Investigation of "hot-spot" concentrations of particulate matter and NO₂ for city districts by means of a mobile van

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Motivation

Problem in urban areas:

Compliance of current and future EC-limits for PM10 and NO_2 are difficult to met for city districts

Reasons for EC-limits:

→ People's health protection			
	PM10	24 h	50 μg/m ³
	NO ₂	1 year	40 μg/m ³

→ Aim: fast and simple method to identify the polluters

1. Particulate matter detection technique: PM10 and PM2.5:

- collection on quartz filters - total mass
- organic content by CO2-pyrolysis pattern analysis
- Electrical low pressure impactor (ELPI):
 - 13 stages: 30 nm < r < 10 μm
 - determination of the mass
 - time resolution: 5 -10 s

Investigation of diesel exhaust contributions to total particulate matter using a specific GC-technique:



1. Collection of samples on quartz filters

- 2. Heating and gas chromatographic analysis of the filters
- 3. Identification and determination of the contribution of diesel soot by signature analysis



NO₂-contributions from diesel cars

Dynamometer study, Mercedes Benz C220 CDI (EURO 3), Mobinet Cycle





Direct NO2-emissions from diesel cars equipped with oxidation catalysts:

- 30-60 % of total NO, is emitted in the form of NO₂
- NO_x emissions of modern diesel cars are 3 - 5 times higher than those of modern gasoline cars

Idea

The contribution of direct NO2-emissions from diesel cars could be calculated using concurrent measurements of diesel soot and NO₂ for city center districts

Diesel soot analysis

Signature-mass-correlation for the determination of the diesel soot fraction



Equipment of a mobile van

Chemiluminescence

UV-absorption

steel bottles

analysis via GC

2. Gas phase detection technique:

• NO and NO2: Chemiluminescence

• Spec. VOC: collection with silco-

• Total VOC: Micro-FID

Analysis of the emissions of diesel vehicles of different types and different age

Proportionality between the collected diesel soot mass and the intensity of the signature



Climatology of PM_x- and NO_x- concentrations

Working plan:

- Weekly measuring tours in an exemplary urban center (Düsseldorf, starting July 2008) ➔ Correlation analysis between different species (particulate matter, O₃, NO₂, NO, CO
- and hydrocarbons and meteorological parameters)
- → Construction of "concentration fields" from the obtained data sets for a city district Aims (in collaboration with EURAD):
 - Corroboration of the measured relations by means of the used modelling approach
 - Input for modelling studies for "Chemical weather forecast" purposes of PM_x- and NO₂- concentrations

First Results

High resolution measurements (5 s averages) of particulate matter and ozone while driving round "Tagebau Hambach"





· Ozone:

• CO: