

Real-world Particle Emissions from a Small Motorcycle Engine: Preliminary Experiences

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Představení... Co děláme... Měření emisí za reálného provozu

... měření nanočástic ve výfukových plynech a jejich vzorkování pro toxikologické analýzy



**„Celý den jezdí
auty sem a
tam, aby
ukázali, že
ježdění autem
je špatné pro
životní
prostředí.“
(Steve Taylor,
New York)**

**(A taky traktorem, kamionem, lokomotivou, bagrem, autobusem, sekačkou,
nakladačem, malým letadlem, na motorce, trajektem, ...)**



Recent Research Findings:

Health Effects of Particulate Matter and Ozone Air Pollution, January 2004

Air Pollution Causes Premature Death

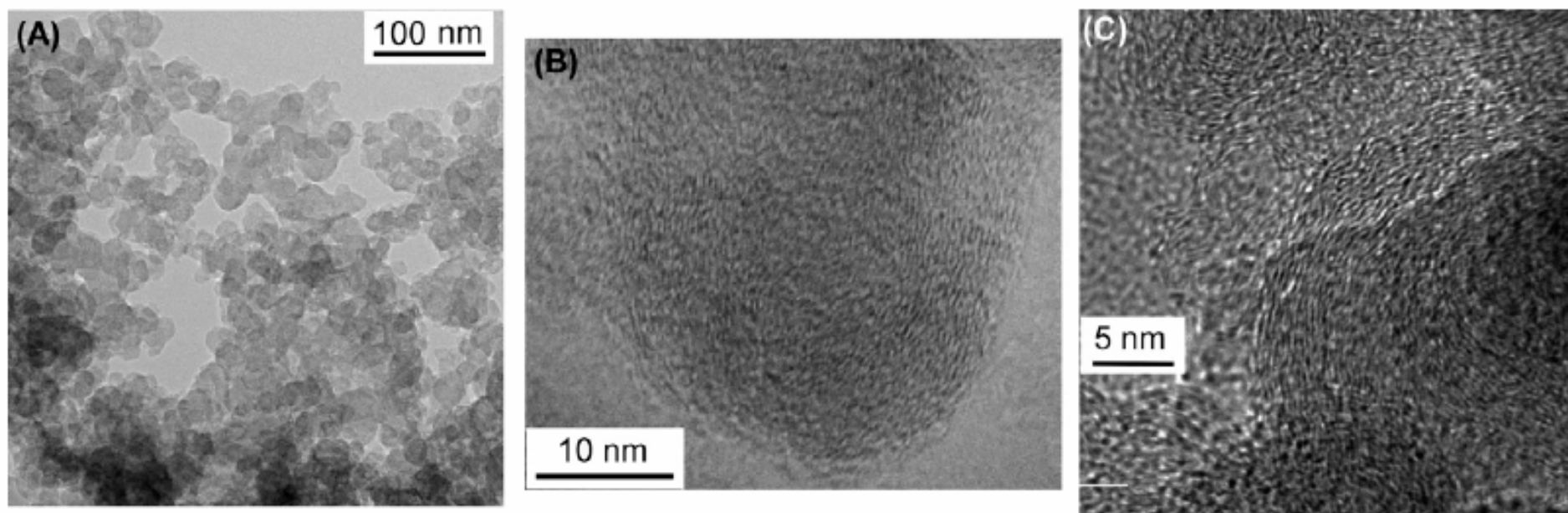
Attaining the California PM standards would annually prevent about 6,500 premature deaths, or 3% of all deaths. These premature deaths shorten lives by an average of 14 years. This is roughly equivalent to the same number of deaths (4,200 - 7,400) linked to second-hand smoke in the year 2000. In comparison, motor vehicle crashes caused 3,200 deaths and homicides were responsible for 2,000 deaths (CARB 2002a, and CDHS 2000).

**In the EU: approximately 400 000 premature deaths
annually due to transport emissions**

**This is one order of magnitude more than traffic
accidents.**



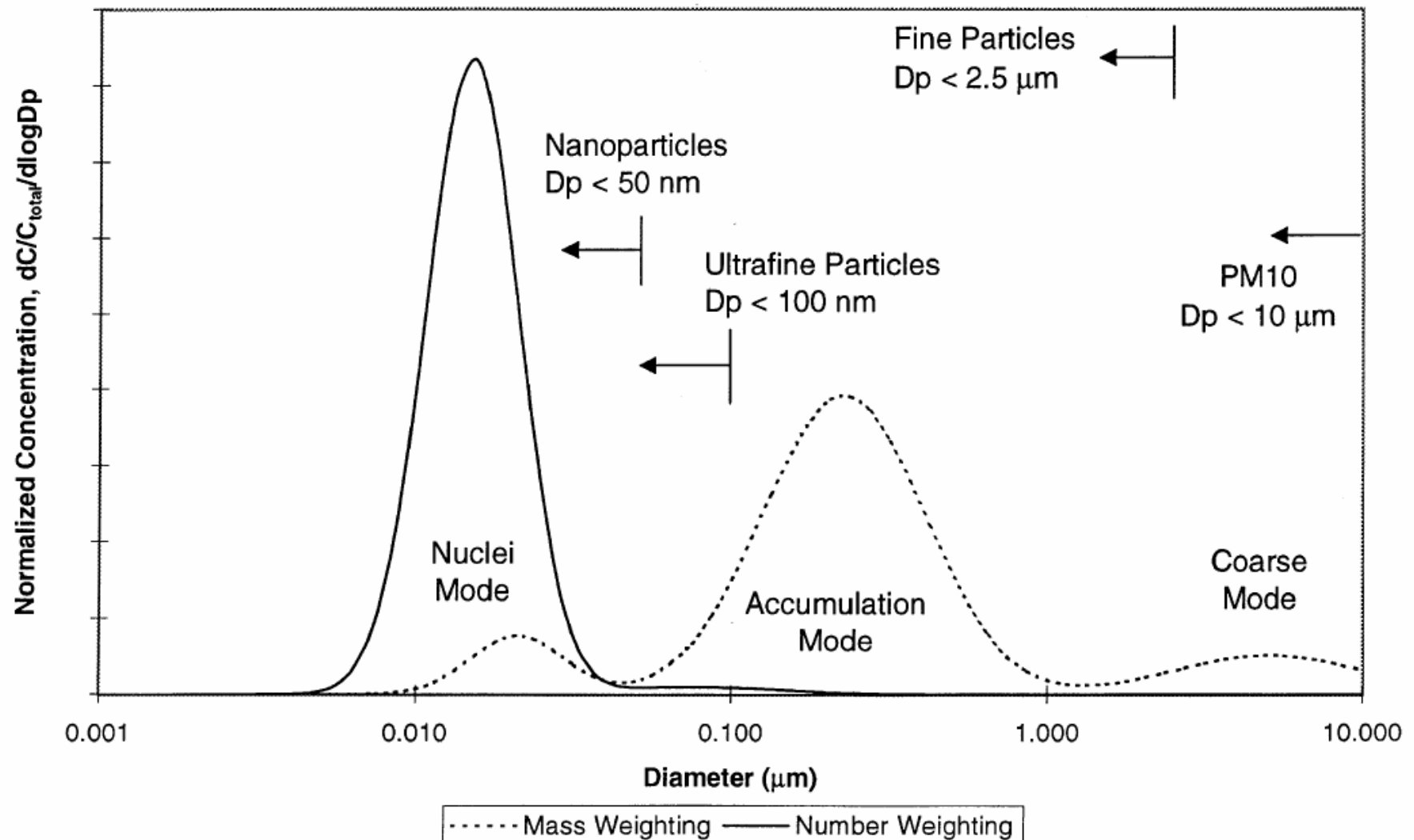
Diesel exhaust particulate matter



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



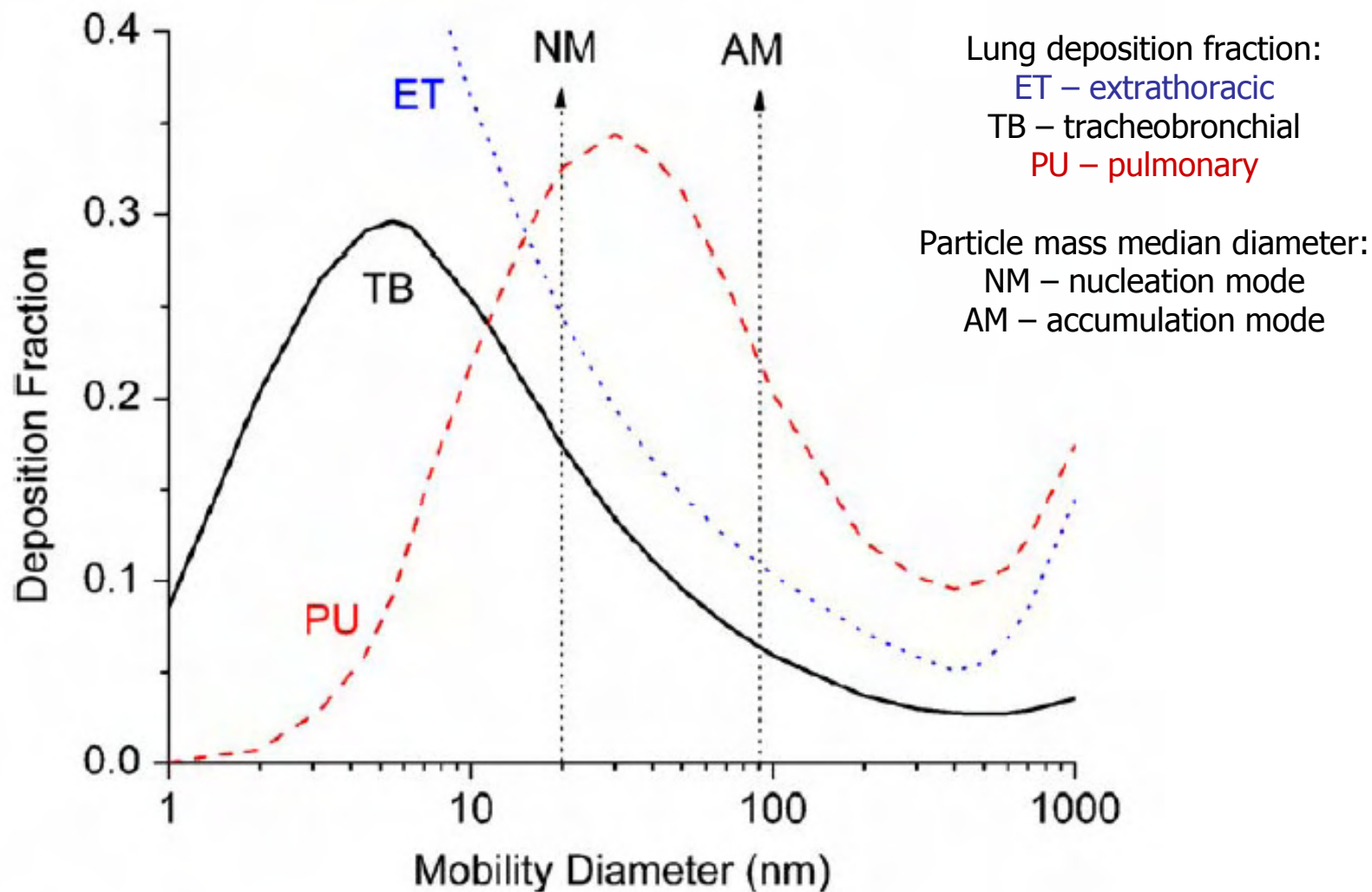
Typical diesel exhaust PM size distribution



