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Mass spectrometric study of O, O₂(*a*¹Δ_g) and O₃ in time-modulated RF driven atmospheric pressure plasma jets¹ JINGKAI JIANG, YOLANDA ARANDA GONZALVO, PETER BRUGGEMAN, University of Minnesota — A molecular beam mass spectrometer (MBMS) was established to measure fluxes of neutral and ionic species from atmospheric pressure plasma at a substrate. In this work, we report the first measurements of absolute densities of O₂(*a*¹Δ_g) in an atmospheric pressure plasma jet (APPJ) by MBMS. The ability to measure spatial profiles of O₂(*a*¹Δ_g) impinging on a substrate in the effluent of the APPJ is a key advantage of the MBMS over previously reported optical methods. The measured large O₂(*a*¹Δ_g) densities in the APPJ effluent, up to one order of magnitude higher than the O density, underline the potential importance of O₂(*a*¹Δ_g) in many applications. In addition, we also investigate the change of species fluxes impinging on a dielectric substrate for touching and non-touching conditions by equipping the MBMS with a dielectric sampling plate. Spatially resolved measurements of neutral and ionic species in an He+1% O₂ RF-driven APPJ are reported. The spatially resolved distribution of O, O₂(*a*¹Δ_g) and O₃ is dominated by convection and, remarkably shows minimum differences between touching and non-touching conditions.

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