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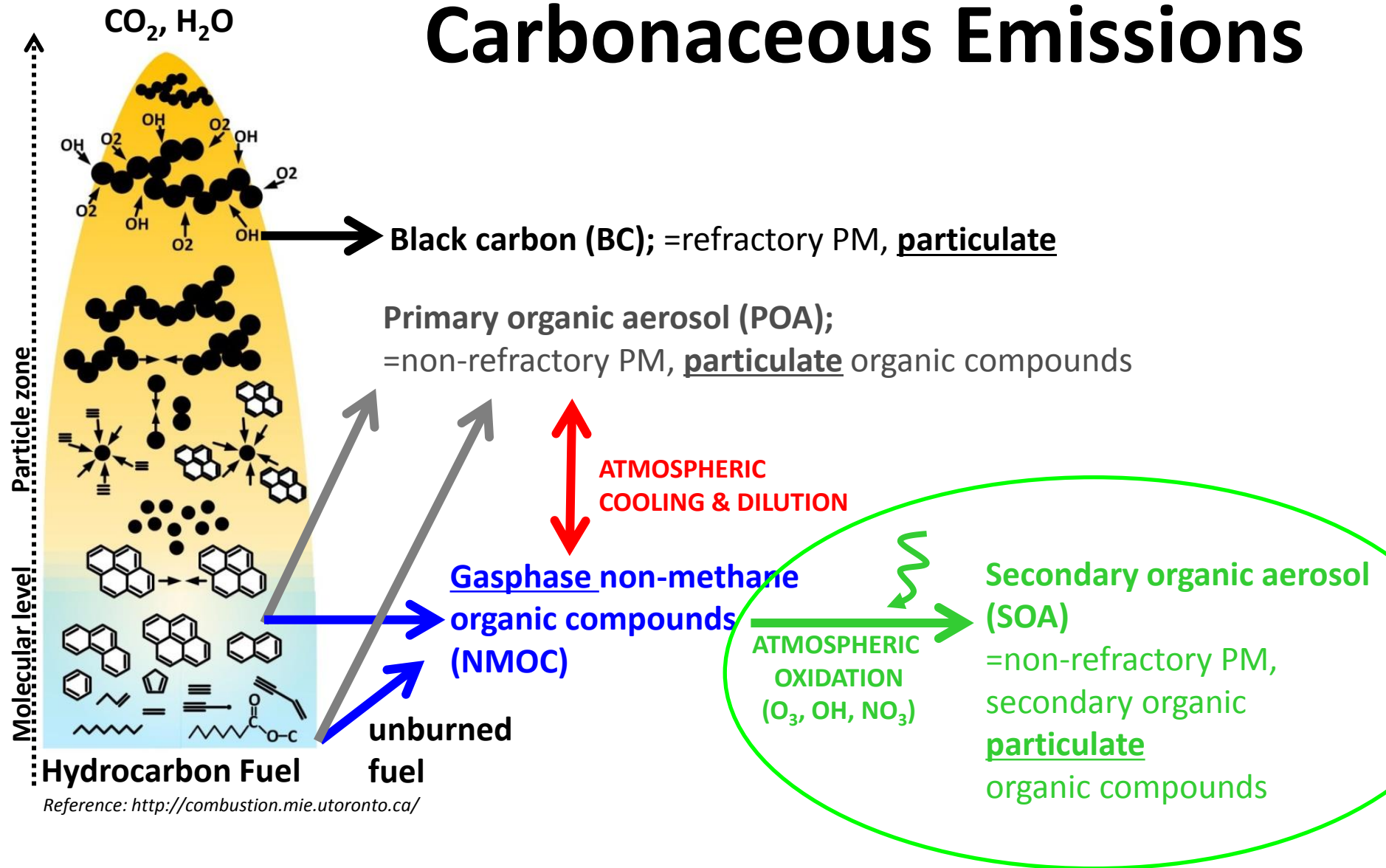
**Gas Phase Composition and Secondary Organic Aerosol Formation from Gasoline Direct Injection Vehicles Investigated in Batch and Flow Reactors:**

