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Lowering laboratory and real driving particle emissions of direct injection spark ignition engines with n-butanol and isobutanol blends.

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Overview of the study

2013 / EURO 6 Ford Focus car with EcoBoost DISI engine

Gasoline, E15, 25% n-butanol, 25% isobutanol

Chassis dynamometer - NEDC, WLTP, Artemis, US06

HC, CO, NO, NO₂, PM, PN (PMP), PN (EEPS),

Unregulated: FTIR, PAH, genotoxicity (DNA adducts, ...)

55-km real driving loop - size distribution (onboard EEPS)



Issues addressed in this study

Particle emissions from DISI engines:

- emissions from production / in-use engines
- effects of driving cycle / off-cycle emissions
 - particles smaller than 23 nm
 - volatile nanoparticles

Real driving emissions and their measurement

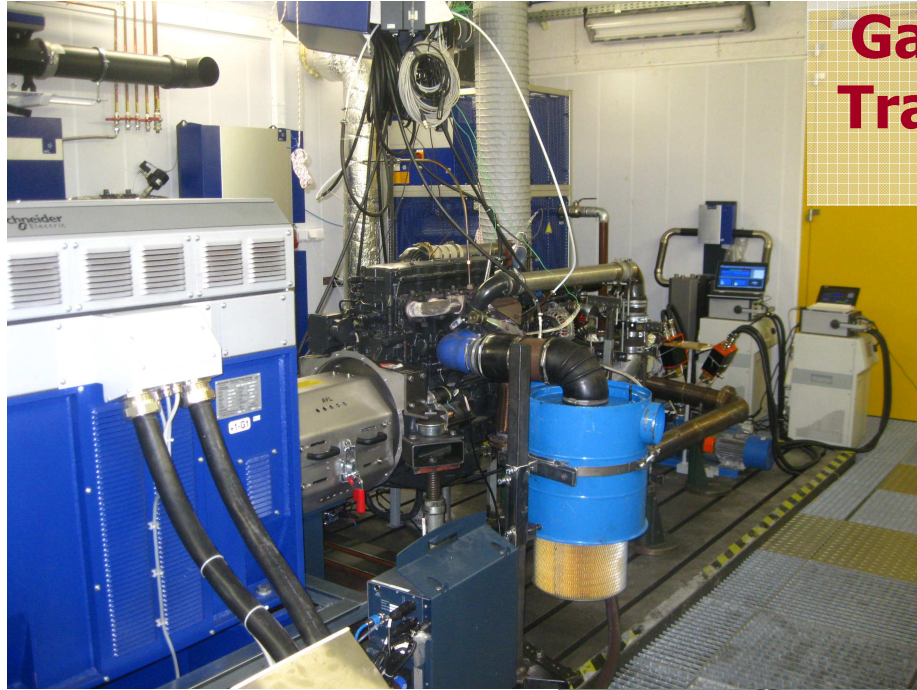
WLTP vs. NEDC, Artemis, US06, ..., real driving

Effect of renewable alcohol fuels on particle emissions

Butanol as a potential alternative to ethanol

Project BIOTOX – Mechanisms of Toxicity of Particles from Biofuels

PM measurement and sampling using high-volume samplers



Gasoline MPI and direct injection, diesel, Traditional and alternative fuels (ethanol, butanol, biodiesel, NExBTL, blends)



Real driving emissions measurement Portable on-board monitoring systems (PEMS)



**Cars, buses, trucks, tractors, loaders, mowers, small airplanes, mopeds,
ferries, locomotives, construction machinery**

Laboratory and on-road particle emissions of DISI engines fueled with butanol blends.
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“Research PEMS”: On-board FTIR (gaseous compounds), EEPS (size distributions), CPC (particle counts)



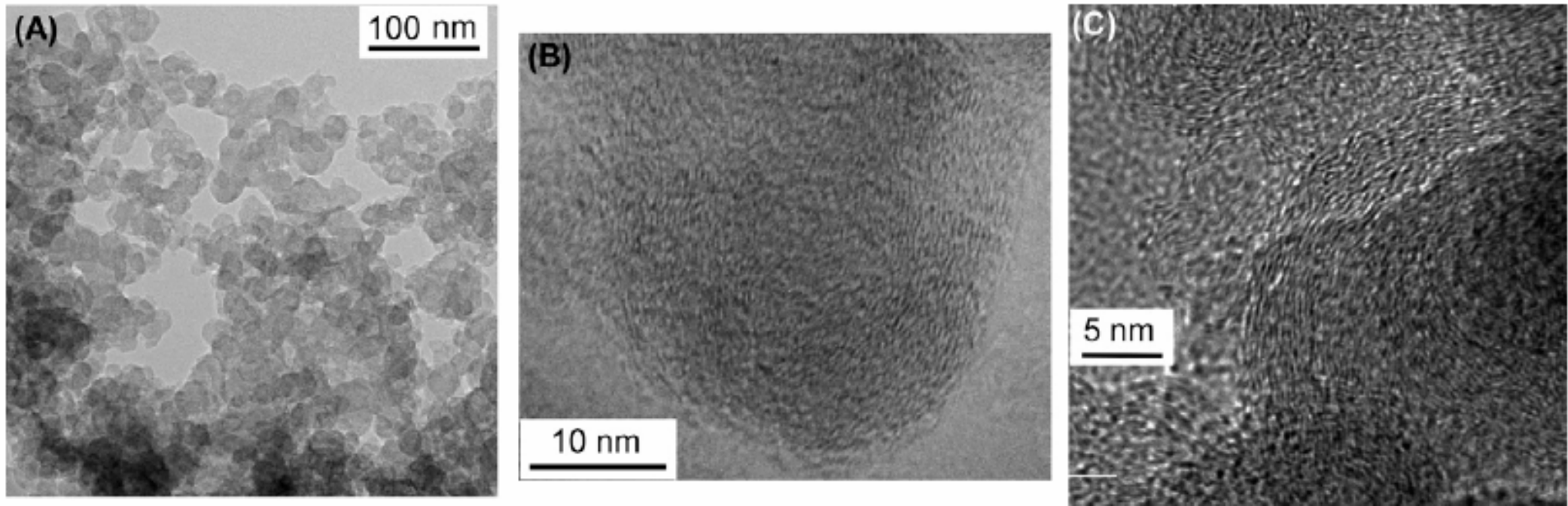
Student projects: E85, n-butanol, isobutanol in unmodified gasoline engines in Škoda cars



On-board FTIR
~ 30 kg
~ 300-400 W
3 hours on
26 kg of batteries

(Diesel) ICE exhaust particulate matter

- **Small particles (units to hundreds of nm) formed by incomplete combustion of fuel and engine lubricating oil and wear metals**
- **Complex mixture of compounds, many known to be carcinogenic**
- **More premature deaths (> 400 K per year in EU) than traffic accidents (< 40 K per year)**
- **One of the most pressing urban environmental problems**



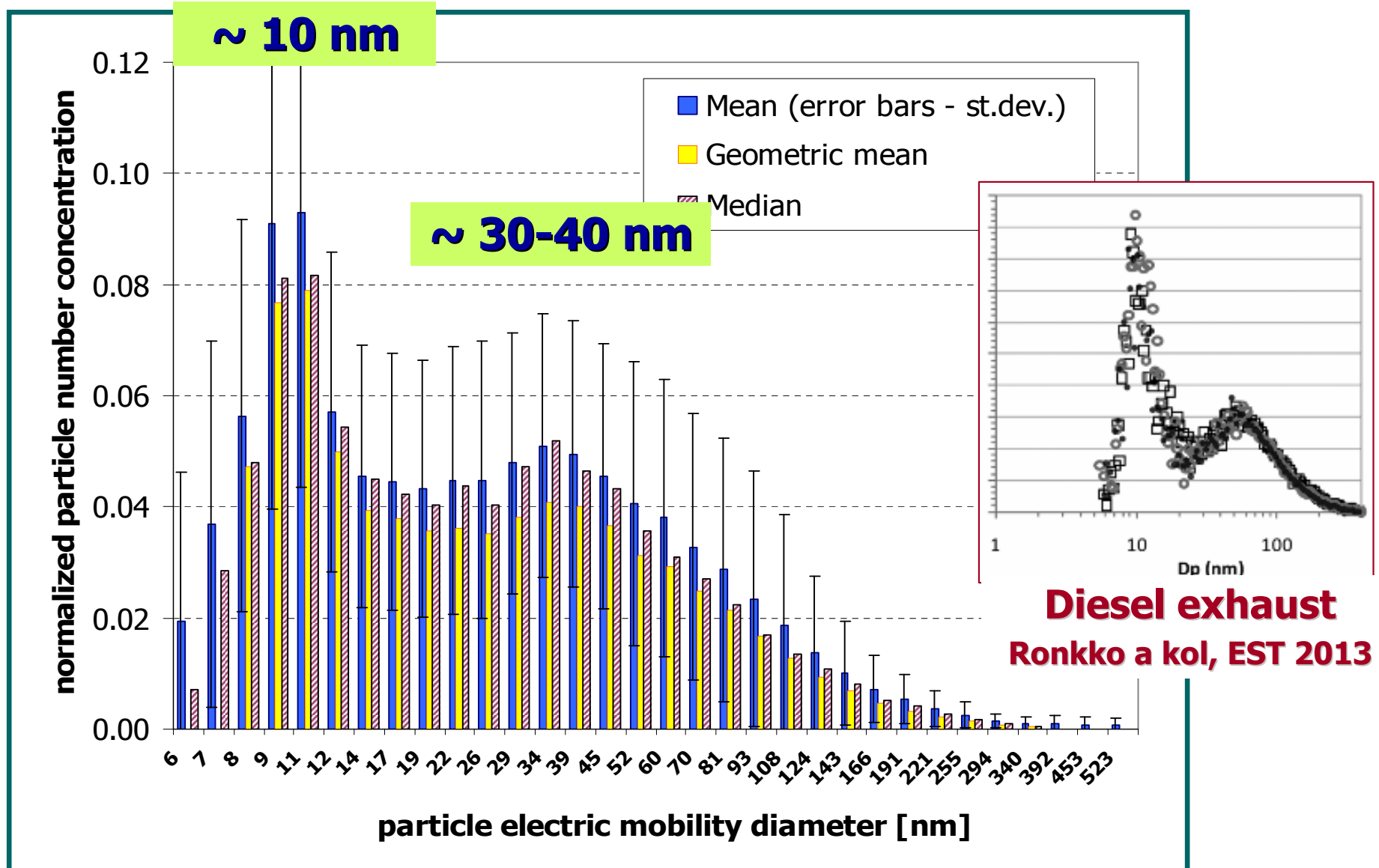
Liati A., Dimopoulos P.E., *Combustion and Flame* 157 (2010) 1658–1670.

Spořilov – ambient concentrations of 5-100 nm particles (thousands per cm³) – March 26, 2014



Roadside & neighborhood ambient PM

Spořilov, February 2014, average of 40 locations, typical concentrations 10^4 - 10^5 particles/cm³ (max. 10^6 /cm³)



Vojtíšek et al., NanoCon 2014

Is diesel PM becoming more of a question of public policy rather than technology?



With DPF



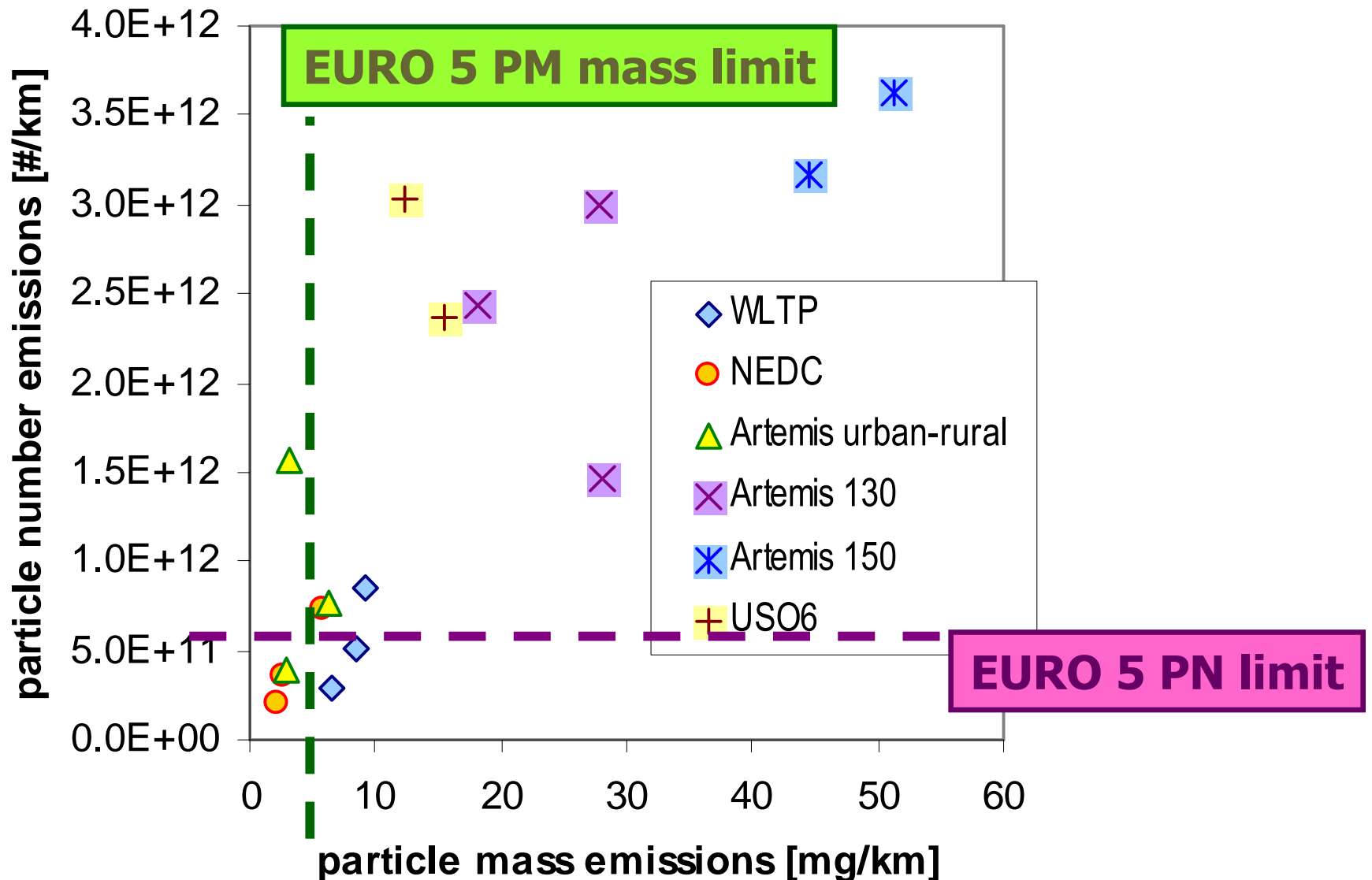
**Euro 5 with no DPF
(Prague, CZ)**



Gasoline engine PM: Number vs. Mass limits by driving cycle

WLTP is "not as lame as NEDC", but does it cover the problem – enrichment at high load (prohibited by EPA)?

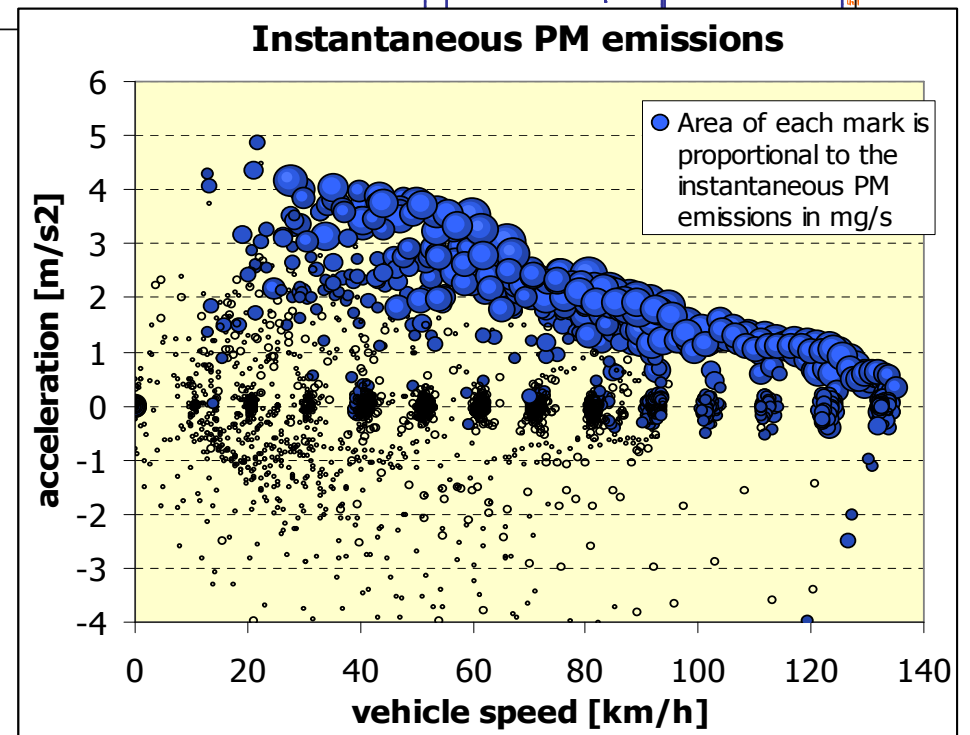
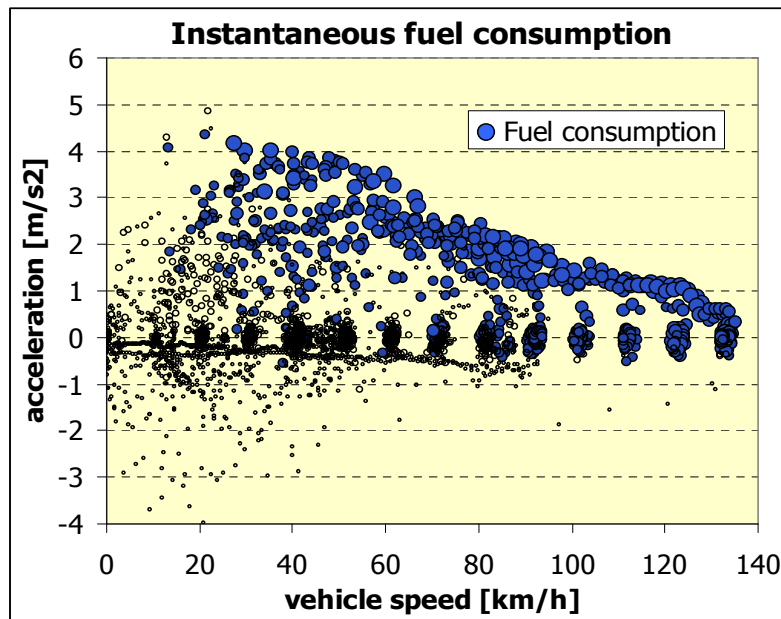
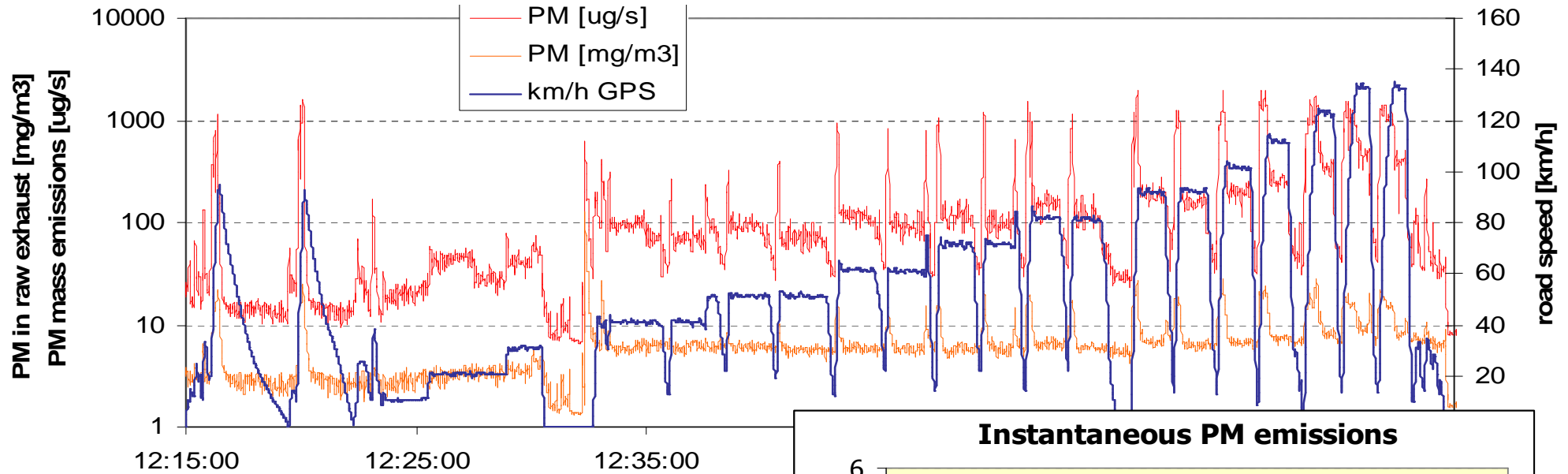
US06 and Artemis motorway cycles as a supplement?



Gasoline engine real-driving PM emissions



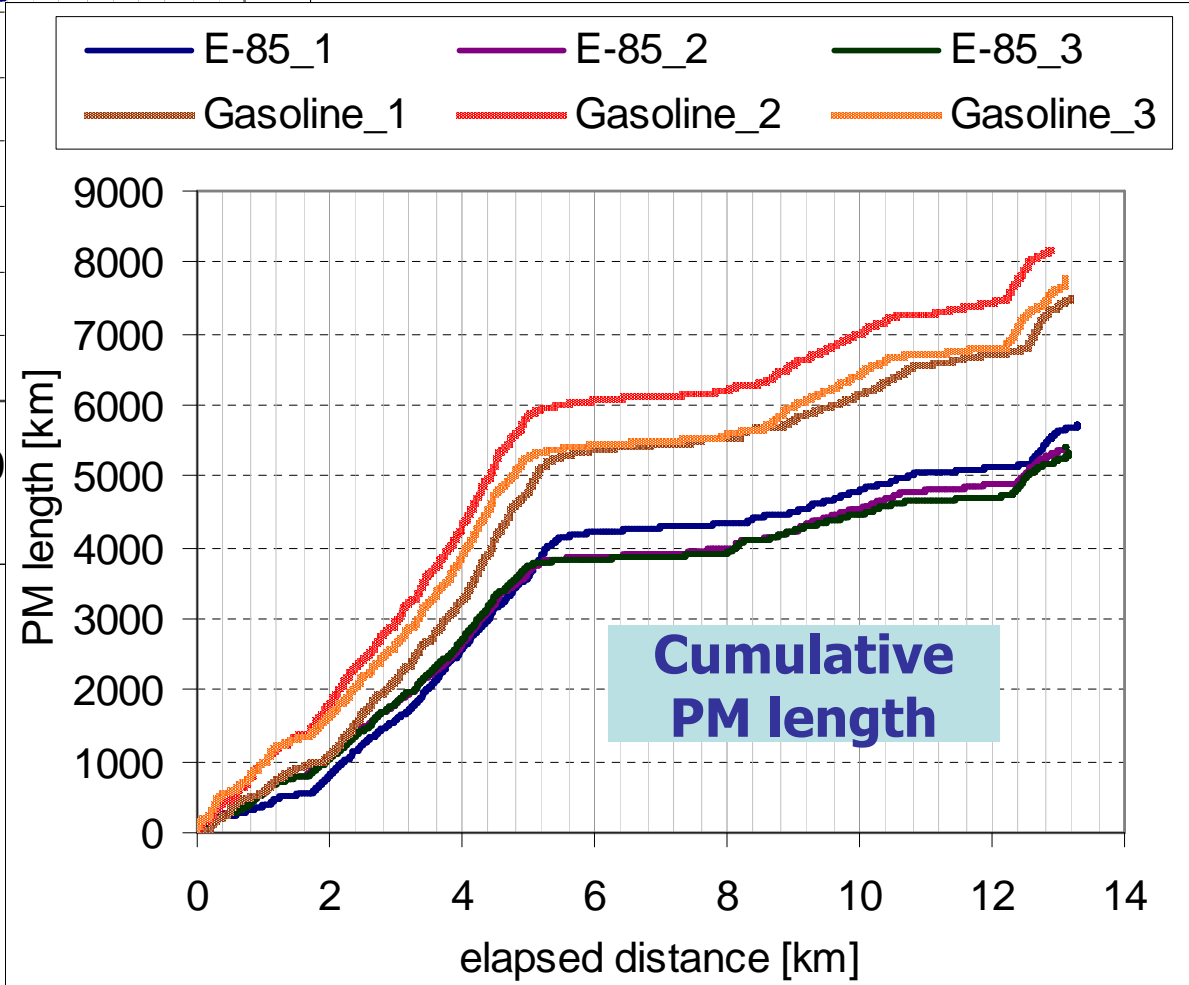
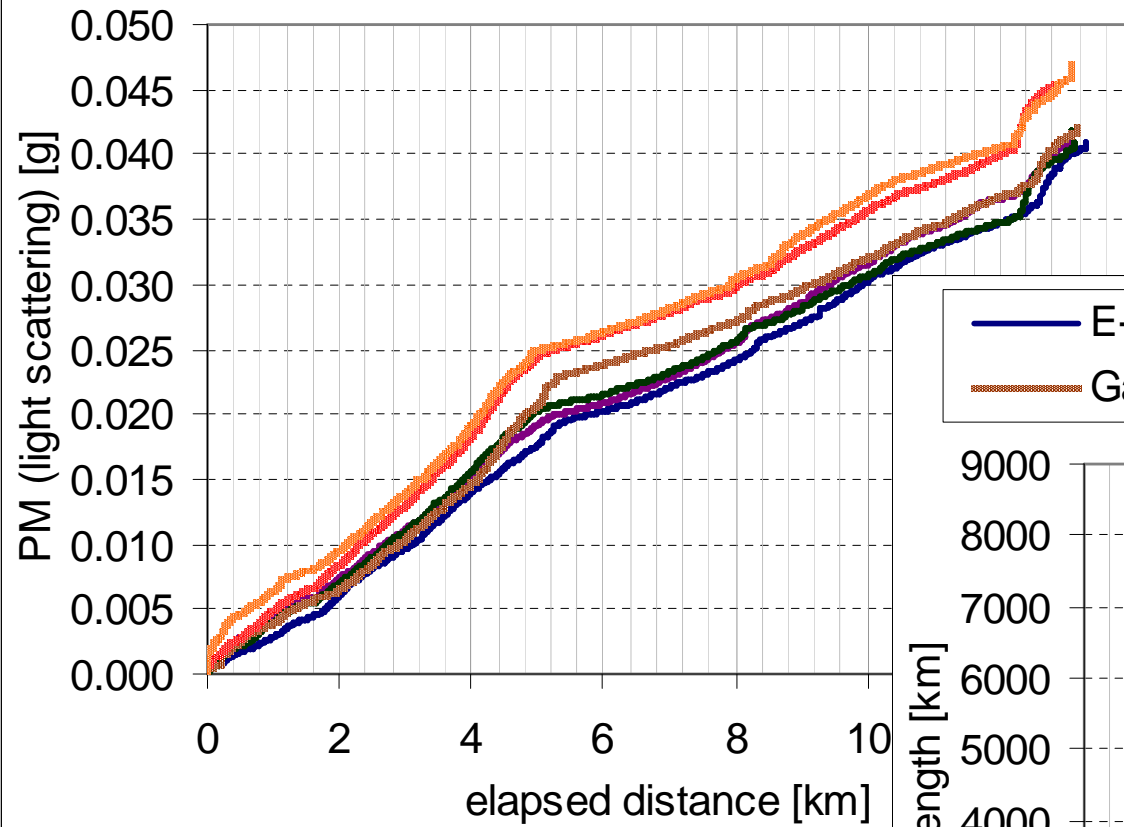
Gasoline engine on-road PM emissions – steady speed vs. full-power acceleration



Effects of E85 on real driving emissions in an ordinary car

14 km test route

(SAE 2013-24-0102)



**Škoda Felicia passenger car,
Euro 3 1.4-liter MPI SI engine
3 runs on gasoline
3 runs on E85**

Laboratory tests

Vehicle:

**2013 Ford Focus, Euro 6
EcoBoost 1.0-liter engine
Direct ignition gasoline**

Fuels:

