

# **SAMPLING AUTOMOTIVE EXHAUST WITH DILUTION AND/OR ADSORPTION OF VOLATILE SPECIES**

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# Presentation outline

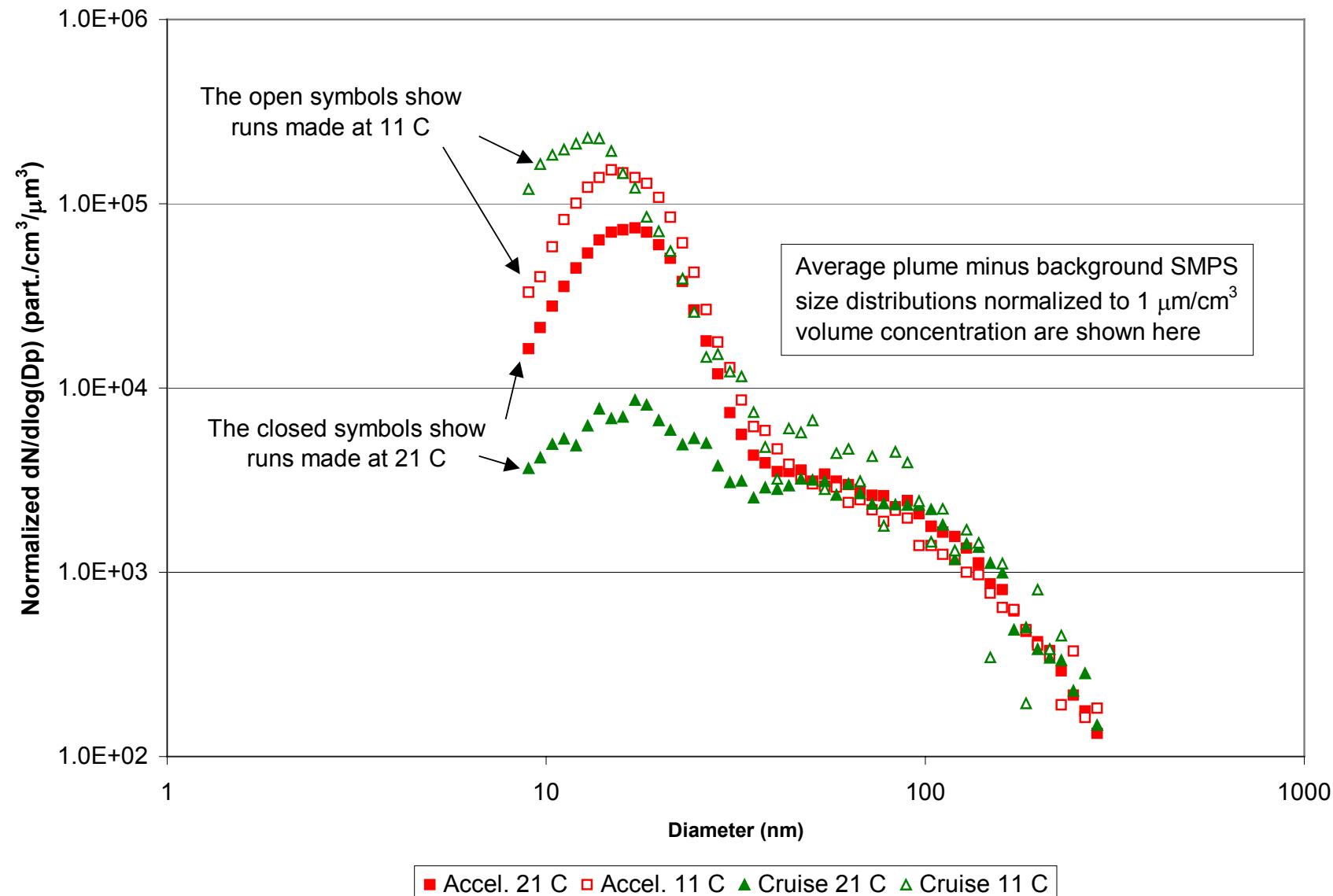
- ❖ Objectives
- ❖ Measurement setup
- ❖ Result of instrument testing
- ❖ Corrections for instruments
- ❖ Final results
- ❖ Conclusions

# Objectives

- ❖ Searching for nucleation tendency
- ❖ Comparison of instrument performance with soot and volatile hydrocarbon laden exhaust
- ❖ Validation of loss correction methods

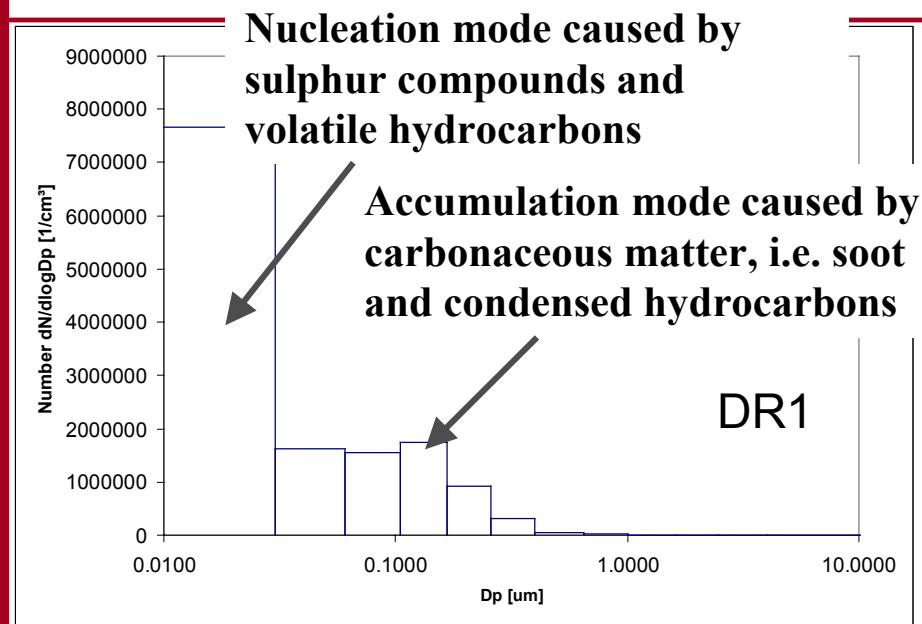
# Professor David Kittelson, Minnesota University: Truck exhaust plume measurement

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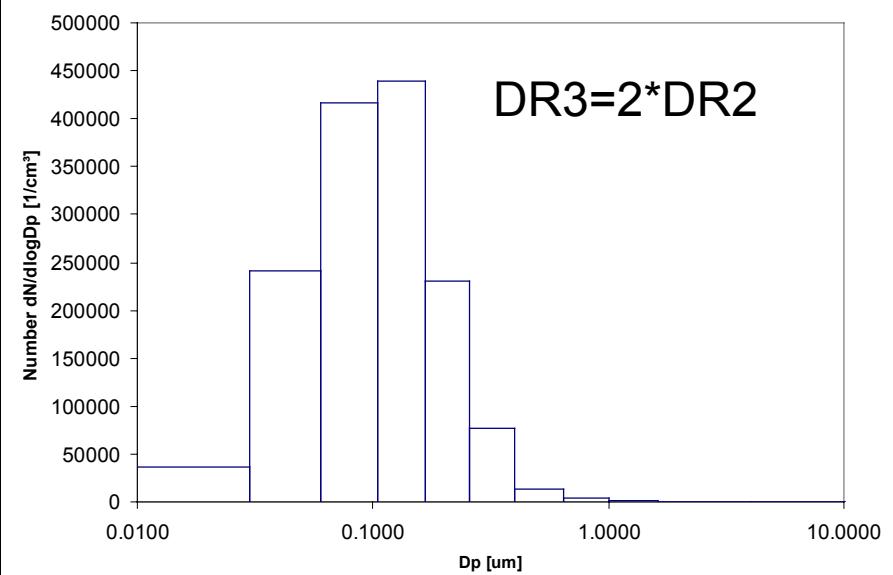
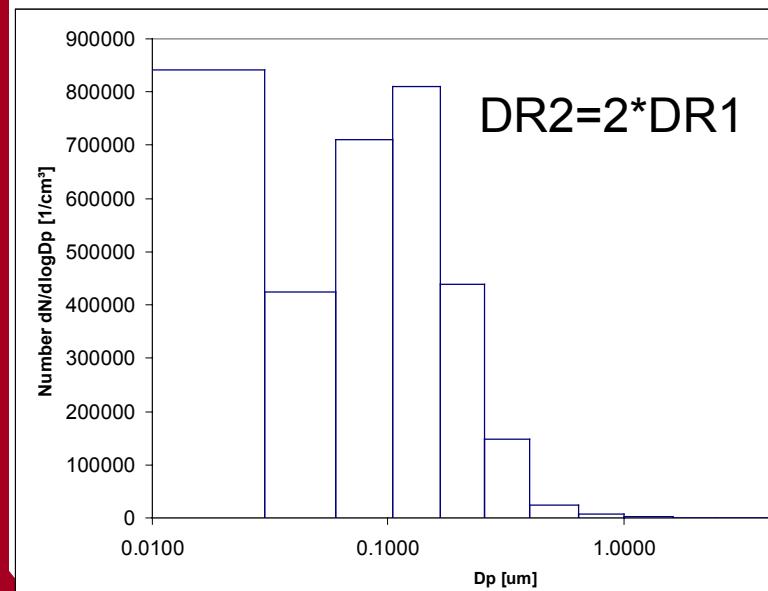
# Effect of dilution ratio