**Do gasoline particle filters (GPFs) help us to clean  
(secondary) carbonaceous particulate matter?**

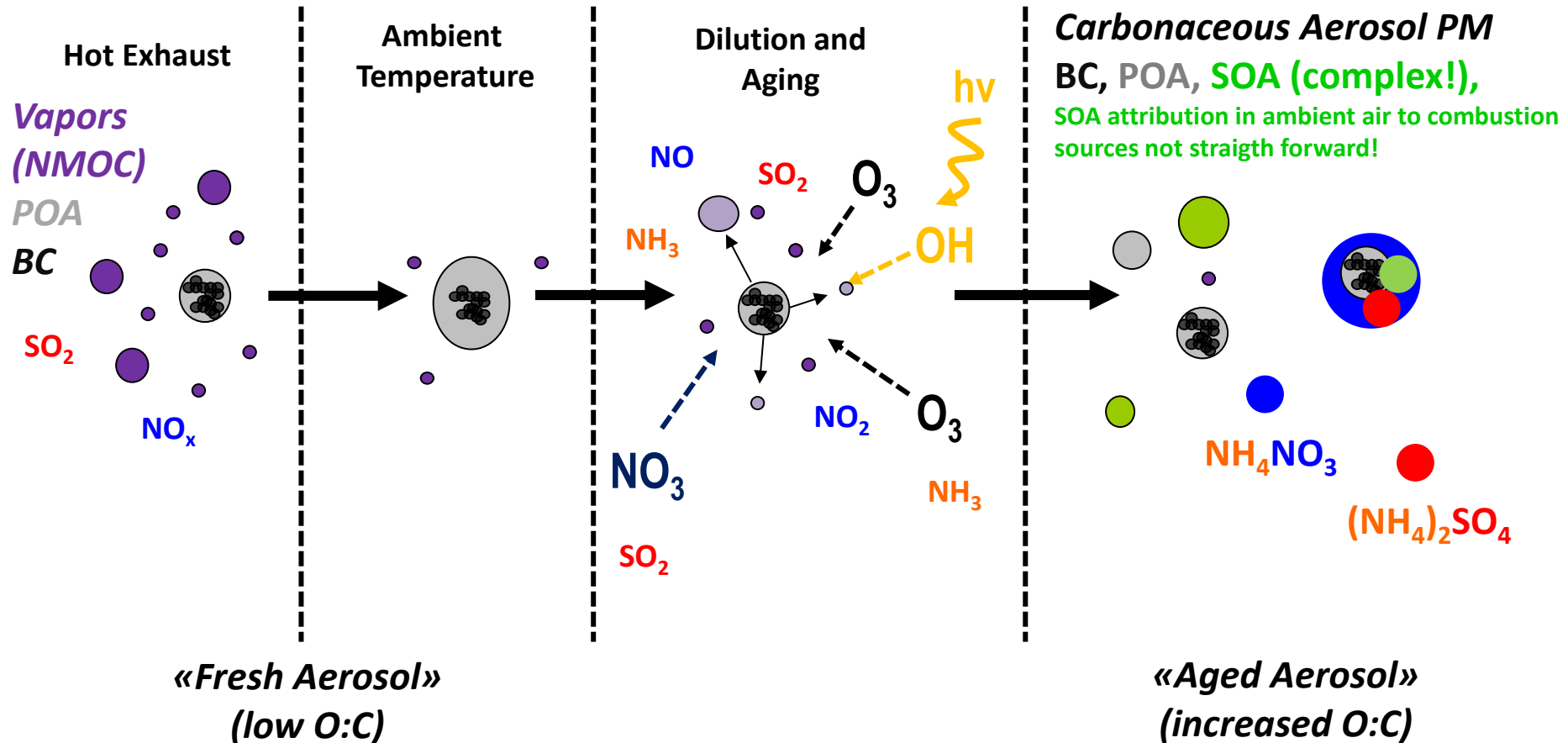
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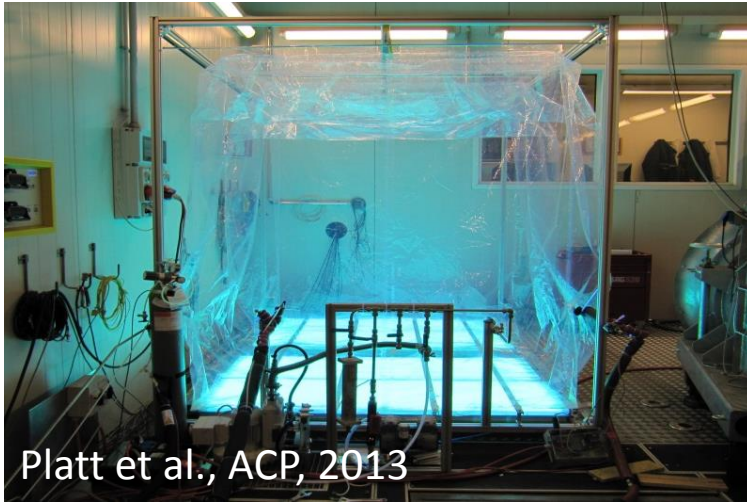
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# Carbonaceous Emissions



# SOA formation





Platt et al., ACP, 2013

**PSI Mobile Smog Chamber (SC),  $V = 10 \text{ m}^3$**   
UVA lamps,  $I_{\text{max}}$  at  $\lambda = 350 - 400 \text{ nm}$   
picture taken when installed at JRC Ispra, (2013)

