introduction (2)

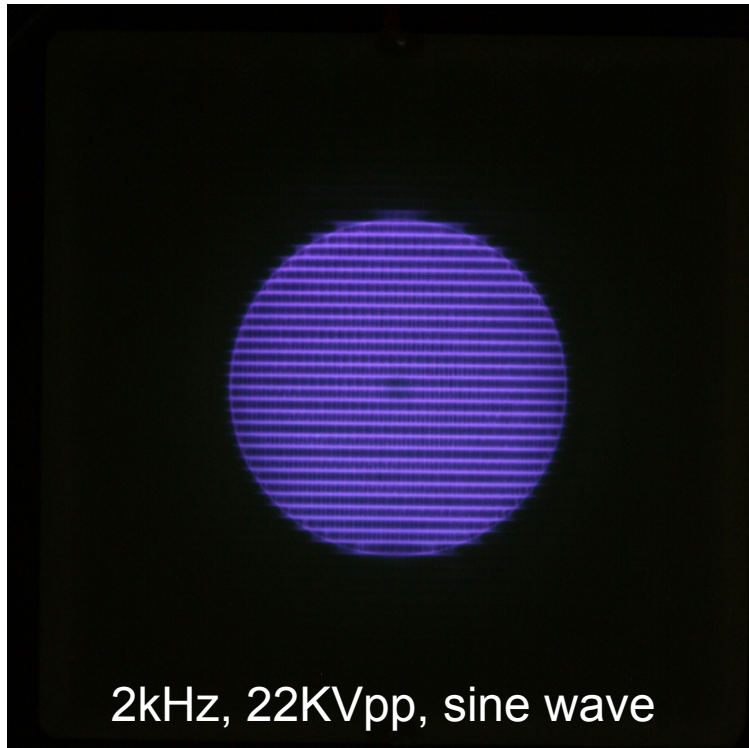
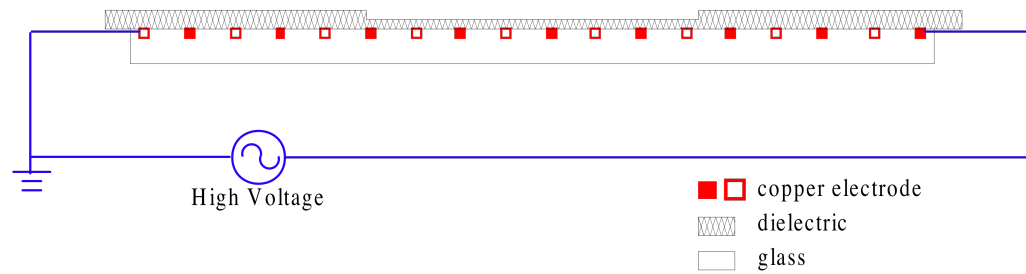


- glass epoxy surface ( $\sim 0.1$  mm thick)
- one wire electrode (wire  $0.1$  mm x  $0.2$  mm)
- epoxy board (thickness  $\sim 1.5$  mm,  $12$  cm x  $12$  cm )
- electrode area ( $10$  cm x  $10$  cm)

