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# **Real Driving Emissions (RDE) Portable Emission Measurement Systems (PEMS) Particle Number (PN) Implementing PN-PEMS for RDE procedures**

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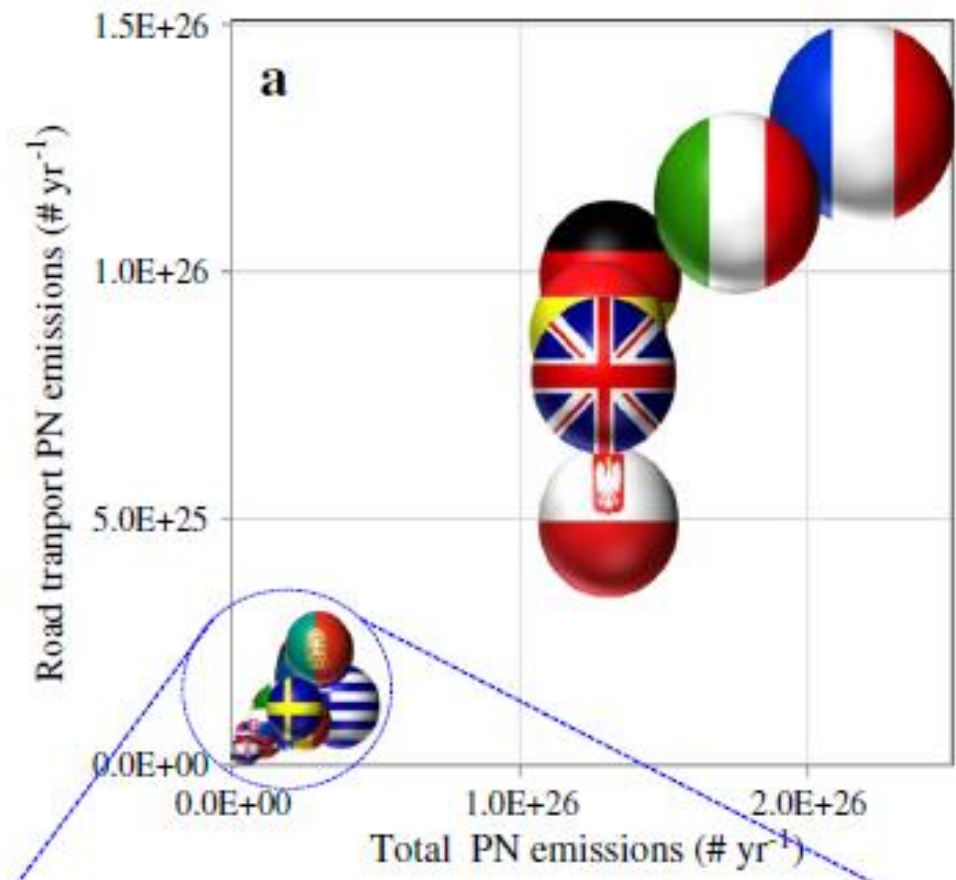
# Introduction

- Particles have negative health effects
- Smaller (ultra-fine) particles might be more dangerous due to their higher specific surface area
- Exceedance of Particulate Matter (PM) limits in cities is known. Particle Number (PN) has also been addressed recently:
- Contribution to total PN of:
  - Road transport: 60%\*
  - Non-road transport (+ship traffic): 19%
  - Domestic combustion: 13%

\*32% (Greece) to 97% (Luxemburg)

## PN emissions

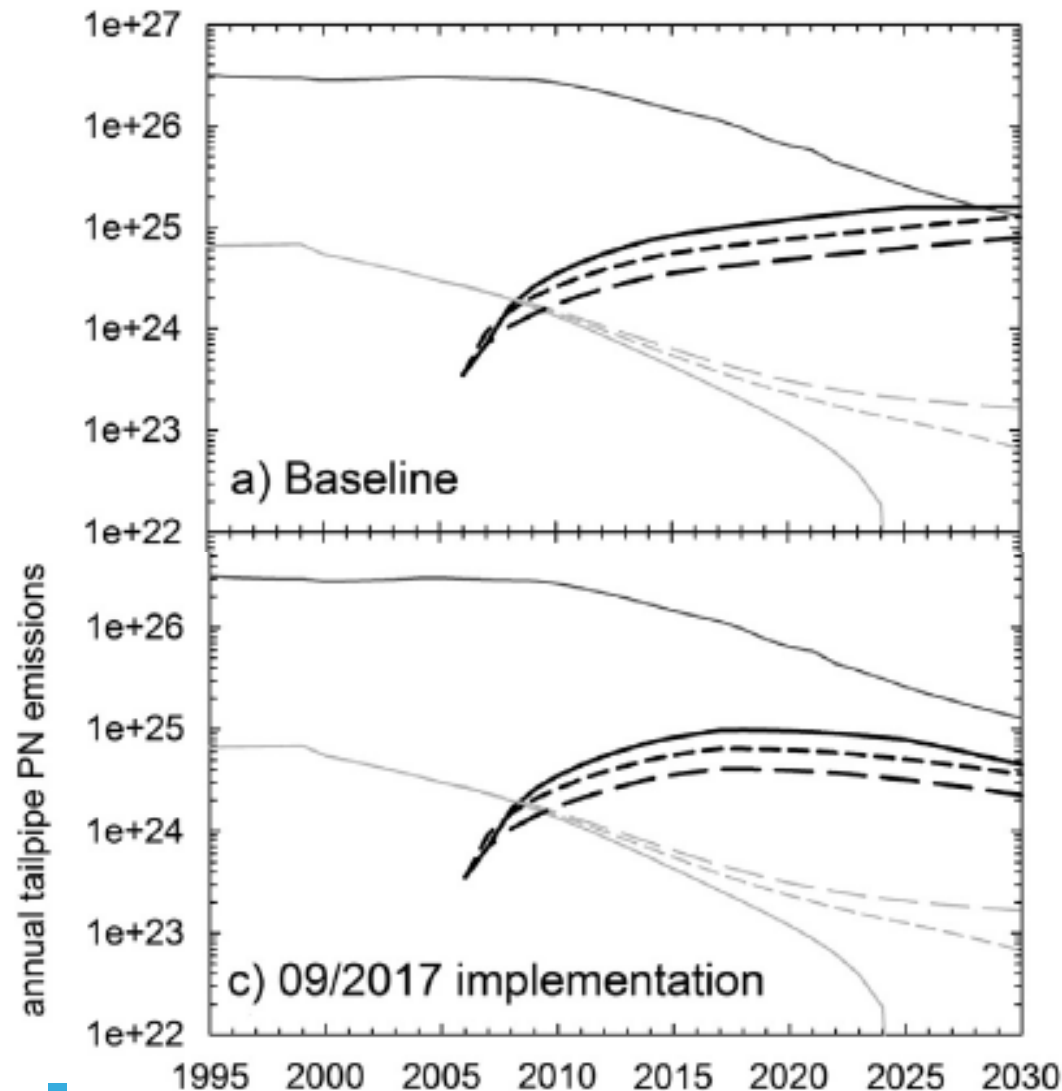
France, Italy, Germany, Spain, UK and Poland are the top six PN emitters in the EU28 and together, their road traffic contributes nearly 3/4 ( $\sim 72\%$ ) of the total traffic-induced PN emissions in the EU28.