**Vehicle testing:**

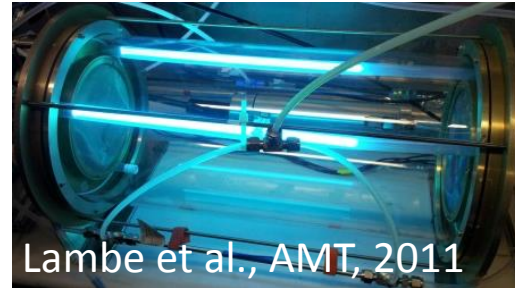
**Gasoline Light Duty (Euro 4/5),  
including GDI, with 2 prototype GPFs**

**GDI1:** Opel Insignia (Euro 5b+), standard and w/GPF

**GDI2:** Opel Zafira Tourer (Euro 5b+), standard

**GDI3:** VW Golf Plus (Euro 4), standard

**GDI4:** Volvo V60 (Euro 5a, but «looks-like» Euro 6)  
standard and w/GPF and w/catGPF



Lambe et al., AMT, 2011

**Oxidation Flow  
Reactor (OFR)**

**$V = 0.015 \text{ m}^3$**

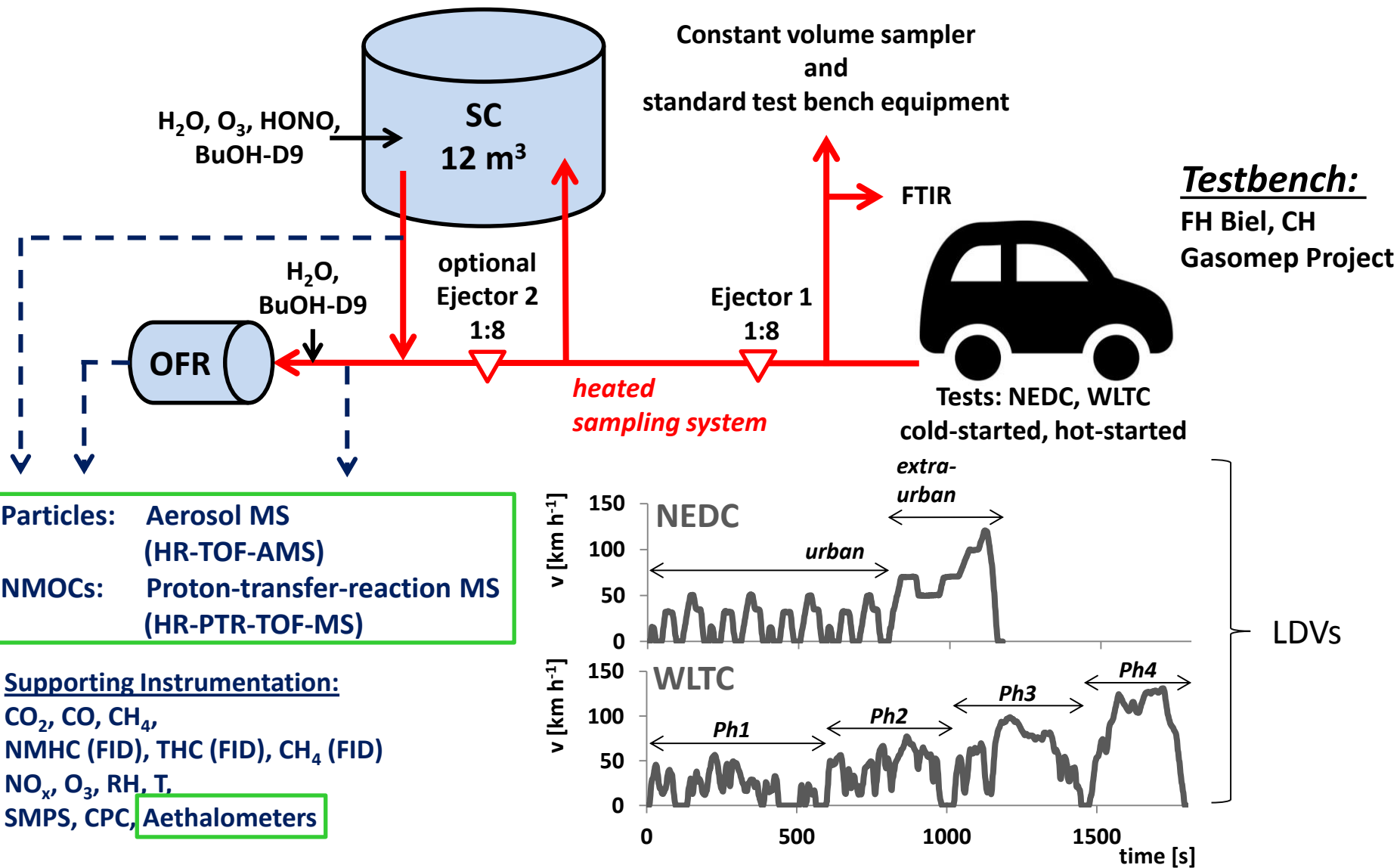
UVC lamps,

$\lambda = 185 \text{ nm}$  and  $254 \text{ nm}$

«OFR185»

