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Verification of NPTI-Instruments for Diesel and Petrol Vehicles – first results

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Overview

- Since the introduction of Euro 5b standards diesel passenger cars must present PN emissions $< 6 \times 10^{11}$ #/km when tested on the duty cycle.
- The PN limit was achieved using DPFs

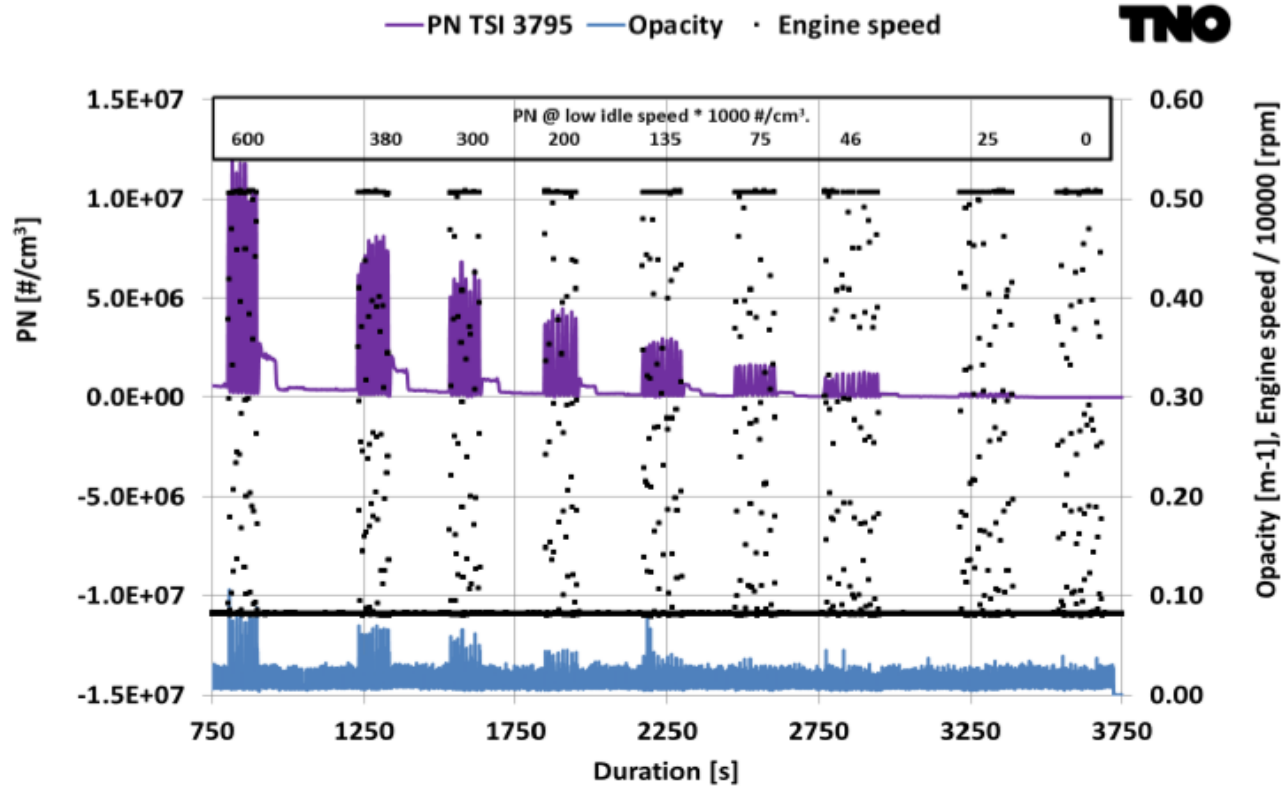
Overview - The issue - Part I

- Recent studies conducted in The Netherlands, Switzerland and Belgium have shown that ~10% of DPF-equipped passenger cars:
 - present a damaged DPF or
 - DPF has been removed.

Overview – Current method

- Opacity is used to evaluate compression ignition engine emissions during Periodic Technical Inspection - PTI (Directive 2014/45/EC; Reg. 24).
- Opacimeter: instrument for continuous measurement of the light absorption coefficients of the exhaust gases emitted by vehicles

Overview - The issue - Part II



Studies have shown that opacity fails to detect DPF damage or DPF removal.

Figure 30: PN emissions and smoke emissions in free acceleration tests of a Peugeot Partner diesel Euro 6b with different DPF bypass exhaust flows.

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Investigation into a Periodic Technical Inspection (PTI) test method to check for presence and proper functioning of Diesel Particulate Filters in light-duty diesel vehicles – part 2

Evaluation of an alternative procedure

- PN measurement
 - Instruments performance
- Engine operation
 - Low idle, "high idle" (~2000 rpm)
- Evaluation of plausible pass/fail limit
 - Limit should not be more stringent than type-approval (6×10^{11} #/km)

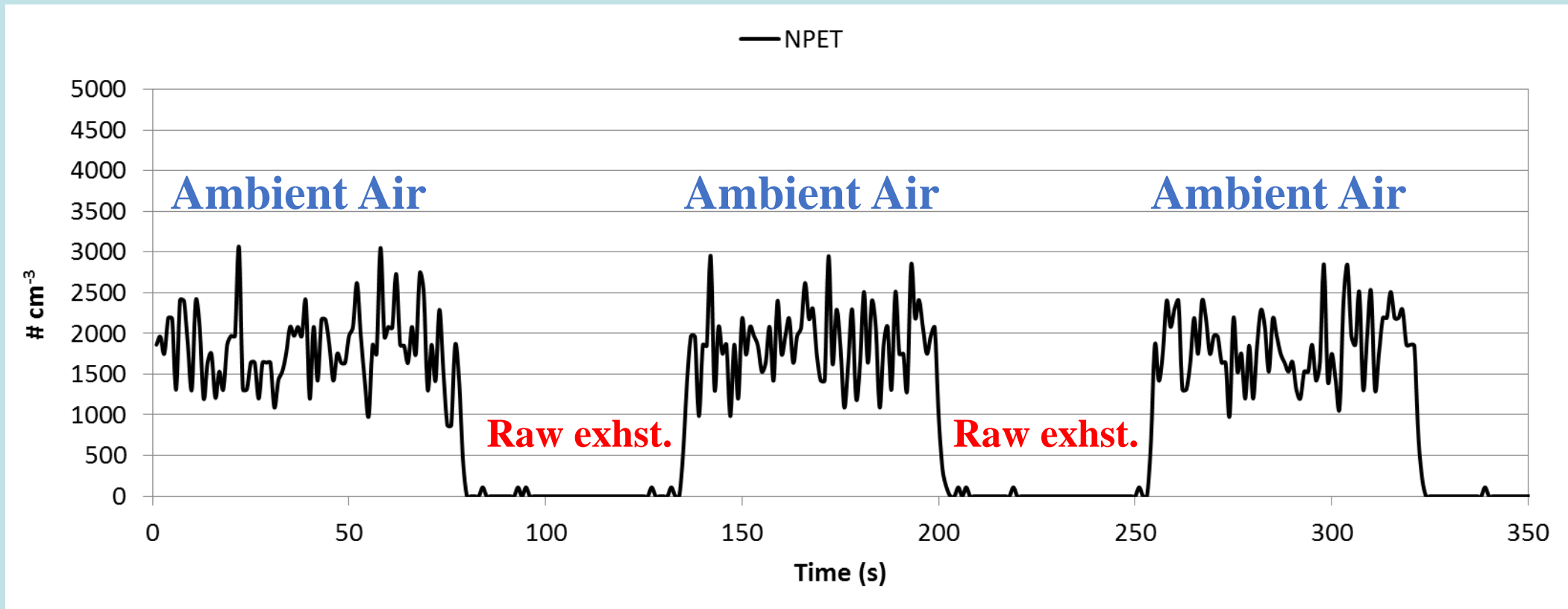
Vehicle and test sequence - 1st campaign