## Solid PN emissions

- Solid PN emissions projections
- Reduction of GDI emissions was necessary
- Limit of  $6 \times 10^{11}$  p/km from 2017

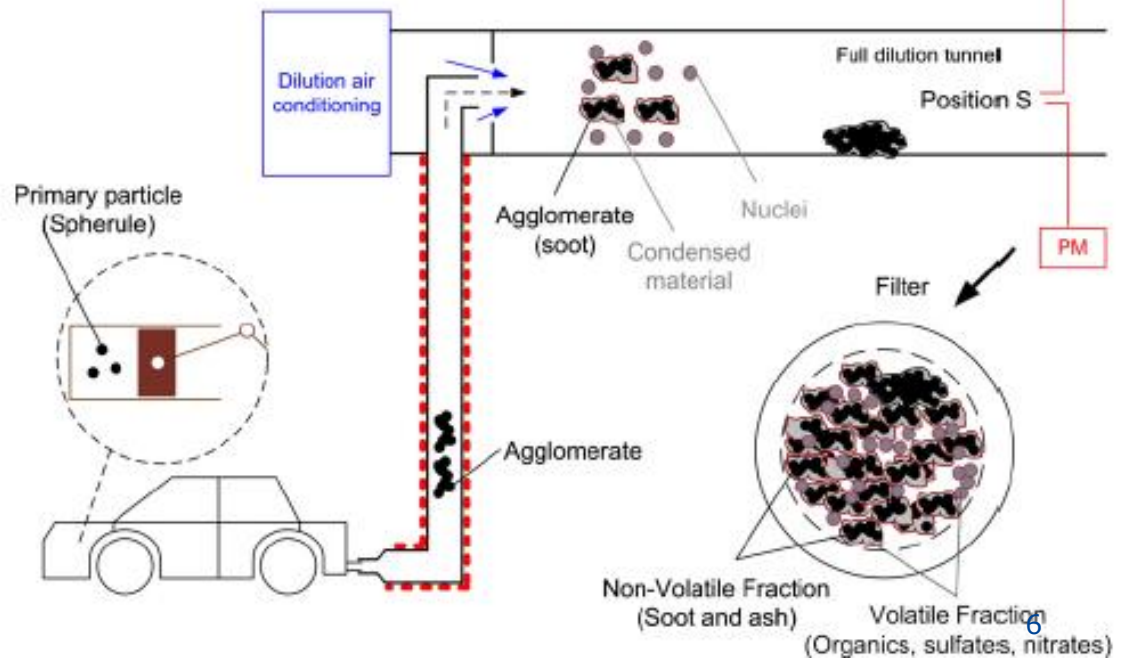
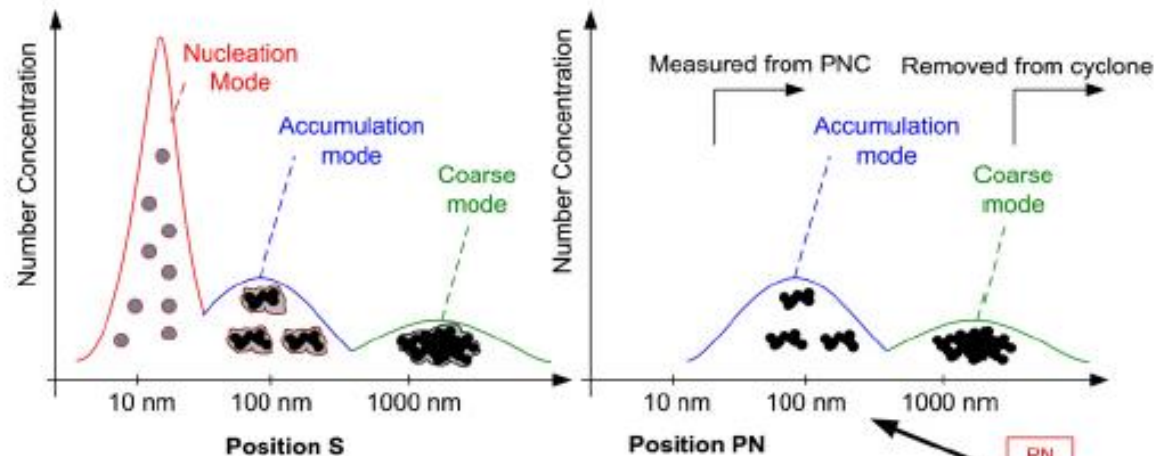
	GDI	PFI	diesel
high GDI penetration			
medium GDI penetration			
low GDI penetration			





