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Diesel fuel quality and particle emissions

- Heavy-duty diesel engine tests - SMPS
Euro II 6 L & 10 L engines
- Light-duty diesel post-96 & post-2000 cars - SMPS
Common Rail D3 technologies
- Total number measurements - UPM (Ultrafine Particle Monitor)
Euro II technologies



Diesel Fuel properties

	LSD	ULSD	SCI	N	RME
Sulphur (ppm wt)	350	45	5	10	5
Density (kg/m ³)	840	834	815	810	880
Cetane No.	50	55	53	71	52
Aromatics (% wt)	25	28	4	1	0
T90 (°C)	330	332	270	350	345

Commercial Fuels

LSD = Low Sulphur Diesel EU 1996-2000 specs
ULSD = Ultra Low Sulphur Diesel UK specs
SCI = Swedish Class I

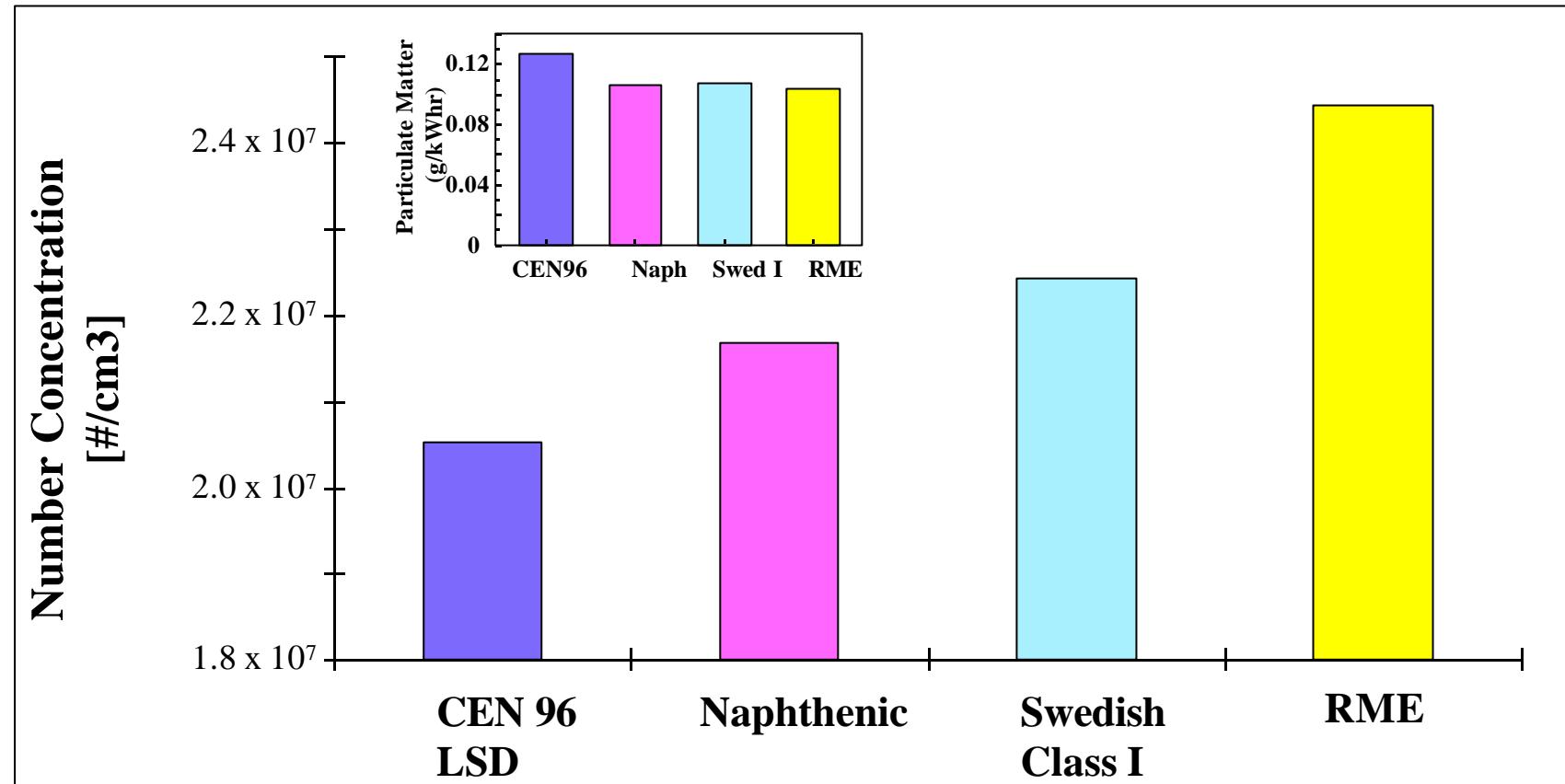
Test Fuels

N = High Naphthenic content fuel
RME = Rapeseed Methyl Ester



HD Particle Number & Mass ranking orders are different

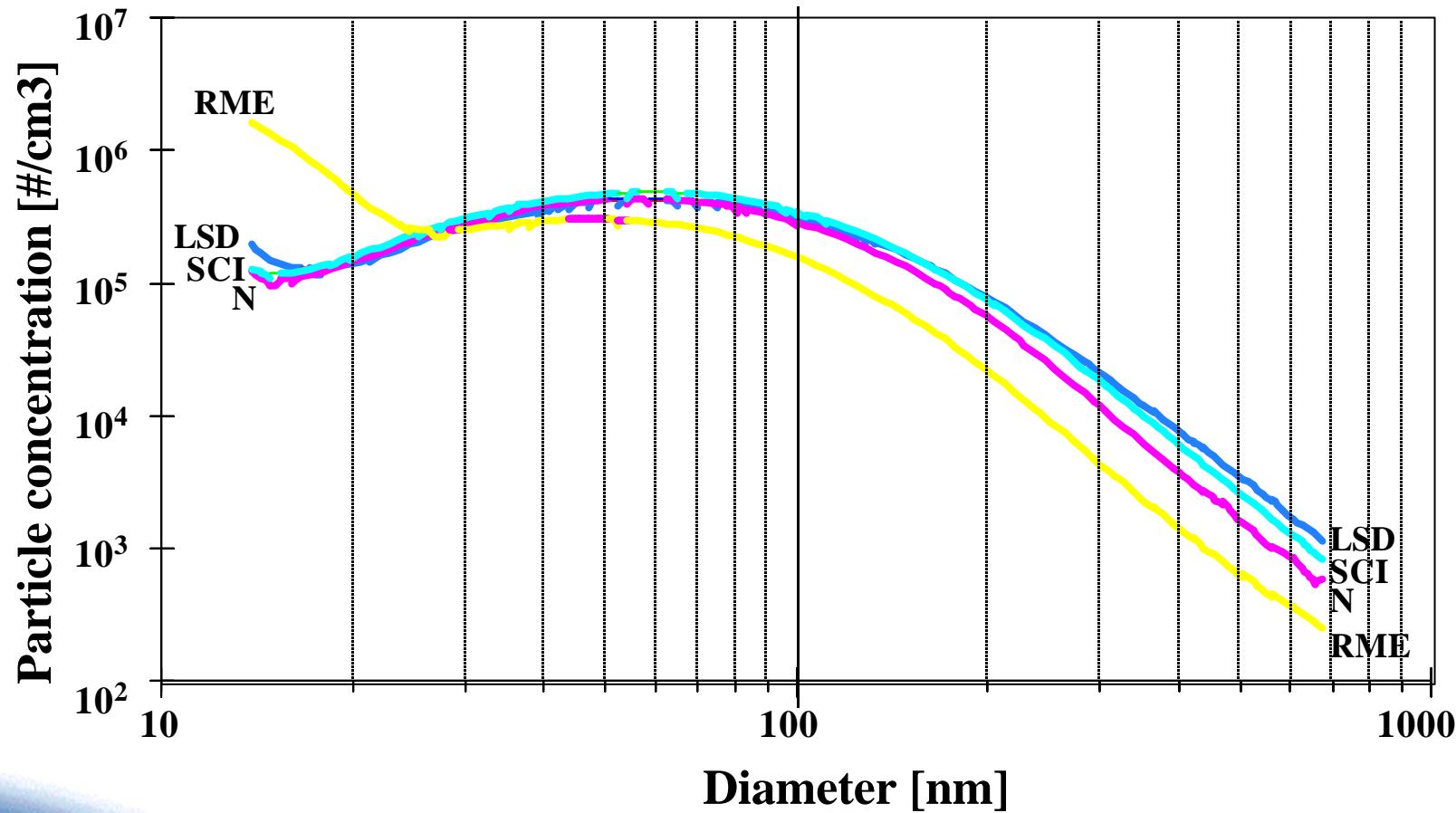
RME > Swedish Class I > 96 LSD



*Heavy-duty diesel engine: Total Particle No.
6L Euro II engine, EU R49 cycle, SMPS > 14 nm*

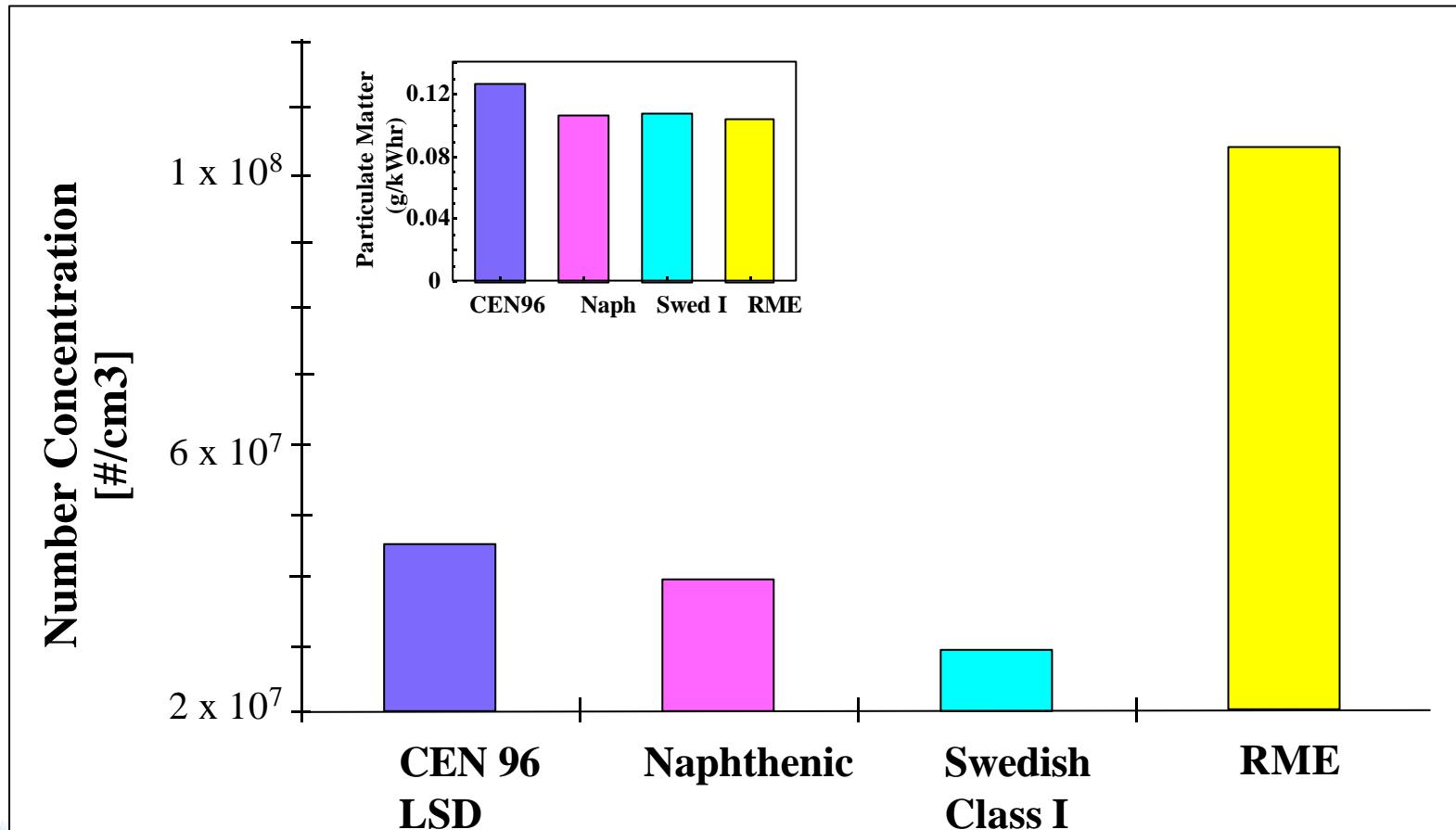
HD Particle number distribution: Major peak at 60-80 nm