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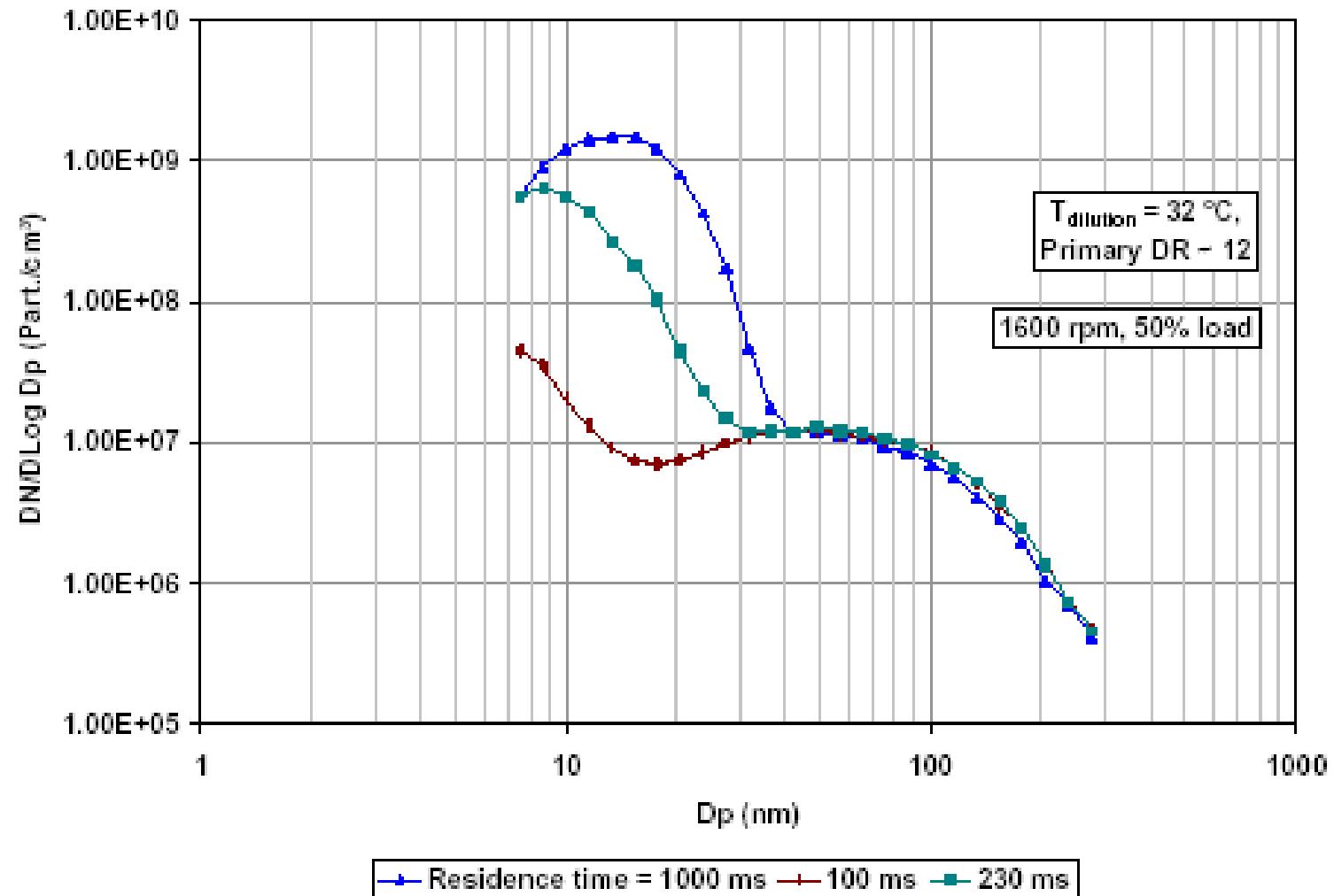