Kittelson, *J. Aerosol Sci.* Vol. 29, No. 5/6, pp. 575-588, 1998



Lung particle capture efficiency



B. Alföldy et al., *Aerosol Science* 40 (2009) 652–663.



Fractional Deposition of Inhaled Particles (Oberdörster)

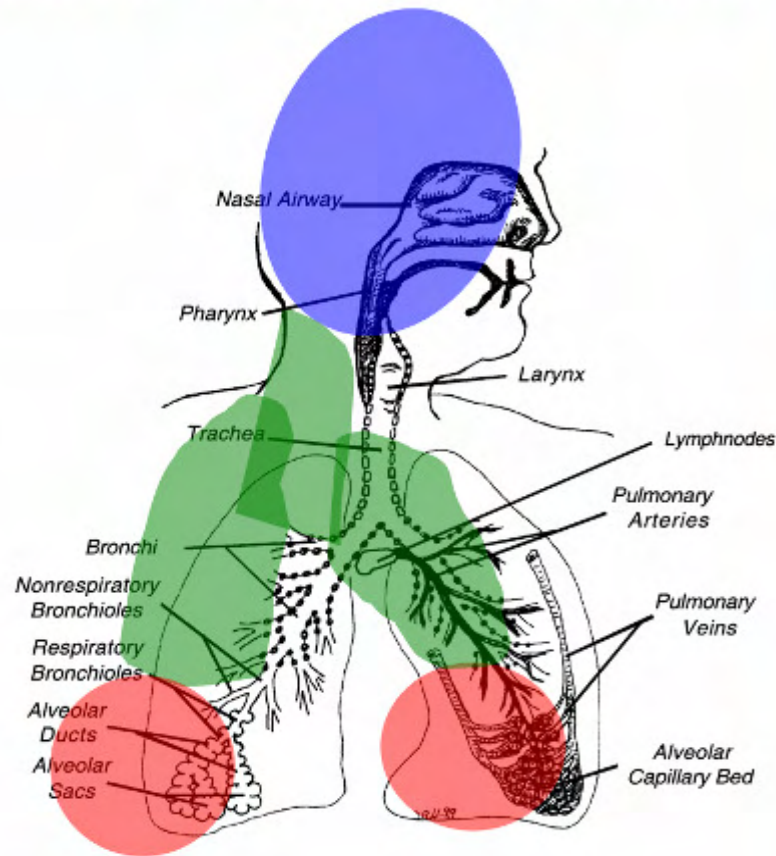
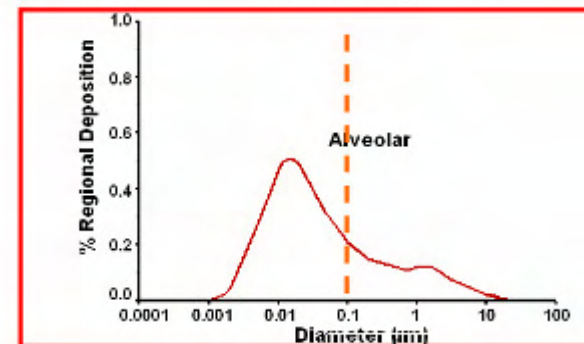
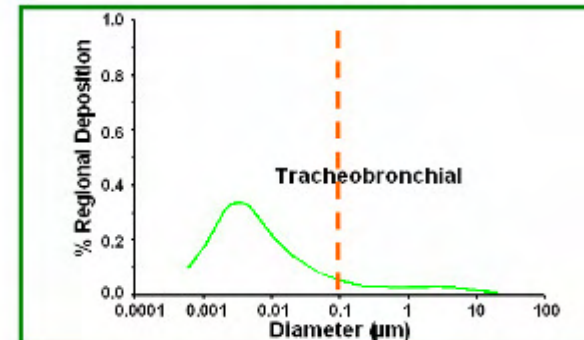
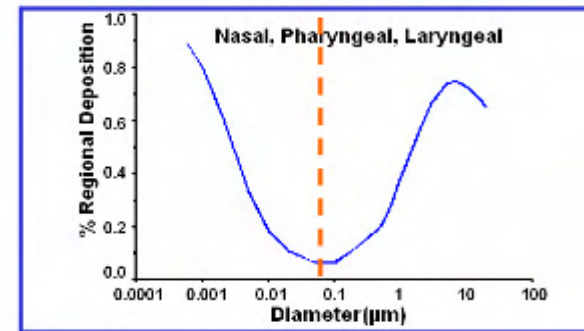


Figure courtesy of J.Harkema

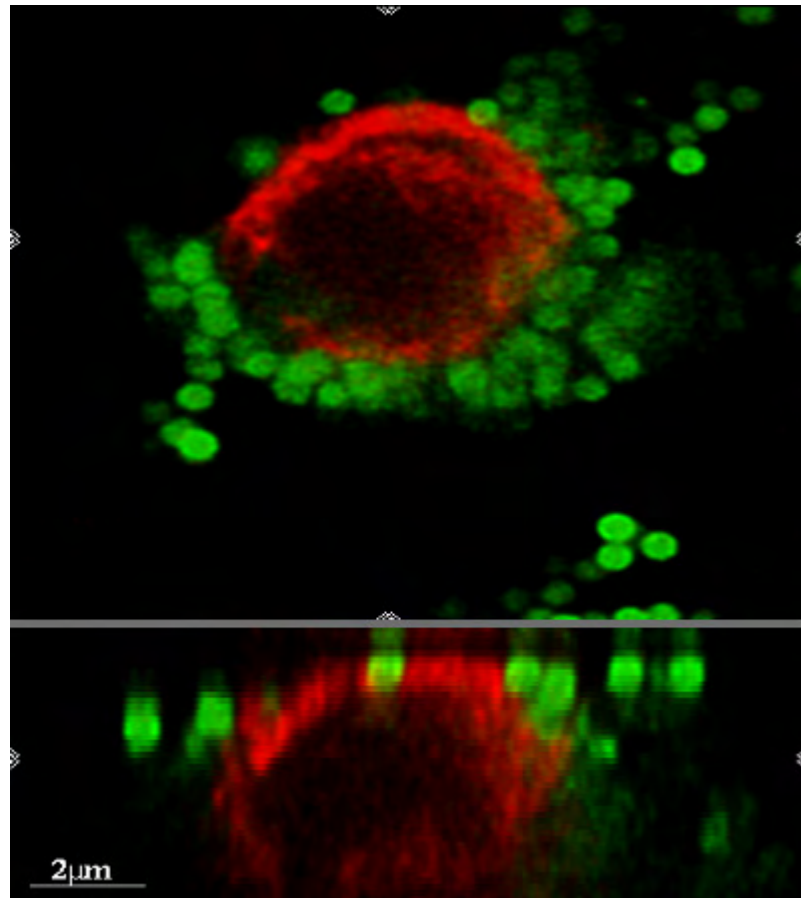


A. Mayer, 12th ETH Conference on Combustion Generated Nanoparticles, Zurich, 2008

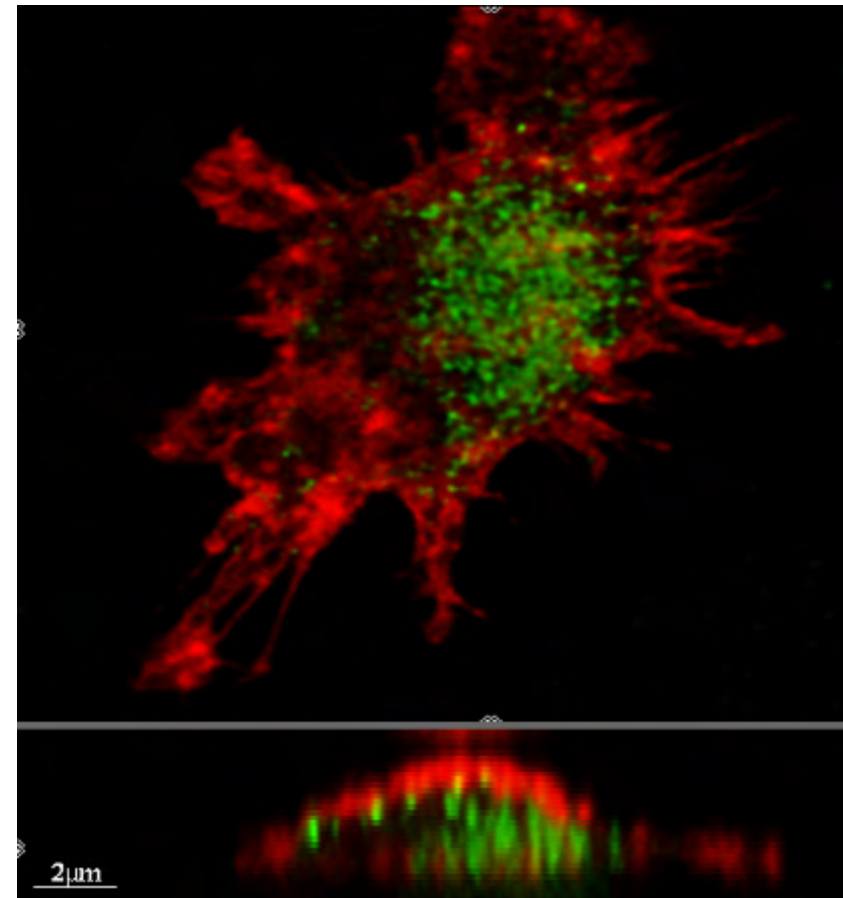


Penetration of nanoparticles through a cell barrier

■ 1000 nm
Polystyrene Particles



■ 78 nm
Polystyrene Particles

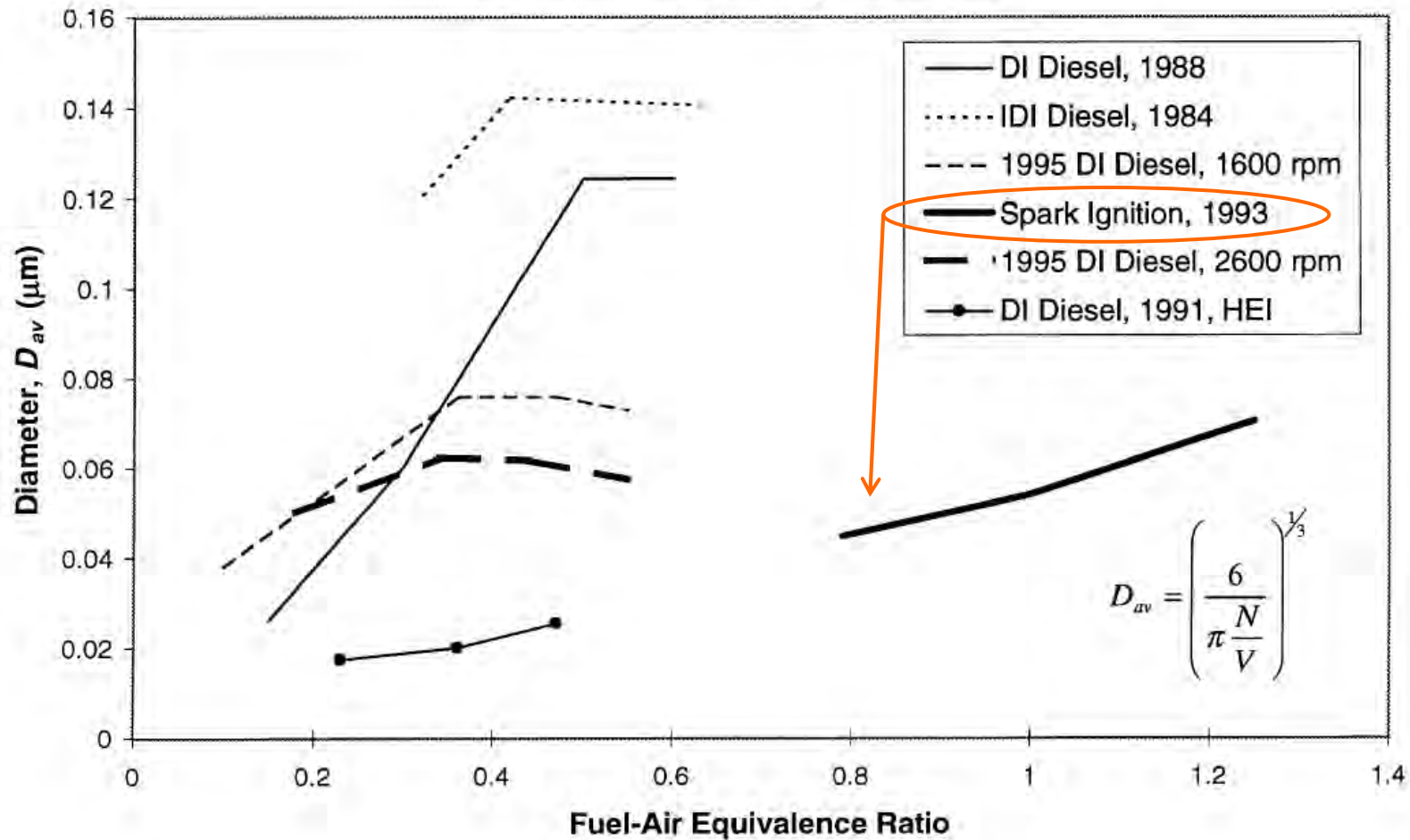


Barbara Rothen-Rutishauer, as quoted by A. Mayer, 12th ETH Conference on Combustion Generated Nanoparticles



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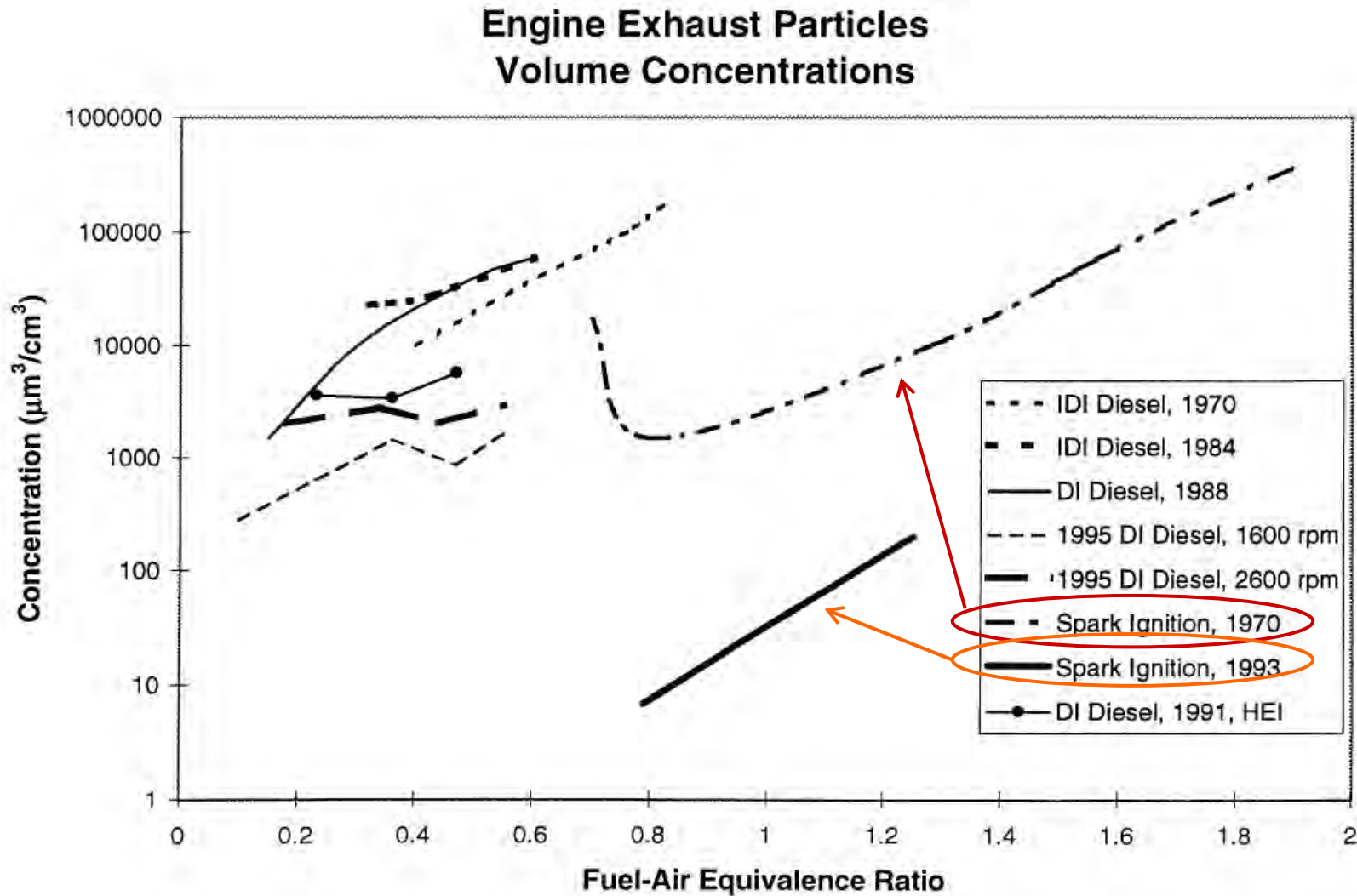
Engine Exhaust Particles
Diameter of Average Volume



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Engine exhaust toxicity project:

MEDETOX

**Innovative Methods of Monitoring of Diesel Engine Exhaust Toxicity
in Real Urban Traffic.**

EU LIFE+ program (LIFE10 ENV/CZ/651), 2011-2016

**Institute of Experimental Medicine, Academy of the Sciences of the Czech
Republic – Jan Topinka, coordinator**

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, TU Liberec

Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic

Goal:

**Demonstrating innovative methods of monitoring toxicity
on-board sampling system, focus on urban driving
off-line toxicological assays on collected samples**

PEMS – Portable emissions monitoring system

-> PETS – Portable exhaust toxicity assessment system



Coindicence of problems in dense / congested urban areas

High concentration of vehicles

-> high ambient concentrations

High population density

-> high number of people exposed

High frequency of problematic operating modes

- extended idling and creep
- dynamic / transient operation
- full-power accelerations

-> higher and/or more hazardous emissions

For toxicity evaluation, focus should be on realistic urban driving conditions.

Focus of this work: Small engines



Small engines

Abundant in scooters, small motorcycles and garden / yard equipment (chainsaws, weed eaters, lawnmowers, garden tractors, snowblowers)

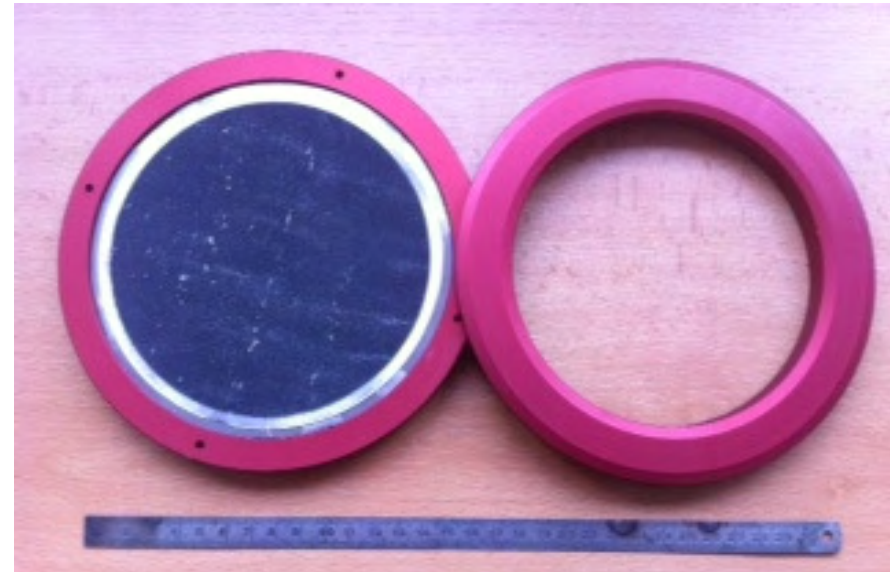
Designed primarily for low cost and low weight, with less focus on durability, fuel economy or emissions

No periodic emission inspection or in-use compliance program

California: Average citizen produces more smog mowing the lawn than driving their car to work

Difficult to measure, especially during real-world operation

Particles from multiple-attempt lawnmower engine start



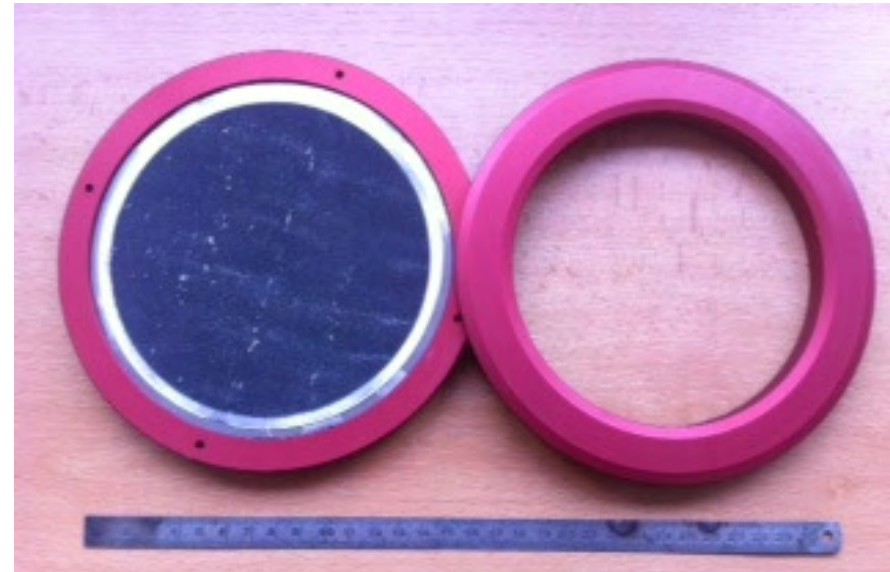
Goals

Real-world emissions measurement using a portable on-board monitoring system mounted on the tested equipment or on an accompanying cart or vehicle

