



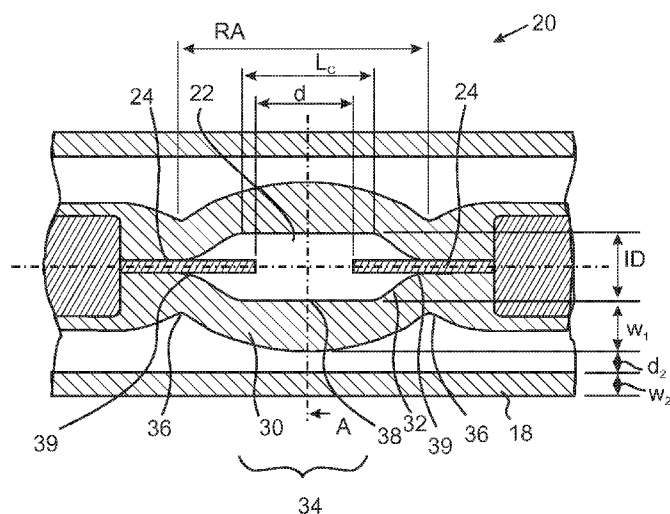
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(54) Title: DISCHARGE LAMP WITH HIGH COLOR TEMPERATURE

FIG. 2



(57) Abstract: A discharge lamp comprises a discharge vessel 20 defining a sealed inner discharge space 22 with two electrodes 24. A filling consists of a rare gas and a metal halide composition and is free of mercury. The discharge vessel 20 comprises outer grooves 36 where the electrodes 24 are embedded, arranged at a groove distance Ra between them. The discharge vessel 20 further comprises an inner diameter ID. In operation of the lamp, an arc discharge is formed between the electrodes and the metal halide composition is partly evaporated. After operation of the lamp, the metal halide composition forms a film on the inner wall of the discharge vessel 20. This film has a surface area A_s measured in mm^2 . The metal halide composition is provided in such an amount within the discharge space 22, that a matching quotient Q, calculated as $Q = Ra \times ID/A_s$ has a value of 2 or more, such that a high colour temperature is achieved.



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Discharge lamp comprising a discharge vessel defining a sealed inner discharge space with at least two electrodes, where said discharge space comprises a filling of a rare gas and a metal halide composition, said filling being substantially free of mercury, where said discharge vessel comprises outer grooves where said electrodes are embedded, and said grooves are arranged at a groove distance RA between them, said discharge vessel comprising an inner diameter ID, wherein in operation of said lamp an arc discharge is formed between said electrodes and said metal halide composition is at least partly evaporated, such that after operation of the lamp the metal halide composition forms a film on an inner wall of said discharge vessel, which film has a surface area As measured in mm², and wherein said metal halide composition is provided in such an amount within said discharge space, that a matching quotient Q calculated as $Q = RA \times ID / As$ has a value of 2 or more (claim 1);

where said lamp is disposed to yield during operation at an electrical power of 25W a luminous flux of at least 1800 lm (claim 2).

2. claims: 9-11

Discharge lamp according to claim 1, where said metal halide composition comprises Thulium halide (claims 9, 11); or where said metal halide composition comprises 0.05 - 0.7 wt-% of Indium halide (claim 10).

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