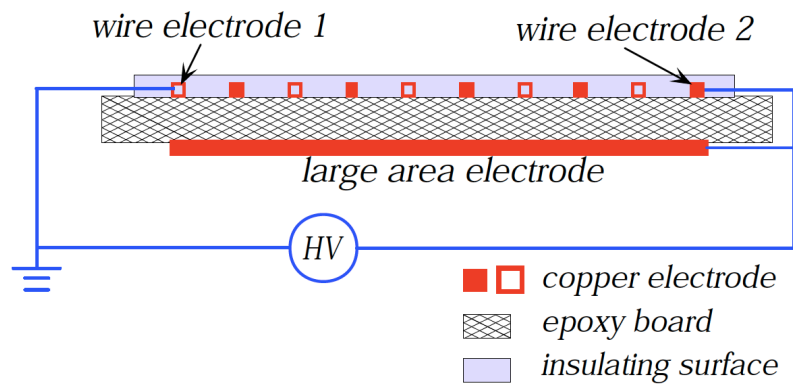


1kHz, 14kVpp, sine wave

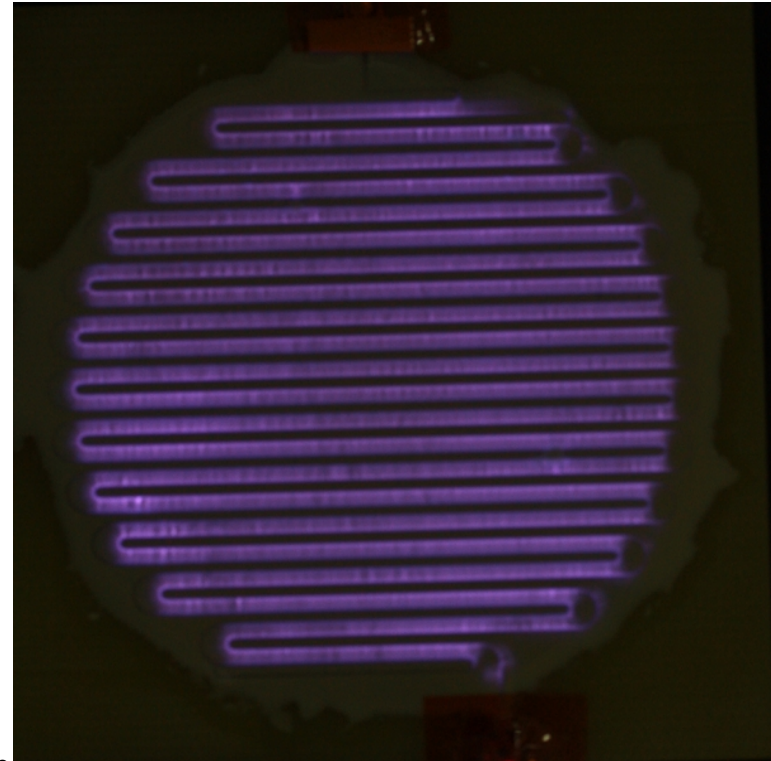
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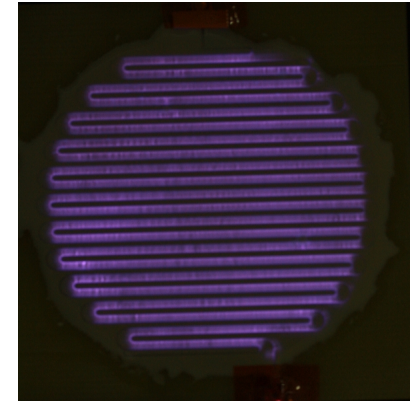
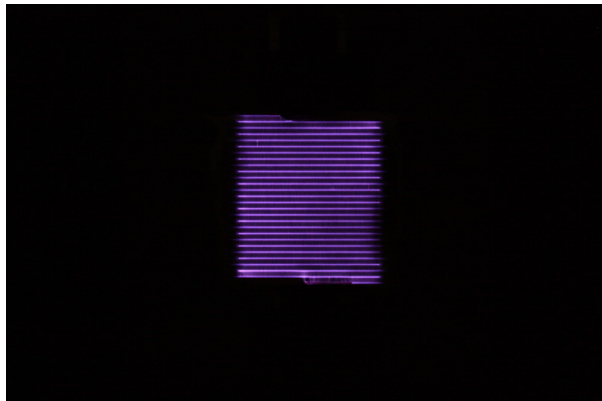
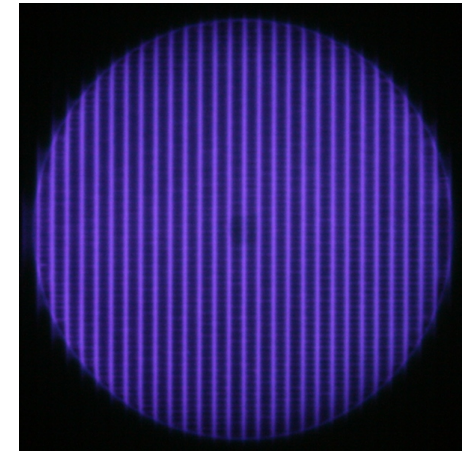
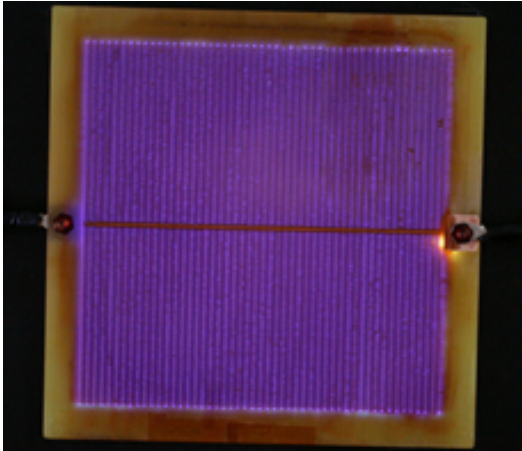
- glass epoxy surface (~ 0.2 mm thick)
- two wire electrodes (wire 0.1 mm x 0.2 mm)
- epoxy board (thickness ~ 1.5 mm, 12 cm x 12 cm)
- electrode area (9 cm in diameter)



