# CRT: 1,200 Berlin buses retrofitted since 2000

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#### **Overview of Berliner Verkehrsbetriebe (BVG)**





#### **Environmental measures so far tested in BVG's buses**

Technology	Vehicle	Additional costs compared to diesel
<b>Methanol</b> (1985 - 1988)	7 MAN SL 200 7 Mercedes Benz O305	approx. 28%
<b>CNG</b> (1996 - 1999)	4 MAN NG 232 2 Mercedes Benz O405 GN 4 Mercedes Benz O405 N	approx. 20%
<b>Aquazole</b> * (1999)	15 buses	approx. 8% / 100km additional consumption
<b>CRT</b> (1999 - 2001)	800 buses retrofitted and all new buses	approx. 5500 EUR/unit
Euro 5 / EEV (2003 – to date)	25 VOLVO buses	Funded by the German Ministry of Environment
Euro 5 / EEV	new buses to be commissioned in 2006	series
Hydrogen (2006 – to date)	4 MAN suction engine (in operation 1 ICE / FC hybrid (in operation) 10 MAN ICE turbo charged (planned)	n) ed)

\* Diesel water blend helping to reduce NOx emissions



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#### Temperature and exhaust-gas back-pressure ahead of CRT (Berlin double-decker, February 2000)





Cumulative probability of bus exhaust-gas temperatures (CRT filter regenerates above curve, but accumulates particles below curve)



#### BVG bus fleet composition (number of buses) in 1998



#### CRT Filter mounting

By the end of 1999, BVG had retrofitted (Fig. 4) 126 city buses. By the end of 2002, 1,000 of its total 1,350 buses were retrofitted with this system. All new vehicles purchased after 1999 came with the CRT ex-factory.



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#### Back-pressure instrument and location

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- Exhaust-gas back-pressure measurement
- Vehicle warmed up (75°C)
- Connect instrument
- Run engine at limiting RPM for 1 minute
- Read exhaust-gas back-pressure
- If the back-pressure exceeds prescribed level, then filter cleaning is necessary

![](_page_7_Picture_8.jpeg)

#### Exhaust-gas back-pressure alarm display in new buses

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![](_page_8_Picture_2.jpeg)

#### Quality assurance software

(Screen shot of bus data, e.g. type, filter, date, odometer, test history, etc.)

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#### HJS new regeneration method for CRT systems

Step 1: Heat filter

Step 2: Cool filter

Step 3: Blow out oil ash

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#### SMF

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### SMF

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#### Low-ash oils and lower lube consumption prolong cleaning intervals

![](_page_13_Figure_1.jpeg)

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#### Lines are:

**1.3% ash content at oil consumption 1.0 and 0.5 liters per 1,000 km** 

0.9% ash content at oil consumption 0.5 and 0.3 liters per 1,000 km

Vertical axis is calculated ash burden [g]

Cleaning or replacement recommended at 400g ash burden

### Defective CRT filter

![](_page_14_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_14_Picture_2.jpeg)

## CRT costs

	Material cost	Wage cost
CRT retrofitting	5,500 to 7,000 EUR	150 EUR
CRT regeneration		200 EUR

CRT failure	0.5% p.a.

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