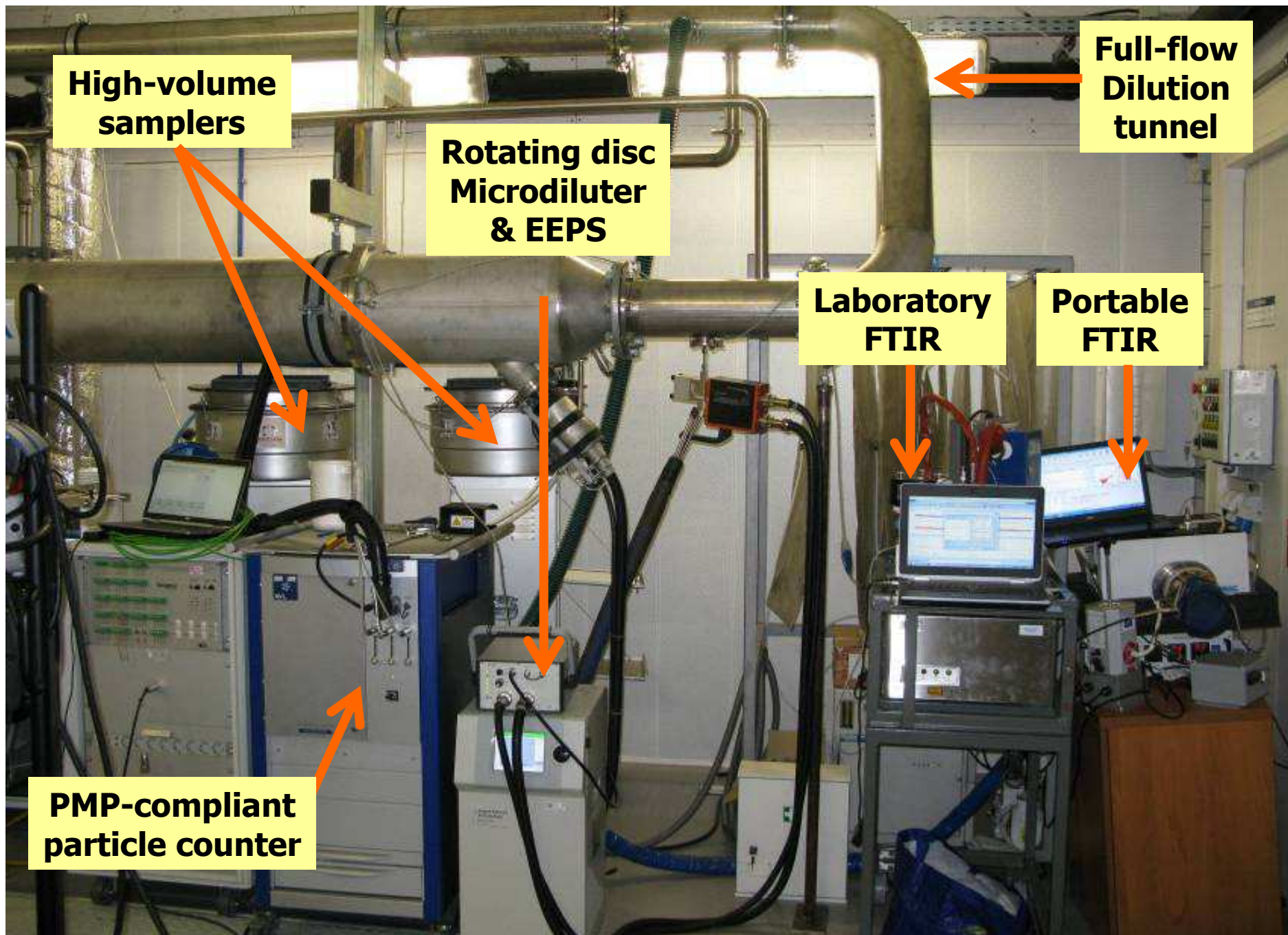
**Gasoline (no ethanol),
E15 (15% ethanol)
25% n-butanol
25% isobutanol**

Cycles:

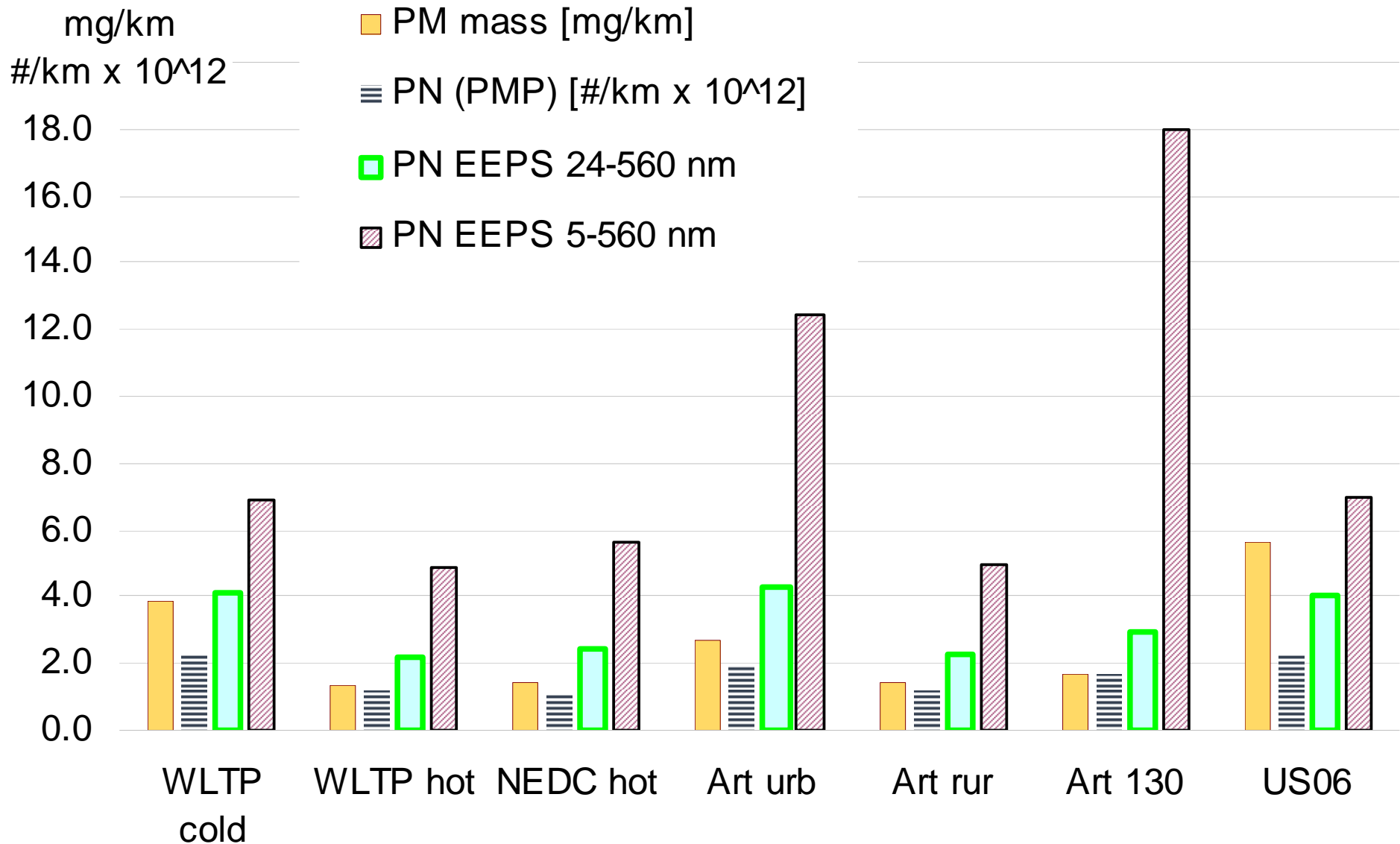
**Fuel change & adaptation,
WLTP preconditioning,
WLTP cold, WLTP hot,
4 x Artemis**



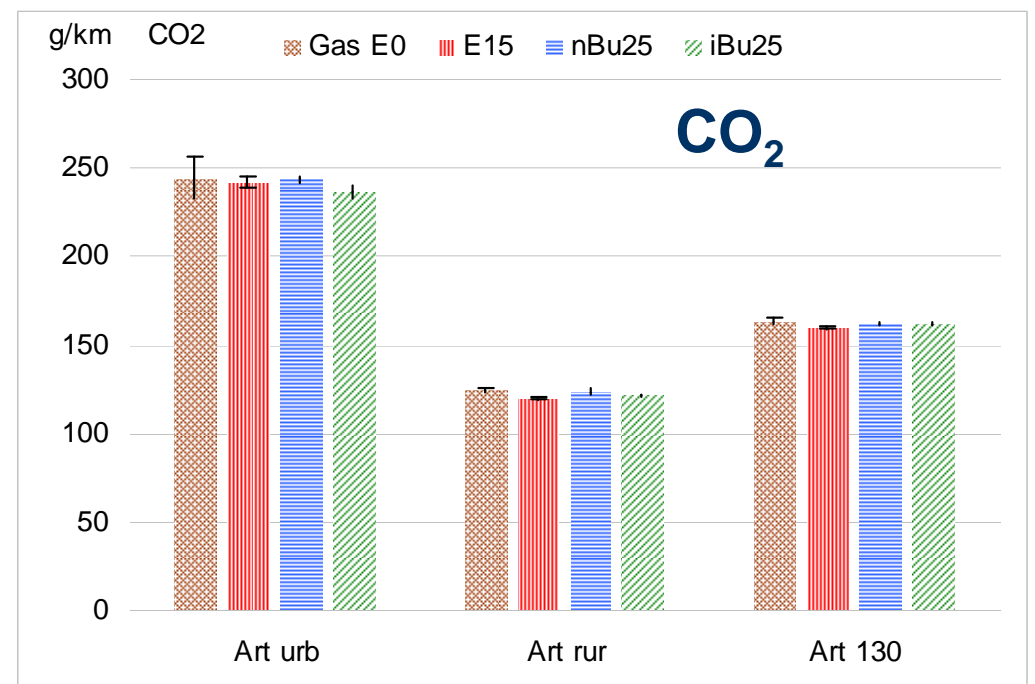
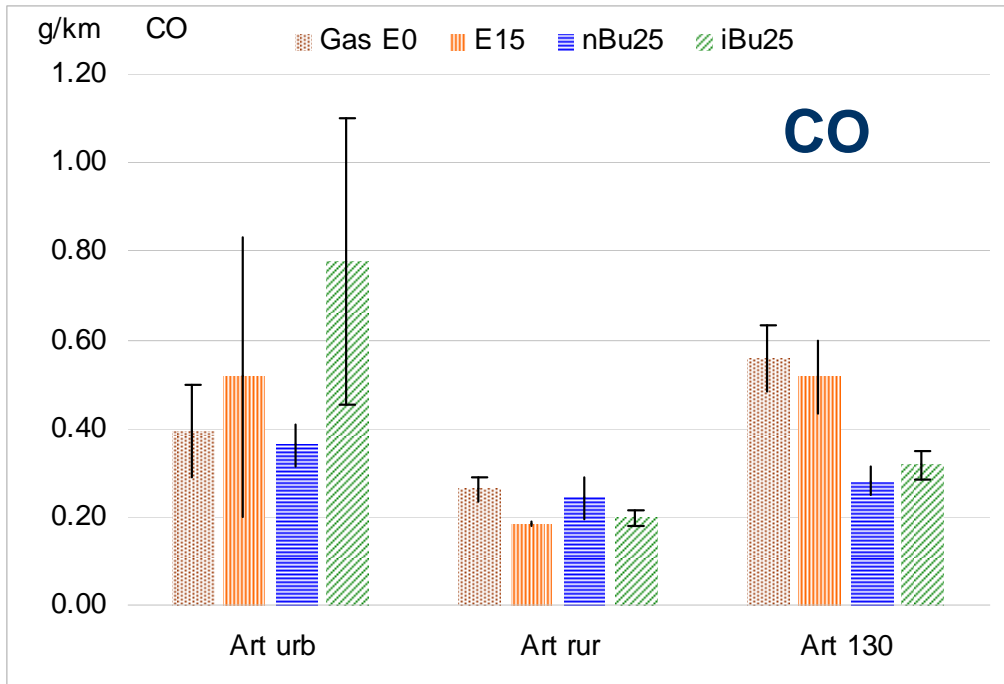
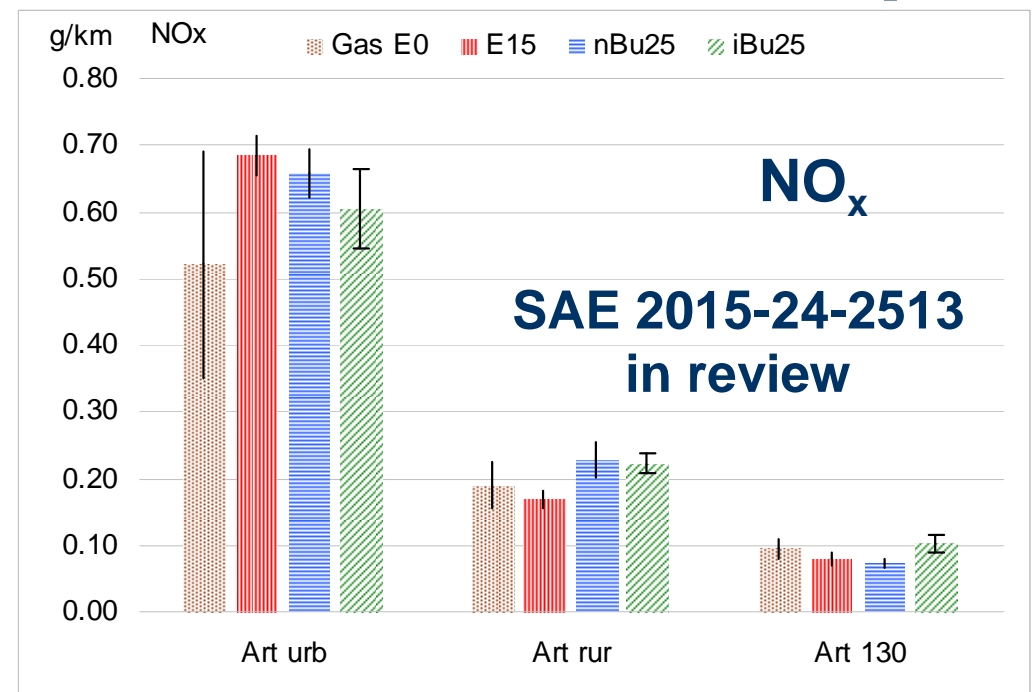
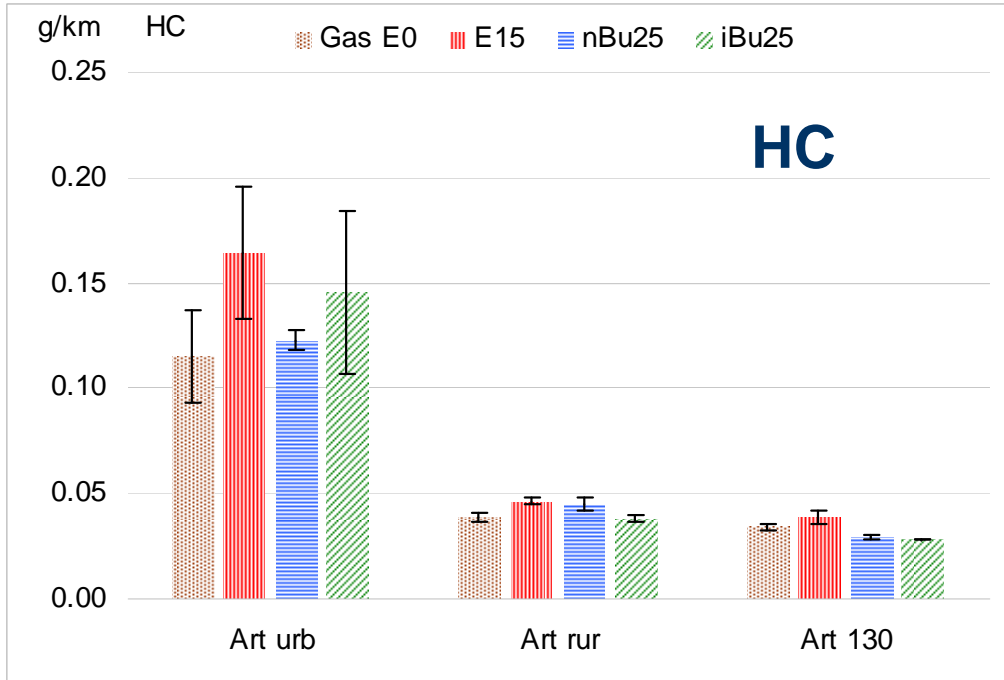
Dilution tunnel instrumentation