AGO fuels are similar - RME produces more smaller (<30nm) particles



*Heavy-duty diesel engine:
6L Euro II engine, EU R49 cycle, SMPS > 14 nm*

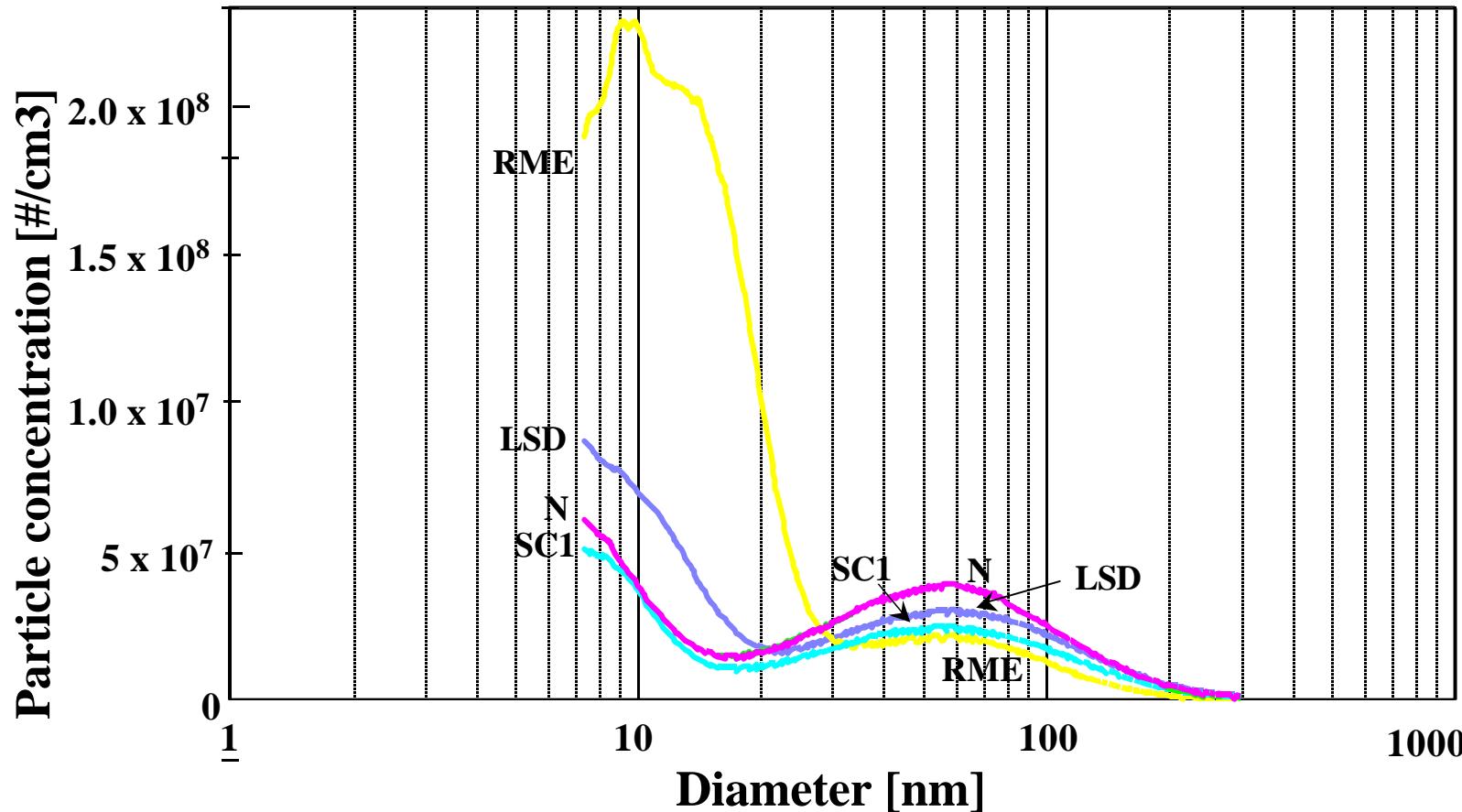
HD Lower size limit increases numbers 2-4x
no. ranking order changed, now 96 LSD > Swedish Class I



*Heavy-duty diesel engine:
6L Euro II engine, EU R49 cycle, SMPS > 7 nm*

HD Particle Numbers - Is the distribution bimodal?

