

Title (en)  
COMBUSTION ENGINE AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING A COMBUSTION ENGINE

Title (de)  
VERBRENNUNGSMOTOR UND VERFAHREN ZUR STEUERUNG EINES VERBRENNUNGSMOTORS

Title (fr)  
MOTEUR A COMBUSTION ET PROCEDE DE COMMANDE D'UN MOTEUR A COMBUSTION

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[origin: WO2009016310A2] Internal combustion engine comprising: a pulse current generator (6); at least one electrode (5) provided with at least one tip; a means (7) for controlling the electrical supply to said electrode (5) by said generator (6); and a combustion chamber (1) in which the tip of said electrode (5) is positioned, this tip being separated from the inner wall of the chamber (1) by a minimum separation distance (D). The current generator (6) and the electrode (5) are designed such that the power density (R) generated while said electrode (5) is being supplied is less than 105 watts per cubic centimetre, this power density (R) being equal to the electrical supply power (Pmax) of said electrode (5) divided by the minimum separation distance (D) cubed.

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