- development of test equipment
- development of test methodology
- assessment of emissions levels

Longer term: Collection of sample for toxicological assays

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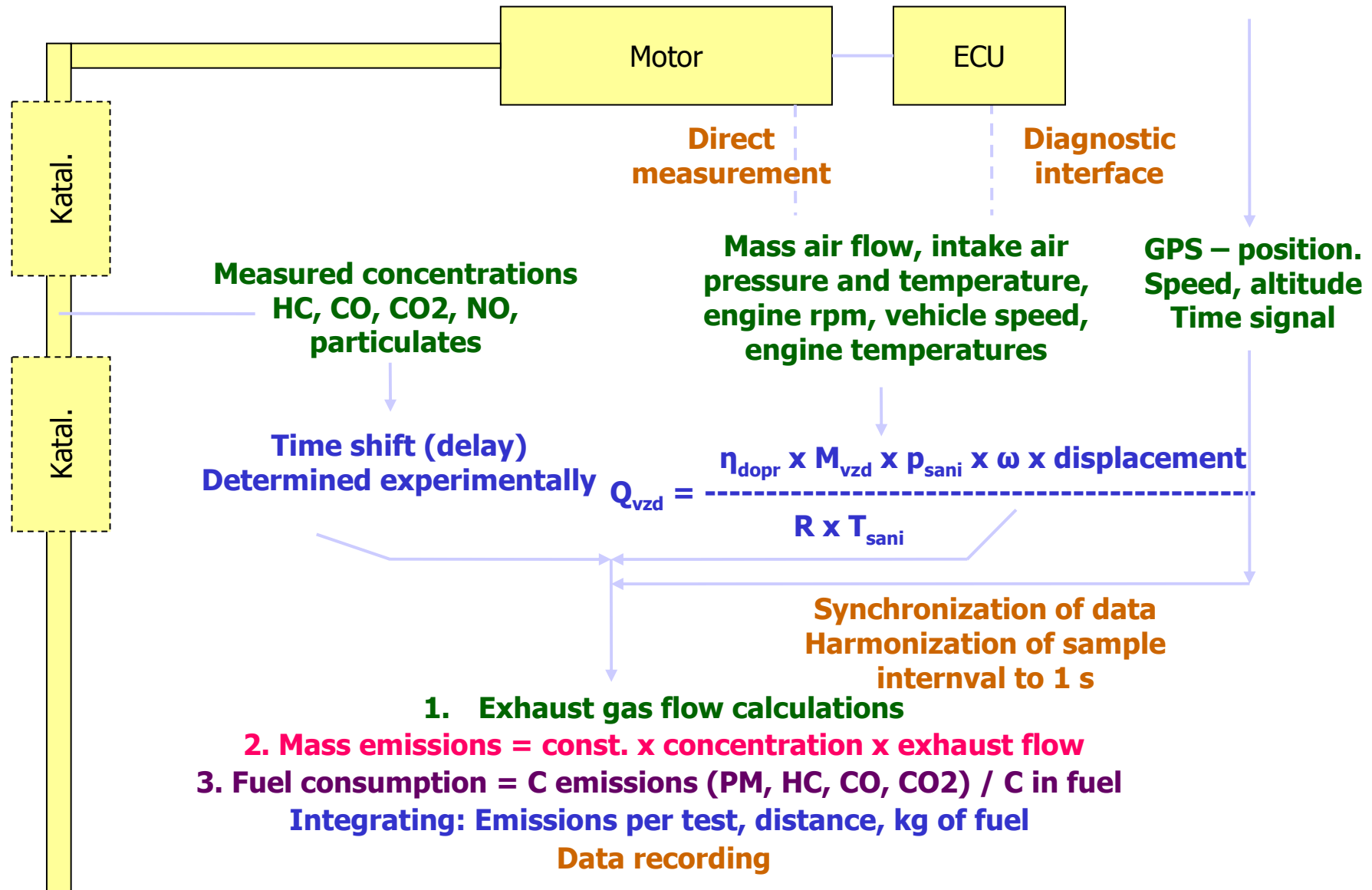


Measurement of gases and PM with on-board system

Sampling of PM with on-board proportional sampling system



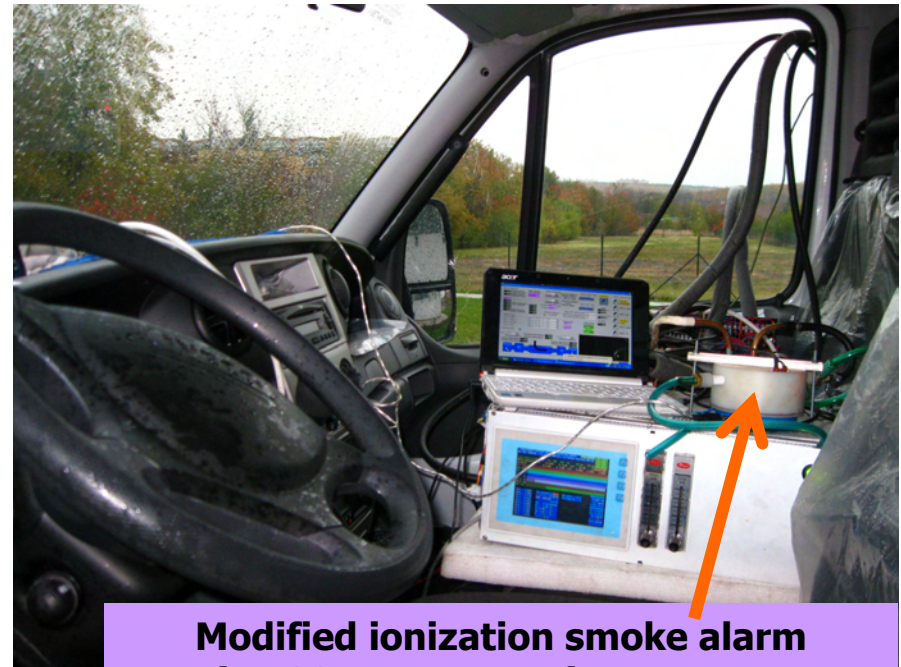
Monitoring system functional diagram



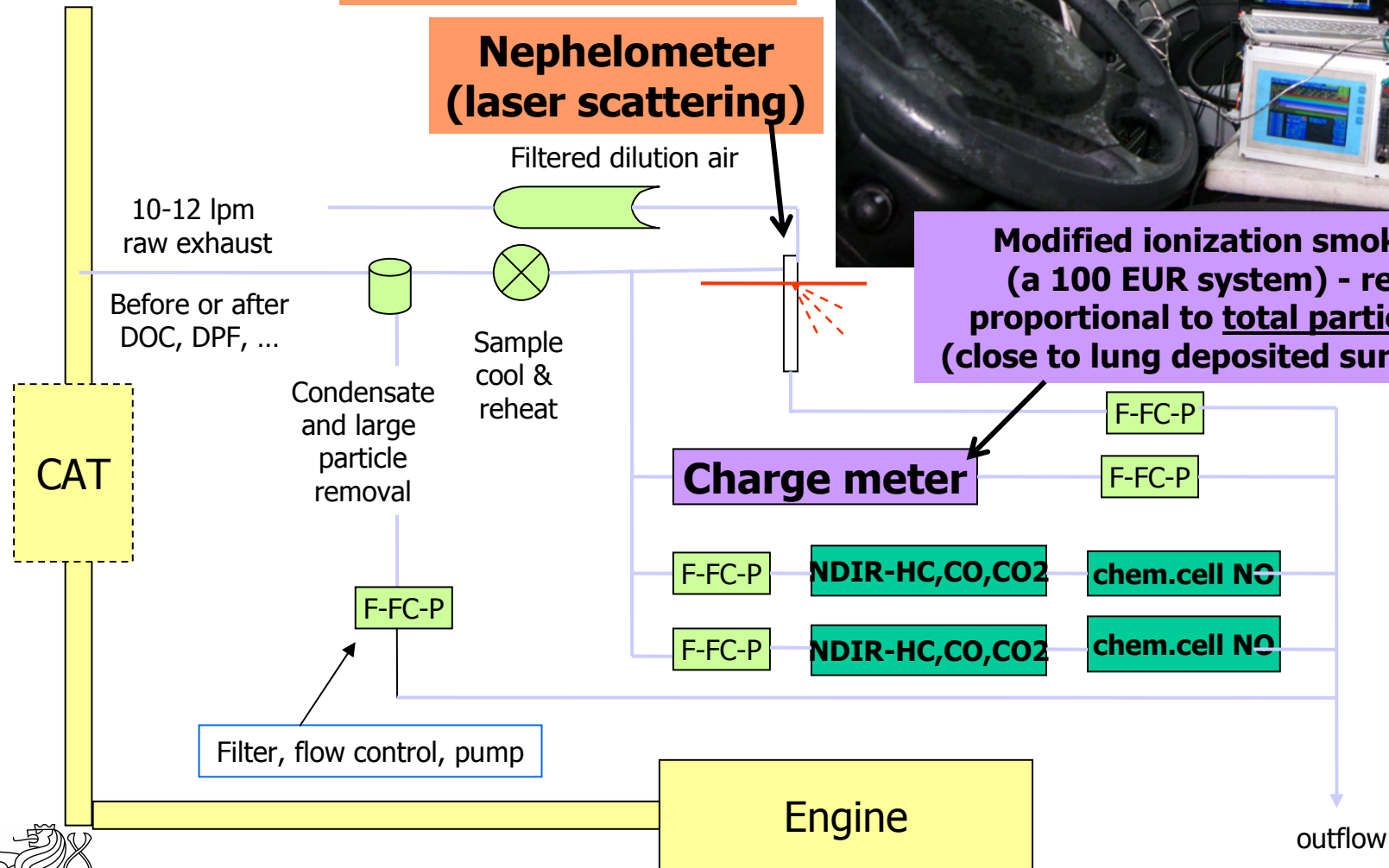
On-board monitoring system - analytical part

Response approximately proportional to PM mass concentrations for a given engine

Nephelometer (laser scattering)