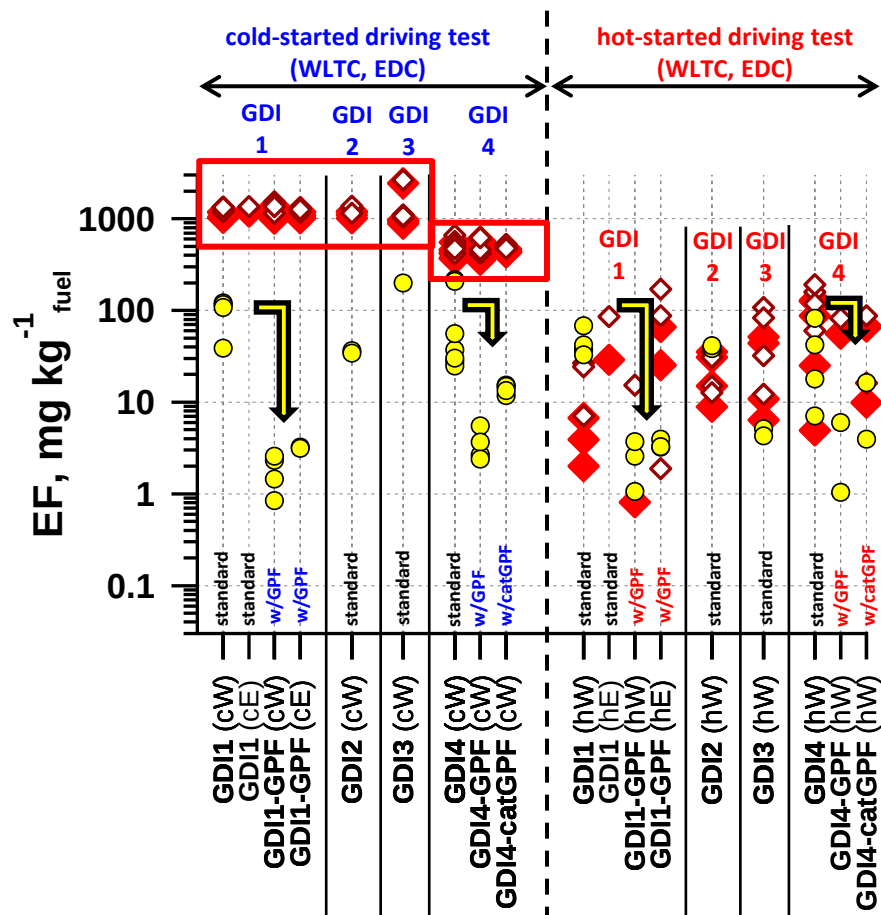


Vehicle installed in Biel, in 2014



# RESULTS

# GDI emissions: cold vs hot, standard vs GPF

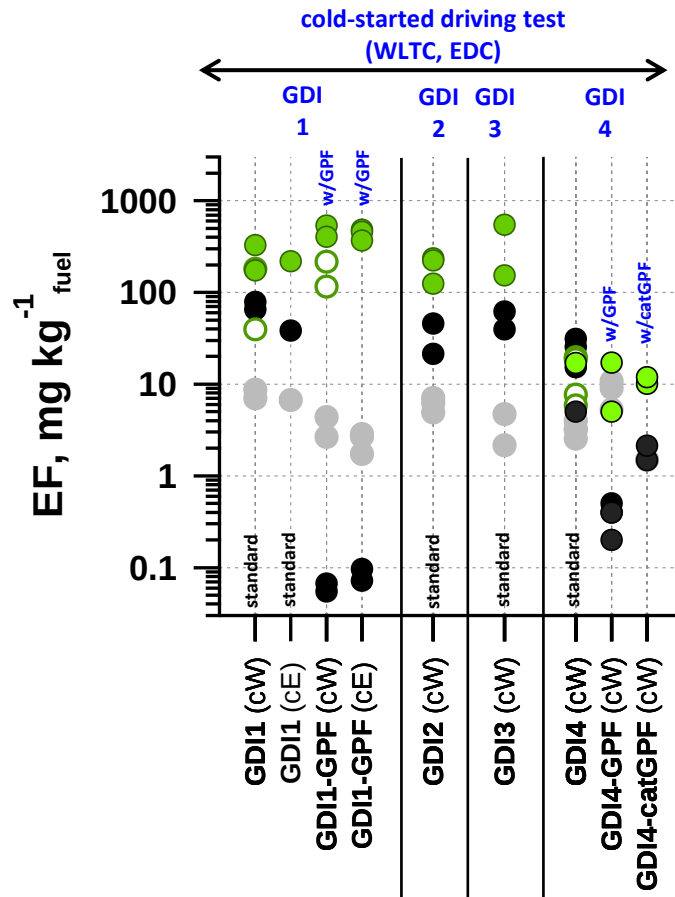


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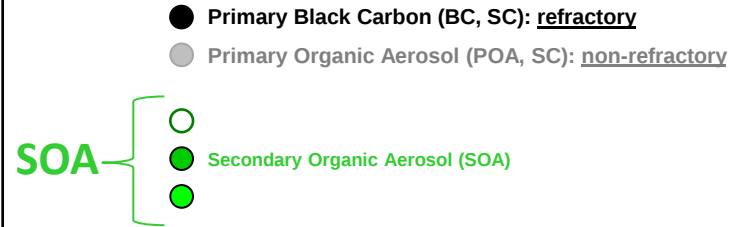
- cold-started cycles NMHC and THC > hot-started
- cold-started cycles PM ~ hot-started
- cold-started WLTC similar to EDC (NMHC, PM)
- hot-started WLTC «seems» < EDC for 1 vehicle (NMHC)
- **GDI4** is a «Euro 6-alike»: similar HC emissions as recent Euro 6 results:
  - NMHC significantly reduced during cold-started cycles (factor 3), but no difference during hot-started cycles.
  - Gravimetric primary PM not reduced!
- **GPF and catGPF:**
  - No influence on NMHC and THC emission factors
  - Significant reduction in particulate matter!

=> How about secondary organic aerosol (SOA)?