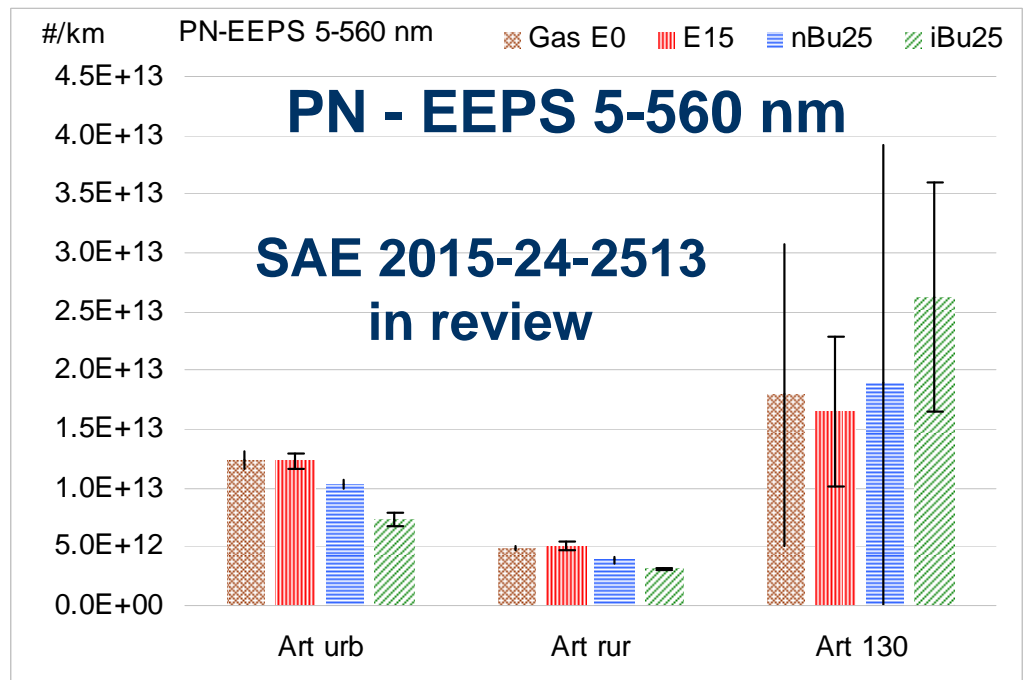
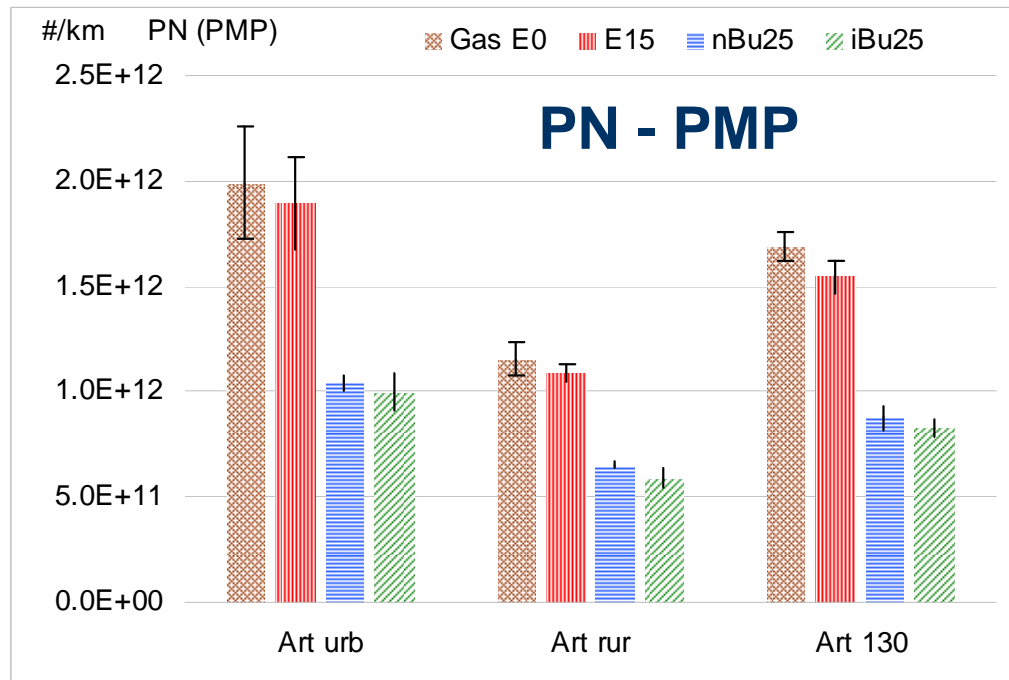
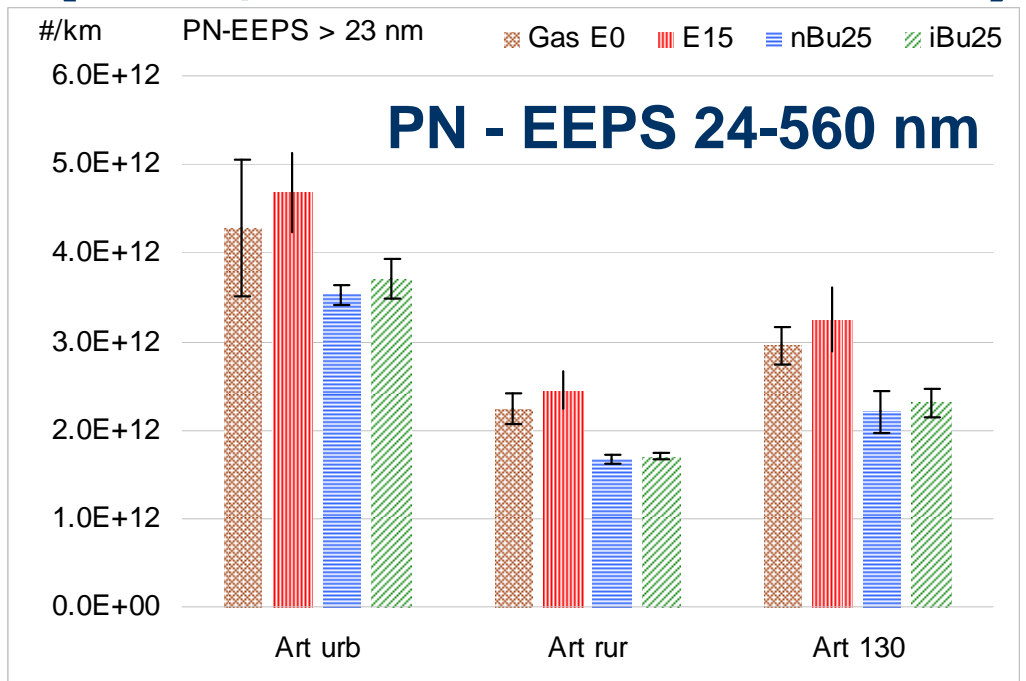
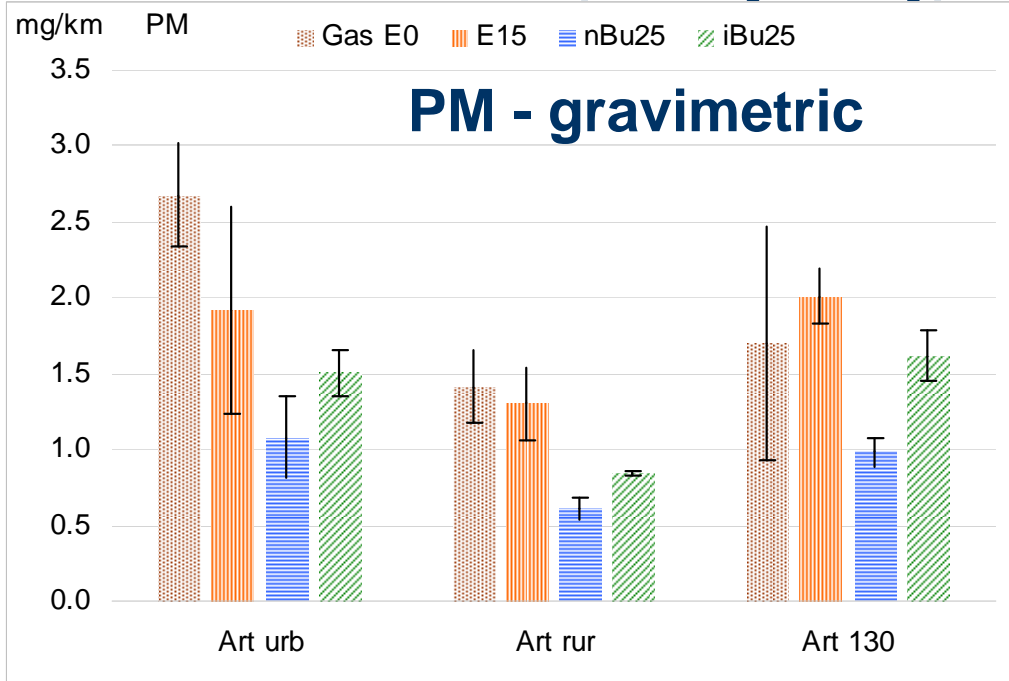
Effect of cycle & effect of "PN" definition: PN (PMP), PN (EEPS 5-560 nm), PN (EEPS 23-560 nm) Gasoline, PM is gravimetric on TX40HI20-WW Emfab filters



Fuel effect on HC, CO, NO_x, CO₂: 4 runs of Artemis cycle



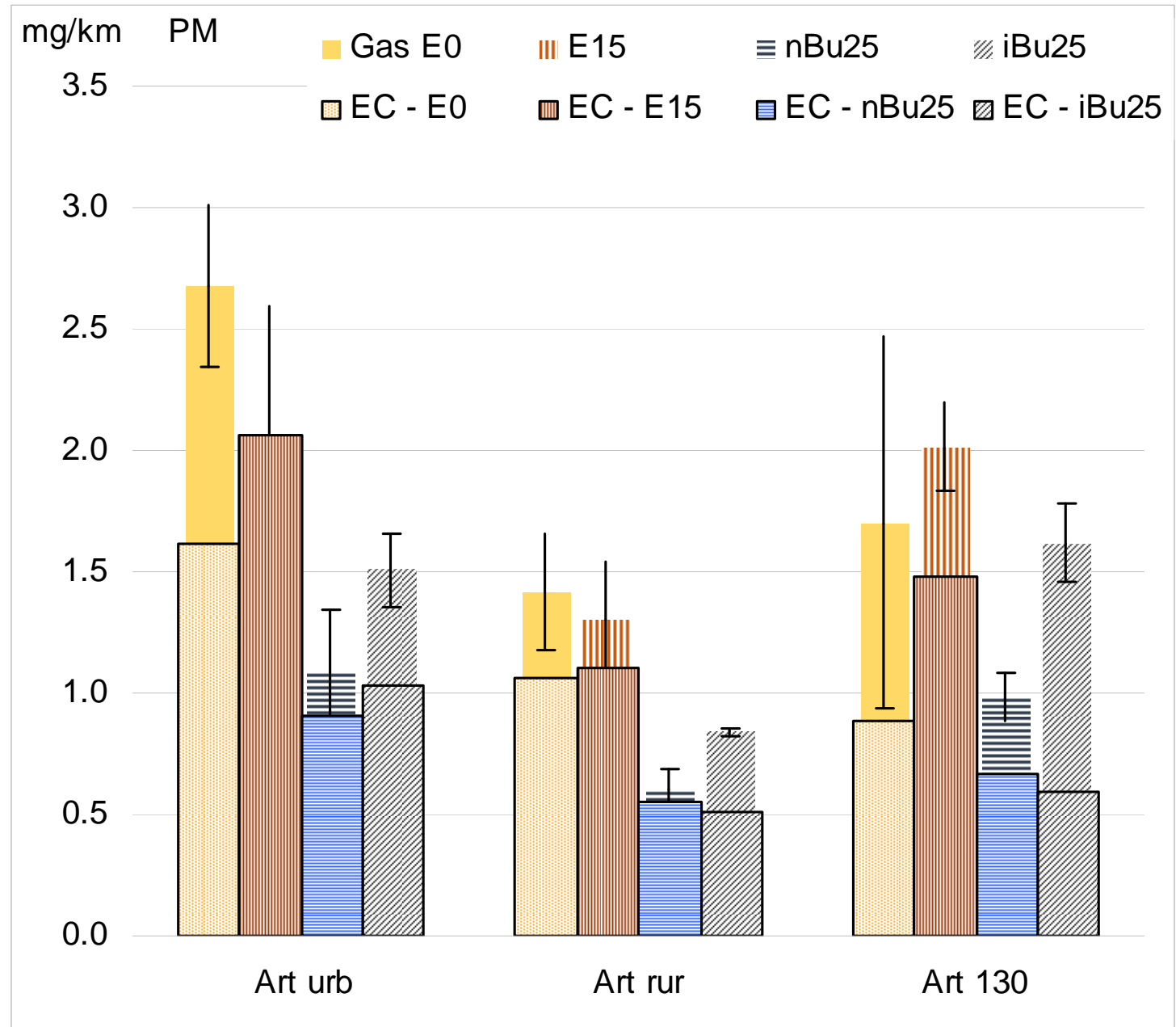
Fuel effect on PM, PN (PMP), PN (EEPS, 24-560 and 5-560 nm)



Fuel effect on PM mass – gravimetric and EC Artemis cycle (4 runs on each fuel)

Gravimetric:
TX40HI20-WW
Filters

EC:
Quartz fiber
filter
EC/OC split:
EUSAAR 2
protocol



"Non-volatile" component of PM and PN

Artemis cycle (4 runs on each fuel)