❖ Diesel exhaust

❖ Dilution air 22°C,  
residence time 1.5s

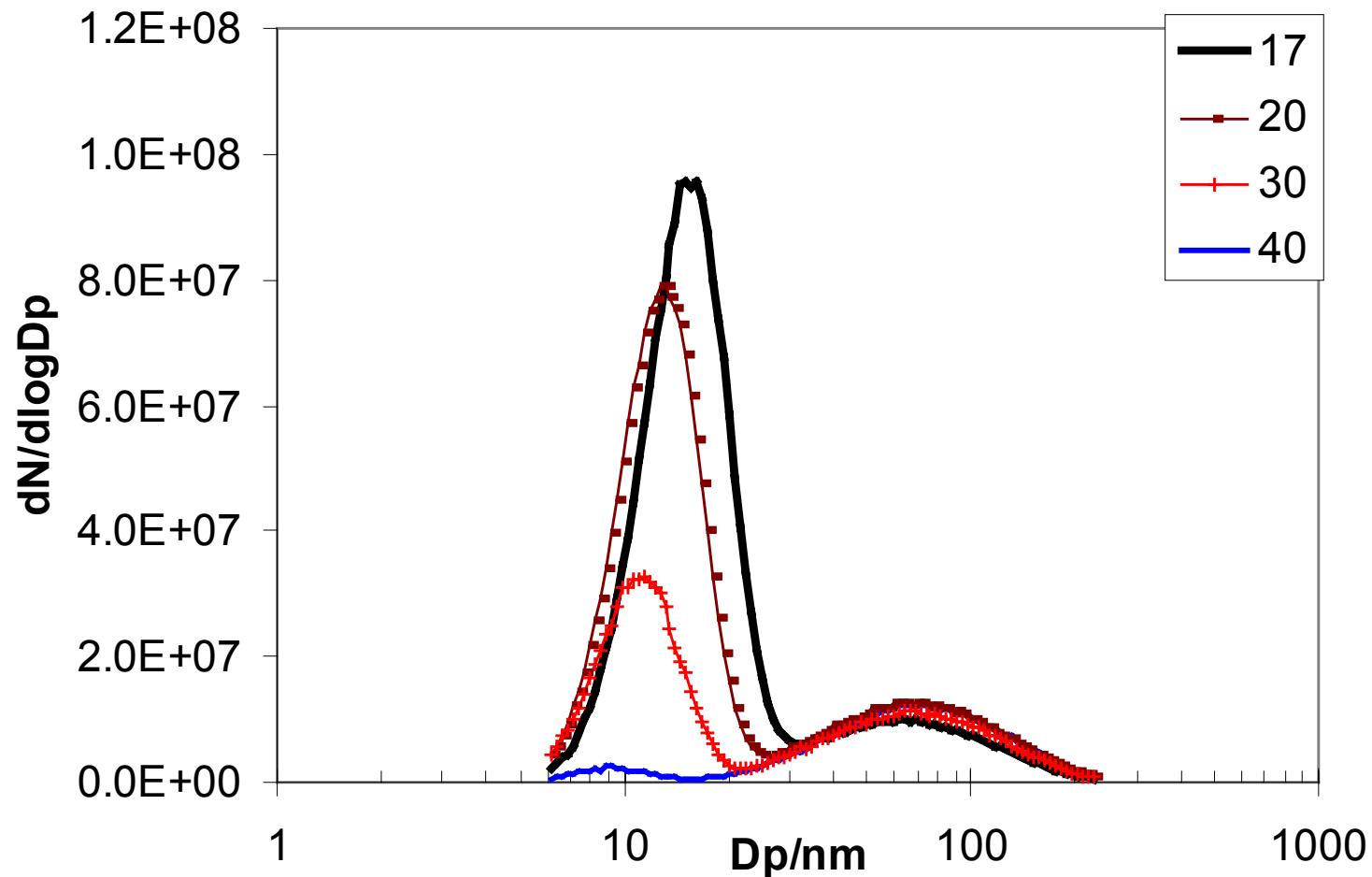


# Effect of sample residence time



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# The effect of dilution air temperature



Courtesy of J. Ristimäki / Tampere University of Technology  
DG TREN Particulates-programme

# Instruments tested

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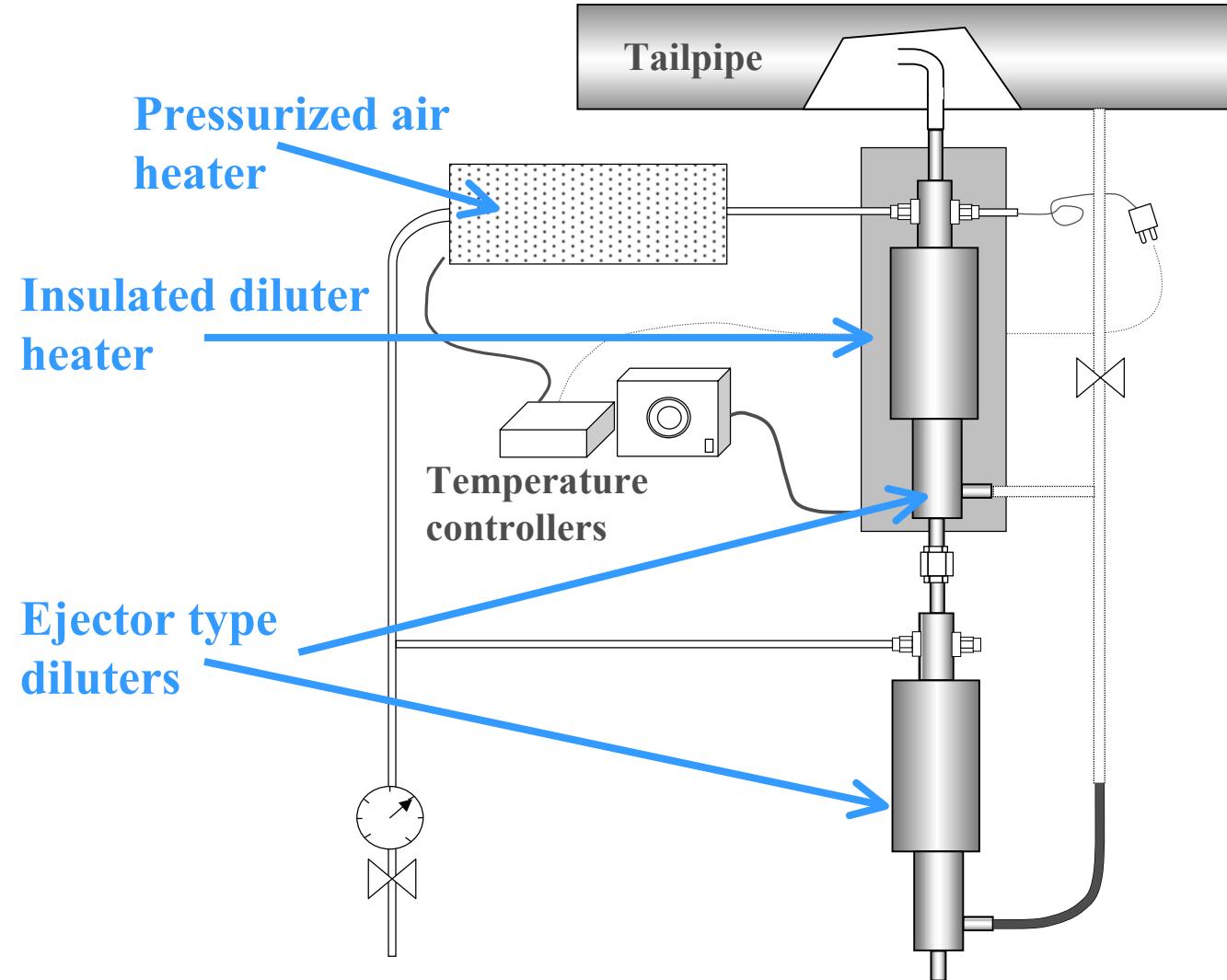
Dekati Double  
Diluter (DD)



Dekati Fine Particle  
Sampler (FPS)