# GDI emissions: cold vs hot, standard vs GPF



## Particulate emissions:

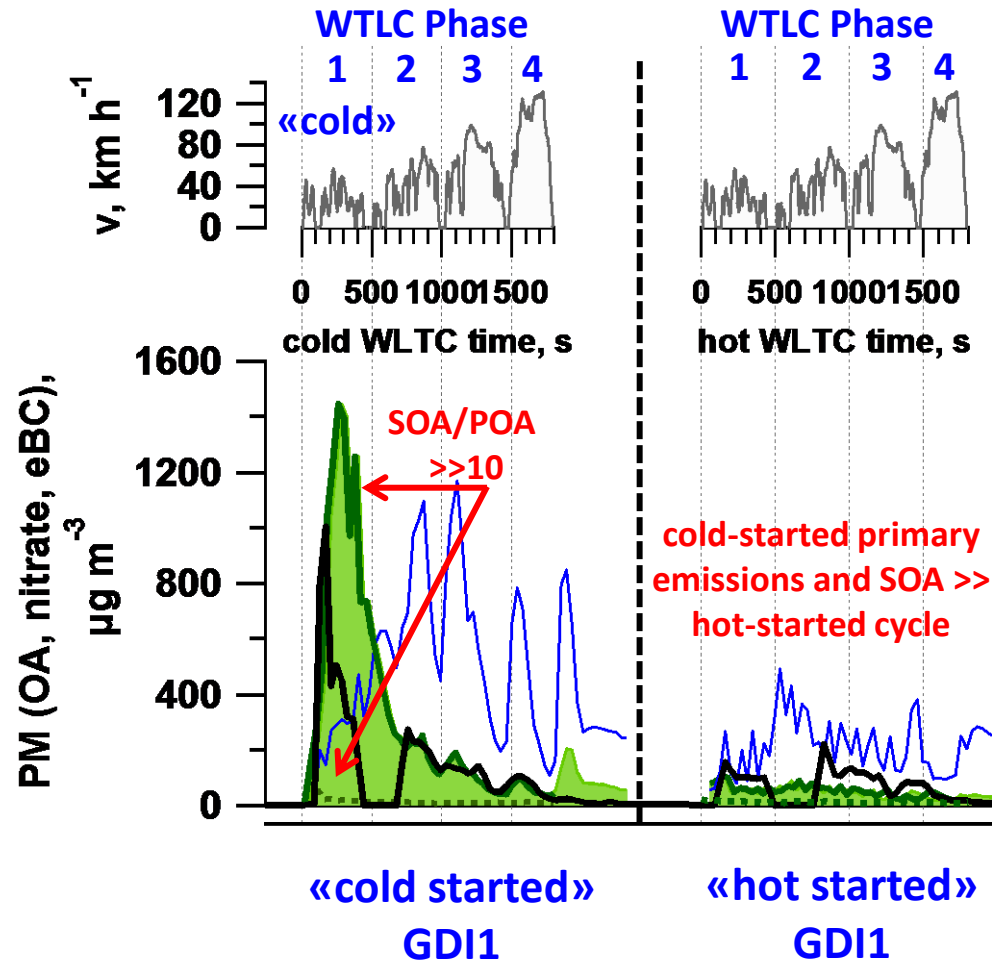


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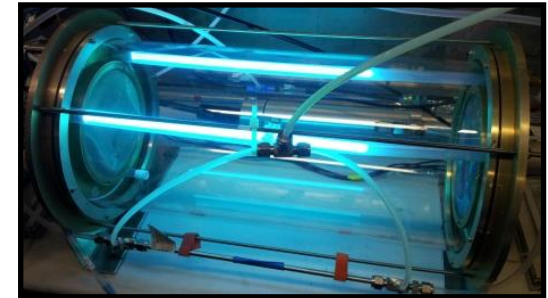
- **Refractory PM (Black Carbon) >> Non-refractory primary POA** (primary PM dominated by Black Carbon (also «Elemental Carbon»)).
- **GDI4 («Euro 6»-alike):**
  - no reduction in BC or POA compared to GDI1-3
  - SOA reduced in analogy to reduced NMHC emissions!
- **GPF and catGPF:**