2kHz, 18kVpp, square wave

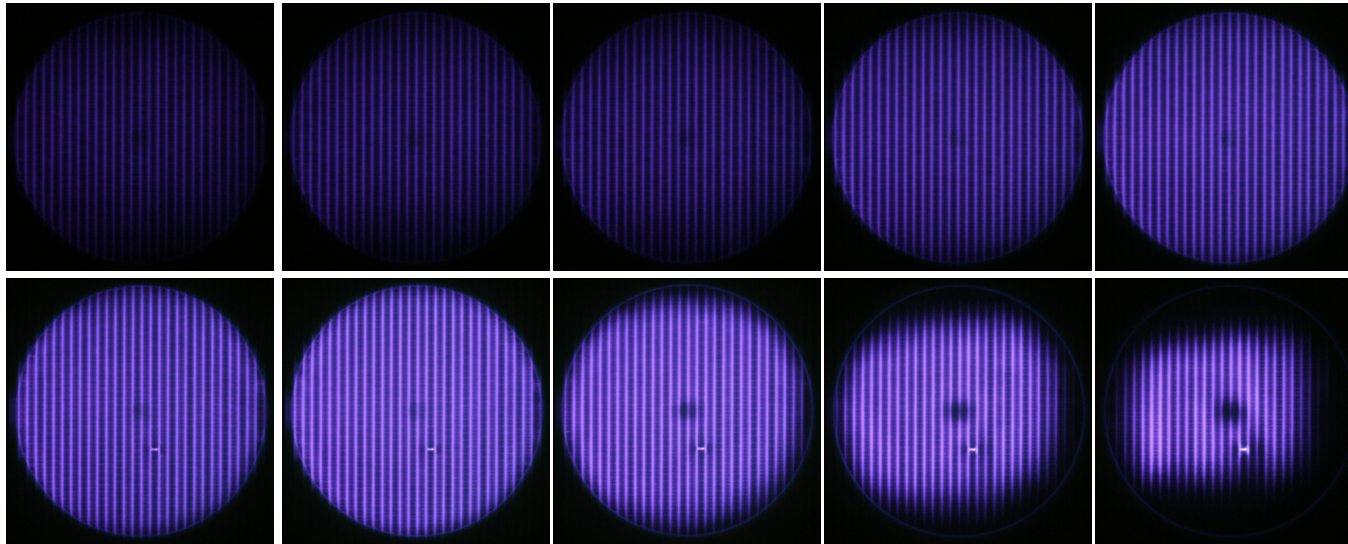


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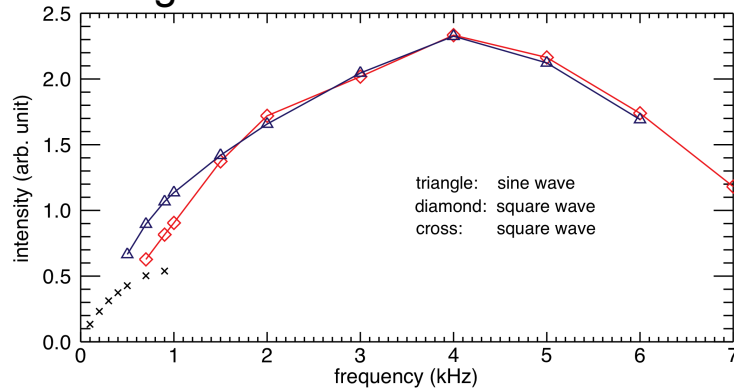


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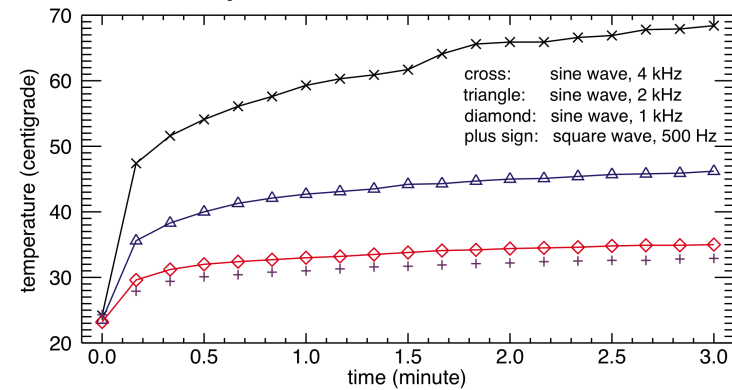
Images of discharge with different frequencies (square wave, 0.5-7kHz, 22kVpp)