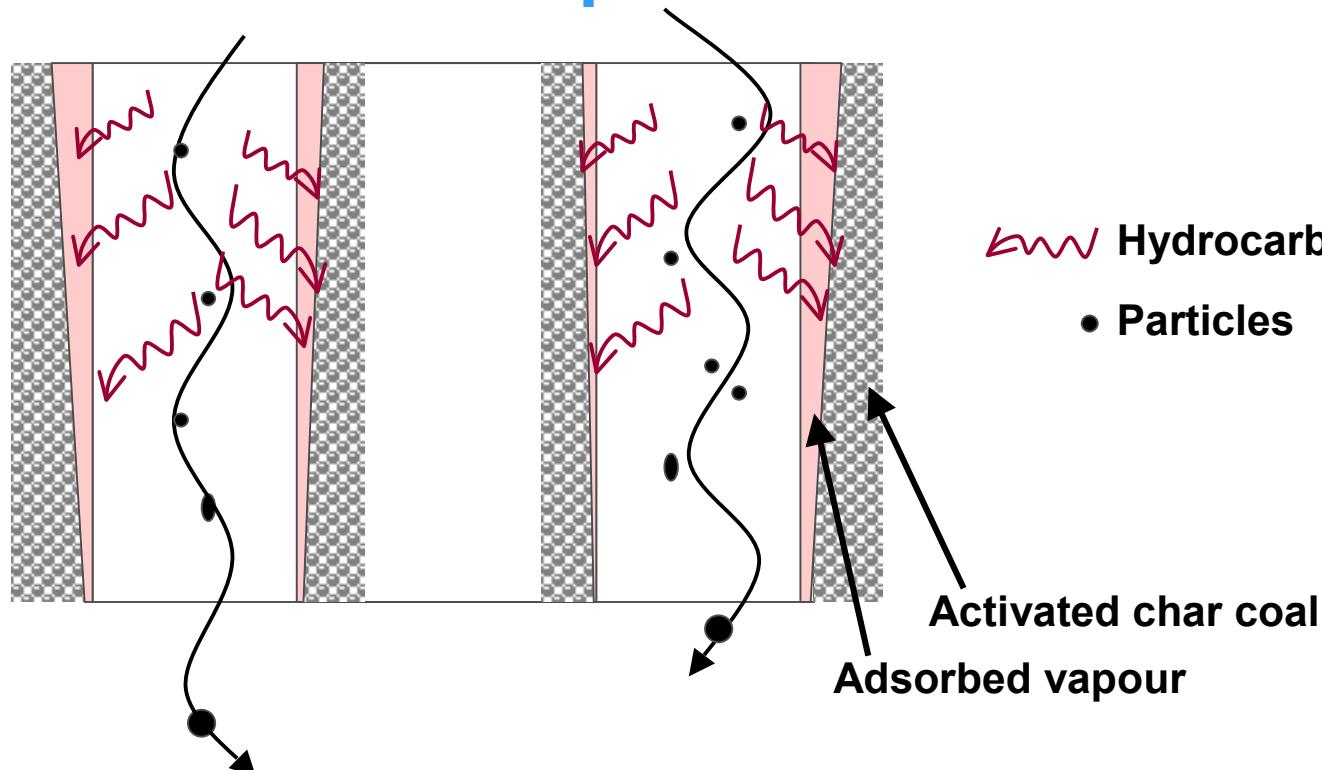
# Dekati double diluter setup DI-2000



# Dekati Thermodenuder

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Heated Sample In



$$\begin{aligned}V_{\text{diff, vapour}} &>> V_{\text{diff, particle}} \\V_{\text{diff}} &>> V_{\text{th}}\end{aligned}$$

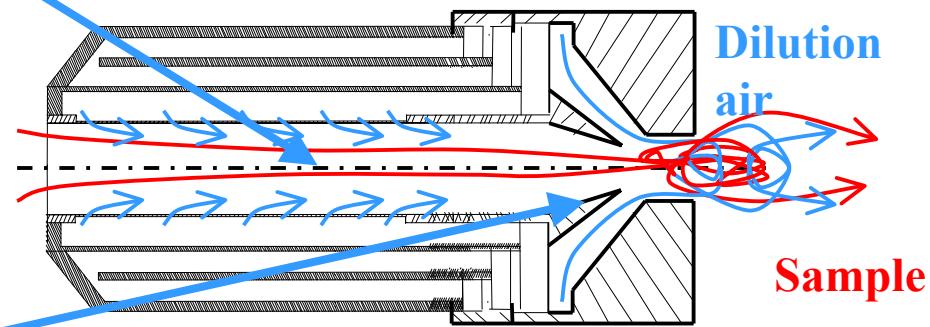
'Dried' Cool Sample Out

# Dekati Fine Particle Sampler

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## ❖ Porous tube:

- ◆ Less losses
- ◆ Controlled mixing
- ◆ Hot/cold dilution



## ❖ Ejector

- ◆ Pump
- ◆ Further dilution

## ❖ Combined

- ◆ Possibility for continuous DR adjustment
- ◆ Less losses to ejector

# Testing setup

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FD Flow divider

AC Ageing Chamber

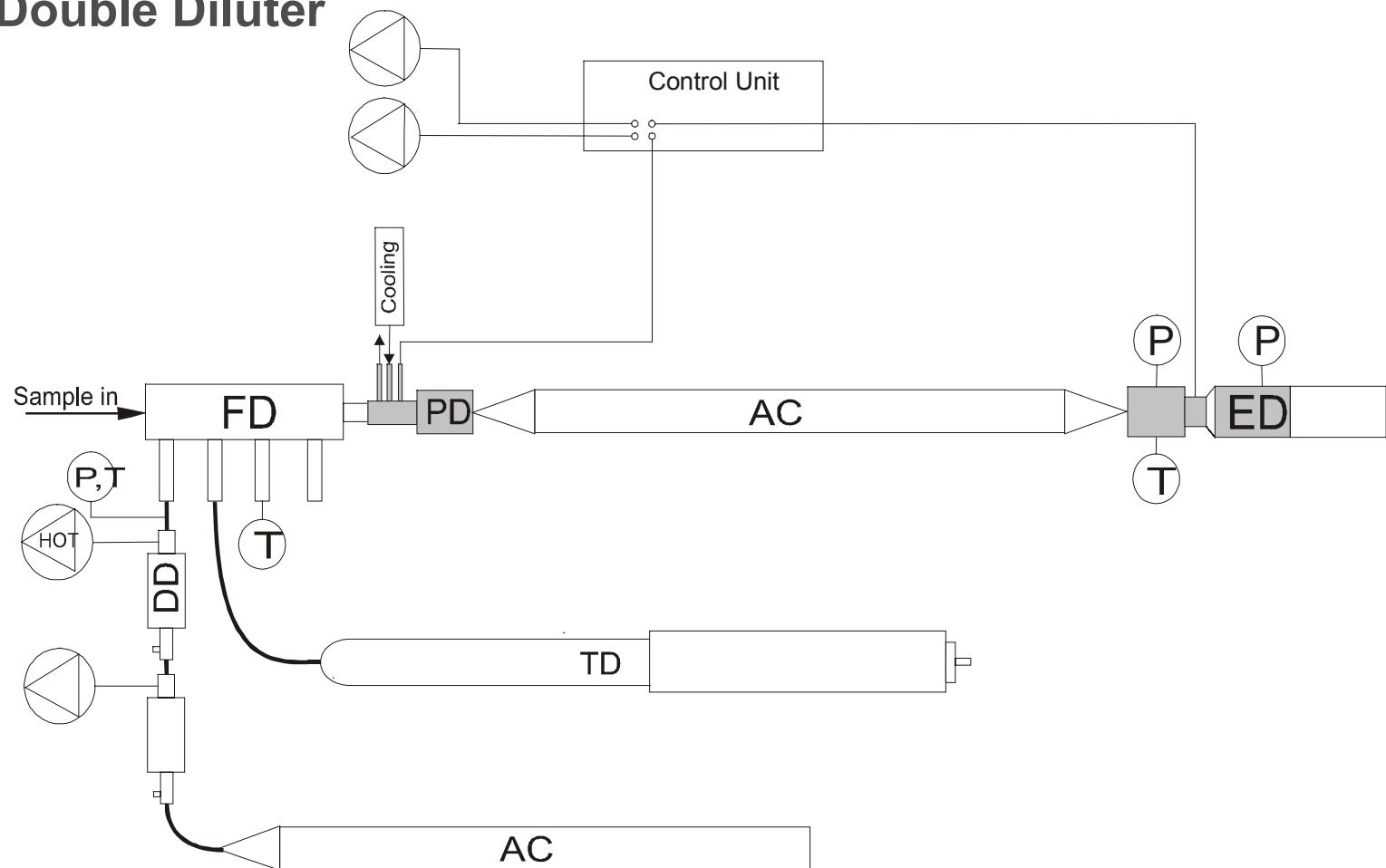
TD Thermodenuder

DD Double Diluter

PD Primary Diluter (FPS)

ED Ejector Diluter (FPS)

