





Improving counting efficiency and linearity beyond the on-road emission measurement regulations for Portable Emissions Measurement Systems (PEMS)

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Overview: MetroPEMS Project







6 NMIs, 1 DI, 2 academic partners, 1 industry partner 2.1 M€ budget, 3-year project started September 2020

SCIENTIFIC GOLS

WP1: Extending amount fraction capabilities of high accuracy primary reference materials of NO₂

<u>WP2: Metrological validation and performance</u> <u>tests of PN-PEMS devices</u>

WP3: Application-oriented PEMS EFM calibration procedures and uncertainty budgets

WP4: Real-world assessment of PEMS performance

WP5: Creating impact

WP6: Management and coordination

PN-Legislation and Traceability



- The specifications and requirements for particle number (PN) portable emissions measurement systems (PEMS) are described in European Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1151 and its amendment (EU) 2017/1154.
- Traceability scheme for PN RDE counter (ISO NMI approach)



PN - PEMS device: General Setup

Exhaust from tailpipe





DEPEMS

Harmonization strategy at NMI







RECOMMENDATION for LAB-Setup:

- CAST + Predilution + VPR-Setup: Thermostable soot
- Lambda approach = 1 for all Operation Points (OP) at CAST
- A DMA Tandem / Approach by 2U + 3U Setup for Counting

efficiency up to 200 nm

- Multiple charge correction (MCC) for particle > 50 nm, ratio < 5%
- Linearity for mono- and polydisperse soot particles (up to 800k)
- \rightarrow Deliverable as guideline for stakeholders

Round Robin metric



- Counting efficiency of PN analyser
- Linearity of PN analyser in PEMS:
 - Monodisperse particles
 - Polydisperse particles



- Particle concentration reduction factor (PCRF)
- Dilution factor of PN analyser
- Particle Penetration efficiency
- Volatile Particle removal efficiency

Validation of NMI capabilities with PEMS-CPC

based

- To ensure high quality measurements
- Important step to harmonize and to minimize measurement uncertainties

Cambridge Particle meeting by NPL, Mohsen Kazemimanesh

GOALS for RR:

Counting efficiency, mono







- Generator: Triple flame miniCAST 5303C
- Thermostable soot at 23, 30, 50, 70, 100, 200 nm
- MCC approach implemented
- → Good agreement by partners



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Linearity, mono





10 min. each concentration level for 2500, 5000, 7500, > 10 000 cm-3



 \rightarrow Fairly good agreement by partners (± 5%), especially for 70 nm

Linearity, poly - Lab





Check of response up to 1.1 Mio particle/cm⁻³ at 70 nm (CMD, poly)



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Linearity, poly - infield





- A spark discharged generator and CPC + Diluter was used as calibration setup
- Check of response up to 12 Mio particle/cm⁻³ at 70 nm (CMD, poly)



Conclusion



- A harmonization process was established between NMIs
- First round robin between NMIs in Europe with traveling PN-PEMS
- Good agreement was figured out for monodisperse test
- Polydisperse test at high number conc- level shows higher variation up to 10 %
- For infield validation we recommended:
 - \rightarrow Higher measurement uncertainties for linear response check
 - → An infield check of PN-sensors with Particle generator (PG) and
 reference PN setup (CPC + Dilution unit, DU), especially for
 gasoline cars

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Thank you for attention, any question you may have?

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Appendix 1: MCC approach





 Investigation by Mamakos, 2016 et al (DOI 10.1080/02786826.2016.1153034) for 150 nm

Mobility diameter of singly charged particles [nm]



 MCC approach as example for 70 nm at Maximum of polydisperse PNSD



→ Charge states of each peaks have to be calculated for the right-hand side of PNSD → ISO 27891 Annex, Part D. 3, called as 2U and 3 U assumption (Approach of Multiply Charge Correction)

Appendix 1: MCC approach



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• Cut out on the right-hand side of polydisperse PNSD to avoid additional right hand side peaks for MCC spectra







Appendix 2: mono CE -additional plots