  - Significant reduction in refractory PM (Black carbon)!
  - No reduction in POA (gaseous when passing GPF)
  - No influence on SOA (gaseous precursor pass by the GPF)

=> Which driving/engine condition is causing the SOA formation?

# Time-resolved SOA as function of WLTC



## OFR



□ WLTC speed profile

OFR outlet (UV on, secondary)

— OA profile during WLTC cycle

■ OA

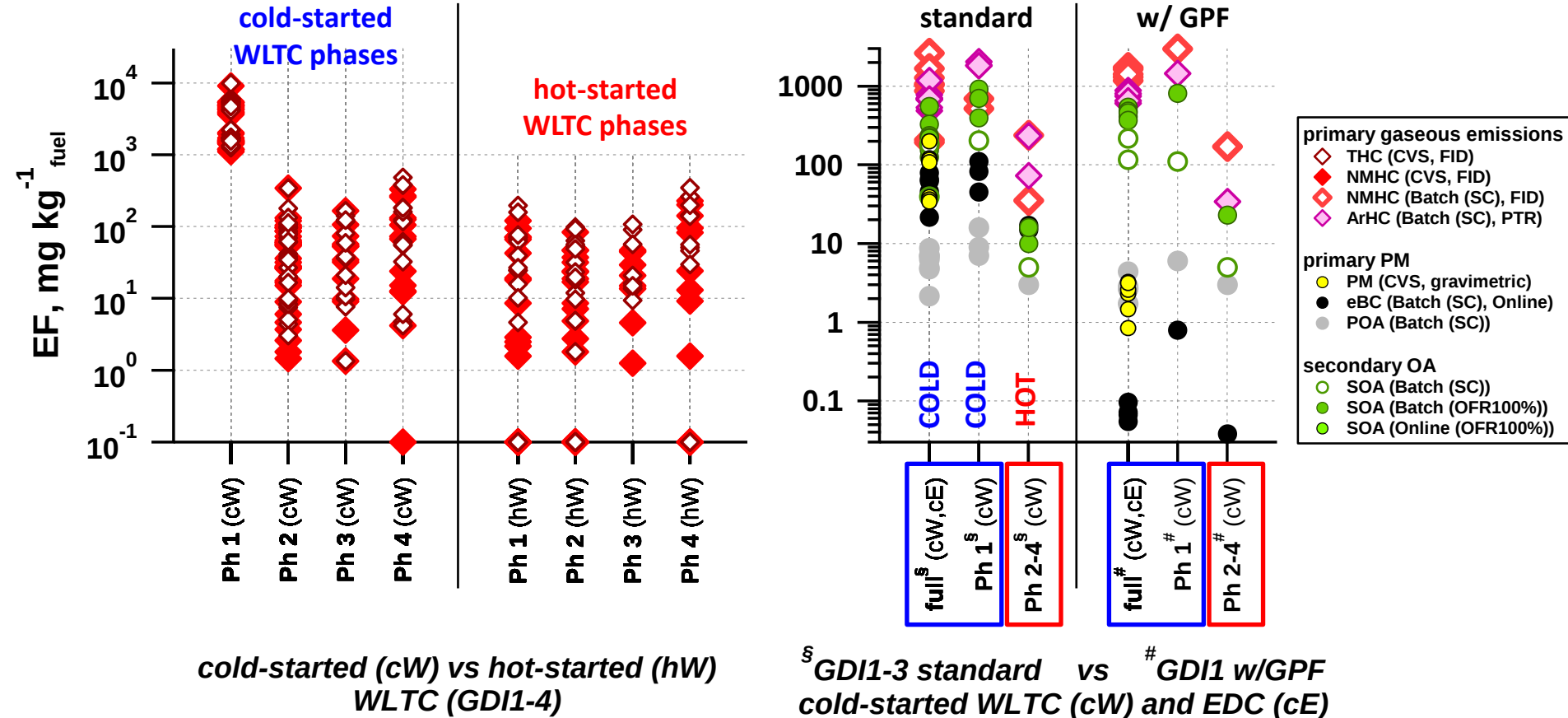
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OFR outlet (primary)