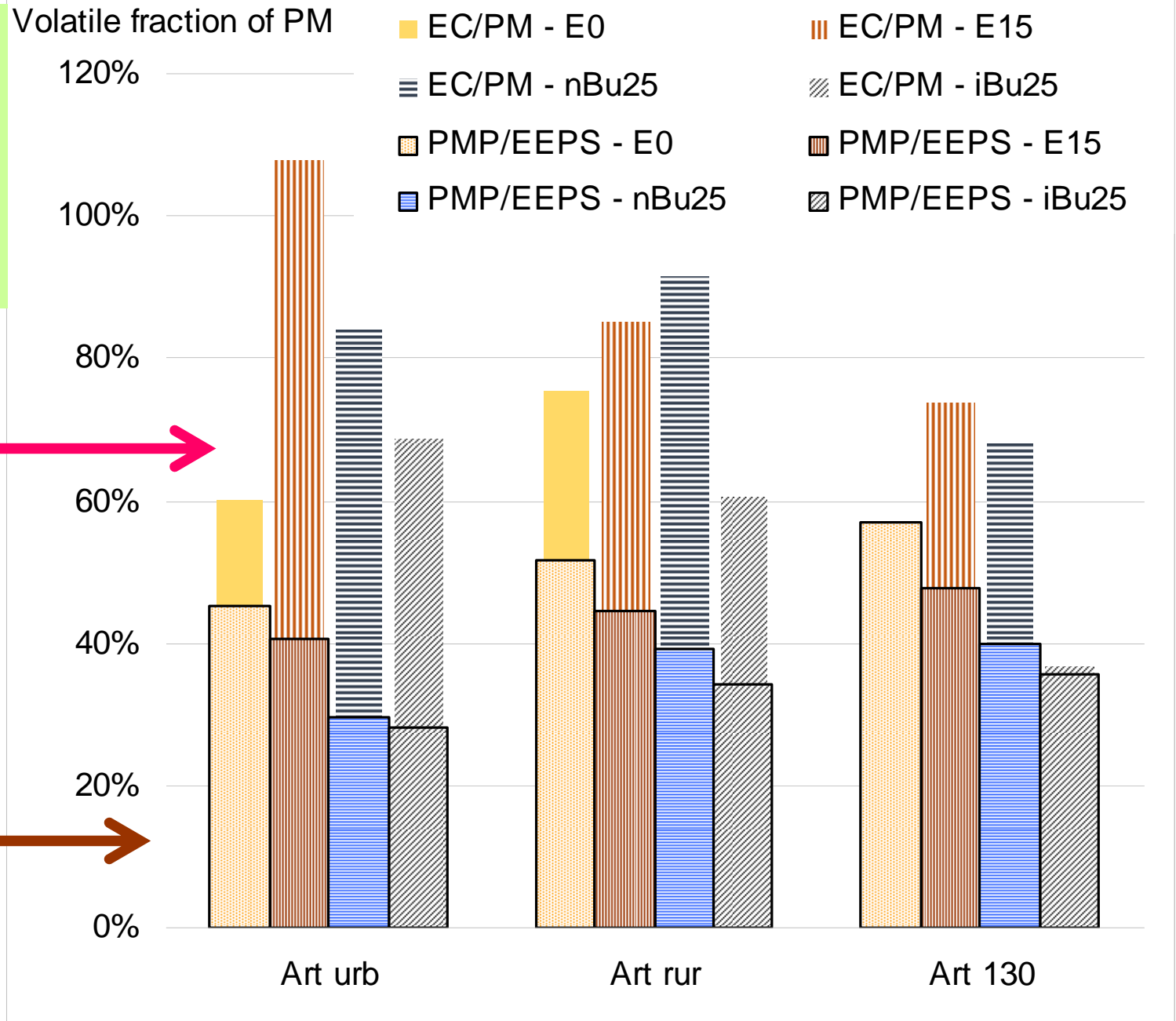
Are solid particles mostly larger, and volatiles smaller ???
Or artefact ???

"Solid PM" fraction: EC (from EC/OC)

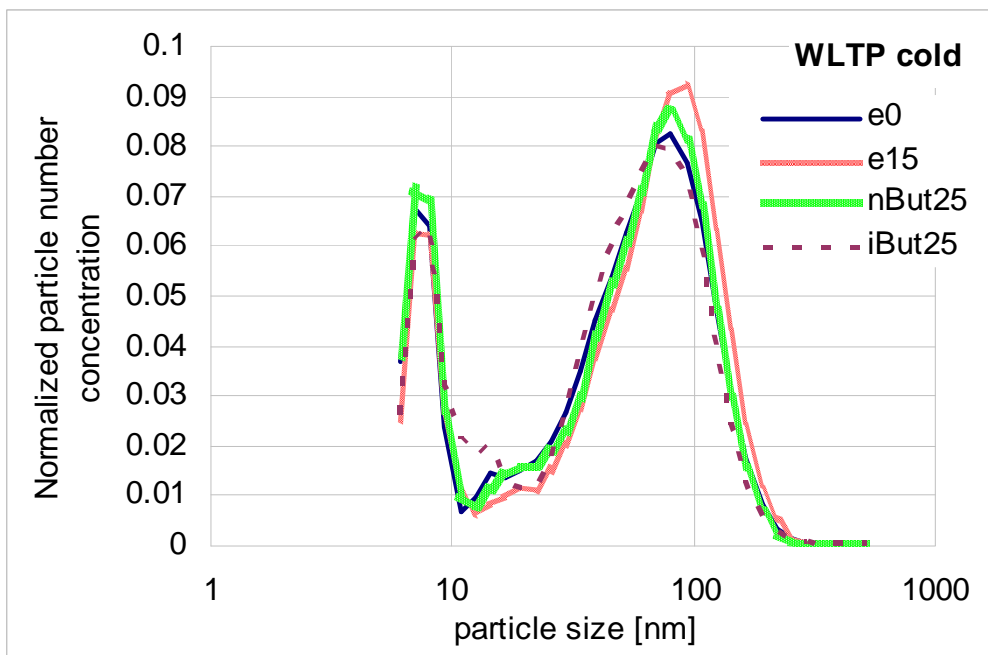
total PM mass

"Solid PN" fraction: PN-PMP

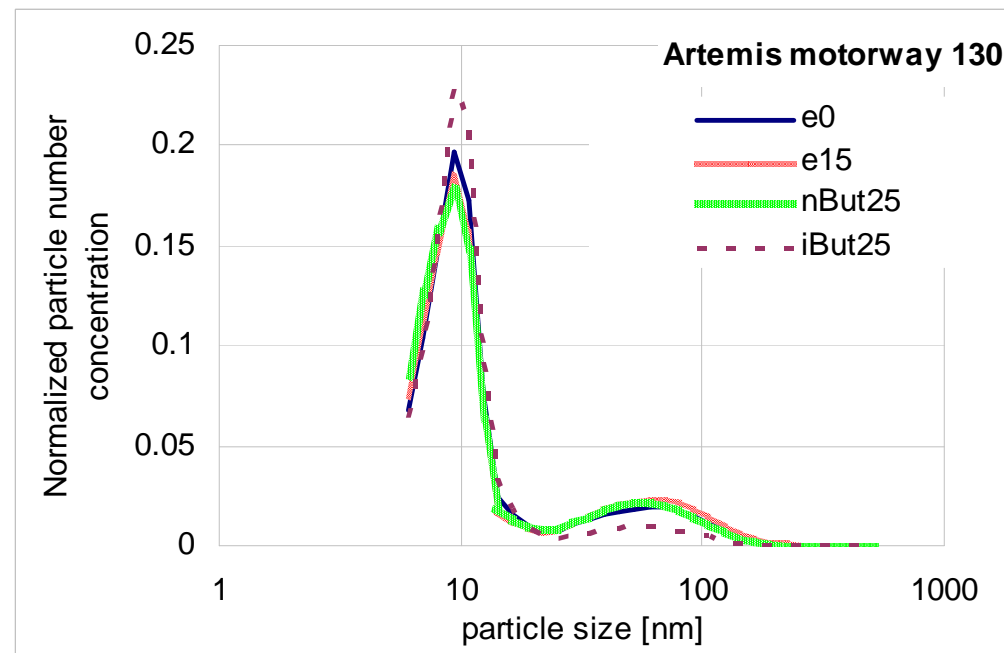
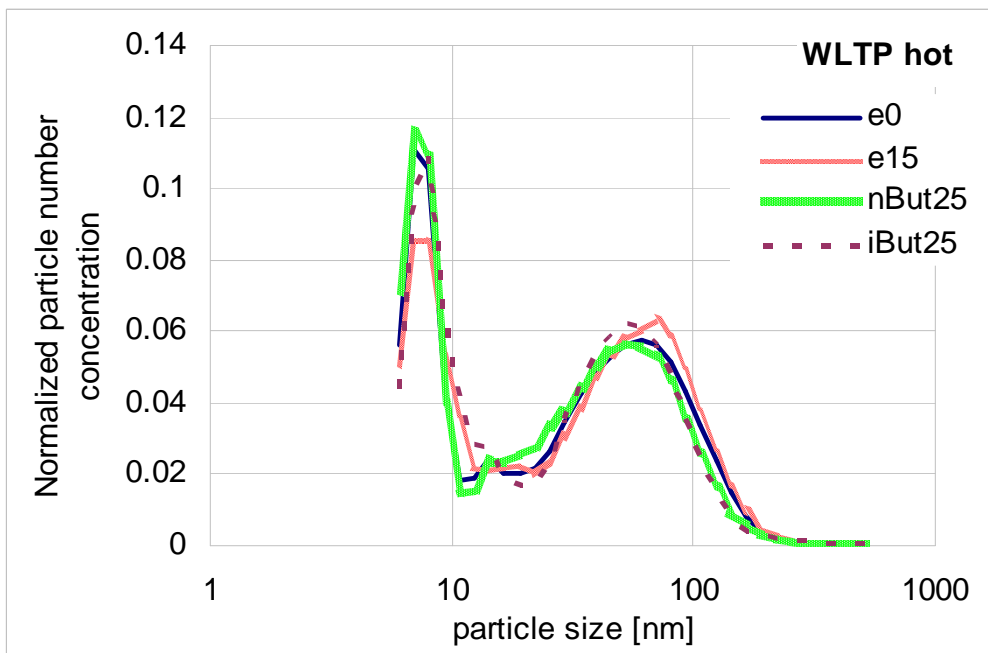
EEPS 24-560 nm
no volatile removal



Effects of fuel on *normalized* size distribution

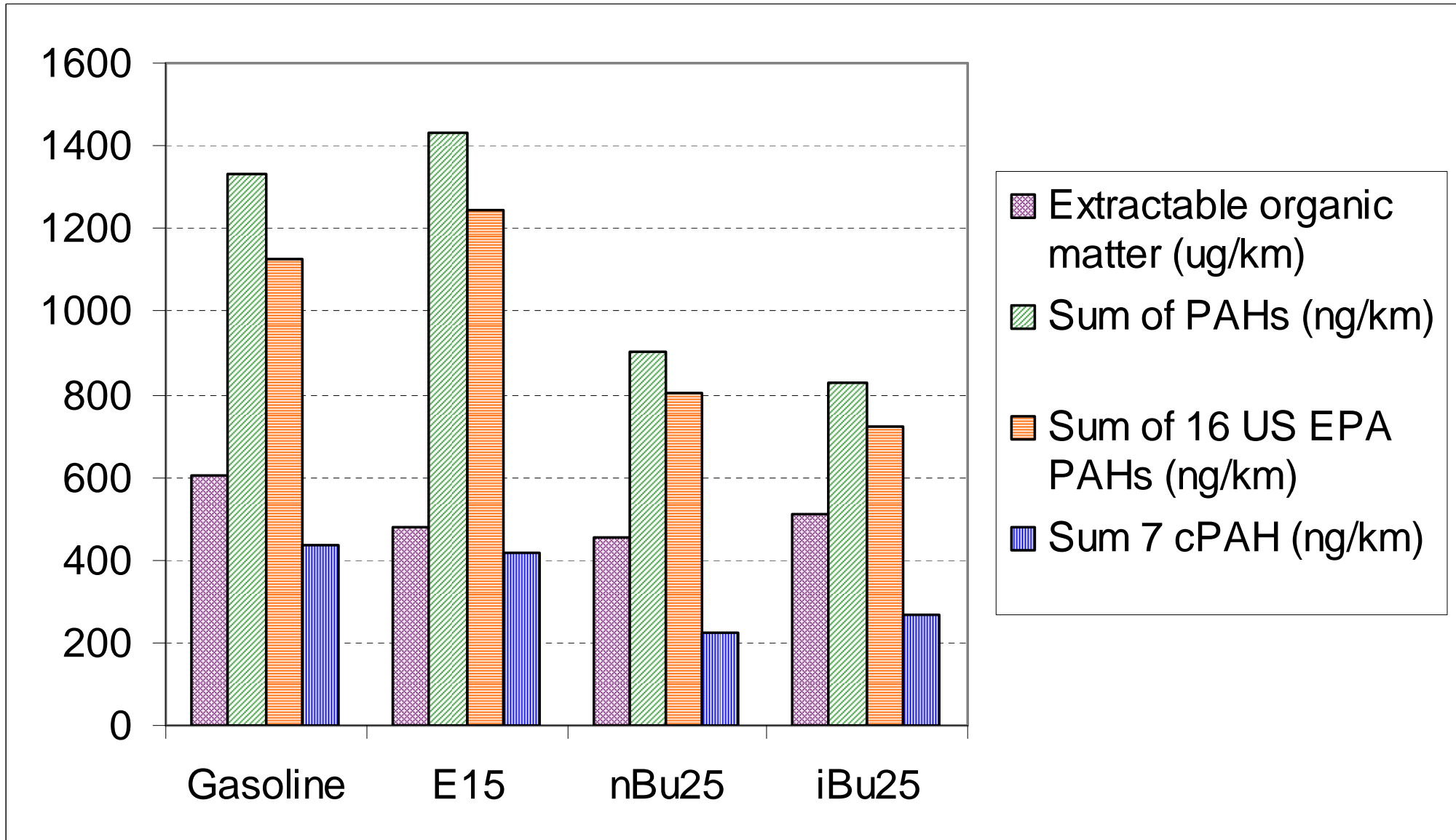


Normalized size distributions mostly similar among fuels



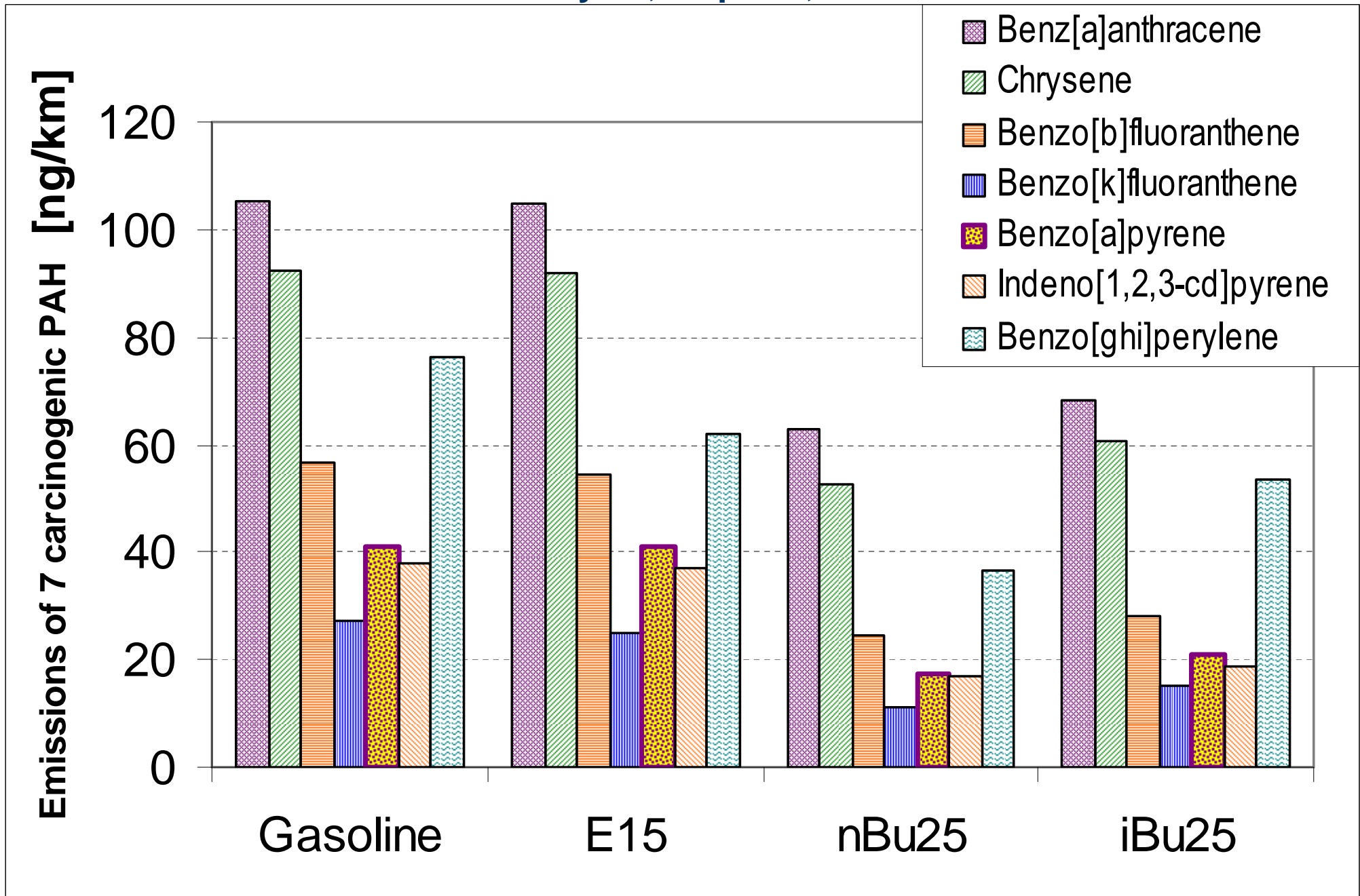
Effects of fuel on polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAH)