P,T Pressure, Temperature recording



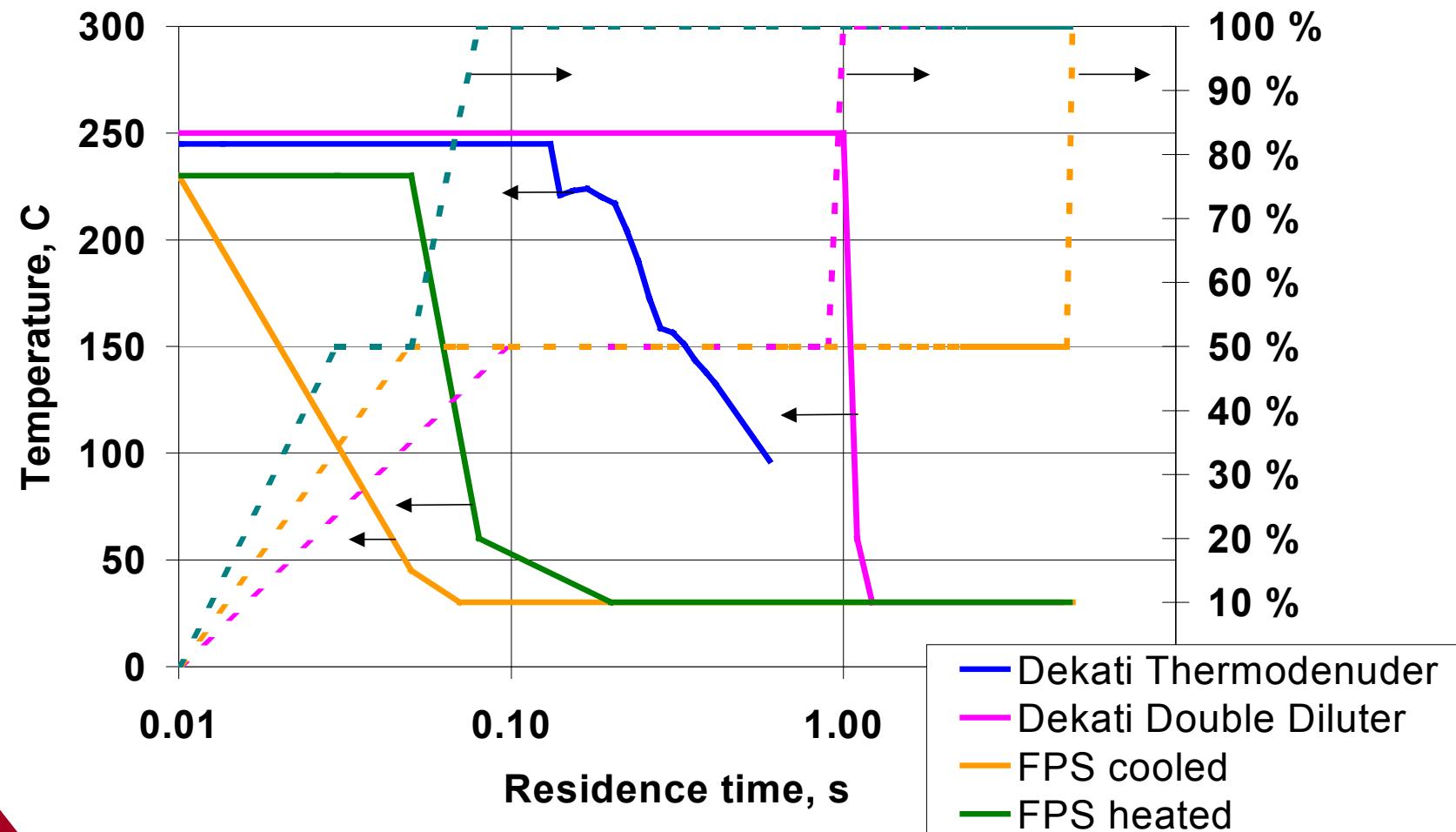
# Sampling parameters

		DD	TD	FPS
Primary dilution ratio	-	6	-	11 / 13*
Secondary dilution ratio	-	16	-	9 / 9*
Primary dilution air temperature	°C	250	-	23 ± 4 230
Secondary dilution air temperature	°C	ambient	-	ambient
Heater temperature	°C	-	250	-
Ageing chamber	-	+	-	+
Residence time	s	4.5	1	4.9

\*estimated dilution ratio

# Temperature gradients

- ❖ Measured or Approximated temperature gradients within instruments (solid lines)
- ❖ Amount of dilution air added (dashed lines)



# Corrections for results

## ❖ DD correction

- ◆ depends on particle size, but can be approximated with 5 % for particles  $< 1 \mu\text{m}$

## ❖ TD particle penetration

- ◆ depends on particle size according to equation:

$$1 - \eta = -9.7 \cdot \ln(D_p) - 0.5 \cdot Q + 68, D_p < 70 \text{ nm}$$

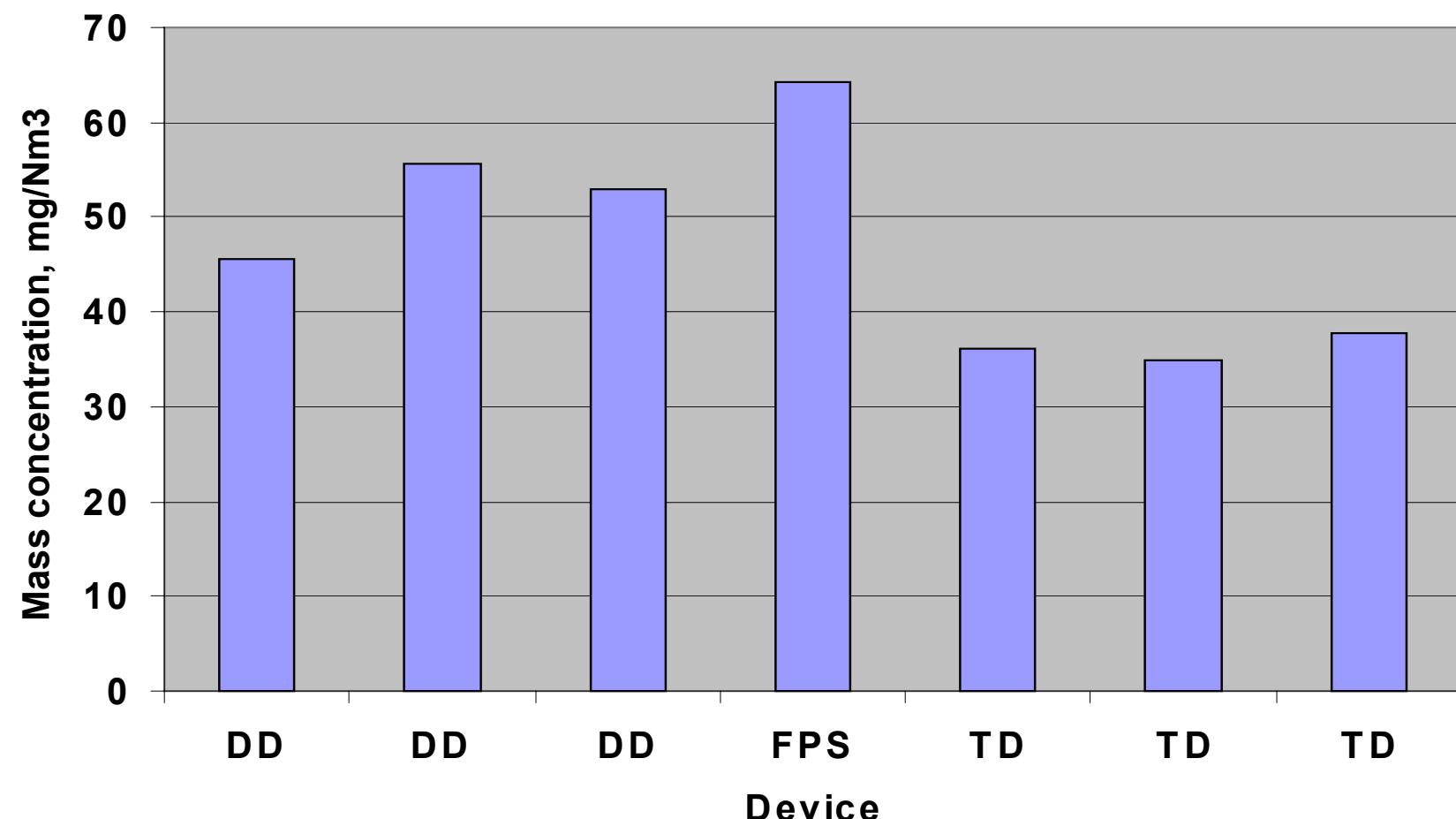
$$1 - \eta = -0.5 \cdot Q + 28, 70 \text{ nm} \leq D_p \leq 500 \text{ nm}$$