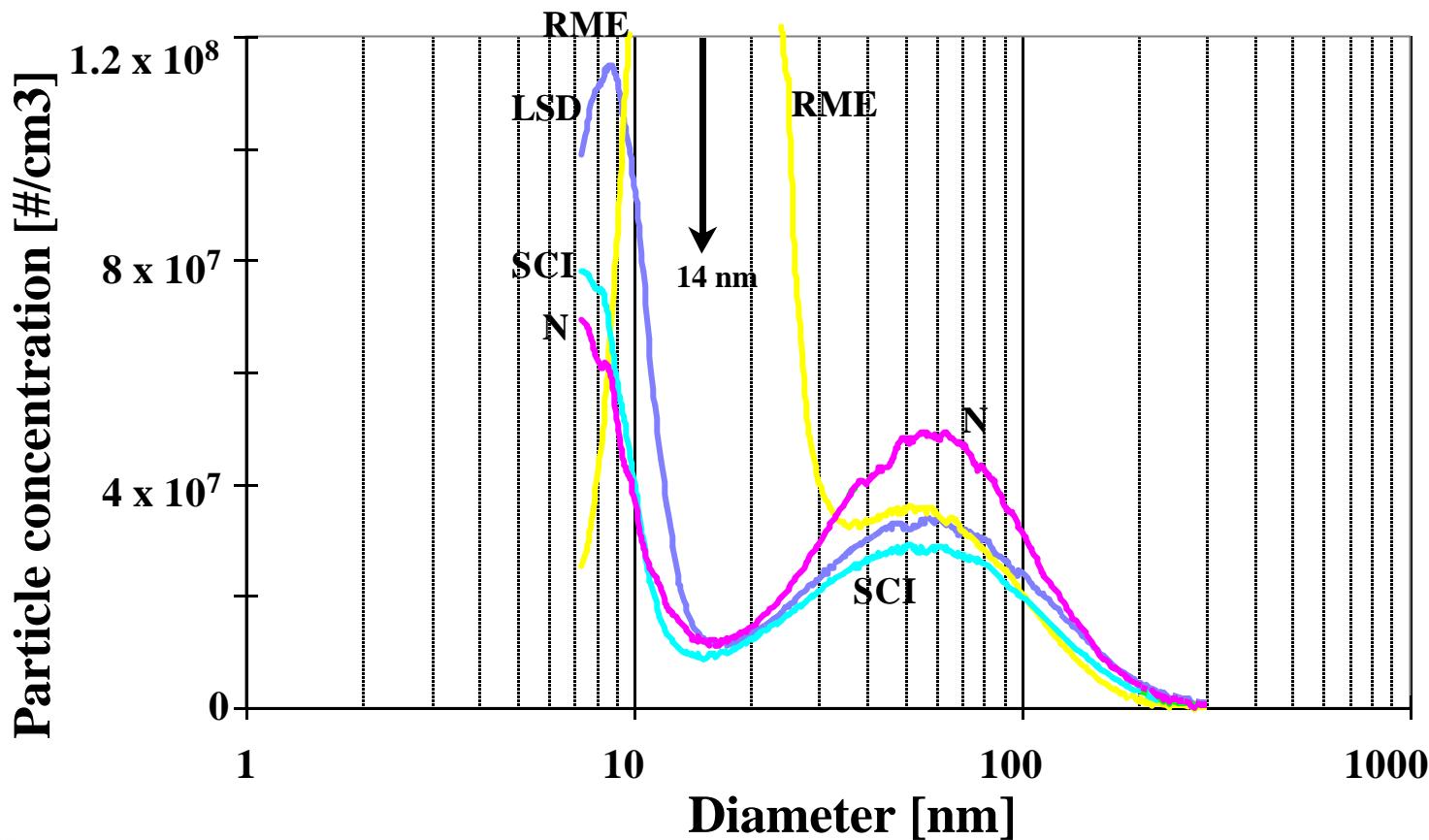
RME produces more smaller particles at ~10 nm but less at ~70 nm



*Heavy-duty diesel engine:
6L Euro II engine, EU R49 cycle, SMPS > 7 nm*



HD Bimodal particle no. distribution clearer major peak at 9 nm - what is the end of the measurement range?



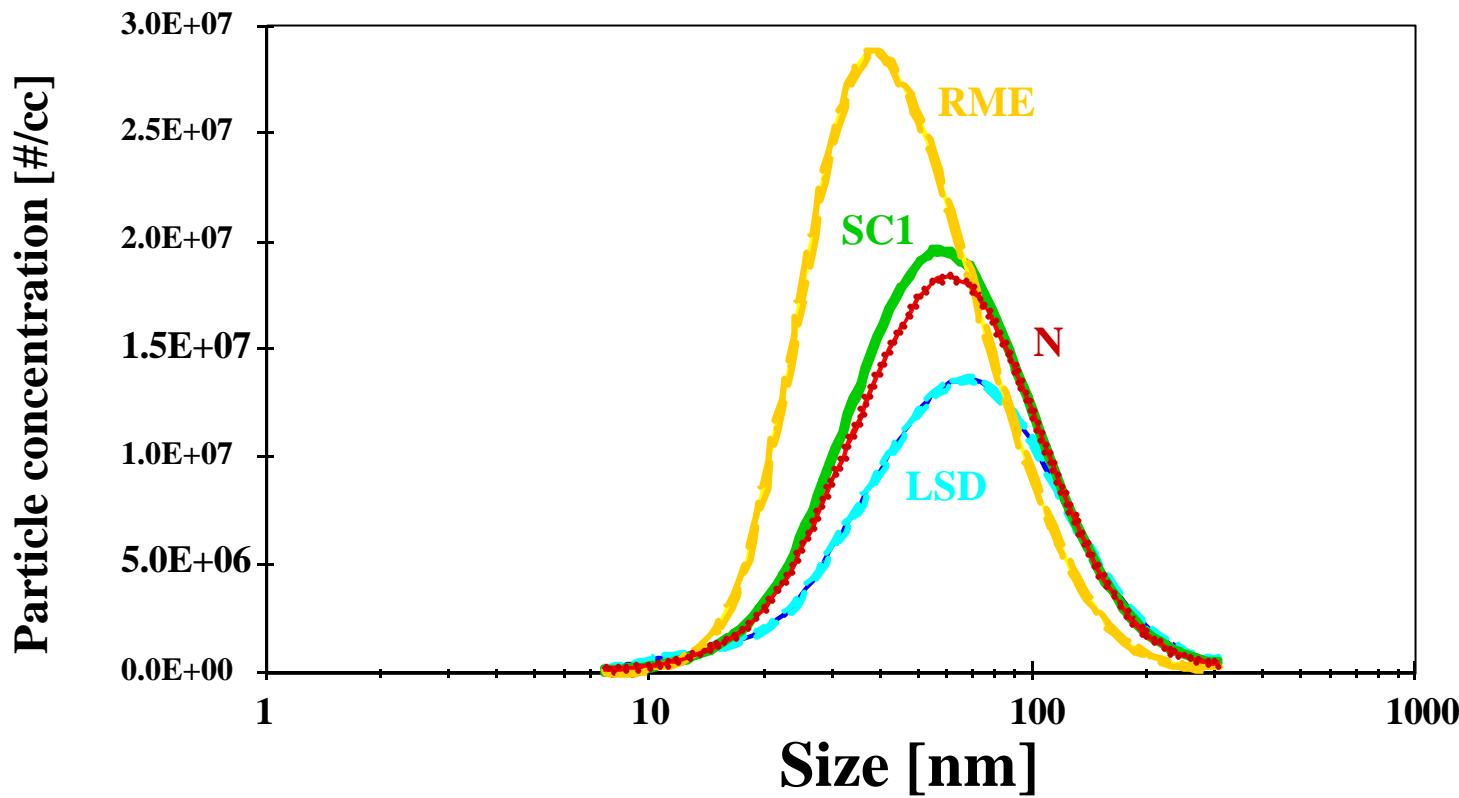
*Heavy-duty diesel engine:
6L Euro II engine, Mode 3 of EU R49 cycle, SMPS > 7 nm*