# PM & PN

Particulate Matter  
(PM) on a filter  
Particle Number (PN)  
airborne





## PN vs PM

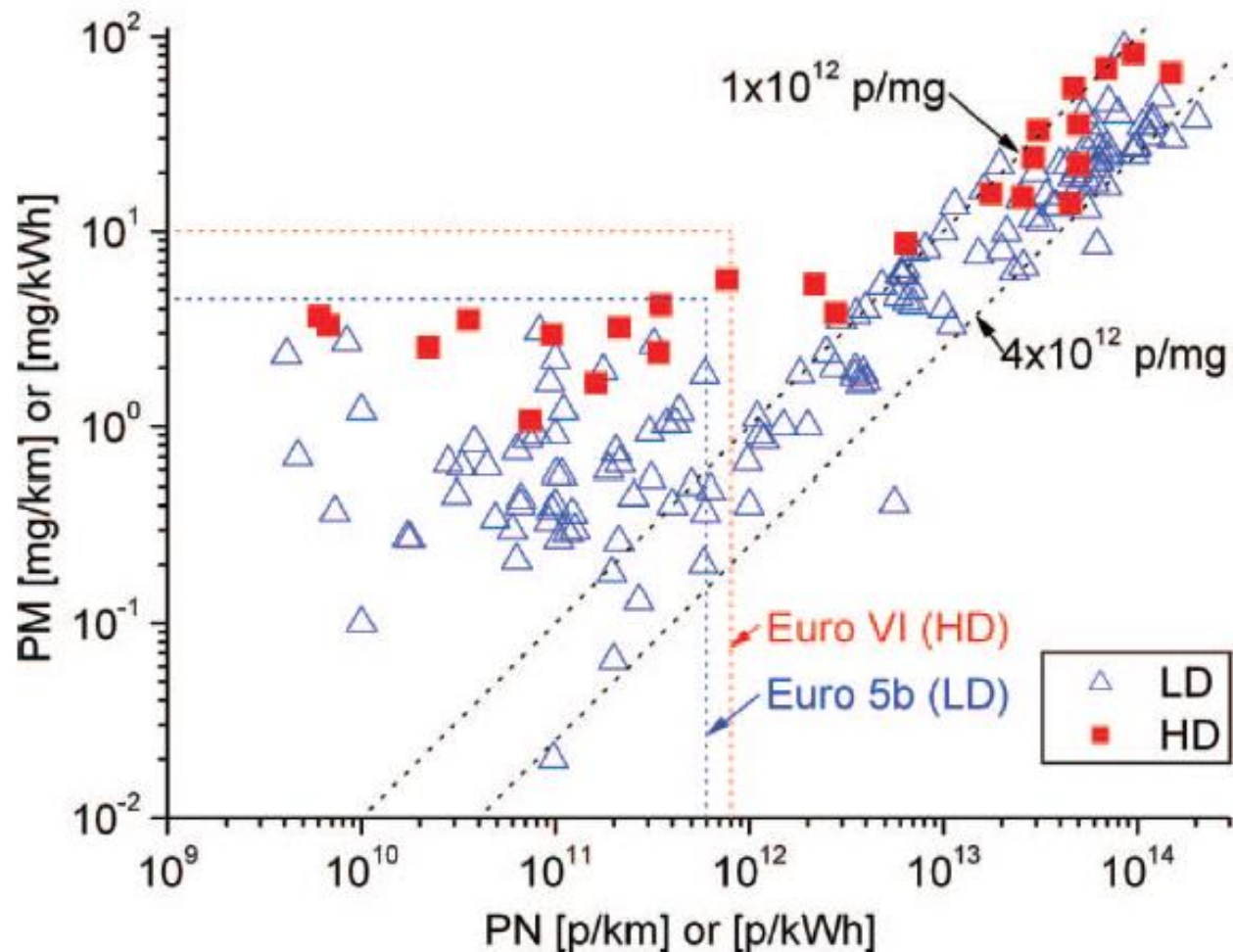
**Correlation at high concentrations**

$1 \text{ mg} \sim 2 \times 10^{12} \text{ p}$

**No correlation at low levels**

Sensitivity of filter method

Artifacts on filter

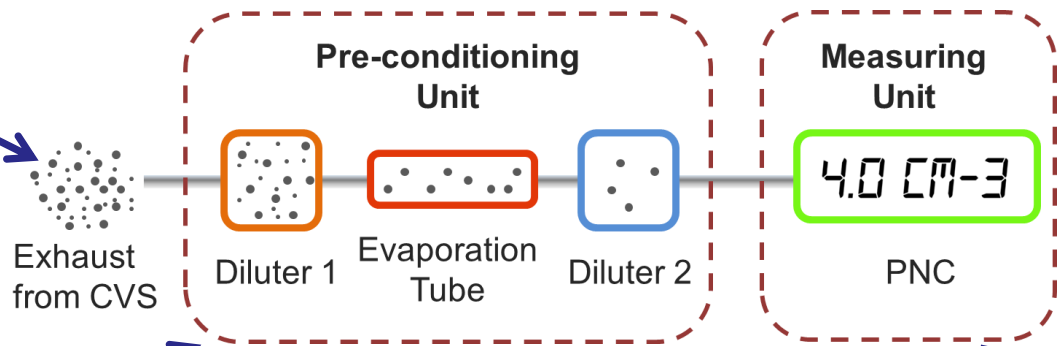


## RDE regulation for light-duty vehicles

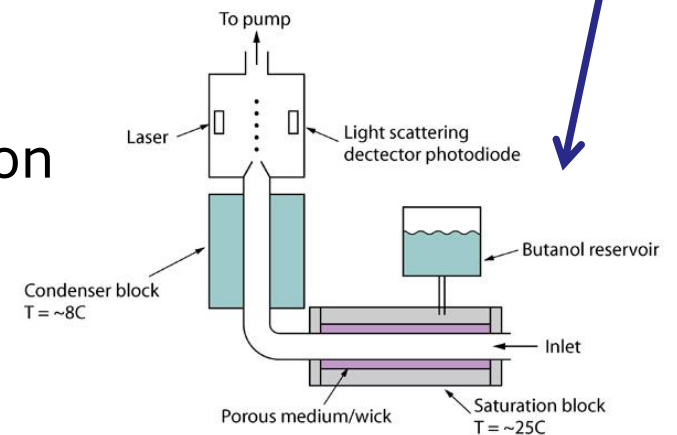
- Regulation 715/2007 introduced the possibility to use Portable Emission Measurement Systems (PEMS) for Real Driving Emissions (RDE)
- Regulation 459/2012 focused on the emissions of Gasoline Direct Injection (GDIs) vehicles under real conditions
- Nov. 2012 call of interest for Particle Number PN-PEMS
- RDE Part of Euro 6 legislation, Appendix IIIA of 692/2008
- Monitoring phase until 2017/2018



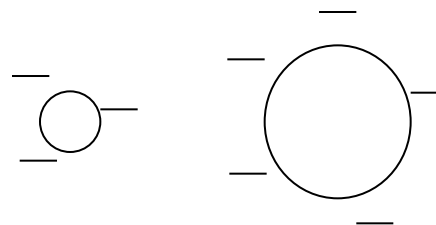
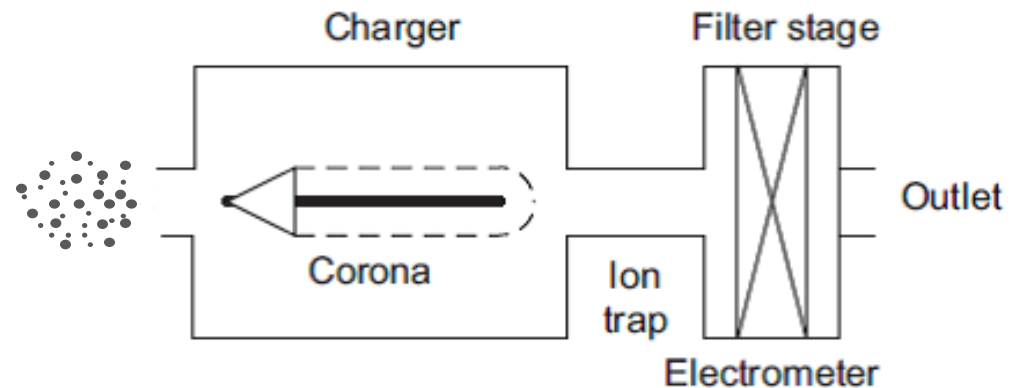
# Solid PN regulated method (PMP)



**Condensation  
Particle  
Counter**



## Diffusion charger (DC)



Particle size  
has an effect  
on the signal

## Project overview

- Theoretical evaluation of Diffusion Chargers (DC) (2013)
- Phase I (2013): Feasibility study
  - Assessment of application and performance of portable PN instruments relative to a reference (Particle Measurement Program PMP)
  - Update of specifications (i.e. dilution and sampling system and efficiency of diffusion-chargers)
- Phase II (2014): Confirmation of Phase I findings
  - Calibration procedures and more accurate estimates of uncertainty
- Inter-laboratory correlation exercise (2015)

## CPC vs DC

- DC: Size dependency
- Possible to optimize them for typical size distributions

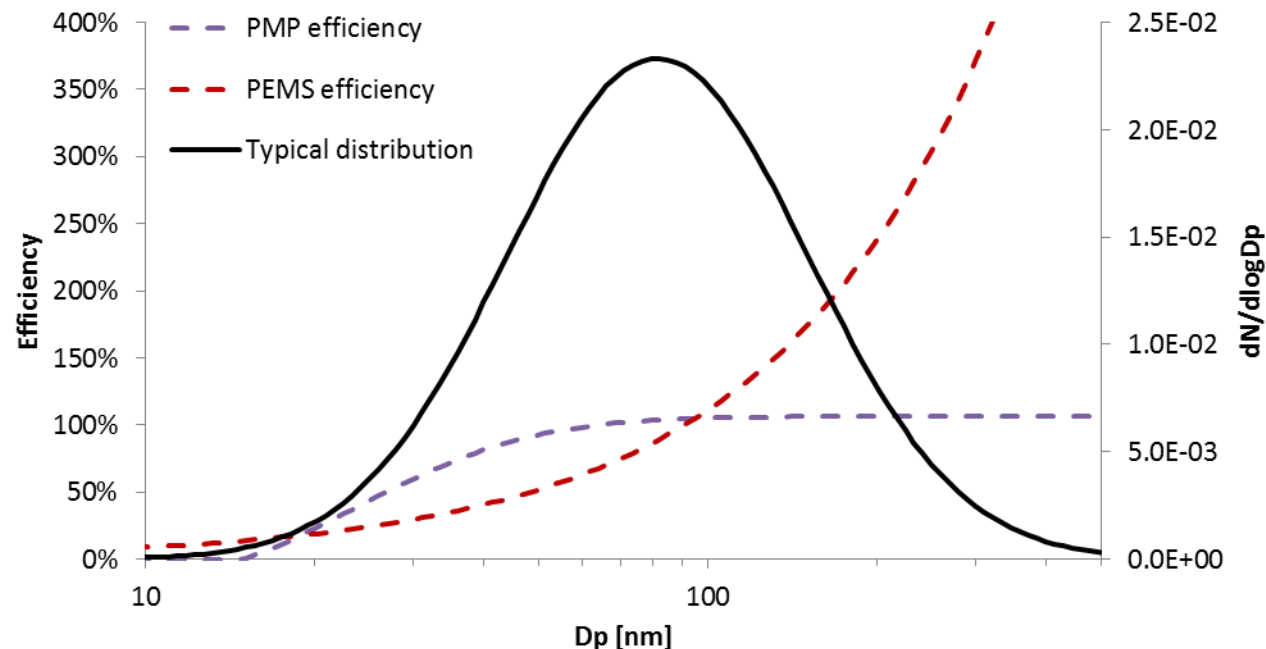
Efficiency  $E$  is defined as ratio of Reading  $R$  of instrument (after internal corrections) to the true inlet concentration  $PN$