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



PEMS PM measurement comparison

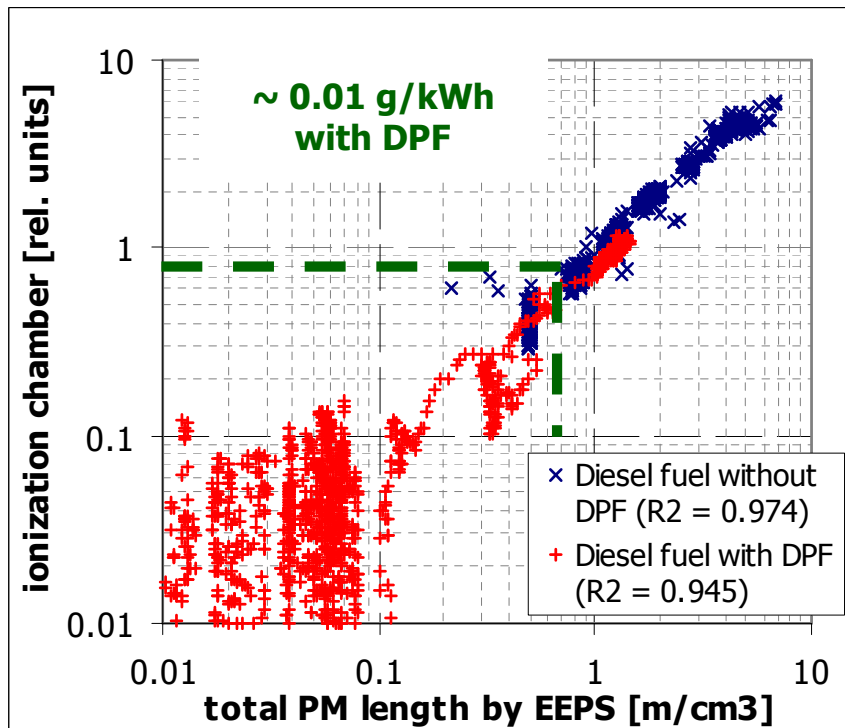
– Zetor 1505 engine, steady-state tests, 2008-2010

Measuring ionization chamber - total particle length

[Vojtíšek, Journal of the Air & Waste Management Association, 61, 2011, 126-134]

comparison with electrostatic classifier

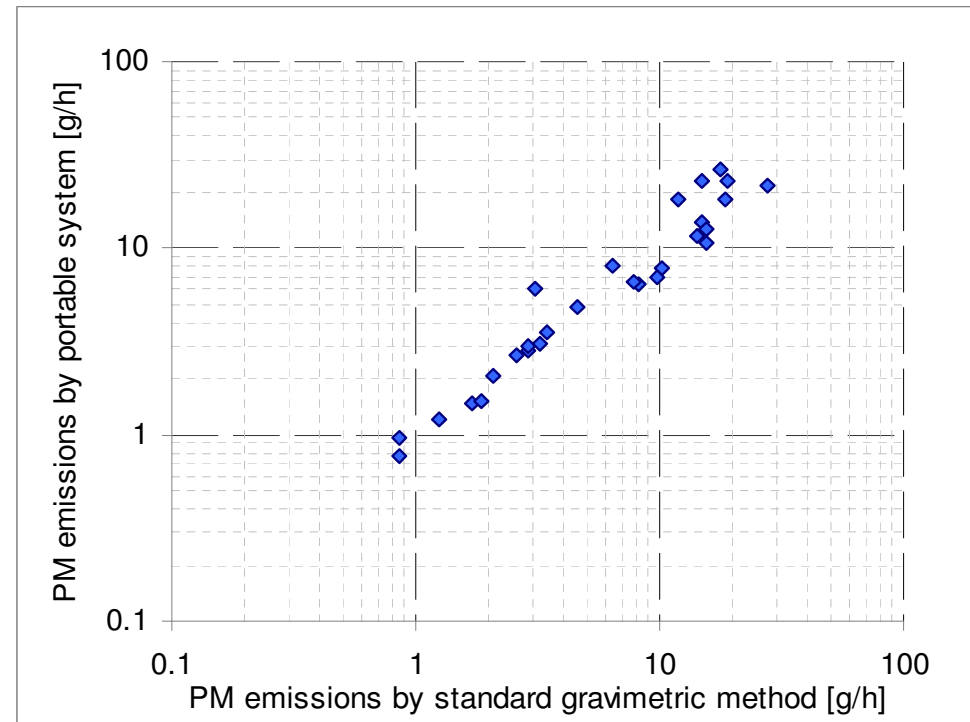
(Engine Exhaust Particulate Sizer, TSI, St. Paul, MN, USA)



Light scattering device (semi-condensating integrating nephelometer) – approximation of total particle mass

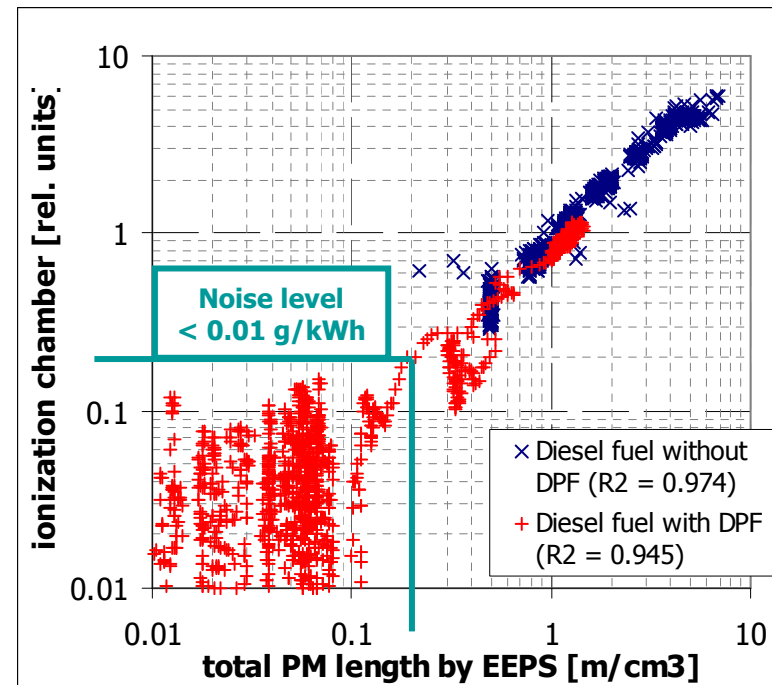
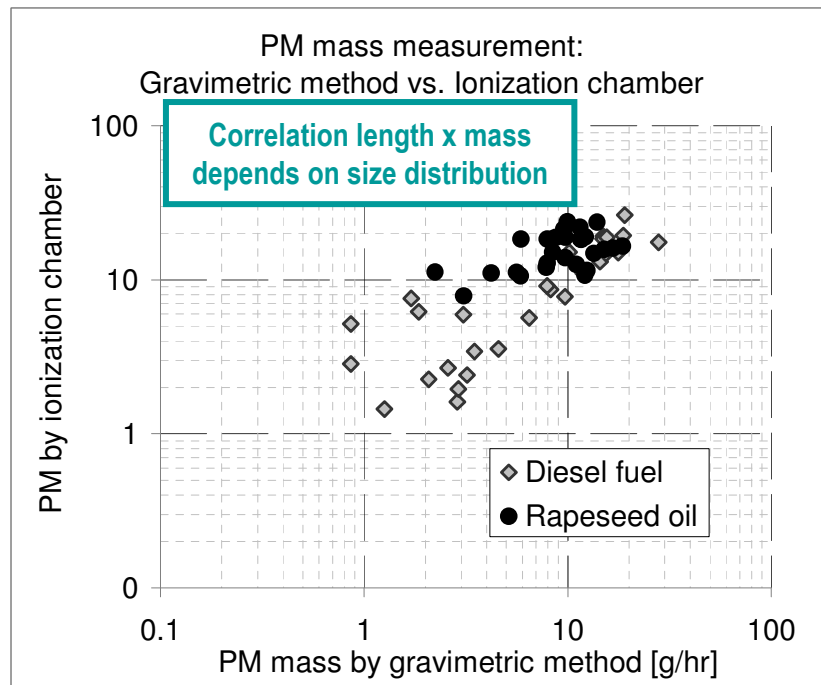
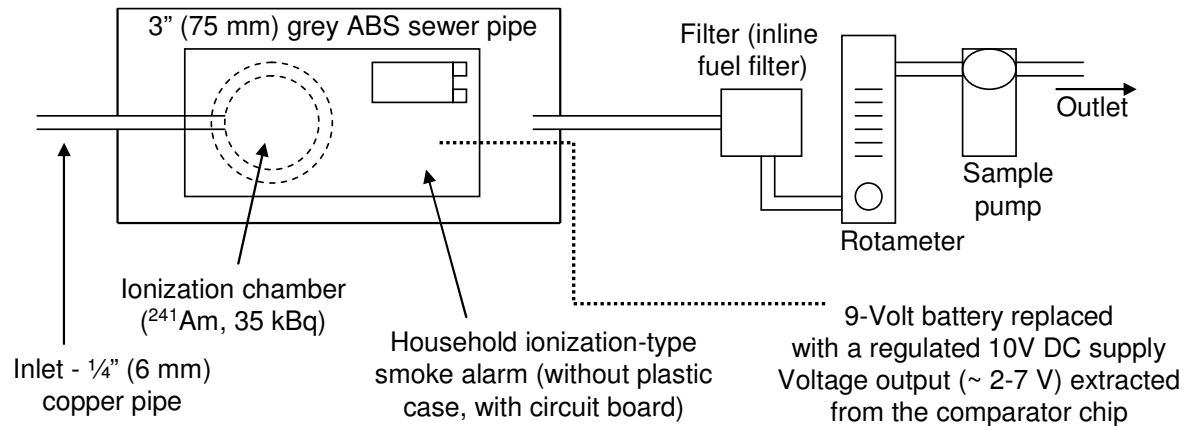
[Vojtíšek, Society of Automotive Engineers Technical Paper Series, 2001-01-3641 (2001) a 2009-24-0148 (2009)]

comparison with gravimetric measurement



Low-cost PM length measurement

- Inexpensive device made out of a household smoke alarm
- Measurements correlate with total PM length
- Comparison measurements during steady-state operation



Vojtíšek, M.: Total Diesel Exhaust Particulate Length Measurements Using a Modified Household Smoke Alarm Ionization Chamber. Journal of the Air and Waste Management Association, ISSN 1047-3289, 61, 2011, 126-134.