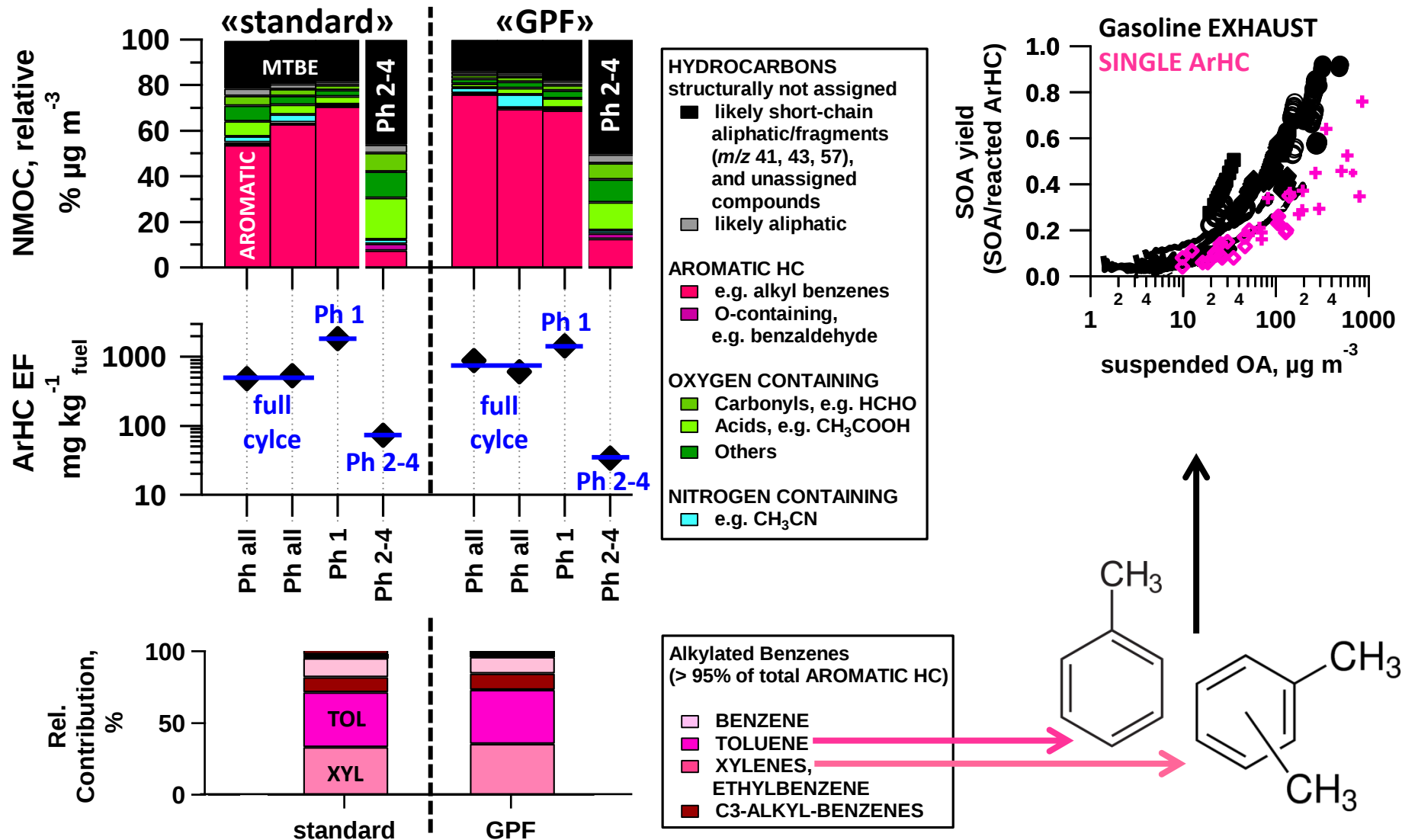
... POA reference (UV off)