$$E = R / PN$$

Typically

$$R(\text{DC}) = c d_p^x$$

$x=1.3$  for soot

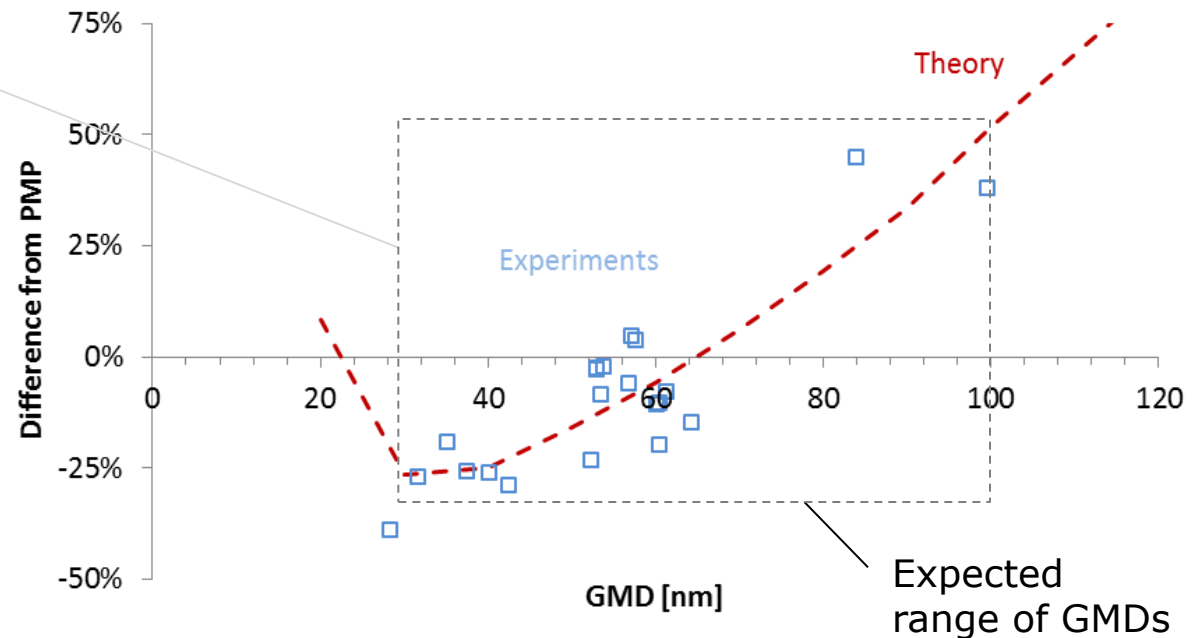


## Calibration : Comparison DC – CPC

- Difference PMP – DC for polydisperse aerosol
- Calibrated at 60 nm polydisperse GMD (example)
  - GMD=Geometric Mean Diameter

Acceptable difference:  
-33% to +50%

Then the same calibration  
could be used for all  
vehicles, technologies etc  
(diesel, gasoline, light-  
duty, heavy-duty, NRMM)

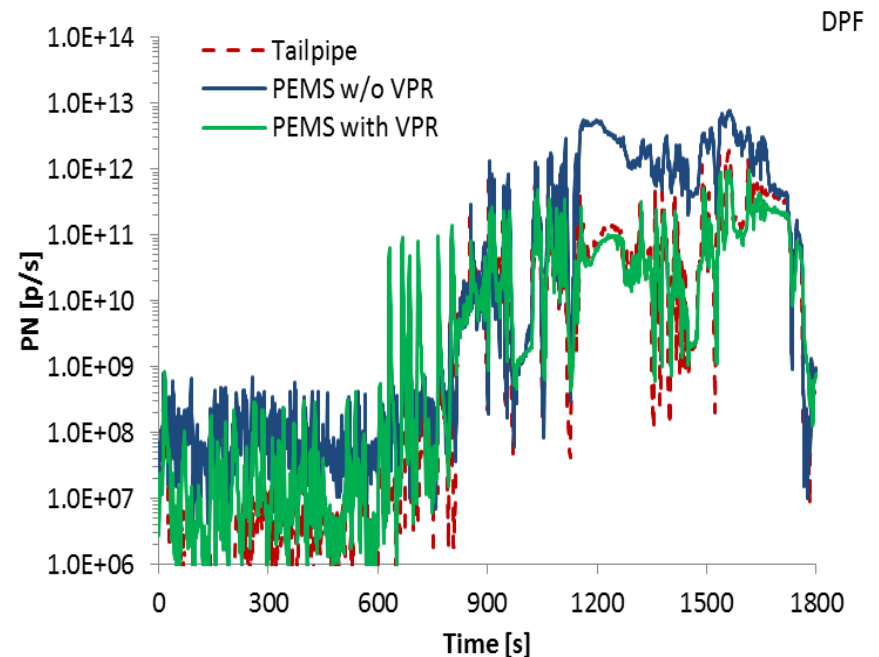
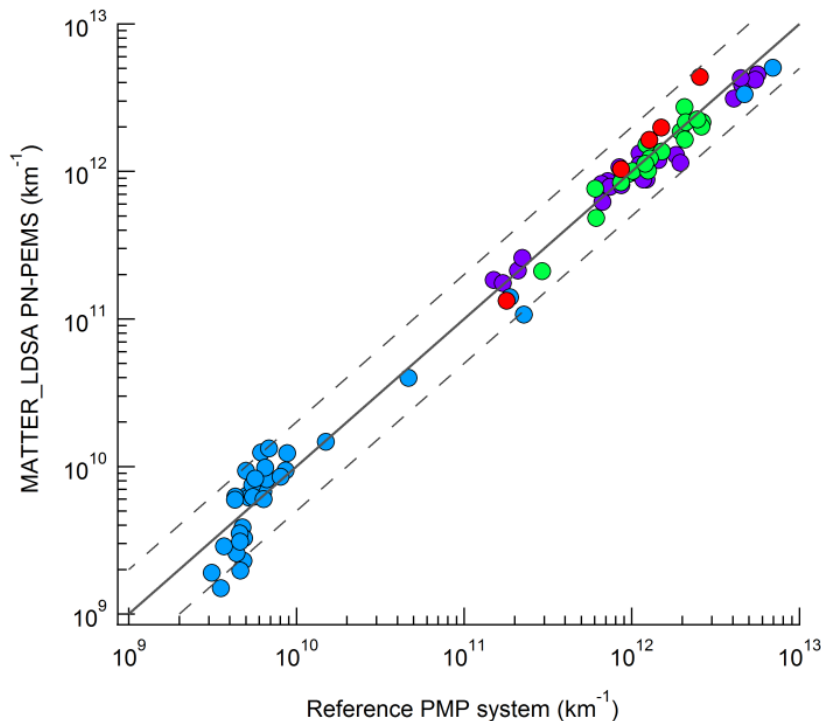


# Phase I Testing

- Test vehicles
  - 3 GDIs
  - 1 PFIs (low emissions)
  - 1 DPF (regeneration)
  - 1 Moped (sub 23 nm challenge)
- Testing period:
  - Preparation phase: Sep – Oct 2013
  - Main campaign: Oct-Dec 2013
- 5 PN-PEMS (DC based)
- Presentation available

## Phase I Results

- DC based systems is a feasible option: Two of the 5 candidate systems had very good behaviour
- Thermal pre-treatment is necessary (like PMP)





## Phase II Testing

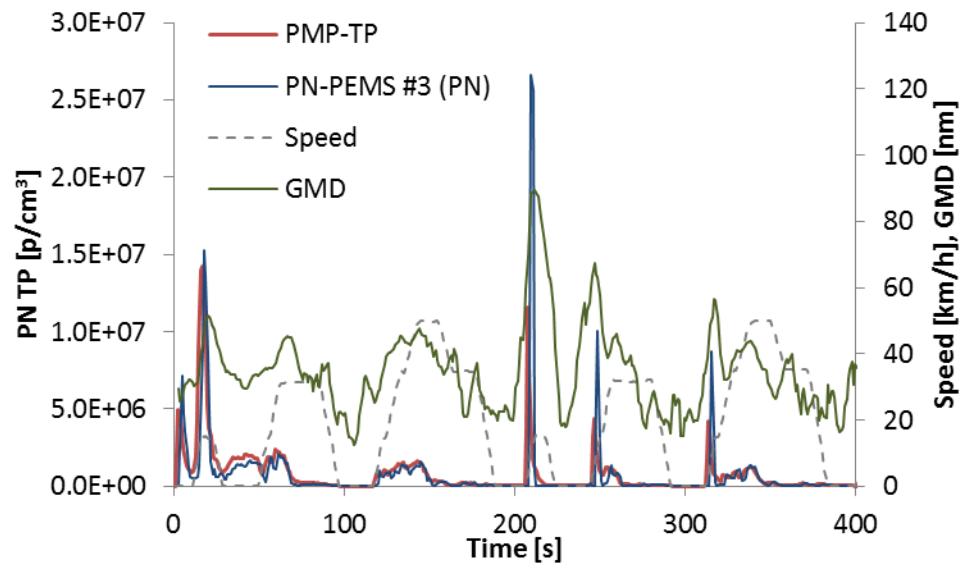
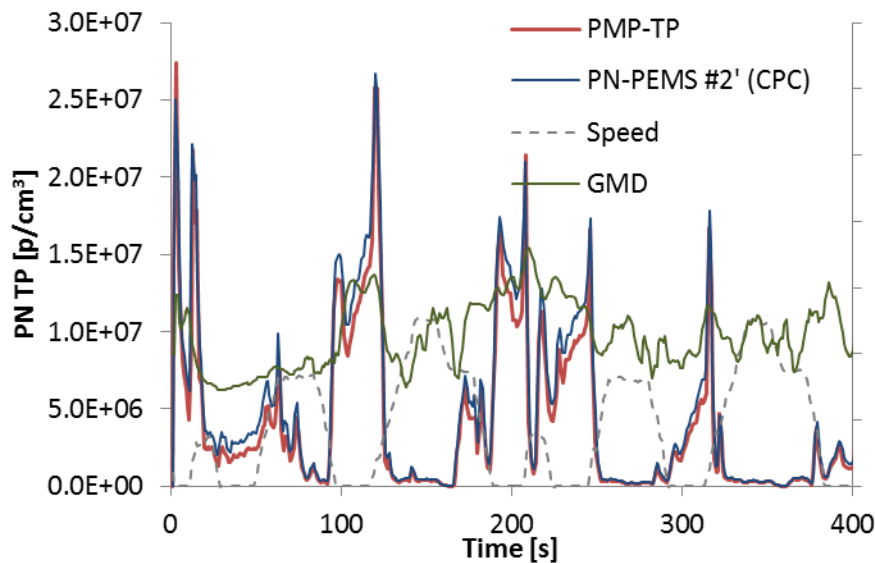
- Test vehicles
  - 7 GDIs (5 were Euro 6)       $<10^{11} \dots 3 \times 10^{13}$  p/km
  - 2 PFIs (low emissions)
  - 2 DPF (regeneration)
  - 4 Motorcycles (sub 23 nm challenge)
- Testing period:
  - Preparation phase: Aug – Oct 2014
  - Main campaign: Nov 2014
  - Extra evaluation: Dec 2014 +
- 8 PN-PEMS (3 CPC based)
- Report available

## PN-PEMS Phase II Topics

- Calibration
- Real time signal
- Comparison with PMP systems
- Dependency on particle size
- Ambient temperature effect
- Challenge aerosol (solid sub 23 nm)
- Volatile removal efficiency (moped 2-stroke)
- Regeneration
- Bias and precision
- PASS or FAIL success rate
- Calibration at the CVS

## Real time signals

- CPC based systems follow exactly the reference PMP
- DC based systems can have differences when the mean size of particles changes



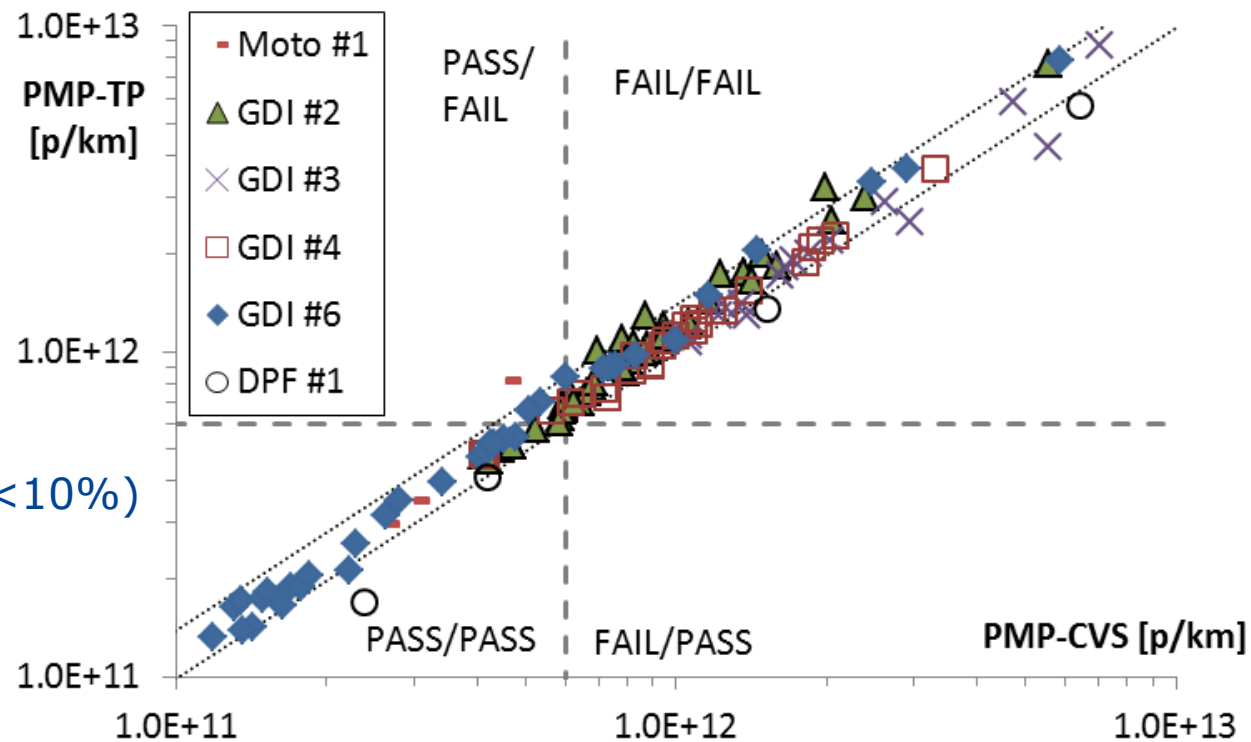
## PMP-TP vs PMP-CVS

Results within

0.95 - 1.40

Reasons:

- Time alignment (<10%)
- Exhaust flow accuracy (<10%)
- Thermophoretic losses+
- Diffusion losses (<5%)
- Agglomeration (<15%)