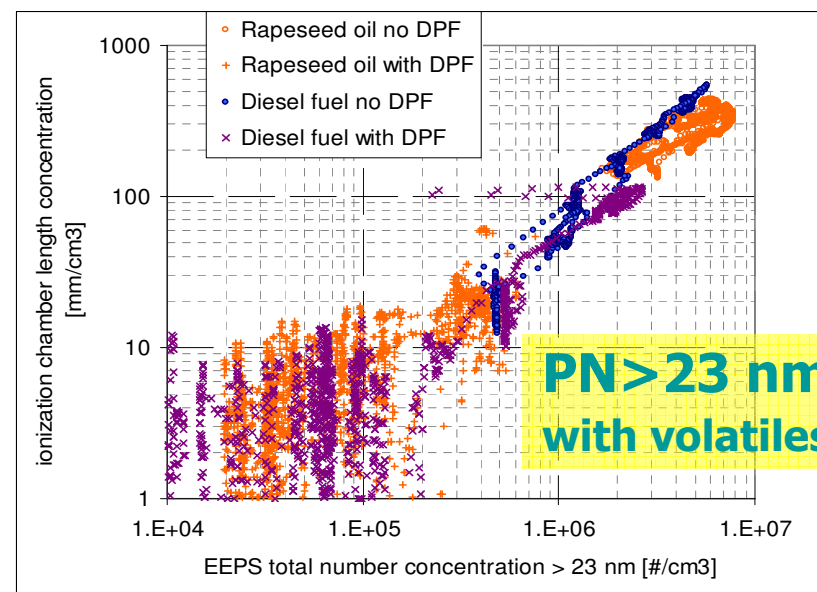
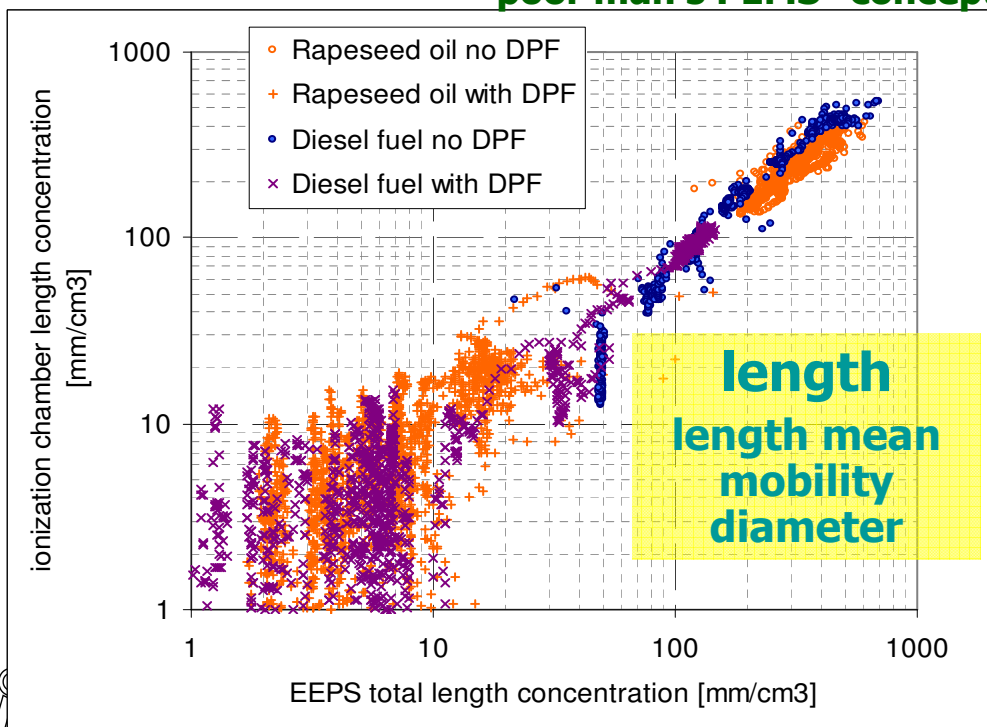
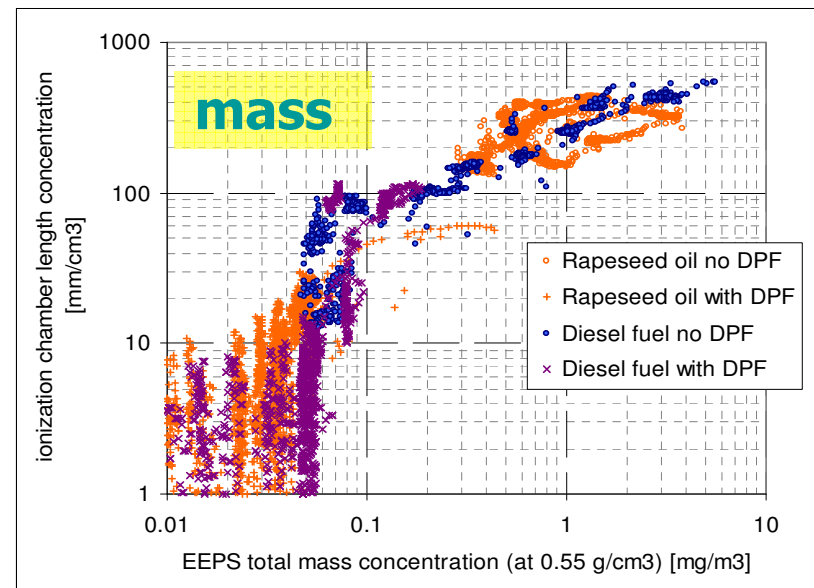


PM length measurement – comparison

0.1 g/kWh PM engine, various fuels and modes, EC 1%-79%
reference: EEPS sampling from dilution tunnel

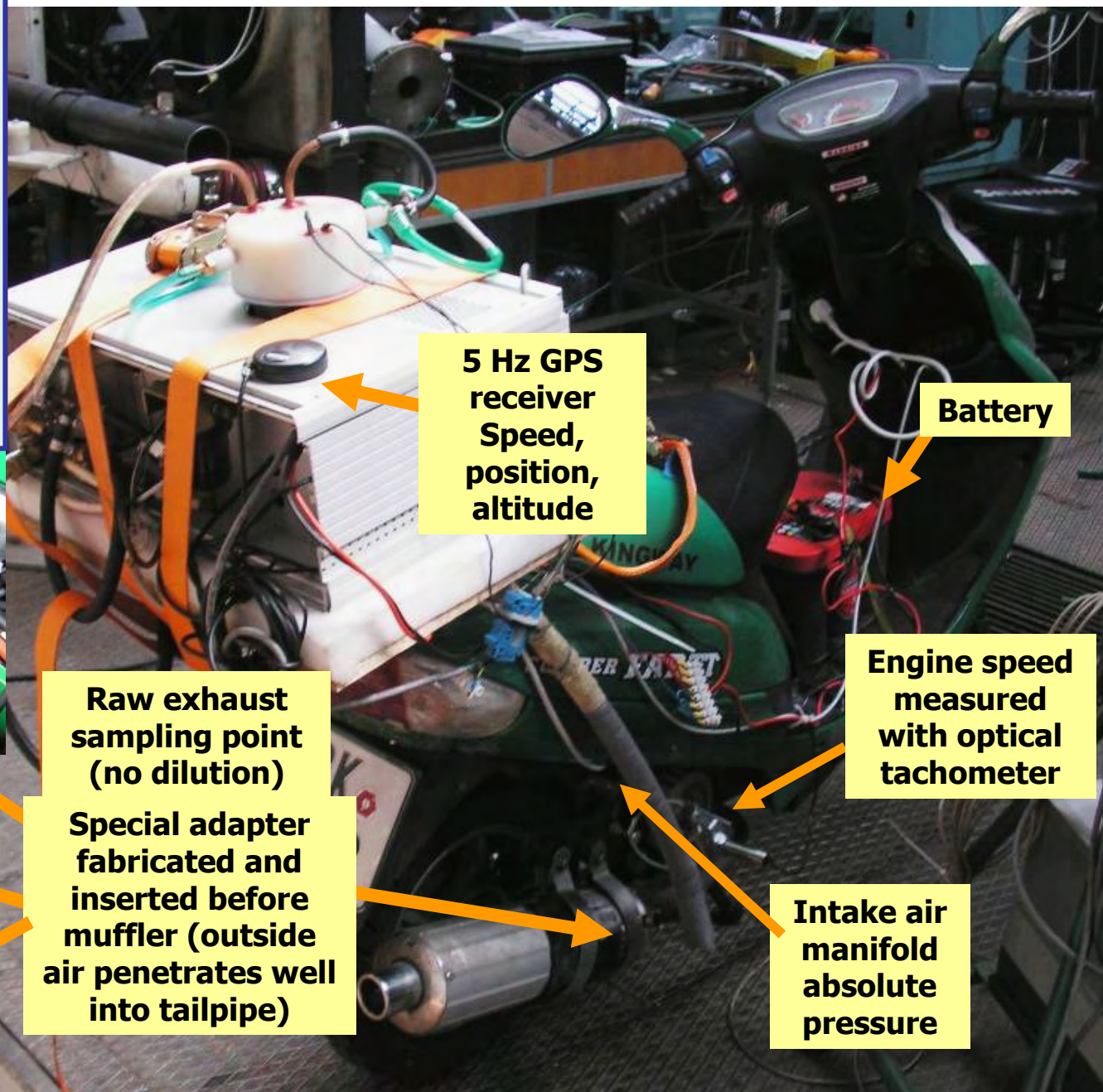


heated ionization
"fire detector"
undiluted raw exhaust
(multiplied by intake air flow for
comparison measurements)
~ 0.1 mg/m³
sensitivity
cheap (100 EUR)
"poor man's PEMS" concept



**Test vehicle:
2009 Coliber Fartt
RHON LH50QT-6
scooter**

**Engine: 0.049-liter,
2 kW, air-cooled,
four-stroke
carbureted engine
139QMB, Qingqi Group Ningbo
Rhon Motorcycle Co., Ltd.**



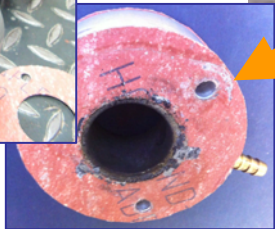
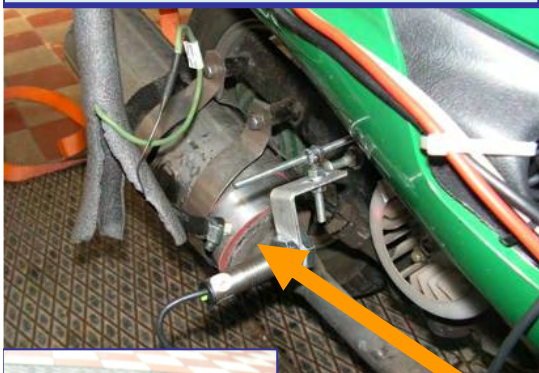
**5 Hz GPS
receiver
Speed,
position,
altitude**