- **Euro 6b diesel vehicle (DPF-equipped) – Vehicle 1**
 - Partial bypass
- **Tested using WLTP**
- **Low idle measurements**
 - Ambient air (60''), followed by raw exhaust at low idle (60'')
- **High idle (2000 rpm) measurements**
 - Raw exhaust at low idle (60''), follow by high idle (60'')

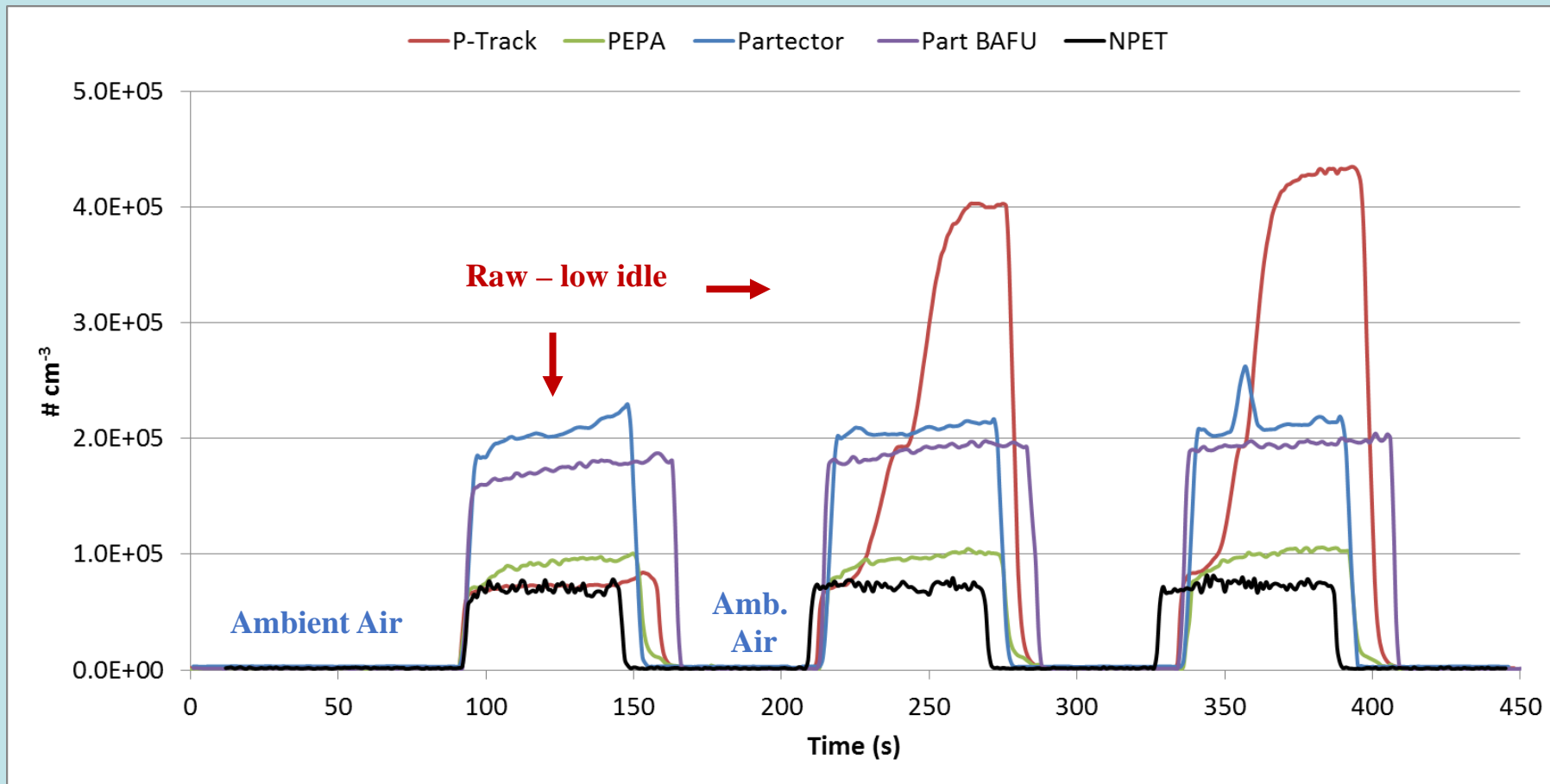
Instruments used during 1st campaign

- Modified TSI 3795 (NPET for PEMS) DiI+CS+CPC
- Testo PEPA DiI+DC
- TSI p-Track CPC
- Naneos Partector DC
- Naneos Automotive Partector DC