Artemis cycle, all parts, all runs

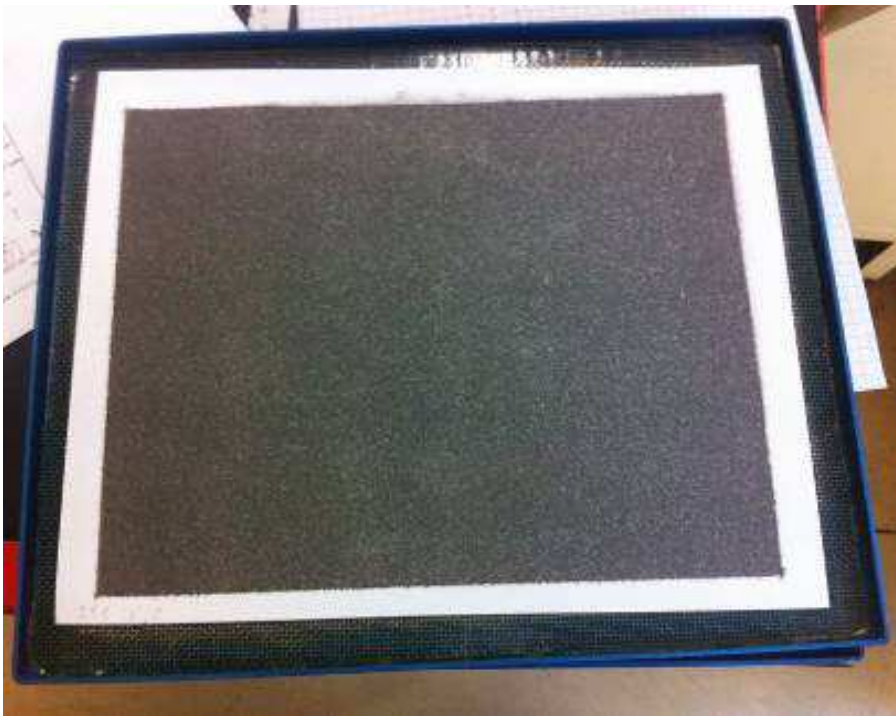
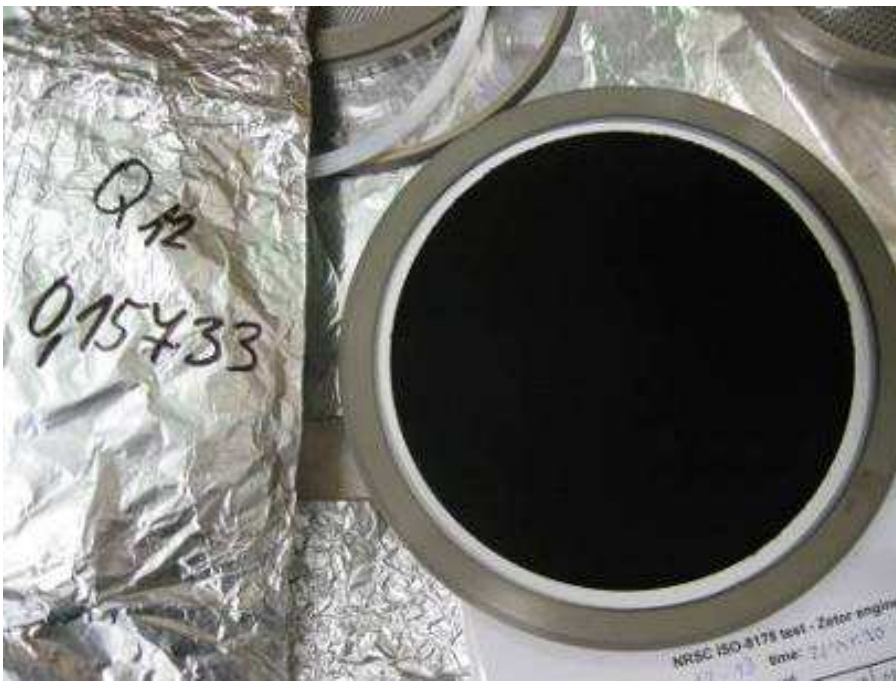


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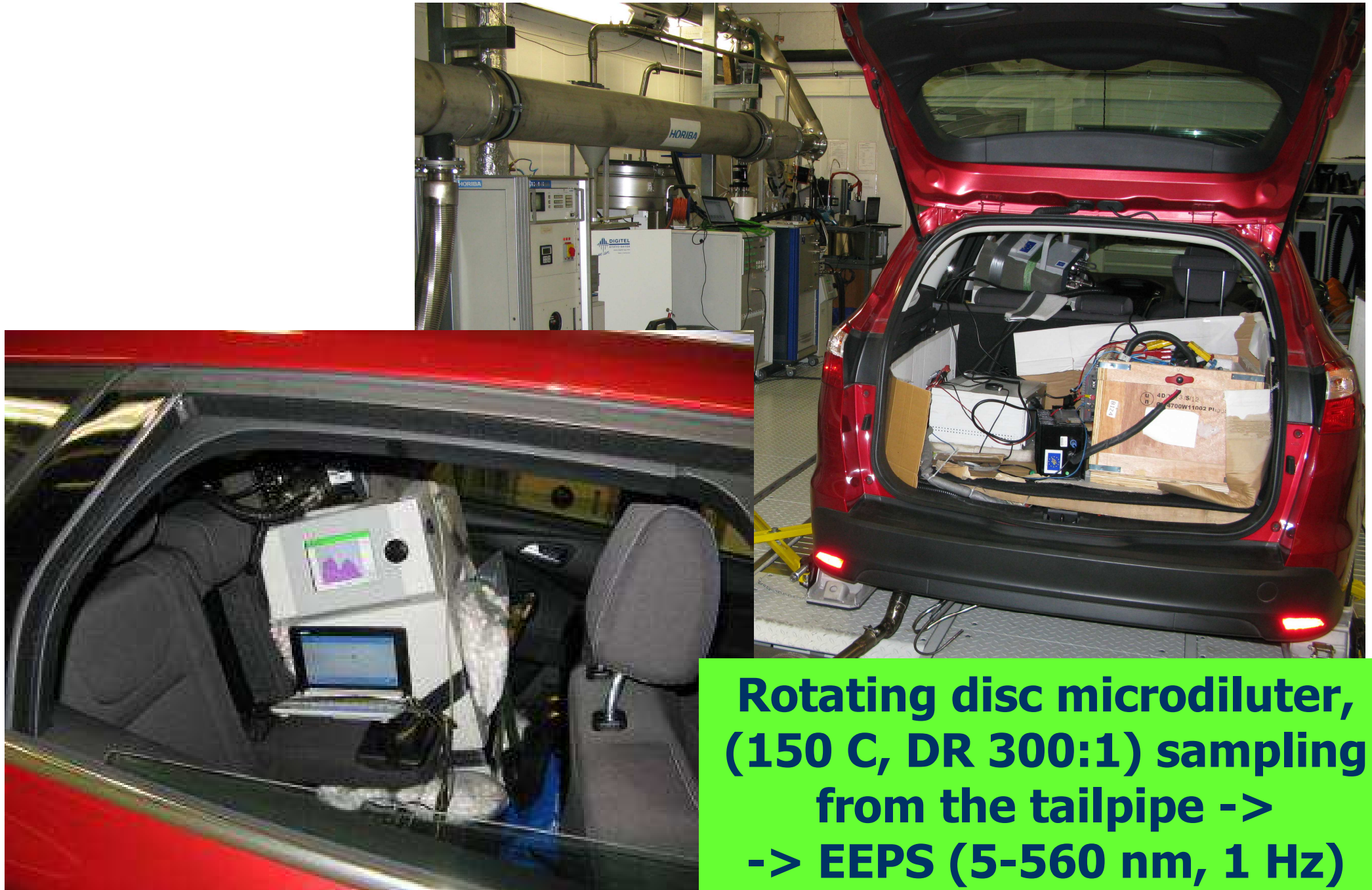
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Toxicity assays: Ongoing, will report later



On-board instrumentation – EEPS, mini-PEMS, batteries



On-board monitoring system "Mini-PEMS" (13 kg)

Response approximately proportional to PM mass concentrations for a given engine

Nephelometer (laser scattering)

Filtered dilution air

10-12 lpm raw exhaust

Before or after DOC, DPF, ...

Condensate and large particle removal

Sample cool & reheat

Modified ionization smoke alarm (a 100 EUR system) - response proportional to total particle length (close to lung deposited surface area?)

Charge meter

F-FC-P

F-FC-P

F-FC-P NDIR-HC,CO,CO₂

chem.cell NO

F-FC-P NDIR-HC,CO,CO₂

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Filter, flow control, pump

Engine

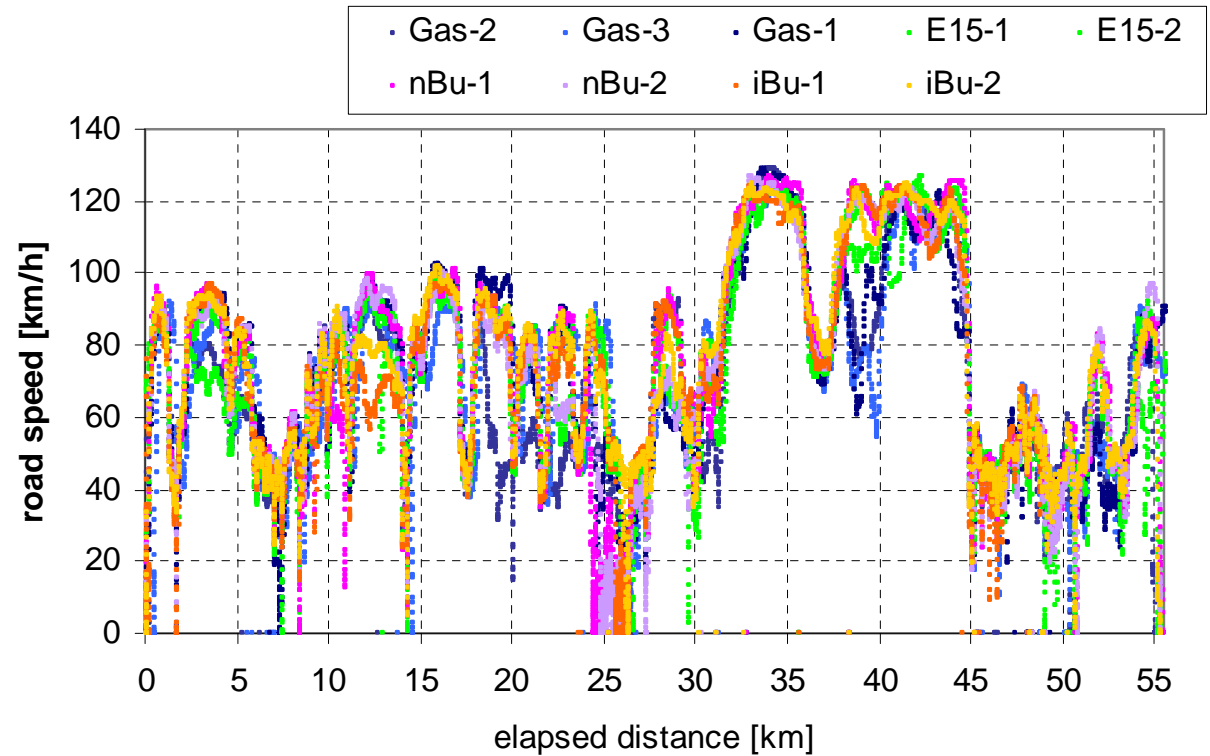
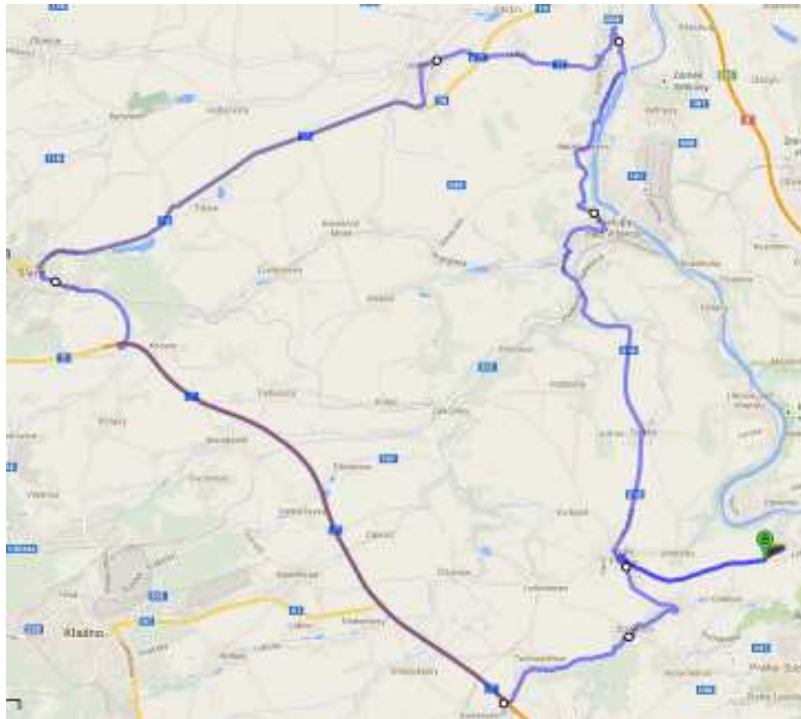
outflow



