Comparison of soot deposition in diesel particulate filter segments operating with diesel fuel and biodiesel

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BACKGROUND

- Necessity of diesel particulate filters (DPF) in order to protect environmental and human health [1,2]
- Application of biodiesel in passenger cars has attracted growing attention during the last decade [3]
- Lack of knowledge about soot emissions from biogenic diesel fuels and especially their influence on diesel exhaust aftertreatment systems

CHARACTERIZATION METHODS

Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer (SMPS)



different electrical mobility 2-stage dilution

Helium gas pycnometer



Micrometrics helium gas pycnometer Determination of gross density of soot loaded particulate filter segments

Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM)



Determination of soot cake



How do different fuels influence the characteristics of the soot deposition in diesel particulate filters?

thickness Magnification between 45x und 500x

EXPERIMENTAL SETUP



RESULTS





CONCLUSIONS

- B100 fuel emits higher PN but lower soot mass than B0 \bullet
- Soot deposition in DPF segments is strongly affected by the use of different fuels
- **B100** soot forms a **thinner layer** in a DPF with **much higher density**

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FUTURE RESEARCH

- Investigation of distribution of metal contents inside a DPF \rightarrow Influence on reactivity?
- Influence of engine operating parameters on soot accumulation
- Influence of EGR on soot deposition characteristics
- Structural changes during soot deposition and regeneration

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filter length [mm]

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