- ◆ for mass correction 21 % at 15 lpm applied

## ❖ FPS correction under determination

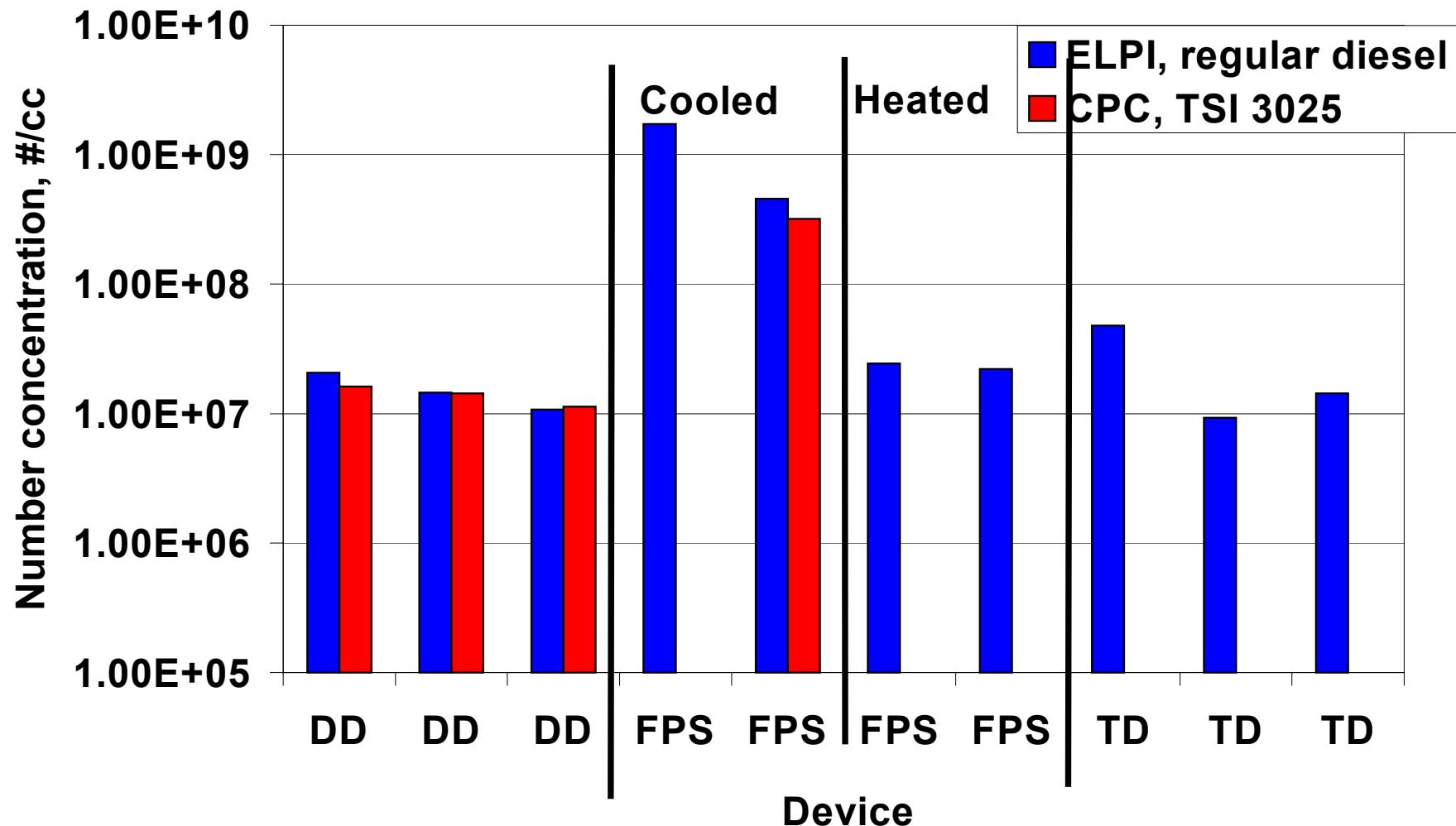
# Mass concentration results

- ❖ DD and TD results corrected for losses
- ❖ Effect of volatiles clearly seen

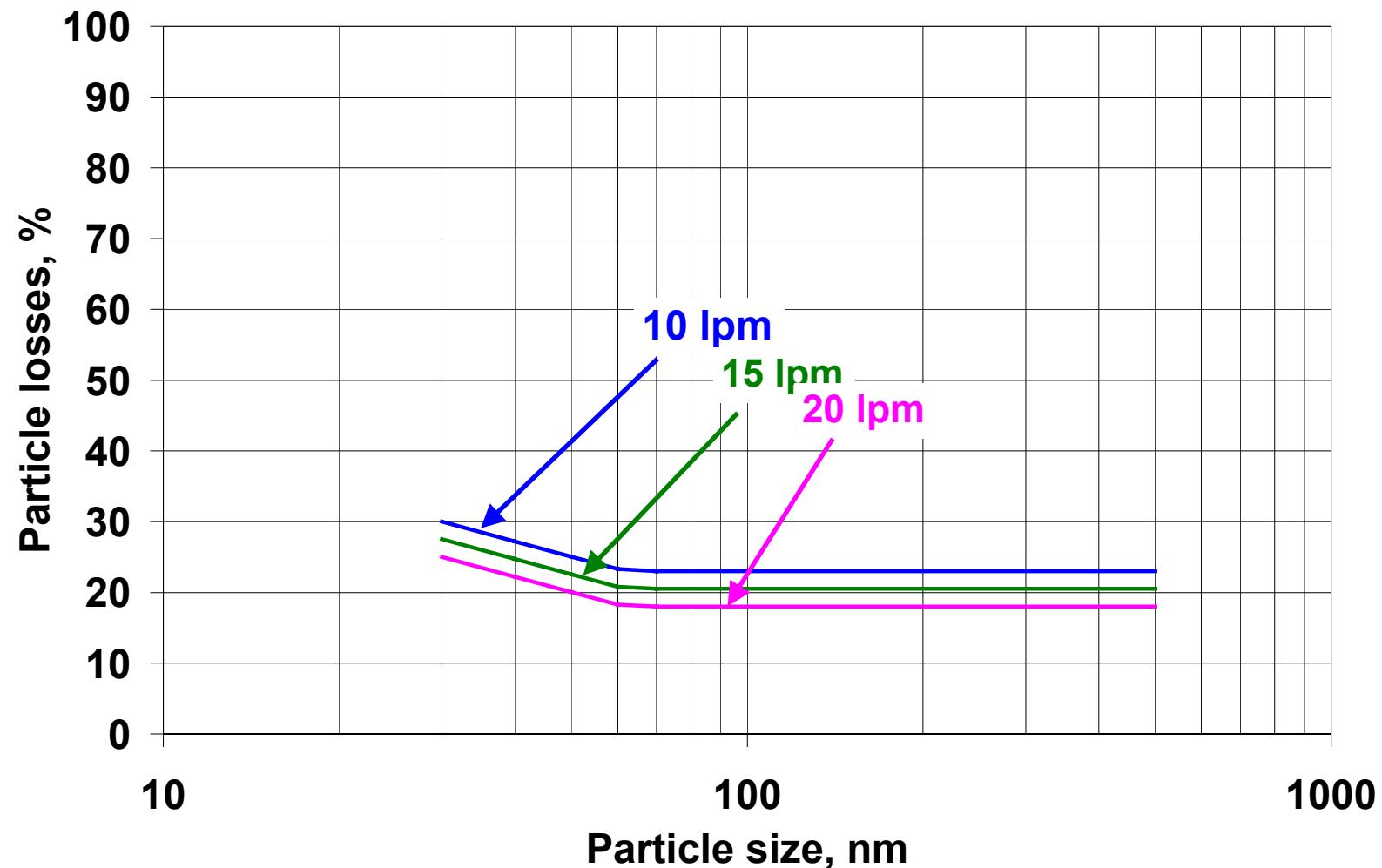


# Number concentration results

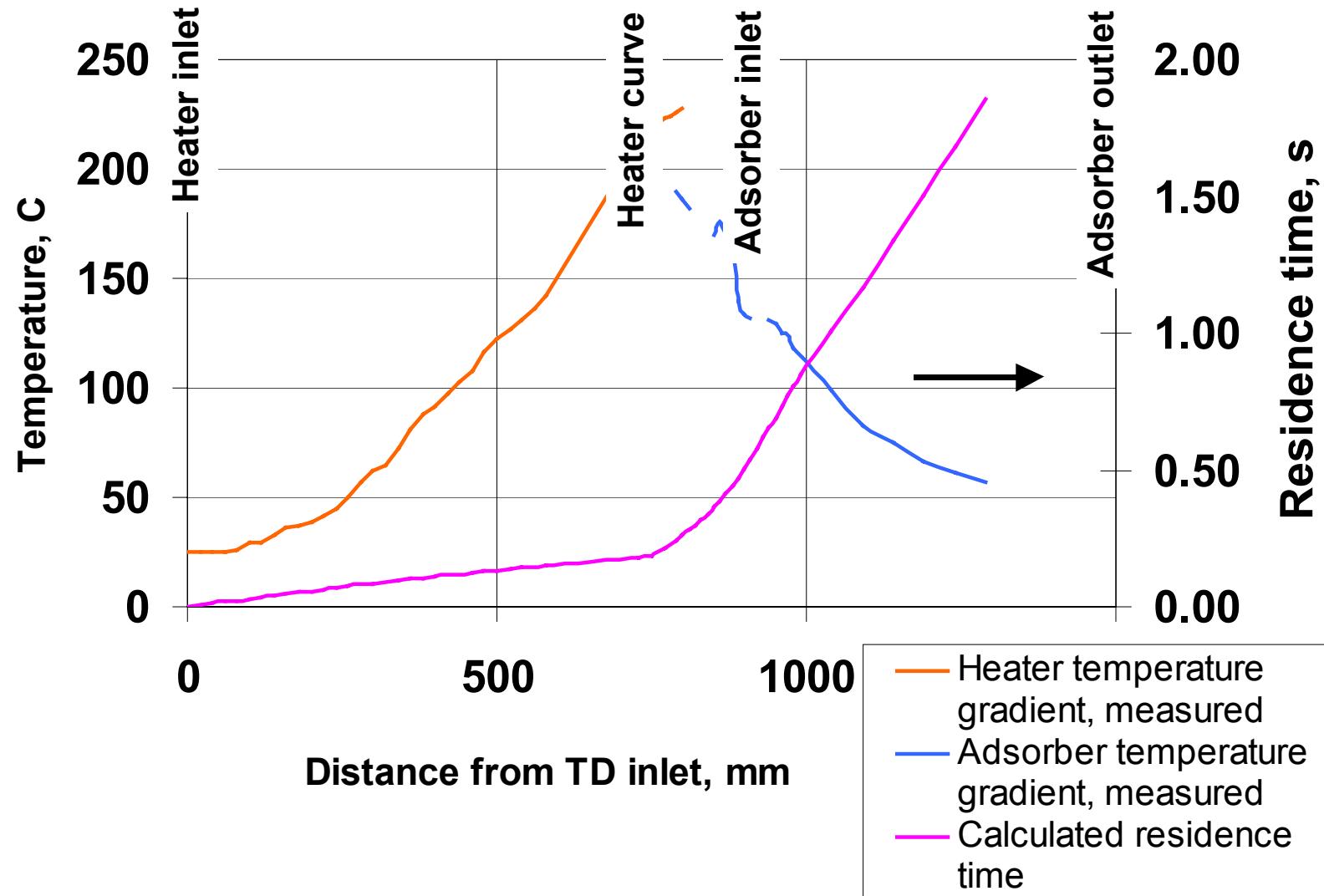
- ❖ ELPI and CPC concentrations agree
- ❖ Cooled FPS shows high nucleation at low load