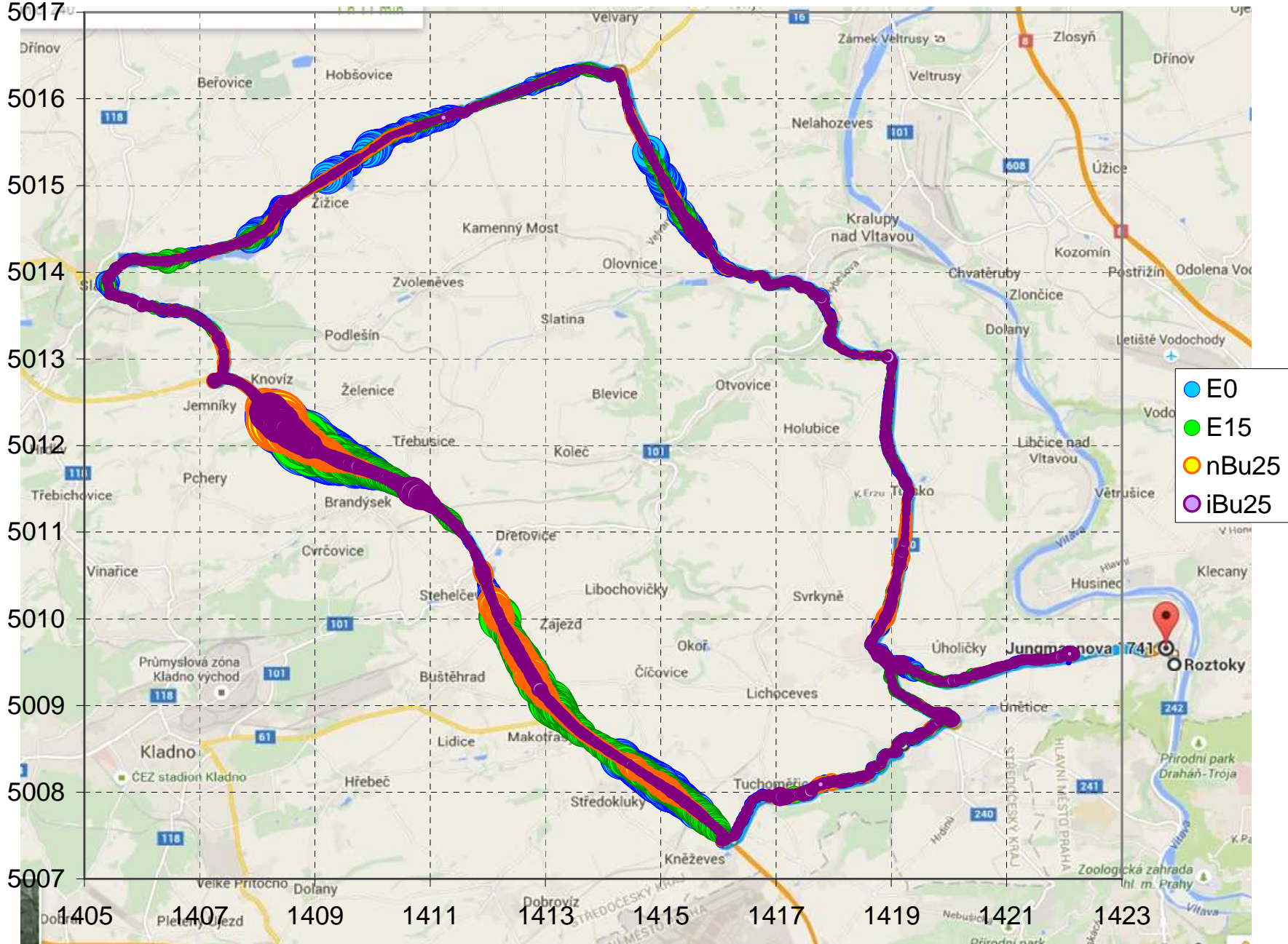
Test route

**55 km, 1-hour
2 times on each fuel**

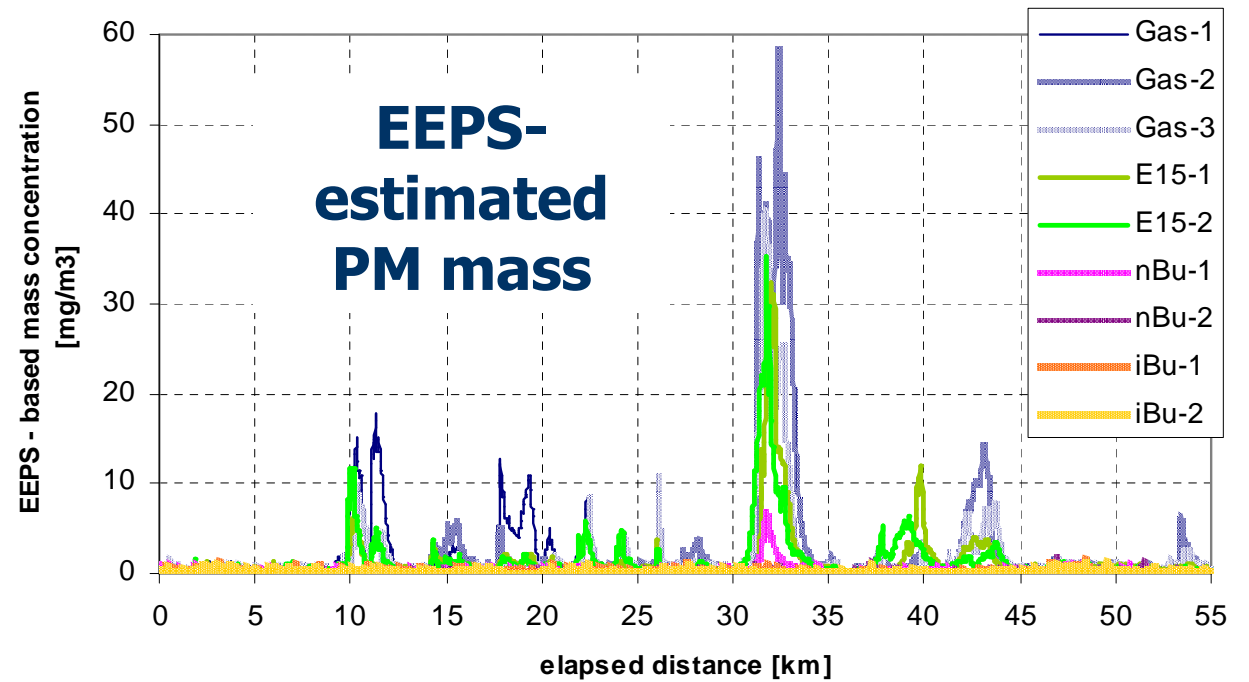
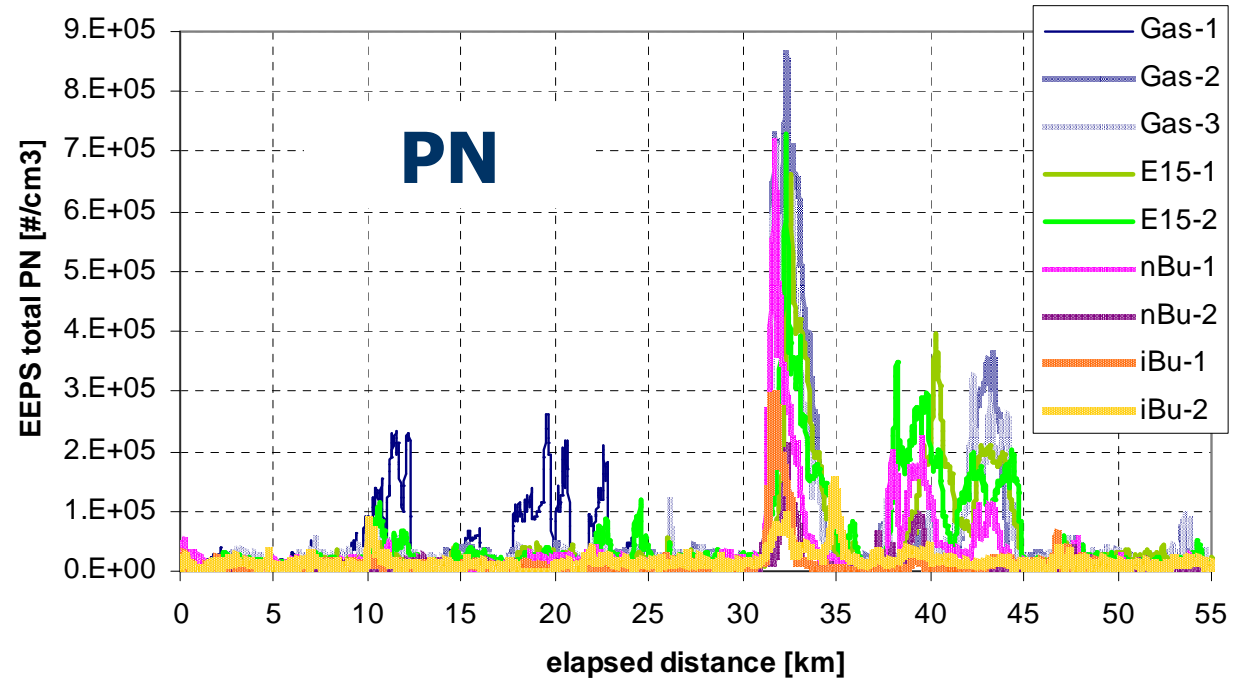
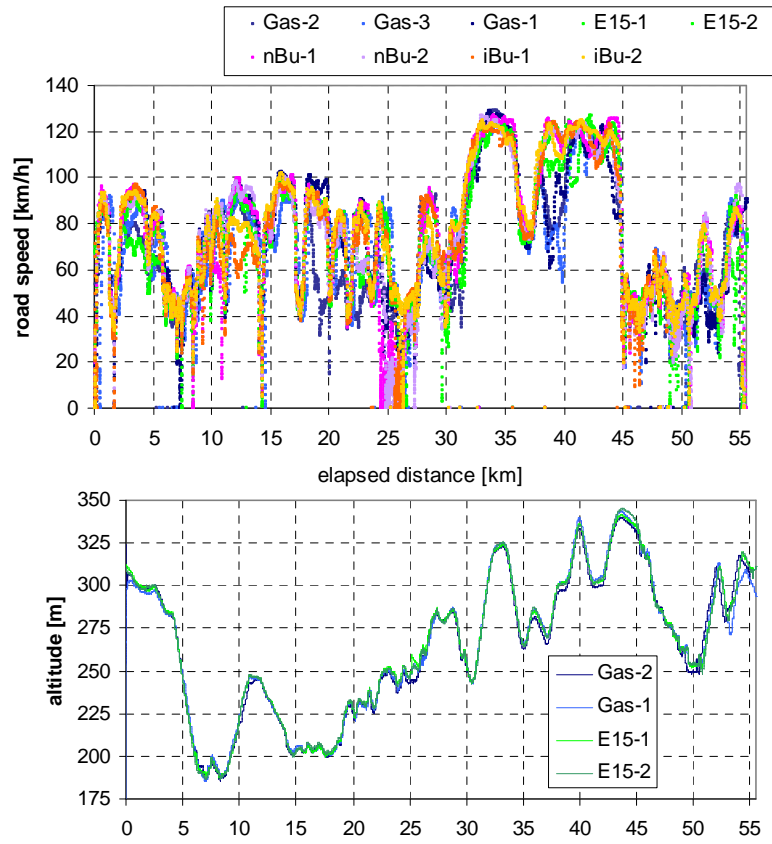
**Preconditioning:
(Artemis or 1 run) + 6 km**