Raw emissions – Vehicle 1- No bypass

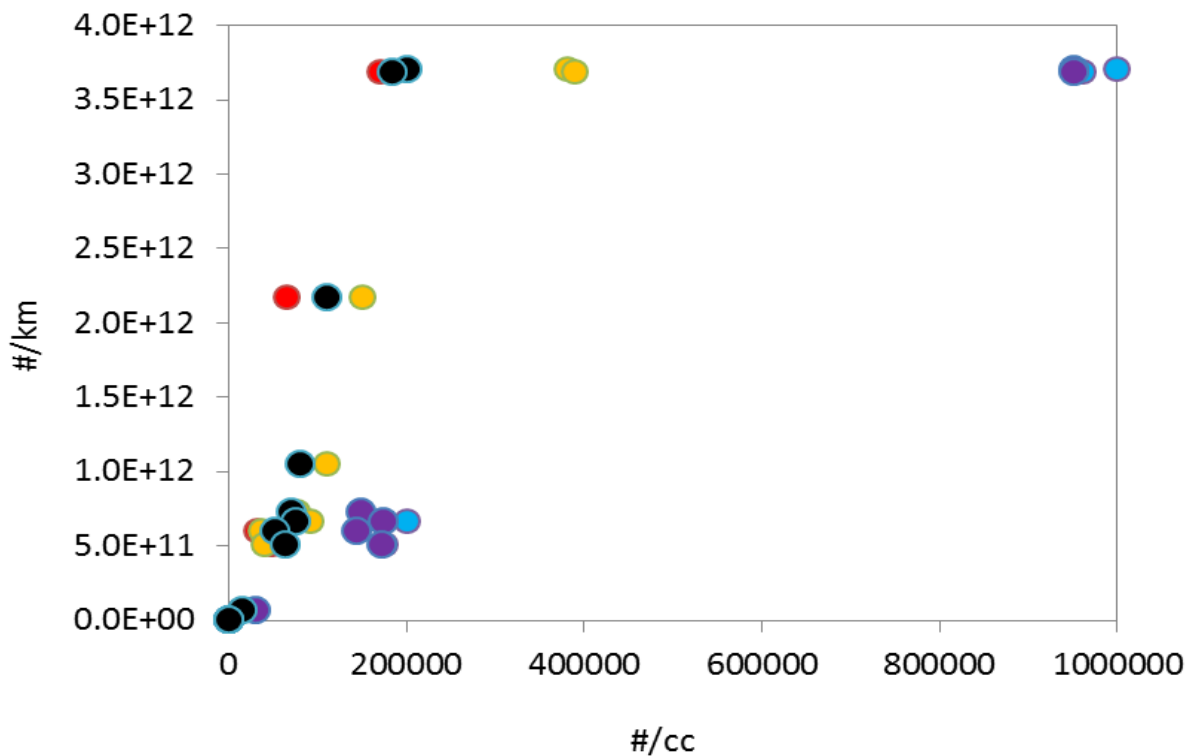


Low idle- Bypass opened



Emission factors vs low idle concentration– Vehicle 1

NPET P-Track PEPA Partector Automotive Partector

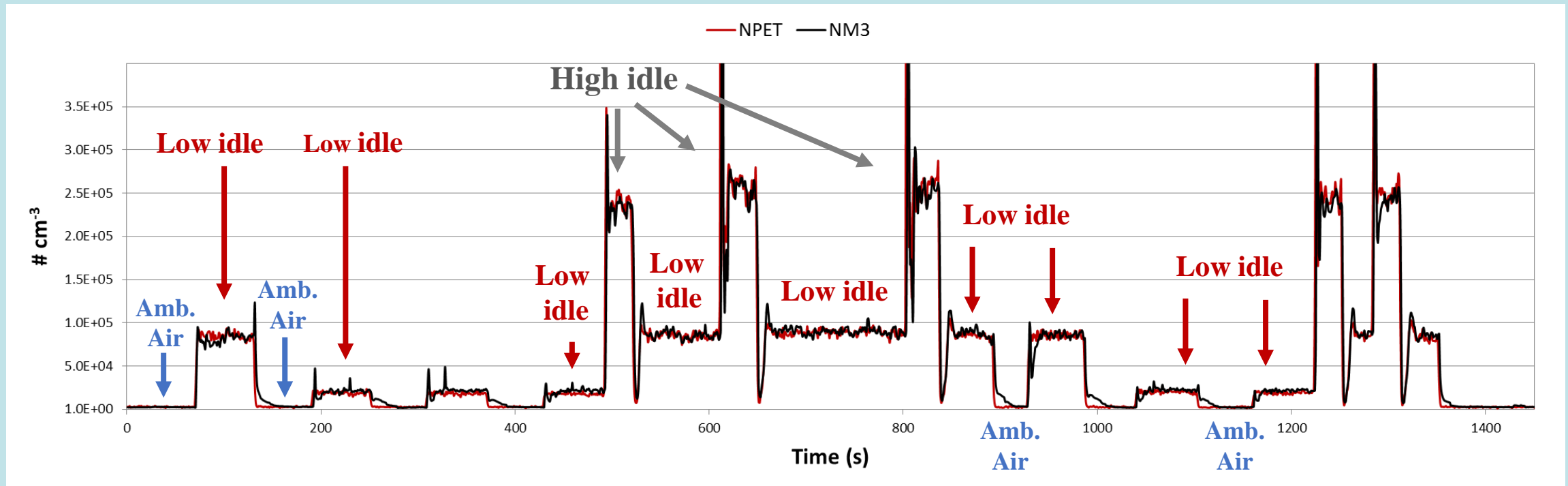


Different levels of partial bypass resulted Emission Factors during the WLTP:

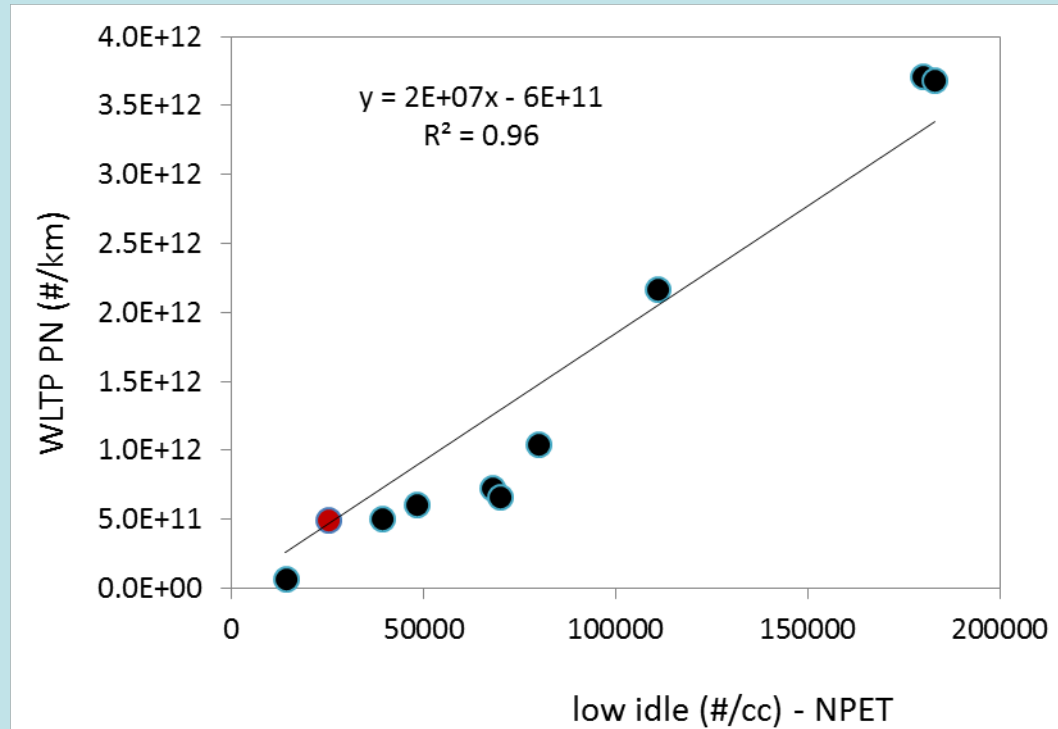
- No bypass EF $2-8 \times 10^9$ #/km
- Near Euro 6 limit $5-7 \times 10^{11}$ #/km
- Wide opened $2-4 \times 10^{12}$ #/km