Similar Fuel Effects in HD 10 L engine

exhaust sampled via dilution tunnel

AGO fuels are similar - RME produces more smaller (<30nm) particles



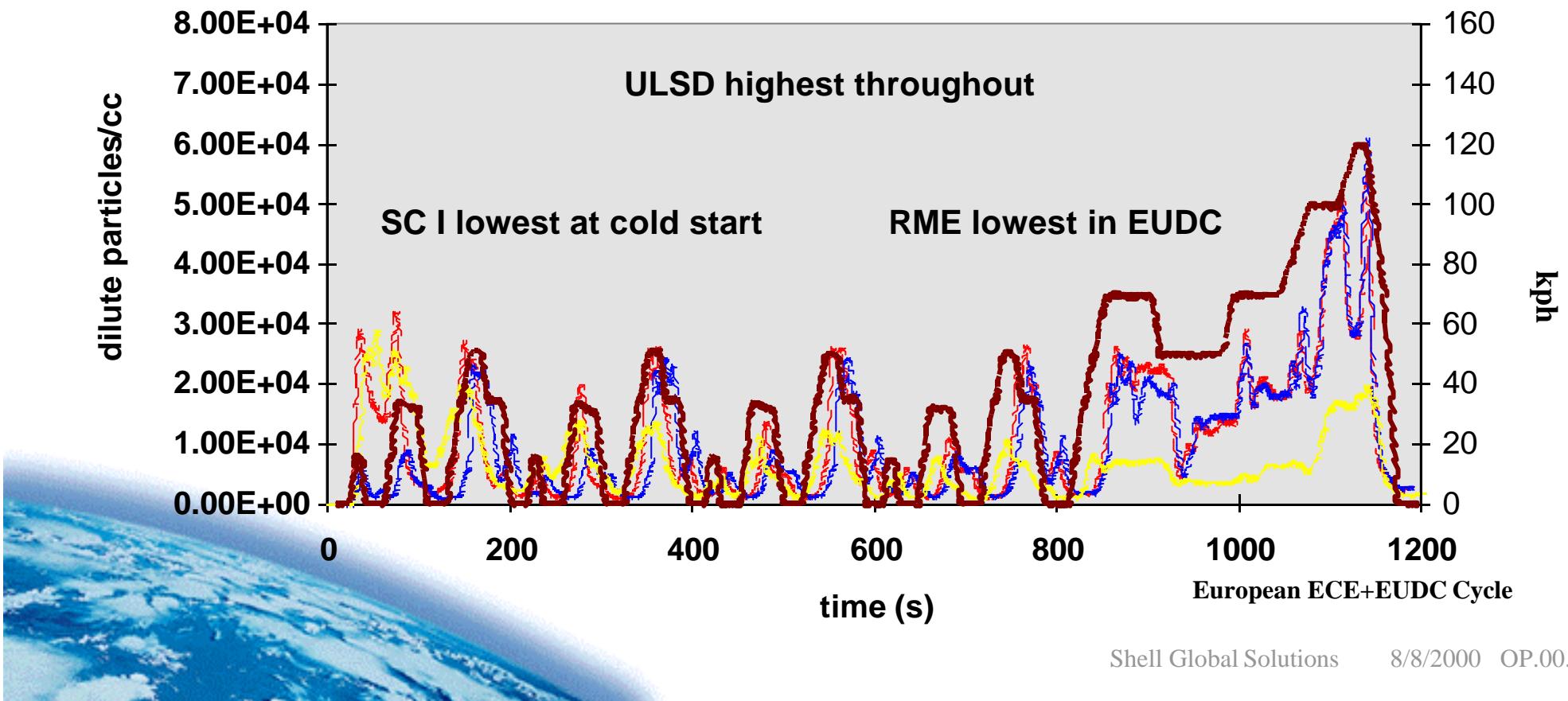
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Fuel Differences Change during Test Cycle

Car A: 2.2L European Common Rail DI, Post 2000
"City diesel fuels" (Cold Start MVEG III) 100 nm