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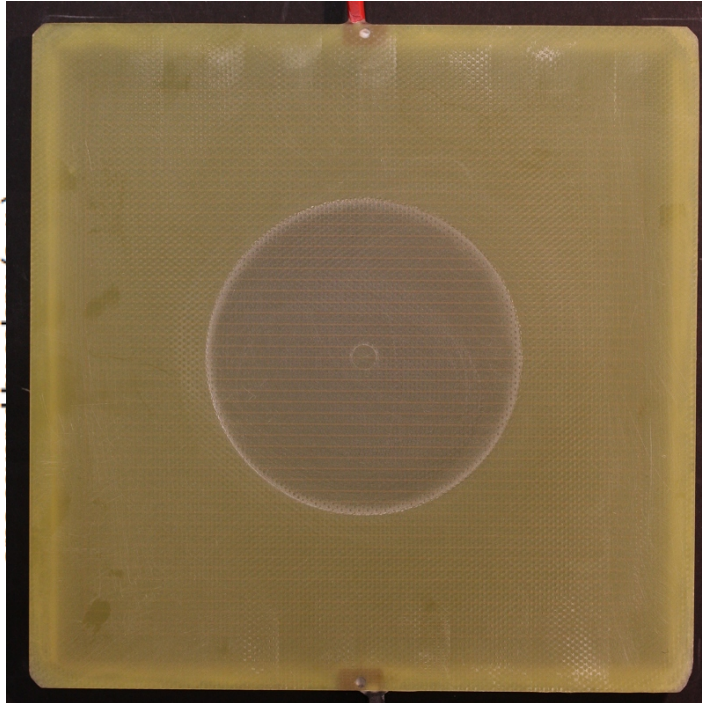
surface temperature Voltcraft 320 K/J



UV power: < 1 microWatt, ozone: < 5ppm



# Bacterial experiments (1)



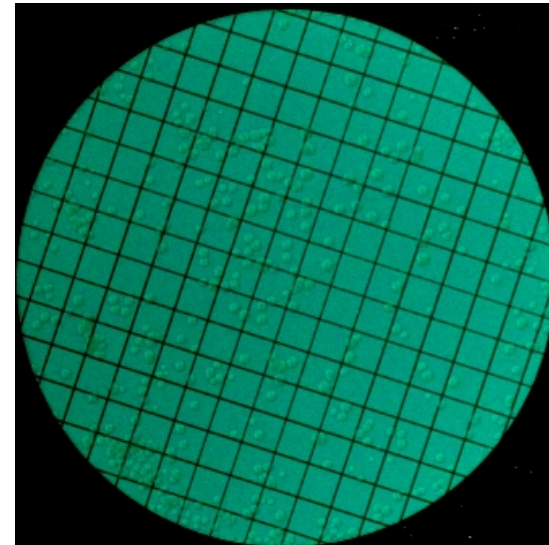
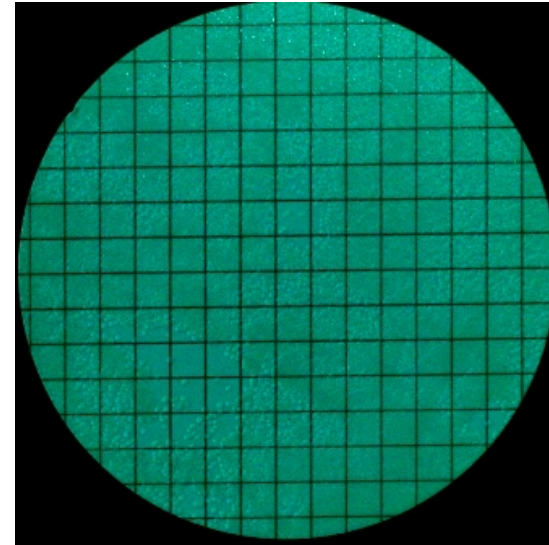
with membrane filter\*