Vehicle 2- Euro 6b diesel

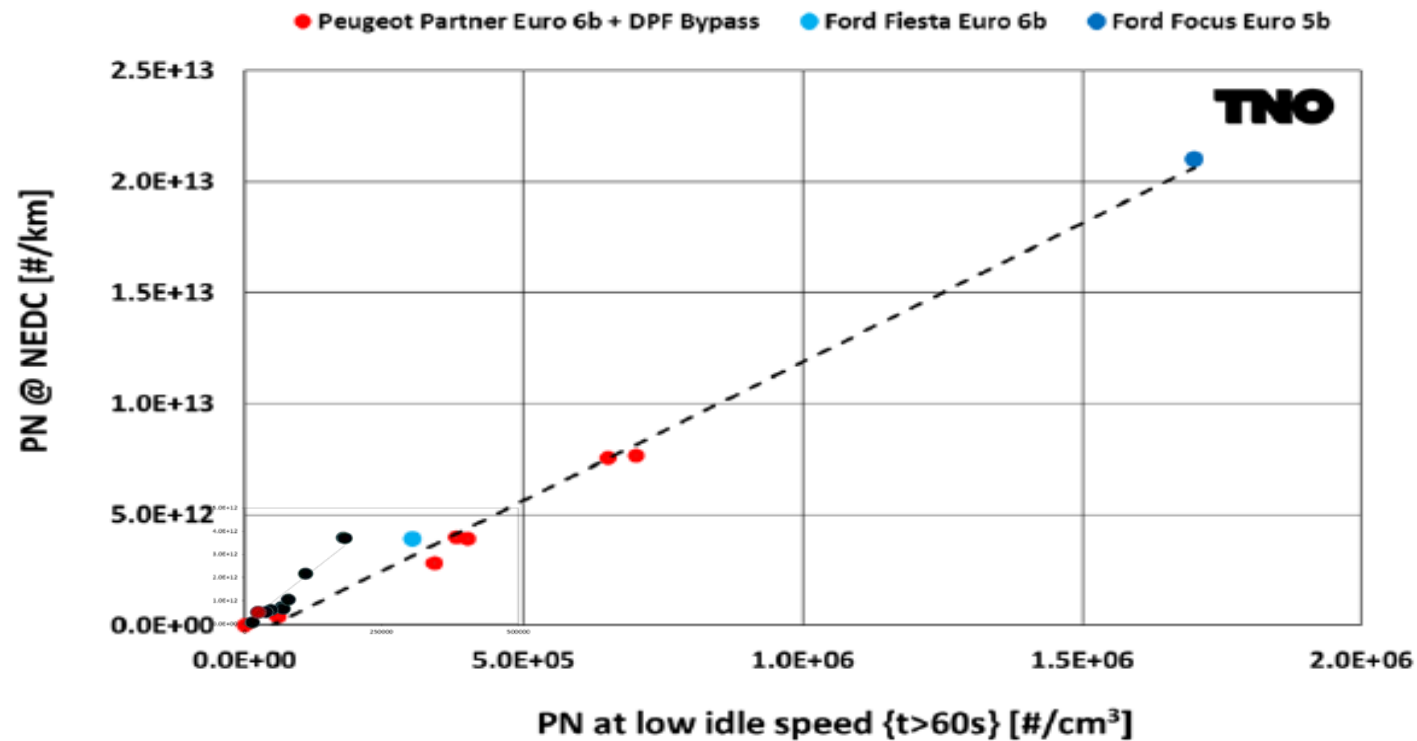
Both PN-PEMS



Emission factor vs low idle concentration



Emission factor vs low idle concentration



Figur 2: PN emissions at low idle speed and NEDC tests of 3 different diesel vehicles with (cracked) DPF or variable bypass.

Instruments used - Campaign II

- PMP >23nm and >3nm Hot dil + ET + CPC
- Mod. NPET – TSI/HORIBA Dil + CS + CPC
- NM3 – Testo Hot dil + ET + DC
- PEPA - Testo Dil + DC
- PN-PTI-Prot. – TSI CPC
- APA-Prot. – Sensors CPC
- METAS – Naneos DC
- 2x Naneos Partector DC
- CZ-Uni-Prot Ionization chamber

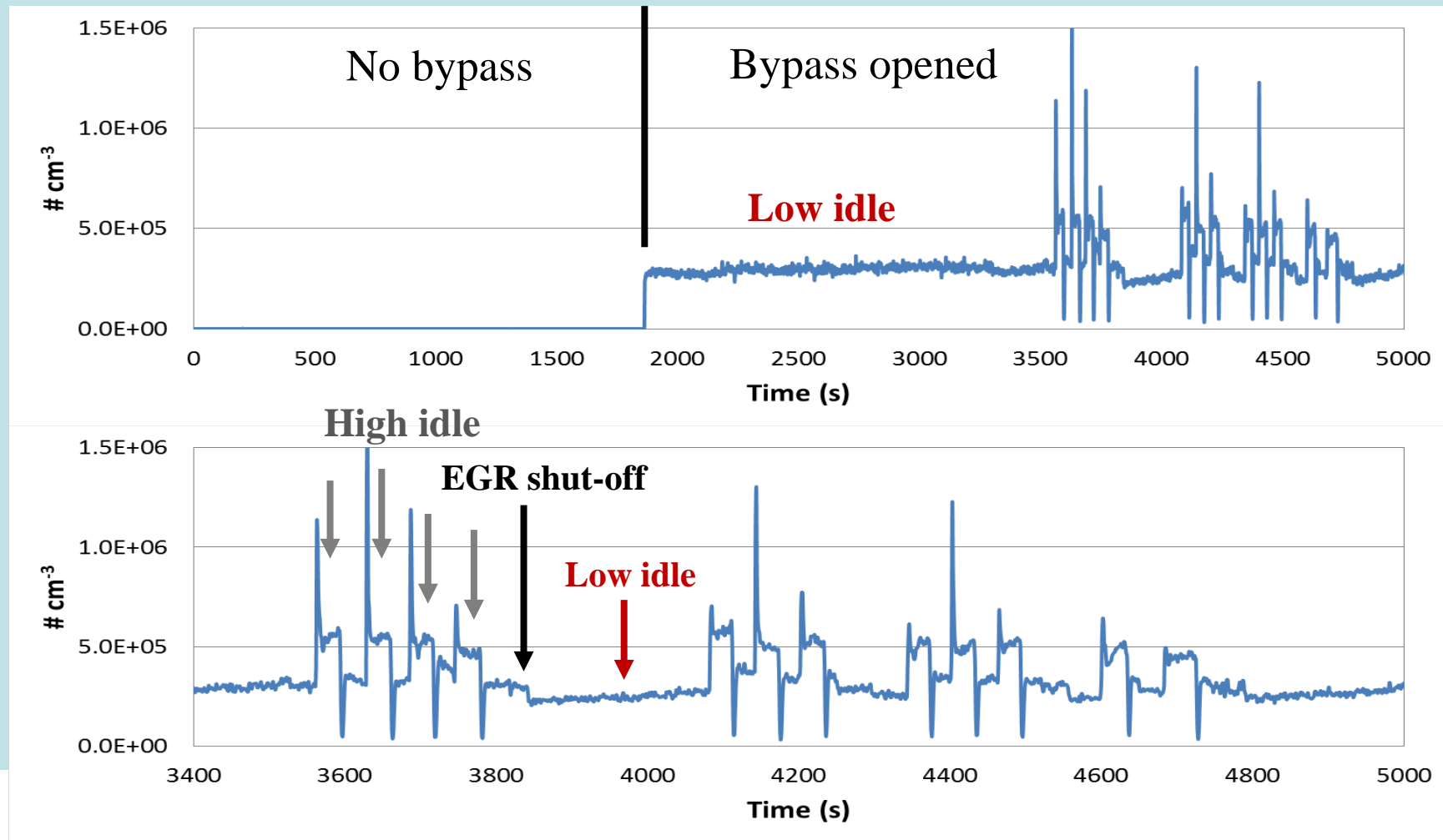
Second campaign – Vehicles tested

- Vehicle 1 - Diesel Euro 6b with and w/o a partial bypass
- Vehicle 2 - Diesel Euro 6b
- Vehicle 3 - Gasoline GDI Euro 6c– GPF equipped
- Vehicle 4 - Gasoline GDI Euro 6b