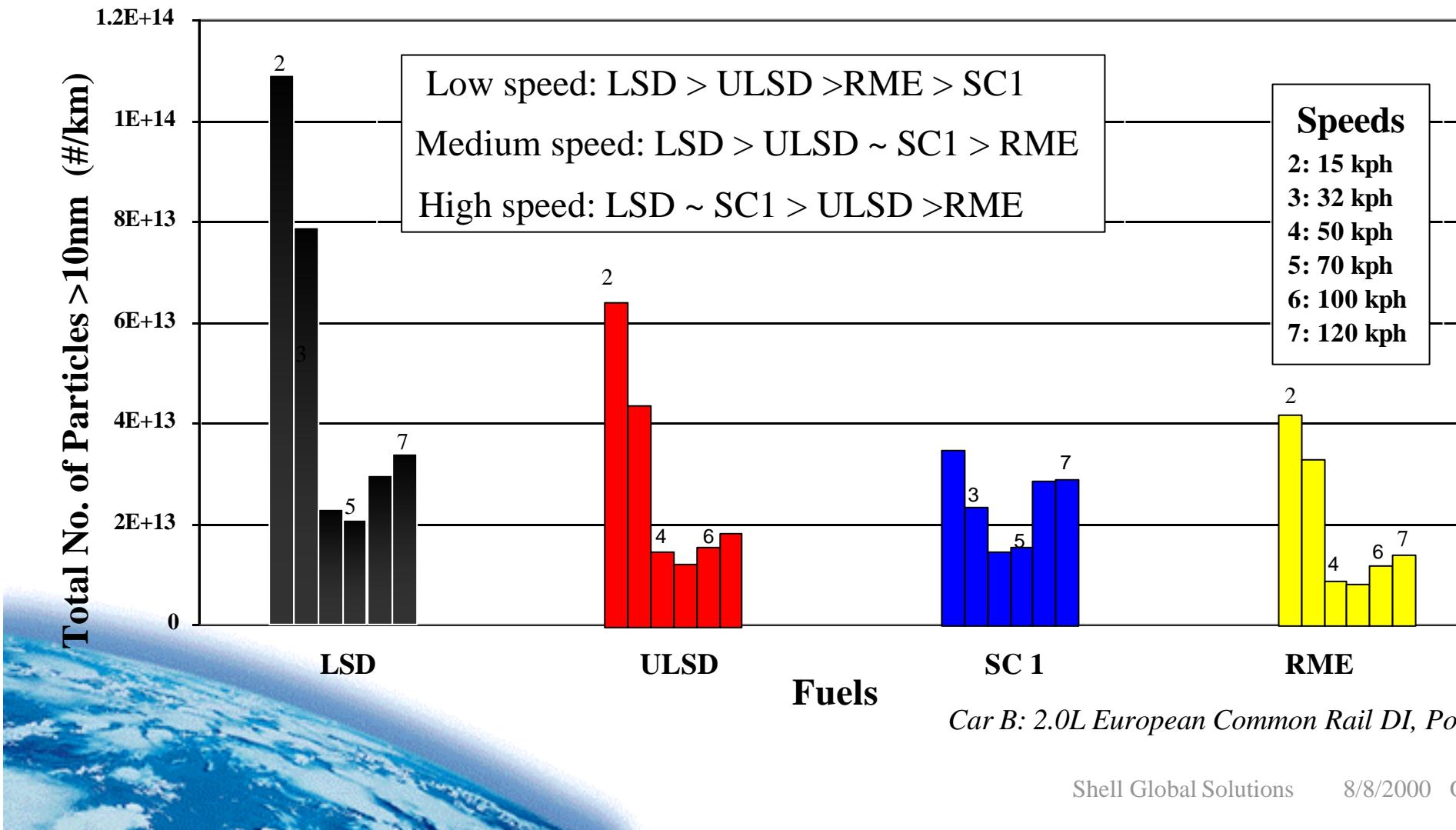
ULSD SC 1 RME drive cycle (4ECE+EUDC)



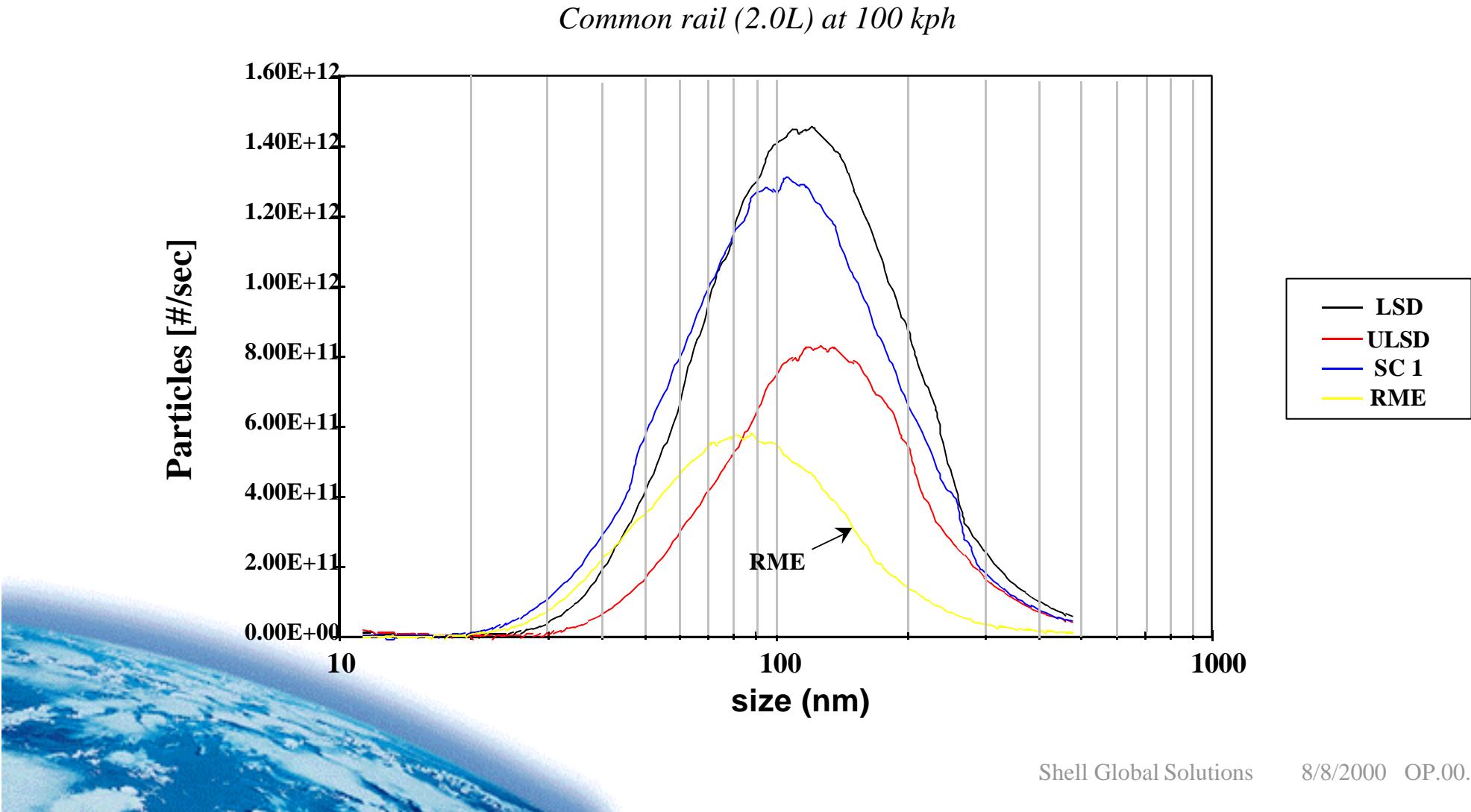
Highest emissions at lowest speeds.