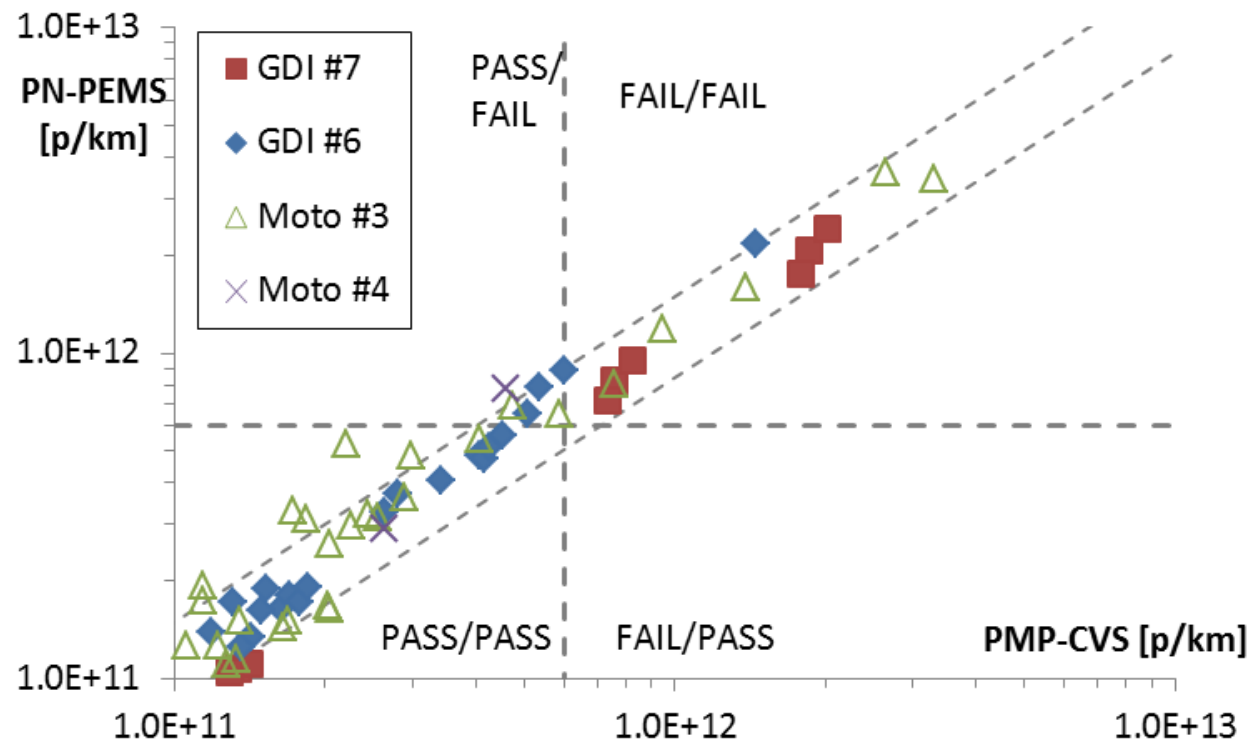


## PN-PEMS (CPC) vs PMP-CVS

Results within

0.85 - 1.50

Limited no of tests

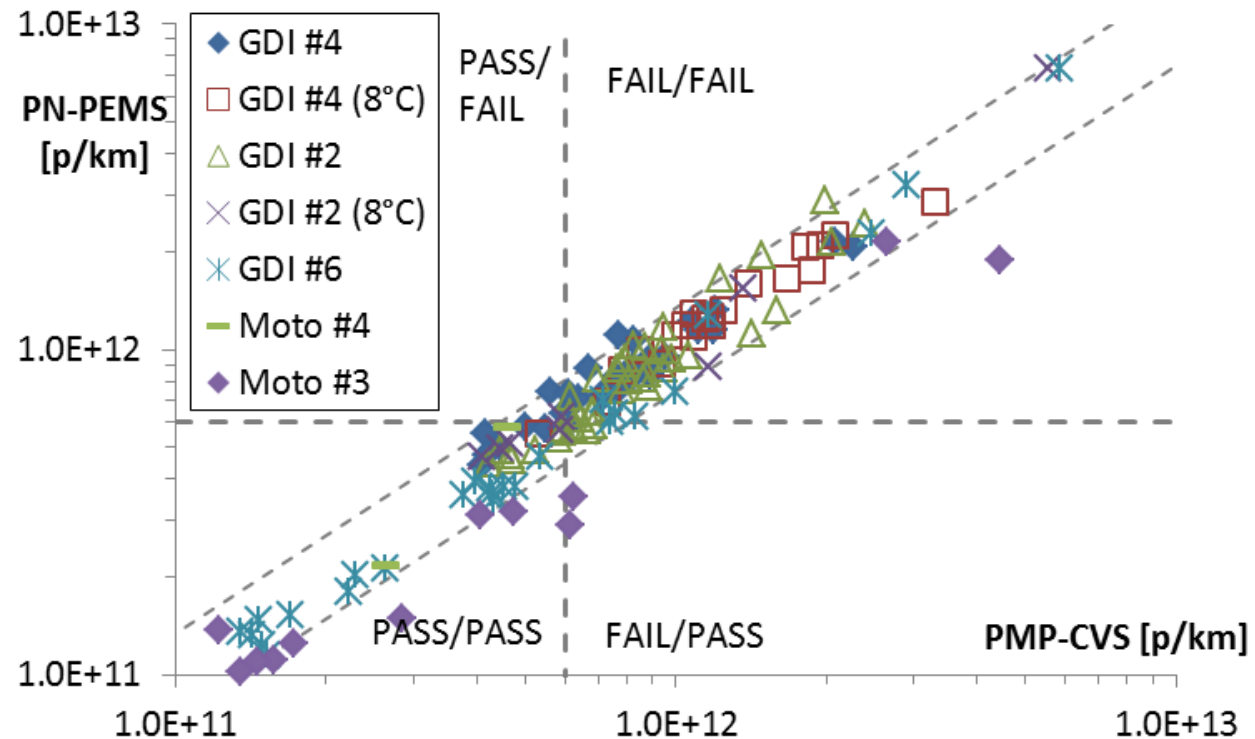


# PN-PEMS (DC) vs PMP-CVS

Results within

0.75 - 1.35

Optimized for GDIs

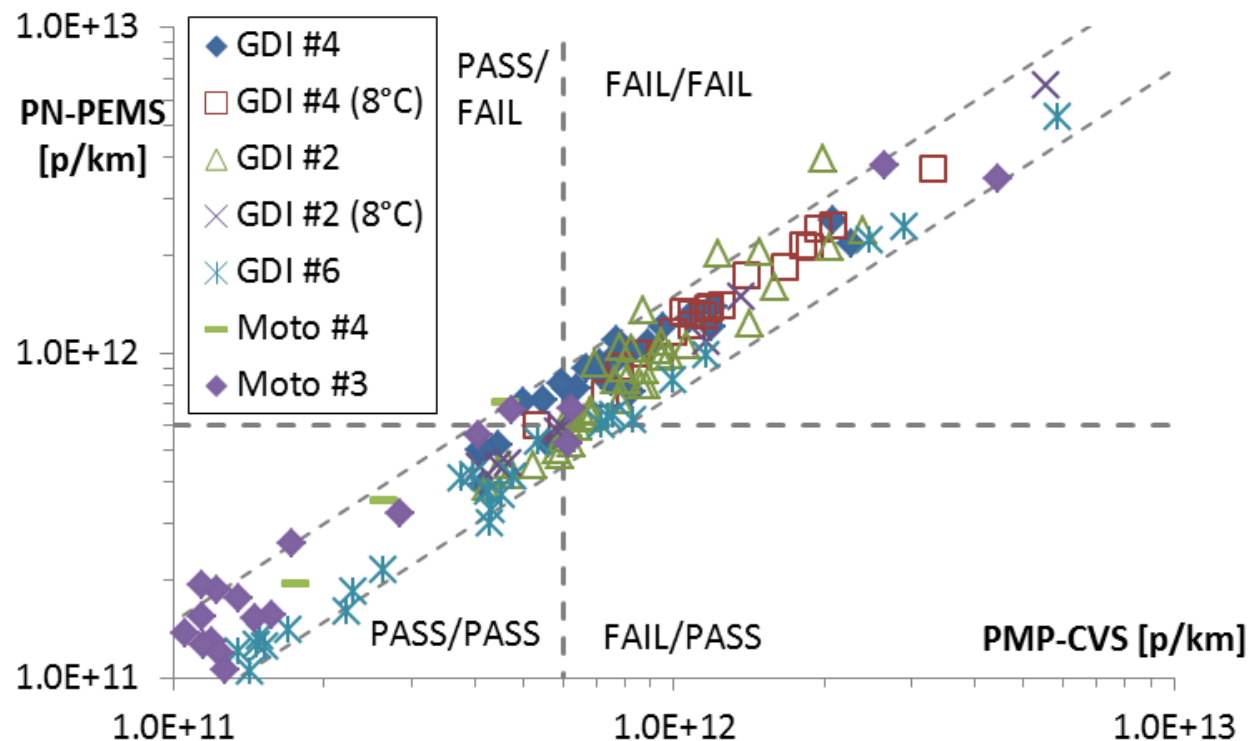


# PN-PEMS (DC adv.) vs PMP-CVS

Results within

0.75 - 1.50

Concentration corrected  
for estimated mean size  
of particles



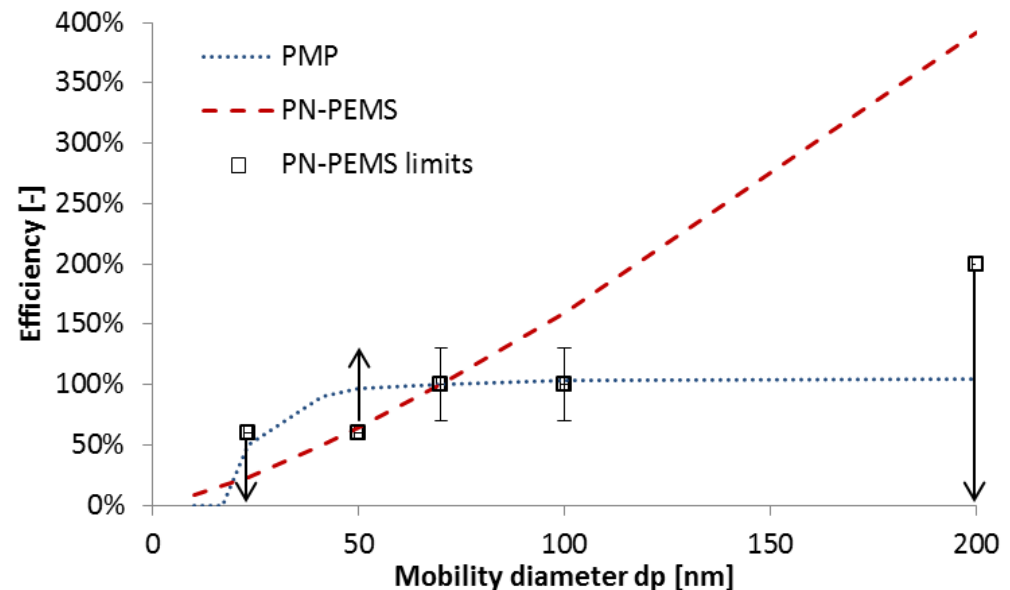


## Phase II – Conclusions

- PMPs at CVS vs TP had differences of  $\pm 20\%$  ( $\pm 15\%$ )
- Part of the difference applies only to particles:  
Thermophoretic losses ( $< 5\%$ ), agglomeration ( $< 15\%$ )
- PN-PEMS vs PMP at TP have differences of  $\pm 30\%$  ( $\pm 20\%$ )
- PN-PEMS vs PMP at CVS have differences of  $\pm 50\%$  ( $\pm 25\%$ ) (all vehicles, including mopeds)
- This difference is due to the sampling location + PN-PEMS uncertainty. It refers to small cycles of  $> 10\text{min}$ .
- GMDs ranged from 20 to 75 nm
- PN-PEMS could efficiently remove volatiles (high dilution or catalytic stripper)
- Special attention has to be given to the robustness of systems (including PMP) for tailpipe measurements