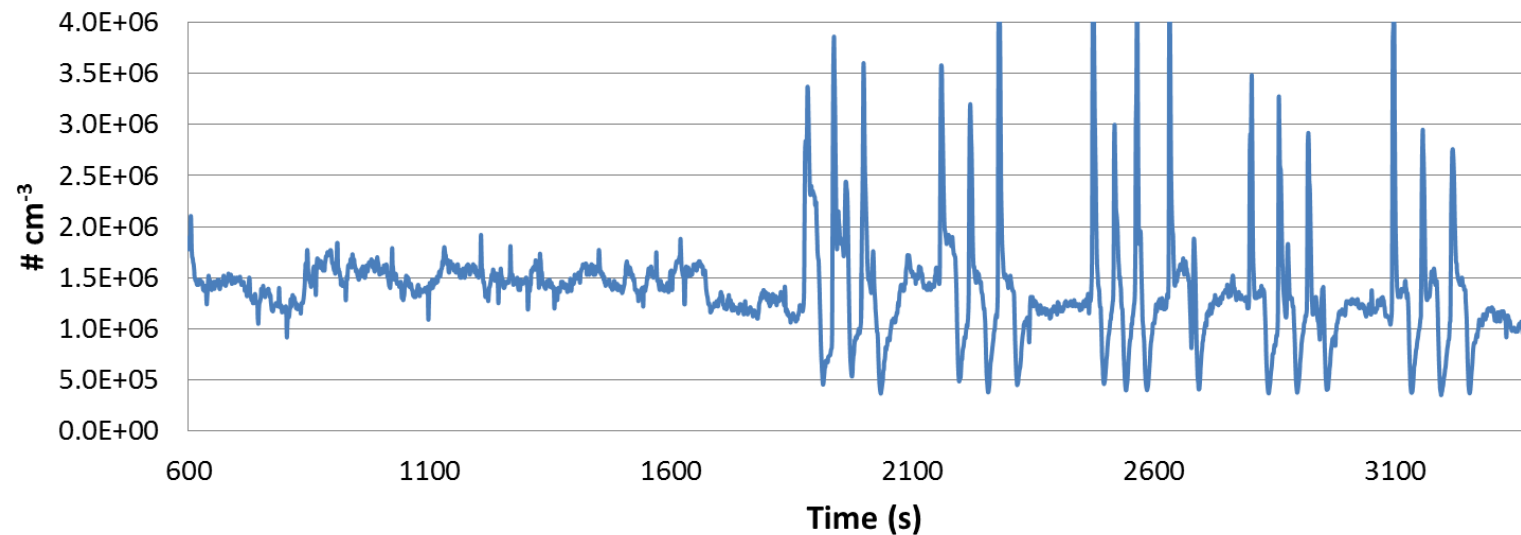
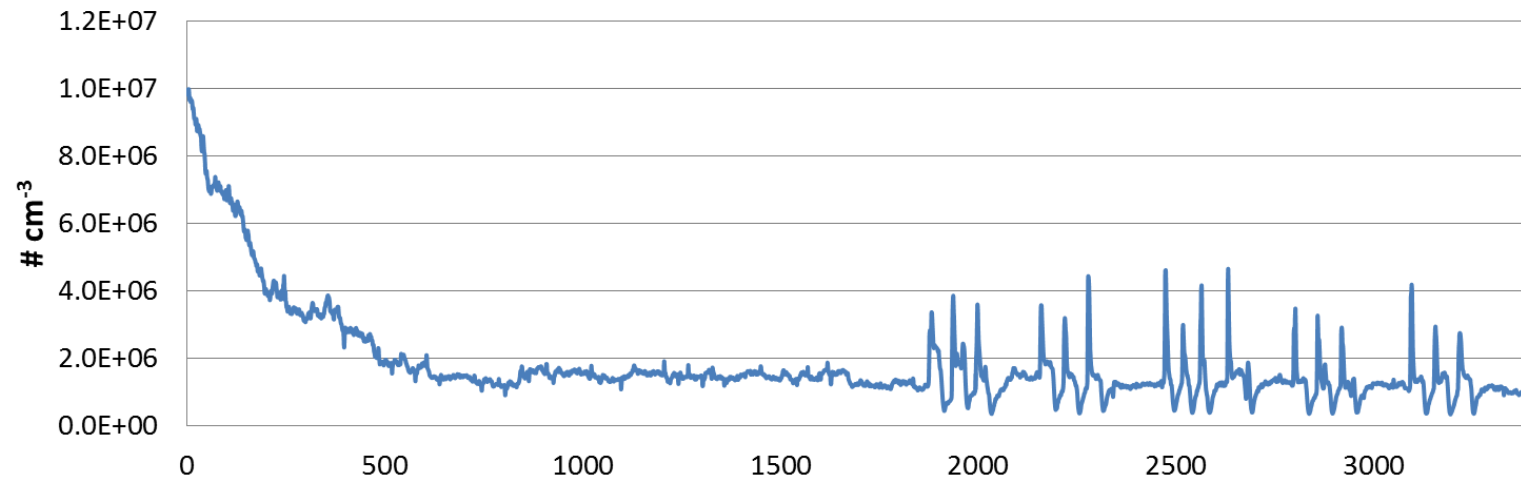
Test sequence

- **Low idle**
 - Ambient air (30''), followed by raw exhaust at low idle (30'')
- **High idle - 2000 rpm**
 - Raw exhaust at low idle (30''), follow by high idle (30'' at 2000 rpm)

Emission profile during test sequence – Veh.1

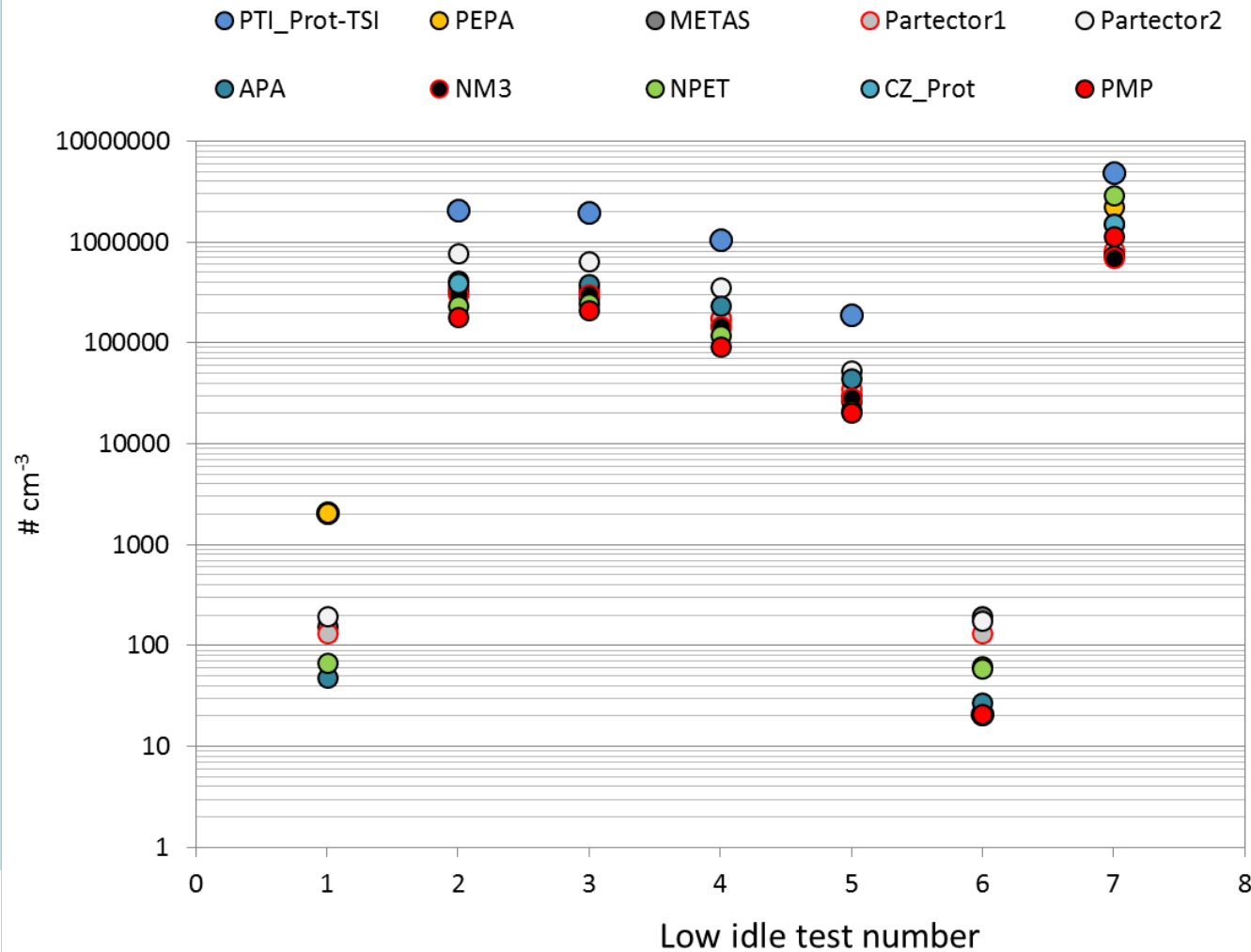


Emission profile GDI during test sequence



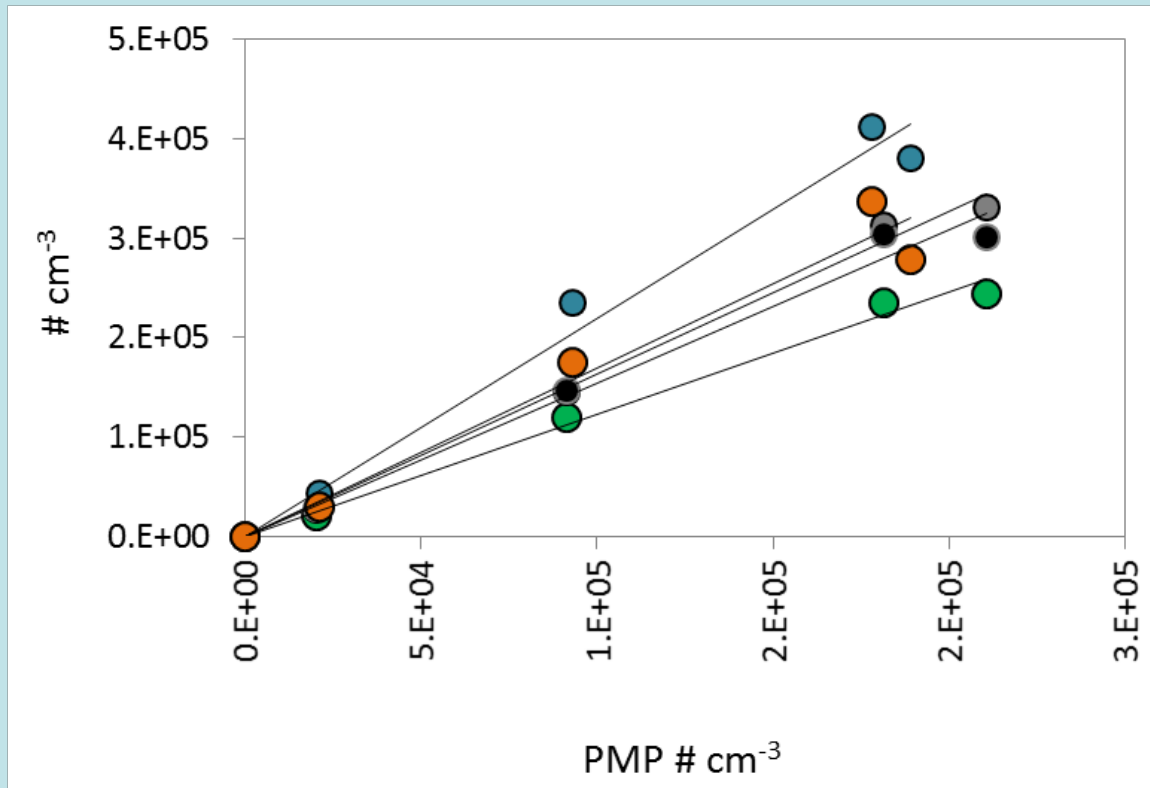
- Engine hot but exhaust emissions not stable
- Highly variability over time
- Very high PN emissions
 - GPF-equipped >100 # cm⁻³

Low idle concentrations measured



- Test1 - Test4 Vehicle 1
 - Test 1 no bypass
 - Test 2-3 valve fully opened
 - Test 4 valve partially opened
- Test 5 Vehicle 2
- Test 6 Vehicle 3 (GDI with GPF)
- Test 7 Vehicle 4 (GDI)

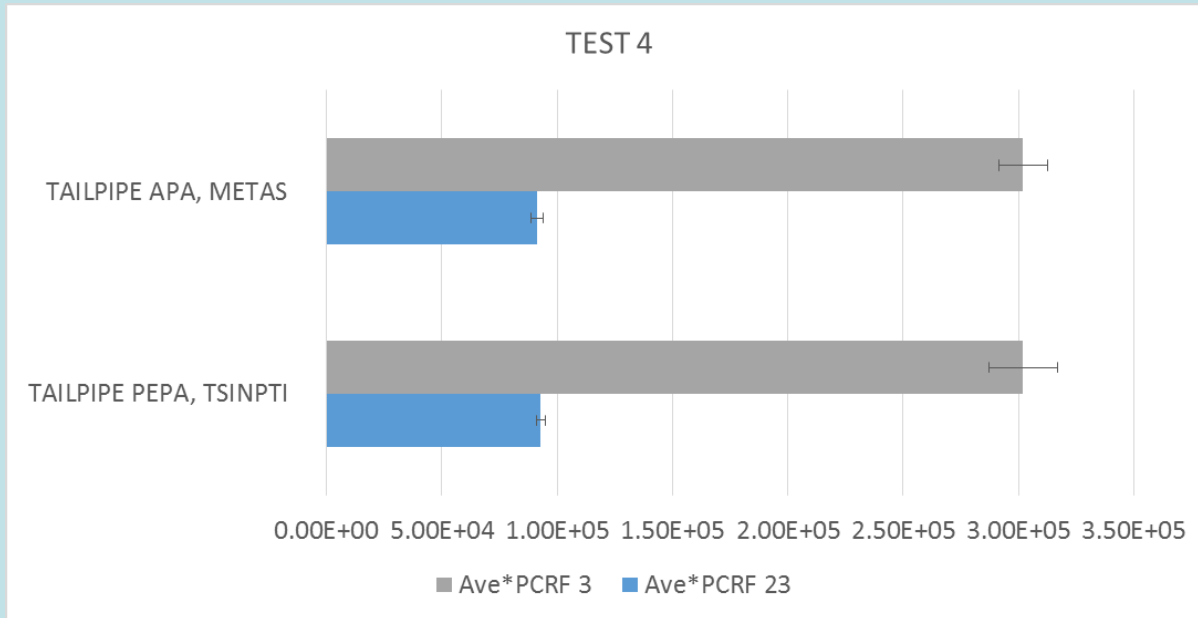
Instruments vs PMP (Diesel vehicles)