Fuel ranking varies with speed

Post 2000 Car B : Total number of particles/km



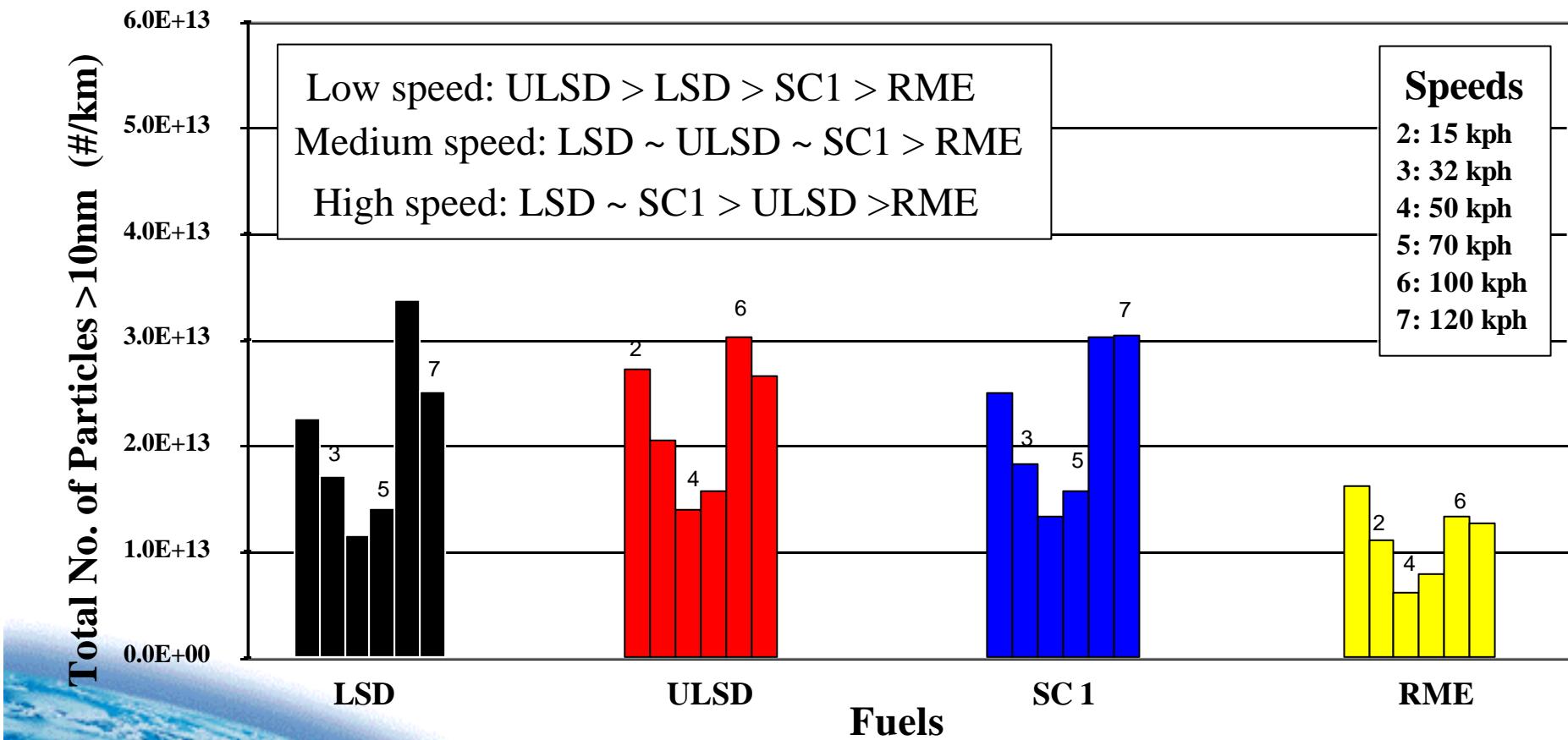
AGOs similar in Post 2000 Car - single peak at 100nm RME peak lower at 80 nm



Post 2000 Car A common-rail car:

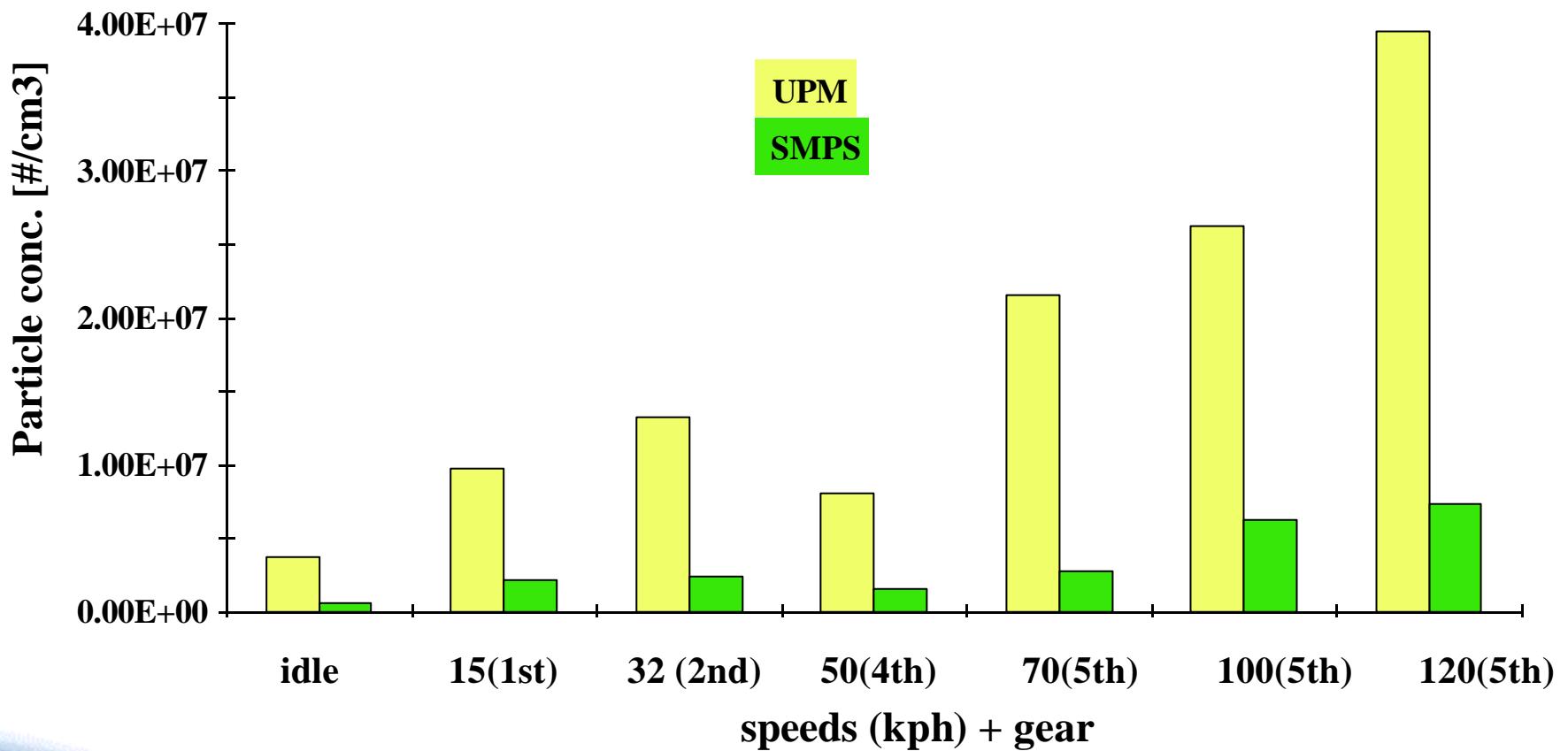
Total particle no./km

Fuel ranking varies with speed, but RME low & ULSD high



Car A: 2.2L European Common Rail DI, Post 2000

Ultrafine Particle Monitor (CNC) - all particles > ~4nm? detects more particles (~5x) than SMPS

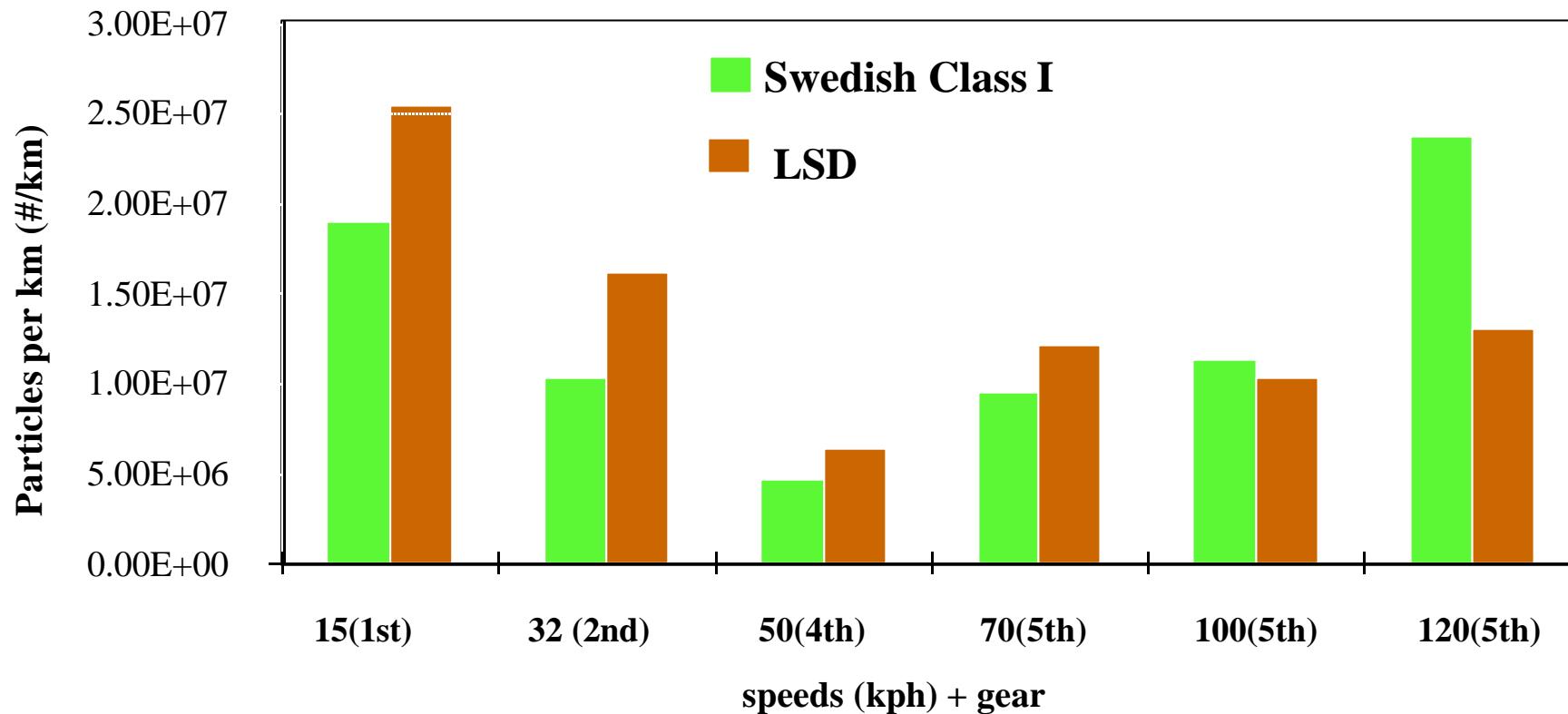


Euro II IDI 1.8L car - Steady States: UPM v SMPS

Fuel ranking changes at different steady states

At low speeds LSD produces more particles than SC1

At high speeds this order is reversed



Euro II IDI 1.8L car - Steady States: Ultrafine Particle Monitor (CNC)

Conclusions

- Particulate size & numbers of AGO diesel fuels similar
 - except RME which gives more nanoparticles <15 nm but less particles in the 50-100 nm range*
- Trends between fuels affected by
 - operating conditions (e.g. engine speed)*
 - bimodal distribution*
 - size range measured, sampling methods, instrumentation*
- Definition of minimum “particle” size needed before real progress can be made