# Thermodenuder losses

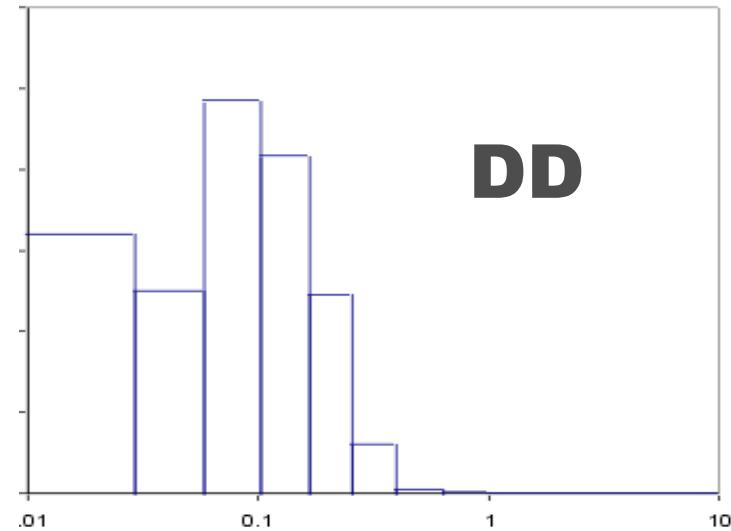


# Thermodenuder temperature profile and residence time

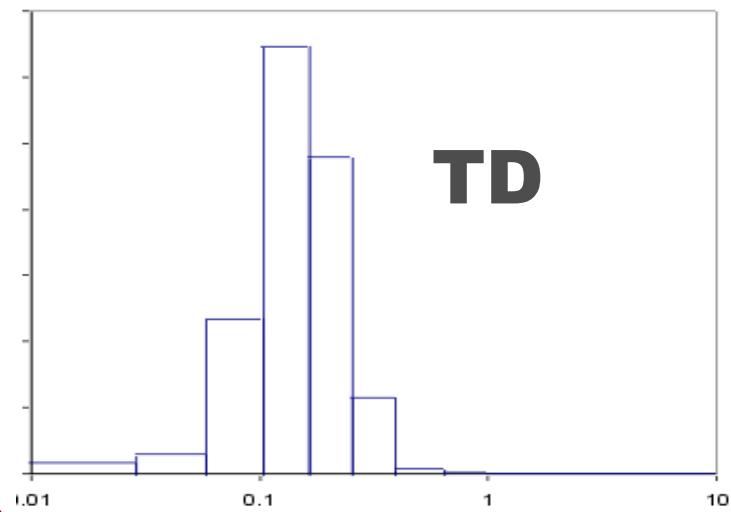


# Typical number size distributions

- ❖ Low load
- ❖ Minimum 15 repetitions

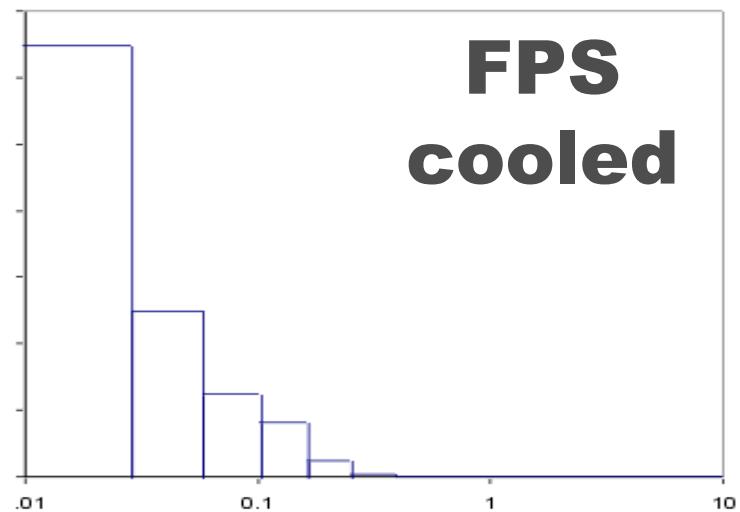


**DD**



**TD**

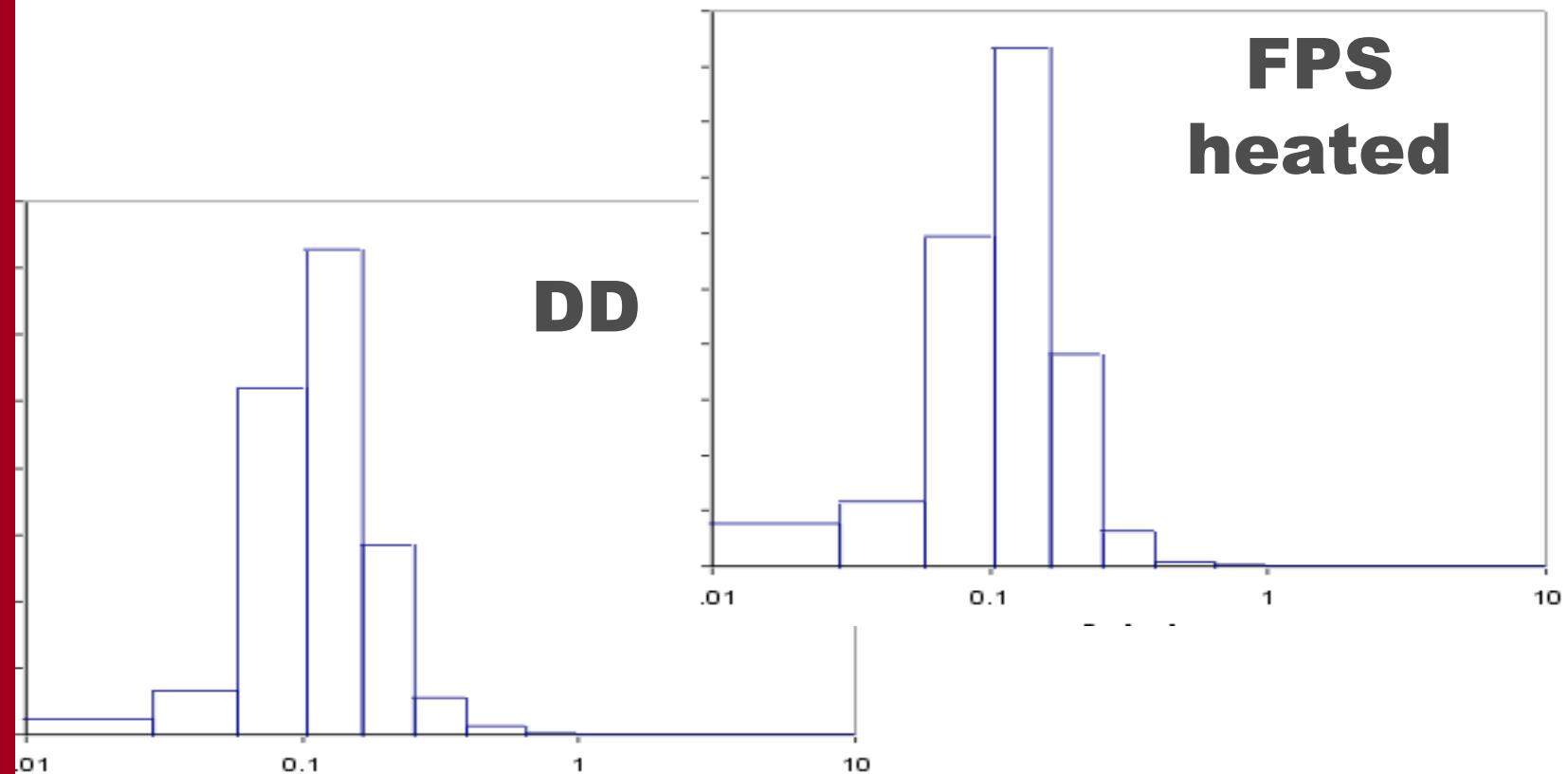
- ❖ Soot mode repeatable
- ❖ Nucleation mode tendency can be studied
- ❖ Results not corrected for losses