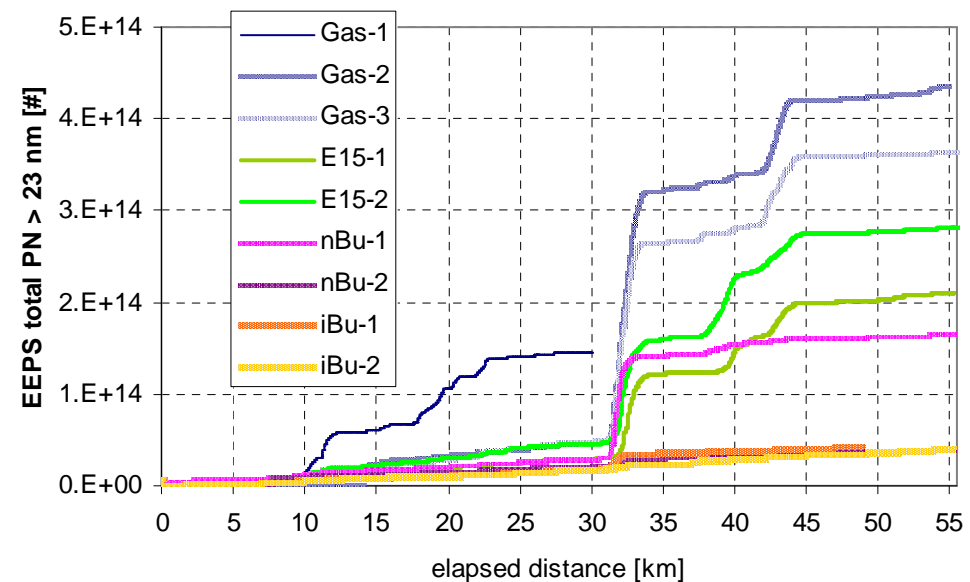
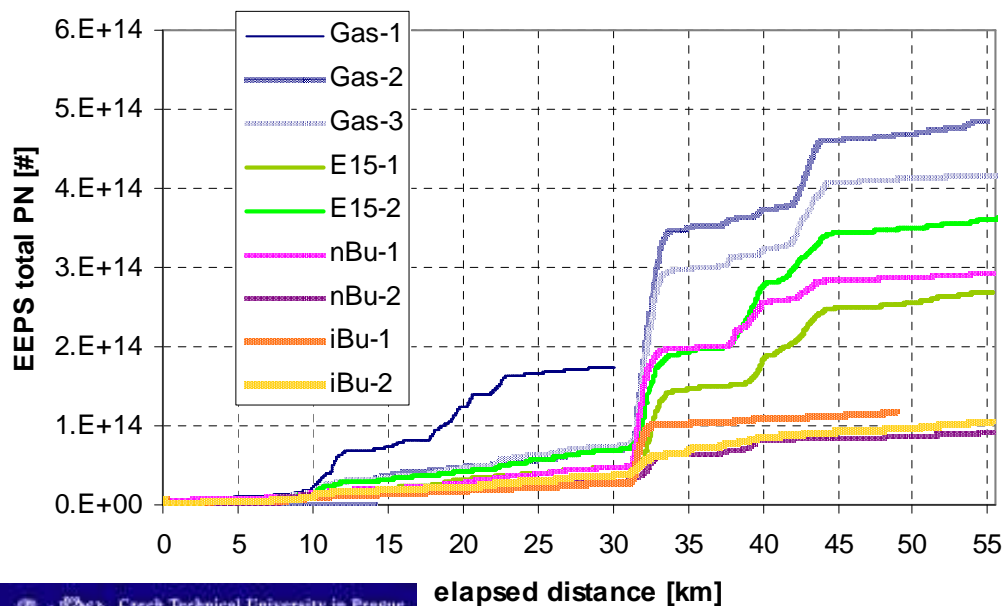
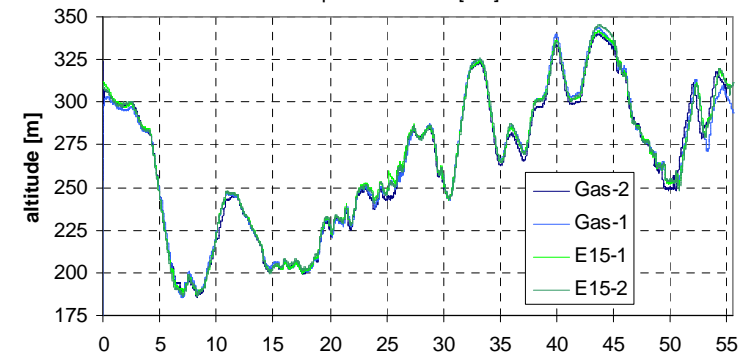
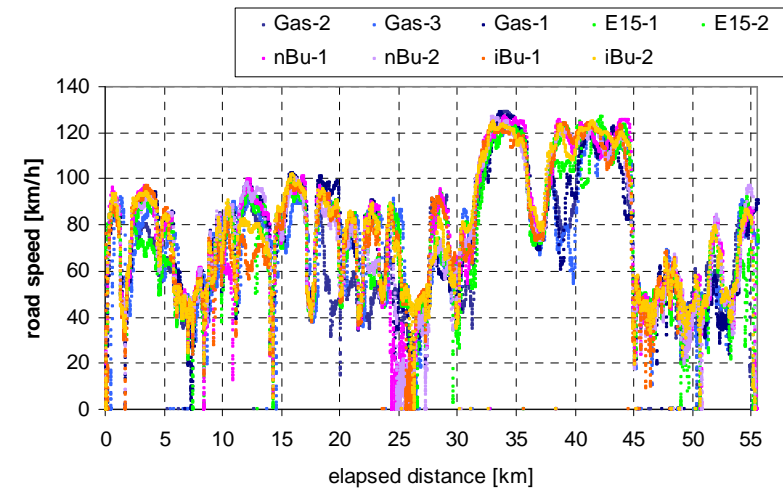
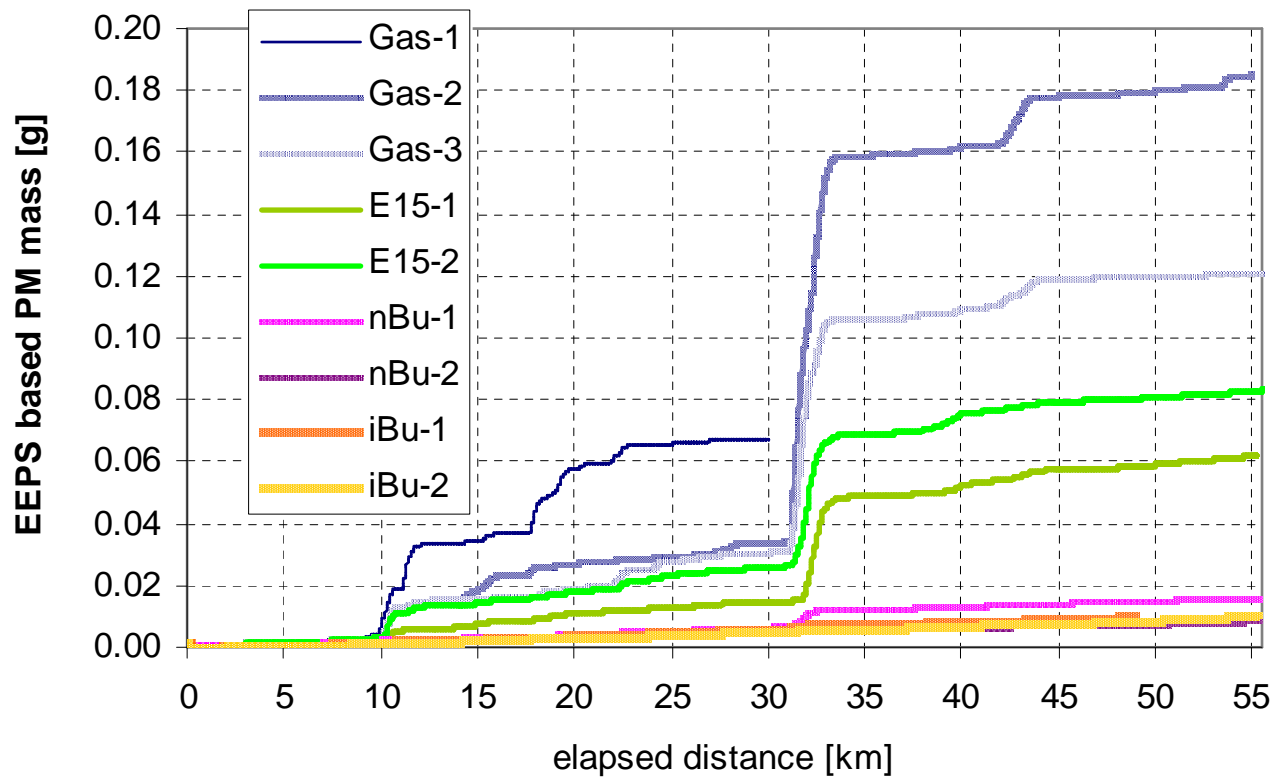
Instantaneous PN emissions along the test route



Instantaneous emissions

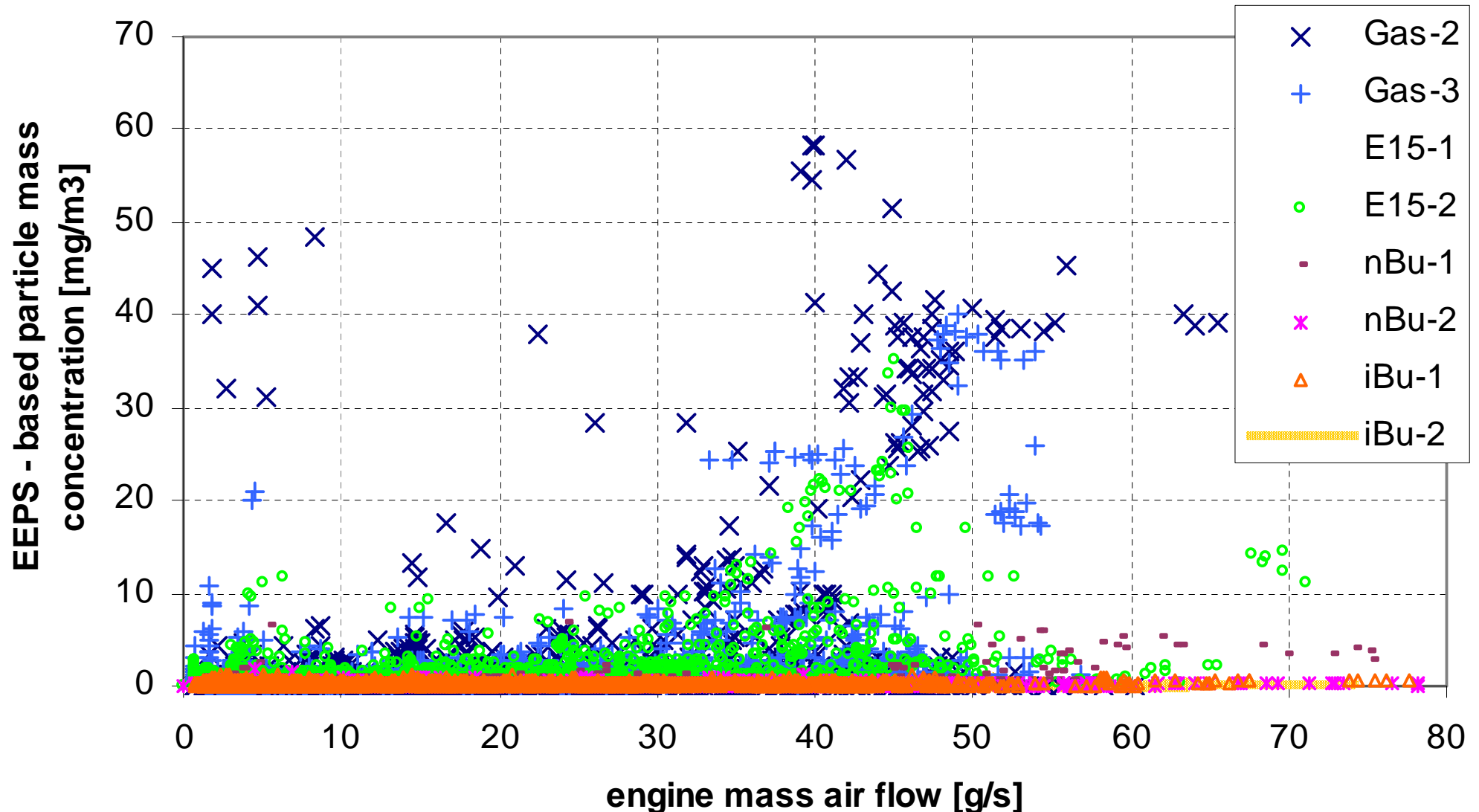


Cumulative emissions



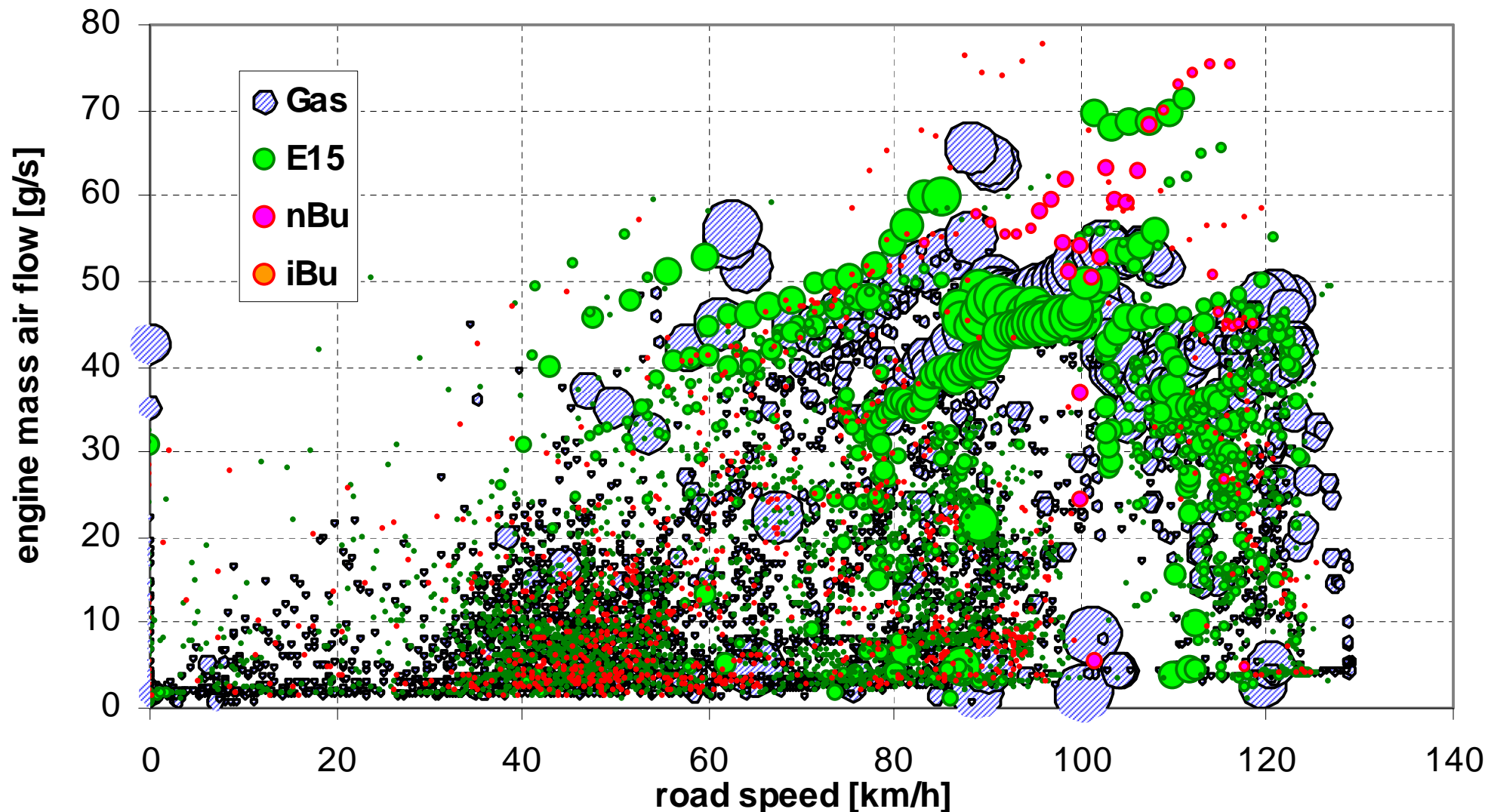
PN as a function of engine power

Mass air flow used as a surrogate of fuel flow (stoichiometric operation), fuel flow as a surrogate of engine power



PN as a function of road speed and engine power

PN emissions are dominated by full-power accelerations – notably for gasoline, less for E15, and much less for both butanols.



Summary

Particle emissions from DISI engines

- emissions from production / in-use engines -- MEASURED
- effects of driving cycle / off-cycle emissions – investigated & found
- particles smaller than 23 nm – found, about half of 5-560 nm total count
 - volatile nanoparticles – found, large part of total PN
- non-regulated compounds – PAH measured, toxicity tests ongoing

Real driving emissions and their measurement

- onboard mini-PEMS and EEPS (onboard FTIR to be done later)
- PM and PN emissions dominated by high power operation

Effect of butanol on particle emissions

While E15 did not produce consistent PN or PM reduction, both 25% n-butanol and 25% isobutanol reduced elemental carbon (EC), particle number emissions per PMP, and 7 US EPA priority carcinogenic polyaromatic hydrocarbons by roughly one half, with no increase in NOx or other demonstrated problem.

Warning: This engine may produce nanoparticles that are harmful when inhaled.



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