*Escherichia coli*

30 seconds plasma exposure

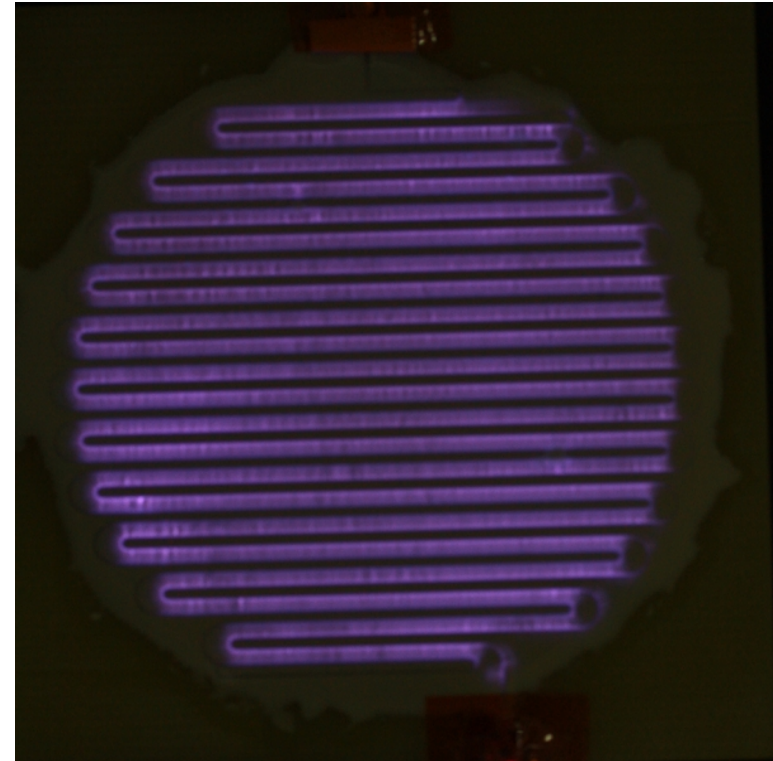
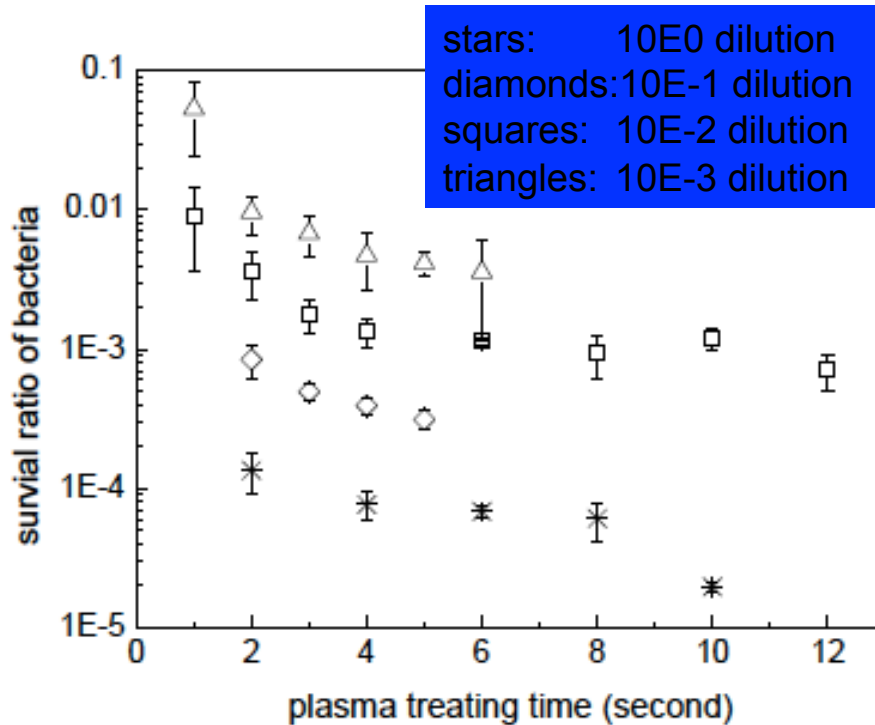
16 hours for incubation

1 kHz, square, 22 kVpp



Cellulosenitrate filter with pore size of 0.45 micrometer  
Provided by Klinikum Schwabing.

# Bacterial experiments (2)



2kHz, 18kVpp, square wave

bi-phasic structure of the survival curves →  
*Boudam and Moisan, J. Phys. D, 2010*

# Possible applications

water and dust resist, scalable, and flexible



<http://www.spiegel.de/netzwelt/gadgets/0,1518,712443,00.html>

Thank Tobias for the information.

# Summary and outlook

- ✧ SSS with different surface materials were tested.
  - ✧ Breakdown voltage varies from 15 kVpp to 24 kVpp in a frequency range between 0.1 kHz and 7 kHz.
  - ✧ Direct and indirect bacterial experiments were conducted
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- ❖ Optimization of SSS
    - Material, surface thickness and evenness
  - ❖ Characterization of SSS.
    - UV emission, power consumption, ozone rate, bactericidal effect
  - ❖ Life time, safety issue
    - prototype → industrial product

*Thank you  
for your kind attention.*