**FPS  
cooled**

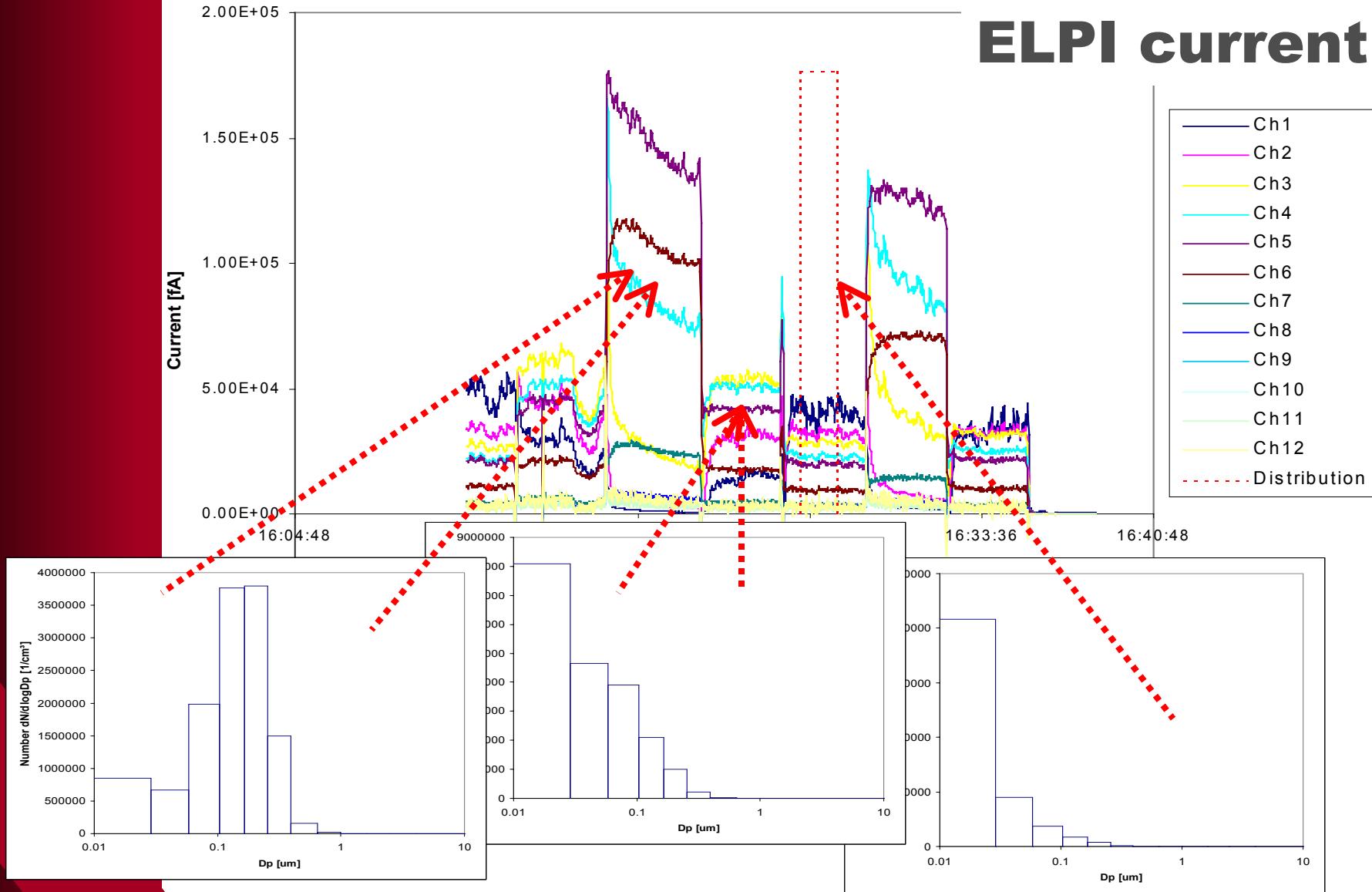
# Typical size distributions

- ❖ Low load, less volatile in exhaust



# Effect of dilution ratio

## ELPI current



# Conclusions

- ❖ Successfully applied to diesel exhaust measurements
- ❖ Repeatable particle number concentrations for soot particles
- ❖ Repeatable particle size distributions
- ❖ Effect of volatiles on nucleation and total mass concentration clearly indicated