

Optimization of the design of open-type ultraviolet irradiators

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The distribution and flux of ultraviolet radiation in the space around outdoor open-type irradiators with a different number and arrangement of lamps has been studied. A design model of an irradiator consisting of low-pressure gas-discharge amalgam lamps and power opaque structural elements of circular cross-section has been developed, taking into account the location and dimensions of all absorbing structural elements. As a result of experiments and computer simulations, it was shown how gas discharge lamps should be positioned to achieve the best utilization rate of the bactericidal flow. The results of the calculated model coincide with the experimental results.

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