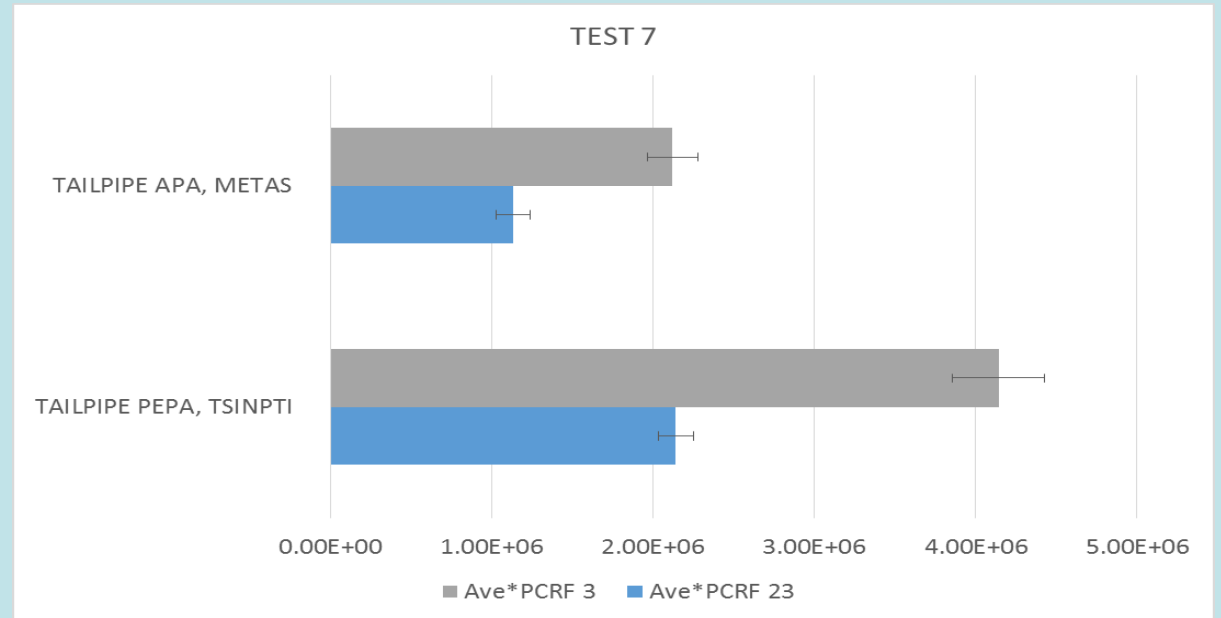
PMP vs	ax	R ²
NPET	1.23	0.99
NM3	1.55	0.98
METAS	1.64	0.99
PEPA	1.77	0.96
APA	2.06	0.95
PTI-Prot-TSI	11.1	0.99

PMP >23nm and >3nm

Vehicle 2- Diesel



Vehicle 4 - GDI



- High concentration of small solid particles
- Diesel vehicle stable over time. GDI highly variable

Lessons learned and Next steps

- Low idle measurement appear to be suitable to detect DPF failures
 - Should measurements be performed when EGR is active?
- Instruments should avoid measuring volatile fraction.
 - Cutting size must be defined. Reasonable cut 23nm?
- More data is needed to be able to provide a general pass/fail limit for diesel vehicles.
- Petrol vehicles need to be studied further.

