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The new Huggins Ames Type A Mercury Arc Lamp has been designed to produce light intensities of 90,000 candles/sq cm. It is made by Huggins Laboratories, 778 Hamilton Ave., Menlo Park, Calif. Shown in the illustration are the lamp-holder with lamp extracted and, in the background, the a-c power supply. Light output is 65 lumens/watt; power consumption of the lamp is 2 kw (1.2 amp at 1750 v).

Arc dimensions are 2.85 cm (1.125 in.) by 1 mm (0.039 in.). Cooling is accomplished with ordinary tap water, 2½ gpm being required. Alternatively, a closed-circuit distilled-water system can be used. Average life at rated maximum brilliance is 5 hr, and appreciably more at reduced voltages. In the standard model, 100 per cent intensity is reached at 4358 Å, with an 80% peak at 5461 Å, and a 73% peak at 4047 Å, with a maximum radiation of 0.08 w per steradian per Angstrom. Intermediate areas average approximately 35%. Quartz accessories can be supplied for operation in the ultraviolet region. Direct-current, flash, and stroboscopic power supplies are reported as under development for special applications.

Uses reported are in interferometers, Schlieren optical systems, shadowgraphs, monochromators, in high-speed photography, and high-powered ultraviolet sources in the production of chemical, biochemical, and ionization changes in substances under study or processing.