## Phase II – Conclusions

- 2 DC based and 1 CPC based (limited tests) systems exhibited very good behaviour. A third DC had very good behaviour as well (like Phase I)
- Uncertainty estimations were given
- Technical requirements
- Calibration procedures



# Inter-Laboratory Correlation Exercise (ILCE)

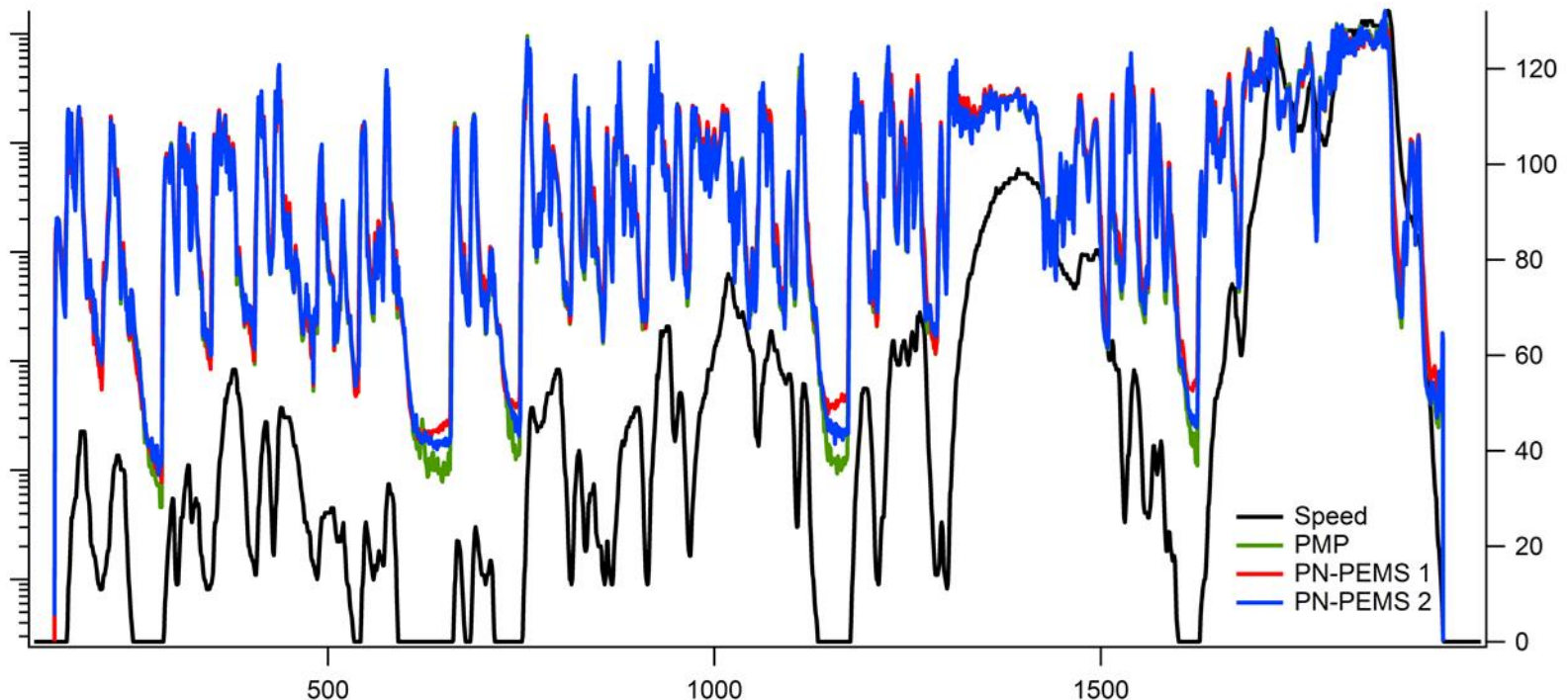
- Objectives:
  - Familiarize labs with PN-PEMS, evaluate the robustness of PN-PEMS
  - Assess reproducibility and repeatability of the performance of the PN-PEMS (dyno)
  - Compare the RDE results on different roads at different locations
- Instrumentation
  - Golden vehicle (GDI, Euro 5b)
  - Gas-PEMS
  - PN-PEMS (CPC based)
  - PN-PEMS (DC based)
  - PMP for the tailpipe

# Inter-Laboratory Correlation Exercise (ILCE)

- Experimental
  - Lab tests (cold NEDC, hot WLTC)
  - On-road tests according to the RDE procedures
- Planning
  - JRC (Beginning of September)
  - VW (Mid of September)
  - Bosmal (Beginning of October)
  - Honda (End of October)
  - Audi (Beginning of November)
  - Volvo (end of November)
  - TUV Nord (beginning of December)
  - JRC (End of December)