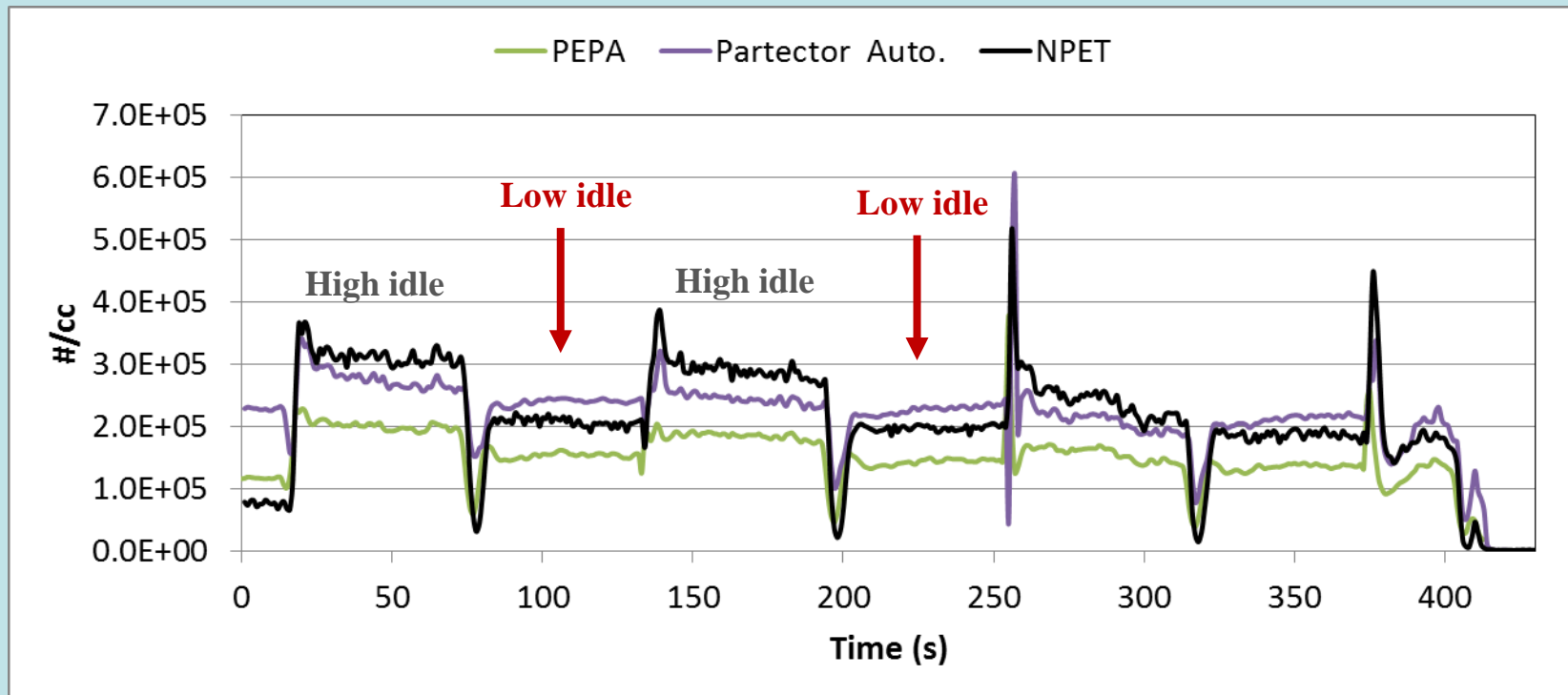


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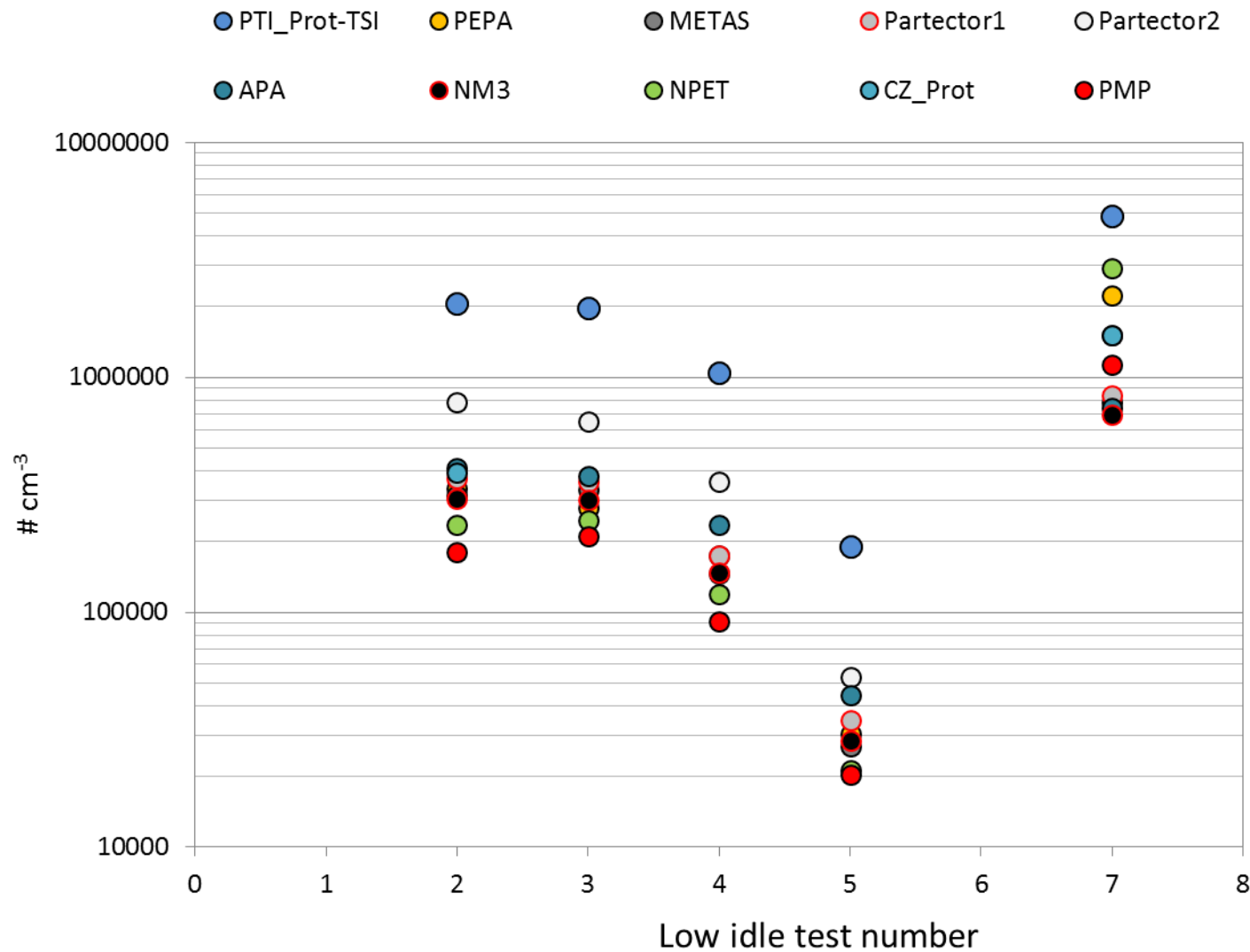
Any questions?

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High idle- Bypass opened

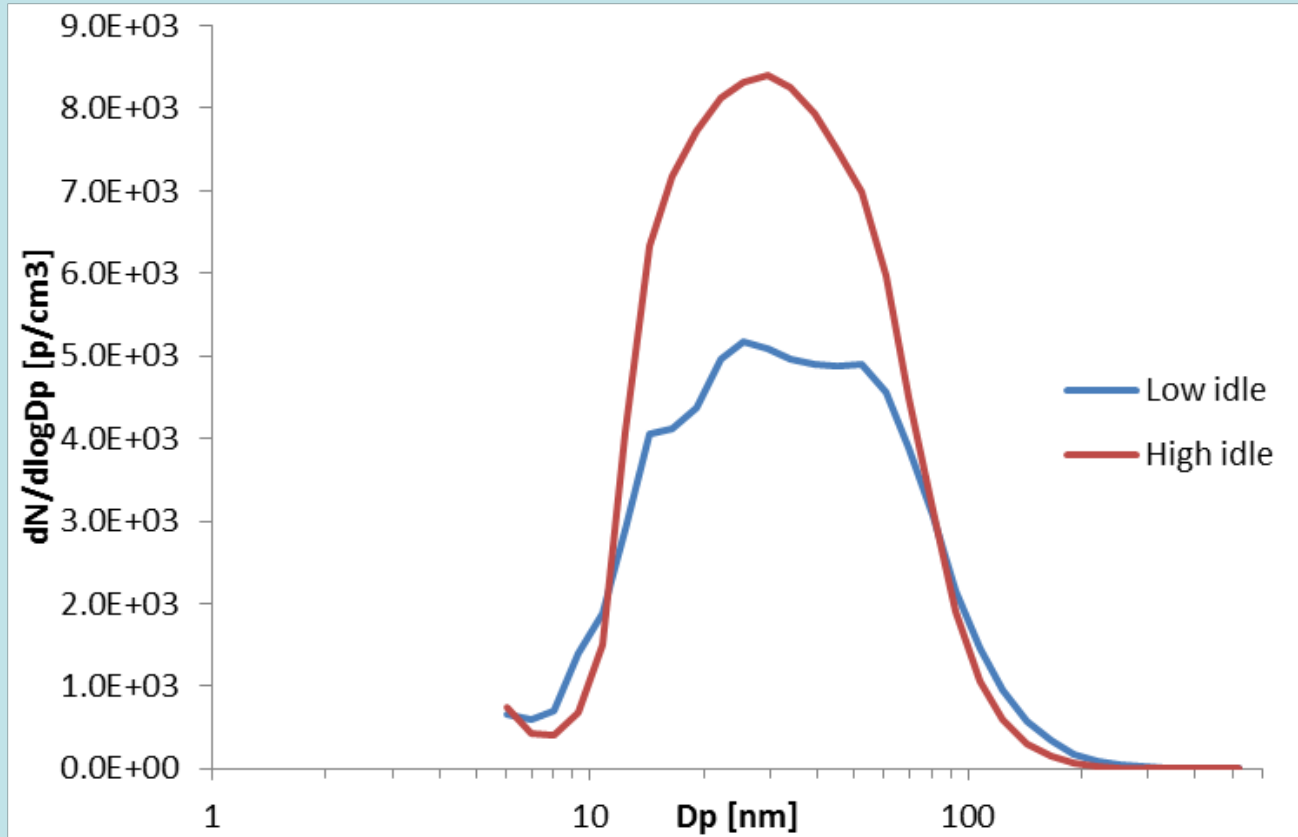


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EEPS measurements of Vehicle 4 - GDI



- GMD ~ 30nm
- More than 60% were solid sub-23 nm
- Very important to define the cutting size of the instruments that could be use during PTI of diesel and petrol vehicles.