Battery

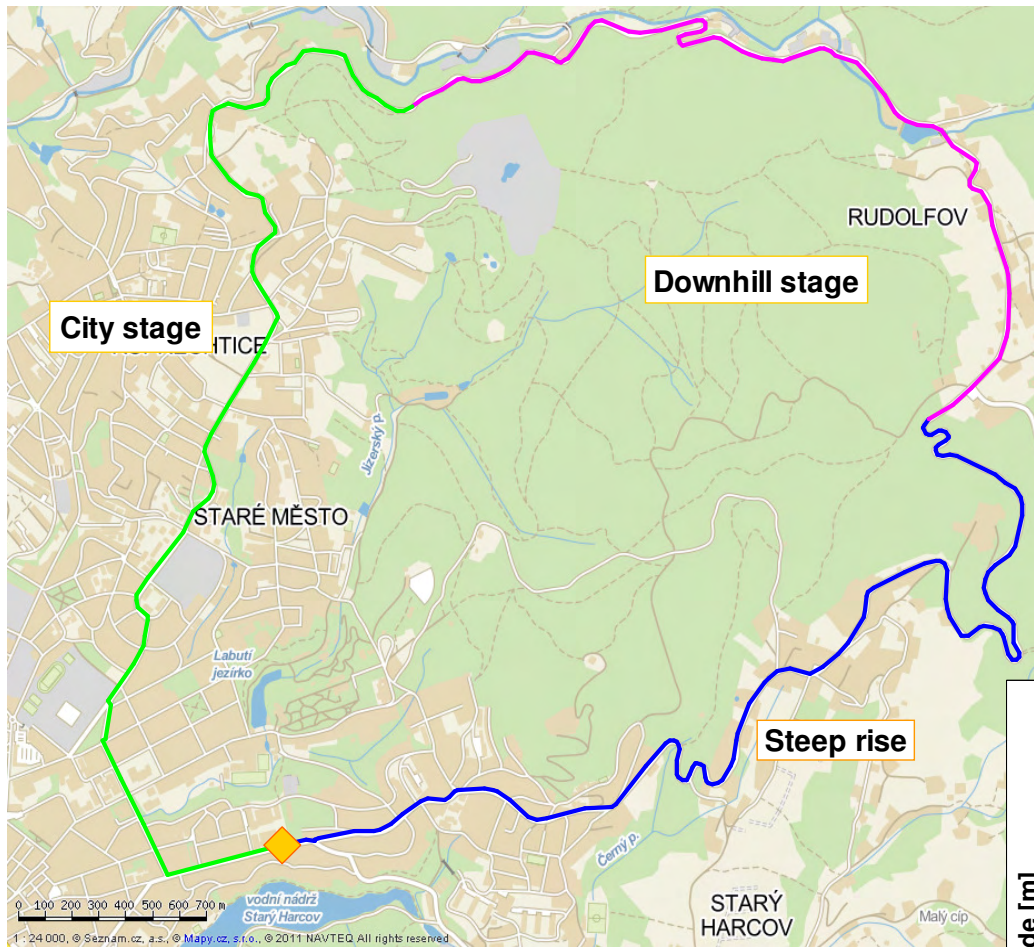
**Engine speed
measured
with optical
tachometer**

**Intake air
manifold
absolute
pressure**

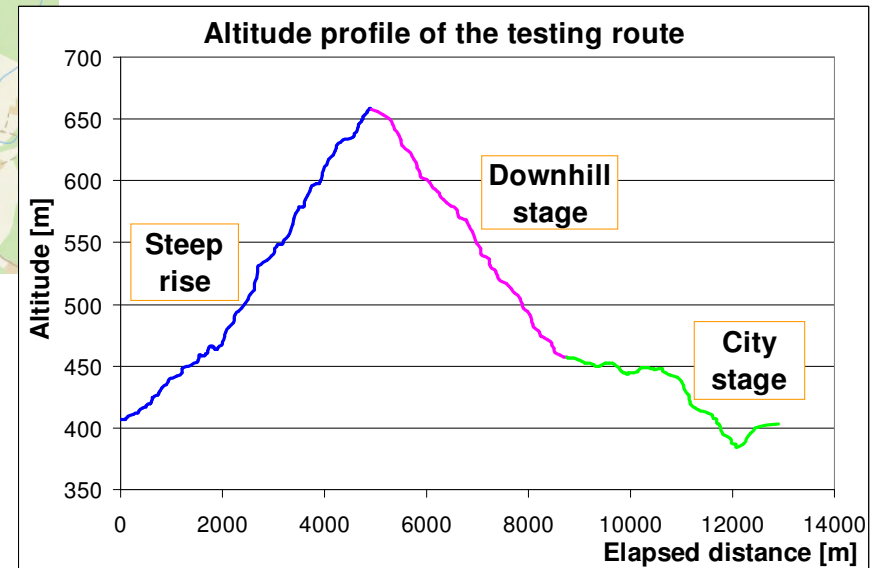
**Raw exhaust
sampling point
(no dilution)
Special adapter
fabricated and
inserted before
muffler (outside
air penetrates well
into tailpipe)**



Experimental – Test route



- Route length: approx. 13 km
- Start point altitude: 410 m
- Peak altitude: 660 m
- Lowest point altitude: 380 m
- Engine already running & warm (no cold start)



Summary results

Route	HC [g/km]	CO [g/km]	NO _x [g/km]	PM laser [mg/km]	PM ion1 [km/km]	PM ion2 [km/km]	CO ₂ [g/km]
Urban	2.72	11.2	0.50	3.3	406	386	53
Rural	1.30	8.4	0.41	2.7	320	255	39

Limits in g/km during prescribed driving cycles

EU Euro 3 (since 1.1.2007, 2002/51/EC), <150 cc, ECE R47 test cycle

HC 0.80 CO 2.0 NO_x 0.15

California (2008 and subsequent model years, Title 13, CCR §1958), <280cc

HC+NO_x 0.8 CO 12

US EPA (MY 2006 and later)

HC 1.0 (or HC+NO_x 1.4) CO 12

Canada (MY 2006 and later)

HC 1.0 (or HC+NO_x 1.4) CO 12

China (2008 and subsequent model years), mopeds <50cc, ECE R47 test)

HC+NO_x 1.2 CO 1.0 fuel cons. 2 l/100 km (~48 g CO₂/km)

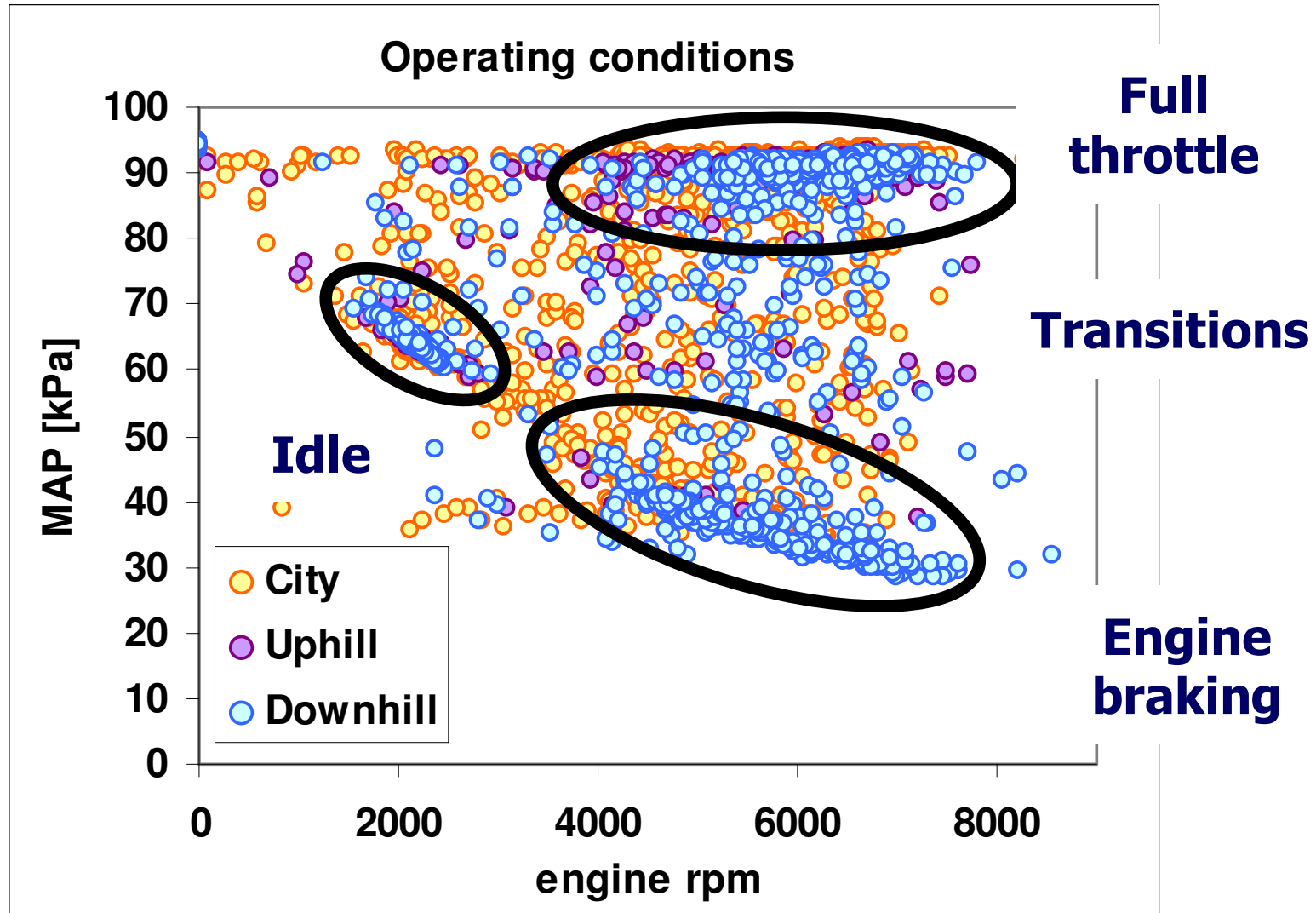
India (2005-2010, Bharat II standard)

HC+NO_x 1.5 CO 1.5



How a scooter is driven

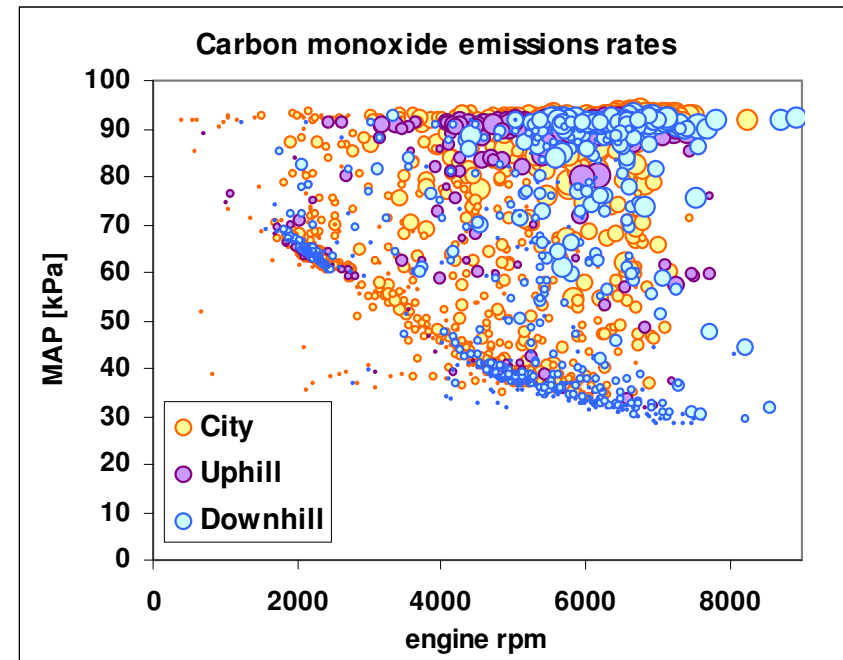
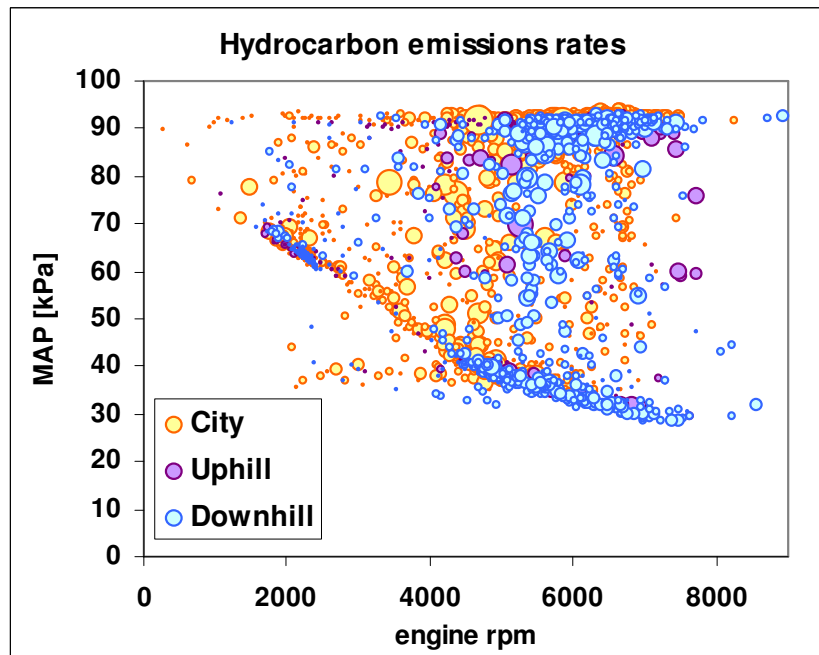
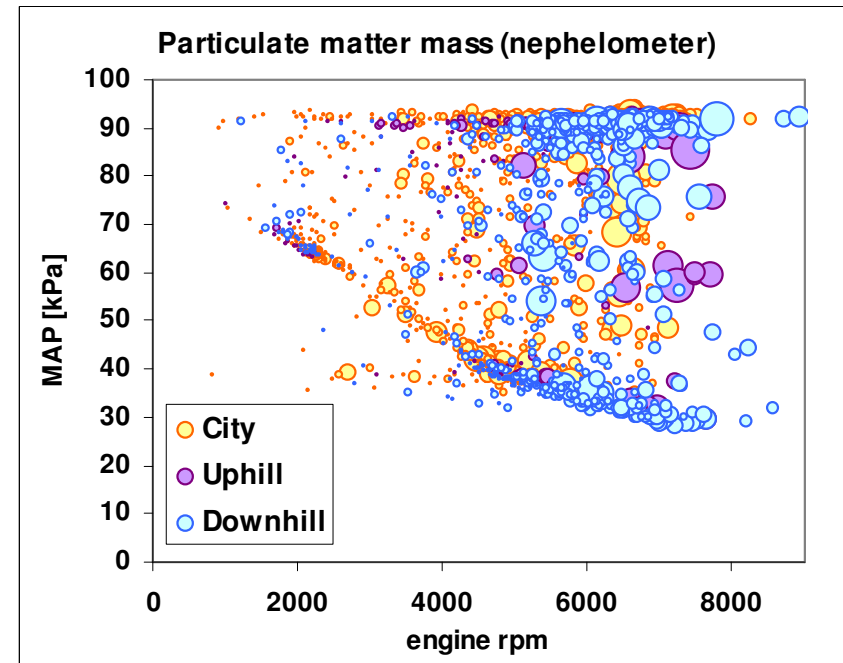
Mostly “full power or nothing”, pulse-width modulation
Example: Liberec region, each point = 1 second of operation
Distinct regions: idle, full-power, engine braking, transitions



Emissions patterns

Larger particles (detected by light scattering) and hydrocarbons dominated by transitions

CO high during transitions and at full power

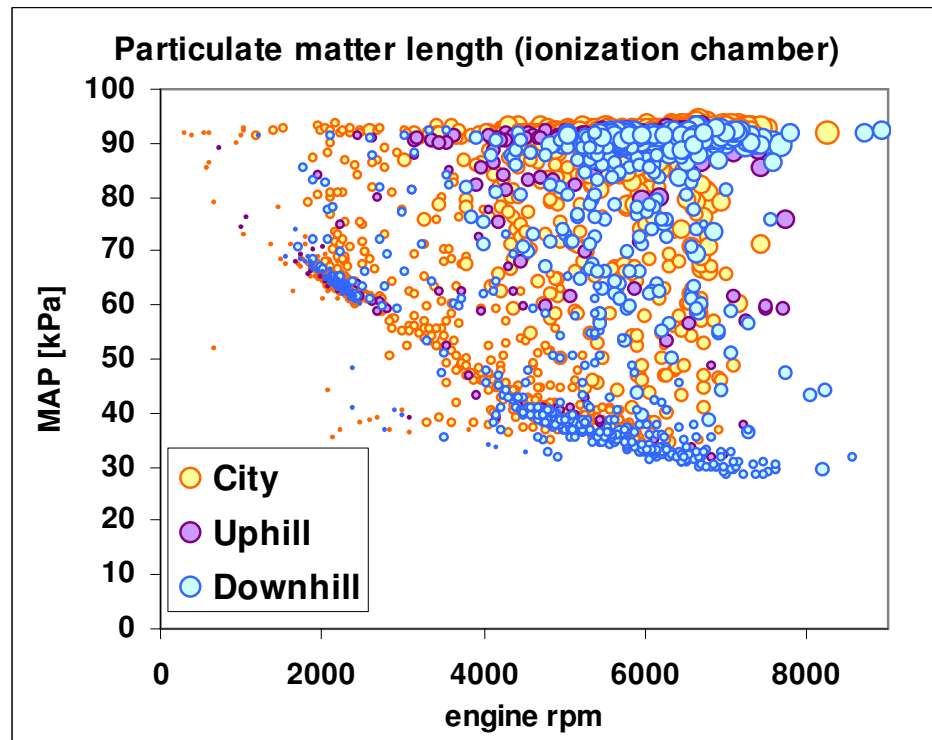
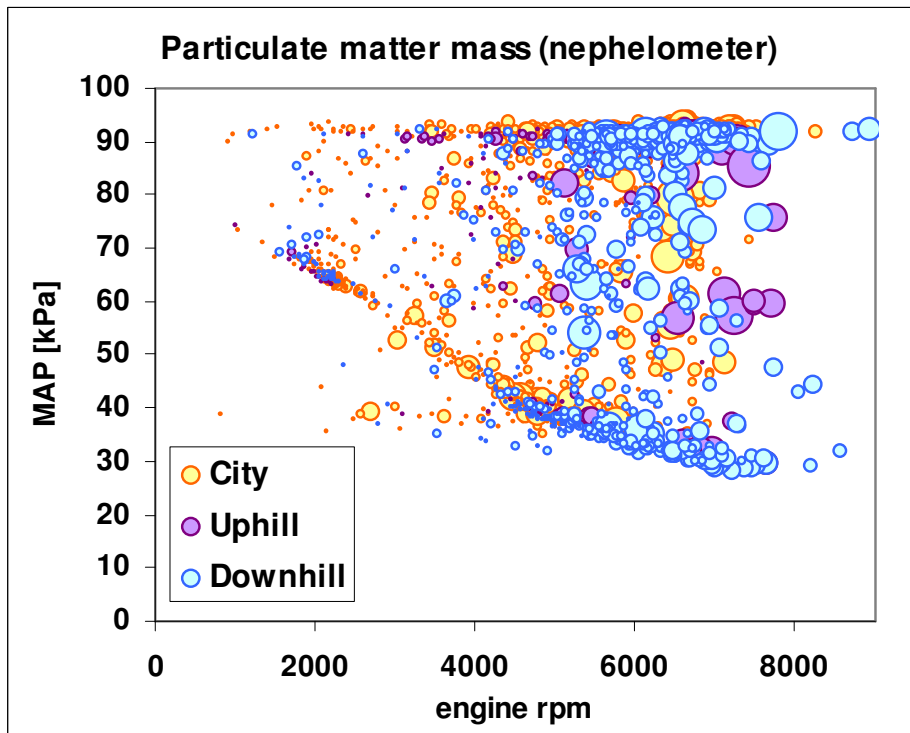
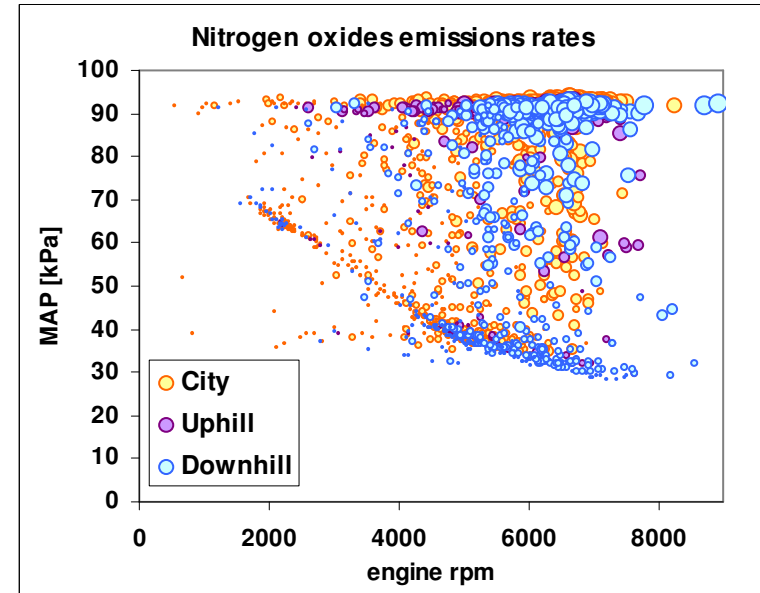


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Small particles (detected by ionization chamber) emitted throughout the operating range

NO_x highest at full power



2009 scooter vs. 1996 Škoda Felicia (SAE 2013-24-0102)

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E85	0.113 ± 0.01	0.829 ± 0.19	0.661 ± 0.028	148 ± 2	3.17 ± 0.04	422 ± 16
E85 vs. gasoline	-11%	-64%	+134%	-7%	-11%	-31%
p-value	0.952	0.200	0.010	0.493	0.684	0.860
Gasoline	0.145 ± 0.004	2.444 ± 0.147	0.202 ± 0.003	163 ± 3	1.48 ± 0.1	394 ± 98
Butanol 85%	0.168 ± 0.016	2.22 ± 0.22	0.482 ± 0.09	167 ± 4	2.18 ± 0.17	320 ± 13
Bu85 vs. gasoline	+16%	-9%	+139%	+2%	+47%	-19%
p-value	0.131	0.268	0.032	0.331	0.011	0.477



Conclusions

A typical scooter equipped with a miniature portable on-board monitoring system (PEMS)

Emissions successfully measured during real-world operation on local test routes – measurement is possible

Operating pattern is “all or nothing”, plus idle and transitions

PM emissions comparable to an older passenger car

HC, CO, NO_x higher than from an older passenger car

Preliminary tests conducted on other types of engines

PM emissions of small engines are not insignificant and deserve future attention



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Mechanisms of toxicity of biofuel particulate emissions**