# Inter-Laboratory Correlation Exercise (ILCE)

- Example of (excellent) instruments agreement

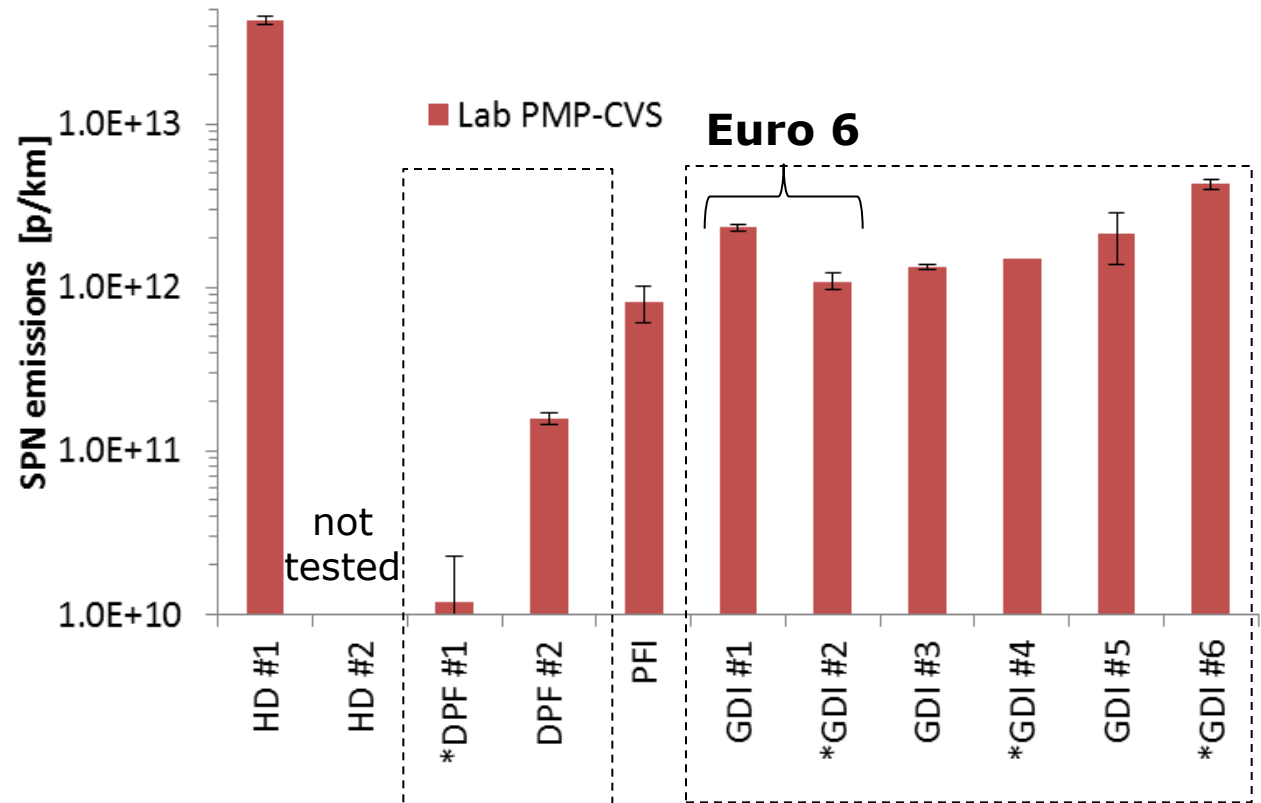


## Chassis and on-road tests comparisons

- Objective: Evaluate the emission of the same vehicle both in the laboratory and on-road
- Vehicles (Euro 5 and 6) tested both in the chassis dynamometer and on-road
- Reference cycle: WLTC
- On-road tests mixtures of urban, rural, motorway driving
- Ambient conditions typically 5-25°C
- Elevation 200-400m (few exceptions up to 1100m)
- PMP and PN-PEMS both on-board in some cases

# Chassis and on-road tests comparisons

Lab results:  
Emission levels  
as expected



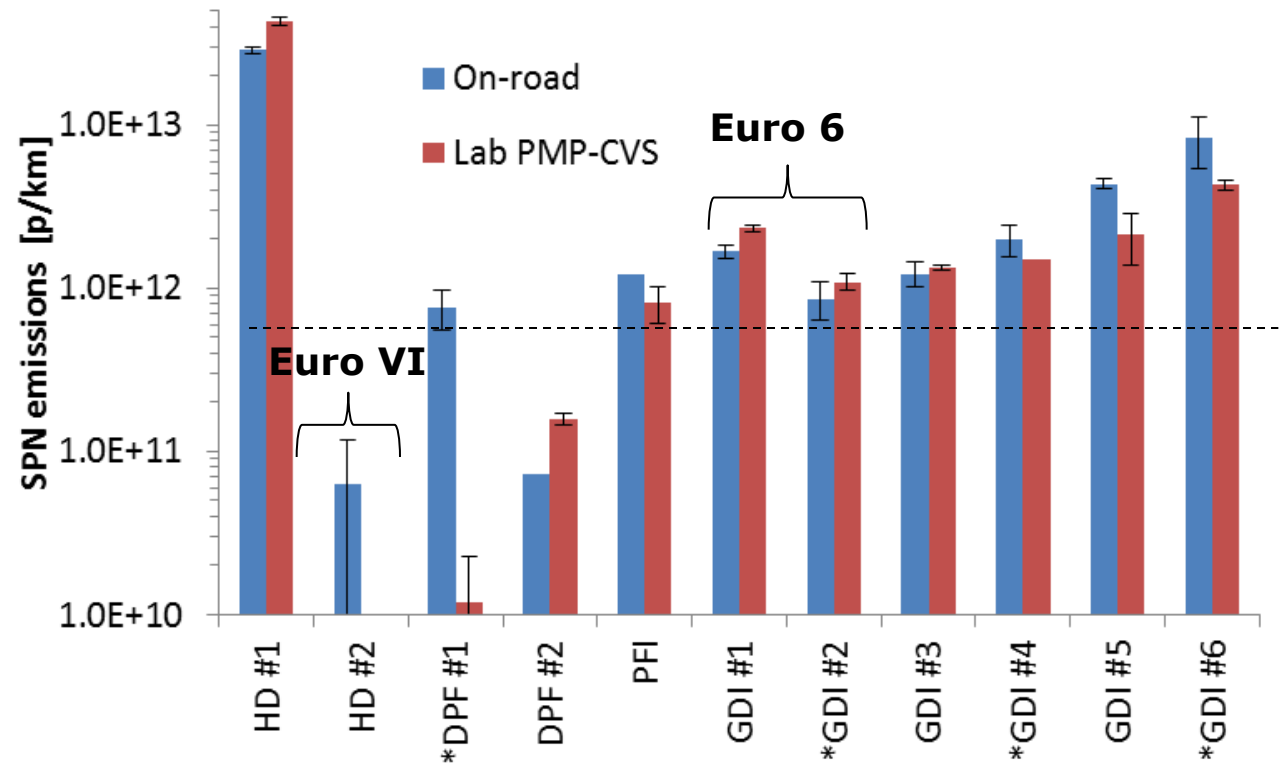


# On-road and lab evaluation

Differences <2

Parameters:

- Accelerations
- Temperature
- Cold start
- Extra weight



## Summary

- RDE test procedure approved in May 2015 – Annex IIIA to Regulation 962/2008 (1<sup>st</sup> package):
  - Performance requirements of PEMS
  - Test protocol, boundary conditions, U/R/M shares
  - Two alternative data evaluation to control for driving severity and enable a fair assessment of cars
- 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> packages will follow until 2018. To do:
  - Conformity factors
  - Complementary boundary conditions
  - Cold start
  - Data evaluation for Hybrid vehicles

## 2<sup>nd</sup> package: Completes gaseous RDE

- Dates and application of NTE (Not-To-Exceed) limits
  - $NTE = EURO6 \times CF \times TF$
- Conformity Factors (CF) (not yet approved)
  - NOx Step 1 (2017/8+1): **2.1** → optimization with software existing Euro 6
  - NOx Step 2 (2019/20): **1.5** → Air Quality legislation (Development of hardware might be necessary)
- Transfer Function (TF)
  - Factor that depends on the probability of having specific road conditions
- Error analysis (measurement equipment, trip variations)
- Complementary Dynamic Boundary Conditions
  - Acceleration x speed
  - Relative positive acceleration
  - Positive elevation gain

## **3<sup>rd</sup> Package: Complete PN RDE**

- PN-PEMS procedure and error analysis (Oct 2015)
- Use of PN-PEMS or Random Cycle (Nov 2015)
- Conformity Factors (CF) (Dec 2015)
  - PN Step 1 (2017/8) → Instrument measurement uncertainty + maturity
  - PN Step 2 (2019/20) → Best available technology (+instrument uncertainty)

## **3<sup>rd</sup> Package: Cold start (?)**

## **4<sup>th</sup> Package: In-Service Compliance**

- Administrative rules (March 2016)
- Technical rules (Oct 2016)

## PN-PEMS for HD

- Call of interest
- Technical specifications definitions
  - Based on light-duty
- JRC evaluation (1/2 years)
  - N2, N3, (truck), M3 (bus)
  - Different conditions than LD (e.g. temperature, particle nature etc)
  - On-road tests
- Validation program
  - OEMs
  - Instruments in parallel

## LD

- Call of interest  
(end 2012)
- Phase I  
(end 2013)
- Phase II  
(end 2014)
  
- ILCE  
(end 2015)



Thank you for your attention!