— eBC

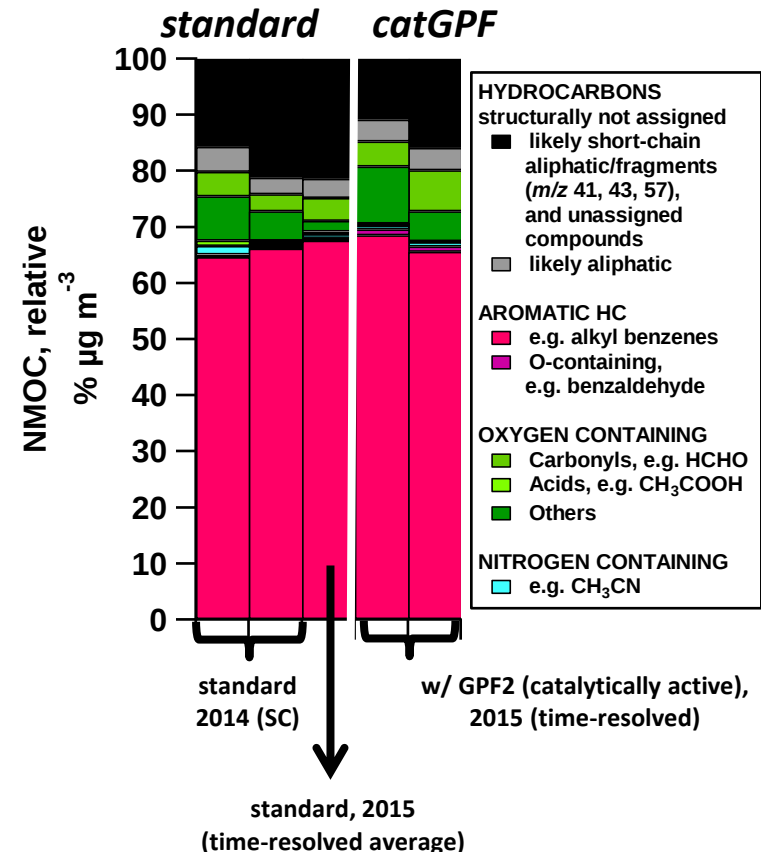
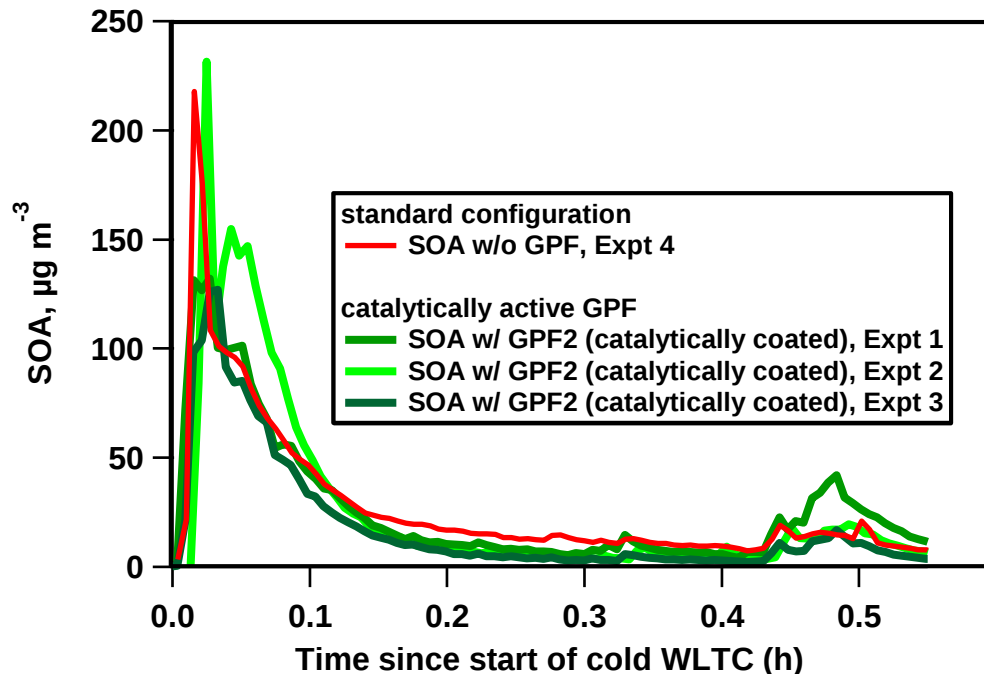
# GDI emissions as function of test cycle phase (i.e. driving behavior and engine condition)



# Cold-start and GPF influence on NMOC



# Catalytically coated GPF does not influence NMOCs and SOA either.



# Conclusions

- **DOC/DPF: very effective for BC, POA**
- **Modern diesel SOA is low (precursors are removed by after-treatment system)**
- **GDI technology moves LDV exhaust towards higher BC emissions; SOA a big contributor too**
- **GPFs can significantly reduce BC and hence total PM emissions (high BC/POA)**
- **(Retrofitted) GPF (catalytically coated or uncoated) does not influence the NMOC fraction, SOA precursors and SOA**
  - most SOA precursors are emitted when after-treatment system is cold
  - only few aromatic compounds appear dominant
- **Cold-start effect remains an issue also with (cat)GPF!**
  - Lower light-off temperatures for catalytic converters, hydrocarbon traps for extremely volatile material (monocyclic aromatics), or aromatic-free fuel are needed in addition to GPFs.
  - Speciated NMOC fraction needs attention in regulatory testing!
  - Euro6 might already solve parts of the NMHC issue, but more work is needed!

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