The C I 247.8561 nm Resonance Line Stark Broadening Parameters

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The Stark width (W) and shift (d) of the neutral carbon (C I) 247.8561 nm resonance spectral line in the $2p^{2-1}S_0 - 2p3s^{-1}P_1^o$ transition have been measured at 17,600 K electron temperature and $1.08 \cdot 10^{23}$ m⁻³ electron density in an oxygen-carbon plasma created in an optically thin, linear, low-pressure, pulsed arc discharge. They represent the first experimental results obtained at an electron temperature higher than 14,000 K. We have found a symmetrical line profile, generated dominantly by electrons as perturbers. Our W and d values have been compared to the existing experimental and theoretical data. Good agreement was found between the results calculated by a semiclassical approximation and our data, particulary in the case of the Stark shift.

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